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T. D. PARHAM NOT GUILTY

Fight On Anti-Lynching Bill Still Raging In Senate

Local Business Man Is Freed By Lower Court Of Vanhook Slaying

JUDGE W. H. Murdock presiding over the Recorders Court here Wednesday exonerated T. D. Parham, prominent business man of Durham, from the charge for the slaying of James H. Vanhook here on Tuesday evening January 14.

The hearing which consumed most of the morning session, and a greater part of the afternoon was attended by a packed courtroom with Attorney Victor S. Bryant and Attorney M. H. Thompson representing the defense and S. C. Brawley, prosecuting attorney of the Recorders Court assisted by Attorney R. O. Everett, representing the state.

Numerous prominent persons of the city were on hand to testify to the good character of the defendant, including Sheriff E. G. Belvin, City Manager, H. A. Yancey, Dr. James E. Shepard, president of North Carolina College; C. C. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company; J. Franklin Barfield, auctioneer; Dr. S. L. Warren, prominent physician; J. C. Scarborough, prominent undertaker; Rev. M. Fisher and many others who did not actually testify as to the good character of Mr. Parham, but were present for that purpose.

Judge Murdock stated that he did not feel that there was a jury anywhere that would convict Mr. Parham under the evidence presented by the defense.

Mrs. Edith Parham, wife of the defendant testified that Mr. Vanhook had called her

home earlier in the day and had told her that he was going to kill her husband.

Parham took the stand in his own defense and told how Vanhook had slapped him a year ago and had terrorized him and his family since that time. He testified that he was afraid of Vanhook as a wild animal. The defendant also testified as to how Mr. Vanhook had beaten his young son Ward on the day of the shooting.

According to testimony of Parham, Vanhook had been giving him considerable trouble over a printing job which he had failed to satisfactorily get out for him during the Christmas, and had threatened to sue him and his entire family. He testified that the word "beautician" had been misspelled in getting out the printing job, and that he had attempted to no avail to appease the wrath of Mr. Vanhook by telling him that since he did not get the job until Christmas eve and had worked all night to deliver it to overlook the error.

Mr. Parham also testified how Mr. Vanhook entered his establishment on the night of the fatal shooting with his left hand in his pocket as though he had a gun. Believing that Vanhook intended to carry out the threat to kill him he saw him standing outside the door he opened it in the manner afore described and started shooting at his legs. When Vanhook kept advancing he stated he shot him in the head.

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MEMPHIS RILED OVER SLAYING OF NEGRO POSTMAN

MEMPHIS, Jan. 15—(ANP)—Many citizens this week were outspoken in criticism of the police department for what they term the wanton, cold blooded slaying of George W. Brooks, 28, a colored mail carrier, shot four times and killed by Dt. Sgt. A. O. Clark, as he sat in his car at Iowa and Main streets.

Clark said that Brooks shot at him first, the bullet going between his legs. He was exonerated by Chief Lee. The carrier's slaying followed a trap set for him by Clark, another police official named Fox and R. H. Tomlinson, postoffice inspector. A young white woman who claimed she had been annoyed over a period of weeks by a colored postman, was told to meet the man at Iowa and Third st.

Police say Brooks drove up to the corner, but the young woman entered his car, but as the police ran forward she sprang out the opposite door. Dt. Sgt. Clark said that as he got into the front seat to place Brooks under arrest and take him to the station Brooks fired.

But friends of the slain man here want to know why the postoffice inspector, Tomlinson, did not prevent the murder, and, if his annoyance of the white woman was known, why wasn't he arrested before Brooks' friends insist there is great uneasiness among the Negro personnel at the post office. Fewer Negroes than ever, it is reported, are being separated from the service on the slightest pretext.

Shortly Before Tommie Heard The News



Tommie Walls, little Mecklenburg Negro who was to have died for first degree burglary Friday, is seen as he was interviewed in Warden H. H. Wilson's office Wednesday. Three hours after this photograph was taken, word came that Governor Roy had commuted his sentence to life imprisonment. Walls at first would not allow his picture to be snapped. After being assured the picture would not be used in detective magazines, Walls consented. "I'm innocent, but I'm not afraid to die," he told TIMES Reporter Dewitt Cavell (right) as the photograph was taken. Warden H. H. Wilson is seated at his desk to the right of Walls.—Staff Photo by John Lowrey. (Photo Courtesy Raleigh Times)

1,000 COLLEGE STUDENTS FIGHT INSULTS OF WHITE THEATER CORPORATION

More than 1,000 students of Bennett and A. and T. Colleges will hold a mass meeting in Greensboro Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of furthering a boycott of the local white theaters as a protest against the resolutions passed at the meeting of the Southern Theatres Incorporated which exposed Negro and white actors appearing in motion pictures on an equal social basis.

The students who have already boycotted the theatres are calling upon other citizens of Greensboro to aid them in their effort, and the mass meeting is expected to be attended by a large number Negro theatres goes outside the two schools.

L. E. Austin, editor of the Carolina Times and other speakers have been invited to appear on the program Friday night.

As it now appears other schools throughout the state will join the move started by the students of the two Greensboro schools, and in a few weeks the leaders hope to have a state-wide boycott of all white theatres catering to Negro patrons, who are members of the Southern Theatres Incorporated.

Protests from the North Carolina Inter-Racial Committee and several other organizations, both white and colored, have already been forwarded to the

MRS. ROSA F. WILLIAMS SUCCUMBS IN TRENTON NEW JERSEY

Mrs. R. E. Williams died last week in Trenton, N. J. at the home of her daughter and son in law, Dr. & Mrs. H. Bundy.

The funeral was held at the Mt. Bright Baptist Church, Hillsboro, N. C. of which she had been a member a great many years. The pastor Rev. A. E. Johnson preached the funeral. The burial was held at the family plot of the Oak Wood Cemetery, Hillsboro, Scarborough Undertakers in charge.

Those out of town attending the funeral were: Dr. and Mrs. Howard Sandy, Trenton, N. J.; Marvin G. Williams, Washington, D. C.; son; B. C. Howard, Washington, D. C.; grandson; Mrs. L. Thompson and master Howard Taylor, Wilson; grand daughter grand grandson; Mrs. Mabel Elliot, Durham; Mrs. Lillian Jackson, New York City; B. D. Berry, Andrew Whitted, Mrs. Bartha Vincent, Graves Vincent, K. Malone, Mebane; Miss S. V. Caldwell, Chapel Hill, Geo. Elliot, L. Parham, Durham.

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Southern Senate Leaders Threaten Democratic Split Over Lynching Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Senator Josiah W. Bailey, erstwhile leader of the Baptist church ran amuck in the senate here today in a tirade against Negroes in his speech opposing the anti-lynching bill now before the upper house.

Charging that northern "Socialists had captured powerful positions in the Democratic party and that they were trying to force the anti-lynching bill on the south the former ambassador of the Christian religion fairly foamed at the mouth as he wrined the supporters of the bill, it passed would possibly mean a split of the Democratic party. It was the same old jackass braying about "a white man's government" that use of be heard in the senate in the bygone days of Alabama's Tom Heflin, and South Carolina's Cole Blease. It was the best monkey show seen in the senate in many years.

Senator Bailey could not have had a more distressing nightmare if he had filled his belly with Carolina fatback. Yesterday he pictured the 13,000,000 Negroes in America seizing the United States from the more than 115,000,000 whites and controlling the Democratic party, the federal government and whatnot.

Refuses To Yield

"Well not yield," he said, "We'll not let anybody take the Democratic party away from us. It is an institution down there. And no matter what happens, we will still be there in the same old Democratic party."

"When we won the victory of 1932," Bailey said, "We won it as a Democratic party. Then a group of Socialists swooped down on the party and they have not left."

"You can do what you please

FOUR SOUTHERNERS HELD IN FATAL SHOOTING OF CONSTABLE

ESTL, S. C., Jan. 15—(ANP)—Deputy H. C. Mixon said last Tuesday that Cleveland Farmer, 22, had been removed, moved to the State penitentiary hospital after he had confessed he had shot and killed Constable Kenneth Cohagan and seriously wounded Magistrate N. A. Patterson here on Monday night.

Deputy Mixon said that three others two of them named Farmer, the other Roach, had been arrested in connection with the shootings and taken to unnamed jail. Magistrate Patterson and Constable Cohagan were driving two prisoners when they stopped a truck to question the driver about reckless driving and driving without proper lights.

The officers said occupants of the trucks, all Negroes, started firing immediately. Cohagan was killed instantly and Magistrate Patterson, wounded in the left shoulder and lung, was rushed to Savannah, Ga., hospital. With the escape of the men in the truck, a posse of 100 was formed, and with bloodhounds, pressed an all night search for the fugitives. Cleveland Farmer and the three others were caught the next day.

James Bailey, Jr. Passes After Short Illness

James Hart Bailey, well known son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Bailey of 1213 Dawkins street, died at the home of his parents here Tuesday morning January 10, from a paralytic stroke and other contributory causes.

Although Mr. Bailey had been slightly ill for several weeks it was not considered of a grave nature, and those of his immediate family did not become alarmed when he complained of not feeling well when he made his usual week-end trip from Greensboro here last Saturday.

The deceased was born in Durham and attended the public schools here. He was a graduate of Wilberforce University in the class of 1918, and also attended the Atlanta School of Social Service in 1935-36.

Mr. Bailey's first employment was after finishing Wilberforce was with the Fraternal Bank and Trust Company of this city. He was called from that position to Cashier of the Commercial Bank of Wilson, N. C. After leaving there he accepted a position with the Century Life Insurance Company of Little Rock, Arkansas. He later worked for five years as travelling repre-

OPENS NEW TYPE OF COMMERCIAL SCHOOL IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Jan. 15—The Chicago Board of Education at the suggestion of Superintendent W. H. Johnson, has established a new type of commercial school for the benefit of young men and women who are desirous of fitting themselves, in a thorough manner, to enter the field of business at the completion of their high school courses.

The school is situated in the loop district at 615 Plymouth court, easily accessible to pupils from all sections of the city. This central location will also add greatly to the efficiency of the Placement Bureau which will be maintained at this school for the purpose of assisting graduates, both boys and girls, to obtain positions.

The school will be opened for enrollment on January 31, 1938 for students who have completed the 9th and 10th grades in the senior high schools, and who desire to enter the field of business upon graduation. Eleventh and twelfth grade work will be offered, and will consist of intensive training in shorthand, bookkeeping, typing, and selling courses in the operation of bookkeeping, billing and calculating machines will be available.

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Nurse Ola Glover Of Palmer Institute Succumbs

Lying in state beneath a blanket of roses in the Alice Freeman Palmer Building, the body of Miss Ola Glover, nurse at Palmer Memorial Institute for 18 years, was paid final tribute by the students and teachers and friends from the state and other states. "This occasion is for me," said Dr. Cotton, president of Henderson Institute at Henderson, N. C., who preached the funeral sermon, "one of sadness and one of joy; sad because it takes from our midst this noble woman and joyous because of the influence of her life and the contribution which she was able to make to this institution. Dr. John Erics, chaplain at Palmer for 12 years, who was associated with Miss Glover, reviewed her life and told of the high standards of womanhood for which she stood.

Dr. R. T. Weatherly, pastor of the St. Matthews M. E. Church in Greensboro read the scripture. Telegrams were read by Rev. Kenneth R. Williams of the Palmer faculty. Among the telegrams was one from Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, for whom Miss Glover formerly worked, praising the life which she had left behind.

Born in Gainsville, Va. on August 12, 1889, Miss Glover spent her early years there. She graduated at Dixie Hospital connected with Hampton Institute

where she graduated. She was a cultured and refined person, conscientious in all of her approach to life and a splendid example of womanhood. She held a position of trust in Va. before coming to Palmer Memorial Institute where for eighteen years she has been the school nurse and nurse companion of the president of the school. She served in various capacities at the institution and was often considered a sort of hub on which things turned. She was faithful and so understanding, and she believed wholeheartedly in all that her president stood for.

She was dearly beloved by the students; many who passed thru the school during these years return often to express gratitude for her loving care of them. She was highly appreciated by her fellow teachers and loved by the people in the community whose children she served in the day school for a long period of years. Quite unassuming, but a person of strong will, she wielded a subtle influence on the character of the students with whom she came in contact. She found in the hearts of everybody she knew, both white and colored, a warm response to her sincerity. No one person in the history of Palmer Memorial Institute except its president has rendered greater service.

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