

# Hall-Mills Tragedy Is Told To Grand Jury By Witnesses

## Twenty-Five More People Are to Testify—The State Announces That Its Most Important Witnesses Are Yet to Tell Stories of the Gruesome Jersey Crime.

By Associated Press.  
Sourville, N. J., Nov. 21.—Thirty witnesses had told their stories when the grand jury investigating the murder of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills finished its second session tonight. The prosecutor declared that at least 25 more witnesses would be called, including the most important witnesses of their time.

The grand jury has learned that the minister and the choir singer were murdered; that the rector was shot once through the head; that the woman was shot three times; that the shots were fired by an expert marksman; that the choir singer went by trolley and afoot to a traying place with the minister.

It is learned that the prosecutor believed Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills were killed under the crab apple tree on Phillips farm where their bodies were found.

George Sipel, the pig farmer, who last night popped into the case after his wife announced that he was innocent of any concern in it, today was ordered before the jury. Tomorrow, in all probability, the grand jury will have an opportunity to decide whether Sipel is a really vital factor—or merely a pig raising farmer who has had business dealings with Mrs. Jane Gibson, the star witness, and has talked about them.

Sipel Goes To Country.  
Sipel avoided detectives and reporters alike today. He went out into the country in his machine before daylight and was still there when the sun set.

The jury heard 18 witnesses, none of whom had any really important story to give. They heard doctors tell how Mrs. Mills' throat was found to have been cut when her body and that of Rev. Hall's were discovered or an autopsy. Prosecutor Mott went even further, and called two Somerville undertakers and one from New Brunswick to tell what they saw.

Mrs. Henry Blunt and Mrs. Leo Harkins were the next witnesses. On the night of the murders those two women, walking along Easton avenue, told that they had seen Mrs. Mills, followed by Mr. Hall, walking slowly towards Phillips farm. Mrs. Harkins' story has been that Mr. Hall appeared troubled and, although he knew her, did not appear to recognize her.

Ramond Schneider was called when the afternoon session began, presumably to tell how he found the bodies and to corroborate Pearl Bahmer's story of mushroom hunting and the accidental discovery beneath the crab apple tree.

Only two witnesses, Drs. Anderson and Armstrong, expert chemists, from a local laboratory, were called after Schneider. They had examined the distill which was near the bodies, and it was on their testimony that Prosecutor Mott relied to prove the murders were committed where the bodies were found.

# LARGE CONCERN SOON TO OPEN BRANCH HERE

## Tomlinson Company, Inc., Will Start in Splendid Quarters December 1.

Tomlinson company, Inc., big dealer in plumbers' supplies and heating equipment, will formally open the doors of its Greensboro branch December 1. The company is well established in its own building, a new, and modern structure of red brick, three stories and basement, situated on Lyndon street with railroad frontage on Gold's commercial siding.

The company, which has branches at Philadelphia, Norfolk and Richmond, is well known to North Carolina dealers, but the establishment of a branch here will add another name to the long list of Greensboro concerns doing business over an extended territory.

R. F. Rogers, who has been assistant manager of the company's Richmond branch, arrived yesterday to assume the management of the Greensboro house. A. A. Tomlinson, of Philadelphia, is president of the company, and W. B. Tomlinson is vice president. The company formerly did business under the name of the Virginia-Carolina Supply company, but recently, owing to a general expansion and growth, the concern was re-organized and incorporated under the name of Tomlinson company, Inc.

Following negotiations with the Greensboro chamber of commerce the concern last spring decided to establish a branch here. The company bought a suitable site on Lyndon street and has had erected a building suitable for its needs. The building, 100 feet long and 50 feet wide, contains 30,000 square feet of floor space. In addition, the company has a shed that will hold 50 car-loads of steel and wrought iron pipe and a yard with capacity for 25 car-loads of iron soil pipe.

The company is now operating in this territory, but after December 1, it will be better prepared to take care of its increased business. The Greensboro branch will serve the territory in the two Carolinas and possibly sections of adjoining states. Several traveling salesmen who will represent the company will make Greensboro headquarters.

# SALISBURY WEDDINGS.

## Rev. M. J. Klutz and Miss Pearl Lyster Are Married.

Salisbury, Nov. 21.—Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Carrie Shoemaker to Julian Stone Youngblood. This popular young couple were married Sunday, September 24, and chose to keep their wedding a secret for a while. They will be at home after November 30 on West Council street.

Rev. M. J. Klutz, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Miss Pearl Lyster, of Salisbury, were married at Union church, near the city, Sunday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Rev. C. E. Ridenhour. Mr. Klutz is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Klutz and is pastor of the Ascension Lutheran church, of Brooklyn. Mrs. Klutz is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Southern, of Salisbury. The couple after spending a short time in Washington will go to Brooklyn to live.

Alvie Pethel, of Spencer, and Miss Merle Shoaf, of this city, were married Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Kridler in the presence of a few friends, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Byron Clark. Mrs. Pethel is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Shoaf, of Mooreville, and is a graduate nurse of the Whitehead-Stokes sanatorium, of this city. Mr. Pethel is a popular employee of the Spencer shops of the Southern. They will live at Spencer.

Lewis Cagle and Miss Myrtle Curlee, a popular young couple, of Salisbury, surprised their friends by slipping away to South Carolina and getting married Saturday. They had returned to the city and are making their home on South Shaver street.

# RAILROAD COMMITTEE MAY MEET IN HICKORY

## Citizens Believe Proposed Mountain Railroad Should Pass Through Hickory.

ROUTINGS ARE OUTLINED  
(Special to Daily News.)  
Hickory, Nov. 21.—The special legislative committee, appointed at the last session of the North Carolina general assembly to conduct an investigation and report on the feasibility of selling the railroad stocks now owned by the state of North Carolina and invest the proceeds in the "Lost Provinces" of western North Carolina with other sections of the state, has been expected to visit Hickory and look into the possibilities offered by the route through this section into the northwestern counties.

The committee by President J. A. Moretz of the Hickory chamber of commerce following the adoption of a resolution by the board of directors at their semi-monthly meeting last week. The resolution also authorized the collection of maps and data in connection with this route which will be used in presenting its claims to the committee.

It is claimed that the route through Hickory, Lenoir and Blount counties, is the most economical as well as the most efficient solution of the problem in view of the fact that a large part of this line is already built and would only be necessary to connect up separate links and would, in effect, provide a belt line around the western part of the state.

Beginning at Edgemont, the present terminus of the Carolina and Northwestern, the proposed line would involve the construction of the road through the Carrey Plains to Blowing Rock, thence to Boone, where connection would be made with east Tennessee and western North Carolina lines, and to Johnson City and Bristol, Tenn.

From Boone the line would be built to West Jefferson and Jefferson, where it would connect with the Carolina railroad to Abingdon, Va. or it could connect up with this line at Elkland. From Jefferson it would be necessary to build the road to Sparta, where it would connect with the Elkin and Alleghany road from Sparta to Elkin. The plan would contemplate the completion of this road to the extent of 100 miles, which would connect with the Southern railway's Wilkesboro-Greensboro-Salisbury line, making a complete belt around the northwestern section of the state. This line, it is claimed, would serve the counties of Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany, Wilkes and Surry at a minimum cost to the state.

No intimation has yet been made regarding the committee's probable recommendation regarding the construction of a line into the northwestern counties, but it is felt that should the report favor the building of a belt line, the route as outlined would be the most desirable one at least possible expenditure of money.

# CUPID AND CLERK ARE KEPT BUSY IN COUNTY

## Month of November Shows Signs of Wedding Laurels From the Month of June.

Alfred Tennyson, the great English poet of the Victorian reign, in his "Locksley Hall" prophesied that the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. If that be true the world over, these thoughts are turning out especially in Guilford county during the month of November. June has long been known as the bridal month but in this county November is running a gallant race for the laurels now held by June.

Business in some lines may be falling down but the matrimonial business in Guilford county is booming. Cupid and his clerk, E. H. Wharton, are greeted daily by couples who are anxious to go through life together.

Tuesday, so a marriage license were passed over the matrimonial counter at the county courthouse. Of this number two were secured by negroes. The papers, necessary because of the license, were secured Tuesday by Miss Laura Elmer Jessup and Jonah S. Wyrick, both of this city. Miss Grace McBroome and Harry M. Bell, both of this city; Miss Virginia Louise Hunt, of Greensboro, and William Jackson Hunter, of Williamston, and Miss Sallie Louise Turner and Stames I. Sharpe, both of Greensboro.

# NEWS OF HICKORY.

Miss R. Margaret Wilson Begins Community Service Work.  
(Special to Daily News.)  
Hickory, Nov. 21.—Miss R. Margaret Wilson arrived in Hickory today to take up the community service work begun more than eight weeks ago by H. D. Schubert, who is a former school teacher and has had experience in playground directing, newspaper and other public work. Mr. Schubert, in spite of a warm political campaign here, managed to impress this community and as a result the "Woman's club" led in the movement to make the feature permanent. Mr. Schubert has been tactful, enterprising and energetic and has shown what can be done for a large community. In Highland, Brookford, West Hickory and Longview, the four principal suburbs, the program has made a strong appeal and nowhere has it made more supporters than in Hickory. Ten leading business men and women became guarantors for the first eight weeks.

Football fans in this city are already agitating a special Pullman for the Carolina-Virginia game at Charlotteville November 30 and indications point to a large delegation from Hickory.

# Proximity News

## By STOKES RAWLINS.

The Tuesday afternoon cooking class met yesterday with Mrs. Kinney at her home No. 32 Maple street. Quite a number of the ladies of the club were present and an interesting meeting was held.

A. S. Arnold, general secretary of the Proximity and White Oak Y. M. C. E., returned yesterday from Atlantic City, N. J., where he attended the International Y. M. C. A. conference.

The mid-week Bible study class will meet this evening at the "Y" 7:30. A good meeting is anticipated and all members are urged to attend. All activities at the "Y" will be suspended this evening from 7:30 until 8:30 on account of prayer meetings and other religious activities.

In an interesting game of basketball Monday evening the "Terrors" defeated the "Yellowjackets" by a score of 37 to 22.

Quite an interesting meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. last night when Bible history was presented in the form of a play by the members of the club. This was adopted from Sampson's fall to Elijah's ascension. G. R. Fogleman has returned to liberty after spending several days with his daughter, Mrs. C. N. Shaw, at her home No. 2 Church street.

Prayer services will be held at Walnut Street Baptist church this evening.

REVOLUTION  
Quite a number of people from Proximity are planning to attend the comedy at White Oak assembly hall this evening. The name of the show is "Deacon Dubbs" and it will be presented by local talent.

Revival services are being conducted at Hamtown by Rev. Charles E. Stevens. The services are being held in the cottage where Sunday school is held.

W. Hancock and Charles Cox, of the Revolution barber shop motored to Randleman yesterday to visit friends.

Dave Tucker, of No. 1 Maple street, is spending several days at Ether with relatives.

The boy scouts of Revolution troop No. 1 held quite an interesting meeting Monday evening at the scout hall. Several new scouts of the troop were present. After the business was transacted many games were played and enjoyed by the boys.

# INDIVIDUAL SERVICE IS STRESSED TO ROTARY

## Carroll H. Jones, of Columbia, S. C., District Governor, Speaks to Club.

The Greensboro Rotary club yesterday received a visit from District Governor Carroll H. Jones, of Columbia, and special music in honor of the occasion included a new song by Fleming Fry and by vociferous request, the club's old favorite, "Kentucky Lady." H. S. Richardson introduced a resolution for the appointment of a committee to attend the meeting of the general conference of the club in Raleigh, and report back to the club. This was adopted, and the committee named consists of Dr. J. I. Foust, A. M. Scales and C. G. Wright.

President J. J. Duffy expressed the pleasure of the club in having the district governor as its guest, and a district for a welcoming address from P. P. Hobgood, Jr. Mr. Hobgood introduced a verbal garland to the governor.

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# Railroad Merger Hearings Are Temporarily Postponed

Washington, Nov. 21.—Interstate commerce commission hearings on railroad consolidations in the north-west were temporarily suspended today, to be resumed later in western cities affected by the plan. Places and dates for the hearings will be determined later and it was indicated that representatives of the public in the territory concerned would be given opportunity to present views then.

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