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COURT FINISHED CRIMINAL DOCKET LAST FRIDAY

Solemn Moment in Court Room As Judge Makes Decree in Convicted Cases

The court room presented a solemn and impressive half hour Saturday morning when Judge J. Bis Ray lined up around the rail in front of the bar those who had been found guilty of infractions of the criminal law of the state and county to announce the degree of punishment that should be inflicted upon them. There were quite a number of the group. Following a few words about the sacredness of the law and the seriousness of its violation, the judgment of the court in the various cases was pronounced.

There were 101 cases on the criminal docket, 68 on the warrant docket and 33 on the presentment docket. Out of this number there were 55 convictions. The court affixed prison sentences for some of the convictions, ranging from 2 months to three years; and in some of the cases fines ranging from \$100 to \$500 and the cost. Several were given suspended sentences.

The court rather unexpectedly took adjournment Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock as many of the civil cases were not ready for trial.

Moody Repairing House Located On McLelland St.

Considerable repair work is being done on the house on McLelland Street, near the Baptist parsonage. The roof and porch are being renewed and a concrete walk laid from the street to the steps. This property was recently purchased by Mr. J. N. Moody, who is having the repairs made.

First Car Potatoes From Clay County Shipped Wednesday

The first carload of white potatoes were shipped Wednesday of this week through the W. M. Fain Grocery Co. acting as brokers. The potatoes went to Plant City, Fla. The potatoes were field run, shipped in bulk to net the shipper just under a dollar, which was considered a good price, especially for this season of the year.

Alabama Citizen To Hear Truett

M. T. Sumner, a prominent citizen of Greene County, Ala., is in Murphy this week attending the services being held by Dr. George Truett. Mr. Sumner came over 400 miles to hear this great preacher. While here he expects to inspect a large section north of here, with the possibility of recommending its addition to the National Forests. Mr. Sumner is a civil engineer. He called a few days ago at this office to obtain a copy of the paper.

MELLON CUTTING ON RIVERSIDE PORK ENJOYED

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock a large group of children enjoyed a watermelon cutting on Riverside Park. There were not as many present as was anticipated and as had been present at previous cuttings, because it was not well enough advertised, it is thought. The event was first arranged for Friday afternoon and so announced in the paper, but later it became necessary to change date to Saturday afternoon and although circulars were issued, it is thought that they were not well distributed.

There were some two hundred people in attendance, most of whom were children. The melons were provided through the courtesy of W. M. Fain Grocery Company, through the instrumentality of the Mayor, and those who enjoyed his generosity undoubtedly feel grateful to him as the melons were fine.

PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPECTED TO OPEN SEPT. 1

Teachers Have Been Secured For All Grades Except The Second

Unofficial announcement was given out this week that the public school would open this year on the first Monday in September, which is the first day of the month.

"While no official action has been taken," it was stated by members of the school board, "it is agreed that this will be the opening day."

Superintendent D. W. Kanoy is expected to be here this week to begin preparations for the opening. The new high school building will be used this year by the high school department. Besides the four high school grades, it will contain the superintendent's office, science laboratories, library, cloak rooms, etc. The old building will be given over entirely to the primary and grammar grades.

All the teachers have been secured except the second grade. A teacher was elected for this grade but her acceptance was never received. It is not settled as yet whether courses in domestic science will be offered. A teacher was tentatively employed but some misunderstanding arose as to the state co-operation in paying the salary, it is understood, and the matter is in abeyance. It was learned a few days ago that there is still a possibility of a teacher for this work being secured.

The teachers employed for the year are:

Mrs. Herndon, first grade A; Miss Linn Albright, first B; Miss Lula Fain, second grade B; Mrs. Margaret Bell, third grade A; Miss Martha Candler, third grade B; Mrs. Beanel, fourth grade; Mrs. J. C. Watts, Durham, fifth grade; Miss Lizzie L. Wright, Tallahassee, Fla., formerly of North Carolina, sixth grade; Miss Marguerite Couch, seventh grade. The high school teachers include Mrs. E. G. White, History and English; Mrs. L. P. Kinsey, foreign languages; B. R. Carroll, Mathematics; P. W. Spivey, science. Superintendent Kanoy will also probably have some high school classes.

The attendance this year is expected to be considerably in excess of that of last year and a good school is looked forward to.

Representative Here To Organize Camp Confederate Vets

Working under Commander C. M. Brown, of North Carolina, J. W. L. Arthur, a Confederate soldier, was here the latter part of the past week seeking to organize a camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The organizer was seeking to interest the sons and grandsons of veterans of the Confederate army in banding themselves together for the primary purpose of looking out for needy veterans, or widows of veterans, and for any similar work that might arise. The camp would aid in preserving history and other similar data. It is not known how many members were secured here. Similar camps are being organized all over the western part of North Carolina by Mr. Arthur.

Robinson Gets Contract For Evans Home

The contract for the construction of the T. S. Evans home on his property in the western part of town, on the Bellevue highway, was let a few days ago to Mr. R. Robinson, and his crew of men. The house will be a good sized brick veneered dwelling and will be among the best residences of the town. The house will be pushed to completion, it is understood.

Andrew's School Opens Aug. 25th

The schools at Andrews will open the fall session on Monday, August 25th, according to announcement by the superintendent a few days ago. The enrollment is expected to be considerably increased this year over last, it was stated.

Thousands Hearing Dr. Truett Daily

VISITORS COME FROM MANY SECTIONS

Return To His Native Heath Great Event For this Section

"My first words are words of joyful gratitude for setting feet on this my native land again," said George Truett in his opening remarks before some two thousand of his boyhood friends and acquaintances and admirers who gathered here Sunday morning to hear his opening sermon of a two weeks series that will be held here daily through the 22nd of this month. Dr. Truett stated that it was 35 years the past June since he spent his last night in Murphy before going to Texas, and that his only return trip was thirteen years later when he came back in connection with the closing of the school at Hiwassee, Ga., which he founded and of which he was the first principle.

From fifteen hundred to 2,500 people have been gathering twice daily to here Dr. Truett in his series of sermons. Many visitors are here from distance points, some hundreds of miles, some fifty and seventy five miles, and hundreds from this and adjoining counties. The crowds are gradually growing daily. It is expected that the size of the congregations will continue to increase until the last sermon on the 22nd of the month. There yet remains plenty of places for visitors and if any have been staying away for fear of lack of accommodations in Murphy, need not let that keep them away longer.

Dr. Truett is living up to the reputation that he has established throughout the South and in many parts of the world. His sermons are powerful. They are characterized by simplicity, great earnestness and logical reasoning and common sense appeals to his hearers' minds and consciences. He submerges self and magnifies Christ. His is an extremely personal religion and the appeal is as man to man.

In presenting the speaker Sunday morning, the pastor of the local church, Rev. T. L. Sasser, said that he was going to bestow on him the highest honor that could be bestowed on any man, "true follower of Jesus Christ." The earnestness and sincerity of his preaching makes one feel that this term was rightly bestowed.

For the Sunday morning services the words of Peter to Jesus as recorded in the 6th Chapter of John "Lord to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life," were chosen for a text. After stressing the importance of such a text at this time of disturbance in the world the speaker asked "to whom shall we go sure enough if we give up Christ."

Analyzing some of the reasons why men go away from Christ he said that first, people objected to his teaching as to how people must be saved. They balk at the idea of regeneration now just as they did in Christ's time, said the speaker. "What the world needs," he said, "is regeneration, not reformation."

A second reason why men go away is because of the power of public opinion, the fear of men. "Pilate is not the only one who betrayed his Saviour. And he who betrays his Saviour at the same time loses his own soul," said the speaker. The tragedy of it all, is that even the least of us influence others, and when we choose the broad way, others follow us, pointed out Dr. Truett.

The raising of Captious doubts about the Bible was given as the third reason why men go away from Jesus. Such questions as "What if there be no God? No Heaven and No Hell? What if the Bible is all myths?" are some of the doubts in men's minds, he said. Then he demanded of any who may hold such doubts, that they analyze them sincerely and make their doubts give them a satisfying answer or give them up. He said there were doubt of the head, such as Nathaniel had

when he said, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Doubts of the heart, such as John's when he asked of Jesus: "Art thou he that shall come, or look we for another?" Doubts that come through wrong living, which shuts out the light.

The fourth reason given why men go away from Christ was that men go on the theory that they will save themselves. "They can more easily cross the ocean on a tiny straw for a boat than save themselves," said Dr. Truett. Then comes this significant statement: "Salvation is by a person not by a church or a ceremony, a sacrament, or any creed or outward form, no matter how beautiful. No man can come unto the Father except by me." Said Christ.

A fifth reason given as to why men go away is through the theory of passing worldly pleasures, which cannot satisfy. But mainly, he said in the sixth place, people go away from Christ because of procrastination. "They know, they desire to be saved, yet they delay."

Then coming to the second part of the sermon the speaker asked, as he said all wise men would ask, "what then? To whom shall we go?" If we blot out Christ we blot out the Bible, he said. They are banded up together and if Christ is blotted out, to whom shall we go for our souls? he asked. What shall life become if we reject Him? was another question put to his hearers. If we go away from Christ, what are we going to do with his witnesses, who are sure that He really is, for they feel His power? He at this point referred to the testimony often given by the late President Harding and ex-president Wilson. These witnesses say that they have tested Christ, and that they lived like it is so, said he. What are you going to do with them? What are you going to do about the three great mysteries of life, sin, sorrow and death, if we go away from Christ? The morning hour was closed with the statement that no substitute can be found for Christ.

For the night service Sunday the scripture lesson was taken from the 9th chapter of Mark, particularly the words of the Father of the child healed of the evil spirits, "I believe; help thou mine unbelief." Faith was the theme. Dr. Truett mentioned the words uttered by a great Chippawan educator and a recent convert of Christianity, who said just after the War War: "This is exactly the time to have faith in God." Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. If we reject Christ the battle is lost, said the speaker. Our faith can be misplaced, he said, and the following ways in which it is misplaced were mentioned. We put our faith in human appearance; in human agency, in the wisdom of man. Faith resides in the power of God, not the wisdom of man, he said. Our faith is hindered by our limiting of God, which we do it was pointed out, in our prayers, either because we refuse to pray or pray in the wrong way. It is hindered by our lives, for everyone is a channel through which God would send his blessings. We limit God by our idleness, which is the great sociological problem of the age; the chief menace of the church, of the state and of industry, thought Dr. Truett. And finally, the speaker said, we limit God by our lack of faith. "According to your faith, so be unto you."

The second part of the sermon dealt with how we may strengthen our faith, which he said could be done, by making it a matter of prayer, by pleading the promises of God, which he has left in His word; and by earnestly seeking guidance and power of the Divine spirit in all our work for Christ. He said, closing, that it was his desire that God would have his way with the people.

For the Monday morning hour the Theme was the profitability of prayer, the section dealing with the giving of the Lord's prayer to the disciples being read for a scripture lesson and the verse in Job containing this question, pointing the subject: "What profit shall we have if

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AGED WOMAN ANSWERS CALL TO GREAT BEYOND

Mrs. Sarah Jane Hill was approaching 84th Milestone—Was Mother of large, influential family

A great concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends paid their last respects to one of the most noble and respected women of this community last Monday afternoon when the funeral rites of Mrs. Sarah Jane Hill was held at the Baptist Church, of which she had been a faithful member since childhood. Her pastor Rev. T. L. Sasser, paid high tribute to her noble Christian character, her neighborliness and her desire to minister to the sick and needy, in beautiful words spoken over her last remains. The funeral was held at 3:30 o'clock, and interment immediately followed in Sunset cemetery, in which Rev. D. H. Rhinehart assisted.

Mrs. Hill very peacefully passed away Sunday night at 11:55 o'clock, the direct cause of which was a stroke of paralysis which she suffered about four o'clock Thursday morning preceding her death. The stroke completely paralyzed her left side and her power of speech. She was alone when stricken, and unconscious when found, later seemed to regain consciousness and the use of her right side, but was never able to speak.

Mrs. Hill (nee-Rogers) was born in Buncombe County, where she lived until she was about 12 years old, when she with her parents, made the trip across the then wild and rugged Nantahala Mountains, a trip of some two weeks, full of hardships and dangers, which the deceased delighted to relate to her friends. Arriving in what is now Cherokee County the Rogers family first settled on upper Valley River; later moving to near Ranger, to North Georgia, to the lower part of this county and finally to Murphy about 1900, being of the first settlers of this community. She was married to Mr. A. S. Hill, also a native of Buncombe County, though then a resident of Cherokee, on February 15, 1866. To this union were born 12 children, two of whom preceded her to the grave. Four girls and six boys survive. They are: C. B. and J. N. of Murphy; T. J. of Greensboro; W. F. of Wehutter; E. A. of Coaldale, West Virginia, and A. L. of Williamson, W. Va.; and Mrs. Laura Postell, Sparks, Ga.; Mrs. Cynthia Jones of Postell, N. C.; Mary Slater of Etowah, Tenn. and Miss Hattie Hill.

Mrs. Hill was the mother of one of the most prominent families in this section. Her husband, who preceded her to the grave by a number of years, was a leader in his town and county, having served as the mayor of Murphy and as Sheriff of Cherokee County. Her children are prominent in the business and professional life of their respective communities. As the pastor well said, her children, whom she lived to see grow to manhood and womanhood and become well established in their respective occupations, have a rich heritage in her noble Christian character and exemplary life. She will be greatly missed by her church, her community and her many friends throughout this whole section, who extend their sympathies to the bereaved family.

Nantahala Road To Be Rushed To Completion

Motorists and travelers will be glad to learn that arrangements have finally been completed for the resumption of work on the five mile stretch of road between Nantahala and Wesser on highway number 10 from Murphy to Asheville. The contractor threw up this job sometime ago and it has been hanging fire for more than a year. Contractor C. M. Dicus, who has been working in this section for some time, has accepted a contract to complete this link, which will make the Asheville Murphy section of No. 10 very good road.

TAXABLE WEALTH SHOWS BIG INCREASE

All Other Townships Show A Decline Over Last Year—Taxable Polls Increase

Property values in Murphy Township, real and personal, increased by over one hundred thousand dollars during the past year, according to tentative figures made public this week by county auditor W. M. West. In all the other townships, however, decreases are recorded, which occurred principally to a falling off in personal property, although there is a slight decrease in real estate in some townships. This, of course, should not be, the auditor pointed out. It was his opinion that some reality may have been overlooked by the listers and had not yet been discovered by himself.

The aggregate value of real and personal property in Murphy township for this year is \$2,431,069; last year it was \$2,324,821.

In Valleytown Township the total property value this year is \$2,059,201; last year it was \$2,086,456. In Shoal Creek Township the total valuation this year is \$459,987; last year it was \$392,381.

Beverdam Township shows a total valuation this year of \$568,497; last year it was \$594,536.

The Notla Township valuation this year is \$444,966; last year it was \$475,700.

The aggregate value of realty and personal in Hothouse Township this year is \$132,387; last year it was \$136,406.

These figures are tentatively only, but they are thought to be approximately correct. It is possible that there will be some slight changes.

Creamery Station Established Here

Arrangements were completed last week by F. E. Lutz, a representative of the Catawba Creamery Co. of Hickory, N. C., for the establishment of a cream station in Murphy. Wm. P. Payne, merchant, has been appointed local representative of the Catawba company and will buy cream every Thursday and ship to the creamery on Fridays.

It was stated by Mr. Lutz that it was not necessary that the cream be sweet, though it is preferable that it be kept cool and in as good condition as possible until shipping days. This information was brought out when the question of holding the cream for a week was raised. It was the opinion of Mr. Lutz that the farmers could easily hold cream from one week until the next.

Under this arrangement the farmers of this section will be supplied a local market for their cream without the necessity of binding themselves to sell a given amount per week, or even selling any amount every week.

The cream will be paid for on the basis of its butter fat content. At the present time the price is 55c per pound but will increase as cool weather approaches. A Babcock tester is being installed at Mr. Payne's store, which will make it possible for the cream to be tested when it is brought in and checks made out right at the time for it. Mr. Payne will take all responsibility of shipping the cream.

Similar arrangements were made at Hayesville later in the week by Mr. Lutz. The station there will be at the store of Mr. B. H. Haigler. It is thought that two shipments per week can be made from that point. A few farmers will continue to ship cream to Asheville, it is understood, but a majority of them will sell their product to the local station as they can get their money when the cream is delivered and not take any chance on losing the cans in transit.

These stations promise to be of inestimable benefit to the farmers of this section as it will supply them a local market for another farm product and, therefore, be another means of adding to the revenue of the farmers. It will make their incomes more constant and therefore greatly aid them in buying their supplies during the seasons when there is no regular crop to be marketed.