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### TWO COURTS FOR JANUARY.

#### The First a Criminal Term and Then Two Weeks of Civil Court.

There will be two terms of court held in this county during the month of January. The first term, which will be a one week term and will convene on January 6, will be for the trial of criminal cases. The second term, which will be for two weeks, will convene on January 20, and will be for the trial of civil cases.

Judge James L. Webb, of Shelby, the twelfth judicial district, will be on the bench at both terms of court, this being his first official visit to the city. He has been on the bench for some time and is just now reaching this part of this district. He has the reputation of being a very fine judge.

The docket for the criminal term of court is now being made out in the office of Clerk of Court C. B. Green. His assistant, Sneed Sasser, is getting everything in regard to the docket in shape so that there will be no hitch when the time come. It looks now as if there will be a very large docket: this partially on account of the fact that such a large number of cases were continued from the past term of court. Then the docket was crowded as never before and to add to this Judge Cooke was called home on account of the dying condition of his son. As a matter of fact, a large number of cases had to be continued from that term. These are now on the docket of this term and added are the many warrant cases that have been sent up by mayor and magistrates. It is more than probable that all of the time of the court will be taken in the trial of the cases to be heard, and then that the docket will not be cleared.

The civil term will convene on the 20th of January. While there is a large docket it is thought that practically all of the work that will be disposed of during the two weeks that Judge Webb will hold the court here. There are a number of important cases on docket, but as the calendar has not been arranged as yet it is not known which of the cases will be ready for trial. It is safe to say, however, that the court will be one of interest.

The following jurors have been drawn for the criminal term of court, which convenes on January 6, from one week:

Messrs. C. T. Holland, W. B. Hampton, James E. McDowell, Walter F. Barbee, W. D. Copley, James M. Watts, G. P. Clements, R. N. Lee, A. N. Ashley, Jr., R. E. Wilkerson, Alexander Craig, W. G. Harward, W. T. Cole, J. E. Morris, T. D. Scruggs, S. W. Minor, J. R. Ross, W. A. Norris, J. B. Christian, J. R. Peed, E. K. Powe, J. J. Woods, Fred Markham, C. M. Herndon, George H. Beall, Richard B. House, L. W. Grissom, T. L. Russell, W. H. Byrd, M. Gladstein, C. D. Whitaker, T. B. Tally, W. H. Page, Julian S. Carr, Jr. C. H. Shaw and W. F. Carr.

The civil term of court will begin on January 20 and will be a two week term. The jurors drawn for this term are as follows:

First week—Messrs. J. W. Davis, W. J. McDonald, W. T. Shepherd, M. O. Addison, E. H. Massey, G. R. Stallings, B. G. Briggs, H. M. Cates, D. J. Mahoney, I. G. Lawrence, Thomas M. Gormrn, E. T. Rollins, A. J. Faucette, Robert Wilkins, John A. Pugh, J. W. Carpenter, A. S. Thomas, A. A. Murdock, L.

James, T. A. Parrish, J. P. Royster, L. E. Page, J. E. Clark and John W. Umstead.

Second week—Messrs. Bannan Tilley, John W. Shepherd, J. A. Saintsing, H. L. Bennett, E. Y. Speed, J. D. Harward, C. C. McCall, W. E. Ferrell, R. A. Evans, Q. E. Rawls, Henry O'Briant, C. M. Herndon, Jr., E. T. Lea, J. L. Council, E. M. Mullen, R. T. Howerton, J. H. Allen and C. A. Trice.

#### Died in Manila.

Wednesday afternoon Miss Lula Cassidy, who is principal of the Patrick Henry school in Patterson township, this county, left over the Durham & Southern road for Apex and from there she went to her home at Laurinburg. It was a sad message that called her home on almost the eve of Christmas. It was a message that told of the death of her brother.

Arthur Cassidy was his name and he had made his home in Manila, Philippine Islands, for some seven years. Since going to the Philippines Mr. Cassidy has married. He had been engaged in the printing business for several years, owning the establishment that he managed.

The particulars concerning the death of Mr. Cassidy are meager at this time. The only message that his sister received came from her father, James Cassidy, who stated that he had received information that Arthur died in Manila on November 6; that his body was at once prepared and shipped and was expected home in a day or so for burial. Miss Cassidy at once gave up her work and hurried home for the sad Christmas gathering.

#### Death of Miss Speed.

Miss Pauline Speed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Speed, died at the home of her parents, No. 208 Gattis street, Wednesday morning at 12:05 o'clock. Typhoid fever was the cause of her death.

Miss Speed had just passed her twentieth birthday. She had been ill little more than a month with typhoid fever. For several days it had been known that she was very close to death and that she had slight chance for recovery. Still as long as she battled against the disease there were hopes for final recovery.

Of the immediate family there are left father and mother, three brothers and three sisters. In addition to these there are quite a large number of other relatives, many of whom live in this section. Miss Speed was a young lady of high christian character, being a member of Mangum Street Methodist church. She had a large number of friends among many of our people.

The funeral and burial took place from the home Thursday morning after which the interment took place at Maplewood cemetery.

#### Her Death Was Sudden.

Mrs. M. M. Ramsey, who lived on Liberty street, died quite suddenly Tuesday morning. She passed away between 2.30 and 3 o'clock, after an illness of but a few hours. Something like acute indigestion was the cause of her death.

The night before Mrs. Ramsey was in as good health as usual. She ate a hearty supper and then after supper went out to call on some neighbors. This was her last visit in this life. Returning to her home she was taken ill very suddenly and when physicians were summoned nothing could be done for her. She died

at the time named.

A number of the relatives arrived in the city and Tuesday night it was decided to hold a short funeral here Wednesday evening, this being from the home, and the remains were taken on the 1:20 o'clock train Thursday morning to the old home at Huntersville, near Charlotte, where the interment took place.

Mrs. Ramsey was the widow of the late R. M. Ramsey, who died some sixteen years ago, before the family moved to Durham. She was 58 years of age. There are seven children left, three of these being sons and four daughters. They are as follows: J. G. Ramsey, of Roanoke, Va.; W. A. Ramsey, of Spencer, and R. A. Ramsey, of this city. The daughters—Mrs. G. W. Lawrence, of Texas; Mrs. E. A. Hardwick, of Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. C. A. Seapark, Raleigh, and Mrs. A. A. Metts, of this city. There are a number of other relatives, but no brothers or sisters, all of whom have passed over the river of death.

#### Died Wednesday Night.

John C. Strayhorn, a well-known citizen, died at his home on Yancey street last Wednesday evening at 9:15 o'clock. His illness was of short duration, that is, the serious part of his illness. He had been suffering from a complicated trouble for several months.

The funeral service was conducted from the Second Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, this by Rev. W. C. Barrett, the pastor of that church. After the funeral the burial took place at Maplewood cemetery.

Mr. Strayhorn was born in Orange county, was 56 years of age and had lived in Durham some seven years, although he had been known to a number of our people for a much longer time than that. Ten years ago he led to the marriage altar Miss Gertrude Billings, daughter of J. R. Billings, of this city, and of this union there are two daughters, Margaret Ruth and Susie May. He is survived by his wife. All the members of his immediate family are dead, but there are a large number of relatives in Durham and in Orange counties.

For several months Mr. Strayhorn has been ailing. He was able to look after his duties, however, and on Monday of this week was able to come down street on two occasions. When he went home he was taken suddenly ill. The doctor said that there was a ruptured blood vessel in a lung and that pneumonia followed. This caused his death.

#### Marriage Thursday Afternoon.

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock there was a very happy event at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Watts, near Lakewood Park, when their daughter, Miss Beulah Carr, become the bride of Mr. John Lester Lea, Jr. The couple left in the afternoon for a bridal tour.

Wednesday evening the members of the bridal party and a few friends were entertained at the home of Mr. Watts. The home was prettily decorated with palms, ferns and potted plants, the whole scene presenting one of beauty and loveliness. An elegant luncheon was served in courses.

At this entertainment a few out-of-town guests, personal friends of the couple, who were here to attend the wedding, were present.

### IN THE FEDERAL COURT.

#### Number of Cases Disposed of—Sol Takes All The Blame.

In the Federal court, which is in session in Raleigh this week, many cases from Durham is being heard. Among them are the following:

Sol Webb, a negro who lived in East Durham, was given one year in the federal prison for selling whiskey in violation of the federal laws. He was not considered such a bad negro and few thought that he was a "regular, blind tiger" yet when his case came up the evidence was such that he was convicted and sentenced to the prison in Atlanta.

Eugene Dorsett a white man, son of Newton Dorsett, goes to the county jail for six months. Dorsett entered a plea of guilty, saying that he was the one to be punished if there should be punishment in the case. Back of all this is a story that shows loyalty and devotion, even in crime. The federal authorities found an illicit distillery on the plantation of old man Newton Dorsett and some of the stuff used was found in the home of John Dorsett, his son. Eugene was connected with the matter and all three men were arrested. When it came to a show down Eugene admitted that he was guilty—that he alone was responsible for the plant—in this getting himself into certain trouble and yet giving his father and brother a fighting chance to get out of the charge. The case against the other two defendants was set for trial Tuesday but was not called for some reason. Newton Dorsett, the senior of this trio, was in Raleigh with his attorney, R. O. Everett, and the two came back on the afternoon train. The case will not be taken up until after the holidays.

Dan Marsh, colored a youth of a negro who is known about the town and especially in police circles, as "Long Boy," was tried on the charge of impersonating a federal officer. He was convicted and goes to the Atlanta penitentiary for a year and a day. Dan went to a negro man and made him believe that he was a federal officer and secured from him a small sum of money, this, as he said, in order to give him protection, or rather not to have him pulled. The negro thought that the young negro was really an officer and when Marsh placed his hands on him and told him to "come along" the old man secured what little cash, he had and paid it over.

Marsh was first arraigned in the state superior court on the charge of getting money under false pretense or something of that kind, and was discharged. Then he fell into the hands of the revenue officers and he now finds himself on the way to Atlanta. Marsh has been in all kinds of trouble here, spending considerable of his time on the roads of the county.

#### SENTENCES CHANGED.

Sol Webb, who was first sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary and whose sentence was then reduced to six months in jail and to pay a fine of \$100. James Hayes, sentenced to six months in jail and pay a fine of \$100. Eugene Dorsett, six months in jail and pay a fine of \$100. John Shambly, six months in jail and pay a fine of \$100.

East Durham has organized a law and order league to look after the enforcement of the whiskey laws in that section.

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