

# THE DUNN DISPATCH

Volume VIII.

Dunn, North Carolina, December 6, 1921.

Number 70

## UNABLE TO AGREE, JURY IS DISMISSED IN ARBUCKLE CASE

### Woman Would Not Change Vote Until "Hell Froze Over"

#### MEMBERS 10 TO 12 FOR ACTOR'S ACQUITTAL

##### Foreman Issues Statement De- claring Stand of Jurors And His Belief That Evidence Exonerated Man Accused of Manslaughter in Connection With Actress' Death.

San Francisco, Dec. 4.—After 41 hours of deliberation the jury composed of seven men and five women, which tried Roscoe Arbuckle on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rappa, was discharged when it was unable to agree upon a verdict.

The jury was brought into court at its own request at noon, reported a disagreement and asked that it be discharged.

August Fritze, foreman of the Arbuckle jury, issued a signed statement tonight, saying that one of the women jurors, who was in the minority, refused to consider the evidence from the beginning, and declared that "she would cast her ballot and would not change it until hell froze over."

There were two jurors who voted for conviction, according to Fritze. His statement follows:

"I make this statement as a duty to the public.

"There was a tacit understanding that the members of the jury would not make individual statements. I have learned since that a number of the jury have, however, done so, and I believe, as foreman, that it is well for those interested in the administration of justice that the citizens of San Francisco should have the facts.

"The ten members of the jury who voted on the last ballot for acquittal, felt that they were on the evidence.

Over the other was fluctuating, some times casting a blank ballot—sometimes voting for the defense and sometimes voting for the prosecution.

"Considering all the evidence, it seemed to us that the prosecution's case was an insult to the intelligence of the jury. It asked us to substitute conjecture for facts without showing what had been done and asked to guess what might have been done and to guess only one way.

"Human liberty and American rights should depend not upon the guesses of anybody, but upon evidence."

In a statement following the jury's return Arbuckle declared one of the five women jurors had prevented his acquittal "because she refused to allow her fellow jurors to discuss the evidence or reason with her and would not give any reason for her attitude."

He did not name the juror.

District Attorney Brady said that Arbuckle had been given a "fair and honest trial" and complimented the jurors who held out for conviction as having "courage and determination."

He was not in court when the jury reported.

"I had hoped the jury would reach an agreement," he said. "I confidently expected a verdict of guilty upon the evidence presented. In my opinion the disagreement does not vindicate Roscoe Arbuckle. A vindication would come only after a quick unanimous verdict. It was my duty to present the facts to a jury. This I have done though opposed by wealth, power and influence."

Money Goes; No Redress  
Somewhere in this good old town there is grief in the hearts of some score or more of tipplers who are a little too secretive in their tipping. Had they not been so secretive it is improbable that an urbane gentleman who visited Dunn last week would have reaped so bounteous a crop of dollars from Mr. Barnum's justly celebrated garden.

Armed with a list of good churchmen who never imbibe of the cheering fluid except when they feel the necessity for its medicinal virtues, a neat-appearing man called at the office of each, stating that he was booking orders for good try liquor. The price was \$45 the case, 2 c. a. the cellar of the buyer—cash in advance.

Surprising as it may seem, the fellow collected the cash or checks for the cash which he tendered to banks where they were honored. Delivery was to be made during the night following the sale.

Since getting the money, the vendor has not been seen in Dunn.

This may be an argument in favor of the trade at home movement.

## JOHNSON STANDS GOOD CHANCE FOR RECOVERY

Lillington, Dec. 4.—Information from central Harnett to the effect that Jim Johnson, who shot and instantly killed Frank Stone last Saturday night, November 26, stands excellent chances of recovery. Johnson received a bullet wound that shattered his hip.

The shooting took place at a point in the western part of the county. It is stated that whiskey played its part, both parties having been drinking. Johnson has a wife and several children. Stone was also married.

As soon as he is able to leave the hospital Johnson will be transferred to the jail to await trial.

## CLEAN UP FORCES BUSY THIS WEEK

### Want To Greet Santa Claus With Clean Town Christmas

#### Greet Santa Claus with a clean town!

That is the plea heard from T. L. Riddle, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and N. B. Bass, superintendent of the street cleaning department, who are managing the campaign waged by the town of Dunn, the Dunn Chamber of Commerce and the Woman's Club for the winter cleaning drive.

The campaign against accumulated trash, filth and garbage is now on. It started yesterday morning. It will end when the town carts complete the job of carting all the collected rubbish. The carts will begin the job in Ward 1 Friday morning.

They will finish with that ward before they touch Ward 2. After Ward 2 they will go into Ward 3, and then into Ward 4. Under no circumstances will they return to a ward, though, after they have made the first rounds.

Because the carts can be had for so limited a time for this special week, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

Householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready, householders are urged to be ready.

## GRAVEL COAT FOR ROAD THROUGH HARNETT COUNTY

Lillington, Dec. 4.—Under State maintenance, the highway between Lillington and Sanford is this week being treated with a top surface of gravel which will place it in the class with the best dirt roads in the State highway system. This is a link in the Boone Trail which crosses the State from the mountains to the sea, and a contract for its construction as such is expected to be given out early in the new year.

Captain A. W. Lashley, engineer for this district, says that when the Harnett gravel is placed upon the Sanford-Lillington link the road will compare favorably with any dirt highway in the State.

## MRS. SHELL DIES IN HER HOME HERE

### Mother Of Otis P. Shell And Miss Laura Shell Was Noble Woman

Mrs. Mary C. Shell, mother of Otis P. and Miss Laura Shell, of Dunn, died at her home here Saturday afternoon after an illness that had kept her abed for several weeks. She was eighty-one years old and the widow of Captain Oliver P. Shell who owned the Warrenton stage line before the completion of the Warrenton railroad and was superintendent of that road for the first thirty years of its operation.

Funeral and burial services were conducted at Warrenton, Mrs. Shell's former home, Monday afternoon.

A singularly sweet soul passed to its reward when Mrs. Shell died. Tragedy entered often into her life, but never did it serve to lambast her soul. Patient, charming, true to the culture of the Old South, she bore her burdens with that sweet resignation so characteristic of the best women of her generation.

Four sons and three daughters were born to Mrs. Shell. Two of the sons were Otis P. and John S. Shell. The other two were Robert and Peter S. Shell.

Her parents moved to Warrenton when she was a young girl. There she was wooed and won by the young Captain Oliver Perry Shell, himself a native of Brunswick county, just before the War between the States.

Captain Shell went to war, but returned to live happily for many years. He died here in 1903 soon after advanced age made it necessary for him to retire from active business.

Mrs. Shell had been an invalid for several years. In consequence she was known to few people in Dunn. To those whom she did know, however, she was all that was noble and sweet and good. In her passing the community is a loser.

Little Child Burned  
Left alone for a few minutes in front of an open fireplace the three months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Denning fell from a chair to the hearth, was knocked unconscious and found seriously burned when Mrs. William Surles, a neighbor, walked into the room.

The child's mother left the tot secured, she thought, in the chair while she went to a neighbors to use a telephone. She was away several minutes. Had Mrs. Surles not called to see her in the meantime the child undoubtedly would have burned to death. As it is feared that he will die.

Another child of Mr. and Mrs. Denning was seriously scalded last year.

Card of Thanks  
Our good friends have been so fine and nice to us during the last few days when our hearts are suffering grief for the dear mother who passed from us Saturday—and there are so many of you. We want so much to thank each of you personally and we take this method to do so. We do thank you. Please remember that our gratitude is over yours. When such grief comes to you we trust that you will be among friends who will be so good as you have been to us.

Sincerely yours,  
MISS LAURA SHELL,  
OTIS P. SHELL.

Skating is starting in the colder states and it is found petticoats are still being worn.

## SALE OF ELECTRIC PLANT ADVISED BY COMMITTEES

### Vote on Power and Light Company Proposed Sale of Plant

#### FINE BASIS FOR SERVICE GIVING SATISFACTION

Remarks of Mayor and Economic and Light Power in Harnett County, Raleigh, N. C., in Response to J. Loyd

Comments of the mayor and board of commissioners to towns and cities of the Carolina Power and Light Company, Raleigh, N. C., in response to the service rendered by the company in every way and leave the additional information being much more satisfactory than that given by the towns and cities.

Information was given to citizens who are interested in the sale of the plant to ratify or reject the offer. The company agrees to buy the plant and furnish service to the towns. The company will retire bonds and reconstruct the plant.

Several committees were organized in the towns of Dunn, Oxford and Henderson. The committees are now working on the sale of the plant.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

The sale of the plant is a very important matter. It will affect the service rendered by the company to the towns.

## MAN SHOT DEAD; SLAYER UNKNOWN

### Charles Ivey Found in Dying Condition After Police Raid

#### Mystery Surrounds the Death of Charles Ivey, Negro Employ of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, who was found in a dying condition from a bullet wound through his body, near the Newberry Brother and Cowell furniture plant late Friday night. He died, according to Chief of Police Page, a short while after he was taken to the Harnett Central Hospital at Lillington.

Ivey was discovered lying in some bushes near the railroad track immediately after a raid upon an alleged crap game in the "action house" which is said to have been a rendezvous for the crap shooting contingent of the railway construction gang here for several months. Chief Page, Policeman W. F. Nipper and Deputy Sheriff R. F. Jernigan took part in the raid. Neither of them, it is contended, fired a shot.

A coroner's jury, sitting at the inquest held over the body, held that the man came to his death through wounds inflicted by some unknown person. Chief Page stated that the man claimed he was shot by another negro.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

The man was found about dawn of Saturday morning in a dying condition.

## PLANE WRECKS ON FAIRGROUND FIELD

### Flyer Crashes To Earth In At- tempting Forced Land- ing

#### Within fifteen minutes of complet- ing the first lap of his flight from Quantico to Miami, Captain George Sheppard, Marine Corps flyer, crashed to earth at Fairground Field here yesterday afternoon when attempting to make a landing forced by a sputter- ing engine, and splattered his plane over a large section of the field. Neither Captain Sheppard nor his mechanic, Sergeant Dan Hardin, was hurt, although they were torn from their seats by the impact of the fall.

Captain Sheppard and Sergeant Hardin manned one of six DeHavilland-9 planes that started on the trip. One had been forced down a short distance north of Richmond. No other untoward instance occurred until the five remaining planes were over Benson. There the Sheppard engine began to sputter. In attempting the landing here Captain Sheppard was forced to land with his back to the wind. He struck the soft field with much force. The wheels sank into the sand and the great hub was thrown out. The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

The plane was completely wrecked.

## CLUB WOMEN TO AID CHARITABLE WORK THIS YEAR

### Civics Department Takes Up Duties Of Old Organi- zation

#### APPOINT COMMITTEE FOR CHRISTMAS WORK

##### Doll Bazaar Opened Last Sat- urday Morning in Barnes & Holiday Company Store— Membership Drive Started Home Economics Depart- ment Busy.

(By Miss Linney Calvey.)  
At the last meeting of the Civics Department which occurred on Armistice Day many important subjects came up for discussion and decision nearly all of which dealt with works of charity during the Christmas season. There was no report given from the Associated Charities Committee but this committee is under the able leadership of Mrs. L. M. Boush and we feel that the work is doing well. There are always, and especially at this time, many persons living in our town who are needy but cannot ask for aid. A few years ago there was an association in Dunn called the Associated Charities the object of which was just such cases but as the organization seems to have died out the Women's Club has decided to take up this work. The plan is to ask every man in town to subscribe a certain sum to be paid monthly for the distribution of food and clothing for the poor. Representatives of the Club will collect the pledges, investigate cases and strive to give help whenever needed. We ask everyone to be as generous as possible in his pledge.

A committee was appointed by Mrs. Wade to get together the Christmas box which is sent annually from the club to the disabled soldiers at Otton. The plan this year is a rather unique one. Each member of the club will be asked to send a stocking full of good eats and good cheer to one individual soldier. Our club should furnish seventy five well filled stockings. These should be sent to Mrs. W. S. Salpe or Mrs. J. E. Miller, who have been appointed by the President. They will see that the box is sent to the proper authorities.

A membership drive has just been announced. The captains appointed in the four wards are Mrs. L. C. Stephens, Mrs. T. V. Smith, Mrs. C. W. Harris and Mrs. E. E. Thompson. We are expecting great success in this drive.

Meanwhile the plans for the gardening of Lucknow Square are continually discussed. The verdict rendered at Lillington a short time ago has not discouraged us and we feel that the victory will yet be ours.

Home Economics Department  
The clubroom was a beehive of industry on Monday before Thanksgiving when Mrs. Wesley Thompson and Miss Bridges, County Demonstrator, gave instructions in Millinery. Thirteen members joined this class and each made a hat of which she is very proud. We thank Mrs. Thompson and Miss Bridges for the interest taken in the work.

The next work undertaken by the Department will be lessons in dressmaking. This class will begin immediately after Christmas. Members who wish to join the class should notify Mrs. Thompson, Chairman of the Department.

Music Department  
The music department is a very interesting addition of the club but promises to be very interesting. It is under the efficient chairmanship of Mrs. Harper Holliday, whose musical talent we all appreciate.

The first work of the department will be a Christmas Cantata "Light of the World" given at the Methodist church on Tuesday evening, December 20th at eight o'clock. Every man or woman in town who sings is cordially invited to take part and may learn the place and time appointed for practice by calling Mrs. Holliday at her home.

Immediately after Christmas holidays are over Mrs. Holliday will organize a Choral class.

The music department of the club meets on the first Friday of each month at three o'clock.

The home economics department meets on the second Friday of the month at two o'clock.

The civics department meets on the 4th Friday of the month at 3:00 o'clock.

TOM CLAYTON, AN ESCAPED  
CONVICT, IS RECAPTURED

Raleigh, Dec. 4.—Despite his threat not to be taken alive, Tom Clayton, who escaped from the state prison ten days ago while serving a 20 year sentence for murder, surrendered without protest when he was surrounded by a riding party headed by Superintendent Fox, of the prison, nine miles west of Raleigh shortly after daylight today.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.

Yours truly,  
J. W. WHITEHEAD,  
E. J. PARKER,  
E. M. BREWER,  
E. J. HUDSON,  
B. O. TOWNSEND.