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ELMER HADEN TRIAL PENDING

Burglary in First Degree Being Considered By Jury From Special Venire—Other Cases Disposed of At Criminal Term—Court Will Last All Week.

Elmer Haden, charged with first degree burglary, is on trial for his life before a jury chosen out of a special venire of 30 citizens.

The allegations are that Haden on the night of April 15, 1934, entered the home of Elmer Bennett, near Gap, shooting Bennett in the leg and robbing him of \$74.00.

The general feeling is that Haden will not be convicted, the evidence weakening with Bennett's admission that he could not be positive it was Haden who was the burglar.

Koonitz, Solicitor, and Scott are prosecuting for the State, while the defense is represented by Sparger and Petree.

The case is now in the hands of the jury.

Rob Smith, charged with manufacturing liquor, gets a 6-months jail sentence.

Dave Goolsby, for assault with deadly weapon, was fined \$50 and cost.

Jones Chatman indicted for manslaughter and violating the prohibition law, was found not guilty in the first case and not prosessed in the last.

Other cases disposed of are as follows:

Elmer King, operating car intoxicated, continued.

Dennis Beasley, operating car intoxicated, \$50.00 and cost.

Buford Bullin, a. d. w., capias.

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R. L. Beaucamp, operating car intoxicated, nol pros with leave.

Ernest Donathon, abandonment, bond of \$75.00 forfeited.

Adam Lawson, abandonment, nol pros with leave.

George Dalton, reckless driving, \$25.00 and cost.

Walter Foley, c. c. w., v. p. l., nol pros with leave.

Leary Nelson and Hardin Smith charged with a. d. w., capias.

Curtis Covington, l. & r., nol pros with leave.

Tom Martin, a. d. w. and disturbing religious service, nol pros.

Glenn Joyce, c. c. w., \$25.00 and cost.

Malvin Jones, v. p. l., capias.

Coley Hamlin, a. d. w., cost.

Frank Jessup, Jesse Cordie and Sam Heller, larceny, capias.

Dillard Chapman, assault on female, not guilty.

Robert Hughes, abandonment, nol pros with leave.

Lloyd Joyce and Glenn Joyce, larceny, each \$25.00 and cost.

Jones Chatman, manslaughter, not guilty.

Elmer Haden, burglary, pending.

Alonzo Southern, Tommie Mabe, manufacturing liquor, each \$100 and cost with good behavior for years.

Joseph Penn, seduction, cost.

WILL BAILEY CONTEST VOTE?

Friends of Defeated Candidate For Register of Deeds Claim Unfairness and Fraud in the Primary—Bailey Is Non-Committal—Walnut Cove Seething With Discontent.

It is possible the primary of June 30 in which B. P. Bailey, Register of Deeds, was defeated by R. L. Smith in a margin of 143, will be contested.

Friends of Bailey allege that there were fraud, unfairness and other irregularities practiced in a number of precincts in the county, notably at Danbury, West Sandy Ridge and Francisco.

Specifically, the Reporter is informed that at Danbury a number of straight Republicans were voted, and that after the polls were closed, they were reopened to permit late voters to record a choice.

At West Sandy Ridge a judge of the election worked in the interest of one of the candidates; at Francisco there were certain irregularities.

On being informed of the allegations as above outlined, the Reporter representative interviewed Register of Deeds B. P. Bailey in regard to the charges, and asked him point blank if he would contest or allow a contest made in his behalf.

Mr. Bailey was entirely non-committal, and would not vouchsafe a statement either for or against the allegations or intentions of his friends.

The Reporter is informed that much dissatisfaction over the results of the primary exists at Walnut Cove, the home of the present Register of Deeds, where a large majority was rolled up for their favorite son.

In case a contest is staged, it is presumed that the county returning board, presided over by the Board of Elections, will hear complaints and render their decision as adduced from the evidence presented. The Board of Elections is composed of C. E. Davis, chairman, S. P. Christian and Paul Fulton.

The returning board contains the registrars and judges of the election at the various 21 precincts of the county.

Plato and Charlie Slate, possession of liquor, pending.

Landis Newsom, possession of liquor, not guilty.

Gilbert Lawson, possession of liquor, 6 months on road.

Doe Searcy, a. d. w., not true bill.

L. E. Bennett, possession of liquor, cost and good behavior.

Terman Golden, c. c. w., \$50 and cost.

Sandy Cain, v. p. l., cost and good behavior.

Preacher Pitts, v. p. l., cost and good behavior.

Turk Hairston, v. p. l., six months on roads and cost.

It is believed at this writing that court will continue practically all the week.

HAIL DESTROYS CORN AND TOBACCO

Destructive Storm In Meadows Section Wednesday — Many Crops Seriously Injured — J. Will Morefield's Damage Estimated At \$2,000—Other Losers.

Late Wednesday evening a severe hailstorm in the Meadows neighborhood, four or five miles south of Danbury, wreaked incalculable damage to growing crops of tobacco and corn.

The black cloud was very noticeable here, forming first in the west and being split by the mountain, the greater part of the rain and wind swept to the south.

J. Will Morefield, of Meadows, estimates the damage to his corn and tobacco at no less than \$2,000.

Crops of Masten Mabe, Hugh Mabe, Edgar Wall and many other farmers were severely injured by the high wind and the hail. Hailstones covered the yard of J. Will Morefield, many of them as large almost as hickorynuts.

In several other sections of the county damage from the storm is reported also.

Leake Family Reunion A Most Enjoyable Occasion

The 1934 reunion of the Leake family was held in the lovely woods surrounding the spring at the old family home of Peter J. Leake in Stokes county Sunday, July 1. Of interest is the fact that six generations of the Leake family have drank from the old family spring.

Only two of the children of Peter J. Leake are living: W. W. Leake, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Fanny Leake Mills, of Claudeville, Va. Mrs. Leake is 69 years of age, and was unable to attend on the account of her feeble condition.

The reunion is an annual event and very largely attended. Relatives were there from Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Elkin, Danbury, East Bend, Yadkinville, Pilot Mountain, King, Sandy Ridge, Claudeville Va., Martinsville, Va., and other points.

Attorney Harry Leake was elected president in place of W. W. Leake, who resigned. Mrs. Annie Leake Crowley was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

A large table arranged in the grove near the spring was set with a delicious picnic dinner.

A most interesting talk was made by W. Reade Johnson, of Winston-Salem. He also read a beautiful letter from a relative of Oklahoma, who asked that her letter be read.

Startling Results of the Big Dust Storms. Way the Rich corn and Wheat Lands of the Middle West May Become Almost as Barren as a Desert. An Authoritative, Illustrated Article in The American Weekly, the Magazine which comes on July 1 with the Baltimore American. Buy your copy from favorite newsboy or newsdealer.

CLINIC TO TREAT SICK BABIES

Mrs. Doyle, County FERA Chief, Will Establish Hospital For the Relief of Infants—Plan Endorsed By Authorities.

Mrs. Minnie G. Doyle, chief of federal relief agencies in the county, is planning to establish and maintain a baby hospital or clinic near Danbury within a few days.

The purpose of the project is to furnish medical attention and nursing to many children suffering with colitis or other serious child disorders, in cases where it is impossible for the children to receive this assistance at their homes.

Mrs. Doyle has not yet arranged the location for the hospital but she expects to secure a cool inviting location near the mountain.

It is understood that the county authorities will materially assist in the carrying out of Mrs. Doyle's commendable enterprise, and that it has the unqualified endorsement of the State health department as well as the local medical fraternity, while the FERA will bear the bulk of the expense.

L. W. C. of Palmyra.

Walnut Cove Route 1.—The Loyal Wesley Class of Palmyra M. E. Church held its regular monthly meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Paul Lewis.

The devotionals were led by Mrs. Claxton Lewis, who used the 13th Chapter of First Corinthians.

The class has been studying the Life of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, and a general discussion of his spiritual life was led by the teacher, Mrs. N. S. Mullican.

Poems from his work were read by Mrs. Paul Lewis and Mrs. Travis Tuttle.

During the business session, the roll was called and dues were collected. Mrs. C. R. Blaylock, treasurer, reported about \$13.00 in the class treasury. The class decided to place a name plate on the church at an early date.

After the class benediction, a delightful social hour was enjoyed, and the hostess served delicious chicken salad sandwiches and pickles.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. C. R. Blaylock at her home Friday evening, July 27.

Card of Thanks.

To my Stokes county friends:

I take this method of returning to you, one and all, my sincere thanks for your kind support and loyalty in the primary of June 30. I deeply appreciate the victory for which you are entirely responsible, and if elected this fall, as I hope and expect to be, I promise that I shall make you a faithful and diligent servant as Register of Deeds of Stokes county.

Sincerely,
ROBERT L. SMITH.

SMITH WINS OVER PINNIX BAILEY

Second Primary Last Saturday Also Results in Victory of R. E. L. Francis For Member Board of Education Over R. B. Hutcherson—Vote Heavier Than First Primary.

Bobah Smith wins nomination for Register of Deeds over B. Pinnix Bailey, present incumbent, with a majority of 182.

R. E. L. Francis, for member of Board of Education is victorious over R. B. Hutcherson, present incumbent, by 74 majority.

The second primary held last Saturday, June 30, polled a heavier vote than the first primary of June 2. The total vote cast on June 30 was around 2,300, while last week's balloting figured about 2,650.

In the first primary, Bailey received 995 votes, Smith 983 and Johnson 396. In the second Bailey's figures were 1235, while Smith received 1417.

In the first Hutcherson got 1037, Francis 921. In the second Hutcherson's vote was 1236, while Francis received 1310.

The most remarkable changes noticed in the last week's voting were at Moir and King where on the balloting of June 30, the vote stood: At Moir: Bailey 20, Smith 133, Johnson 18. In Saturday's primary the count showed Smith 202, Bailey 14.

At King: Smith 130, Bailey 11. In the first primary the result was as follows: Smith 30, Bailey 19, Johnson 58.

The board of elections met here Tuesday and canvassed the vote in the last primary.

Strong Law Firm Suggested

Among the visiting lawyers at court are John H. Folger of Mt. Airy and P. W. Glidewell, of Reidsville. There has been a report current that these attorneys would remove to Winston-Salem and form a co-partnership in law. Each is among the ablest lawyers in the State, and their union would create an exceptionally strong legal team.

Ice Cream Affair At Sandy Ridge

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church at Sandy Ridge will give an ice cream supper on the third Saturday night, which is July 21.

The proceeds going to a worthy cause, the public is invited to patronize liberally.

Card of Appreciation.

We wish to thank our friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy to us in our bereavement.

W. G. PETREE AND FAMILY.

Celebrating the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Joyce gave a watermelon treat on the fourth to 10 grandchildren. Two were absent.

SUDDEN DEATH OF DANBURY WOMAN

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell Petree, Wife of W. G. Petree, Passes At Martinsville, Va., After Short Illness—Incident Casts Gloom Over Danbury Community.

Death came within a few hours to Mrs. Margaret Mitchell Petree early Tuesday morning, after she jumped from a 4-story window from a Martinsville, Va., hospital.

Mrs. Petree had been at the hospital for a few days, suffering from a nervous breakdown, in which her mind had been affected. About 4 o'clock Tuesday morning despite the frantic efforts of her nurses, she sprang through an open window to the ground, receiving injuries which resulted in her death about four hours later.

The news quickly reached Danbury, where it cast a gloom over the entire community. Only a few days before, she had lived here apparently in the best of health.

Mrs. Petree, aged 43 years, was the wife Walter G. Petree, postmaster and attorney. She was a woman of fine qualities, and was always closely identified here in the social, civic and religious activities of the community. She was a leader in church work being closely connected with all charitable and benevolent movements.

In her home she was a tender and loving mother, and her children were devoted to her, and she to them.

She was a consistent member of the M. E. Church South, and had been from childhood.

Mrs. Petree was noted for her gracious disposition and her personal vivacity with her close friends who knew her best.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon from the M. E. Church by Rev. J. B. Needham, her pastor, and interment followed in the Danbury cemetery. A large crowd of friends attended the rites.

Palibears were R. J. Scott, J. B. Joyce, J. J. Taylor, B. P. Bailey, S. G. Sparger, Paul Taylor, Dr. R. H. Morefield and Berk Smith.

The deceased is survived by her husband, W. G. Petree; by five children, Walter, Jr., Hazel George, Margie and Carlyle, and by one brother, H. L. Mitchell, of High Point.

Mrs. Binkley Critically Ill

Mrs. Rev. D. A. Binkley, the aged mother of Mrs. J. D. Humphreys, has been critically ill for some weeks. Very little hope is entertained for her recovery.

M. E. Church Services.

Next Sunday:
At Davis's Chapel, 11 A. M.
At Danbury, 8 P. M.
Rev. J. B. Needham, the pastor extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend these services.