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UNPROVOKED

HAVING RECEIVED FATAL INJURIES.

By A Butcher At The Instigamercial Appeal Lakes Up The Case And Makes An Investigation Of The Facts.

Lewis G. Slaughter, a groceryman on was life. Walker avenue, died yesterday morning stout 11 o'clock, at the city hospital, where he had been taken after receiving hif fatal injuries.

The shooting of the Negro, which took place early Saturday morning, has aroused considerable indignation on account of the very apparent cruelty and inhumanity shown in the killing. After the shooting had taken place The Commercial Appeal went to the bottom of the case and probed all of the facts connected with it. A post mortem statement was obtained from the dying that Slaughter was up town, and it was nome of William Henry Parker, worked Negro, which was printed exclusively in doubtful when he would return. The as a 'longshoreman himself. witnesses to the tragedy.

It was stated in this story that the Negro, Smith, had been shot in front of the grocery and barroom of Lawis G. Slaughter, at 1077 Walker avenue. The Negro had been in the vicinity of the place selling chickens and had been who was off duty at the time. After the following facts which are easy of access: Boyles had turned him over to the groceryman and had given the latter his gun with the injunction to kill the Neero if he attempted to escape.

RILLED BY SLAUGHTER.

shooting was unprovoked. They state by Slaughter. he rolled bleeding from the steps. They hand. report a cold and cruel colloquy between

Will Smith was taken to the city hos. stances of the killing. said nothing of having deputized body of the Negro. Slaughter to guard the Negro until after appeal exposing the facts in connection Sparrow. with the tragedy. Then he an horized a statement in an afternoon paper admitting that Slaughter fired the fatal shot, and claiming that his deputy had ken literally" his injunction to "kill avenue talked with Slaughter after the the Negro if he tried to escape."

beathed his last Deputy Coroner Ern laughed. est Milier was summoned to hold an indust over the body. A jury of inquest able to give some very interesting facts was impaneled but no testimony was It is said that she was an eye-witness to taken for the reason that the principal the shouting itnesses were not then present. The Fletcher Sparrow, a small boy, will His sturdy eloquence and zealot's en- Mrs. Ida Wilson and Miss Grace Lane ody was continued until this morning and that at the time Smith was on the works gained bim earnest attention at friends in Baltimore. at 10 o'cleck, when the inquest over the porch and when he was wounded fell a recent meeting of the evangelical com-

ald take any move in the matter.

m the places which the Negro had as his former residence. Perry said that Patrolman

circumstances of the crime, its surround prefer productions, and the character of the living. The police department may succeed in FREAURES UN proving that the Negro was a chicken thief. That will scarcely be an issue if the men who are responsible for his death are called to account for their deed. The grand jury will not ask, and the court will not consider, whether the dead man was a chicken thief. The question to which the law and society demands an answer is this - Was Will Smith shot down in cold blood, or was there provocation for the deed? A representative of The Commercial

Appeal Sunday and last night went to the scene of the shooting and carefully investigated the facts with an eye sin-Negro Shot Down In Cold Blood gle to justice. He found that the res. ldeuts in the neighborhood of the place of the shooting while they were not acquainted with the Negro nor had any tion Of Policeman Who Told interest in him, were highly incensed at the deed and were calling for the action Him To Shoot In Case The Ne-1 of the law, saying that this was but the oulmination of a series of affairs which gro Attempted To Run.—Com- have for some time occasioned terror in

They say that unless something is done to check the lawlessness in the neighborhood existence will be unbearable and a citizens' union must be or-

These are no idle statements. They are ready to be backed by the sworn testimony of reputable, disinterested wit-Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 3.—William nesses of the shooting which has de-Smith, the Negro, who was shut by prived Will Smith of all he had, which

AT SLAUGHTER'S PLACE.

The representative of The Commercial Appea! when he went to the place! of business of Lewis G. Slaughter, who is charged with the shooting, found Mr. | preach Methodism, or Presbyterianism, Slaughter absent. The place is on the or any of your other isms. I corner of Elmwood and Walker avenues | carry and spread the story of Christ. If | great satisfaction. Its front shows up a grocery, but behind I succeed in doing this I am satisfied," this grocery, separated by a thin parti- This is the doctrine of "Diamond tion is a barroom, and last night, in the Dick," the 'longshoremen evangelist' absence of Mr. Slaughter, his wife and down on the wharves. daughter were selling drinks across the Time was when "Diamond Dick," counter. They informed the reporter he is better known than by his proper ter's version of the shooting, and while the cargoes of bananas and other tropithey expressed the belief that Slaughter cal fruits on the piers of the United would return in a little while the re- Fruit Company at the foot of Arch street porter was unsuccessful in his endeavor he was renowned for his prowess at to see him.

an inquest, and for the benefit of that fairly tough proposition." placed under arrest by Patrolman Boyles The Commercial Appeal furnishes the

A DEAF MUTE WITNESS.

sides at 1801 Walker avenue, will testify to improve them morally and religious. (F. Lee was in the city last week and in his mute but impressive manner that ly was borne upon him. So he turned preached an able sermon at Quinu A he saw Slaughter fire the bullet which evangelist. The Negro was fatally shot by ended the life of Smith. Mr. Harris His success has been remarkable, spiritual interest was manifested. Rev.

residence, will testify to the circun-stantly. Mrs. N. Sparrow will testify to the is temporary idle there will be found has been unusually good. and reported to his superior officers that conversation which took place between 'Diamond Dick." He catches them The September term of court is in ses-

the publication in The Commercial will corroborate the testimony of Mrs. rest. With Bible and hymn book he number, the unprecedent rapidity in the

HE ONLY LAUGHED.

Mis. T. P. Smith of 1066 Walker killing and asked him why he had comimmediately after the Negro had mitted the deed. She says he only

Miss May Smith, while reluctant, is

narrowly escaped being shot himself. Capt. O. H. Perry, who is acting chief other facts; that Policeman Boyles rooms police at the present time, said yester. in a store bailding on Elmwood avenue tinue. that no action had as yet been taken just opposite the place conducted by he decartment toward arresting any Slaughter; that he is the friend of the for the killing of Smith. He said man who committed the deed, and that the result of the coroner's inquest the actions of the Negro while in the ld be awaited before the department neighborhood were entirely inoffensive. Camp Meeting Closed-Large Exent Other witnesses living in the immedi-He further said that officers had been ate vicinity of the crime can be easily ailed to investigate into the record of found who will corroborate the facts and man and that these officers had given in yesterday's Commercial Appeal to learn anything concerning him -The Commercial Appeal.

Living For God. wounded and that he had made for God something must happen in man, ing to take in the excursion tomorrow at deputized to guard the prisoner. For again. These are Bible illustrations. The A. M. D. Church camb has be

SEEKS TO UPLIFT HIS FOR-MER COMPANIONS

Don't Preach Methodism, Pres- home byterianism or any Other Isms -Was Once a "Fairly Tough! Praposition" -- Catches his Audiences Whenever They are Idle and Whenever he can get Them Ways of the Clty-His Success ple are having plenty of work. Remarkable—Gifted Facility of Expression Which season Has Much to do With His a very fair attendance last Monday. Mrs. Suecess.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 7-"I don't

fistcuffs and for other qualities which The coroner's jury meets today to hold | rendered him, as he pronounced it, "a

HE TURNS EVANGELIST.

Then "Diamond Dick" got salvation. The conviction of the necessity of some one to labor among the water front! W. W. Harris, a deaf mute, who re- bread winners of his color and endeavor

Slaughter. Eye witnesses state that the lives next door to the place conducted Gifted with a facility of expression J. F. Wagorer was called to the bedside which transmutes Gospel truths into of his sick brother in Cumberland dury further that a child was standing in Mrs. W. W. Harris will testify that larguage forcible and easily understood ing the week and has not yet returned. range of the deadly bullet, and was she saw Slaughter standing over Smith by his unlettered listeners, and with The Teachers' Institute held here last knocked down by the wounded man as after the shooting with a pistol in his brawn and virility that enable him to weck was the best Frederick has had. lightly regard the physical strain in. The whole week was spent in the inter-Mrs. Griffin. who lives at 10.6 Wal- volved in exhorting unceasingly day esting work. Dr Moore dean of peda-Boyles and Slaughter over the prostrate ker avenue, just across from the Harris after day, he haunts the wharves con- gogy at Heward University was inztruc-

Wherever a group of 'longshormen opened on Monday, and the enrollment' Mrs Paul Folgner is able to give addi- and success is seldom denied him.

WORKS AMONG POOR.

trends towards a religious meeting, re- this is the first autopsy performed by s and when opportunity offers takes part | thority in the state of Maryland. earing of festimony by this cororer's testify that Slaughter shot the Negro thusiasm which he imparted to his have returned home after visiting for of the Negro will be held at the over on him and that the little urchin mittee of the Presbyterian church in thony King went to Washington this Witherspoon Hall, which was crowded week to attend the funeral of Rev. From these witnesses may be gathered At the expiration of the time allotted Griffin was well known in Frederick be the truth, and I believe in sticking to the facts; that Policeman Boyles rooms to him the audience urged him to con having to have the truth; He is wearing, at any rate,

DENTON CLIPPINGS

sion-News And Notes. Denton, Md., Sept. 10.—Chilton'camp closed last Sunday with 14 converts and with a record as far as good | vision of the order, 12th and U streets, there wanted to hold an office. St. Paul A, M. E. church last night. order is concern is worthy of note. over 300 delegates representing thirty I did not get here in time to attend Dr. J. W. E. Bowen lectured at the Those wishing to tent next year with us states being present. The Washington the meeting of the B.V. P. U. but the John Mann M. E. Church this week. will please write J. T. Thomas, E. H. division sent 37 delegates 5 more than most accomplished by it was the election they. William E. Jefferson a native of the complex of The highest thought is living for God shows that the highest and the same is true of the shot the Negro in order to protect the Negro in order to protect the new order to

The A. M. F. Church camp has be

iy ready for occupancy. Mrs. Alverta Thomas, of Smyrna and Will LA Miss Minnie Driggins of New York, visited Mrs. Laura Turpen. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Truxon of Baltimore, have moved to Denton, Md.

Can factories are in their bloom. Mr. J. T. Thomas, your agent is the owner. Mr. M. G. Fried is out again. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Tucker, who have been em ployed on the steamer for years, lost their youngest baby this week. John Wesley Stanford was home Sundap. Mrs. Gertrude Stanford who con-

ducts a fashionable boarding house at

Atlantic City is spending a few days at

CANNING SEASON OPENS.

Public Schools Open-Camp Meetings Clostng-Church Services' Very Well Attended-News and

-Works in the Alleys and By. opens up here in a lively manuer. The canning houses are opening and the peo

The camp meetings are closing and the churches are being well attended With a The oystermen started in on the first of the month with fair prospects for the

> The public schools opened here with Bruce of Washington and Mrs. Rust of Baltimore are the teachers. One teaches in the lecture room of the church and the othe, teaches in the building recently erected for colored chileren.

line, has returned home.

A BISHOP'S VISIT.

cessful - Crime Diminished --- | At:ributed To Work of Newspapers.

Frederick, 'Md., Sept. 10.—Bishop B. M. E. church on Sunday night. Much tor. The public schools of the county

he himself had done the shooting. He Boyles and Slaughter over the prostrate while they are waiting for work, linger- sion with little work to do. There are ing for their pay, during the noon hour only 6 cases awaiting trial. Years here-Paul Folgner of 1988 Walker Avenue, and in other seasons when they are at tofore, 20 to 30 cases were the usual strives untiringly to gain their attention | diminishing of crime has been largely

attributed to the work of The Hornet. Dr. U. G. Bourne has returned home after a pleasant stay in the North. Into alleys and by ways in the lower Bourne was called in court on Thursday part of the city, he seeks for scil upon to render professional opinion on a murwhich to drop the seeds of the Word, der case. Dr. Bourne performed the when his round of the wharves is finish-autopsy on the murdered girl, and his evidence will have much to do with the Whenever it happens that his path fate of the murderer. It is said that gardless of its denomination, he enters, colored physician by order of legal au-

> Rev. Carroll and wife also Mr. Arhaving taught school here for several knee breeches in the cew spaper field.

TRUE REFORMERS HOLD ANNUAL BESSION.

True Reformers was held here recently had four presidents and other officers, Tuesday. at the new hall of the Washington di- and it seemed to me that every delegate Bishop Benjamin F. Lee lectured at amount was nearly raised. The sessions were one or two men who thought that Uniontown, Pa., Sept. 8-John Miller on Thursday were interesting and show- all that had ever been written or ever who became blind in his right eye sey ed marked progress all along the line. would be was crammed into their thim- eral months ago was struck recent It means a change of centre.—The Rev. | The A. M. | Church camp has be. | After all debts were paid the report of ble heads, and especially was this true by a potato thrown by a member of his

VENTION TWO DAYS TO ELECT

What They Are Doing In The naughty. Lots Of Brains And Knows how Of Them.

other part of the world, and have a few Clarksville, who told the Methodists things which I desire to talk about this that he thought they were getting away young people of the M. E. church put a week. I have seen little men and big with the Baptists, but he did not mean to new organ in the church, which gives men, middle men and no men, since I what he said, he was fishing for aptook my pen to write to you several plause. Prof. Randolph cleaned up the Mrs. P. E. Demby, who spent her va. weeks ago, and I think that I will see a young man and he took a train and recation on Kent Island with Mrs. Teat, few things before I am through. I am turned to Texaa. has returned home looking much better. of the opinion that one half of the world Mrs. Gross of Baltimore who has been | don't know what is going on in another, spending some time with Mrs. Strych- and that is true right here in this big country. I find it so. For instance The last excursion of the season leaves went to Clarksville, Texas, and I found a splendid work. He is making his way Chestertown Monday, for Port Deposit. there people in business that I have to the front so far as his work is conpletely the statements given out by eye tor's version of the shooting and which corroborated comthe colored people who toil to tranship the colored people who toil E. and Willis M. E. churches, Revs. I did not know that they were in the cause of the work he is doing. Rev. , C. McEady and S.T. Parker, pastors. world, and some of them are doing real Bennett came here to take charge of a

with plenty of money and property. and I had to help to do the work my. for much. self. You see I am some kind of a doc tor myself. I put into practice all that some business men and women in town I know about surgery and a few more things also They live in their two- with a few of them before I get through story building on Main street.

I went from Paris, through Gaines. ville, Tex., and there I had the pleasure Nashville at Roger Williams Academy, of seeing Rev. B. J. Brown and his is out here. Then there is A. W. Ca. wife. He is doing well in that part of ruthers, who came here a few years ago the country. His church is building and then went back to Memphis, Tenn. up and he has the confidence af the peo. and married him a wife, and she was ple. I will not have time to tell you one of the leading young women in the all about some girls I saw there and you town, and taught in the public school will excuse me from doing so.

This is a country, where people try to get even with you, and this is so with a town and he owns it today. I did not paper published in Baltimore. will remember that some time ago. published that Dr. Boyd had died on a certain date, and they were so wrong, I world. Their children are happy and called attention to it and asked that some of them are at school. some good people furnish the paper with this is a great world and Mr. and Mrs. a calendar, and to get even with me, I Caruthers are doing so well, it is my see the editor so far forgot the dignity aim to present to you this week their of an editor of his ability, learning and picture that you may see them yourself. standing as to call real information fur. Mrs. Carathers is engaged in teaching nished to this paper "rot." Well it must her own personal school and then she be because the editor is a lawyer, a man of many brains and much sense, plenty school of learning and experience, knows a thing when he sees it. He is a graduate of the highest degree. ion is worth much to any body. not going to tell you that he is a better editor than lawyer, for that would not Now a few words about Oklahoma Territory, because we have a few people

bere. I had the pleasure of attending the meeting of the Bupusta here, and it Janey Waters has gone to Lewisburg. seemed to me that all the people tried W. Va., to teach school. Miss Vashi Washington, D. C.—The 23rd annual to do was to make office-, for their were Turley has returned to Washington. meeting of the Grand hountain of the four organizations and with of them Elack Patti's Troubadors were here last

Percy and the police description the police description the police description that the percentage of the Spiritual Life.

The Spiritual Life which exalts—

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they have striven to see all the good that is in him. I felt sorry for that young man who has got so much education that he don't know how to walk er talk, eat or drink. He should be a Doctor of Divinity and everything else. He reminded me of a school boy just start ing out for his first time, but then he must learn and he is already too old to eat hay or corn. He is getting toothless and perhaps hairless. Well, he had his name taken off of the program, and he smorted around for two or three days as if he thought he would break up the convention. Well he just satisfied him-Officers—Some Of! The Leading would be heard from later. I suppose self after a long time, by saying that he it will be his aim to break up the con-And vention because he did not get to preach a sermon. I hope he will not be so

There was also a learned doctor from Way Of Race Enterprises.-Pays | Seguin, Texas, who was introduced, and he made a sgeech. I wish you could His Respects To A Baltimore have heard him. He declared that the teachers of his race, as a rule, were a Paper -An Editor Who Has disgrace to the whole race and that there were more educated loafers than uneducated ones, because education made a Negro lazy and he went out To Use Them.—The People Of Lowing for a soft job. That is what Dr. Lewis said and there was a red looking man in the congregation who took hold Oklahoma And What They Are of him and made the fur fly. This was Prof. Randolph, and when he had given Doing.—Thinks Well Of Some him a good shaking, he turned him loose almost out of life, and I was proud of that red Indian looking man and felt like kissing him. There are some men who get up and talk to hear themselves Oklahoma City, O. T.—I am in an tak; just like a Baptist preacher in

But listen and I will tell you that Rev J. B. Bennett, who use to be in Arkansas and had charge of a big church in Hot Springs is out here and he is doing fine business. I found a doctor there church, which was a little two by four. so to speak, and he at once got the peo-Dr. Etter is a fine physician and he is ple together, held a revival, and many doing well in Paris. You see Paris is a were converted and brought into the Teachers' Institute Eminently Suc place where they get cut up every day fold, and the next thing they had him or two and they go to him to sew them at work. The old church was torn up. For instance, a boy got cut while I down and now they are about to comwas talking in the M. E. Church Sun- plete a two-story brick structure, and day night. His jaw was cut open and they are proud of their pastor at the even his tongue and Dr. Etter had to same time. He lives in the hearts of sew it up. His wife assisted in the work the people, and they have no objection and the fellow went away and came to living in his heart. Dr. Bennett is a back having discovered another place man among men and his work will stand

> I am here to tell you that we have and I want to make you acquainted I have been around and met them. Prof. William Harrison, who use to teach in too. He has purchased a home, and owned the leading barber shop in the have time to count his barbers and bath tubs but he had plenty of them and they have contributed something to the is training other children in the Sunday

I'must pay my respects to Rev. Daniel Wilson from Kingfisher, who is in-He deed a fine man and who has done much walks brains, talks brains and his opin- for the elevation of his people. Rev Continued on Page 4.

WINCHESTER HAPPENINGS

Bisbop Lee Lectures-Notes Social and Otherwise.

Winchester, Va., Sept. 10 - Miss