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AVANT GIVES BOND AND IS RELEASED

Been Confined in Prison Three Months.

EXTRAORDINARY CASE

Man Convicted With Dr. Bigham for Killing Latter's Wife in Georgetown County.

W. B. Avant was released from the penitentiary this morning, having been confined there for three months, pending settlement of questions relating to his appeal to the supreme court.

Avant together with G. C. Bigham, was convicted in Georgetown of manslaughter, for the killing of Mrs. Bigham last summer at Murrell's Inlet. The case was appealed but there was some question as to whether the appeal had been perfected and the court ordered that both Bigham and Avant should be imprisoned. Avant gave himself up and has since been confined in the penitentiary, but Bigham has never been found. On a writ of habeas corpus Avant obtained bail from the supreme court, but several weeks have passed and he has not until today been able to give bond. He was released today by Superintendent Griffith on a bond for \$3,000, signed by Lewis A. Parsons and D. W. Avant.

The trial of Avant and Bigham took place in October, 1909, and Avant received a sentence of three years and six months. He has already served about three months, for which he will probably be given credit if the verdict of the trial court is sustained.—Columbia Record, Feb. 25.

Rev. Mr. Clarke's Brother Dead.

Mr. James A. Clarke, the only living brother of the Rev. W. A. Clarke of this city, died at the home for old soldiers in Columbia, about ten days ago, aged 79. His remains were taken to Bethel church, Fairfield county, for interment. The deceased is remembered by many friends here where he frequently visited during the past several years. He was an ex-Confederate soldier and because of a severe wound received during the war he was a constant sufferer for many years.

Press Taylor Case Dismissed.

Preston Taylor, the former colored tenant at the county home, who was some time ago placed under a \$500 bond for his appearance at the next term of court to answer to a charge of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature, it being alleged that he had, on a certain occasion, struck and otherwise assaulted Jack Summerel, an aged white inmate of the home, was a few days ago given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate Hudgens. Several witnesses were examined, including the old man Summerel, but the evidence submitted was considered insufficient and the magistrate dismissed the case.

Why Our Crops Cost Us Too Much.

One man may, under similar conditions, the same season and in the same section, produce a crop for one-half or even one-fourth what it costs another. In other words, in crop production, the single factor of management—the man—very frequently so reduces the cost as to yield a liberal profit to one man while others suffer a loss.

The cost of producing most of our crops is too high, but the problem of reducing the cost of their production does not receive the attention it merits. As a general rule it does not cost too much to produce our crops because we live extravagantly, nor because we pay too high prices for labor. It is not because we have too much money invested in equipment nor because of extravagance in the quality or amount of the tillage given the crops; but because we have neglected to give due consideration to the two most important factors in determining the cost of crop production, the effectiveness of the human worker and the fertility of the soil. The Southern farmer is generally economical; but his economies are in small things, while he is extravagant of human labor and neglectful of that most important of all factors in crop growing, the productive capacity of the land.—Raleigh (N. C.) Progressive Farmer and Gazette.

SCHOOL NEWS NOTES OF LAURENS COUNTY

The Schools, Teachers and Pupils.

Quite a number of schools over the county observed Washington's birthday with appropriate exercises and a holiday.

Miss Macie McCarley has been sick for a few days at the home of Mr. J. N. Hudgens. She has however, returned to the Trinity Ridge school to resume her work.

Miss Lula Werts, the new teacher at the Youngs school, was in town Saturday.

The regular monthly teachers meeting was held Saturday in the graded school building. The next meeting will be held early in April and all teachers are urged to come as this will be a very interesting meeting.

Mr. J. W. Thompson agent for the Georgia Chemical Works, offers the following prizes to the boys who will use his fertilizer. To the boy who makes the largest number of bushels of corn 7 sacks of 8-3-3 guano, second greatest yield, 5 sacks of 8-3-3 guano. Third greatest yield, 3 sacks of 8-3-3 guano.

The prize medal for the High School declaimers contest is now on exhibition at Fleming Bros. store. It is a beauty. It would be well for the boys to take a peep at it. It will be an inspiration.

State Supt. of Education, J. E. Swearingen, has called a meeting of the county superintendents for March 8th, to discuss the changes made in the school law at the recent session of the legislature.

The time for listing members to the Corn club has expired. We have 127 members. These names have been sent to Washington that literature on the cultivation of corn may be sent to the boys. We have one of the largest clubs in the state and if the boys will do their very best we will make a good showing at the exposition in Columbia. A full list of the members will be published later.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Lydia Rudd of Cross Hill is in Atlanta laying in a stock of millinery and notions for the spring trade.

Mr. Emory B. Machen is at home again from the hospital and it is now thought that he is on the way to complete recovery; his friends will be glad to know this.

Messrs. S. M. Wilkes, W. G. Wilson, Thos. C. Switzer, J. A. Simmons, W. H. Anderson and Mrs. L. A. Sparks have returned from business visits to New York and Baltimore.

Mr. Thos. J. Weathers has moved to the city and occupies his new cottage on Garlington avenue.

Miss Emmie Lou Humbert of Princeton was the guest of her brother, Mr. H. B. Humbert, during the past week.

Mr. T. C. McDaniel of Ekum who was taken to the Columbia hospital over a week ago for surgical treatment, returned home Saturday, and it is understood that he is getting on very well.

Messrs. B. M. Wolff and C. R. Bishop, two young hustling business men of Laurens, were in the city Tuesday. They have friends here who are always glad to see them.—Newberry Herald and News.

Make Your Home Beautiful.

So again we say, love your farm. Make it a place of beauty, a place of joyous fruitfulness, an example for your neighbors, a heritage for your children. Make improvements on it that will last beyond your day. Make an ample yard about with all the old-fashioned flowers that your grandmother knew; set a great orchard near it, bearing many manners of fruits; lay off walks and roads leading to it and keep them up; plant hedges along the approaches, and flowering bulbs and shrubs—crape myrtle, and spirea and privet and roses—so that your grandchildren will some day speak of their grandire, who cared enough for the beautiful and loved the farm well enough to plant them.

Name the farm, too; treasure up its history; preserve the traditions of all the romance and adventure and humor and pathos that are in any way connected with it; and if some of the young folks must leave it, let them look back to it with happy memories of beauty and of worthy ideals and of well-ordered industry.—Raleigh (N. C.) Progressive Farmer and Gazette.

MONUMENT FUND

The following contributions have been made by the different grades of the Laurens city schools to the Monument Fund:

First Grade	2.02
Second Grade	.64
Third Grade	1.61
Fourth Grade	1.61
Fifth Grade	1.65
Fifth and Sixth Grades	.30
Sixth Grade	2.10
Seventh Grade	1.10
Eighth Grade	.75
Ninth Grade boys	3.09
Ninth Grade girls	1.50
Tenth Grade	1.75
B. L. Jones	.50
Total	\$18.53

Contributors.

First Grade—Monteith Caine, Rosa Gray, Lawrence Thompson, Ruth Thompson, Eloise Dunlap, Lee Ora Hunter, Ryland Culbertson, Mary Belle Myers, Thomas Cromer, Clark Gray, Roy Childress, Walter Nichols, Jack Hudgens, James Postell, Jessie Bishop, Alleine Pitts, Jink Clary, Marshal Dendy, Mary Smyth, Dorothy Tribble, Gladys Roper, Caroline Rankin, Marion Bolt, Clark Bundrick, Ambrose Easterby, Clarence Babb, Mary Owings, Thos. Barksdale, George Albright, Lorraine Gooch, Flora Bennett.

Second Grade—Catherine Crews, Juanita Wilkes, Jennie Stone, Sarah Blom, Jake Shayer, Ernest Stone, Tom Davenport, I G Ellis, Ola May Hammett, Mary Moore, Estelle Martin, William Lake, Joe Harvin, Mary Blackwell.

Third Grade—Claudell Holder, Burnice Meng, Harlan Crews, Martha Barksdale, Isabelle Sullivan, Robert Lucas, Fannie Pollakoff, James Dunlap, J. L. Langston, Ezell Holder, Lewis Hopkins, Julia Young, Annie Moseley, Helen Dodson, Mildred Counts, Esther Heam, B. K. Humphries, Washie Culbertson, Louise Dendy, Eugene Anderson, Calvin Teague, Ray Boyd, Damon Gasque, Kathleen McGee.

Fourth Grade—Charles Thompson, Fred Holder, Thornwell Dunlap, Charles Crisp, Virginia Sullivan, Claudia Stone, Johnnie Milam, Inez Nichols, Hilda Bundrick, Sophie Shayer, Warren Bolt, Strickler Ranklin, O. B. Simmons, Belle Burns, Dewey Boyd, Rebecca Lake, John Lake, Frances Myers.

Fifth Grade—Roy Taylor, Frank McGowan, Sarah Bolt, Lois Nelson, Frank Armstrong, Miriam Brown, Truman Roper, Carolyn Fleming, Jessie Culbertson, George Hopkins, Blanch Cunningham.

Fifth and Sixth Grades—Mary Sullivan, Earl Langston, Annie Howell, Tom Easterby, Jean Dodson, Martha Owings, Cecil Roper, Montague Copeland.

Sixth Grade—Eugenia Nichols, George Moore, Inez Hudgens, Daisy Johnson, Lilla Todd, Drayton Barksdale, Lamar Copeland, Hamilton Brown, Hugh Alken, James Gallegly, Ruth Watkins, Henry Marlin, Paul Lake, Jo Ann Monteith, Boozer Burton.

Seventh Grade—Margaret Dunlap, Hayne Taylor, Gladys Boyd, Harriet Simpson, John Pitts, Nellie Thompson, Bertha Shayer, Pierce Moore, Leland Bolt, Asa Gossett, Lawrence Kennedy.

Eighth Grade—Theresa Shayer, Chio Roper, Clatie Roper, Miller Brown, Richard Dunlap, Grady Wasson, Jannie Milam, Anna Prentiss.

Ninth Grade Boys—Mr. B. L. Parkinson, James Todd, Tom Bennett, John Terry Pool, Otis Huff, Willie Nelson, James McLin, Douglas Featherstone, Moore Dial, William Byrd, Eugene Barnett, Willie Drummond, Tom Lake, Roland Moseley, Grover Richey, Roy Owings, Leon Dodson, J. D. Sullivan, Julius Sitgreaves, Hasting Dial, Harry Gasque, Herbert Martin, Floyd Martin, Sam Bolt.

Ninth Grade Girls—Esther Fowler, Grace Poole, Marguerite Simpson, Gertrude Barnett, Marie Langston, Sara Shayer, Annie Hammett, Helen Sullivan.

Tenth Grade—Margurite Tolbert, Russell Pool, Alluwee Watson, Ole Sitgreaves, Charles Fleming, Phil Huff, Earle Owings.

Once again the unthoughtful Southern farmer begins the folly of burning up trash, grass, leaves, half-decaying vegetable matter, the humus which is the soil's greatest need. Once again Nature, with her infinite patience, has spent twelve months trying to develop this humus and help restore the soil's fertility. The blind folly of thwarting her efforts, so general throughout the south, is nothing less than tragic.—Raleigh (N. C.) Progressive Farmer and Gazette.

Love Your Profession.

Love your stock and have comfortable quarters for them, and you will have good luck. A man with only a hog hovel and a mule has nothing to love in the way of stock, and no one spends much love on a scrub cow that stands outside all winter and has the "hollow" stomach in the spring. No one can take pride in an old razor-back sow and her long-nosed pigs. But let him once have a fine Berkshire pair and he will take pride in showing the litter of stub-nosed little roasters. He will get to love a colt from a good mare with good blood in him, and will boast to all his neighbors of his Jerseys that have been well fed on peavine hay and have been making golden blocks of butter all winter.—Raleigh (N. C.) Progressive Farmer and Gazette.

Committed to Jail.

Duck Byrd, colored, of Scuffletown township was committed to jail Thursday afternoon by Magistrate Donnan charged with housebreaking and larceny.

NOTICE OF SALE.

United States of America, In District Court.

In Re, Eureka Foundry & Supply Company, Bankrupt.

In Bankruptcy.

Pursuant to order of the Honorable J. J. Earle, one of the Referees in bankruptcy, in the above stated cause, I will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, at Laurens Court House, South Carolina, on salesday in March next, the same being the 7th day of the month, during the legal hours of sale, the property of the above named bankrupt consisting of merchandise, machinery, tools and appliances, iron foundry outfit, and office furniture and fixtures, an inventory of which will be furnished by the undersigned on application. The said property will be sold in bulk and in the event a purchaser should fail to comply with his bid, the property will be offered for sale on the same or some subsequent salesday on the same terms at the risk of the former purchaser. Purchaser to pay for all papers.

W. H. Gilkerson, Trustee.

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Notice.

There will be an election by the qualified voters of Waterloo special school district No. 14, at Waterloo, S. C., on Saturday, March 5 from 1 o'clock to 3 o'clock p. m. to vote for or against a special school tax.

W. H. Wharton, Clerk. February 19 1910. 30 2t

NOTICE OF SALE.

The Oil Mill at Cross Hill, S. C., will be sold at Laurens, S. C., on the 7th day of March, 1910.

United States of America, District of South Carolina, In District Court.

In Re, Cross Hill Oil Mill, Bankrupt.

In Bankruptcy.

In obedience to an order and decree of sale passed in the above case by his Honor, John J. Earle, Referee in Bankruptcy, on the 15th day of Feb'y, 1910, we will sell to the highest bidder at Laurens Court House in the city of Laurens, in Laurens county, South Carolina, for cash, at public auction, on the 7th day of March 1910, the same being the first Monday in said month between the hours of eleven (11) o'clock in the forenoon and three (3) o'clock in the afternoon of said day, the property belonging to the Cross Hill Oil Mill, bankrupt, as follows:—

The Oil Mill Plant at Cross Hill, S. C., consisting of one lot of land with the Oil Mill buildings thereon, and the Oil Mill machinery, contained in said buildings and on said lot, belonging to the bankrupt; the said lot consists of one-half of an acre of land, more or less, bounded on the North by a street, on the East by the track of the Seaboard Air Line Railway; on the South by Church lot and on the West by Knitting mill lot, and being more particularly described in a deed executed by M. S. Bailey and W. J. Bailey to the Cross Hill Oil Mill, Oct. 1st, 1908, and recorded in book 23 at page 162, in the Clerk's office at Laurens, S. C. The purchaser to pay for deed. If the purchaser does not comply with the terms of sale, the said property shall be resold on same or on some subsequent salesday as provided under the State laws, at the risk of the defaulting purchaser; when the property is knocked down to the highest bidder, he shall immediately pay to the trustees the sum of one hundred dollars to bind the bargain and if he fails to do so the property shall be immediately resold at his risk.

This property was sold by us on salesday in January, 1910, and was bid off by Mr. J. R. C. Boyer, through his attorney, who has failed to comply with the terms of sale and the resale of said property will be at the risk of the said J. R. C. Boyer.

C. C. Featherstone, R. A. Cooper, Trustees. Laurens, S. C., Feb. 15, 1910.

Real Estate Offerings

500 acres, 5 miles from city of Laurens, bounded by lands of A. Huff, John Brown & Bailey land. 8 horse farm in cultivation, well supplied with tenant houses. Price right and terms easy.

150 acres land bounded by lands of Lady Mills, L. E. Bruns and V. A. Mills. Price \$30 per acre.

307 acres of land in Scuffletown township near Byrds Cross Roads, bounded by lands of M. P. Poole, Will J. Adair, Will Myers and others, known as the Yarborough place, 3 dwellings, \$6,000.

74 1/2 acres of land near Green Pond church, 8-room cottage, with fine barn and out-buildings, 4-room tenant house, bounded by lands of Jno. Taylor, Mrs. Abercrombie, and Jno. Curry. Price \$60.00 per acre.

70 acres of land bounded by lands of Jim Ad Moore, Will Hudgens and others, cottage house, 40 acres under cultivation. Price \$1,700.00.

52 acres land, bounded by lands of J. R. Armstrong, S. L. Owings and Mancel Owings; 4-room dwelling, one tenant house. Price \$30 per acre.

3 acres of land in the town of Whitmire, S. C., nicely situated, suitable for dwelling lots. Price \$1,000.

169 1/2 acres of land bounded by lands of Bryson place, Bee Bailey, Hamps Holland and others; 5 room dwelling, 2 tenant houses; good barn and out-buildings; known as the old Ferguson place, owned at present by Will B. Motte. Has sown 14 bushels of wheat, 10 bushels of oats.—Price \$27.50 per acre, Terms easy.

One lot on Main street, close to the Public square; six room, modern dwelling; water, lights and sewerage. A nice home. Price \$5,000.

246 acres of land in Dial's township, known as the Capt. Switzer place; six room cottage, 2 tenant houses, fine barn and outbuildings. Price \$20 acre.

92 1/2 acres land near Tumbling Shoals; bounded by lands of W. D. and J. G. Sullivan; 8 room dwelling; good outbuildings. Price \$22.50 per acre.

50 acres land, beautiful cottage, bounded by lands of Wm. Childress, Robt. Bell and others. Price and terms made right.

47 acres of land, 5-room cottage, good out-buildings, bounded by lands of W. E. Martin, J. P. Martin and N. D. Garrett. Price \$800.

2 1/2 acres of land, 6 room cottage nicely located in the town of Gray Court, with one of the finest wells of water in town. Price, \$2,300.

8 room dwelling, on Centennial St., Clinton, S. C., with 81 hundredths of an acre of land, known as the Griffin place. Price, \$4,000.

325 acres land 4 miles of Cross Hill, known as the old Campbell place. Price \$15 per acre. Easy terms.

150 acres land, one-half mile of Dial church, with a handsome dwelling, 3 tenant houses and good outbuildings. Come quick if you want this place. Price \$50 per acre.

167 acres of land bounded by lands M. H. Holder, W. D. Abercrombie, and others; 8 room dwelling, 3 tenant houses, good barn and out-buildings. Price \$25.00 per acre. Terms: \$1,000 cash, remainder in five equal installments.

175 acres known as old Goodgyn place, has 8 room dwelling, 3 tenant houses, fine corn mill in good running order with 75 horse water power. Price \$4,500. Terms made easy.

144 acres bounded by lands of Jeff Davis and Herbert Martin; 3 good tenant houses, and good barn. Price \$50 per acre.

117 acres of land near Gray Court, bounded by lands of E. T. Shell, W. E. Gray; seven room cottage, fine barn and outbuildings and fine pasture. Price \$60 per acre.

One 8-room dwelling in city of Laurens, No. 330 Hampton street. Price \$3,250.

140 acres bounded by lands of Y. C. Hellams and Mitchell Owens, in 3 miles of Laurens; 2 dwellings and out buildings. Price \$35 per acre.

71 acres on Reedy River, bounded by lands of James Downey, Will Caldwell and others. With tenant house, Price, \$20 per acre. Terms made easy.

83 acres of land close to Beulah Church on the dividing line of Greenville and Laurens with an eight room dwelling, one tenant house, also good out buildings and fine pasture. This place is known as the Thaddeus Babb homestead; Price \$33 1-3 per acre; terms made easy.

323 acres land, bounded by lands of Daniel South, Davis land, Miss West and others, known as the Cullen land homestead; 7 room dwelling and 3 tenant houses. Prices made easy.

J. N. Leak

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