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TEXAS HAS A BLOODY DUEL.

Friends and Enemies of Editor Brann Fight to the Death.

Editor Harris of the Waco Times-Herald Killed and His Brother is Fatally Injured.—Judge Gerald, Who Led the Assault, So Badly Hurt That He May Die.—A Negro Shot Through Both Legs by a Stray Bullet.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 19.—A sensational and deplorable tragedy was enacted this afternoon at the corner of Fourth and Austin streets, the most crowded point in the city. It was a duel to the death between J. W. Harris, editor of the Waco Times-Herald, the morning paper of this city, and W. A. Harris, his brother, on one side, and Judge G. B. Gerald, one of Waco's most prominent citizens.

The shooting was terrific. Frightened people ran in every direction to escape.

Gerald was walking across the street when J. W. Harris, from the door of the corner drug store, opened fire on him. Gerald pressed forward, drawing a revolver from his pocket. He stood at the curb a moment and began returning the fire. Harris drew back from the door so that the wall screened him, and continued firing.

Gerald went forward to the door and, reaching inside, shot Harris in the neck. The latter fell.

When Harris began shooting, and as Gerald rushed forward, W. A. Harris, who stood on the opposite corner, began shooting at Gerald from the rear and wounded him in the side and shattered his left arm. When Gerald saw that J. W. Harris had fallen he rushed across the street, where W. A. Harris was wrestling with a policeman, who had rushed to the scene and disarmed him. Gerald walked up and shot Harris three times, exclaiming: "You shot me in the back!" Harris died instantly.

J. W. Harris' wound is declared to be fatal. The bullet severed the windpipe and struck the vertebral column. His body is paralyzed from the hips down.

A pitiful scene was presented in the drug store, where J. W. Harris lay gasping for breath. His wife held his hand, his mother bent over and kissed him and his little daughter knelt on the floor and prayed earnestly for his life.

Gerald's wounds are not considered dangerous.

The shooting is an outcome of the mobbing of W. C. Brann, editor of The Iconoclast, by students of Baylor University October 2. Judge Gerald left a communication, bitterly criticizing the students who had attacked Brann, at the Times-Herald office for publication. The communication was referred to Editor Harris and he declined to publish it.

Next day, Gerald called for the manuscript, demanding of Harris its return. The latter did not return it at the time and words ensued, which were followed by a fight between the two men, in which Gerald was badly worsted. Since that time bad feeling existed between the two men and trouble was predicted.

Gerald is a man of notable courage and fearlessness and quick to resent an attack of any kind upon him. Attempts to make peace failed. The affair culminated in the tragedy described. The Harris brothers each had a six-shooter and Gerald had two; all were emptied, the shooting being rapid and continuous.

A little negro boy, a bystander, was shot in the leg, and another bullet grazed the head of a physician standing in the drug store.

Judge Gerald is ex-County Judge, ex-member of the Legislature, ex-postmaster of this city and widely known throughout the state. He is about 65 years old. The shooting occurred shortly before 5 o'clock, and to-night men are discussing it in the streets. The incidents which led to the deplorable affair were intensely exciting and caused a great deal of feeling and many intemperate expressions. The shooting to-day reopened a great deal of this.

W. A. Harris, who was killed, was 35 years old, and leaves a widow and three children. J. W. Harris is 40 years of age and has a wife and four children. He was until a month ago engaged in the insurance business, which he left to engage in the publication of the Waco Times-Herald, having, with others purchased the paper.

Is Burke Cochran a Prophet? Lamar Democrat.

Burke Cochran, the great orator of New York City, used to be a democrat. Last fall he was a gold bug democrat, and made speeches all over the country for Palmer and Buckner. This fall he is a republican and made speeches for Tracer, the republican candidate for Mayor of Greater New York City.

In one of his republican speeches he made the following prophecy:

"If either Van Wyck or Low is elected the delegates from the Empire state will go to the national convention supporting a re-adoption of the Chicago platform. There will not be one dissenting vote in the whole assemblage. Already every state in the Union and every city and county in every state except Maryland, has adopted resolutions reaffirming the revolutionary program of Chicago and pledging once more allegiance with Bryan."

Well, Van Wyck was elected by 75,000 plurality. Will the next National democratic convention re-adopt the Chicago platform? and will there be no dissenting vote in the whole assemblage? The Democrat is inclined to accept the prophecy, even if it did come from Burke Cochran.

Col. Gerald is Vindicated. Waco, Tex., Nov. 23.—At the hearing in the case of Colonel G. B. Gerald, who shot and killed the Harris brothers in a controversy arising out of the Brann-Baylor case, it was shown that Colonel Gerald was justified and he was exonerated by the court.

It was shown that Colonel Gerald did not draw his weapon until he himself was under cross fire from the Harris brothers, and that the shooting was in self-defense.

Colonel Gerald is resting easily at his home, and receives callers freely.

Fatal Stabbing.

Nevada, Mo., Nov. 22.—Thomas Smith stabbed Dud Watts fatally at Warwick Church, this county, last night. The young men quarreled over a pair of gloves. Neither of them is over 18 years of age. Watts was stabbed twice above the heart and once in the left arm. Smith has left the country.

Good Roads Men to Have a Lasting Organization.

Work Must be Done in a Permanent Manner by Able Direction.

Post-Dispatch. When Chairman W. H. Moore called the Good Roads convention to order in the town hall Tuesday morning with 30 delegates in attendance.

Interest centered in the adoption of a constitution and by-laws and the proposed organization of a permanent State Good Roads Association. Everyone in the hall engaged freely in the discussion, and sentiment was unanimously in favor of founding a permanent association.

The committee on nominations reported for permanent president, W. H. Moore, St. Louis; treasurer, Thos. H. West, St. Louis. Fifteen vice-presidents were selected from the several congressional districts of the state.

Dr. Shields of Hannibal offered a resolution from the committee on ways and means reciting that there are 90 counties in the state authorized to levy a tax of 50 cents for county purposes, and that these counties be asked to set aside one-third for road improvement.

T. P. Rixey, of St. Louis, spoke vigorously in favor of the resolution and cited instances where county courts were influenced by politics and the necessity of retaining their own positions to dole out repairs that were useless and build bridges where not needed.

The committee of ways and means reported, asking for further time in which to prepare a bill for presentation to the next general assembly, as the sense of the convention. Time was granted.

Stephen Delacelle moved an amendment to the Dr. Shields resolution requesting the governor to call an extra session of the legislature to consider the question of good roads. It was adopted.

Gen. A. W. Doniphan from the committee on resolutions, reported a resolution recommending to the general assembly an increase of appropriation for the state board of charities.

Another resolution was reported asking the submission of a constitutional amendment permitting county courts to increase the tax levy for road purposes.

Both resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Salzman of St. Joseph moved that 15,000 copies of the proceedings of the convention be distributed by the secretary. The secretary asked who was going to pay the bill. A delegate from Jackson county moved to amend by purchasing 15,000 copies of the "State's Duty" for distribution, which was adopted.

Mr. Jacks of Montgomery offered a resolution recommending to the next General Assembly the appointment of a State Road Commission. This was adopted.

Mr. Florea of Nodaway spoke strongly in favor of a special session of the Legislature. He said no proper road law could be enacted at a regular session. Every member had his own bill, and between them all, when complicated with a thousand other interests, nothing was done.

Harris Brothers' Funeral.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 21.—The funeral of J. W. Harris, editor of the Waco Times-Herald, and W. A. Harris, his brother, the victims of their duel with Judge G. B. Gerald, was held this morning. Four thousand persons crowded into the Baptist Tabernacle and wept at the words of the ministers who prayed and preached. Rev. Harvey Carroll referred in bitter terms to Editor Brann of the Iconoclast as the cause of the trouble. The funeral was the largest ever held in Waco.

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Gypsies Kidnap Two Boys.

St. Louis Mo., Nov. 23.—It was learned to day that a quartette of strolling gypsies yesterday made an almost successful attempt to kidnap Willie and Henry Wilman, aged 10 and 8 years respectively, while on their way home from school. Henry escaped and rushed home. He told John, an elder brother, who procured a revolver and went after the gypsies, who were carrying off Willie in their wagon.

John, at the point of his revolver, forced the nomads, who had secreted Willie in a large box in the wagon, to give the boy up. When rescued the boy had his hands and feet tied. The gypsies escaped into the country.

BLADDER TROUBLES.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is for care less local treatment of other diseases.

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Four Men Killed in a Fight.

Mandeville, La., Nov. 22.—Bayou Lacombe, a small settlement eleven miles east of here, has been the scene of a terrible tragedy. News has just been received here of a desperate fight between Arthur and Edward Jolie on one side, and Lawrence and Edward Cousin on the other, which resulted in the killing of all the parties concerned. Shot guns and pistols were the weapons used. The cause of the difficulty is attributed to an old family feud. On account of the remoteness of the place and lack of the ordinary means of communication, the details are necessarily very meager. Coroner Piggott has been notified and is now on his way to the scene of the killing.

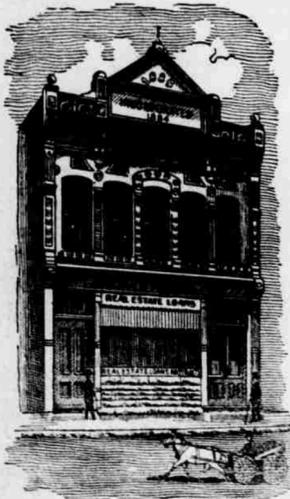
The banker, Darrah, of Kansas City, who wrecked the late Kansas City Safe Deposit and Savings Bank, has been convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. He has appealed the case and that means he will never serve the sentence. Nowadays a bank official can steal a bank blind and ninety nine times out of a hundred never sees the inside of a penitentiary and if he does he will be pardoned out before he realizes the change in his condition.—Marshall Democrat News.

Public Sale.

I will sell on what is known as the Greer farm, on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1897, the following property: 2 extra good milk cows, about 30 head of hogs, average from 125 to 150 pounds; 2 brood sows and pigs, 1 corn planter, almost new, 2 breaking plows, 14 inches and in good shape; 2 cultivators, 1 good steel frame 10 feet harrow 1 mowing machine, 1 sulky hay rake; corn, hay, and shock corn, winter apples, Irish potatoes, household and kitchen furniture, a part as good as new, and numerous other things to be found at a closing out sale. Terms: On sums under \$5 cash. All sums of \$5 and over a credit of 12 months will be given without interest if paid when due, if not to draw 8 per cent from date, 8 per cent discount for cash. Note to bear approved security. Lunch on ground. H. RHINE, FRANK LAFOLETT, Auctioneer.

Summit Items.

Rev. Harte, of Hume, preached at the Chapel Sunday.
Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Grant went to Cass county Monday on a visit.
Miss Lucille S-vier went to Kansas City Monday to visit friends.
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thomas went to Kansas City Sunday on account of the sudden illness of their daughter, Miss Maud.
Wm. Crouch returned from Texas Monday after a week's stay.
Highlan and Miss Quincy Mitchell went to Papinville Wednesday to attend the wedding of Miss Emma Lane of that place.
Chas. Crouch and wife went to Vernon Co. Sunday to visit a week.
Some of the boys of this and other neighborhoods are liable to get themselves into trouble by making so much unnecessary noise at the Literary at Herrli school.
The threshing season is not over yet as D. W. Boaman and Wm. Herrell are just getting their oats threshed.
The boys are preparing to make this their big hunting day, and we understand some of our friends from town will be out to join in the fun.
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