

CRIMINAL COURT CONVENES TODAY

Judge Connor Delivered Short Charge to Grand Jury Jury Composed 15 Men

The November term of criminal court was convened here this morning by Judge George W. Connor, who delivered one of the shortest charges on record to a Grand Jury which is composed of only fifteen men, including the foreman.

In charging the Grand Jury Judge Connor expressed his determination to take but little of the members' time as the docket was light and contained only cases of a nature that a man blessed with ordinary intelligence and common sense would be able to handle without specific instructions.

Judge Connor, in his charge paid high tribute to New Haven's and Wilmington officials vested with the duty of enforcing the law by saying that the docket showed that the law is well observed or that a majority of the violations are of a minor nature and are settled by magistrates or in Recorder's Court.

The following gentlemen were drawn as Grand Jurors and sworn in: Messrs. L. Stein, fireman; E. L. White, W. R. Hartsfield, J. D. Vann, C. F. Nurnberger, Jordan Branch, George S. Nevers, W. M. Harris, H. Blunthall, J. L. Roderick, W. M. Smithson, E. V. H. Shaw, Ernest J. Bush, W. R. Nye, and George Schinbren.

Messrs. S. W. Ketchum and H. C. Prince, summoned as jurors, failed to answer when called and Judge Connor advised that they be called out and a fine imposed for failure to be present when court opened.

Little headway was made on the docket this morning and but one case went to the jury. Bertram Levan was acquitted on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon. Nol presses with leave were granted in the following cases: Sam Watson, larceny; Henry Maybanks, highway robbery; Sis Baldwin, larceny. The case charging M. Humphries and William Robos with larceny is being tried this afternoon.

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL.

Rector of Porter's Military Academy Delivered Sermon.

Dr. Walter Mitchell, rector of Porter's Military Academy, of Charleston, S. C., spoke at St. James' Episcopal church yesterday.

Dr. Mitchell took as his subject, "You Shall Know the Truth and it Will Make You Free," and handled it in a most instructive manner.

The prime object of Dr. Mitchell's trip to this city was the encouragement of the movement for an endowment fund for St. Mary's School, Raleigh.

ELIZABETH ALUMNAE MET.

St. Paul's Church Was Scene of Gathering of Elizabeth Students.

The alumnae of Elizabeth College met yesterday afternoon in the Sunday School room of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Rev. John C. Perry, who is a delegate to the Synod and President of Elizabeth College, made an address in which he outlined the work that is now going on at the institution.

Several other short addresses were made during the course of the afternoon.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at Tuesday 8 a. m. yesterday, 2.42 feet

MAY BUILD NEW PACKING HOUSE

Mr. G. Herbert Smith and Carolina Packing Co. Thinking of Combining

Whether the Carolina Packing Company and Messrs. G. Herbert Smith and Walter Griffith will combine and establish one packing house here is at present a matter of conjecture.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Griffith have stated their intentions of starting a packing house in this section and have signified their willingness to double the capital stock of the company that has recently been incorporated for the proposed packing house.

The Carolina Packing Company last week had two expert architect and engineers in the city looking over the local situation and the estimates of the two houses that these engineers represented are expected to be in during the week and the one drawing up the most acceptable plans will be given the contract.

After the contract for the construction of the plant has been signed, according to an officer of the present packing company, the Carolina Packing company will be in better shape to talk terms with the two men who are figuring on going into this line of business.

The capital stock of the present company is \$100,000, and it is a matter of conjecture whether a company in this locality with double the original capital stock.

Mr. Smith is already the proprietor of one packing house in Waycross, Ga., and although not active manager of the establishment has some knowledge of the packing industry.

In an interview given yesterday Mr. Smith stated that he positively intended to establish a packing house here whether he could combine with the one already started or not and it is a question of doubt just now whether live stock industry only in its infancy, two houses of the same capacity would pay in Wilmington.

REVIVAL SERVICE BEGAN LAST NIGHT

Dr. Hurt Preached Eloquent and Forceful Sermon—Mr. Rodgers Charge of Singing

The ten days' revival service was inaugurated at the First Baptist church last night with a strong sermon by the pastor, Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt. Taking for his text, "Prepare to Meet Thy God, Brethren; the Time is Short," the minister made an eloquent appeal to his congregation. The galleries had to be used in seating the audience that overflowed the main floor of the church and which appeared impressed by the message delivered by the pastor.

The singing of gospel hymns by the congregation, led by a special choir directed by Mr. Walter E. Rodgers, of Atlanta, Ga., was a feature of the service. The choir occupies a temporary platform erected just to the right of the preacher. Mr. Rodgers rendered a gospel solo that was enjoyed by all.

Dr. Hurt will do the preaching with outside assistance and Mr. Rodgers will have complete charge of the singing. The latter is recognized as a gospel song director of unusual ability. His methods are similar to those of Charles M. Alexander and one of the Alexander songs, so familiar to Wilmingtonians, was sung last night. It was not at all difficult to persuade the congregation to join in the singing of "Beulah Land."

The neighborhood services that have been held during the past few weeks has stimulated interest and the present revival bids fair to equal if not surpass those formerly held. Two services are to be held daily, at 3:30 in the afternoon and at 7:30 in the evening. The first half hour of the evening service will be devoted to the singing of gospel hymns under the direction of Mr. Rodgers. Immediately after this afternoon's service Mr. Rodgers will devote a period to the training of the junior choir, which includes children between the ages of 10 and 14 years of age.

SCIENTISTS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 13.—An address by Dr. S. W. Stratton, director of the National Bureau of Standards, on target practice in the United States Navy is to feature the autumn meeting of the National Academy of Science, which began a three-day session today at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Another feature of the program that promises to attract much attention will be an address on military aviation by Lieut. Col. George C. Squier, in charge of aviation in the United States Army.

The Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees, Wilmington Review, No. 6, will meet at the house of Mrs. E. L. Waddell, No. 407 Nun street, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

ABLE SERMONS LAST EVENING

Says Martin Luther Taught Keynote of Education—Other Addresses

Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., president of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., and Rev. J. C. Seegers, of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, of Columbia, S. C., delivered able addresses at last night's session of the Southern Lutheran Synod at St. Paul's church.

"The Relation of the Reformation to Modern Christian Education," and "The Permanency of the Church," were the themes discussed.

The address of Dr. Morehead was based on the relation of the reformation and modern education. According to the speaker the inner release of the spirit of man led to a new revelation of man's rights and duties. When Martin Luther advanced the idea that man should have the privilege of worshiping according to the dictates of his conscience, he performed one of the boldest acts recorded, according to Dr. Morehead.

The speaker pointed out that Luther, in his letter to the German nobility, set forth some of the paramount principles of modern education. That every child was entitled to an education, to adequate training to prepare it for the battles of life.

One of the changes brought about by the reformation is that the school is to be controlled by the State and hence the State must adopt methods of proper education for its children, according to the speaker. Practical education is another thing taught by the reformation, Dr. Morehead continued.

The speaker pointed out that the great connective lies in the church college. Christian education is the citadel where the battle for the continuation of the safety of the church and State will be fought. He concluded by saying that the conflict would be a mighty one.

The address of Dr. Seegers is quoted in part. He said: "The church has within it the spirit of indestructibility, yet it did undergo a deformation through the middle ages, when darkness and gross darkness covered the earth. But at even its most corrupt state, Christ proved his declaration, 'Lo, I am with you always.'"

"The external organization was corrupt, but within it was the living organism. In the fullness of time, the chosen vessel of God, came in the arena to defend the church of the living God. Is that church, which has within it the principles of the reformation, to be the standard-bearer of all churches?"

"The permanency of the church is evident because it centers its faith in the Rock of Ages. It was the supreme purpose of Martin Luther to go to the Christ of Bethlehem and Calvary. Faith centered in Christ becomes effective before God. It is a faith that clings to Christ, and He above that gives us Apostolical succession.

"The church derives its authority from the Book of Ages. Luther had this faith and clung to it at the Diet of Worms. It was this that gave him the victory. Rome taught traditions. The truth was at stake in 1521, as in 1529. Luther was right at both times, but to the word.

"The church is permanent because it meets the needs of the world. Christ is placed between sin and salvation, that man might be delivered from the one and made secure in the other. Our church cannot be a phantom church, because we teach these principles. Christ, the universal man, the Bible, the universal book, and salvation, the universal fact."

Rev. W. C. Schaefer, Jr., of Atlanta, was the speaker at the morning service at St. Paul's yesterday. He spoke of "The Church of the Living God," and was accorded the closest of attention.

Miss Annette Kahler, student secretary of Buffalo, and Mr. Hajime Anadomi, of Japan, spoke at the afternoon session of the Woman's Conference.

Rev. C. L. Brown, D. D., of Columbia, S. C., and Rev. M. O. J. Krepps, D. D., of Columbia, S. C., spoke at the morning service at St. Matthew's. The service was featured by the singing of a solo by Mrs. George T. Rygh, of Columbia. Rev. J. T. Crabtree and Mr. Anadomi made helpful addresses at the Sunday School service. Rev. C. A. Freed, of Columbia, S. C., preached an inspiring sermon at the night service.

ATTEND MEDICAL ASSO.

Wilmington Physicians in Attendance on Convention in Atlanta.

The Southern Medical Association, meeting this week in Atlanta, will be attended by three Wilmington physicians, Dr. H. T. Moore, Dr. C. T. Sykes, and Dr. J. G. Murphy, all of whom are leaving here this afternoon.

The association will hear a paper read by Dr. Murphy on "Results of Tonsil Operations" which promises to be a big feature of the Association.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 13.—Educational problems of particular interest to the State universities are to be considered at the annual meeting of the National Association of State Universities, which convened in this city today for a two-day session. The presidents of more than half the State universities of the country are in attendance.

CHURCH'S PART IN EDUCATION

Vital Subject Considered by Episcopal Churches—Rev. Mr. Osborne Spoke

Yesterday the four Episcopal parishes of the city considered the subject of "The Church's Responsibility to Education," as presented by Rev. Walter Mitchell, D. D., of Porter's Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., and Rev. Francis M. Osborne, special representative of the trustees of St. Mary's School, Raleigh, N. C. These addresses are made in preparation for an effort proposed by which the people of Wilmington expect to cooperate in a movement for the improvement and enlargement of St. Mary's School. The Episcopal church in the Carolinas owns this school and as an important city with influence in East Carolina Wilmington will doubtless work vigorously to further the cause.

This evening at 8 o'clock a meeting will be held at St. James' Parish House, of men and women representing the four Episcopal parishes, members of the St. Mary's Alumnae Association, and others who may wish to come to express their sympathy and zeal for a public-spirited cause of State-wide importance. Mr. Geo. C. Royall, of Goldsboro, who is one of the trustees of the school elected by the Diocese of East Carolina, is expected to be present. The meeting will be in the nature of a conference to determine how, when and what part Wilmington will have in the movement. Any who may be interested are cordially invited to be present.

Yesterday Dr. Mitchell spoke in the morning at the Church of the Good Shepherd. His words made a deep impression and his address was characterized as an attractive and logical argument for a strong sense of responsibility for church schools and colleges. Dr. Mitchell is rector of Porter's Military Academy, an institution controlled by the Episcopal church and rich in tradition of service and usefulness in the South.

Mr. Osborne, who represents the trustees of St. Mary's School, spoke in the morning at St. John's church and in the evening at St. Paul's.

In part, Mr. Osborne said:

"I come to you as the special representative of the trustees of St. Mary's School and my business is to organize and lead a movement to raise \$250,000. I have no ambition to be merely a collector of dollars, but if, with Divine help, I can help you who are interested in this work to make effective your wishes and to those who are uninformed or indifferent, to voice a call with reference to this church's responsibility to education, then I shall feel that I am true to the obligation of my ministry—as truly as if I were building churches and presenting classes for confirmation.

"My ordination vows have committed me to the special service of an ordained ministry. To leave the Word of God by accepting the task as if it meant the collection of a quarter of a million dollars and ended there would be a distasteful and sordid task. But to feel the strong and growing responsibility of the church to the work of education and to go forth in this and our sister State of South Carolina, to call her members to their privileges in supporting this institution which has cradled three generations of Christian mothers is a grateful opportunity of service to the mother of us all—the church.

"I may here properly remind you that we Episcopalians are committed to the Church's Responsibility to Education, already, (1) by the authority of the general convention through its appointment of a board of religious education; (2) by the Council of East Carolina, which has assumed the responsibility of ownership and trusteeship of St. Mary's School, which accommodates 175 girls, of whom thirty come from this diocese; (3) by authority of experience. We have found how much St. Mary's has helped the church. Bishop Atkinson, in his tribute to Dr. Albert Smeades, the founder of this school, said: 'It is my deliberate judgment that Dr. Smeades has done more for the advancement of this diocese and for the promotion of the best interests of society in its limits than any man who ever lived in it.' How did he do it?"

Mr. Osborne then told of his own conversion to the principle of the responsibility of the Episcopal church to education about six years ago, and showed how a right conception of what the church stands for dispels the notion that a church school is narrowing in its influence or that the church can not afford to put up the money necessary to maintain her schools and colleges. The church, he said, stands for the full truth of life, as revealed in Jesus Christ. Her standard is liberty under properly constituted authority and her aim is to inculcate a normal, every-day, practical type of religion that contributes to the richness, depth and beauty of life.

Here Mr. Osborne read an extract from the address of the president of the Board of Trustees, made at the opening of the school this year: "Now, if St. Mary's School stands for anything, it stands for the individual as God's child in God's world, bound to service therein. All departments of human thought and human

BANKS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Wilmington is the financial center and clearing house for the Carolinas. The local institutions have direct dealings with almost every bank in the two States. The banking institutions of this city are all strong and able to finance any legitimate business needs of the community. Below is given a comparison of the increase of the banking business in Wilmington for eight years, which shows that the capital and surplus of the Wilmington banks have increased practically one million dollars, while for the same period the deposits have increased approximately four and one-half million dollars.

Table with columns: STATEMENT FOR 1908, STATEMENT FOR 1916. Rows include Murchison National Bank, Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, People's Savings Bank, Southern National Bank, American National Bank, Atlantic Trust and Banking Company, and totals for Capital and Surplus, and Deposits.

Increase in eight years ... \$ 933,967.87 \$4,427,329.56

—From Wilmington Chamber of Commerce "Bulletin."

RETURNS TO WILMINGTON

Baltimore & Carolina Steamship Line to Make This Port of Call.

The president of the Baltimore & Carolina Steamship Co. has been in New Bern for the past week and in conjunction with shipping men of that city has been arranging for docking facilities there and in Wilmington for the B. & C. Steamship Company's boats that will ply between Baltimore, New Bern, Wilmington and Charleston.

This step has been contemplated for some time and with the service two new steamers will be built.

The line at one time ran ships here but because of alleged trouble in getting the correct freight rates from the railroads here withdrew from this port.

Action was taken by a number of prominent men of the city several months ago and according to present prospects their action is likely to bear fruit in the near future.

MAY ATTACK 8-HOUR LAW.

Atlantic Coast Line May be One of Roads to Fight in Courts.

The Atlantic Coast Line may be one of a number of railroads in the country who will in the near future go to the courts and endeavor to get redress for the Adamson eight-hour law.

Roads all over the country are filing injunction suits and the Coast Line may become one of the Southern roads that will follow in the steps of the Northern and Western roads that are preparing to file papers or who have already done so.

Many Attend Lectures.—Parents are invited to attend the first of a series of lectures to be given by Mr. Odie B. Hinnant, Boy Secretary, which will be given in the High School auditorium tomorrow evening at 4 o'clock.



VIVIAN MARTIN

The Enchanting Paramount Beauty in "Her Father's Son" at the Grand Monday.

Bon Marche

(Incorporated.)

Asheville, N. C. Wilmington, N. C.

Sale of Silk Dresses Begins This Morning

at 9 a. m.

Assortment No. 1

Priced at \$12.75

Assortment No. 2

Priced at \$15.75

Assortment No. 3

Priced at \$18.75

See Window Display

GOETHALS ASSAILS CRITICS.

Tells "Know It Alls" Canal Slides Will Be Stopped.

Washington, Nov. 13.—The prediction that earth movements in the Panama Canal will be overcome "finally and for all time" is reaffirmed by Major-General Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, in his annual report made public by the War Department. This will be accomplished, Gen. Goethals says, "notwithstanding the calamity hewlers and in spite of the disastrous predictions of the 'know it alls.'"

The General says that many false reports have been published. "Such reports are false, and there is no foundation for them," he declared, "yet they seem to have gained credence probably because a pending treaty between the United States and Nicaragua contemplates securing from the latter all rights for building a canal on its territory."

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 13.—The seventy-eighth birthday anniversary of President Joseph F. Smith, of the Mormon Church, is being observed formally today by the dignitaries and other members of the church. This afternoon the entire family gathered at the Beehive house for the customary celebration and dinner. The anniversary finds Mr. Smith strong and active.