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JUDGE WHEDBEE PRE-SIDES OVER JUNE TERM

With Judge Harry Whedbee of Greenville, presiding, the June Term of Martin County Superior Court convened Monday at 10 o'clock. Judge Whedbee addressed the Grand Jury giving them proper instructions as to the duties incumbent upon them in regard to the different crimes which were being committed throughout the county. Two jurymen, Messrs. Eli Gurganus and John E. Pope, who failed to appear on time, were fined but after their excuses were heard, the Judge ordered the Clerk to strike it off the day's calendar. Solicitor Richard Allbrooks appeared for the State, and earnestly prosecuted the violators of the law. Grover W. Hardison was chosen foreman of the Grand Jury, and with the other seventeen men, did their full duty in passing bills of indictment against law breakers.

The following criminal cases were heard:

Roy Moore. Resisting officer. Pleads guilty. Charged with cost.

John Roberts. a d w. Pleads guilty. Charged with cost.

R. H. Jackson. c c w. Pleads guilty. Fined \$50 and cost.

J. Godard, Walter Barnes and Joe Hardison. Bill waived. Plead guilty. Made to pay \$10 for lost goods, and give bond for good behavior for two years.

Steven Staton. Seduction. Stricken from docket on payment of cost.

Frank Armstrong and Alex. Leary. a d w. Armstrong pleads guilty. Fined \$25 and cost. Defendant Leary not guilty.

Gus Albritton and Wiley Lanier Affray. Plead guilty. Charged with cost.

Bruce Reason, Thos. Biggs and H. J. Harding. Defendants Reason and Biggs not guilty. Nol pros as to Harding.

Albert Roberson. Trespass. Nol pros

Redmond Forbes, Bloomfield Forman, a d w. Guilty. Each fined \$50 and half of the cost.

Ishmael Hyman, a d w. Guilty. Judgement suspended upon payment of cost, and continuing good behavior for two years.

Ed Lilley, a d w. Guilty, fined \$25 and cost.

John D. Bailey. Seduction. Enters plea of nolo contendere. Charged with cost and \$300 for benefit of prosecutrix.

Jesse Rogers. Forgery. Guilty. Sentenced to Edgecombe roads for one year.

Fenner Respass, c c w. Guilty. Fined \$50 and cost.

B. W. Forman, c c w. Guilty. Fined \$50 and cost.

Walter Forest. Trespass. Not guilty.

John Teel. Retailing. Pleads guilty.

John Teel. Housebreaking and larceny. Pleads guilty. Judgement that defendant be confined in State Prison for three years.

Claude Williams. Trespass. Nol pros.

Joe Wilson, N. S. Godard, Elijah Brown and Val Teel. Housebreaking and larceny. Not guilty.

W. H. Roberson. Illicit sale of whiskey. Waives bill, pleads guilty. Fined \$500 and cost and placed under bond in sum of \$1,000 for good behavior for two years.

Turner Williams. Illicit selling of whiskey. Waives bill, pleads guilty. Fined \$200 and required to enter into bond for appearance at each term of court for two years to show that he has not sold liquors.

Germany And The Poles

When the victorious German army reached Poland, there were wonderful reports of what the Teutonic Government would do for the poor, oppressed Poles. They fed the people on their promises until many folks even even in America thought that Germany would liberate the country and push it forward into a glorious future. Now comes reports that 30,000 poles have been hanged by these same Germans, which is just another act of murder that they are doing wherever they are dominant. They would do the same thing in the United States if they could pass the English fleet and come across; yet there are thousands who are in sympathy with them in everything they do. If some people had lived in the time of Christ, they would have hung a cross of honor around the neck of Judas on the night of the betrayal. To quote another, "The Kaiser has plunged the world into the maddest orgy of blood rapine and murder which history records," and it is this same beast that some people are in sympathy with, and show it by their indifference to the call which has been made by their country. Any man or woman with such feelings should leave these shores and go to where the beast lives; the air is too pure here for such.

Will The Drought Be Felt

North Carolina is in the list of "dry" states, which will be effected by the recent law passed by Congress, the workings of which will begin with July. Already notices have been given that shipments of whiskey will not be taken by the express companies into Virginia, but will North Carolina be affected? It is said by some express agents that they have had no instructions debaring whiskey shipments, while others say that they have been so instructed. Will the law affect Williamston and the section around it? From the application of the law, it would seem that certain places are a law within themselves, and neither National or State laws applies when whiskey is desired. From certain signs, it looks like some folks think that the "drought" will begin in July, for "preparedness" has been the watchword.

Failed To Stand Test

Among the eighteen North Carolinians discharged from the training camp at Ft. Oglethorpe, was Luke Lamb, of Williamston. The final physical examination found young Lamb nine pounds too light, and that he had one hand not strong enough to use when protecting himself. It will be remembered that when a young boy, he accidentally shot himself through the hand, and tho he uses it as well as if he had not been hurt, the camp physicians found by means of an X-Ray that the weakness of the muscles was too great to stand the test. Mr. Lamb was very anxious to train and his discharge was a great disappointment to him at this time.

Paul Kitchin and N. A. Riddick, of Scotland Neck, were in town Tuesday on business.

C. R. Swain, is w and v s and s l. Waives bill. Pleads guilty. Fined \$200 and cost and placed under bond of \$500 for appearance at each term of court for two years to show that he has not sold liquors.

TEN COUNTIES TO HAVE CAMPAIGNS

So far ten counties have made the appropriation necessary for conducting a free anti-typhoid campaign for their people this summer. These counties are Caldwell, Columbus, Onslow, Beaufort, Martin, Green, Johnston, Wake, including the City of Raleigh, Surry and Orange.

The counties first to complete all plans and details for the work of their campaigns are Caldwell and Martin. Work will begin in these counties early in July, probably the first week. Dr. L. H. Coffy, county physician of Caldwell, has accepted the responsibility of getting the work done, particularly the administering of the vaccine by physicians. In Martin, every practicing physician has signed a contract with the State Board agreeing to do their part of the work.

The greatest drawback to the work as a whole, according to Dr. T. M. Jordan who is State director for the State Board of Health of the anti-typhoid work, is the scarcity of doctors to administer the vaccine, but this is due, thinks Dr. Jordan, to the fact that physicians have not yet understood the Board's plan of procedure in doing this work, which method, as explained by him, works no hardships on the doctors of any county. The value of this work of preventing so costly a disease as typhoid cannot often be realized until it either breaks out in epidemic form or takes a number of valuable citizens, each of which meant more to the county than the cost of a dozen anti-typhoid campaigns.

Neglected Crops

The average Martin County farmer has buried himself in the rut of growing what he is pleased to term the "money crops" every year. With these crops he banks money, it is true, but he could store up more cash, if he'd do a bit of trucking in the spring. For instance, strawberries are a profitable crop, and need very little attention, and a few rows would bring a large per cent in profit. This year right in Williamston not a berry was to be had which was raised in this vicinity. People clamored for them, and the local dealers got a few elsewhere. Why the folks who have lands in plenty near town do no not plant for the home market, is a puzzle. Raspberries are splendid sellers, but not even one bush is given a place in the corner of the fence on the broad acres surrounding the town. Such crops are neglected because people are too much interested in planting cotton and tobacco. This section, too, is fine for onions, and yet not one is raised for market except in the gardens of the town. There is, perhaps more money in onions than in any other crop. Men and women, too, have grown rich down in Texas, and the same thing could happen right here in Martin County, if the waste lands were utilized in the planting of berries, onions, etc. The farmer is too contented, and often supplies little in the way of vegetables for his own table. It is a sad sight to see a farmer come into town and buy melons and cabbages to carry home, but it is often the case. He should bring them here for sale instead of buying them. Cultivate your waste for profit.

Memorandum Of Second Officers' Training Camp

SECOND OFFICERS' TRAINING CAMP.—Fort Oglethorpe Georgia, August 27th to November 27th, 1917—379 men to be taken from North Carolina—Men paid \$100.00 per month during training, and uniforms and transportation furnished by the Government. Men take oath of enlistment for three months for training at Camp and obligate themselves to accept whatever commission offered by the Secretary of War—Applicants between 20 years 9 months and 44 years may make application but men over thirty one will have preference as it is the desire of the War Department to secure from this second camp First Lieutenants, Captains, Majors, and a few Lieut. Colonels. If there are not enough men over 31 years of age who can qualify, men within the draft age with military experience or who have shown evidence of natural leadership will be accepted.

APPLICATION BLANKS—These can be secured from R. W. Glenn, Division Secretary, Military Training Camps Assn., Greensboro, N. C., as soon as issued by the Government. Full instructions as to medical examination, etc., will be furnished upon request.

Applications will have to be made between June 15th and July 15th it is hoped that men who are accepted will be notified by Aug. 10th in order to be able to arrange their affairs before leaving the 27th of August.

R. W. Glenn, Division Secretary

Gave To Soldier Boys

Hon. Harry W. Stubbs, who was in Goldsboro, two weeks ago jovially entertained the Williamston young men who are at Camp Royster in training. He promised them when he left that later he would send them a sumptuous dinner of chicken fried, Martin County ham, biscuits, pickles, etc. True to his word, he had prepared a number of hams, 31 chickens, a bushel of biscuits and other good things, and sent it all up to the boys, who shared it with their company last Sunday at the mess hour. It was a feast for a king, for nowhere else do they grow such hams as these in Martin County, and fried chicken here would make the chefs at the Waldorf-Astoria turn green with envy. It is not to be wondered at that the embryonic soldiers from Martin receive so much praise from their officers, when they have been fed on such food all their lives. Such "eats" put the proper spirit in a man.

Too Much Liberty Loan

As predicted, the Liberty Loan Bond was oversubscribed. At the last moment, the people of United States responded nobly and the sum of nearly three billions was reached. However, the government will narrow it down to the original two billions. There were over \$50,000 worth of the bonds taken through the banks here, and there should have been more. The investment is good without the thought of patriotism. Many could in this way have shown that they were with the country in its task of waging war against a relentless foe, when in no other way could they have helped. It is a cause for satisfaction to know that the people stood manfully behind the leaders.

The Baptist Seaside Assembly

Thousands of North Carolina will gather at Wrightsville Beach beginning June 27th for the Assembly which has been planned for a great work. A splendid program has been arranged with eminent speakers and the occasion promises to be one of importance to the Baptists in the State. A number of the Churches and Sunday Schools have bought large quantities of tickets for the Assembly, and Secretary Walter Johnson is asking others to release their pastors for one week and defray their expenses to the Assembly. The fare from Williamston is \$5.50 round trip, and there should be a good crowd from this section. Among the prominent speakers will be Governor Bickett, Dr. R. T. Vann, Dr. A. T. Robertson, Rev. John Roach Straton, Rev. H. M. Wharton, Hon. John Oates, Dr. R. F. Y. Pierce and B. D. Gray.

Liked Good Stationery

There has been an effort on the part of papers, especially the farm journals, to induce people to use attractive stationery, and many of the farmers and others, too, have followed the lead, and now it is not rare for the farm to be given same appropriate name, and the same to appear on letter heads and envelopes. But it is rather a strange thing for any one to desire to use the stationery of another firm, still it is done some time for some person has recently purloined a quantity of handsome stationery from The Enterprise office, no doubt, for its attractiveness, as it was printed in two colors, which appealed to the swiper's love for the beautiful, perhaps. If you want business stationery, have it printed exclusively for yourself, as it is not the lawful thing to use another firm's letter heads, especially if you have stolen them. The loss is not only annoying but expensive, considering the price of paper at the present time.

Capture At Hertford

Several weeks ago, John Teel, the negro blind tiger, escaped from Chief of Police Page, and not until last week was he apprehended and then at Hertford. It is reported that Teel was here several nights last week, having been seen by different parties, who failed to report his presence to the police. Teel has been an unsavory character about town for several years, and his arrest gave much satisfaction to the law-abiding citizens of the community. He was tried before Judge Whedbee this week and was sentenced to the Pen for 3 years.

Richards The Magician

Friday and Saturday nights, Richards, the magician with Miss Williams gave an exhibition of magic at the Opera House. On Friday night, the house was crowded with eager spectators who enjoyed the performance, but Saturday night, the acts were not so pleasing. Richards with Miss Williams as subject performed some acts rather startling to the audience, for it was impossible to discover the trick in it. Williamston people are always interested in things pertaining to magic, and men versed in this art usually draw a large crowd.

Miss Mary York left yesterday for a visit to relatives in Norfolk.

SHALL WE STILL REMAIN INDIFFERENT

That the United States is at war with the central powers of Europe is a fact not to be disputed. How long or how disastrous the war will be cannot be determined. That it must be fought to a successful finish is the aim of the government. However, success depends upon the attitude that the people assume towards the whole situation. It does not depend solely upon the number of enlisted men or their equipment and fighting qualities—there must be full co-operation of the back-home folks, who are not going to join the fighting ranks. It is imperative that every man, woman and child give something to help; it may be very little, but if it is their best, it will be the very thing needed. If the spirit of patriotism is there, and that means that all selfishness is uprooted, then heart and hand will respond to the call of the country in this time of great need.

In other towns smaller than Williamston, Red Cross workers are more in number and the men are actively engaged in assisting in this, the greatest humane organization in the world during the time of war—an organization that knows no creed, race or nationality in its desire to aid for the relief of those who suffer. Can we not do our bit by helping the local Auxiliary? Shall we go on in our selfish pleasures and disregard the cry of distress? Are we to be excused from aiding, while others are working day and night all over this blessed land which we profess to love? Let us be Carolinians and help win the fight for democracy and humanity which are in the balances of the world.

Hamilton Red Cross Auxiliary

June the 6th, a mass meeting was held in the school auditorium to organize a branch of the Red Cross. The women were very enthusiastic and quickly thirty names were enrolled; officers elected, Mrs. J. P. Boyle, Chm., Mrs. N. W. Grimes, Secretary, Miss Lillie Floyd, Treasurer. The National Relief Fund of one hundred millions must be raised by the American people. North Carolina and Martin County must do their part. Soon some of the boys from the State and County will be fighting against Germany in France, and the people of Martin County have a great opportunity to strike a blow for liberty by giving for the Red Cross work. It is no work of charity, but simple duty. We must give our country the support that the situation demands, and to do so let every man, woman and child in the county help by doing their bit. The Secretary has forwarded the sum of thirty dollars to National Headquarters at Washington City, and the women of the town have banded together to work for this great cause. The lower floor of the Masonic Hall will be used for the workroom. No sum is too small to help, and we must make our Red Cross felt on every battle field.

Mrs. N. W. Grimes, Sec'y.

The office force enjoyed some fine peaches on Wednesday, the gift of Mr. Asa J. Manning, who owns a splendid orchard on his place in East Williamston. The fruit was delicious and the thanks of the force are extended Mr. Manning, who knows how to do the kind act.