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CRIMINAL COURT ENDED WEDNESDAY

THE DOCKET WAS SHORTER THAN USUAL, AND THE CASES OF A MINOR NATURE—GRAND JURY FINISHED TUESDAY—CROWD IN ATTENDANCE SMALL.

Judge Pless, after finishing a docket of unusual shortness, left for his home Wednesday evening. The cases up for trial were mostly of a minor nature. Solicitor Scott prosecuted with his usual ability and energy. A number of offenders took road sentences, others paid fines.

The following cases were disposed of:

STATE AGAINST:

Otis Roberts, non-support, prayer for judgment continued.

Millard Jordan, o. c. i., six months road sentence suspended upon payment of cost.

Ben Drake, possession of liquor, cost.

Lonnice Myers, Jr., transporting liquor, suspended sentence and cost.

Abe Creasey, c. c. w., and a. d. w., nol pros—prayer for judgment continued for five years.

Rufus Clark, o. c. i., three months road sentence suspended and cost.

Reid Lynch, o. c. i., three months road sentence suspended and cost.

T. C. Hall and J. E. Haden, manufacturing liquor. As to T. C. Hall, three months suspended sentence. As to J. E. Haden, nol pros.

George Taylor, o. c. i., three months road sentence suspended and the cost.

Frank Stewart, a. d. w., 12 months road sentence.

Richard Thomas, non-support of illegitimate child, continued.

P. W. Gunter, possession of liquor, three months and suspended 12 months sentence.

Tom Kellam, manufacturing liquor, six months road sentence and 12 months suspended sentence.

Lum Fagg, o. c. i., suspended sentence and cost.

Wm. Griffin, o. c. i., three months road sentence suspended upon payment of cost.

Edgar Aaron, a. d. w., two years road sentence.

Frank Gretcher, abandonment and non-support, 12 months road sentence.

Walter Heath and Jesse Brim, manufacturing liquor. As to Walter Heath, three months road sentence and eight months suspended sentence. As to Jesse Brim, three months road sentence to begin November 1, 1940. Defendant to give bond of \$300 for his appearance to begin his sentence.

Raymond Sapp, o. c. i., five months road sentence to begin November 1, 1940, and give bond of \$300 for appearance to begin sentence.

Ivory Royal, o. c. l., and drunk and disorderly, suspended sent-

ence and cost.

A. T. Thornton, manufacturing liquor, nol pros.

Howard George, manufacturing liquor, six months road sentence and 12 months suspended sentence.

O. F. Thornton, manufacturing liquor, nol pros.

Sam McCollum, o. c. i., three months suspended sentence.

Soloman Kemp and Jake Kemp, transporting liquor. Solomon Kemp, suspended sentence and cost. Jake Kemp, suspended sentence.

Paul Mabe, manufacturing liquor, two years road sentence.

Paul Mabe, o. c. i., two years suspended sentence.

Paul Mabe, o. c. i., 12 months suspended sentence.

W. O. Pyrtle and Leo Pyrtle, assault, continued.

Bryant Mabe, manufacturing liquor, four months road sentence and 12 months suspended sentence.

Baxter Fulp, Jr., o. c. i., suspended sentence and cost.

Tom Bullin, o. c. i., four months

Vergil Simmons, b. and e., eight months road sentence.

J. E. Smith, Jr., Ed Booth, J. E. Smith, Sr., and Lem Fagg, larceny. As to J. E. Smith, Jr., 12 months suspended sentence on following conditions: pay note to

L. Burley Mabe and Paul Taylor by December 15, 1940; 2- Pay one-half cost of case by December 15, 1940; 3- Good behavior and not in any way molest or annoy Burley Mabe for three years. As to Ed Booth, 12 months suspended sentence on the same conditions as that of J. E. Smith, Jr.

Lem Fagg, o. c. i., 12 months road sentence and 12 months suspended sentence.

Will Chatman and Eugene Bolder, larceny, nol pros as to Will Chatman.

W. H. Wehry, crime against nature, nol pros.

Joe Pressley, o. c. i., three months road sentence.

Kenyon Norman, transporting liquor, six months road sentence suspended and cost.

Mrs. Ellington and Mrs. McCanless Entertain

Mrs. Alfred Ellington and Mrs. William McCanless jointly entertained at bridge at the home of Mrs. McCanless on Monday evening.

Four progressions were played after which prizes were awarded to Mrs. Robah Smith, Mrs. Arthur Reynolds, and Mrs. Charlie Martin. A visitor's prize was awarded to Mrs. Edwin Taylor.

Those who played were: Mesdames Arthur Reynolds, Charlie Martin, J. C. Wall, Lois M. Pearson, Robah Smith, and Misses Ellen Kate and Marjorie Pepper, Hazel and Margie Petree, and Mrs. Edwin Taylor and Miss Emorie Pepper from Walnut Cove.

(An Editorial.)

AMERICA SHOULD ENFORCE MASS PRODUCTION OF WAR MATERIAL TO HELP ENGLAND—SO WHAT ?

Henry Ford this week repudiated his contract with the U. S. government to build 3,000 airplane engines for America, and 6,000 for Great Britain.

The auto king gave as his alibi that he would not build military equipment for England.

As Mr. Ford spoke, German bands were playing in the streets of Paris "Deutschland Uber Alles."

In case anybody don't know what that means, get this: "GERMANY OVER ALL."

Since the highest military experts agree that the defense of Europe's last democracy is, in its last analysis, the DEFENSE OF AMERICA, is not America justified in holding Ford to his compact, and if he still refuse, commandeer his plants to be used under government direction for the defense of the nation.

If Mr. Ford dissent from such a gesture on the part of the government, he may be reminded that his factories were built and his millions of surplus acquired under the protecting arms of the country which he declines to protect. Also that under our constitution it is lawful to commandeer or confiscate in the interest of the public safety.

Mr. Ford has said that he can take one of his plants that employ 80,000 men, and produce 1,000 warplanes a day without curtailing his automobile output. Later his son Edsel, junior member of the firm, issued a statement that the Ford factories can make 5,000 planes a day "if necessary."

With such mass production capacity in our country as this, why not avail ourselves of it since the "necessary" occasion seems to have arrived.

Not only the Ford facilities, but the plants of General Motors, Bethlehem Steel, U. S. Steel, du Ponts or any other possible mass producers of war material should have their facilities converted to American defense whether another car is built or not until we are supplied with thousands of planes, tanks and other stuff needed.

With the colossal resources of America used now with unlimited speed, Germany's grab of free peoples will cease, and the invasion of the United States will rapidly become such a hazardous undertaking that the American people may still go on in their way of living.

WHO KILLED COCK ROBIN ?

There are times no doubt when it is auspicious and healthy for the country to go into political recrimination.

But this does not happen to be one of them.

The President set a good example the other day when he appointed two prominent Republicans to his cabinet. Those two eminent appointees showed their patriotism and good sense by accepting.

Yet, after all there are exceptions, we suppose, to the rule. And this is on occasion of a national convention. If there's any politics going at all, this must be a time to turn it loose, especially when issues for the prospective presidents are so scarce as in the case of the Republicans.

And so the committee on finding an issue, at last found one, and this is it: Pack unpreparedness on the Democrats.

This is really a very live issue if its pedigree can be proved.

But it must be rather embarrassing to some of the candidates who have got to stand on what-

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King Items

King, June 27.—The 4-H club has returned from a week camping trip at Roaring Gap. They report a fine trip.

Miss Ruth Evelyn Pulliam of Kernersville is spending a few days with her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. L. K. Pulliam on west Main street.

The stork got by with three visits last week. They were: to Mr. and Mrs. Roby Key, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Jamie McGee, a daughter; and to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hall, a son.

Miss Kate Stone is having her home on Main street remodeled. The Slate Lumber Company is the contractor.

James Dixon Mabe of Madison underwent a tonsil removal operation here Saturday.

Seaton Tuttle is quite sick at his home on Ohio street, his many friends will regret to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Frazier of Shrieve Port, La., are spending a few days here the guests of Mrs. Frazier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Newsum.

There is decided improvement in the condition of John McGee, who has been right sick at his home in North Side for several weeks.

James Love of Winston-Salem was here Saturday shaking hands with old friends and acquaintances.

Banks Turner, who resides in Westview, has purchased a new combine. It is doing nice work and is the first one ever used in this section.

Fred Kapp of Winston-Salem, formerly of King, visited relatives and friends here Friday.

Mrs. Austin Wall, who resides just west of town, gave a quilting party Thursday. Those attending were: Mesdames Vesta Wall, Tom Gordon, W. D. Thomas, Ray Thomas, Carter Goff and Clifford Goff. The quilts were arranged on the spacious lawn under the large shade trees where two were finished. Mrs. Wall served delicious lemonade and cake.

H. M. Brown of Greensboro was among the business visitors here Friday.

No, Thank You

Will Fulp and Dick Craig, a couple of Walnut Cove's most popular young business men, stopped over in Danbury a few minutes today while on their way to the CCC camp. But mind you, they were not going up there to enlist, as the camps may later be put in training against Hitler, and while they would both go at the drop of the hat—with a good old Stokes county rebel yell—I am afraid they are both too old. They would have to stand back let Tom Petree and Harry Davis—y younger fellows—tote off the military honors.

12-MONTH GRAND JURY LAW.

THIS INNOVATION FOR STOKES IS RECOMMENDED BY THE STOKES GRAND JURY IN SESSION HERE—OTHER REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Stokes county Superior Court grand jury in session here this week goes on record as favoring the placing of the county under the 12-months grand jury law and recommends that this measure be passed by the next General Assembly.

The full report of the grand jury, which adjourned Tuesday evening, is as follows:

State of North Carolina, County of Stokes.

To His Honor, J. Will Pless, Jr., Judge Presiding:

The Grand Jury for the June Term of Superior Court of Stokes County, 1940, respectfully submit the following report:

We have acted on 41 bills of indictment, 40 of which were found to be true bills, and one not a true bill.

Presentments of all criminal matters known to our body were made and acted upon.

A committee from our body visited the Stokes County Home and found the inmates well cared for and provided with good, wholesome food. We recommend that the east porch of the county home be screened so as to be more comfortable as a resting place for the inmates.

A committee from our body visited the Stokes County Jail and found same to be in good condition in every way.

A committee from our body visited the State Prison Camp and found the prisoners well fed, sleeping quarters in good sanitary condition and generally in first class shape.

A committee from our body visited the various county offices in the court house and found them all well kept and in good shape in every way.

The Clerk of Court reports that all executors, administrators, and guardians have made proper reports of matters entrusted in their hands.

It is recommended that adequate water supply be installed in the court house and jail and that proper ventilators in the way of electric fans or otherwise, be provided for the court room.

We recommend to our representatives in the next General Assembly that our county be placed under the 12-months grand jury law.

By reason of the fact that Your Honor will probably not preside over another term of our court for sometime to come, we desire to commend you for the uniform courtesy extended to the officials, jurymen and citizens of our county in general during the past 6 months.

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