

W. B. COLE

IS ACQUITTED

UNION COUNTY JURY FREES SLAYER OF W. W. ORMOND

Slayer Will Appear Before Judge Finley for Sanity Hearing Tuesday. Corp Still in Jail

Rockingham, Oct. 11.—W. B. Cole, wealthy cotton manufacturer, was acquitted of murder today for the killing last August 15 of W. W. Ormond, one-time sweetheart of his 24-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

The jury returned its verdict at 9:56 o'clock, 21 1-2 hours after Judge T. B. Finley had read his charge.

Fewer than 40 persons were in the courtroom when the verdict was returned. Contrary to expectation no signal was given and Cole, his son Robert, and members of the prosecution and defense, with newspapermen, were in the courtroom.

Next Tuesday Cole will appear at Wilkesboro to show cause why he should not be committed to the state hospital for the insane.

The hearing will be held under provisions of the state law regarding the acquittal of persons pleading insanity in defense in capital cases.

Under a state law a defendant acquitted of a capital crime with insanity as a defense must show cause why he should not be committed to a state hospital for the insane.

Pending a sanity hearing next Tuesday at Wilkesboro before Judge T. B. Finley, the trial judge, Cole will be held in jail.

James A. Pen, chief of defense counsel, said tonight that he anticipated no difficulty in obtaining Cole's freedom.

Cole testified in the trial that he is in his "right mind." The family of the dead man was not represented when the jury filed in.

The Rev. A. L. Ormond, his son, Allison, and two daughters, Myra and Ophelia, left the courtroom late Saturday and did not return.

C. O. Howard, the twelfth man to join the jury that today returned Cole to the managership of the Hannah Pickett Mill, was selected after he told the court he had formed an opinion that Cole was guilty of some crime.

The jury took three polls, C. E. Rushing, their spokesman, told The Associated Press. On the first poll, taken soon after the deliberations began, eight stood for acquittal and four for conviction. Howard was one of the eight.

Late Saturday night another poll was taken and nine were for acquittal and three for conviction. Since the first poll the jury had asked for additional instructions, and after hearing them the jurors retired for the night.

"We prayed four times," T. C. Edwards said, and each time one of the four who stood for conviction changed. For several hours the count was 11 for acquittal and one for conviction. The one man went off to himself and had a hard time. We left him to himself.

Finally two of us went to talk with him. We talked about his farm and the crops and finally he smiled. "After a while we prayed and went to bed. When we went to breakfast he was in a good humor and soon after we reached the courthouse he told us he was ready to come around."

The jurors declined to name the man.

Wednesday Morning.—William B. Cole, wealthy Rockingham cotton mill man, stepped from the unpretentious little red brick courthouse here this afternoon a free citizen.

The last grip of the law on the man, acquitted Sunday in Richmond county of killing William W. Ormond, was broken at 3:20 p. m. by Judge T. B. Finley, who presided over Cole's trial in Rockingham.

WAGE COMMISSION SLICES PAY ROLL

Seven Employees Lose Out. Effective November 1st

Raleigh, Oct. 10.—Cutting \$39,173 from an annual payroll of approximately \$3,000,000, but leaving the pal status of 1,464, out of 1,601 employees unchanged, the new salary classifications and employment regulations for state departmental workers, recommended by the salary and wage commission and approved by Governor McLean, will become effective November 1.

The commission's report, bearing the governor's signature of approval as of October 1, was released for publication today by Secretary H. Hoyle Sink. It is a document going into many phases of state employment affairs and making rules and regulations to control working hours, holidays, vacations, sick leaves, etc., in addition to setting up classifications for all departmental positions and fixing a minimum, maximum and intermediate rate of pay for each classification.

Of 1,601 employees classified by the commission, 108 will be subjected to cuts in pay, aggregating \$23,859, while 29 will be awarded salary increases totaling \$4,627, the net reduction in the aggregate payroll for classified employees being \$19,232. In addition, seven positions in the department of Insurance Commissioner Stacy Wade are abolished representing a saving of \$19,941. No positions were abolished in any other department.

The places abolished in the insurance department were five positions of safety education agents and two first investigators and inspectors.

PROGRAM EPHEMERUS CLEMENT FIELD

Sunday School at 10 o'clock next Sunday at Clement Field. White Citizens' Secretary will be present. Roll your names if you are not a member already.

Preaching at 11 o'clock. The Lord's Supper will be observed.

Lambeth Memorial Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The church school of Missions will begin. The whole church membership organized into graded classes for the purpose of studying missions.

The plan of grading is similar to that of a graded Sunday school.

The classes study books adapted to their age and needs. The time of meeting will be next Sunday, Wednesday and Friday nights for the first week, and Sunday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights for the second week, thus closing on Halloween night with a social hour.

Fourth Sunday night stereopticon views of work in mission fields will be shown.

We invite you to these services. L. V. COGGINS, Pastor.

ROXBORO TOBACCO MARKET

The Roxboro Tobacco Board of Trade and the warehouses have a newsy letter in this issue, and from week to week will keep you posted as to the doings of the tobacco market. Read the letter.

The offering for the past week have been light, and of very poor quality, but tobacco of the desirable kind is selling well and it is predicted by one of the best judges of tobacco on this market that desirable grades are going to sell well, in fact higher than the past season.

ANOTHER OLD LANDMARK GOING

Judge J. C. Pass, the owner, is having the old Reade Hotel torn down. This is an old three-story structure, and on account of its location and being of frame construction, was some time since condemned, hence Judge Pass is having it torn down. This removes the last fire trap on Main Street, all other buildings in the fire district being of brick construction.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., H. L. Crowell, superintendent. Morning service 11 a. m., preaching by the Pastor.

Sunday School at Mitchell's Chapel at 2 p. m. Preaching at Warren's Grove school house at 3:30 p. m. Every one welcome at all services. P. CARY ADAMS, Pastor.

JAMES B. DUKE

DIED IN SOMERVILLE

REMAINS WERE BURIED IN DURHAM YESTERDAY

Great American Tobacco and Water Power Magnate, Passed Away at Age of Sixty-eight

New York, Oct. 14.—James B. Duke, tobacco and water-power millionaire, died at his New York home shortly after six o'clock tonight.

He had been ill for the past ten weeks, since suffering a nervous breakdown at Newport, R. I.

First reports of the death came from the 2,000-acre Duke estate at Somerville, N. J., where the tobacco magnate spent the summer in his palatial home.

Mr. Duke was 68 years old. He was born on a North Carolina farm and when 18 years old joined his father and brothers in the Duke Brothers Tobacco company.

When only 27 years old he went to New York from North Carolina and organized the American Tobacco company. Subsequently he organized the great tobacco companies and a few years ago, figured in the organization of a gigantic international company, the British-American Tobacco company.

Death was due to bronchial pneumonia, it was stated at the Duke town house. Funeral services were held in the tobacco magnate's hometown, Durham, N. C.

A special train will take New York Monday with the body, members of the family.

In recent years Mr. Duke has given nearly \$50,000,000 to educational institutions, chiefly to the North Carolina university that bears his name.

After organizing the American Tobacco company and taking it up to the top of the mountain, Duke achieved a world monopoly by the organization of the British American Tobacco company, but several years ago, retired as chairman of its board after a bitter struggle with British interests.

The international concern was formed to handle the trade outside of England and the United States after the tobacco monarch of the two nations had waged a disastrous war for each other's markets.

MARY HAMBRIK MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Mary Hambrick Missionary Society met October 12th in the Sunday School room with 45 members and one visitor present.

A committee was appointed to visit the County home and hold services twice a month. Another committee was appointed to arrange the program and places of meeting for Week of Prayer, which will be Nov. 9 to 14.

One new member, which brings our membership to 110.—Sec.

SUCCESSFUL RAID

Sheriff Brooks received a tip that something was being done in the Holloway township section, so yesterday morning in company with Deputies Gentry and Jack Oliver they went down and captured two men, Lee Stone and J. H. Smith, both colored, ten bushels of meal and about four hundred pounds of sugar, and destroyed the still. One man made his escape. They were just "mashing in" whatever that means when the Sheriff and his force closed in on them.

GRANVILLE FARMER

MAKES GOOD AVERAGE

Mr. Jack Clayton of Granville county made a good average at the WINSTEAD WAREHOUSE last Friday, selling a load at an average of \$28.45 for his entire load. Geo. Thomas and Budder also made a good average at the WINSTEAD, having sold a load for \$25.75 per hundred.

RECOMMENDS DR. DAVIDSON

Mr. Dallas W. Long is telling you about the instant relief which he received through Chiropractic adjustments for a severe pain in his back and hips last spring. Mr. Long states that he can recommend Dr. Davidson to anyone who is suffering as the attack has not returned.

HALIFAX COUNTY FAIR

October 20, 21, 22, 23, 1925. South Boston, Virginia

The Secretary of the Halifax County Fair has just been notified by Mr. Lee, State Game Commissioner, that they would have their full wild game exhibit at the coming fair October 20th to 23rd. This exhibit is composed of practically all the wild game to be found in Virginia, such as quail, pheasants, wild geese, wild ducks, wild turkeys, sea gulls, eagles, hawks, owls, etc.

The animals consist of deer, bear, fox, wild goats, squirrels, ground hogs, coons, possums, etc. We had this exhibit once before and it greatly pleased our patrons and we understand that it is a great deal more elaborate this time and will be a big addition to the 1925 fair.

Among the other attractions to be seen at the fair will be Delanna, the High Pole Act, with one man doing his stunts 80 feet in the air. This is a thriller.

Then we have the Steiner Trio consisting of two men and one woman doing a trapeze and horizontal bar act, also a comedy horizontal bar set in which button-bursting comicities give laughing color to a gymnastic series of absolutely fearless feats.

The Schoolfield Military Band will furnish the music. Other attractive features will be added and announced later.

The 1925 fair promises to be the best in history.

GREENVILLE COTTON MILLS

We are always glad to note progress by any of our citizens, and we are glad to see our young business men branching out, but we would much prefer to have been able to announce this progressive move for Roxboro. Mess J. A. and W. R. Long and R. L. Harris have purchased the Greenville Cotton Mills, Greenville, N. C., Mr. J. A. Long being the treasurer. Two of these young men, Mess J. A. Long and R. L. Harris have had long experience in the cotton business and have demonstrated their ability by the success made of the mills they have been running.

STOLEN THUNDER

Last week we announced the progressive spirit of one of Roxboro's liveliest business concerns in giving the people the benefit of the score of the World series inning by inning, when, as a matter of fact this progressive concern was being supplied the dope by another one of our most progressive firms, Mess Mambrick, Austin and Thomas. Anyway, the other fellow got the benefit of some good free advertising—and it pays to advertise.

OLIVE HILL PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Olive Hill Parent Teacher Association will meet Thursday afternoon October the fifteenth at 3:30 o'clock. The speaker of the afternoon will be Rev. J. W. Bradley, Patrons, and all those interested in the progress of the school, are cordially invited to be present. A cake will be presented to the grade having the highest percentage of parents present.—W.

CHANGE IN BUS SCHEDULE

In another column will found the new Bus schedule for Durham, Roxboro, South Boston, Bus line. With the new schedule bus riders take daily trips to Durham, save Sunday, and two trips to South Boston. This gives a splendid service and all people will give the line a liberal patronage.

GRAMMAR GRADE TEACHERS

The grammar grade teachers fourth to seventh grade inclusive will meet in the graded school building promptly at 10 o'clock Saturday. The book we are to study is new and can be had at Hambrick, Austin and Thomas.

CARNIVAL

Helena High School Negro Ministry "Carnival" is held every Friday night, October 16, 7:30 o'clock. Prizes will be given. Admission, 25 cents. This entertainment is for the benefit of the church and a large crowd is expected.

Society

The Research club was delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. J. Winstead.

The topic for the lesson was Thomas Hardy. The first paper was by Mrs. E. M. Davis on the Art of Hardy. The second paper was on the novel, Far from the Maddening Crowd, by Mrs. S. G. Winstead. The third paper was written by Mrs. Marnie Merritt on The Return of the Native. Mrs. A. M. Burns gave a review of the novel Tess of the Urvilles. The entire program was very interesting and enjoyed by all. The hostess served delicious cream, cake and candy to the members present.—Cor. Sec.

The Review Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Otis Wilkerson last Thursday afternoon, the program subject being Walter Hines Page. Two very interesting papers were presented by Mrs. F. M. Shamburger and Mr. T. B. W. on Page the Ambassador, and Page a National Asset. After the program a salad course was served by the hostess.—Rec. Sec.

Mrs. E. E. Thomas and F. O. Carver, delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carver. Tables were placed in three rooms for the game of back and many interesting progresses were played. Lovely fall flowers were arranged in brackets and a delicious salad course with lettuce was served the guests. Dainty pink checked baskets filled with nuts were given as favors.

Mrs. E. E. Thomas and F. O. Carver, delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carver. Tables were placed in three rooms for the game of back and many interesting progresses were played. Lovely fall flowers were arranged in brackets and a delicious salad course with lettuce was served the guests. Dainty pink checked baskets filled with nuts were given as favors.

Mrs. E. E. Thomas and F. O. Carver, delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carver. Tables were placed in three rooms for the game of back and many interesting progresses were played. Lovely fall flowers were arranged in brackets and a delicious salad course with lettuce was served the guests. Dainty pink checked baskets filled with nuts were given as favors.

TOBACCO ON THRONE IN EASTERN CAROLINA

Prices at Kinston Leap from 18 Cents to 27 Cents a Pound—Best in Several Years

Kinston, Oct. 8.—Tobacco is king in eastern North Carolina again. Warehousemen today said they believed the present average price here would be maintained the remainder of the season. The leap from about 18 cents a pound to nearly 27 cents came when not more than a third of the local production had been marketed, and that largely scrap. The present level is the best in several years, according to market men.

"Sensible marketing" during the first weeks of the season left growers the winners by the sudden increase. They withheld many million pounds of the best weed, declining to sell it at the low level prevailing in September when the average price here was under 16 cents. Warehousemen urged farmers to continue to market today.

"The season is young," it was said today. More than 28,000,000 pounds of the leaf is still stored in houses in the territory tributary to Kinston, it is believed, including a stream of the 1925 production.

"MINE"

Your income, say is \$50 the week and you envy Joe because he is rich and has "advantages" that are denied you.

What advantages? Well, there's his fine home, you say, but he has less than you. The country is booming, Joe's money is doing it. You may be across the street and enjoy it when you will.

The friends? Well, he seldom is aware of it. His mind is on other things. There is a picture picture theatre down town with a more exquisite interior. You are free to enjoy it when you wish.

The grounds, then? They seem insignificant when compared to the things that are denied you.

What's the car in which he drives about? You have a flower and can get about as well.

Oh, he has jewels? Well he doesn't devour them. He merely looks at them. If you enjoy looking at jewelry, there are many in the shop windows.

Dissatisfied still? Then what is it at the root of your dissatisfaction? What, precisely, do you want?

You want the pride of possession. You are not content merely to enjoy a jewel, a fine bit of architecture, a painting. You covet the right to say, "This is mine."

Custom, reason and law unite in saying that certain things belong to Jones. They do not belong to Jones. It is decreed that he may enjoy them for a little while and then must surrender them to posterity.

The jewel in the shop window is yours to enjoy until it is removed. Jones' jewels are his to enjoy until he is removed.

It isn't a very noble aspiration—the yearning to say "mine." What is at the root of it?

The sun, moon, winds and rain are as much yours as anybody's and yet afford you no thrill.—Robert Quillen.

FROST AND ICE SUNDAY MORNING Last Saturday morning there was a slight frost in this section, followed Sunday morning with a chilling frost, and some ice. Notwithstanding the warning Saturday morning quite a good many farmers were caught with tobacco standing.

THE WORLD SERIES The World Series being played by the Washington and Pittsburgh base ball teams has attracted a great deal of interest here during the past week. The teams are tied at this writing, each having won three games. The deciding game will be played today.

FOR SALE—Martin and Kelleys train White Wyanot coaches \$1.00 each. Apply to W. R. Hanks, Hurdis Mills, N. C. 10-14.