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Willie Bethune's Last Chance in Court

The United States supreme court has handed down a decision in the case of the State of South Carolina vs. Joe Malloy, convicted in the Marlboro court in 1910, and sentenced to be hanged, but between the date of his conviction, and the date set for his execution the legislature changed the mode of punishment from hanging to electrocution. His attorney appealed to the United States supreme court on the grounds that he could not be legally executed as he was sentenced to be hanged and not electrocuted. This case is of more than ordinary interest to Clarendon county, because the case of Willie Bethune several times tried and convicted for the murder of Mr. Ben Mims, has also been carried to the same court on practically the grounds of appeal. Our information is that the attorney for Bethune agreed with the attorney general to let his case go along with the Malloy case, if a new trial was granted Malloy, he would ask for one for Bethune, but if Malloy lost it would be useless to further insist for Willie Bethune. So we assume that Willie Bethune's only hope now lies with the governor of South Carolina, either granting a commutation or pardon. He will be taken before the judge at the next term of court who will sentence him to be electrocuted. The sentencing judge has no discretion in the case, and must impose the death penalty.

This case has run the gamut of the courts for a long time, but it has now reached its end. It has cost this county a great deal of money, but that should not be taken into consideration where a life is at stake, even though the life be that of a negro who killed a white man. What is demanded however, is justice, and the highest court of this great government has decreed that justice has been done in this, and the Malloy cases which was before it from South Carolina.—Manning Times.

Reception for Gov. and Mrs. Manning.

Gov. and Mrs. Richard Irvine Manning were honored by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Alexander White with a handsome reception Tuesday evening at the home of the latter on Gibbs court. Three hundred invitations had been sent out and not less than 250 guests called. Mrs. Manning and Mrs. White have been lifelong friends, having grown up together in Richmond. Mrs. Manning's father was Judge Meredith and Mrs. White's father was Judge Welford, themselves close, warm associates, and their daughters were companions during girlhood and school days. It is a joy to both that after many years they are once more living in the same city and able to renew their friendship.

Receiving with the host and hostess and their honor guests were: Former Gov. and Mrs. Duncan Clinch Heyward, President William Spencer Currell of the university and Mrs. Currell and Miss Mautin of Baltimore, who is a cousin of Mrs. White and a guest of Mrs. Manning at the executive mansion.
The house was beautifully decorated, the dining room being all in white and green and the other rooms having a wealth of white and purple flags and yellow jonquils. In the centre of the table from which refreshments were served stood a large silver basket of white carnations and fern and the candles were held in silver candlesticks with green silken shades.—The State, Sunday, April 11.

Use the Cultivator.

Farmers who watched their crops parch and shrivel during last year's long drought, while neighbors who cultivated persistently made good yields, will no doubt be more inclined this year to the use of the cultivator, one of the most valuable of agricultural implements. Make up your mind now, long before planting time, that you are going to keep your land constantly "stirred up" and not allow your plants to be handicapped by unsatisfied thirst.

DISCONTINUE TWO TRAINS.

Southern Railway Announces Removal of No. 31 and No. 32 to Jacksonville.

Washington, April 10.—Southern railway officials announced today that effective April 18 trains Nos. 31 and 32, known as the New York-Jacksonville Special, will be discontinued. The New York-Jacksonville sleeping car now being handled on these trains will be carried between Washington and Savannah by trains Nos. 29 and 30. Between Savannah and Jacksonville this car will be handled by the Atlantic Coast Line.

NO SUNDAY PROGRAM.

This Year's Redpath Chautauqua Tent To Remain Eight Days.

The important announcement has just been made by the management of the Redpath Chautauquas that there will be no Sunday program this year on the big seven-day circuit, which circuit extends from Jacksonville, Fla., to Waukegan, Illinois. This innovation, it is said, will cost more than \$20,000. The tent will remain eight days in a place but will be open to the public only seven.

CHAUTAQUA AT BALL PARK.

Location Changed so as to Obtain a Place Free of Noise.

The location of the Chautauqua this year has been changed to the baseball park. The change was due to the noise and heavy traffic in vicinity of last year's location. Every one should bear in mind this change and the local committee feels the people will enjoy the program better in a quiet place, free from any unnecessary noise.

There were some nine hundred pledges for tickets at \$2.00 this year. The local committee has but a very few extra tickets at \$2.00 to sell to those who did not pledge for tickets last year, and every day calls are coming for two dollar tickets, which can not be sold, until the pledge cards are filed. So in order to remove any burden from the shoulders of the local guarantors, it would be appreciated if those who signed pledges would call at the Y. M. C. A. early in the week. They have only 1,000 tickets at \$2.00, so those who have pledged should get their tickets at once, so that the committee may be relieved from any embarrassment, if the pledge tickets are sold a day prior to the opening of the Chautauqua.
The program looks bigger and better than last year's so let's everyone be a booster and make this Chautauqua our Chautauqua, for the people of Sumter are the ones who make it a success.

GUARD ROBBINS DIES OF WOUND

Dead Man Had Chased Many Convicts—Trained Bloodhounds.

Columbia, April 11.—John Catlett Robbins, State executioner, who was shot Friday near Pinewood, in Clarendon county, by a negro, Joel Green, a fugitive from justice, whom he was pursuing, died last night at 7 o'clock at a hospital in Columbia.

"Governor, I was trying to do my duty," said Mr. Robbins, as he was being rushed to Columbia late Friday night. Gov. Manning was at Sumter on his way from Orangeburg to Columbia. The governor accompanied the guard to Columbia in the baggage car of the Atlantic Coast Line railway train, reaching Columbia just before 11 o'clock Friday night. Gov. Manning remained in the baggage car until the train reached the union station and gave every attention possible to the officer. Yesterday afternoon Gov. Manning called to see Mr. Robbins at the Columbia hospital. An operation was performed late Friday night, but little hope was held out for recovery.

Guard Robbins was born in Anderson county in 1876. His early life was spent on his father's farm near the city of Anderson. He was among the first to enlist for the Spanish-American war. After the war he came to Columbia and secured a position as guard at the State penitentiary. When the act providing for electrocution in this State was passed Guard Robbins was named as the official executioner by Capt. D. J. Griffith, superintendent of the penitentiary.

The funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at Eureka church, three miles from Anderson.
"Mr. Robbins had been connected with the State penitentiary," said Capt. Griffith last night, "for about eight years. He was a good, kind and brave officer. He could do more with the bloodhounds than any one else I know. We will miss him."
The State government does not provide for the maintenance of a pack of bloodhounds. Several years ago Mr. Robbins bought several hounds and began to develop a pack. He has chased and caught many criminals. His dogs seldom failed to follow the trail of hunted criminals.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS.

Cottage Prayer Meeting Sections of City with Leaders, Preliminary to Evangelistic Campaign, April 25.

- From The Daily Item, April 10.
- Section No. 1—Leader, Rev. J. M. Rogers.
All Church, north of Broad, with adjoining streets and Chestnut north of Broad.
- Section No. 2—Leader, George Rowland.
All Saratoga to Salem, all Salem from Saratoga to Broad, all Broad from Salem to city limits; all Corbett.
- Section No. 3—Leader, Rev. Earle Grey.
All of Hazel, all of Chestnut from Haynsworth to Broad; all Broad from Salem to Church, all of Church from Broad to Haynsworth; Salem from Haynsworth to Saratoga.
- Section No. 4—Leader, R. D. Epps.
All Broad from Church to Warren, all Warren, all Main north of Calhoun.
- Section No. 5—Leader, C. W. McGrew.
All east Calhoun with all streets north.
- Section No. 6—Leader P. G. Bowman.
All Washington North of Calhoun; all Church north of Calhoun to Haynsworth; north side of Calhoun from Washington to Church.
- Section No. 7—Leader, R. T. Brown.
All Main from Calhoun to Liberty; all Liberty to Magnolia; all north Magnolia to Calhoun, East Hampton, Canal and north Harvin.
- Section No. 8—Leader, J. O. Farwick.
All South Magnolia to city limits; all Mary; all Fendrick east of Magnolia, Levi, east Liberty east of Magnolia, Hauser Street.
- Section No. 9—Leader, T. V. Walsh.
East side South Main to limits; South Harvin to limits Kendrick from Harvin to Magnolia, Caldwell.
- Section No. 10—Leader, S. F. Stouder.
South side West Liberty to Sumter; east side South Sumter to Dingle; all Dingle from Sumter to Main; west side South Main to Dingle with all cross sections.
- Section No. 11—Leader, S. R. Chandler.
West side South Sumter to Dingle; all Dingle from Sumter to Washington; all South Washington; all West Liberty from Council to Sumter with cross sections of Oakland and Bartlette.
- Section No. 12—Leader, A. M. Broughton.
All Church to Calhoun; all Hampton from Washington to Harby; all Harby, all Calhoun from Harby to Church, south side of Calhoun from Church to Washington.
- Section No. 13—Leader, R. S. Churchill.
West Hampton from Harby to limits; Salem from Hampton to Calhoun, Haskell and Purdy from Hampton to Calhoun.
- Section No. 14—Leader, L. P. Turner.
Calhoun west of Harby; all of Haynsworth, Salem from Calhoun to Haynsworth.
- Section No. 15—Leader, C. E. Stubbs.
All Washington from Calhoun to Liberty, all West Calhoun from Main to Washington; all West Hampton from Main to Washington; all North Washington to Calhoun.
- Section No. 16—Leader, J. T. China.
All Wright to Bartlette; all Bartlette from Wright to Salem; all Salem from Bartlette to Hampton; all Liberty from Salem to Council.
- Section No. 17—Leader, E. E. Haigler.
All Bartlette west of Salem; all Liberty west of Salem; all Blanding from Bartlette to Hampton; all section west of Blanding between Bartlette and Liberty.
- Section No. 18—Leader, B. P. Cuttino.
All south of Bartlette and west of Washington.
The above sections include practically all the white people of Sumter. All can readily see in what sections they belong and with what leader to cooperate. Each leader is planning for two or more evenings next week for family prayer meetings in his respective section. Each evening one or more meetings will be held in each section. In many instances a few families will group together under the direction of the leader or one of his assistants. It is hoped that the people of each section will heartily cooperate with the plans of their section leader. In this way the entire city will be fully awakened to the approaching meeting and ready to enter into it heartily from the beginning.
J. N. Tolar,
Chairman Cottage Prayer Meetings.

Fine Iron Ore.

We are informed that a superior quality of iron ore has been found on Mr. W. J. Franklin's farm near Lethe. A specimen was sent to Clemson College and the analyst pronounced it high grade iron ore. An expert who inspected the vein thinks the ore is there in abundance.—McClormick Messenger.

Ten Weeks in Bed—Eminent Physicians Failed—Wonderful Recovery.

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Mrs. H. J. Price,
Portsmouth, O.
Personally appeared before me this 13th of September, 1909, Mrs. H. J. Price, who subscribed the above statement and made oath that the same is true in substance and in fact.
R. A. Calvert,
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