

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY FOR JETTON

Required Only 30 Minutes For Jury to Render Decision

UNWRITTEN LAW TRIUMPH

Counsel Contended That Jetton Shot Dr. Wooten in Defense of His Home and That His Act Was Justified

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 21.—The verdict "not guilty" pronounced by the jury in the case of the state against Robert Monroe Jetton, charged with the murder of Dr. W. H. Wooten at Davidson on the night of February 19, was received with a wild demonstration at 11 o'clock tonight.

The jury had the case about half an hour and the "unwritten law" triumphed, as had been freely predicted since the beginning of the trial.

Crowds packed the court room and jammed its doors from the covering of court this morning until the jury returned the verdict.

Counsel for the defense spent their half of the eight hours allowed for argument today in expounding the fact that Jetton shot Wooten in defense of his home and that his action was justified by the "unwritten law" of self-defense.

The prosecution's case was based on three words: "I shot a man" and "second degree murder" or manslaughter, contending that Jetton was a invited guest in the home in which he was killed and that he had not wronged Mrs. Jetton in any way.

The testimony of Mrs. Jetton on the stand was that she first visited Davidson on the night of February 19, and that she had been married ever since. She met Dr. Wooten on her first visit.

In answer to questions by her lawyer, she said: "Dr. Wooten was always familiar, acting peculiarly for a married man."

"Did you have improper relations with him before marriage?" her counsel asked.

"I did not," she replied.

"Did you after you were married?"

"Only once, she replied, "but I never met."

She said that Dr. Wooten came the first time on the night of January 27, and that she had been married ever since.

On the night of the shooting, she said, she was in the yard and heard the shot.

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PERSONALS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Miss Bessie Haskett left Sunday morning to visit her sister in Nashville.

Miss Margaret Bryan, of Newbern, who was visiting Miss Lina Baker, has returned home.

Mrs. John H. Stull, of Washington, who has been visiting Mrs. J. W. Ferrell, returned home today.

Mrs. Paul E. Jones, of Farmville, spent Saturday afternoon and Sunday with Mrs. J. A. Lang.

Mr. J. M. Hines went to Warsaw Saturday.

Mr. C. L. Blount went to Farmville Sunday evening.

Mrs. John Stull and children, of Mount Olive, are visiting the family of her brother, Mr. H. L. Coward.

Miss Josephine Widdoway, of Hartford, is visiting the family of her brother, Mr. W. H. Widdoway.

Rev. R. V. Hays, pastor of the Christian church at Washington, spent last night here and delivered a sermon to the young ladies at the East Carolina Teachers Training School.

Mrs. R. E. Allen and children are visiting in Waukesha.

Mr. H. E. Hays spent Sunday in Norfolk.

Mr. Leslie H. Waldron spent Sunday in Elizabeth City with relatives.

Mr. N. V. Pitt of Rocky Mount spent Sunday here with his sister, Mrs. P. F. McLenore.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hays and Mr. R. H. Tucker, of Orangeville, spent today here with Mrs. Emma Jordan.

Mr. Willie Mobley, of Blount, spent yesterday here with his brother, Mr. John H. Mobley.

Mrs. Sarah E. Newell is visiting in the city.

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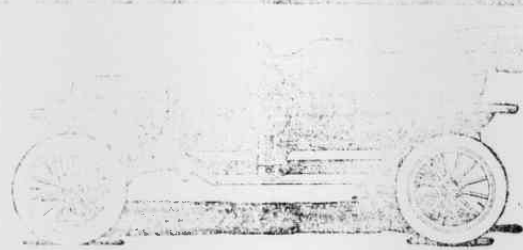
LAST CALL

I will be at the following places on dates given for the purpose of collecting taxes for the year 1913.

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Belvoir Township at	Bells Cross Roads	March 6
Bethel Township at	Bethel Bank	March 7
Carolina Township at	Lakes Bank	March 7
Chapel Township at	Grimesland	March 7
Conover Township at	Ayden	March 7
Fairland Township at	Fairland	March 6
Franklin Township at	Farmville Citizens Bank	March 7
Pactolus Township at	Pactolus	March 10
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Mr. R. M. Bearne, who on Friday morning suffered a stroke of paralysis following an attack of about ten days, passed away near 4 o'clock Sunday morning. He was 71 years of age. His death was very sudden. Funeral services were held at 1 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of his wife, Mrs. R. M. Bearne, and the interment took place at the home of his wife, Mrs. R. M. Bearne, at 10 o'clock this afternoon. The funeral was held at the residence of his wife, Mrs. R. M. Bearne, at 10 o'clock this afternoon.

FOUR ADDITIONS TO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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