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White Is Cleared In Poison Biscuit Case

The Poison Biscuit case as it was called when tried in August, resulting in the conviction of Will White young man of near Scotland Neck, was reversed by the State Supreme Court and a verdict of Not Guilty ordered.

Young White was a free man tonight. He had been found guilty by a jury on a charge of putting lead arsenic in the flour or Mrs. G. T. Daniel. The Daniel family was living with White's father.

The Supreme Court ruled that the Superior Court erred in not allowing the defence motion for a directed verdict of Not Guilty because only opportunity to place poison in the flour was proved. The motive and possession of poison by White were never proved, said the high court.

WOMEN TO HAVE 4 SHOWS

The Roanoke Rapids Women's Club has engaged a series of four Wilson Elected On entertainments to be held here in the High School Auditorium in School Board January. The dates will be January 14, 21, 28 and Feb. 4, and the Club asks that other community organizations keep these dates in mind in planning any local entertainments.

The first program will be a musical revue, headed by Miss Lucile Elmore, young cousin of Broadway's Fred Stone, and the second is the Davies Light Opera Company. Preston Johnson, newspaperman and speaker, appears on the third evening, and the last program will be a three act play, "Paupers and Pews". Season tickets will be available for the series.

LOCAL WOMEN JUDGE

The Womans Club at Halifax held a flower show at their club house today, with Mesdames C. ids later.



WASHINGTON . . . James W. Landis (above), who served one year as a member of the Federal Securities and Exchange Commission, is the new Chairman of the body, succeeding Joseph P. Kennedy, resigned.

VOTERS SELECT OFFICERS Hodges, Pendleton &

Three members of the Roanoke Rapids Graded School Board were

elected at the regular election held

here Tuesday. W. T. Hodges led the ticket with 380 votes, A. O. Pendleton was second with 333, F. D. Wilson was The three high men were declared

elected. registration of 1,132, there were 491 voters.

The next Crippled Clinic will be held at the Rosemary Baptist afternoon of Wednesday, October 16th.

The clinic is free to all persons in this section of the State unable A. Wyche, Frank C. Williams and to pay for such service. Some fif-The Halifax ladies local clinic, under the supervision Monroe, Virginia.

UP AND DOWN The Avenue

WITH THE Editor

HIGHWAY Commissioner Will Woodard of Rocky Mount has promised city officials that the Avenue will be extended from First Street to the city limits on the North and improved to match the present Avenue surface. He also said the State and Virginia had reached an agreement to build a new bridge over the Meherrin River so that Roanoke Rapids will be brought 20 miles nearer Norfolk and the Beaches and East-West traffic will be routed thru this section instead of farther South. Mr. Woodard also promised action on the surfaction of the Lawrenceville Road.

PLEASANT weather has speeded up work on the Municipal Building and the new Post Office building to the point where they will be roofed in plenty of time before bad weather sets in. The walls of both buildings are completed, the roof of the P. O. building is just about on. The twostory, Georgian Colonial municipal building is going to be one of the finest looking city halls in the State.

CHASE-SHAFFNER wedding to be held at the Roanoke Rapids Presbyterian Church this Saturday night at 8:30, when Miss Josie Chase, daughter off Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Chase and Mr. John Francis Shaffner III of Winston-Salem will be married, continues to hold the social spotlight here. Final rehearsal will be Friday night after which the wedding party will be entertained at Littleton by Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Stallings. Miss Emily Stallings, the maid of honor, was a schoolmate of Miss Chase at Salem College.

EXPECTED in Roanoke Rapids for the wedding are Mrs. Josephine Shaffner, mother of the groom, Miss Josephine the full sting of the law before Shaffner, sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fries Shaffner and Mr. and he is released. The law provides Mrs. Francis Shaffner, brothers and sisters in law, W. F. that men may die in the electric Shaffner Sr. and Jr., Miss Etta Shaffner, Mr. and Mrs. chair for the crime with which he Henry Fries Shaffner, Miss Virginia Shaffner, Louis Shaff- is charged, and, drunk or sober, ner, John Fries Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Shelbourne Johnson, Mr. man who enters another's home and Mrs. W. A. Steele Jr., Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Smith, Miss Augusta Brown, Messrs. Stratton Coyner, Ralph Ogburn and John Foster, all of Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hicklin of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Leonard of Norfolk; Messrs. and Mesdames J. G. Holtzclaw, S. A. Lipscomb Jr., Hunter Barbee, R. G. Carroll, A. G. Morgan, L. F. Reigel, P. F. Swazey, H. V. Whitney and Miss Bessie Lamkin, all of Richmond, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Goodmon, Misses Ruth Norton, Edna Barnhill and Ora Finch of Williamston. Miss Frances Adams, of Monroe, classmate of Miss Chase at Salem, and third with 325. The fourth candi- the groom arrived this afternoon. Chet Chase arrived from date, L. S. Cannon, received 182. Davidson College this morning.

MAJOR and Mrs. Newsome and M. C. Jr. returned Monday afternoon from Fremont, Ohio, where Major received a Out of a total school district broken jaw in an automobile wreck that was fatal to C. M. Stevenson of Jackson. Major is able to resume his business duties here. Elton Outland of Woodland, third member of the party, is still in the Fremont hospital in a serious condition. His skull was fractured.

RECRUITING Officer from Fort Monroe, Virginia, visited Church in Roanoke Rapids on the Roanoke Rapids today, and stated that all recruiting activities have been suspended for approximately two months. He also stated that any applications received would be filed and the applicants notified immediately upon resumption of recruiting which is expected to reopen about January 1, 1936. Anyone desiring to apply for enlistment should sub-A. Miekle, of Roanoke Rapids, as ty cases have been handled by the mit their names to the Recruiting Officer, U. S. Army, Fort his two strong arms. Ferguson

were invited to attend the Flower of Dr. Cole of Greensboro and Dr. NIGHT school in Roanoke Rapids will soon start and all those big truck tires. He's got Show to be held in Roanoke Rap- McGeachey, County Health Of- those interested should get in touch with Supt. C. W. Davis before next week.

FOUND IN **BEDROOM** EARLY A. M.

Horace Sykes Arrest'd In Ferguson Apartmet. Early Today

Horace Sykes, Enfield youth, is in the city jail tonight awaiting a possible charge of first-degree burglary, the result of his forcible entry into the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ferguson, who live over the Auto Service Station, at Roanoke Junction, early this morning.

Sykes is about nineteen. There is every indication that he was drinking Wednesday night; there is little evidence that he is a burglar, or second story man (he didn't even have a gun at the time of his arrest) but nevertheless, house-breaking is a serious charge in the old North State, and it is possible this youth may feel while he is asleep with the intent to rob or any other, must be punished.

Furgeson is an employee of the Auto Service Station. He and his wife live in the rooms over the He works hard, and sleeps hard, as he told a Herald reporter today, but his wife is a light sleeper, and is easily awakened. This morning, slightly before 3 o'clock, Mrs. Furgeson heard a man enter the bedroom in which she was sleeping with her husband. She heard him, and she could see him from the light coming through the windows and hall. With rare presence of mind, she hesitated in awakening her husband abruptly, so she stealthily punched him until he was awake. Upon being awakened, Ferguson looked around and quickly perceived the intruder.

In a flash, he was up, out of bed, and in another flash, he had his man securely "headlocked" in changes tries in his daily work,

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