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WIFE MURDERER PAYS
THE DEATH PENALTY.

After Conviction of One Murder he
Confesses to Four Others.

Columbus, Aug. 19.—Alfred A. Knapp, convicted of the murder of his wife, Hannah Goddard Knapp, and who confessed to five murders, was electrocuted in the annex of the Ohio penitentiary a few minutes after midnight. Knapp, who weakened when he found his last hope for life had gone, expressed a fear that he would have to be carried to the death chair, regained his nerve and met his fate with little show of fear or emotion. The electrocution was performed without a hitch, the first shock being applied at 12.02, the second a minute later, and 12.09 he was pronounced dead.

Alfred A. Knapp, convicted and electrocuted for the murder of his third wife, Hannah Goddard Knapp, confessed to having committed five murders, all of his victims being women.

Knapp was born at Greensburg, Ind., in 1862, and for 20 years lived on a farm.

His first criminal act was in Chicago, where he committed a burglary. He served a sentence at Joliet for that offense. Most of his offenses were against women and children and he spent more than half of the past 22 years behind prison bars. But for a chance word, dropped unconsciously, his last crime would probably never have been traced to him.

IMPORTANT TO TEACHERS.

Circular Containing Information
Relative to Examination.

Columbia, Aug. 18.—Superintendent of Education Martin has issued an important circular to the county boards of education in regard to the teachers' examinations. There has been a change in the method adopted at the last meeting of the State board of education, and this will be noted by those who will stand the examination.

The letter is as follows:
To County Boards of Education—Gentlemen: The State board of education has appointed the regular fall examination of teachers for Friday, October 21. At the meeting of the State board of education on May 6th it was decided to have this examination on "Hughes's Mistakes in Teaching," "Peterson's Civil Government," "Silas Marner," "Emoch Arden," and "Current History," in addition to regular subjects. Please notify all applicants for teachers' certificates in ample time so that there may be no misunderstanding as to the date.

The State board of education will hold its regular meeting on Friday, September 2, at 5 o'clock p. m. All matters claiming the attention of this board should be in this office by September 1st.

The Clemson scholarship appointments, as recommended by the county board of education, have been forwarded to President Mell. In many instances the postoffices of the successful applicants were not furnished to this office; so I shall ask the county superintendent to notify the appointees in each county that the young men may communicate with the president of the College and perfect arrangements for entrance. Sincerely yours,
O. B. Martin,
Sec. State Board and Supt. Education.

Delegation to Visit Judge Parker.

Esopus, Aug. 19.—The first delegations, besides the notification committee, to visit Judge Parker since the nomination will come tomorrow from Brooklyn, sixty strong. Contingent will be made up of the Brooklyn delegate club and Kings County Democratic Club and will be headed by Henry A. Metz, who is president of both organizations. It is practically settled that Judge Parker will go to St. Louis and arrive there about September 26th, when he will attend the convention of American Bar Association. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Parker. Trip is not of a political nature. It is reported that he will stop at Chicago and Indianapolis on his way home making speeches.

Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or dependency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great Stomach, Liver and Kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by J. E. W. DeLorme Druggist.

FIENDISH WORK

OF A GEORGIA MOB.

Two Negro Murderers Under Sentence to Be Hanged September 9

TAKEN FROM OFFICERS AND BURNED

Another Horrible and Needless Crime by the Mob Fiend.

Statesboro, Ga., Aug. 16.—With clothing saturated with kerosene, writhing and twisting in their agony, screaming to heaven for the mercy that the mob would not show, Paul Reed and Will Cato, negroes, two of the principals in the dastardly murder and burning of Henry Hodges and wife and three children, six miles from Statesboro three weeks ago, were burned at the stake today.

This afternoon at 1.21 o'clock a determined mob charged upon the court house, overpowered the military guard, secured Cato and Reed, who had been found guilty after a legal trial and sentenced to be hanged, took them two miles from Statesboro, and there exacted the fearful penalty. The forenoon passed quietly, the trial of Paul Reed, the ringleader in the murder, being concluded and a verdict of guilty rendered. Sentence was imposed upon both him and Will Cato, sentenced the day before, and September 9 was fixed as the date for the execution.

Up to the noon hour there was no intimation that so soon was to be enacted the terrible climax. In the trial of Reed little delay was caused and upon its conclusion the prisoners, as before, were hustled into the witness room where a strong guard of military was mounted over them.

Shortly afterwards the mob about 200 strong overpowered the guards, who were not permitted to load their guns and were outnumbered the prisoners seized and taken to the place where they were put to death with a cruelty that beggars description.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 17.—Handy Bell, another of the negroes implicated in the Hodges murder is reported to have been burned at stake at Statesboro by the mob last night.

Statesboro, Ga., Aug. 17.—Business in Statesboro has resumed somewhat its normal state today, but the lawlessness that prevailed within the town limits yesterday had pervaded the country districts and men are reported as roaming the country at large whipping negroes wherever found who are thought to be in any way implicated by deed or word of mouth in the "Beforeday" club of organized murderers. Negroes are now reported sleeping in the woods, while from along the line of railroads come reports of many boarding trains for other points. The danger of the whites of Bulloch county now lies more in the large deportation of labor and consequent effect on the cotton picking season than from any other cause.

Roving bands of inflamed whites were out last night and during the early morning hours seeking vengeance on the negroes and several serious affairs are reported as the result.

One negro, said to be Handy Bell, was reported shot to pieces, but parties who knew Bell viewed the remains and declared it was not Bell.

Albert Roberts, an old negro living near Register, and his son were shot while sitting peacefully in their cabin last night and seriously wounded. Robert was a peaceful citizen and his white neighbors near Register are greatly incensed over the shooting.

All Night Clubs, consisting mostly of white men whose minds are inflamed, are reported organized in various sections of the county for the purpose of whipping negroes, and these reports add to the general fear over the situation.

Rev. Stubbs, pastor of the Hardshell Baptist church, with a number of members from among prominent citizens, has called a meeting of the elders with the avowed intention of having expelled all members who participated in the burning of Cato and Reed.

In explaining today why Handy Bell and the other prisoners were released after Reed and Cato implicated them in the Hodges murder, Sheriff Kendrick said:

"I got my orders from the judge and turned them loose as he stated that their testimony was not sufficient to hold the witnesses."

Sheriff Kendrick denied a report generally circulated that one of his deputies assisted in overpowering the guards yesterday. Capt. Hitch and others of the soldiers maintain its truth in official reports.

Latest accounts indicate that Handy Bell has escaped so far although he was followed out of town last night, captured and only released after vowing when the rope was placed around his neck that he was innocent of the crime.

There seems to be no fear of punishment on the minds of those who participated in the burning of Reed and Cato, and all connected with it talk freely of their part.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 1.—The situation at Statesboro is still quite serious. Reports are coming in from all parts of the county of promiscuous whipping and shooting of negroes. The blacks are thoroughly terrorized and it is impossible to predict the outcome. It will be several days before the situation can quiet down. Whippings seem to be general and many negroes are leaving the county. A number of organizations have been formed by whites throughout Bulloch

county with avowed purpose of driving bad negroes out of community. This will probably lead to further bloodshed.

A message from Statesboro says the charred remains of one negro who had been lynched, was placed in a box and addressed to President Roosevelt with a note saying: "You'll never eat with this nigger."

Level headed men went to the express office, however, and took the box out and the president won't receive the gruesome relic.

Governor Terrell has been officially notified of the name of the leader of Tuesday's mob.

DEPUTIES AIDED LYNCHERS.

Savannah Militia Say They Were in Collusion With the Mob who Captured the Negroes.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 17.—Tonight all the Savannah troops returned from Statesboro. Among those who had been on guard at the court house when the assault was made were a number who bore bruises and marks of the fray. None of these, however, were serious.

Capt. Robert M. Hitch, who commanded the troops on guard and for the relief of which 200 men were sent from here this afternoon, would make no statement, stating that he would report to the proper authorities. He has made out such a report for the adjutant general.

The soldiers, however, accuse the deputy sheriffs of collusion with the lynchers. In fact, they declare that the deputies openly aided the lynchers in overpowering the soldiers. It is said that one powerful deputy seized Capt. Hitch and hustled him down a stairway to the lawn outside, where his sword and pistol were taken away from him. When Capt. Hitch made his way back upstairs the prisoners had been hustled away.

Many soldiers declare that the deputies, who had been free to pass here and there among them, seized them unexpectedly. Reports from Statesboro deny this. Those who assaulted the soldiers, the reports declare, were not deputies.

Lieut. McCully Has Left Port Arthur.

Anderson, Aug. 18.—The following message was received by Mrs. McCully here today:

"Washington, D. C., August, 18, 1904.

"Mrs. McCully, 1022 Institute Hill, Anderson, S. C.:

"Your son has left Port Arthur and is safe at Pekin. "Teachtster."

Prosperity in South Carolina.

The News and Courier has received from its fine corps of correspondents carefully prepared statements about the condition of the crops in South Carolina which are printed today. The recent heavy rains have injured the cotton crop considerably in some of the counties, and the early spring drought affected somewhat the yield of corn in certain neighborhoods, but the general agricultural condition in the State was never more encouraging than it is at present, and it appears to be certain that more than an average crop of cotton will be produced this year, and that the corn crop will be one of the largest ever grown in the State.

The farmers are in better condition than they have been for years, the rise in the price of cotton last year enabling many of them to pay old standing debts. The tobacco crop will be smaller this year than last, owing to a reduced acreage, but the price will be better, and the result from this crop more satisfactory. The reports from many of the counties show the increasing value of clay lands for farming purposes and a general improvement in the methods of cultivation employed and in the better living of the farmers.

There has been a very gratifying improvement of the general industrial prosperity of the State. With an abundance of bread and meat and a large crop of cotton and steady advancement in industrial enterprise, the people of South Carolina can look out on the world happy in the thought that there is no State like South Carolina. Prosperity on the farm means prosperity in the towns and villages and everywhere. Next year, with the election of a Democratic President, the conditions will be even better than they are now.—News and Courier.

Ainslie, Argosy, Smart Set, Book-lover's Magazine, Collier's, Delinquent, Designer, Bon-Ton, Elite and other French fashion books at Osteen's Book Store.

Puts an End to it All.

A grievous ailment comes as a result of unbearable pain from over taxed organs. Dizziness, Backache, Liver complaint and Constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by J. E. W. DeLorme's Drug Store.

Morgan W. Thraillkill, white, was convicted of murder and recommended to mercy at Saluda on Wednesday after a trial lasting three days, and has been sentenced to life imprisonment.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
Signature of
J. C. Watson

GEN. STOESSEL IS GAME

TO THE VERY END.

Positively Refuses to Comply With Japanese Demand That He Surrender Port Arthur.

Japanese will Recombine Bombardment With Redoubled Fury and Will Take City by Storm.

Russians Expect Attack on Vladivostok.

London, Aug. 18.—Gen. Stoessel the commander of the Russian garrison at Port Arthur has refused to comply with the Japanese demand to surrender the fortress, and non-combatants in beleaguered city absolutely refuse to avail themselves of Japanese offer of a chance to leave the city. Telegrams issued by the Japanese legation this morning confirm the press reports to this effect. The refusal to surrender means that the bombardment of the city will be commenced immediately with increased vigor.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 18.—An official dispatch from Liao-Yang states that the rains have continued so late this year that the comparative calm in the field will probably be protracted until September.

It was stated this morning by officials that an attack on Vladivostok by the Japanese is anticipated during the period of calm in the field and measures are being taken to fully fortify the pacific port against such onslaught.

London Aug. 18.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Reuter Telegram Company wires that the Japanese Squadron is expected there today. The Japanese, the correspondent adds, are determined that the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Grovovs II, and the protected cruiser Askold which are now at Shanghai shall not remain until needed repairs can be received. They have made a demand that the Chinese government require them to leave immediately, the time limit having expired, or else disarm.

London, Aug. 17.—The Yokohama correspondent to The Daily Mail says that the cruiser Novik of the Port Arthur squadron has been sighted off the Straits of Van Diemen, steering for Vladivostok.

Berlin Aug. 18.—"Die Post" has received a report that five thousand Japanese were killed in an attack on Port Arthur yesterday. No particulars were contained in the dispatch.

Chefoo, Aug. 19.—According to information received at Chefoo today, the Japanese at Port Arthur have penetrated an abandoned Chinese arsenal a mile and a quarter east of the town. The dock yards and buildings surrounding them are said to be severely damaged by Japanese shells. Explosions are frequently heard in town. Japanese have reported the captured of inner forts number three and four.

Makden, Aug. 19.—A battle in the neighborhood of Liao Yang is imminent. The Japanese forces have advanced to within twenty miles of Liao Yang and skirmishes between the outposts and those of the Russian army are constant.

Chefoo, Aug. 19.—A Russian gunboat of the Otvasshin type struck a mine off Liao Tishan yesterday evening and sank.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Consul General Fowler at Chefoo has just cabled the state department that two Japanese torpedo boat destroyers entered the harbor yesterday, while several Japanese cruisers remained outside. On their return they ran across a steamer, nationality unknown, and seized her.

R. H. Butler's Body Found.

Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 18.—The body of R. H. Butler, the well-known traveling salesman for a tobacco house at Reidsville, N. C., whose horse and buggy were discovered in Northeast River, at Castle Haynes, on Sunday afternoon, was found this morning near the point, where the team was pulled out of the river. The mysterious drowning is still unexplained, and no one knows how the accident occurred. It is believed that the man drove in to the river while travelling at night. His body was sent home.

The National Billposters' Association, has decided to give the St. Louis Fair \$500,000 worth of board space free, and the posters will be placed in every city of importance throughout the country.

Taken With Cramps.

Wm. Kruse, a member of the bridge gang working near Littleport was taken suddenly ill Thursday night with cramps and a kind of cholera. His case was so severe that he had to save the members of the crew wait upon him and Mr. Gifford was called and consulted. He told them he had a medicine in the form of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy that he thought would help him out and accordingly several doses were administered with the result that the fellow was able to be around next day. The incident speaks quite highly of Mr. Gifford's medicines.—Elkader, Iowa, Argus.

This remedy never fails. Keep it in your home, it may save life. For sale by Chupa's Drug Store.

A Sweet Breath

is a never failing sign of a healthy stomach. When the breath is bad the stomach is out of order. There is no remedy in the world equal to Kodol Dyspepsia Cure for curing indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach disorders. Mr. M. S. Crick, of White Plains, Ky., writes: "I have been a dyspeptic for years; tried all kinds of remedies but continued to grow worse. By the use of Kodol I began to improve at once, and after taking a few bottles am restored in weight, health and strength and can eat whatever I like." Kodol digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by O. B. Davis.

DAVIS NOTIFIED AT WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS.

John Sharpe Williams Makes a Lengthy Address, But Mr. Davis Speaks Briefly and to the Point.

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Aug. 17.—John Sharpe Williams, of Mississippi, today, used six thousand words to let Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia know that the democrats of the United States had honored him with the nomination for the Vice Presidency. Mr. Davis needed only 2,000 words to accept the nomination and tell the convention that he endorsed the platform and the Presidential candidate and to present his views. The ceremony attending the event was extremely simple, but full of interest. It took place shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon in a natural amphitheatre of stones thrown up in front of the famous old Green-beer Hotel, where majestic oaks shaded the speakers stand. The stand was decorated with patriotic colors for the occasion and thousands of men and women stood about on the green applauding the sentiments of the speakers. Those of national importance in the party who were present were Perry Belmont, of New York, John I. Martin, Senator Daniel, of Virginia, National Committeeman Morris, of the District of Columbia, members of the notification committee and a half dozen others who had places on the speakers stand. The weather was ideal, with glorious sunshine.

Mr. Williams began by formally notifying Mr. Davis of his nomination and felicitously expressed the pleasure felt by himself and the committee at their task.

He said he would entitle his address: "A brief historical disquisition upon some blunders of our ancestors, as viewed from the standpoint of the wisdom of republican statesmen who have embraced the strenuous life." The speech was in a sarcastic strain throughout. He said the first of these "Blunders" consisted in discriminating against the red man, the next blunder consisted in taking up arms against King George. All are reminders of another blunder of our ancestors, both under the common law of Great Britain and the United States, they seem to have entertained the notion that combinations in restraint of trade, seeking a monopoly, or throttling competition, are in some way adverse to the development of individuality. Referring to the president's foreign policy Mr. Williams said, "What a queer old-time, childish idea was that of our ancestors that the president of the United States is simply the chief executive and that his duty consists in executing the laws as they are written."

Mr. Davis in reply said in part: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Committee: The official notification which you bring of my nomination for the Vice Presidency gives me a feeling of the sincerest gratitude to my party for the honor conferred. A spirit of determination to succeed in the campaign before us appears to pervade the rank and file of our party in all sections of the country. Of that rank and file I have for many years been a member and have at all times devoted my humble powers to party success, believing that success to be for the country's good. I find it, therefore, a great pleasure, standing here upon the borderland of the two Virginias, to receive and accept the commission you bear, to send greetings though you to the democracy of the entire country. As introductory to the few remarks I shall make, I desire to say that I heartily endorse the platform upon which I have been nominated and with the Convention and its nominee for President, regard the present monetary standard of value as irrevocably established. He then referred to the extravagant claims the Republicans have made and are making to the credit for the prosperity of the country. He showed how the prosperity that we have had was due to natural conditions and the economical administration of the Democrats when in power. He proved by the records that the wasteful extravagance of the Republicans had more than once created an enormous deficit in the treasury and hard times throughout the country. He also severely criticized the President for asserting that the Republican party had been a consistent advocate of the gold standard and quoted from Republican platforms in proof of their crooked record on the monetary issue. Near the conclusion of his remarks he said: "With a candidate whose personality appeals to the good sense and sound judgment of the American people, a platform whose principles are for the greatest good to the greatest number, and a reunited party earnest for the restoration of good and economical government, we should succeed and the principles of democracy again triumph. I beg my countrymen, as they value their liberty, to guard with great care the sacred right of local self government, and to watch with a jealous eye the tendency of the times to centralize power in the hands of the few."

YONG MAN MURDERED IN COLLETON COUNTY.

Posse Has Slayer Surrounded.

Great Excitement Caused and Lynching Was Feared But Danger of It Said to Have Subsided.

Special to The State.

Meggets, Aug. 18.—Allen Porter Hethington, the 18-year-old son of M. J. Hethington of the Tugoodoo neighborhood, was murdered at 5.30 this morning. The slayer is Sam Brown, colored, who escaped. The whole country is being scourged by armed posses and his capture is hourly expected. Young Hethington was remonstrating with Brown about some work, when Brown shot. The bullet pierced Hethington's skull over the left eye; death followed in an hour. Bloodhounds from Charleston arrived at noon and are now on the slayer's trail. Excitement is intense. Hethington formerly attended Porter's academy. The sheriff left on the afternoon train for the scene of the tragedy.

LYNCHING UNLIKELY.

Meggets, Aug. 18.—Dogs are on the trail and the negro is surrounded in the swamp. The crowd is conservative and lynching is not likely. The funeral will take place in Walterboro tomorrow. Excitement has subsided.

ONLY SON OF HON. M. F. ANSEL KILLED IN COLLISION.

Was Firing on a Train of the Southern Railway.

Seneca, Aug. 18.—There was a head-on collision between the south-bound local freight and work train on the Southern at Keowee siding, five miles north of Seneca at 11.30 a. m. today, and Claiborne A. Ansel, son of M. F. Ansel of Greenville, who was fireman on the local, was fatally hurt, amputation of both legs being necessary.

He was in the act of shoveling in coal when the collision occurred and was caught between the tender and engine. He was released with much difficulty and carried to his home in Greenville, where he died at 6.30 this afternoon.

Engineer Hanks was badly scalded. Several others were more or less bruised and injured by jumping off but none was killed or seriously hurt.

Hon. M. F. Ansel was here on his way home from Walhalla where he had made an address to the survivors of Orr's regiment at their annual encampment but left for the wreck by private conveyance immediately after it occurred.

Cholera Infantum.

This disease has lost its terrors since Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy came into general use. The uniform success which attends the use of this remedy in all cases of bowel complaints in children has made it a favorite wherever its value has become known. For sale by China's Drug Store.

Worse Every Year.

Plenty of Sumter Readers Have The Same Experience.

Don't neglect an aching back. It will get worse every year. Backache is really kidney ache. To cure the back you must cure the kidneys. If you don't, other kidney ills follow—Urinary troubles, diabetes, Bright's disease. A Sumter citizen tells you how the cure is easy.

B. A. Betts, well-known farmer, living two miles north east of Sumter, says: "I believe Doan's Kidney Pills which I procured at Dr. A. J. China's drug store are a good kidney remedy. For a number of years I had a hard time with my back and every cold I caught settled in my back and the pain felt just like rheumatism and would just lay me up. I could not sit for any length of time in one position or attempt to turn over in bed without the sharp pain striking me and making me yell right out and I had to take hold of something to support me when I got out of bed. The kidney secretions were irregular, unnatural and at night too frequent in action. I used lots of remedies and took doctor's medicine but was just the same after I used them as before. I was told about Doan's Kidney Pills curing other people so I went and got them. They helped me immediately and since then the pain has left me, my back is strong and the kidney secretions do not bother me. My health is greatly improved in every way and I give Doan's Kidney Pills the credit."

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Sour Stomach

No appetite, loss of strength, nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, general debility, sour risings, and catarrh of the stomach are all due to indigestion. Kodol cures indigestion. This new discovery represents the natural juices of digestion as they exist in a healthy stomach, combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does not only cure indigestion and dyspepsia, but this famous remedy cures all stomach troubles by cleansing, purifying, sweetening and strengthening the mucous membranes lining the stomach.

Mr. S. S. Ball, of Ravenswood, W. Va., says: "I was troubled with sour stomach for twenty years. Kodol cured me and we are now using it in milk for baby."

Kodol Digests What You Eat.

Bottles only. \$1.00 Size holding 2½ times the trial size, which sells for 50 cents. Prepared by E. C. DeWitt & Co., CHICAGO

For sale by Olin B. Davis.