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BIGGEST COURT ON RECORD

IN POINT OF BUSINESS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Judge Gulon, Completes the Docket, That Had Accumulated for Sixteen Months, and Turns in Over Fourteen Hundred Dollars to School Fund.

With sixty-two convictions, thirteen not guilty, five not true bills, nine nol pros, seven continued, fourteen nisi and two continued for bills, and an addition of \$1,417.73 to the school fund in fines, etc., Judge O. H. Gulon, of Newberne, made a record for the Superior Court, demonstrated to the people of the County that Franklin has no use for a Recorder's Court, and made for himself a reputation as a Judge who handles the courts business in a businesslike way with all our people, and won an enviable place with Franklin Co. people that few men have attained during the week just passed when he completed a docket in a week that was the accumulation for sixteen months during which time only one criminal court was held. Judge Gulon was level headed and conservative, yet generous and considerate in his judgments. In practically all cases he showed a willingness to give a man a show, but was firm in letting them know the law had to be obeyed.

Solicitor Norris covered himself with much glory, did credit and good service to the State, and impressed a most serious lesson on the wrong doers his able and efficient prosecution. His work showed that he took great pleasure in being a part of a term of court that conducted business as did the term just closed.

Cases were disposed of as follows since our report closed last week:

- State vs Isaac Brown, c c w, guilty prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.
State vs Isaac Brown, disturbing public worship, not guilty.
State vs Jim Harrison, a d w, defendant pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of \$10 and costs.
State vs Paul Jones, disposing of mortgaged property, not guilty.
State vs Shelly Brown, notice to show cause why Shelly Brown prosecuting witness should not pay costs.
State vs James Ellis, selling wine unlawfully, waives bill and pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.
State vs Essex Ruffin, a d w, judgment four months in jail to be hired out upon payment of fine of \$50 and costs, capias stayed until requested by Sheriff or Solicitor and upon such request to issue and sentence begins.
State vs Essex Ruffin, man accused of whiskey eight months in jail and fine of \$50 and costs, provisions same as above.
State vs Charles Medlin, eight months in jail assigned to work roads and \$100 fine and costs, capias to issue same as in Ruffin case.
State vs Foster Perry, forcible trespass, submits judgment suspended upon payment of costs.
State vs J. T. Wilder, a d w, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.
State vs Paul Ethridge, false swearing, nol pros.
State vs Richard Massenburg, sci fa, defendant to pay costs including five per cent to Solicitor.
State vs Frank Macon, a d w, guilty, fine \$10 and costs in two cases.
State vs Buck Hartsfield, house breaking, guilty, judgment six months on roads with leave to hire out and to pay a fine of \$50 and costs.
State vs Pearley Williamson, a d w, c c w, pleads guilty, ten months on roads.
State vs George Davis, rape, guilty of an assault with intent to commit rape, 15 years in penitentiary at hard labor.
State vs Roscoe Coppedge, rape, not guilty.
State vs J. P. Hill, disposing of mortgaged property, embezzlement, defendant called and failed, nisi scifa capias and continued.
State vs Zeb Collins, a d w, nol pros with leave.
State vs Johnnie Leonard, Zeb Collins, Spencer Parrish, breaking in a house to commit felony, nol pros with leave.
State vs Richard Massenburg, assault, guilty, 12 months in jail to be hired out to individuals, or counties,

the price of labor to be fixed by the County Commissioners.

State vs Lewis King, l and r, defendant called and failed, nisi scifa, capias and continued.

State vs Matthew Williamson, a d w, c c w, judgment suspended upon payment of costs in a d w, \$50 fine and costs in c c w.

State vs H. C. Ayescue, a d w, submits, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs D. D. Medlin, James Medlin, Dennis or D. D. Medlin, Grover Medlin, Luther Medlin, c c w, a d w, a d w, not guilty as to D. D. Medlin, James Medlin guilty of simple assault, judgment 30 days in jail, D. D. Medlin, Grover Medlin and Luther Medlin, not guilty.

State vs Vance Medlin, Bourbon Medlin, L. W. Doyle, secret assault with intent to kill, Vance and Bourbon Medlin pleads guilty to assault, 30 days in jail execution stayed upon payment of all their costs, capias to issue upon the request of Sheriff, nol pros as to Doyle.

State vs John Medlin, c c w, 30 days in jail and pay costs.

State vs John Medlin, forcible trespass, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs John Medlin and Bourbon Medlin, a d w, defendants plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Bourbon Medlin, c c w, defendant pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Lonnie Epps and Waverly Newell, l and r, guilty, eight months in jail as to Lonnie Epps, six months in jail as to Waverly Newell.

State vs Buck Collins, l and r, guilty 12 months on roads, on payment of fine of \$500, sentence stayed until on satisfactory evidence Sheriff or Solicitor shall request execution of sentence.

State vs Jim Spivey, removing crops, defendant called and failed.

State vs Jim Spivey and James Davis, l and r, Spivey called and failed, James Davis to renew bond.

State vs E. C. McKee, and Jim Hamlet, resisting officer, capias and continued.

State vs W. Hubert Blacknall, a d w, c c w, not guilty.

State vs Edward Perry, breaking in lock up, defendant called and failed.

State vs Ulas Fogg, house breaking and forcible trespass, two years in jail to be assigned to work roads of Franklin County.

State vs Willie Dunston a d w, guilty fined \$50 and costs.

State vs Boyd Frazier, elopement, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Jeff Pearce and Luther Pearce, a and b on female, guilty, Jeff Pearce to pay his wife \$50 and costs.

State vs Charles Sutton, l and r, guilty.

State vs George Nichols and Arch Nichols, a d w, not guilty.

State vs Andrew Deap, assault, nol pros with leave.

State vs Marvin S. Simpson, seduction, continued.

State vs Archie Dorsey and Lela Dorsey, l and r, judgment, Archie assigned to work roads six months, Lela six months in jail with leave to hire out, J. C. Tucker, jailor.

State vs Lee Baker, Howard Barnett, Ed Joyner and Bud Young, a d w, forcible trespass, guilty, judgment in a d w fined as follows: Lee Baker \$100 and costs, Howard Barnett \$50 and costs, Bud Young \$50 and costs, Ed Joyner \$10 and costs—Joyner given 30 days to pay fine. In forcible trespass, prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.

State vs Robert Williams, unlawful possession of whiskey, defendant called and failed.

State vs Huley Green, disposing of mortgaged property, tendered nol contendere, six months in each case making 12 months in jail with leave to hire to J. S. Howell.

State vs H. J. Harper, failing to list property, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs and presentation of tax receipts for past taxes on unlisted property.

State vs Ernest Mitchell, c c w, pleads guilty, fined \$50 and costs.
State vs Ernest Mitchell, unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty, six months in jail with leave to hire to J. S. Howell.
State vs Rufus Bobbitt, a d w, not

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THE DUTIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF THE PROBATION OFFICER.

(By Joseph C. Jones.)

The probation officer should be the best friend of the child, the family confidant and adviser, and the substitute for the reformatory.

The success of probation depends to a large extent upon the personality of the probation officer. He must measure up to a high standard of living, be intelligent and sympathetic, and have a great understanding of childhood, which includes the ability to see the child's point of view and the point of justice.

In the capacity of the child's best friend the probation officer should be the source of discipline, supervision and sympathy, the lack of which is often the chief cause of delinquency.

Mere surveillance is not probation, but probation is an intimate personal relationship which should command the respect and confidence of the probationer.

The probation officer should be able to impress a child with the directing force or probation as something new and vital that has come into his life. For many it will be their first experience with an influence which guides, directs and encourages with but one thought in view, the future welfare of the child.

The probation officer has not only to keep in touch with his cases, visit them in their home, and have them report to him regularly, but he must think out and plan a course of treatment which will bring the child into good habits and surround him with favorable conditions of life.

The probation officer should avoid two extremes of attitude, that of being too lenient or too stern. If the child gets the idea that he can "put something over on the probation officer and get away with it," the officer's influence is gone until he proves the child mistaken. On the other hand, the officer must be one to whom a child can always look for help, understanding, and justice.

Probation is often a slow and tedious process and the officer who starts out with the idea that he can overcome in a few weeks time the effect of bad influence and lack of training that has lasted over a period of years will soon become discouraged. On the other hand, the officer who takes up his work with the idea of success in the end in spite of discouragements, who makes up his mind to surround his charges with every good influence possible and bring to their assistance every helpful social agency the community can provide, will reap a rich reward.

The period of probation should go on until the probation officer is usually the best judge of when probation should terminate or when a child needs further directing by the court. The officer is the person who has kept in close contact with the child and knows how he has progressed and fulfilled the terms of probation.

When a probationer has made good and the officer and the judge decide that the time of his dismissal has arrived, discharge should be given in a formal and dignified manner by the court, and such proceeding shown on the records.

As the family confidant and adviser, the probation officer will often play an important role.

Poverty and uncleanness, family quarrels and an unsympathetic atmosphere will frequently be the home environments from which will come the dependent, neglected or delinquent child, and the probation officer, as an educational guide from a social point of view, must include the parents in the process of social education.

The law provides means of relieving conditions to some extent in poverty-stricken homes and often there are relatives, friends and social agencies whom the probation officer can persuade to lend a helping hand in the way of financial relief.

The probation officer has to gain the confidence of the different members of the probationer's family to such an extent that they will tell him intimate personal details about themselves and one another, for only by becoming acquainted with all the interrelated facts and influences that surround his charges can a probation officer work for their best welfare. He has often to become the mediator in family quarrels, the adjuster of family difficulties, and he can acquire such accon-

STOPPED BY INSURANCE CO.

After the Accident the Aeroplane Could Not Visit Franklin County Fair—Promises to Come Later.

The following letter has been received by Dr. A. H. Fleming, Secretary Franklin County Fair Association, explaining why the aeroplane could not visit Louisburg last week to take part in the Franklin County Fair Association. It will be noted that they expect to visit Louisburg in the near future. The letter follows:

Blacksburg, Va., Oct. 18, 1919. Dr. A. H. Fleming, N. C. Louisburg, N. C.

Dear Sir:—We are in receipt of your several phone messages and telegrams, and in reply we cannot tell you how sorry we are that we could not come to Louisburg.

We called up the Plane at Petersburg, and offered him a price to come there, and he promised that he would on Friday morning, but when we received your last telegram we got in touch with him, and he told us that the weather was too bad to try a cross country flight.

We repaired our wings, and were anxious to take the risk and come to help you out, but the Insurance Company phoned us from New York, and informed us that we could not move the plane, if so we would lose all the insurance we had on the accident which we had, also all the insurance we could ever get, so of course you can see our position in the matter.

We still want to come there, and as soon as we get the Plane in shape and the Insurance Company issues us new wings, and passes on the ship we will come there for a week, and try to explain to the people our fix.

With best regards, we remain, Yours truly, CHADWICK AERIAL CORP.

DON'T WANT ALL YOU GOT.

We understand that in the drive for contributions to the fund to place a bronze tablet to the memory of the Soldier boys who died in the service of their country to be placed in the Court House, are not asking, nor do they wish contributors to make donations of large amounts, as only small amounts; when given by everybody will be amply sufficient and certainly everybody wants to take a part in doing a little honor to the Soldiers who gave their lives that we may have peace. The Franklin Times has been requested to receive and report for sum contributed to this fund by any who wish to take a part. Don't wait for someone to call on you. No house to house canvassing campaign will be made, but take enough pride in what you, boy or your neighbors boy did to make it your business to either send or have your twenty-five cents, dollar or two dollars to one of the parties who has been selected to receive the money and apply it as stated. Don't let everybody be first, but it is better to be first than last, and better to be last than not at all.

\$3,500.00 DRIVE FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Rev. C. H. Williamson, colored, was in Louisburg the past week distributing literature announcing a drive to raise \$3,500.00 among his race to raise the indebtedness on Shiloh Institute in Warren County. He began the drive in Franklin County the past week and expects to complete it on November 4th.

dential relationship as this only by utmost display of tact, leadership and unselfishness.

The probation officer can be the substitute for the reformatory by bringing relief to homes that are good but poor, reforming the vicious ones and supplying the childless home with the homeless child. He should understand the community's responsibility to provide healthful surroundings, proper employment and wholesome recreation and become an advocate for the children before the public in order that all children should have the necessities of normal children and those that are dependent, neglected and delinquent should not only have the usual essentials, but every other necessary facility for growing into self-respecting, self-maintaining citizenship.

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TWO MEN IN CAR HELD UP NEAR FRANKLINTON

J. C. Conyers and Rowland Nash Robbed; Posse Search for Highwaymen.

Franklinton, Oct. 21.—A bold hold-up was committed one-half mile north of the limits of the town tonight.

At 7:30 o'clock Messrs. Rowland Nash and J. C. Conyers were driving into town and when half way between the Franklinton College and a boy about sixteen years old stepped in front of the car and demanded that it be stopped. When the car came to a standstill the occupants found themselves looking into the barrels of four guns, and they were commanded to get out of the car, which they did, still under cover.

The highwaymen searched Nash and Conyers and took from them eighteen dollars, all they had except four dollars which the culprits failed to find. Three of the robbers were dressed in army uniforms. Police officers and a posse of citizens are now out in search of the highwaymen, and it is believed that they will be apprehended, as they were all walking.

WILSON ABLE TO FORMULATE MESSAGE

Washington, Oct. 21.—While President Wilson was able today to formulate a message to Secretary Lane for transmission to the National Industrial Conference, no effort was made either by Rear Admiral Grayson, his physician, or by White House officials to create the impression that the action was indicative of a decided improvement in the President's condition.

Writing of the messages, however, was pointed to by members of the White House staff as further refuting reports that Mr. Wilson was unable to transact any necessary business that might require his attention as chief executive. The situation confronting the National Industrial Conference, or which may face it at any time through danger of its dissolution, was considered as constituting such a necessity.

While the President, it was said at the White House, was no worse today, his condition did not show any decided change for the better as might be inferred from his increasing activity in governmental affairs. Dr. Grayson said he does not propose to set the precedent of lowering the bar to all who have affairs of importance to bring before the patient. The gradual improvement in the President's condition was noted, but it was again emphasized the daily change is so slight as to be almost imperceptible and is to be measured by the absence of complications than by signs of returning strength.

The Commission of President Wilson's increasing activity of the President in the regular 10 o'clock bulletin in which he said:

"The President felt stronger today. He tried to do more than he has heretofore done since his illness began. As a consequence he is very tired tonight."

FUN FOR EVERYBODY.

Come to Hickory Rock, Friday night, Oct. 31 if you want to have some fun. We are going to have amusements there for you and all your friends. So bring them with you. Besides these specialties we will have a plenty of "boxes." Don't fail to be there so another fellow won't get your best girls box.

"She" is going to be there with the nicest box you ever bought. We have made engagements with all the ghosts of the neighboring villages to be present that night. If you don't see them at Hickory Rock, Oct. 31, Halloween night you will not have another opportunity in a whole year, as that is the only night they roam about. Don't forget the specialties. Don't forget the boxes. See them all at Hickory Rock Friday night, Oct. 31. Everybody admitted free.

The young man who is contented to remain stationary will never be a success in life. If he fails to press forward he will soon find himself slipping to the rear, and the devil takes care of the hindmost.

A shave a day is one of the prime requisites for advancement in modern commercial life.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. George Holder, Raleigh Monday.

Constable J. E. Thomas paid Raleigh a business visit Monday.

Messrs. H. C. McBrayer and J. P. Timberlake visited Raleigh Monday.

Miss Sarah Young has returned home after spending several days with relatives in Henderson.

Messrs. W. C. Poe and T. C. Alston were among those who went to Raleigh Wednesday to see "Maytime."

Mrs. C. G. Bedford, of Lexington, who has been visiting Mrs. E. F. Thomas, left Monday for Raleigh, she was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Thomas.

Messrs. J. P. Timberlake, B. T. Holden, S. C. Holden and J. E. Thomas went to Raleigh Wednesday to take in the show, "Maytime" at the Academy of Music.

Rev. and Mrs. T. D. Collins, Mrs. Albert Scherneck, Jr., Miss Leah Wonderly, Miss Maxine Cox went to Raleigh Tuesday to attend a recital by Miss May Peterson.

FEES, FINES, ETC., OCTOBER COURT.

With possibly the biggest financial record of any term in a long time the October term of Franklin Superior Court turned in a net amount of cash of \$1,766.65 and was divided as follows:

- Paid to school fund, \$1,417.73.
Paid-County Costs, \$250.50.
Paid-commissions on fines and jury tax \$80.02.
Paid fees on witness tickets \$12.60.
Paid fees on juror tickets \$5.80.
Total, \$1,766.65.
With the closing in the setting of the calendar for the term an entire new venture for Franklin County, it is evident that this term was very successful to the County from a financial standpoint.

GO TO CHURCH.

The Baptist are putting on a ten weeks go to church campaign and a special effort is being made to get all the members out to all services.

A program of unusual interest is being planned. All the members and friends are to have a musical treat.

Quartette, also Miss Leah Wonderly and Mrs. Albert Scherneck, Jr., from Camden, N. J. will sing solos and duets.

There are a number of nearby churches which have no services especially in the evening. They are all strongly urged to come and be with them.

Watch the paper for the next ten weeks and feel that each service is planned with you in mind.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

(Special to The Times)

Raleigh, October 21.—The Annual Convention of North Carolina Baptists will be held in Raleigh beginning November 11. The change of place was the direct result of a wide spread opinion that because of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign, the Convention should be held in a central point. The Convention will be held on the "pay plan"—all messengers paying their own expenses. Arrangements are being made to care for several thousand visitors.

From Eastern North Carolina comes interesting news of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. Two churches in Nense Atlantic Association met the same day and both resolved to contribute more to the Campaign fund than was asked. The strongest church in the Association, the First Church, of New Bern, and the weakest church in the Association, took the same action the same day.

Fortune has deserted many a man because he left it to its own device.

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