

the impression there was not enough interest felt to make any special effort to secure it. Yet if your business men could look into the future, they might see a grand opportunity at this present time. If they can secure this through trunk line road from the Ohio River to the South Atlantic sea board, opening up to them what is now known as the New South, and four Atlantic ports. All this portion of the South is rapidly becoming a manufacturing people. They need coal, coke and all kinds of stock. They will be wealthy and valuable customers, and can be reached by a direct, low grade, first-class road. The securing of this trunk line will secure to your county at least two other, if not three, branch roads, which will come without the asking. Now suppose you can obtain these branch roads, and do not get the trunk line, will the branch lines develop your county, and put your minerals and timber, and stock into the markets of the world at a cost that will make it profitable to the operators? In the first place, it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to induce heavy capitalists to locate and invest large amounts under such circumstances. But with the trunk line running through your county the whole situation is changed.

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Respectfully yours,
J. S. SPALDING.

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THIRTEEN QUESTIONS

Propounded by the Sentinel-Democrat and Answered by D. B. Logan.

Last Saturday the Sentinel-Democrat wrote to D. B. Logan, asking the following thirteen questions relative to the recent bloody tragedy in Rowan county:

1st.—How many men were there in the sheriff's posse, and where did they come from?

2nd.—Had they warrants for the parties killed? If so, from whom were they obtained?

3d.—Who instituted the movement? Did the Governor concur in it?

4th.—Did they demand the surrender of all the parties killed?

5th.—Were Bud and Jay Toliver and Hiram Cooper armed?

6th.—Who fired the first shot, and what were the circumstances attending it?

7th.—Who is supposed to have shot Madden of the sheriff's posse?

8th.—In your opinion, has the killing made the condition of things better or worse?

9th.—Were Harry Clarke and Mr. Hogg in the crowd when the Logan boys were killed?

10th.—What was the charge against Hiram Cooper?

11th.—What part did Z. T. Young, Jr., play in the killing of the Logans, and what caused him and Harry Clarke to go along?

12th.—Where were the Tolivers and Cooper buried?

13th.—Is it true that Hiram Cooper begged for his life, and was killed in Allie Young's room at the Central Hotel?

HIS ANSWER.

Mr. Logan answers the questions, in the order in which they were written, as follows:

Ans. 1st.—There were 113 men in the sheriff's posse, but only about sixty of them were summoned on account of the fight being brought on by Bud, Jay and Craig Toliver before the sheriff went in to see them, and ask their unconditional surrender. Four of them were from Morgan county, about ten from Carter, and the remainder were from Rowan. Dolph Madden, who was wounded by Cal Toliver, was a citizen of Carter county, and a quiet, honest man.

Ans. 2nd.—The sheriff had warrants for the arrest of every man that was killed, and three others. The warrants

were issued by James Stewart, County Judge of Rowan county, the day prior to the killing, and were immediately placed in Squire Hogg's hands. Squire Hogg is sheriff of Rowan county.

Ans. 3d.—I and H. M. Pigman instituted the movement. The people, without regard to party, wanted them arrested and brought to justice for the cowardly and brutal murder of Jack and Willie Logan. The people are united almost to a man against them. Some think we were too rough when we did begin. The Governor told me to have warrants issued for them, and take them alive if we could, and, if necessary, take them dead.

Ans. 4th.—The sheriff did not, because the fight was brought on before the sheriff got to town by Craig, Jay and Bud Toliver; but after they had taken shelter in the Central Hotel, I demanded their surrender, and told them they should be protected if they would lay down their arms and come out. They refused to do it. I told them I would burn the building, then, and drive them out. I sent Jim Mannin's wife into the hotel to talk with them, and tell them we would not hurt them if they would cease fighting and come out. She came out wringing her hands and crying, and said they would not surrender.

Ans. 5th.—Bud and Jay Toliver and Hiram Cooper were armed, as well as Craig. Hiram Cooper was shot in the breast while shooting a large revolver at some of the sheriff's posse in the Courthouse square. They took a 44 calibre Winchester rifle out of Bud Toliver's hands after he was dead. Alex Bradley has the gun now. It is said to be the one formerly owned by Bumgardner, Cook Humphrey's deputy. Jay Toliver was heavily armed, and I saw him try to shoot George Craycraft with a 38 calibre Smith & Wesson pistol, after he was thought to be dead.

Ans. 6th.—Craig Toliver fired the first shot with a Winchester rifle, at a man named Bryant, whom I sent from below the Cottage Hotel across to H. M. Pigman's store, to know whether he was ready, and how many men he had. Bud and Jay both shot at Bryant before my party fired at them. Bud and Craig saw Bryant walking over the railroad tract, and ran down below the stock pen south of the town, and fired shots before we returned fire.

Ans. 7th.—Cal Toliver shot Dolph Madden. Hugh Clark saw him do it. Madden does not know Cal Toliver, but describes him exactly.

Ans. 8th.—In my opinion, this killing will be the turning point for a better condition of things in Rowan. This shows the people of Rowan that the Tolivers are not invincible, people and that bullets will shoot out a Toliver's life just as quick as any other man's life. Men (who mean business) have made up their minds that the Tolivers shall not terrorize Rowan county; and should they again renew their lawlessness, that they will kill them out, root and branch, and rely upon executive clemency for freedom, for any infraction of the law they make for such a summary method of making safe their lives and their homes.

Ans. 9th.—Harry Clarke and George Hogg were near by when the Logan boys were murdered.

Ans. 10th.—Hiram Cooper was charged with aiding in the murder of the Logan boys.

Ans. 11th.—Harry Clarke was summoned to go along with the crowd to arrest the Logans. Z. T. Young, Jr., volunteered, but I understand he did nothing, but anxiously looked on. Harry Clarke and Z. T. Young, Jr., I expect, are innocent of aiding in the murder of the Logan boys.

Ans. 12th.—The Tolivers were buried in Elliott county; Cooper was buried near his home in Rowan county.

Ans. 13.—It is not true that Hiram Cooper begged for his life, or begged at all. He was first shot out on the street, in front of the Central Hotel bar-room, and was followed up stairs and shot in the head, in Allie Young's room. The insinuation that he begged for his life is a mean and slanderous lie. Had he laid down his arms or begged, he would not have been killed. Hiram Cooper was shooting a large revolver at some of the men in the Public Square when he was seen to run and fall into the Central Hotel. He may have crawled up stairs, or may have been carried up stairs by some one in the house. When the men on my side ran up stairs in the Central Hotel and knocked the door open, Hiram Cooper had a large pistol in his hand and made an effort to shoot (so I am informed—I did not see it) at some one of my men, when he shot Cooper through the head with a Winchester rifle. You need not hesitate to give that lie the "nail."

D. B. Logan.

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