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FBI MEN CATCH TOM WILLIAMS

Fugitive From Macon Is Captured Friday In Florida

Tom Williams, charged with murder in the alleged slaying of Miss Edna Hodgins in the Betty's Creek section on last December 24, and who has been a fugitive since January 30, was captured by FBI agents in Daytona Beach, Fla., Friday and placed in jail in Jacksonville to await the arrival of Macon county officers.

Sheriff A. B. Slagle and son, Charles Slagle, left Saturday for Jacksonville and returned with Williams Monday night. The prisoner was placed in jail to await trial at the term of superior court which convenes next Monday.

It is understood that Williams has relatives in Daytona Beach, and that the FBI men had been tipped off that he might show up there.

Williams sawed his way out of the Macon county jail on the night of January 30 and has been at large since that time.

Criminal Docket Monday

Court will convene at 10 o'clock Monday morning and Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, is expected to preside.

The criminal docket will be taken up immediately after the judge's charge to the grand jury. The Williams case is the only important matter scheduled for trial, most of the docket being taken up with misdemeanors, chiefly liquor and drunken driving cases.

The civil docket, which will be taken up after all criminal cases have been disposed of, contains 24 cases, seven of them being uncontested divorce suits. This docket is not expected to consume any great amount of time, and indications are that this will be a short session.

"Gone With The Wind" Coming May 1, 2, 3 and 4

"Gone With The Wind," the most eagerly awaited motion picture in history, is coming to Franklin! The screen version of Margaret Mitchell's famous story of the Old South, produced by David O. Selznick, will open a four-day engagement at the beautiful new Macon Theatre in Franklin, Wednesday, May 1, it was announced this week by Clyde Gailey, manager of the Macon.

Starring Clark Gable as Rhett Butler and presenting Vivien Leigh as Scarlett O'Hara, "Gone With The Wind" boasts a hand-picked cast of supporting players headed by such luminaries as Olivia de Havilland, who is cast as the lovely Melanie, Leslie Howard as Ashley Wilkes, Ona Munson as Belle Watling, and a host of others.

Commenting on the Franklin engagement of "Gone With The Wind," Mr. Gailey had the following to say:

"We deem it an honor to be able to present this important picture in Franklin at the Macon Theatre at this particular time. Few small cities the size of Franklin are being permitted to show 'Gone With The Wind' and we are proud that we are being so honored and feel that our friends and patrons will welcome this opportunity to see this superb picture in their 'home town' theatre.

"Franklin will be privileged to see 'Gone With The Wind' exactly as it was presented at the gala world premiere in Atlanta, when 2,031 people paid \$10 per seat to see the most brilliant—and costly—debut of a motion picture in the history of the cinema industry.

"For the convenience of patrons reserved seats for all performances will be sold at a special box office in the lobby of the theatre, or by mail. Advance sale of tickets will start Saturday, April 13."

While the Franklin engagement of "Gone With The Wind" is limited, this production will not be shown anywhere, at least until 1941, except at advanced prices.

Shanty Town Revue Coming On April 17

Honey and Alexander and their Shanty Town Revue will appear at the Franklin courthouse in person Wednesday night, April 17.

Don't miss this group of fun makers with their delightful show. Come and enjoy what you have wanted to see so long.

Sponsored by the Otter Creek high school.

For Assembly



A. L. McLEAN

Who Announces His Candidacy For the General Assembly In This Issue

Mrs. F. C. Siler

Dies Sunday Afternoon After Long Illness

Mrs. Fannie Conley Siler, 78, widow of Archie T. Siler, died at her home two miles south of Franklin late Sunday afternoon. She had been ill for three months.

Mrs. Siler was the daughter of the late Joseph and Eliza Gibbs Conley. She was born and raised on Cartoogechaye where she spent her entire life. She was a charter member of the Mt. Hope Baptist church.

Funeral services were held at the Mt. Hope church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Rev. R. F. Mayberry, pastor, assisted by the Rev. J. C. Swaim, the Rev. J. A. Flanagan and the Rev. S. R. Crockett, officiated. Burial was in the Franklin cemetery.

Pall bearers were: Charles Waldrup, William N. Dalrymple, Carl S. Slagle, Fred Slagle, Frank Reece and Lake Shope.

Surviving Mrs. Siler are three sons, William of Robbinsville; Thomas H. of Asheville, and J. Theodore of Franklin; two daughters, Mrs. Gurley Phillips of Andrews, and Miss Eliza Siler of Franklin. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. Sallie Lewis, of Franklin, and 10 grandchildren.

Roe C. Garland, 23, Dies Sunday On Upper Tesenta

Roe C. Garland, 23, died at his home in the Upper Tesenta section, about 15 miles southeast of Franklin, Sunday night about 8:30 o'clock, following an illness of more than two months. Death was caused from tuberculosis of the throat.

Mr. Garland, a son of George L. Garland and the late Mrs. Nina Talley Garland, was born on December 16, 1916 and lived all of his life in his home community. He was engaged in farming.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Dryman Chapel Baptist church on Tesenta. The Rev. James I. Vinson, a Baptist minister of Dillard, Ga., Route 1, was in charge of the services. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Besides his father, Mr. Garland is survived by one sister, Miss Allie Belle Garland.

Men Charged With Shooting Into Cafe

N. A. Johnson, 54, owner and proprietor of the Sequoyah Cafe, two and one-half miles west of Highlands on the Franklin-Highlands highway, was in Franklin Wednesday and swore out warrants for Fred Crane, Leonard Webb, Ray Prince and Morris Jenkins, charging them with assault with a deadly weapon in two different charges.

At 5:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Johnson is said to have recognized these four men throwing rocks at his building. About 8 o'clock the same night 25 shots were fired from a shotgun into the building, from both the front and back, shattering the windows, and doors and doing much damage to the roofing and the entire building. He states that he did not recognize these men at this time but at an affray of this nature which happened in January, he is said to have recognized two of them. At that time 22 shots were fired. Tuesday night Mr. Johnson is reported to have returned the firing by shooting his shotgun in their direction six times.

Germans Invade Norway And Denmark; Naval Battle Rages

The break in the deadlock in the war between Germany and Great Britain and France came suddenly Tuesday when German troops invaded Denmark and Norway. Denmark submitted without a battle on account of unpreparedness, but Norway is fighting the invaders with the assistance of the combined naval and air forces of Britain and France.

The reason given by the German government for the invasion of the neutral nations was that Great Britain had mined the waters which German supply ships were using to convey iron ore from Sweden. Investigation showed, however, that the invasion was planned and prepared for before the mines were placed.

The allied forces struck back immediately and struck hard. Fourteen German ships, including four battle cruisers, three troop transports and seven supply vessels were sunk Wednesday. The British admit the loss of two cruisers and damage to others. This (Thursday) morning the

greatest naval battle in all history was in progress in the Skagerrak, the 50-mile wide strait between the North Sea and the Baltic. War vessels to the number of 250 and 2,000 planes were said to be engaged. No definite news as to the result of the battle had been received up to noon, and the struggle may continue for several days.

President Roosevelt has declared Scandinavian waters to be in the combat zone and forbidden to American ships. He has also frozen the cash and security holdings of citizens of Norway and Denmark which are on deposit in this country. This was done to save these holdings for the rightful owners and keep them out of German hands.

Observers believe that if Britain and France succeed in the effort to destroy German naval power and tighten the economic blockade, the Nazis will be unable to continue the struggle, therefore the battle now raging may well prove to be the decisive action of the war.

POLITICAL POT BEGINS TO BOIL

More Candidates Enter As Deadline For Entry Draws Near

Next Saturday, April 13, will be the last day for candidates to qualify for county offices and, as the deadline draws near, the number in the field increases. It begins to look as though there would be some real politics in the county this year after all.

For Board Of Education

Five substantial citizens submit their names for endorsement as members of the board of education. These men are all well known and fully qualified to handle the educational matters which come before the board. They are: J. Frank Browning, J. E. Cabe, C. G. Moore, E. E. Crawford and J. R. Phillips.

A. L. McLean, prominent citizen of West's Mill, announces his candidacy for the general assembly and expects to make an active campaign.

Mr. McLean has been living in Macon county for the past eight years, and before that time was a resident of Buncombe county, where he served as commissioner and occupied other important positions. He was owner of the A. L. McLean Furnace Heating and Sheet Metal company, of Asheville, and president of the McLean Air Filter Co., Inc., of Biltmore. He disposed of his Asheville interests when he retired to his farm in Macon county. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner.

E. B. Byrd is in the race for chairman of the board of commissioners, and asks for the nomination on the record made during two previous terms in that office.

Mr. Byrd served as chairman from December 1934 to December 1938, and during that time he aided in refinancing the county's bonded indebtedness, which will mean a total saving of something like \$250,000. In addition there was collected approximately \$30,000 in old judgments which the county held against various parties during the time Mr. Byrd was in office.

C. L. Blaine is again a candidate for member of the board of commissioners. Mr. Blaine is now on his sixth year as commissioner and has made a splendid record. He led the ticket two years ago and he asks reelection on his record of faithful and efficient service.

Our old friend, John H. Dalton, who has been the surveyor of Macon county since 1906, announces for another term, and there is small likelihood that he will have opposition. John has probably drawn more deeds and made more surveys of private and public holdings than any man in Western North Carolina, and is familiar with every tract of land in Macon county. After holding office for 34 years he is as active and efficient as ever, and looks able to serve several more terms.

Baseball Scheduled For Next Sunday

The game between Franklin and the Otto CCC camp was rained out last Sunday to the disappointment of many fans, but a game has been arranged with Holly Springs for next Sunday afternoon, and, if the weather is good, a large crowd is expected.

Admission will be 25 cents for adults, with children admitted free.

50 Years a Mason



DOCTOR FRANK T. SMITH Who Was Honored With a Fifty-Year Certificate at a Masonic Meeting Tuesday Evening

Masons

Honor Old Members At Meeting Tuesday

Members of the Junaluska A. F. and A. M. lodge entertained with an open meeting of the Masons, their wives, and members of Nequassa Chapter, No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star and their husbands, on Tuesday evening in the American Legion hall on West Main street. There were approximately 75 members and visitors present.

Ben L. McGlamery was master of ceremonies. Henry W. Cabe, master of Junaluska lodge, No. 145, gave the address of welcome. A toast to the 18 members who received 25-year membership certificates was given by Harley R. Cabe, past master. This was responded to by M. D. Billings.

M. Y. Jarrett, of Dillsboro, deputy grand master of the 11th district, presented the certificates to the following: Jess S. Conley, John E. Rickman, Carl S. Slagle, John M. Brabson, Charles B. Bolick, James R. Morrison, M. D. Billings, A. Bert Slagle, James M. Dryman, C. L. Watkins, Dr. Frank T. Smith, W. D. Barnard, John F. Cunningham, George O. Wallace, Samuel A. Bryson, William L. Higdon, William M. Pickens and H. L. Anderson.

Clyde H. Jarrett, grand marshal of the Andrews lodge, presented a 50-year certificate to Dr. Frank T. Smith, the only member in the Junaluska lodge who has ever received a certificate of this kind.

Frank Jarrett, who is a 50-year member of the Dillsboro lodge, was present and made a very interesting talk.

Special music was rendered by the Franklin string band consisting of Edgar Carpenter, Jack and Dean Carpenter and St. Clair Anderson. Also a number of vocal selections were given by Harley R. Cabe, Sam W. Mendenhall, Phil McCollum and Ben W. Woodruff.

Supper was furnished by the Nequassa Chapter of the Eastern Star.

As The World Turns

A Brief Survey of Current Events In State, Nation and Abroad.

FARLEY DEDICATES N. C. POST OFFICES

Coming to North Carolina to dedicate new postoffices at Canton and Boone, Postmaster General James A. Farley, avowed candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, also stopped at Asheville and at a score of postoffices of small towns en route. He was greeted everywhere by throngs of citizens as well as committees of welcome.

At Canton Mr. Farley said that the postoffice was an index of the growth of business and industry throughout the nation, and referred to the building of postoffices in the Roosevelt administration as supplying steady employment for thousands of workers as well as providing suitable quarters for this rapidly growing service to all the people.

COAST GARDENS IN FULL BLOOM

Charleston, S. C. and Wilmington are announcing that azaleas are in bloom while thousands coming up from Florida and from all other directions are motoring to view the beauties of the coast gardens. Dogwood, wistaria and

REGISTRARS AND JUDGES CHOSEN

Officials For Primary Are Named At Meeting Held Saturday

The Macon county board of elections, composed of R. S. Jones, chairman; A. R. Higdon and Frank Potts, met at the courthouse Saturday, April 6, and appointed registrars and judges for the primary to be held on May 25. The board also adopted a resolution instructing the chairman to have hand bills printed and furnished to the registrars and judges giving notice of the new registration.

All who expect to vote in the primary must register. The books will open on April 27 and will close on May 11. It has been many years since the last registration, and the books are in such condition that it would be very difficult to make a complete list of voters, so a complete new registration has been ordered.

Following are the registrars and judges for the various townships:

Franklin—J. E. Perry, registrar; C. G. Moore and O. V. Hall, judges.

Mills Shoal—L. A. Berry, registrar; J. R. Franklin and Ad Kinsland, judges.

Ellijay—Fred Bryson, registrar; Lorenz Moses and W. R. Higdon, judges.

Sugarfork—Ezra Shook, registrar; Luther Holland and E. M. Dills, judges.

Highlands—W. A. Bryson, registrar; J. R. Phillips and T. C. Harbison, judges.

Flats—Mrs. Albert Brown, registrar; W. R. McConnell and Marshall Burnette, judges.

Smithbridge—J. M. Cabe, registrar; J. H. McDowell and A. C. Patterson, judges.

Cartoogechaye—Dan Sweatman, registrar; J. C. Dalrymple and Al Q. Williams, judges.

Nantahala No. 1—L. H. Jacobs, registrar; J. M. Ray and Craig Stegge, judges.

Nantahala No. 2—J. R. Shields, registrar; J. S. Grant and John Wishon, judges.

Burningtown—Bill Parrish, registrar; J. A. Wilds and Carl Morgan, judges.

Cowee—S. C. Leatherman, registrar; Joel Dalton and J. P. Bradley, judges.

Radio Stars To Be In Franklin April 27

Bob Drake and his famous original Jackson Family from radio station WNOX, Knoxville, will make a personal appearance in the Franklin courthouse on Saturday night, April 27 at 7:30 o'clock. This famous radio show will be under the sponsorship of the Macon county 4-H clubs and the proceeds to be used to finance the annual livestock show that will be held in the late summer.

To the person who brings the largest truck load of people who attend this show there will be a prize of 10 gallons of Esso Extra gasoline. To the person bringing the second largest truck load of paid admissions there will be a prize of five gallons of Esso Extra gasoline.

yellow jasmine bloom in a riot of color, along with white, pink and flame azaleas and every variety of spring blossoms.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF SUN

A partial eclipse of the sun sweeping the U. S. last Sunday afternoon was witnessed by thousands where the clouds did not obscure the view. This was the case in this section, but farther south the phenomenon showed a deep orange rim of the sun showing around a "blackout" by the moon passing between the sun and the earth. The comparative nearness of the sun to the earth prevented the eclipse from being total. Another such eclipse will not occur until 1994.

SMALLEST WHEAT CROP

The agricultural department predicts the smallest wheat crop since 1933, because of unfavorable weather conditions.

PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

Illinois and Nebraska primary

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