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## CLAUDE ALLEN IS AGAIN ON TRIAL.

Opening Statements Made to Jury by Mr. John Draper, of Pulaski, an Judge Hairston, of Roanoke.

Wytteville, Va., July 17.—The special term of the Wythe county court for the trial of the Allen cases opened this morning at ten o'clock, Judge Waller R. Staples presiding.

Mr. Wysor, for the Commonwealth, announced that his side had elected to try Claude Allen again on indictment No. 2, for the murder of Wm. M. Foster, Commonwealth's attorney of Carroll county, a hung jury being the result of the former trial. This was strenuously objected to by Mr. Willis, for the defense, who stated there had been no agreement but it was understood that Friel Allen would be tried first. The court ruled that, in the absence of any agreement to the contrary, the trial of Claude Allen, on indictment No. 2, would be proceeded with.

The Commonwealth will be represented, as formerly, by Mr. Wysor and Mr. Draper, of Pulaski, Mr. Poage and Mr. S. B. Campbell, of Wytteville, and Mr. H. Floyd Landreth, of Hillsville.

Counsel for the defense are Judge N. P. Oglesby, of Bristol; Messrs. Mairston and Willis of Roanoke, with possibly Mr. Francis Coker, of Roanoke, and Mr. Lawson Worrell, of the West Virginia bar.

A venire of ninety-two men having been summoned from Washington county, the morning session of the court was occupied with the examination and selection of a jury.

Thirty-six men were examined this morning and from that number sixteen were chosen as qualified jurors, four of whom will be struck off this afternoon. Various excuses were offered for exemption, most of those excused claiming to have conscientious scruples against capital punishment.

Court adjourned at 1:35 until 3:30, at which time the jury will be completed and it is desired by the court to get through with the opening statements and go into the evidence tomorrow.

Claude Allen, Floyd Allen, Sidna Edwards, Friel Allen and Victor Allen were brought to Wytteville on No. 29 this morning and will be kept in jail here until they have been used for witnesses and the trials of the different cases have been completed.

Court opened this afternoon at 3:30, after an adjournment of two hours for dinner. Four names were stricken from the list of sixteen jurors chosen this morning, leaving the following men, who were sworn as jurymen to try Claude Allen for the murder of Commonwealth's Attorney Foster: S. W. Keys, G. I. Miller, J. P. Wilson, J. F. Rhea, C. A. Darden, W. D. Smith, J. C. Dowell, J. B. Johnson, J. P. Vail, Geo. C. Moore, W. A. Foster, and J. F. Ramsey. Mr. Willis, for the defense moved to quash the venire facias, which motion was overruled, whereupon he moved to quash the panel for error on voir doir and overruling motion of challenge for cause. This motion was also overruled and exceptions were taken by the defense.

Indictment no two against Claude Allen for the murder of Foster was then read to the jury by clerk C. C. Tate after which the opening statement of the case was made to the jury by Mr. John Draper, of Pulaski, who stated the case in a clear logical manner, tracing the trouble from its source, telling of the numerous threats made by Floyd Allen and describing the whole affair as a clash between law and outlaw. He told the jury of the contention which the Commonwealth would attempt to set up, emphasizing the inconsistencies between these contentions, and the evidence relied upon to prove it. This statement of the case occupied one hour and five minutes.

Judge Hairston, of Roanoke,

made the opening statement for the defense. In his statement he attacked the allegations made by the prosecution which they would try to substantiate by witnesses. He cautioned the jury to watch Goad and his testimony throughout, it having been the contention of the defense in the former trial that Goad precipitated the tragedy by drawing his pistol. During the statement, which occupied one hour, Judge Hairston told the jury how the trouble started and emphasized the prisoner's good character and the fact that in participating in the shooting he did so to defend his father.

## A Comparison of Bryan and Teddy.

Under the caption, "The Case of Mr. Roosevelt," Senator La Follette has written an editorial in the current number of La Follette's Weekly, reading, in part, as follows:

"Bryan at Baltimore, foregoing all chance of his own nomination, marshaling all his forces, braving Tammany and the trusts, to rescue his party from their domination, carrying the convention for the adoption of the most progressive Democratic platform yet offered, and the nomination of the most progressive Democratic candidate available, was a towering figure of moral power and patriotic devotion to civic righteousness."

"Roosevelt, at Chicago, backed by money derived from the stock-watering operations of the Steel Trust and the Harvester Trust, organizing what are now confessed to have been fake contests as to nearly 200 delegates in order to control the Republican convention and secure his own nomination, refusing to do so, making a progressive platform, bound to have the nomination or destroy the Republican party, was a most striking example of misdirected power and unworthy ambition."

"Roosevelt had as great an opportunity to serve the progressive cause at Chicago as Bryan had at Baltimore. But Roosevelt was serving the man, not the cause. He wanted one thing—he wanted the nomination. And yet he did not have enough votes to nominate himself upon any honest basis. He did have enough delegates in that convention ultimately to have nominated a real progressive and adopted a strong progressive platform."

"But Roosevelt would have no one but himself. At the first suggestion of Hadley he ordered the third party maneuvers lest he lost his followers."

"An analysis of the testimony will, I am convinced, show that neither Taft nor Roosevelt had a majority of honestly or regularly elected delegates. This the managers upon both sides well understood."

"This explains the extraordinary conduct of Roosevelt. He could not enter upon such an analysis of the evidence as would prove Taft's regularly elected delegates in the minority without inevitably subjecting his own sparsely credentialled delegates to an examination so critical as own contention that he had an honestly elected majority of the delegates."

"That this is the true psychology of the Roosevelt proceedings becomes perfectly plain. He was there to force his own nomination or smash the convention."

"He clamored loudly for purging the convention roll of tainted delegates without purging his own candidacy of his tainted contests and his tainted trust support. He offered no reason for a third party excepting his own overmastering craving for a third term."

If you have a housewife you cannot reasonably hope to be healthy or beautiful by washing dishes, sweeping and doing housework all day, and crawling into bed dead tired at night. You must get out into the open air and sunlight. If you do this every day and keep your stomach and bowels in good order by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed, you should become both healthy and beautiful. For sale by All Dealers.

## PROF CUNDIFF WRITES.

Teachers and Committeemen of the Public Schools of Surry County Please Take Notice.

"The Teachers' Institute for Surry County will open on Monday at 10 o'clock at Dobson Aug. 5th, and continue two weeks. All who intend to teach this year or next in the county must attend this Institute or some other, or some accredited summer school, continuously for two weeks. Here is the law written in italics.

"All public school teachers of the State and all high-school and graded school teachers, are hereby required to attend biennially some county teachers' institute or accredited summer school continuously for a term of not less than two weeks, unless providentially hindered; and failure so to attend such institute or summer school shall be cause for debarring any teacher, so failing from teaching in any of the public schools or graded schools of the State until such teacher shall have attended, as required by law, some county institute or accredited summer school as herein provided for."

I desire to make the matter very plain, in as much as teachers are continually writing me to know if one week at the Institute will not be sufficient. Please ask Mr. Joyner if you wish to be excused any part of the term.

I am requested to ask all the teachers to take with them to the Institute copies of the text books they expect to use in teaching. These will be of great service at times.

Prof. Baird of Charlotte will conduct the Institute; and Miss Nellie Aiken will have charge of the primary work.

All the committeemen and all others interested in the public schools of the county are invited to visit the Institute during the term; and they are urgently requested to be present on Friday the 10th August, at a meeting to be held especially for their information and benefit.

In conclusion I would beg to say to the committeemen that I sent out census report blanks about the middle of June to committeemen in all the school districts of the County, and forty-eight of them have never been returned. The law requires that the school census be taken in June. I have just sent out other blanks to those districts I have never heard from. Please attend to this matter at once, gentlemen, for I must have the number of children of school age in Surry County. Fill the reports out in full, giving numbers of children between the ages of 12 and 21 who cannot read and write, and also names of blind, deaf and dumb children, and the addresses of their parents. And don't forget to sign your names to your reports.

W. M. Cundiff,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Surry County

## Japan's Ruler Critically Ill.

Tokio, Sunday-morning, July 21.—The critical illness of Muzuhito, the Emperor of Japan is causing great anxiety. The court physicians have pronounced the case acute nephritis with alarming symptoms of uraemic poisoning and it was believed yesterday afternoon that the Emperor was sinking, and the ministers of state assembled at his majesty's palace. But his majesty rallied somewhat.

During the night the temperature of the patient subsided appreciably and he is able to take a little nourishment. His temperature at midnight was one hundred and two and two-tenths and his physicians were somewhat encouraged at eight this morning.

The secretary of the Imperial household gave out a statement that his majesty's condition was unchanged. He was sleeping at five o'clock and very weak. The Empress remained at his majesty's bedside throughout the night.

A bulletin issued at ten this morning says the Emperor's condition is unchanged.

## BALDWIN DETECTIVES PAID \$11,000 IN FEES.

State of Virginia Hands Over That Amount for Chasing Carroll Fugitives.

Bristol, Tenn., July 22nd.—The man hunters who have been searching for Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards since the Hillsville court room tragedy March 14, last, have demanded and received a settlement from the State for their services.

W. G. Baldwin, chief of the detectives, has been to Richmond to confer with Governor Mann and it is reported that a settlement has been reached by which the State pays the detectives \$11,000 in fees for their services.

For weeks the detectives scoured the mountains of Carroll county at great cost, raiding numerous houses, watching the movements of individuals, searching caves, and doing all things else that are done by the successful man-hunt. Bases of operation were established and maintained at heavy cost. Sidna Edwards was the first of the gang to surrender. Claude Swanson Allen surrendered at the point of a gun, and Friel Allen surrendered at his father's home, where he had returned ill and hungry after roaming through the mountains for many days.

But Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards are still at large, and despite inquiries made in every part of the country, no definite clue seems to have been obtained. The fugitives have been reported from almost every part of the county, but in spite of this, many of the residents of Carroll county are firm in the belief that the two men so much wanted are still in hiding in the mountains of Carroll county.

## Leader Warehouse, Winston, Changes Hands.

Winston, July 23.—One of the largest and most important deals of the year was consummated yesterday when the Leader Warehouse, corner of Trade and Sixth streets, was leased by the Leader Warehouse Co., a corporation of local business men, to the Gorrell Bros., operators of the Farmers' Warehouse on Main street for a period of ten years. The money involved in the lease is said to be upwards of \$50,000.

The lease becomes effective August 1, when the present company will turn over the property to the Gorrells, who have been extremely successful in the local warehouse business. For the coming season, at least, the company will operate both the Leader and the Farmers' Warehouse. The plans for the members of the present Leader Warehouse Company have not yet been made public.

The Leader Warehouse is unique in the history of warehouses, for it has the largest unobstructed warehouse floor in the world. It is the only warehouse ever constructed having a self-supporting roof. For three years the present company has operated the immense structure and each year the floor has become more popular with the farmer folks of this section.

The coming season is expected to be the best year in the history of the tobacco business in Winston-Salem, as one tobacco man yesterday stated that an excess of 30,000,000 pounds of tobacco is expected to be bought and sold on the local floors, making a new record for this market.

August 1 will see a renewal of activity in the local warehouses. The Gorrell Brothers are known throughout this section for their clever dealings with their customers and the splendid prices prevailing on their floor, so that the announcement of the addition of another immense warehouse to their holdings will be of wide interest throughout this section.

During the summer months mother of young children should watch for any unnatural looseness of the bowels. When given prompt attention at this time serious trouble may be avoided. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon. For sale

## WILSON PREPARING ACCEPTANCE SPEECH.

Unfolding his Thoughts on Leading Questions of the Hour.

Sea Girt, N. J., July 22.—Governor Wilson discarded his old gray working coat today for a dapper one of serge, drew the shutters of his office, pulled down the shades, locked the door and walked leisurely down the steps of the "little white house" porch with a bundle of papers under his arm. A moment later he entered a waiting automobile and was off for seclusion and the writing of his speech of acceptance of the Democratic presidential nomination.

These are, perhaps, a score of persons who know where he went, but how long he will be away is a problem as yet unsolved by even the Governor himself. That depends, he said, on how fast he can set his brain going and keep it going at the task which lies before him. The speech of acceptance is to reflect his attitude on the leading questions of the hour and on the platform adopted at Baltimore. He wants plenty of leisure to concentrate his mind and time to squander on the choosing of his words. He may be gone two days, or three, or possibly four. Sea Girt will not see him again until his acceptance address is finished.

The Governor left the "little white house" because he found it impossible to greet personally the scores of persons who come here and at the same time find opportunity to write his speech.

Before he left, he conferred with Senators Reed and Stone of Missouri and Representative Henry of Texas.

"Of course, Champ Clark will

Senator Reed said afterwards when asked his opinion on this point. "A Missouri Democrat is one of those fellows who takes off his coat and starts to work for the ticket as soon as the convention is over. Champ Clark is a Missouri Democrat."

Senator Stone said he had talked with Governor Wilson about plans for the campaign. They had also discussed debatable States, he added. He was reasonably sure that Wilson would have 230 votes in the electoral college before they reached the list of debatable States. Among these, he thought, were New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Wisconsin and Ohio. They were not included in the 230 votes.

Representative Henry talked with the Governor, he said, about legislation pending in Congress. He also discussed the political situation.

"This fight," said Mr. Henry, "is among three Presidents—the past President, the present President and the future President. I cannot see it any other way. And as for Texas, he'll give Wilson 300,000 majority. There aren't any Republicans left in Texas any more."

## \$65,000 in Wilson's Mail.

Sea Girt, N. J., July 22.—Gov. Wilson before he slipped away last night for his Sunday's rest, expressed himself as greatly pleased with the class of letters he had been receiving. The one class contained money and checks drawn principally to his order for campaign expenses and the amount so received is said to be in the neighborhood of \$65,000. The second class is made up of letters from Republicans who say they are going to vote the Democratic ticket this fall.

The money, checks, cash and money orders is coming in sums of from \$5 to \$250 and every letter so far has been acknowledged personally by the Democratic nominee.

## The Trials of a Traveler.

"I am a traveling saleswoman," writes E. E. Youngs, E. Berkshire, Vt., "and was often troubled with constipation and indigestion till I began to use Dr. King's New Life Pills, which I have found an excellent remedy." For all stomach, liver or kidney troubles they are unequalled. Only 25 cts at E. H. Hennis Drug Co.

## IS BURNS ON TRAIL OF THE TIGERS.

At Any Rate Life Has Been Hard For "Social Clubs" In Wilmington.

Wilmington, July 21.—On the eve of a two weeks' term of Superior court for the trial of criminal cases, police officers headed by Chief of Police Fowler raided two so-called social clubs early this morning, arresting six in one and four in the other on charges of gambling. They gave bonds for appearance before the recorder tomorrow. This is believed to be only the beginning of a series of sensations that will be sprung by the police department of which Councilman B. C. Moort has charge during the present term of court. One restaurant was also raided this morning and a quantity of beer found in the place. It is said that at the Recorder's court tomorrow the identity of two detectives who have been engaged for the past several weeks in gathering evidence against blind tigers and gambling joints will be revealed.

It is not improbable that judgment will be prayed by a number of the 60 odd defendants who entered nolo contendere for selling whiskey at a recent term of Superior court, and it is reported that the detectives have been gathering evidence to prove that the defendants have not lived up to their agreement to desist from the sale of whiskey until January 1st next.

It was rumored today that William J. Burns, the famous detective, and several of his sleuths have been at work here, but this was said to be not true by those in a position to know.

## Says Captain Smith Lives.

Baltimore July 21st.—Peter Pryal, formerly quartermaster on the steamship Majestic, of the White Star line, and long since retired, declared today that he had seen Captain Smith, commander of the Titanic, on the street here and addressed him. He said he knew him well, having served under him years ago.

Captain Smith, he said, was neatly attired when he saw him, and carried a suit case. When accosted by name, Pryal says, the captain replied, "How to you do, shipmate? I am in a hurry now, and can't stop."

He was then taking the train for Washington. Pryal bears a good reputation here. He insists his story is true.

Pryal is under the care of a physician, suffering from nervous shock brought on by the experience. His physician declares he is absolutely sane.

## Jilted Girl is Awarded Five Dollars Each Day.

Chicago, July 22.—The modest sum of \$10 was all that Miss Knoda Gowocka asked as balm for a broken heart when she filed suit for breach of promise here against Adam Zawkiij.

The man who was to have been her husband failed to appear on the day set for the wedding. Miss Gowocka had spent a considerable sum, as well as devoting much of her time to courting, previous to the wedding, so she presented a bill.

The \$10 she asked for one broken-heart on the bill, which in all amounted to \$751.50, was the last item entered. The other items included 92 days of courtin at \$5 each; a wedding supper which had been ordered, \$100, and a trousseau, \$175.

She brought suit for \$1,000, but the jury awarded here yesterday only the amount of the itemized bill.

## Are Ever At War.

There are two things everlastingly at war, joy and pills. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve will banish pills in any form. It soon subdues the itching, irritation, inflammation or swelling. It gives comfort, invites joy. Greatest healer of burns, boils, ulcers, cuts, bruises, eczema, scalds, pimples, skin eruptions. Only 25 cts. at E. H. Hennis Drug Co.