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TWO LYNCHED BY MOB AT WARRENTON AFTER RACE RIOT

Negroes Taken From Jail After Sheriff Held Up And Jailer Overpowered

Home Guard at Warrenton Called Out By Governor Morrison But Too Late To Prevent Determined Set Of Men From Taking Prisoners From Jail At Warrenton Early Today.

EIGHT WOUNDED AT NORLINA EARLY SUNDAY MORNING IN CLASH BETWEEN RACES

Five White Men Wounded When Score of Blacks Said to Have Laid In Wait For Clerk In Norlina Store—Trouble Started Week Ago Over Sale of Some Apples.

Warrenton, Jan. 24.—Two of the 13 negroes held in jail here for taking part in the race riot at Norlina early yesterday morning were taken from the county jail here at 1 o'clock this morning and lynched by a mob of about 75 masked men. The other eleven were unmolested, and at 2 o'clock this morning, the town is quiet, and the mob dispersed.

The jailer, John Green, was overpowered by the mob the keys to the jail taken from him and the mob entered, found the two negroes they wanted and carried them away. It was nearly an hour before the crowd around the jail knew definitely that either of the negroes had been taken away.

Coming into town from his home in the country, Sheriff R. E. Davis was stopped by a crowd of masked men not far from the jail, after they had fired upon him. They explained that they were guarding the jail and that they suspected that he was one of the attackers. At that very moment, the sheriff declares the mob was within 50 feet of the jail.

Very little disorder accompanied the lynching. The members of the mob are believed to have come from the vicinity of Norlina, where the trouble started. Citizens of the town were on the streets, but apparently took no part in the lynching. The Home Guard Company, under the command of Capt. Frazier Polk, was called out at the order of Governor Morrison at the time of the lynching.

The two negroes lynched, Plummer Bullock and Alfred Williams, were the alleged leaders in the trouble at Norlina. The crowd seemed to want no others. They were carried out on the road leading to Norlina, and shot to death. Early this morning both were lying fifty feet apart, beside the road, face down, riddled with bullets. The mob traveled in automobiles coming from all directions as they entered the town. Preceding the mob several cars passed through town at a high rate of speed. The mob left the town traveling at close formation. The shooting was heard from town and as far away as Norlina.

When the mob first demanded the keys of the jailer, he refused, saying that he did not have them. He was covered with guns, and produced them at once. The leaders of the mob then opened the jail, selected the two negroes, and carried them off.

EIGHT WOUNDED IN RACE OUTBREAK AT NORLINA DEPT EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

Norlina, Jan. 23.—Eight men, five white and three negroes, were wounded, two perhaps fatally, in a race riot which broke out at the railroad station between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning and now thirteen negroes, charged with participation in the shooting, are in Warren county jail at Warrenton, on bonds from \$200 to \$1,000.

The wounded men are: R. L. Traylor, white; Lloyd Traylor, white; H. A. Rainey, white; W. J. Upchurch, white; H. A. Inscow, white; Claude Jones, negro; Jerome Hunter, negro, and Robert Moss, negro.

All of the white men save W. J. Upchurch and Inscow are in the Henderson Hospital where physicians state tonight that Traylor's condition is critical. Jerome Hunter, the negro most seriously hurt, is in St. Agnes Hospital at Raleigh, where little hope is entertained for his recovery. Robert Moss, slightly hurt, is in jail and Claude Jones is at his home under guard.

Starts Over Apple Sale. The difficulty this morning followed had feeling between groups of the races which has been growing since Tuesday. On that day, according to Chief of Police S. P. Fleming, of Norlina, Plummer Bullock, negro, went into the store of J. P. Williams, a merchant of Norlina, and sought to buy ten cents worth of apples from Brady Traylor, clerk. The negro professed dissatisfaction with his purchase and wanted his money back. The exchange was effected, after some words, whereupon the negro cursed Traylor. It is said, and threatened him. According to the chief of police, the Traylor received word last night that the negroes were organizing to make good Plummer Bullock's threat. Between 1 and 2 o'clock, perhaps a score of negroes had gathered at the Sea-board depot, some of them with shot-guns.

Raby Traylor, brother of Brady, approached Matthew Bullock, apparently the leader of the negroes, and asked him what the trouble was about. While they were talking, according to evidence brought out in the preliminary hearing this afternoon, Jerome Hunter, negro, walked up and fired at Traylor from close range. The white man fell and Hunter shot him twice as he lay on his back.

APPEAL TO GOVERNOR MORRISON TO SEND TROOPS TO WARRENTON

Governor Morrison was advised shortly after midnight by the Mayor of Warrenton that groups of masked men had begun to assemble in Warrenton where the negroes implicated in the Norlina shooting are being held, and that fears of violence were entertained.

Governor Morrison directed the Mayor to swear in sufficient officers to maintain order, and in the meantime conferred with Adjutant General Metts in regard to what military organizations would be held in readiness to send to Warrenton.

The Mayor believed that it would be impossible to get troops there in time to prevent violence, if the intention of the masked men was violent, but feared that subsequent troubles might necessitate the presence of the militia to maintain order. Either the Oxford or the Henderson company will be ready for service.

Nine of the negroes who were left in the Warrenton jail were taken to Raleigh on Monday and placed in jail for safe keeping.

BOY SCOUTS PROVIDE WOOD.

Learning that Mrs. Mary Brewer of Sandy Creek township was without fire wood and with no man to get it for her a group of Boy Scouts of Louisa under the leadership of Mr. J. C. Jones, Scoutmaster, drove out to her home Monday morning and for several hours, with true scoutly helpfulness, and industry, they worked steadily until they had a nice quantity of oak wood sawed fire place length piled up ready to burn. The party consisted of the following scouts: Ned Ford, Jr., John King, Dunham Taylor, Jr., Ollie Smithwick, Charles, Elmore, Matthew Beasley.

How Could He Be! The First Maid—Nice-lookin' feller, that. The Second—Wot? 'Im nice? 'Wye 'e's married.

EX-GOV. AND MRS. T. W. BICKETT VISIT HOME TOWN.

Ex-Gov. and Mrs. T. W. Bickett, retiring from the Executive Mansion motored to Louisa for an extended visit to Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough. A warm welcome awaited them upon their arrival. Many social attentions were shown them.

Dr. and Mrs. Yarborough entertained at two dinner parties in their honor. For each dinner covers were laid for eight.

Gov. Bickett's visit was shortened by business engagement in Salisbury. Mrs. Bickett spent Sunday in Ridge-way with her aunt, Mrs. M. J. Hawkins. Returning to Louisa Monday she spent the week in attendance upon complimentary parties to her.

Tuesday, from 11:30 A. M. to 3 P. M. Mrs. John B. Yarborough was hostess at a lovely bridge-luncheon. From 3 to 5 o'clock she was the guest of the Daughters of the Confederacy at the home of Mrs. C. K. Cooke.

At the close of a lovely and patriotic program, Mrs. Bickett was called upon to talk to the "Daughters" upon any subject she would. Appropriately, and in her most lovely manner she talked to them about the Old Soldiers in the Old Soldiers Home in Raleigh. She spoke with love and pride of them.

From 7 to 10 Mrs. Bickett was the honor guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Barrow at a lovely dinner party. Covers were laid for ten and an elegant three course dinner was served.

Honoring her sister, Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Jr., entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club at her home Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. Mrs. J. B. Yarborough and Mrs. W. P. Neal received with Mrs. Yarborough and Mrs. Bickett. Four tables were placed for bridge and after five rounds were played a delicious salad course, after-dinner coffee, mints, nuts and fruit-cake were served.

From 5:30 to 7:30 of the same evening Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Sr., and Misses Mary and Edith Yarborough were at home in honor of Mrs. Bickett. Mrs. John B. Yarborough greeted the callers at the door. Mrs. S. P. Parham presented them to the receiving line in the front parlor. In receiving line were Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Miss Mary Yarborough, Mrs. Bickett, Mrs. J. E. Malone, Mrs. W. H. Yarborough and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Jr.

In the dining room Mrs. E. S. Ford, Mrs. J. V. Joyner and Mrs. S. P. Boddie were receiving. In the dining room Mrs. W. P. Neal and Mrs. E. L. Best poured tea. Mrs. E. H. Malone and Mrs. W. B. Barrow assisted. More than a hundred callers were received.

From 8:30 to 11 Mrs. S. J. Parham delightfully entertained a small bridge party in Mrs. Bickett's honor. Notable among the charming social courtesies showered upon Mrs. Bickett was the lovely party given her by Mrs. W. P. Neal Thursday afternoon, when she entertained her Book Club. A lovely literary and musical program was rendered. Mrs. Bickett's address on "The Southern Spirit in the War" was beautiful. In her own inimitable style she spoke first of the spirit of heroism manifested in the Mother's of the Confederacy, then she stressed the loyalty of the slaves of the "Uncles" and the "Mammies" as they stood by.

Every heart was touched as she told stories of her own "black mammy's" loyalty in those days.

Deeply stirring was the note she sounded in praise of the dauntless courage of the Confederate soldier. She emphasized that same spirit remaining with the sons and grandsons of the Confederates, as they marched into the World War. And tenderly she dwelt upon the same heroism in our women and Red Cross Nurses, daughters and grand-daughters of Confederate grandmothers! Herself a loyal daughter of a Confederate Colonel her "Tribute" struck deep in the hearts of all who heard.

Mrs. Neal, assisted by Mesdames John and Richard Yarborough, served elaborate refreshments in two courses.

Mrs. Bickett's departure from Louisa on Friday shortened the gaieties planned for her.

YOUNG WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Social Circle of the Young Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met with Mrs. O. Y. Yarborough Tuesday evening of this week. Besides other guests the Society had the pleasure of having with them Miss Edna May Smith, the President of the Methodist Missionary Societies of the North Carolina Conference. Miss Smith gave a very interesting talk on the work being done by the Missionary Societies both at home and abroad, stressing the need of becoming personally interested in the schools and hospitals supported by the Societies.

At the close of the talk delightful refreshments were served. Mrs. McBrayer, one of the guests, by request played a lovely selection on the piano followed by several duets by Mrs. McBrayer and Mrs. Yarborough.

The meeting was much enjoyed and the talk much appreciated.

The Society will meet on Tuesday Feb. 1st at the Church.

Lazy men bump up against a lot of criticism, but they usually live long and contented lives.

GOOD CROWD HEARS MR. GALLOWAY

Speaks in Interest of the Cotton Farmer and the American Products Export and Import Cooperation.

Quite a good number of Franklin County farmers were present on last Friday at the noon recess of Court to hear Mr. W. J. Galloway who addressed a meeting of Franklin County Cotton Growers Association in the court room. The speaker was introduced by Mr. E. H. Malone in a few well chosen remarks.

The speaker first dealt with economic conditions and plainly showed where it was worse than folly for our farmers to continue to make cotton in the proportion that they have been making it and depend upon the present markets and their present method of selling. The southern states produce 60 per cent of all the cotton in the world and the United States only uses about 20 per cent, leaving the other 80 per cent to be exported to other countries. He pointed to the cause of the present low prices as a decrease of 73 per cent in exports and the buyers have no way of disposing of the staple. The decrease in exports, he said, was due to the fact that Europe has not got the money to pay for it and the exchange rate is too great. These conditions make it necessary that some plan should be adopted to get the cotton to the foreign countries on a basis that they can use it and put their idle industries to work. He criticized the present marketing system by showing the unreasonableness in taking twelve months to make a crop and then sell it in one hour.

The speaker paid a high tribute to the banking institutions of the country, stating that they were doing all that it was possible for them to do. He compared the banks to a large reservoir, in that they could loan out only that which was placed on deposit. He said the Federal Reserve Board could only loan money for the commercial turn-over of crops and not for holding them.

Mr. Galloway explained how Europe had been financing international trade. By that money at home was a low rate of interest. Now Europe is not in position to do this work and has caused a greater interest rate and thereby less ready money. He compared the value of Europe's money to that of the United States, including 60 cents for every 10 cents of money in the United States. With the facts before us it remains for America to open up her resources to restore trade relations with the world.

The speaker declared that the South must free itself from the eastern financial markets, and the only way to do it is to organize ourselves for our own protection.

At this point he explained in detail why and for what purpose the American Products Export and Import Corporation was organized, stating that it was founded in Charleston, S. C. the 20th of December and on December 20th it shipped its first cargo of cotton to Europe. The main object of the company as explained by the speaker is to ship southern cotton to Europe, but it will broaden out and export and import practically anything, especially cotton, tobacco, potash, dyes, etc. The object of this meeting was to acquaint the people with this company so that they could put their influence behind it through taking stock and selling its cotton. The shares were placed at \$10 each so that all could become stockholders, and an 8 per cent dividend was guaranteed. After this dividend was taken from the profits the remainder would be divided equally between the stockholders and those who sell through or to this company.

It was a well worked out plan and gives promise of being the best safeguard to the farmers interest that has been suggested. Quite a lot of information was distributed among those present and more was left with the banks where any who may be interested can call for it.

U. D. C. The Joseph J. Davis Chapter U. D. C. will meet on Tuesday afternoon, February 1st, 1921 at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. A. W. Person. All members are urged to be present.

Mrs. W. E. White, Pres. Mrs. G. M. Beam, Sec'y.

SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH. Sunday next the services at St. Paul's Church will be Sunday School and Bible Class at 10 A. M. and Morning prayer and sermon and administration of the Holy Communion at 11 A. M. Rev. N. C. Hughes, Rector, officiating.

All are cordially invited to all services.

FIDDLER'S CONVENTION. There will be a Fiddler's Convention at Roberts School, Friday night, Feb. 4. All musicians are cordially invited to attend. Two prizes are offered. Admission 10 and 15 cents. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the school. Come and have some fun.

Sorry but safe the men who planted less cotton and tobacco last year.

Still time to plan a sane planting program for 1921 on your farm.

CASES SET FOR MAY TERM

NUMBER SMALL CASES DISPOSED OF.

Grand Jury and Solicitor Makes Reports—Court Adjourned For Term On Saturday Afternoon—No Important Cases Disposed of Since Last Report.

The January term of Franklin Superior Court came to an end on Saturday afternoon when the Court took adjournment for the term.

Since our last report the following cases were disposed of:

State vs J. L. Worthington, fraud, prayer for judgment continued till next term of Court, defendant to give bond and pay costs.

State vs Charley Teasley, a d w, capias and continued.

State vs Alex Johnson, fast driving, not guilty.

State vs Alex Johnson, a d w, guilty judgment to pay Kemp \$75 and all costs.

State vs C. C. Ayescue, murder, continued and set for Wednesday 1st week of May term.

State vs E. H. Evans fine reduced to \$25.

State vs Will Driver, false pretense continued for defendant.

State vs Rhoden Andrews, murder, set for Thursday 1st week May term.

State vs Joseph Ball, manslaughter set for Friday 1st week May term.

State vs Percy Fogg, l and r, pleads guilty, one year in jail to be hired to County Home.

State vs Dewitt Hinnant, false pretense pleads guilty, two years in jail to be hired to J. B. Land, and pay costs.

State vs Oza Wheeler and Harry Rhodes, l and r, not guilty.

State vs Ben Cope, c c w, capias and continued.

State vs Henry Williams, a d w, guilty, 6 months on roads.

State vs Jim Evans, fast driving, guilty, four months on roads, Commissioners to hire out.

State vs William Brooks, cruelty to animals, false pretense, called and failed, in si seifa, capias and continued.

State vs Nash Hunt, affray, guilty, four months in jail with leave, Commissioners to hire out.

State vs W. L. Holbrook, disposing of crops, verdict of not guilty ordered by the Court.

State vs Otto Mitchell, HB and l not guilty.

State vs Craton Person, assault, not guilty.

State vs Ed King, c c w, guilty judgment suspended upon payment of costs, ordered that cost be reduced to one-half.

State vs Ed King, a d w, not pros.

State vs Floyd Wood, h b and l not guilty.

State vs Al K. Tant, disposing of mortgaged property, called and failed in si seifa capias and continued.

State vs J. C. H. C. and R. S. Hagwood, changed from five years to one year to work roads of adjoining county. The same sentence to apply to each of five cases.

State vs Will Brooks continued.

Stat vs Percy Johnson, l and r, pleads guilty, 12 months on roads, Commissioners to hire out.

The Grand Jury completed their work on Thursday evening and were discharged with the thanks of the Court after filing the following report:

Report of Grand Jury

North Carolina—Franklin County.

To His Honor Geo. W. Connor, Judge Presiding at the January Term of Franklin Superior Court, 1921.

We the Grand Jury beg leave to submit the following report.

We have passed on all Bfils which have come to our knowledge. We have visited the County Jail in a body and we recommend that the Jail proper be renovated in every respect and new bedding furnished, as the Jail needs cleaning and new beds furnished. One cell and window especially needs attention, also the floor.

We have visited the County Home for the Aged and Infirm, and we find everything in good sanitary condition, the stock well kept and in good condition and the inmates well satisfied and comfortable.

We have visited the various County offices and inspected the same and find all of them in good condition and well kept, the books well kept and properly indexed. We have inspected the daily Cash accounts and monthly reports of the Clerk of the Court and find the same reported month and balances all paid to the depositories designated by the County, and we also find them correct, and that these offices report the sum of \$7,677.49 in excess of all salaries paid out as is shown by the yearly account now on file, and we recommend the same system as is now used to be carried on by these offices.

We have inspected the Courthouse and recommend that the Jury room in the Court Room be re-modeled and put in a comfortable and sanitary condition, chairs be furnished and the room made comfortable. We recommend that a room be furnished for the witnesses attending the Grand Jury, who are compelled to attend as there is now no place for them but to stand in the

WHAT CAN A NEWSPAPER DO FOR ITS HOME TOWN?

Publisher of Live Daily Says the Progress of a Community is Dependent On Co-operation Received By its Newspaper.

(By H. W. BLOOD, In Limon, Colorado, Express.)

No building is ever erected, but what at every step from foundation to capstone the progress is made a matter of record in the home paper.

It is the merchant's channel of communication with his patrons; and it is equally the buyer's market place. The honesty of present-day advertising commends itself to the public, and more and more the space of the home paper is being demanded for legitimate advertising purposes.

The time is coming when the necessity of bringing pressure on some business men to get advertising will give way to a seeking for space by honest advertisers as the most available means of reaching the public, and the cheapest.

The newspaper is argus-eyed; it sees everything; knows everything; records that which is worthy of recording; and the editorial sanctum is often the safe repository and final resting place of many a sordid and unworthy story that is never permitted publication.

The newspaper is the intimate friend of every citizen; it knows everybody. It praises the good, censures the evil, and stands four-square for the uplift and betterment of the community.

It greets the newest infant, and rejoices with the happy parents; it rings the wedding chimes, and tolls the knell of the departed. It is joyous with the happy, and sad with the sorrowful.

It bears an intimate message in every issue to those who have removed from the old home town; and conveys news to the homefolk from those who are away.

And without it is never a scandal-monger. With fine discrimination, it differentiates news from gossip; it exploits the achievements of men and covers with silence their mistakes.

It is the trust of friends, for it never fails to call attention to worthy causes, and by means of its advantages of necessary improvements it encourages development and progress.

If a town were to check up its assets, chief among them would be its newspaper. It is the one valuable common possession.

No matter who owns the stock of the company that publishes it, or who sits in the editorial chair the newspaper belongs to the people; and in a very real sense a town and its people may be judged by the kind and quality of the paper that is sent forth.

If it is a live, pushing, forward-looking publication, the town lives and moves forward. If it is spineless and without purpose except to sell subscriptions and advertising space not much can be hoped in the way of community progress.

What can a newspaper do for a town? It can do more than any other single agency to insure unity and advancement. With it in thriving condition, every industrial, social and moral movement, is assured of effective leadership, which makes for accomplishment, without it a town is silent and dead, for silence, however golden, is a sign of death.

hall way of the Court House without fire or any other conveniences. We recommend and ask the Court to make the order that a suitable place be arranged at the County Home for the safe keeping of insane persons both white and colored pending their admission to the Hospital and that necessary attendants be employed to take care of these unfortunates, as the condition now is that they have to be committed to the County Jail till received by the Hospital.

Respectfully submitted, (Signed) ALTON WILDER, Foreman Grand Jury.

Ordered by the Court that a copy of this Report be served on the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County.

Solicitor's Report The following report was made by Solicitor H. E. Norris: Superior Court Franklin Co. January Term, 1921 To the Hon. Geo. W. Connor, Judge Presiding.

The undersigned Solicitor of the Seventh Judicial District respectfully reports to the Court that he has examined at this term of said Court in to the condition of the office of J. J. Barrow, the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County, that he has said office well administered in all respects, that said Clerk keeps in his office all the books required by law, properly indexed for speedy and convenient reference.

He further reports to the Court that so far as he can ascertain, the accounts of the said Clerk, as Clerk of this Court, are regular and correct. Respectfully submitted, H. E. NORRIS, Solicitor Seventh Judicial District.

Examined, approved, and ordered recorded. GEO. W. CONNOR, Judge Presiding.