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YOUNG MAN HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Ed. Kirby Lodged in Jail Charged With Grave Statutory Offense.

Ed. Kirby was arraigned before Magistrate Haselden Wednesday afternoon on a warrant charging him with a serious statutory offense against a young girl of the Free State section whose parents allege is under 14 years of age. After taking testimony Magistrate Haselden found that the offense had been committed in Marion county and was therefore out of his jurisdiction. Kirby was sent to jail and will be transferred to a Marion county magistrate for the preliminary.

According to the testimony given by the girl at the hearing before Magistrate Haselden, she left home Sunday morning to visit a girl friend but when they arrived at her friend's home they found that she was not there. They went on to Dothan where they found Dunk and Dudley Kirby, brothers of Ed. The girl went riding with Dunk, Dudley and a girl friend, going as far as Bass Cross Roads. Later they went to a tent meeting at Latta. Upon returning from the tent meeting they rejoined Ed. Kirby. "Then Dudley said he would carry me home if I would go with him to carry Ed. and Dunk. When we got to Ed's house Dudley asked Ed. for the car to carry me home and told Ed. what he had planned. Ed. said he would carry me to Mullins, and asked me to stay out to his house and he would carry me next morning. Told him I would of his sister was there, but she was not there and I could not stay. Said he had better go on that night. Got up and went with him to his grandmother's that night. We left there next a. m. between 8 and 9 o'clock and went to Mullins. We got there and started on out to George Kirby's, and when we got out two miles from town Ed. said he would be there in five minutes if we don't stop, but we are going to stop. I begged him not to stop. Drove on past the road he was intending to go, and turned and came back and went in. He missed the road when he went in the woods and turned round and came back to place he thought suited him and stopped. I begged him to go on but he said he would not. I refused to get out of the car. He got out of the car and took me in his arms. (Certain portions of testimony omitted here.) After committing his crime he got up and went on to George's. He left me at George's left there Tuesday night when a man came for me." The victim of the alleged assault claims she is 13 years of age. She moved here from Florida with her parents about a year ago and attended school at Dothan. She says her mother gave her the date of her birth and her age and she put in down. She testified she intended to leave home when she went to Mullins, but did not carry extra wearing apparel with her. The mother of the young girl testified that the girl was born in Florida in 1907 and was between 13 and 14 years of age. She said the girl had been absent from home from Sunday until Tuesday night and she found her at George Kirby's. When she arrived at George Kirby's the girl went in the house and shut the door but came out again when she found out who she was. When Rural Pooleman Arch Hamilton went to Ed. Kirby's house to serve the warrant Ed. told him that the girl had hired and paid him to take her to Mullins. She said she was going there to find work. He said he put her out on the streets of Mullins and left her.

Dunk and Dudley Kirby were charged in the warrant with abduction, but there was no evidence to connect them in any way with the alleged offense and they were released. It is not clear from the evidence whether Kirby is held on the charge of plain rape or statutory rape. Rape is an assault on the person of a woman without her consent, regardless of age. Statutory rape is carnal knowledge with a girl under 14 years of age with her consent. The penalty for both crimes is the same.

EXPECT HALF A CROP

Weevil Damage Severe Down in Orangeburg.

Orangeburg, Sept. 3.—The cotton ginning season has opened in Orangeburg county and heavy ginning is being reported. Owing to the hot weather of the past week cotton has opened rapidly. The outlook in Orangeburg county is for about half a crop. The boll weevil has infested the entire county and in about half the county has reduced the crop at least one-half, and in a great many instances to one-third. The situation is alarming to business in the county, as the crop was made on high prices, and with the severe weevil damage and the low price of the staple financial unrest is settling in.

SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Main Street Methodist Church—Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mr. W. H. Muller, Superintendent. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., by the pastor. Morning subject: "Repentance and the Revival." Evening subject: "The Death of the Soul." Prayer service on Wednesday at 8 P. M. Choir practice. Public cordially invited to all services.

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

The following list shows the names of the contributors and the amount given by each to further the cause of democracy and assist in making the national ticket "Coaxure of Victory" in the Presidential campaign of 1920:

Dr. R. F. Darwin	5.00
C. L. Moody	1.00
J. B. Rowland	1.00
Roy Edwards	1.00
Dr. Halford	5.00
Tom David	5.00
Jack Hayes	1.00
A. Blumberg	1.00
R. L. Lane	1.00
Total	\$21.00

Collected by Misses Christine Edwards and Mary Sprunt Bethea.

Dr. A. J. Evans	5.00
W. G. Lucas	5.00
L. C. Braddy	5.00
J. Frank Thompson	10.00
A. B. Welch	5.00
Jno. N. Hargrove	2.00
F. L. Sittou	2.00
Jno. D. Coleman	5.00
French Young	2.00
C. A. Johnson	1.00
J. B. McCutcheon	1.00
J. C. Stokes	1.00
M. B. Booth	1.00
Mr. Montague	5.00
G. L. Seals	5.00
A. P. Bethea	1.00
B. F. Williams	1.00
Joe Wood	1.00
Dr. Easterling	1.00
R. L. Lane	5.00
Unaccounted for	4.00
Total	\$76.01

Collected by Misses Margaret Elliott and Bette Bethea. (As \$4.00 of the above amount is unaccounted for anyone having contributed whose name does not appear above will please report in order that they may receive proper credit.)

E. T. Elliott	5.00
A. B. Jordan	5.00
J. P. McLaurin	10.00
J. H. McLaurin	1.00
J. M. Sprunt	5.00
Jno. R. Watson	25.00
O. W. Jackson	10.00
C. L. Wheeler	5.00
J. B. Ramsay	1.00
E. Gilbert Smith	1.00
E. M. Hale	1.00
P. D. Deaton	1.00
R. H. Hatch	1.00
R. L. Moody	1.00
D. H. Byars	1.00
P. S. Bethea	1.00
W. J. David	1.00
Total	\$75.00

Collected by Misses Janie Gibson and Edith Elliott.

G. H. Hall	1.00
W. E. Hall	1.00
Charles Saleeby	1.00
J. C. Lupo	1.00
Dr. S. C. Henslee	1.00
T. W. Hamer	1.00
Jesse Evans	1.00
Willie Herring	1.00
J. F. Dail	1.00
Total	\$9.00

Collected by Misses Eula Braddy and Mary Bethea.

B. G. Doggett	1.00
F. B. Fennegan	1.00
S. B. Stoney	1.00
O. C. Croxton	1.00
J. M. Rogers	1.00
Total	\$5.00

Collected by Misses Alley Braddy and Flora Bethea.

D. W. Bethea	25.00
S. W. Williams	25.00
Philip Osteen	5.00
A. C. Rogers	5.00
Jim Hasty	2.00
R. C. Couch	2.00
W. W. Thompson	5.00
R. B. Gaddy	1.00
Total	\$69.00

Collected by Misses Beulah Braddy and Sara Bethea.

Total collected as stated above	\$255.01
Amount contributed by the Hamer Democratic Club	23.07
Total collected	\$278.08

CANDIDATES' EXPENSES

The following expense accounts were filed with the Clerk of the Court by the several candidates, as required by the rules of the party:

S. V. Lane	\$80.00
H. M. Moody	\$40.50
Jon. W. McKay	\$116.66
D. C. Martin	\$68.00
B. F. Gasque	\$15.00
W. H. Muller	\$152.15
Jack O. Moody	\$110.00
L. B. Haselden	\$56.50
Clyde S. Bethea	\$82.50
N. B. Hargrove	\$38.00
S. S. Proctor	\$67.50
Sam McLaurin	\$150.00
J. Ben. Edwards	\$85.00
E. R. Ellerbe	\$123.76
J. S. Fair	\$22.50

ERECT HANGER FOR AIRPLANE

The Sprunt-Farman Co. have secured a landing field from J. P. McLaurin on the Surles land in the eastern suburbs and are making flights every afternoon. A heavy canvas hanger has been erected on the field which will protect the machine from the weather. A flight was made to Lake View Monday afternoon in which two Lake View citizens were taken over to view their town from the air. There is no landing field at Lake View and the passengers were brought back to Dillon. It took about 49 minutes to make the round trip.

SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC EXPECTED IN WINTER

Dr. Hayne Says Many Cases Already Reported And Virulence Increases In Cold Weather.

"Smallpox has been reported from all parts of the United States and many of the counties of our State have reported cases of it to this office in recent months. It is already wide-spread in South Carolina," said Dr. James A. Hayne, State health officer. "The history of smallpox is that as the cold weather comes on, the virulence and the number of cases of the disease increase materially, and as we have already had many cases of smallpox in South Carolina this summer, we may expect a wide-spread epidemic during the fall months. The law provides for compulsory vaccination, but we hope that the people will take voluntarily the scientific measure of preventing the further spread of the disease without being compelled to do so by the law. Unless vaccination is resorted to, we may expect a smallpox epidemic." Dr. H. Wyman, of Aiken, reported that about 20 cases of smallpox had developed at Langley. The health department sent Dr. H. Hayden, of Charleston to Langley to look into the situation and to take such measures as are necessary to check the malady. Dr. Hayden said that two cases had been reported from the upper section of lower Richland county.

SHOT WIFE IN WOODS

After Negro Dragged Her Two Miles With Gun on Shoulder

The Lancaster News says: One of the boldest murders ever committed in Lancaster county, according to the stories told by parties who know little of the details, came to light Saturday morning with the finding of the body of a negro woman in the woods on the farm of Richard Harper, about two miles east of town, by a young boy who was out hunting. The boy lost no time in reporting the find and the body was identified as that of Emma Montgomery, a negro about 30 years old, who lived on the farm of E. B. Roddey, and the wife of Charlie Montgomery. The woman had been shot with a gun in the neck and shoulder and it was evident she had been dead two or three days. Mr. Roddey made positive identification of the body, and returning to his home here, found Charlie Montgomery hauling wood as if nothing unusual had occurred. Mr. Roddey told the negro of the finding of the body of his wife, and he made a vain effort to show surprise, but Mr. Roddey advised him to go up to see Chief Bell, which he did. Later he is said to have made a confession to the effect that he half dragged the woman a distance of some two miles to the thick woods, out of sight and out of hearing of anyone, and then shot her to death. Asked what he did after he shot the woman, he is said to have replied that he ran away from the scene and went to hauling wood. This was early Thursday morning and the negro worked on through Thursday and Friday as though nothing had happened. Two or three parties living in the neighborhood are reported to have seen Montgomery about day-break Thursday morning dragging his wife toward the woods, with the latter crying for help and saying her husband was taking her off to kill her. That no one offered to help is probably due to the fact that no one really thought the negro would kill the woman, and again he was carrying a shot gun on his shoulder. Nothing more was thought of the incident, it seems, until the finding of the body Saturday morning. Montgomery, in his confession, is said to have admitted dragging the woman to the point where her body was found and shooting her to death.

JURORS FOR SEPTEMBER TERM OF COURT

- Monroe McKenzie, Carmichael.
- J. T. McQueen, Hillsboro.
- Jno. W. McCormack, Harleesville.
- A. M. Finklea, Bethea.
- J. E. Wise, Kirby.
- L. B. Hatchell, Kirby.
- C. L. Woodie, Kirby.
- C. W. Rogers, Hillsboro.
- C. R. Hayes, Hillsboro.
- H. A. Hasty, Harleesville.
- G. H. Love, Kirby.
- R. W. Lester, Harleesville.
- Major Coleman, Kirby.
- N. C. Carmichael, Carmichael.
- Archie Wilkerson, Manning.
- C. O. Moody, Hillsboro.
- W. H. Calhoun, Harleesville.
- J. M. Oliver, Hillsboro.
- T. T. Cottingham, Manning.
- W. R. Hamilton, Manning.
- Marvin Hamilton, Manning.
- S. D. Lane, Manning.
- R. F. Booth, Hillsboro.
- G. L. Seals, Manning.
- C. M. McInnis, Bethea.
- Walker Floyd, Manning.
- M. R. Proctor, Carmichael.
- J. N. Washington, Manning.
- David Miller, Hillsboro.
- Daniel W. Bowen, Carmichael.
- M. B. McKenzie, Manning.
- R. M. Carmichael, Manning.
- J. P. Mears, Hillsboro.
- J. H. Manning, Bethea.
- L. N. Lee, Bethea.
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SECOND PRIMARY TUESDAY

The second primary will be held next Tuesday. Ballot boxes will be ready by Saturday, and the same managers who served in the first primary will serve in the second. Boxes can be secured from A. P. Bethea, whose office is over the Bank of Dillon. The county ticket will be as follows: For sheriff, Clyde S. Bethea and S. V. Lane. For superintendent of education, J. S. Fair and H. Mahone Moody. The State ticket will be as follows: For U. S. Senator, E. D. Smith and Geo. W. Warren; for lieutenant governor, Wilson G. Harvey and Oscar K. Mauldin; for railroad commissioner, Frank W. Shendley and D. L. Smith. The official count last Tuesday did not change the result as shown by the tabulated vote in The Herald, but reduced Mr. Ellerbe's vote from 1,211 to 1,195, giving him a majority of 195 over Mr. Muller. Based on the total number of votes polled, all three candidates for the House received the nomination, each getting a majority, but as there were only two places to be filled, the candidates receiving the lowest vote had to drop out. Mr. Muller's vote was 1,094.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McCallum and family have returned from their summer home in the mountains.

MAYOR PLAYED COP—ALMOST LOST TEETH

The "Ed" Tackled a Pair of Wild and Woolly Drunks and Thereby Placed in Jeopardy His Store-Teeth.

Marion Star. One day last week a pair of visitors came to town and they brought with them a healthy jag, which was soon in evidence. A call was sent from Winn's Warehouse to the mayor's office asking for the services of a policeman. The mayor was in, but Chief Ammons was not at hand, so the mayor went out and played cop. Upon reaching the corner of Manning and Wheeler streets he found one Miles McInnis staggering about the streets and using some rather rough language. The "Ed" introduced himself to Mr. McInnis and advised him that he would have to either go home or go to jail. McInnis objected rather strongly to either proposition, so the officer took him in charge and started, in his car, to jail. McInnis then asked for a chance to go home, and the chance was given him. He was taken back to the warehouse and told to get in his car and leave. About that time his car, which had been down Manning street to some other warehouse, rolled up, containing two white men and a negro. T. W. Miles, a cousin of McInnis, was on the front seat with the driver, and when McInnis told Miles what had happened, Miles blew up with oaths and other evidence of anger, revenge and general outrageousness. The mayor walked up to the car and advised Miles that he would also have to arrest him for being drunk and disorderly. Miles did not argue; he simply drew back a mighty fist and smacked the mayor in the mouth—ker-flop! on his stereobought teeth. The outraged officer of the law then jumped into the car after Mr. Miles, grabbed him around the neck and jerked. Miles came out with the jerk, and as he was passing the mayor on the wing, the mayor fell into line, and harking back to the days of boyhood, "high-scuffed" the already flying man. Miles struck the ground with such force that his collar bone was crushed. While the mayor was holding him down, McInnis rushed in and attempted to fight the mayor off his friend. About that time Mr. C. B. Fleetwood and Mr. Luther Tart arrived, and one of them struck McInnis in the burr of the ear and sent him to sleep—ten feet from the scene. The rest was easy. The troublesome pair were placed in a car and taken to jail. Dr. Howell was called to Miles, but after an examination stated that he was unable to relieve the suffering man, and that, in his opinion, an operation would be necessary. Relatives came and obtained the release of both men, and Miles was driven in a car to Florence for medical attention. It is reported that he is still alive there, and that the surgeons have not operated, as they are waiting for the swollen condition of his shoulder to subside. McInnis left town, for the avowed purpose of employing our old friend, Mr. James Gibson, of Dillon, to sue the town, the mayor and anyone else, who so rudely trespassed on his jag.

TRAIN KILLS YOUNG MAN

The McColl correspondent of the Pee Dee Advocate says:

Mr. Nathan Stanton met with a most horrible death last Sunday night, 29th inst., when he was killed while sitting on the A. C. L. track, within sight of the A. C. L. depot. The engineer realizing an accident had happened, immediately stopped his train (the 8:40 p. m.) to investigate. Mr. Stanton was found horribly mutilated, but not beyond recognition. Nathan Stanton was 28 years old, the son of Peter and Ann Stanton, of the Brightsville section. He leaves three brothers, Messrs. Holton, Charlie and Luther Stanton, and three sisters, Mesdames Frank Gibson, Howard Harris and Joe Thompson, and a devoted widowed mother to mourn his untimely end. He was buried at the Hubbard graveyard in Brightsville.

HAVE WE FORGOTTEN GOD?

Louisville Minister Sounds Note of Warning.

There is one thing absolutely certain, the vast throngs of people we see on the streets, crowding in through the doors of amusement halls where the course and vulgar picture is displayed, indicate that the amusements offered inside are certainly not elevating. The gay and thoughtless throngs to be seen everywhere are not Bible Christians. There is an air of pride, indifference, and daring about us that very plainly indicates the multitudes of our fellow beings have forgotten God. They are not humble, or reverential, or prayerful, they are not thinking of nor preparing to meet in peace the Lord and Master at the day of judgment. The world is chasing the dollar and hurrying from place to place seeking after amusement. It is drowning the conscience in the gulf of oblivion. It is filling its mind so full of the passing show that there is neither disposition nor time for serious reflection. This state of things is not confined to the great mass of the people who make no pretext at saving faith or life of devotion to Christ; it is startling manifested in the church. They are not hungering and thirsting after righteousness; they are not finding the secret place of prayer, and crying out to God, "Search me, O God, and know my heart, and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

If the Bible is true—and we believe with all of our heart that it is true—the great masses of our fellow beings are hurrying on to outer darkness. They are without God and have no scriptural ground of hope for the future. Their creed is to "eat, drink and be merry." They are seeking to satisfy their spiritual natures with temporal things. They have "a form of godliness but deny the power thereof." There can be nothing more startling to serious and devout people than the fact that large numbers of preachers are catering to the wishes of their godless throng. Instead of rebuking and warning the people, they are turning the house of God into a place of amusement and pastime. They are encouraging the people in their mad pursuit of pleasure. One can but ask what will the future be! How long will this carnival of sin hold sway! When will the servants of God awake and call the people to repentance? It is a startling fact that these godless, covetous, lustful, pleasure-mad multitudes are hastening to hell. They have persuaded themselves that there is no hell. They hate, laugh at, and ridicule, any faithful man left in our pulpits who warns them of their danger and their doom. But the Bible being true they are falling headlong into the pit of torment in countless thousands and increasing millions. They certainly are unfit for heaven. People who do not love, and who will not obey, the God of the Bible, who have no saving faith in Jesus Christ, who have no desire or intention of seeking after holiness, are certainly unfit for heaven. The great need of the hour is a faithful, fearless ministry—a ministry with an unshaken faith in the Holy Scriptures; a ministry walking in communion with God; a ministry that will cry aloud and spare not. May the Lord awaken our preachers to warn the people faithfully of their danger, to point out to them whether they will bear or whether they will forebear, the fact that they will spend eternity in torment. Such preaching will put some people thinking. There are those in every community who will repent if they are faithfully warned. What must be the judgment and remorse in that great day of the unfaithful minister who entertained, enjoyed, and comforted sinners on their way to doom. Men of God baptized with the Holy Ghost with an unshaken faith in Christ, faithfully preaching the eternal truth can get a hearing, can awaken sleeping souls, and lead men to repentance. Woo be to the preacher who trifles with God, his fellow-men and himself in this awful hour.—Rev. H. C. Morrison, D. D. Louisville, Ky.

ASSOCIATIONS CONSOLIDATE

The Civic Improvement and Parent-Teacher Associations held a joint meeting in the school auditorium Friday afternoon with about fifty members present. Mrs. Joe Lane presided and stated the object of the meeting—to merge the two associations into one organization with the same object as both, thus eliminating extra meetings and officers. A motion to unite the Civic and Parent-Teacher Associations into one organization was then unanimously carried, after which various plans were discussed. Mrs. John Hargrove, as president of the Parent-Teacher's Association, made a few timely remarks as to the difficulty of securing a president for these organizations and the lack of co-operation on the part of members. Mrs. Floyd, chairman of the nominating committee, then submitted the following nominations: President, Mrs. L. Cottingham; vice president, Mrs. S. C. Henslee; secretary, Mrs. Pierce Rogers; treasurer, Mrs. John H. Hamer. These officers were unanimously elected. A motion was carried that the new president appoint a committee to work out plans for the new organization and report at a meeting to be held one week hence—Friday, September 11th. This committee met on Monday afternoon and will have an interesting report to submit at this meeting, so every member of the Civic and Parent-Teacher Associations is urged to be at the school auditorium Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Whatever we decide to name this organization let us adopt as our slogan, "Do it for Dillon."

INJURED IN AUTO WRECK

Heck Britt, a young white man of Hamlet, was painfully and probably seriously injured when his automobile plunged into a ditch near Little Rock last Saturday. The young man was painfully cut about the face and head and had several ugly lacerations in his thigh. The car was completely wrecked. Britt, who is a news hatcher on the Seaboard, was going to Andrews. He claims that his accelerator stuck and when he reached down to pull it up the car plunged into the ditch. He is in a Savannah hospital where his injuries are regarded as serious.

NEWSY LETTERS BY REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS

News Items of Interest to Herald Readers Ebb and Flow of the Human Tide.

Hamer News. Mrs. N. W. Pearson of Savannah, Ga., is visiting her mother, Mrs. P. R. Herring near Hamer. Mr. James R. Herring who has been with the S. S. Western Wave is home for a few days.

Oak Grove. Bethesda Methodist church at this place is about completed and as soon as the painting is finished the building will be ready for occupancy. After a two week's vacation Rev. C. S. Felder and family returned to their home at Bingham last Thursday. Mr. Felder filled his regular appointment last Sunday.

Work on the Oak Grove school building is progressing fairly well, but the building will not be ready for the regular fall opening of the school.

Cotton generally through this section has gone back rapidly during the past few weeks and is opening fast. Most of the farmers have begun to pick and the prevailing opinion is that not much over a half of a crop will be made.

FORK

Miss Coleen eBthea, of Greensboro, N. C., is spending some time at home. Miss Mary Edwards, of Mullins, spent a few days last week with Mrs. Ruby Fort Carmichael. Mr. Eugene Marley, of Columbia, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. L. K. Bethea. Miss Thelma Rogers left Saturday for Buie Creek Academy, where she will attend school. Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Carmichael, of Charlotte, N. C., are visiting Mrs. Anne Carmichael. Miss Ora Rogers has returned home after spending some time at Jackson Springs, N. C. Mrs. Jane Thompson, of Lake View, is visiting relatives here. Mrs. E. G. Rogers and daughters, Misses Nellie and Eva, of Marion, spent a few days here last week.

DILLON WOMEN REGISTER

About 100 Dillon women were registered Tuesday, according to Mr. C. S. Herring, a member of the board. Mr. Herring says it is no joke with the women. They are taking up their new duties with serious minds, and there was no idling or talking while the certificates were being issued. The women cannot, of course, vote in the primary next week, but they can vote in the general election in November. They will have the right to vote in all future primaries and special elections. The first real contest in which they will have opportunity to express a preference for candidates will be in the municipal election next spring. There is talk of putting forward one or more women candidates for aldermen.

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