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HENNESSEE CASE

Dr. E. A. Hennessee and W. D. Pitts
Pay \$600.00 Each and Give
\$2,000 Surety.

Hennessee Pitts Ends

Morganton, March 11.—After three hours of graphic recitals of the Glen Alpine fight of last year, followed by conciliatory pleas of attorneys, who maintained that the defendants are among Burke's best people and that would do that metainshrdhrufluy they acted as all red-blooded men Judge Long this afternoon passed sentence on the men who on Tuesday plead guilty to engaging in an affray with guns, knives, pistols and rocks.

Dr. E. A. Hennessee and Mr. W. D. Pitts, responsible men who prominently participated, were each fined \$100 and taxed with \$500 costs. Each was required to give bond on the sum of \$2,000 to keep the peace for five years toward each other and all other residences of North Carolina. Mr. M. N. Hennessee, former county commissioner and brother of the doctor, was fined \$25. Robert and Valley Hennessee, young sons of the doctor, were discharged. Abel Garfield and Erwin Pitts, the first a brother and the others sons of W. D. Pitts, were fined \$25 each. John Kiser, a lanky youth who was somehow drawn into the fight in the excitement only to be routed by a pistol was fined \$1. M. N. Hennessee and Abel Pitts were placed under \$200 peace bond each for three years. These persons are to show good behavior annually at the March term.

In this writing the final paragraph to an episode rarely duplicated in the annals of the State Judge Long was mindful of the fact that Gorman Pitts who probably precipitated the first fight on the fateful afternoon of Jan. 10 paid the penalty of death; that Hennessee who, enraged by the former assault, probably made the first move in the second fight, passed through experiences of a harrowing nature and has been put to great expense and that the other participants were drawn into the affair chiefly because relatives were involved. The previous high character of the mature men was dwelt upon a plea was made for leniency with the assurance that the single spasmodic outburst would not be repeated. At the same time, however, there was not the lightest pretense of affection between the warring families of the village of Glen Alpine.

SHARE COSTS EQUALLY.

Dr. Hennessee and Mr. W. D. Pitts are to share equally in all the costs of this trial and also that of August when the physician was acquitted of the charge of murder—the cost of the latter having been \$550. Over \$2,000 has been spent on medical and hospital bills by the two families, besides attorneys' fees.

NO LIQUOR IN FIGHT.

A remarkable thing about this desperate fight is the fact that not one of the combatants was under the influence of liquor. Even Dr. Hennessee, battle-torn and almost dead, refused to swallow whiskey which was offered him, contenting himself with wetting his lips.

For 15 minutes after Judge Long resumed his hearing this morning Dr. Hennessee was again on the stand. He admitted having had a number of controversies about small bills, but denied being quarrelsome. He was decided in his manner and spirited in his replies.

Mr. M. N. Hennessee told his story calmly. He is about 54 years old, is ruddy hued, thick-set, quiet-mannered with a tendency toward stolidity. He wears a gray mustache. He clasped his fingers together and told his story without a gesture. Once he rose and indicated where his coat was slashed in the melee. He said he did not hear the language attributed to his brother, and was close enough to hear anything that was said. This was his first appearance as a defendant since he was a youth when he was up for carrying a concealed weapon.

MR. M. N. HENNESSEE, brother of the doctor, is a few years older, and (Continued on Page Four.)

ELON CHAMPIONSHIP

Basket-Ball Championship Conceded
to Elon by Trinity, A. & M. and
Guilford Colleges.

Good Team This Season

Elon College, March 8.—The State championship in college basketball seems to be an absorbing topic in athletic circles just now, especially in view of Elon's and Wake Forest's opposing claims for it. So far Elon has not set forth her claim to the honor and distinction in any extended way, preferring for the season to be over and the dust to clear away. Not since there are many demands from various sources for a definite statement, it is herewith succinctly given to the public.

There are three ways to compute the championship: with all colleges in this and other States; with State colleges only; with the colleges which have played two games with each other with reference to the championship, but not more than two games. By all three of these methods, the showing of Elon is superb. Taking the method of computing all college games in all States, Wake Forest played fifteen games and won eight, making a percentage of 562; Elon played fifteen games and won nine, making a percentage of 600. Within the State with N. C. Colleges, Wake Forest played eleven and won seven making a percentage of 636. Elon tied this record, playing the same number and winning the same number, her percentage being 636; For the State championship, which includes two games with each of the following colleges, Trinity, Guilford, Wake Forest, A. & M. and Carolina, each team won six out of ten games, making a percentage of 600.

Further the Wake Forest correspondent said that Wake Forest had shown superiority over every team she had played with, but this can hardly be true, since in the game on the Wake Forest floor between Elon and Wake Forest the locals won by the skin of their teeth, by one point in a contest which the on-lookers had already conceded to the visitors; whereas when the return game was played here, the Baptists were never in sight of victory and were defeated by five points. These solid facts would indicate that the superiority lies with Elon in reference to any claim of Wake Forest for the championship. Elon admits that Wake Forest had a fine bunch of players, clever, active, clean, but she contends that the record shows that she is entitled to the championship.

Three of the colleges in the State have voted to Elon, admitting that her quint is superior to any in the State, and agreeing with the Elon sympathizers that Wake Forest has the next strongest team. These colleges are Trinity, Guilford and the A. & M. Carolina has not been consulted on them after, but since Elon defeated her on her own floor, it is likely that she too would vote that way. It must also be remembered that Elon played her two games with Carolina while that team had its main strength of full varsity men and before Tandy and Edwards were ruled off by the University Faculty. Wake Forest played with Carolina after her quint was materially weakened, and certainly the third game with Carolina ought not to figure in the State championship, unless a third game was granted each of the claimants.

Basket-ball enthusiasm is running high because of the fine record the Elon quint has made this year and the supporters of the game are willing to pit the big five here against a similar institution with sure confidence of victory. The growth of the team here in two years has been phenomenal and the highest point of efficiency has not yet been reached. The Elon gym floor is unexcelled and the material is here. Elon expects to put out a winning team next season also.

Buy your seed potatoes from home folks in season you have confidence, they are not in this getting stung. Guaranteed to be pure at Merchants Supply Store 24 N. W. 1st St. Raleigh, N. C. Cartage, boxes—5 cents for two.

THE TEETH

Read This Article and Take Better
Care of The Teeth You Have
That Are "Yours."

By Dr. J. E. Holt

The foundation for irregular teeth is laid before the child reaches his teens. At this age in a child's life the parents are responsible for his or her future welfare. To those who know the importance of the proper care of the first set of teeth, it seems almost impossible that people who think they are refined and are really well posted in other matters are often ignorant of the fact that neglected baby teeth are followed by permanent ones that will soon decay and often be lapped or out of line so as to cause a disfigurement to the person when grown up.

Why? It is seldom that a dentist has the pleasure to see a child eight years of age who has never had one or probably all of their jaw teeth so badly decayed that some of them have caused the little fellow a great deal of suffering. Now, what is the cause of all this trouble and what is the result? In the first place we will say that the cause can be traced directly to the parents who are either indifferent, ignorant or too poor to visit a dentist and have the cavities filled in their child's teeth as they are formed. Another thing which is really criminal neglect in this day of enlightenment along sanitary lives is that many parents will not furnish tooth brushes for their children and demand that they use them after each meal to thoroughly cleanse the teeth of all adhering particles of food. Now there is no excuse on the parents' part for not doing this much for the child, for the brushes are very cheap and if properly used will prevent most of the decay, for scientific investigation and even ordinary observation has proven positively that a tooth or teeth kept perfectly clean except when in use, will never decay.

Now: Suppose you don't buy a brush occasionally for the child and see that it is used? Don't throw away money having the baby teeth pulled when a cavity forms. Just never mind about taking the little fellow to the dentist at all. He will shed the teeth and why have them examined every three months for cavities like Mr. Blank, or Mr. Some One Else does with their children? What's the use any how? That tooth will have to be taken out when he is ten or eleven years old any way.

The Result: If you neglect brushing the teeth it will be just a question of time, and a short time too, until the teeth will have several cavities in them. If you neglect having the cavities filled when they are very small the child will not permit of them being filled at all and the result will be toothache from exposed nerves and abscessed roots. The aching teeth will drive you to the dentist where the teeth are some times extracted when badly and incurably diseased. This will stop the pain but the tooth will be gone and the child will not develop properly unless the baby teeth are all kept in such a condition that they can be used to masticate the food until nature causes the absorption of their roots so that they will get loose and then can be easily removed to give room for the permanent set which are then ready to peep through the gums. Again if this set of baby teeth is in a badly decayed condition when the permanent teeth begin to come in place the decayed teeth next to the new permanent ones will cause the new ones to begin to decay at once, as they are soft and decay easily when the child is young.

The last thought and the point that we started out to make is this: If the baby teeth decay and have to be extracted before the permanent ones are ready to come through, the space will close where the tooth was extracted and this will cause crowding and lapping of the permanent set. Too much care cannot be exercised in extracting the child's teeth however, for if left in too long they often cause the eye teeth to appear like bats.

We notice boys and girls very frequently with this facial disfigurement and it shows positive evidence of neglect on the parents' part that is to be deplored by the child, is hardly to be excused and cannot be forgotten, as it always is in evidence.

ENTERS CONTEST

Prof. J. B. Robertson Has Entered
the News and Observer Auto-
mobile Contest.

Many Friends

Supt. J. B. Robertson, of the Public Schools of the County, has entered the contest just announced by The News and Observer with the hope of winning an automobile to use in visiting the schools of the county. The News and Observer is one of the very best dailies in our State and the price is \$6.00 a year or \$3.00 for six months. A new or a renewed paid subscription will count in the contest, and an advance subscription of two years will be counted. If you send your subscription to Mr. Robertson you will render a personal favor to him and we hope a benefit to the schools.

Death of Mrs. David H. Lashley, of Snow Camp, March 12.

Our community was shocked last Saturday morning upon hearing of the death of Mrs. David H. Lashley, who had been ill but a short time. The deceased was in the thirtieth year of her age. She leaves a husband and seven small children, the youngest an infant, who have the sympathy of all in their great bereavement. The funeral was held at Pleasant Hill Sunday, conducted by Rev. Knight, of Elon College.

Union Ridge School Closes Saturday Night With an Entertainment.

Union Ridge School will close Saturday night, March 14th, with an entertainment. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Will Organize Amusement Company.

Local parties will be given an opportunity of investing in a first class amusement company to be organized in this city and section. This is a company to be organized for the purpose of buying first class equipment for park amusements. The proposition is that other parties will put up two-thirds of the capital if local people will subscribe one-third and make the Piedmont park one of the best in the State. The local people will be asked to subscribe for the preferred stock as a business investment with special coupon admission privilege, the stock to be issued in small denominations so that all can take a small amount if they do not care to take large amounts.

This company proposed to put in a large number of amusements, modern in every particular, under able management and has a very inviting proposition.

We need such a company and we hope same can be organized so that we can have a modern park and playground.

Musicals at The Baptist Church.

A beautiful and interesting program was rendered at the Baptist Church Thursday night under the management of Prof. G. Scott Hunter, who has been instructing the choir. The program was assisted by Misses Handcock and Woodall, of the Ford. Mrs. Scott Hunter presided at the piano and Mrs. Joseph L. Scott at the organ. The entire occasion was a treat to all music loving people. The church was well filled with an audience of happy recipients.

Bible Day.

Next Sunday will be Bible Day at First Street Methodist Church. The "American Bible Society" will have before the congregation an exhibit of Bibles of all sorts and sizes, binding, print etc. Hear the sermons. See the exhibit: The Bible, the Best Book in the World—the greatest seller and the most widely read in all the world. D. H. TUTTLE.

FOR SALE.

Spring Branch Dairy Farm, containing 56 acres, modern barns, concrete silo, brick milk dairy with running water, modern 6-room cottage, 3-room cottage. Joins city limits. Fertile soil, fine farm for city dairy. Terms easy. Bargain for quick sale. Wm. T. INGLE.

Cartee's Lace—New line just received.

Everything at Coble's Grocery is cash sale at and below cost.

PANAMA CANAL

Administration Leaders, who Have
Made Canvass Say Clause Will
Be Repealed.

Opponents Active

Washington, March 11.—With debate on repeal of the exemption clause of the Panama Canal act about to begin in the House, interest in the outcome of the President's request of Congress was intensified today, opponents of the repeal displaying unusual activity. To administration leaders who have made a thorough canvass of the situation, it appeared practically certain tonight that opposition to the repeal would be fruitless.

Announcement yesterday that the Senate Committee on Inter-Oceanic Canals had determined to await action by the House before taking up the repeal controversy for consideration created some comment in the Senate.

Formal conferences were held among Democrats, their conclusions being that there is no reason for unusual haste on the part of the Senate and that action by the House may be awaited unless the Sims repeal bill should encounter unusual delay. If the House prolong should discussion of the measure unreasonably, administration leaders in the Senate may make an effort to take initiative action.

President Wilson conferred on the tolls issue today with Senators James, of Kentucky, and Hoke Smith, of Georgia. Both said they expected the House to act before any steps are taken by the Senate.

"I am heartily in support of the tolls exemption repeal," said Senator Hoke Smith, "and I think that the action should be taken as speedily as possible."

Senator Martine, of New Jersey, announced his allegiance to opposition of repeal. There still is discussion among Senators about the advisability of a Democratic caucus on the question before it is submitted to the Senate.

Chairman Adamson, of the House Interstate Commerce Committee, failed today to take up the repeal bill, and he promptly introduced a resolution calling for a special rule to expedite action. This would not be called up until the latter part of next week, after the rivers and harbors bill has been disposed of.

The rule asked for, which it is expected the rules committee will report would provide for 15 hours of general debate on the measure.

How Many Twos.

Two hands to work for mother, dear,
Two eyes to see, two ears to hear,
Two little feet with which to run,
Two rows of teeth to eat my bun;
Two lovely dolls with which I play,
(One is Ida, the other May);
All these things in twos I've got—
Don't you think I have a lot?

The Doll's School.

Miss Rosalind, please don't laugh:
Remember you're in school,
and your behavior in your class,
is quite against the rule.
I've taught you all your A B C,
That two and two make four;
I'd teach you twice as much, but oh!
I don't know any more.

Questions and Answers.

What are your eyes made for? To look at the wrong?
Oh, no! To see beauty and good your life long.
What are ears made for? To hearken and pry?
Oh, no! To hear wisdom, things noble and high.
What are tongues made for? To say naughty words?
Oh, no! To speak kindly, and sing like the birds.
What are hands made for? To steal and to fight?
Oh, no! To be useful and work for the right.
What are feet made for? To go to the bad?
Oh, no! To walk honestly, happily and glad.

Prices cut to pieces at Coble's Grocery closing out sale.

Closing out Coble's Grocery—Laundry soap 7 for 25c.

TROOPS

Two More Regiments Ordered to the
Border to Protect the Texas
Frontier.

Long March

Washington, March 11.—The dispatch of two additional regiments of American Infantry to Eagle Pass and Laredo, Texas, to allay fears of Mexican raids and the appearance here of General Felix Diaz and friends for a new plan to solve the Mexican problem, were the chief developments today in the Mexican situation.

The troops—the Ninth and Seventeenth Regiments—were ordered to the border at the request of Senator Sheppard and Representative Garner. The latter told the President there was a good deal of cash in border banks and Americans wanted to be protected against any sudden raid or invasion. Mr. Garner also said much cattle had disappeared recently, and residents believed Mexicans were responsible. The request for additional troops was made Monday; was discussed at the Cabinet meeting and decided on late today by the President, who communicated his approval to the Secretary of War.

General Diaz and his friends here said they were not yet prepared to announce their definite purposes, but would do so tomorrow. One of the party was Pedro del Villar, who before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last week, was reported to have asked support for a counter-revolutionary movement. The Mexicans denied today that they sought support or sanction for any revolutionary movement, saying their idea was a campaign of information about Mexico and to acquaint Washington with the personality of General Diaz, so his part in subsequent events in Mexico might be judged from a study as close range.

It was learned they are seeking the elimination of General Huerta and are not allied in any way with the Constitutionalists. Members of the party said Senator Root conferred with General Diaz in Washington last week and that Diaz came to Washington at the invitation of Senator Fall.

Today's orders for the dispatch of two more regiments to Texas will result in the assembly in that state of nearly 18,000 troops, more by 3,000 than the entire force of the regular army that General Shafter led into Cuba. Nearly 11,000 soldiers are in camp at Texas City, under command of Brig. Gen. Funston of Philippine fame. The others are scattered along the border from Brownsville, Texas, to Nogales, Ariz., under command of Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, the largest garrisons being maintained at El Paso, Nogales, Douglas, Laredo, Eagle Pass and Brownsville, where railroads enter Mexico.

Of the regiments ordered out today the Ninth, two battalions of which are at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, and one at Fort Logan H. Roots, Ariz., is commanded by Col. C. J. Crane. The Seventeenth commanded by Col. J. T. Van Orsdale, is stationed at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga. Col. Van Orsdale will be deprived of the privilege of accompanying his regiment to the border as he will be placed on the retired list tomorrow on account of age. As Lieut. Col. H. B. Styer, of the Seventeenth, is on duty at the War College, the command of the regiment temporarily at least, will fall to the senior major, George W. Martin.

Although the two regiments will proceed to Eagle Pass and Laredo, General Bliss will designate their exact location. The present strength of each regiment is 832 men. At Laredo and Eagle Pass the two regiments will relieve six troops of cavalry, which will be distributed along other points on the Western border in General Bliss' discretion. This will place under the general's command about 4,200 cavalry troops and 2,400 infantry.

Though large in the aggregate, this force is regarded small in many quarters here for a rigid and efficient patrol of the 2,000 miles of border. Sec. of War Garrison, however, feels that it will be sufficient. He insists that there is no proof that this border patrol has been broken down at any point since its establishment three years ago.

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