

Tom R. Clayton Will Be Placed on Trial For Murder of Deputy Sheriff M. N. Blue Before Judge Lane Wednesday

TRUE BILL MURDER CHARGE RETURNED IN COURT TODAY

Solicitor McLean and Stringfield and Bullard Will Prosecute Case—Special Term of Criminal Court Convened Today With Judge Henry Lane Presiding.

THE GRAND JURY
Oliver Evans, foreman. J. C. Willford, I. W. Page, J. S. Horne, J. D. Thames, P. B. Guy, E. C. Blake, T. L. Edwards, T. B. Cashwell, F. R. Cook, F. P. Smith, W. D. Guy, Irwin Smith, P. West, J. M. Fisher, J. D. Williams, J. D. McCaskill, G. B. Honeycutt.

Tom R. Clayton, a former soldier at Camp Bragg, at present confined in state prison at Raleigh, will face a Cumberland county jury on Wednesday morning charged with the murder of Deputy Sheriff M. N. Blue in this city on January 28. A true bill was returned by the grand jury in a special criminal term of superior court which convened this morning. Judge Henry P. Lane of Reidsville is presiding.

As soon as Oliver Evans, foreman presented the indictment and his honor read the finding, Solicitor McLean immediately asked that Clayton be placed on trial for his life the first thing Wednesday morning and asked for a special venire of jurors. Attorneys Stringfield and Bullard will appear with Solicitor McLean in the prosecution.

It will be recalled Clayton shot Deputy Blue to death and also shot down Deputy W. O. Patrick as they were reading a warrant to him at the corner of Old and Burgess streets. Clayton had just emerged from the telephone exchange with Miss Lena Lindsey and was met by the officers who wanted him for an assault upon the father of Miss Lindsey. Clayton was carried to the state prison where he was given medical attention in the prison hospital, he having been shot by Deputy Blue after the latter had fallen to the ground.

Special term of criminal court opened this morning with a strong charge to the grand jury by his honor Judge H. P. Landis in which he denounced in strong language the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors and called upon the members of the grand jury to do their part in stamping out the traffic.

"The law seeks to protect home, the bulwark of our civilization," said Judge Lane. "It seeks to protect the influence of the home and we should help by seeing that members of our home are raised correctly that it will have a wholesome influence on the community. The law seeks to protect the innocent and virtuous. It stands as the protector of the character and virtue of woman and we must see that the law is upheld in this respect. The keeping of houses where men and women gather for immoral purposes become a nuisance and a crime against the law."

"The law protects the public health as well as the morals. The law is very strong against adulterated foods and adulterations of any kind."

His honor then cautioned the jury in regard to intoxicating liquors. "The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors has grown to such an extent it makes it hard for the officers to cope with it. Men coolly and deliberately sit down and calculate their ability to violate the law. Liquor men become deliberate criminals when they go into the business. They deserve drastic punishment while the public must be protected from them. The traffic must be stamped out. The manufacture and sale as well as the keeping in one's possession for sale is a crime. If a man has more than a gallon in his possession the law says he has it for sale. Transportation from one state to another and from person to person within the state is denominated."

Practically every kind of crime was explained in fullest detail to the grand jury.

HENRY BRANDT, FORMERLY THIS CITY, DIES IN NORFOLK

Older citizens of FAYETTEVILLE will learn with regret of the death of Henry Brandt, which occurred in Norfolk, Va., last week. Mr. Brandt was a resident of this city for a number of years, being in the dry goods business here with his brother, the late George Brandt. At the time of his death he was 75 years old and had been for years agent at Norfolk for a line of foreign-going steamers.

In 1919 the American consumption of coffee was nearly 800,000,000 pounds.

Spitzbergen has only four months

MOTHER'S KIN TO TESTIFY AGAINST HER DURING TRIAL

Mrs. Mona May McCully Is to Face Jury on Charge of Murdering Her Son-in-Law and at Trial Her Daughter and Son Will Be Witnesses Against Her.

Thompson Falls, Mont., April 11.—When Mrs. Mona May McCully, 51, goes on trial here on a charge of having killed her son-in-law, Leon Richardson, she will be confronted by her widowed daughter as a witness for the prosecution. Mrs. McCully's son, Ernest, also will testify against her. The husband, Fred McCully, takes the side of his wife.

A "confession" made public immediately after Mrs. McCully's arrest, has been read by her. The officers declared Mrs. McCully told them she killed Richardson because he had "alienated" her children. She now denies any knowledge of the killing.

Richardson, an overseas veteran, was found dead sitting at the wheel of an automobile a few miles out of Plains, Mont. Scorching bullet holes in the back of his head made it evident he had been killed by someone in the tonneau.

Witnesses said Richardson and Mrs. McCully had left Plains together late the previous night bound for the McCully ranch, where Richardson and his wife were living with the McCullys.

A Plains merchant testified he had sold Mrs. McCully a revolver. Richardson and Eloy McCully were childhood sweethearts, but Mrs. McCully never approved of his suit.

"After we were married," Mrs. Richardson says, "I was with my husband so much that my mother, with whom I had always had been a part became jealous." Fred McCully has moved from the ranch to Thompson Falls, to be near his wife, who is in the county jail. Ernest McCully and Mrs. Richardson have left the ranch for a cottage in Plains.

ASKS \$50,000 FOR EXPULSION RICHMOND CLUB

Meeting of Directors Held on November 6 Last Virginia League Threw Out Richmond and Ben Wilson Now Asks for Damages—Don't Involve Present Team.

Richmond, Va., April 11.—Damages to the extent of fifty thousand dollars are asked from seven clubs of the Virginia League of professional base ball clubs in legal proceedings initiated here today in the Circuit Court of Richmond, by Ben W. Wilson, former owner of the Richmond Club. Alleged illegal expulsion from the league at the meeting held in Norfolk on November 6, 1920, he asked as the ground for the action, the notice of judgment specifying that Mr. Wilson received no notice that he or the Richmond club would be tried on that night and had no opportunity for preparing a defense. This is alleged to be a violation of the league constitution.

W. B. Bradley, President of the league is named as one of the thirty defendants. It being alleged that he presided at the said meeting and aided and abetted as the ground for the action, the notice of judgment specifying that Mr. Wilson received no notice that he or the Richmond club would be tried on that night and had no opportunity for preparing a defense. This is alleged to be a violation of the league constitution.

The suit does not involve the present Richmond Base Ball Club in any way. It having been organized after Mr. Wilson ceased to be a member of the league. Nor is any action looking to the halting of Virginia League games or otherwise contemplated as a result of the suit, according to attorneys representing the plaintiff.

Defendants named in the action, which sets a precedent of cases of the kind in this section of the country, include J. L. Horne, Jr., of the Tar Heel Athletic Association, of Rocky Mount.

Light Frosts in South Tonight Are Now Forecast

Washington, April 11.—Snow or light frosts have fallen during the last 24 hours in the Middle Atlantic States, Southern New England, and the Upper Ohio Valley, today's weather bureau chart showed. Temperatures have been decidedly lower in the Atlantic States and freezing temperatures were reported as far south as Western North Carolina and light frost to the Alabama coast. Continued low temperatures were forecast for tonight in the states east of the Mississippi and light frosts probable tonight as far south as the interior of Northern Florida.

CONVICTED OF PEONAGE MURDER



These photos show scene and the murder of negro peons and principals of the peonage murder sentenced to life imprisonment. Mal at Covington, Ga., where John R. Williams (right) broke down a S. Williams (center), wealthy planter sobbed aloud when the verdict of guilty was returned, but Williams was removed. Left, Judge J. B. Hutchison, who pronounced the sentence. Lower right, defense attorneys, W. H. Key (left) and C. C. King, who are on new trial.

FINAL TRIBUTE PAID SUNDAY TO WILLIAM MARSH

Enormous Crowd Attends Funeral Services at First Baptist Church and at Grave.

Cumberland County and the city of FAYETTEVILLE paid final tribute to the memory of William H. Marsh, who was sheriff for two terms, one of the wealthiest and best beloved men in the county, on Sunday afternoon when one of the largest crowds that ever attended a funeral poured into the city to follow the body of this good man to Cross Creek cemetery, where he was laid to rest.

An enormous audience filled to capacity the First Baptist Church, of which he was a member and overflowed into the Sunday school room while many could not gain admission into the building. The services there were short and simple. Passages from the Scriptures were read by the pastor of the deceased, Rev. Joel Snyder and three sons were sweetly sung by the choir, who also sang at the grave. A very large number of citizens from Gray's Creek township, where William H. Marsh was reared, was present. Men and women who knew him as a boy and loved and followed him as a man, came to attest their love and esteem for him who died a friend to all. Unquestionably Mr. Marsh was the most popular man in Cumberland county. His sound business judgment was accepted by all and the development of his farms into an estate that was larger than any other man in the county was due to his genius and business leadership.

One of the finest traits in Mr. Marsh's life is recalled in his death. The nomination for sheriff by Sheriff Watson in 1906, without a moment's hesitation, he threw himself into the campaign to help elect the man who had defeated him and since that day has been one of the democratic party's most loyal supporters. He forgot the incident in short order and like the true man he was, he was always true to every trust.

Coming to FAYETTEVILLE he soon entered into the business life of the city and in a short time became one of the real leaders in every movement that meant for the uplift of the community. He helped to establish the FAYETTEVILLE Supply Company and was its president. It is today one of the most substantial business concerns in the city.

He was a member of the board of audit and finance of the city and over the city hall was strung the mourning streamers in his memory. The sudden turn to cold blustering wind did not keep the large crowd from attending the services at the grave which were simple, which was in keeping with his life. The floral tributes were unusually handsome and large.

ANOTHER MYSTERY Baffles POLICE; WEALTHY WIDOW IS KIDNAPPED, DEAD OR LOST?

Best Detectives and Police In World Are Trying to Find What Has Become of Mrs. Annette Rankine, a Society Favorite and Multimillionaire Woman.

BY WHIT HADLEY
New York, April 11.—Is the greatest mystery of twenty years, the strange disappearance of Dorothy Arnold, to be duplicated by the sudden disappearance on Friday, April 1, of Mrs. Annette N. Rankine, social favorite and multimillionaire?

Has she been kidnaped? Has she been killed? Has she taken her own life? Or has she hidden herself? The best police and private detectives in the world are trying to answer these questions. Mrs. Rankine is young and immensely wealthy. Precisely dressed, wearing few, but costly gems, she carried her chauffeur, Frank Clouting, to take her to 59th street and Second avenue, a district of poverty, noise and unpleasant odors. Dismissing him, she started on foot.

Puzzled, Clouting returned to the Rankine mansion at 14 E. 60th street in the heart of Fifth avenue's "millionaire row." Mrs. Rankine never returned. No word from her has been received. The police say Mrs. Rankine has killed herself. But the police have not found her body, though they have searched everywhere—even dragging the bottom of East river. Relatives say she has been kidnaped, but they advance no reason for this belief.

Supreme Court Refuses to Review Case of Haywood

Washington, April 11.—The Supreme Court today refused to review the conviction of William D. Haywood, and more than 79 other members of the industrial workers of the world, on charges of having conspired to obstruct the war activities of the government. Refusal of the Supreme Court to interfere closes the long fight to save Haywood and his associates from prison. Only a presidential pardon can now prevent their entering upon the sentences imposed.

The coffee crop from a full-grown tree may amount to two pounds, three times a year.

The discovery of coffee is credited to the inmates of an old monastery in Arabia.

ROTARIANS WILL GATHER TUESDAY BIG CONVENTION

From 1,500 to 2,000 Will Pour Into Norfolk Tuesday to Attend Seventh District Convention Will Be Greatest Annual Conference Yet Held.

BY J. A. PARHAM
Charlotte, N. C., April 11.—During the next forty-eight hours Rotarians between 1,500 and 2,000 in number, representing forty local clubs in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia will be packing their bags and getting off to Norfolk for the seventh district conference, which will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the coming week, April 12-14.

It will be decidedly the greatest gathering of Rotarians ever held in the southeast, in the opinion of Rogers W. Davis of Charlotte, former district governor and at present chairman of one of the international committees and therefore the highest Rotary official in several states. His forecast is supported by that of District Governor Lewis W. Perrin of Spartanburg and other Rotary leaders in the three states.

The prediction is that it will be the greatest annual conference ever held by the third district in attendance not only but also in point of an interesting program—including the business of the conference and the entertainment features.

From clubs scattered all over the three states have come reports of unusually large delegations going to the Norfolk conference. For weeks "On to Norfolk" committees in all Rotary cities and towns in the three states have been working up the largest delegations possible, and it is now practically certain that considerably more than 1,500 Rotarians will register for the conference, while it is estimated that 500 or more of them will be accompanied by their wives.

During the last several months Rotarians of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News have been bestirring themselves in efforts to make the convention a great event. Their efforts have been directed toward attracting the largest possible attendance and also toward arranging to give the visiting Rotarians the "time of their lives" in entertainment features. Thousands of letters and cards have been sent out by individual Rotarians of the Hampton Roads cities to members of the forty clubs of the Carolinas and Virginia, inviting them, urging them and all but begging them and commanding them to attend the seventh district conference next week.

As an example of the activity among Rotarians of the Carolinas looking towards the conference, more than 80 Pullman reservations had been made a full week ago by members of the Charlotte club—57 for men and 24 for women—and this week the number has been greatly augmented. It is confidently predicted that when the special Southern train leaves here for Norfolk Monday night it will carry Charlotte Rotarians and their wives to the number of 100 or more. The same special train, which will start from Greenville, S. C., will take large delegations from that city, Spartanburg, Gaffney and from Gastonia, N. C., who will be joined here by the big Charlotte delegation and which in turn will be joined by large delegations from Salisbury, High Point, Hickory, Winston-Salem, Greensboro and other points. This train will be known as the "Buck" Perry Special, in honor of the district governor, who will open the convention in Norfolk Tuesday morning, soon after the arrival of the train.

More than a week ago word came from William E. Hermance of Norfolk, chairman of the entertainment committee, that 1,366 Rotarians had already officially been reported as going to Norfolk and still eight clubs had not advised him of the number.

The program of the conference provides for three full days of business, inspiration, recreation and pleasure. It was arranged by a committee composed of Frank Sager, Norfolk, chairman; David McCuen, Greenville; S. C.; Rogers Davis, Charlotte, and Governor Perry, the International Rotary Association of Rotary Clubs will be represented at the conference by Crawford C. McCullough, first vice-president, of Fort William, Ontario, Canada. Numbers of leaders in various phases of Rotary work in the district are on the program for addresses. Work among boys will be one of the features of Rotary activity stressed at the convention. Election of a governor for the next year will be one of the business features.

MRS. ELIZABETH POWELL DIED 1:30 THIS AFTERNOON

Mrs. Elizabeth Powell, mother of W. H. Powell, died this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock after a long illness. She will be buried tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence on Kennedy street.

CONGRESS MEETS TODAY AT NOON AT CALL OF HARDING TO CONTINUE UNTIL FALL

EXPERTS MISSED STATE'S TOBACCO SALES 50 MILLION AVERAGE 21 CENTS

Wilson Market Is Credited With Record of Season With Over 62 Million Pounds—Tarlhia Last Year Dumped Into Federal Treasury \$162,000,000 In Taxes.

Raleigh, April 11.—Uncle Sam's experts missed North Carolina's tobacco sales by fifty million pounds for the season, the total 430,000,000 pounds netting an average of about twenty-one cents.

March sales likewise exceeded the figures guessed at by the statisticians of the government. The total sales reported made by Tarlhia farmers were twenty-one and a half million pounds, averaging \$14.7. Approximately \$5,000,000 were not reported.

The Wilson market is credited with the record of the season's sale with 62,507,025 pounds, surpassing any other market in the State by over two million pounds. During March the Wilson-Salem market led with 4,749,086 pounds sold, averaging \$13.61 per hundred pounds, of which 3,991.64 pounds were sold by the farmers themselves. Wilson was second with 3,336,955 pounds. The average price for the Wilson sales was \$15.30, two and one half million lbs. being first hands sales. Roy Cox averaged the highest price at \$19.67 at its total of 392,870 lbs.

These figures are compiled by the Cooperating Crop Reporting Service which reports that one-tenth of one per cent of the sales have failed to be reported. Th bordering markets conservatively estimate that sixteen million pounds of North Carolina's farmers in excess of adjoining states in tobacco sold that brought in and sold. The total producers' season's sales reported amount to about 414,000,000 pounds.

March prospective plantings indicate not less than a forty per cent decrease in acreage in North Carolina, but with the decline in fertilizer prices and a lower level of financial conditions, this decrease is expected to prove to be too much decline.

Income tax gatherers of the Federal government are reporting a decided slump in their business over last year's figures. Which indicates to the mind of the taxation experts and students that revenue raising will be nothing like as easy in 1921 as in 1920. The business, or lack of it, of course comes into the discussion, but thereafter other features that annoy. It is not that the tax gatherers think there has been a sudden determination of the paying public to hold out on their Uncle Samuel; but so far the returns mean the same thing.

Fine Report Made Sunday At First Presbyterian

At the First Presbyterian Church Sunday, during the morning service, Rev. W. E. Hill, the pastor, read the church report for the year ending March 31, which will be sent to FAYETTEVILLE Presbyterian, soon to convene. The report is most excellent, especially in the financial work, being the best, we believe, ever made. We give as follows, the "statistical" report:

Deacons	9
Members added during year:	12
On examination	41
On certificate	37
Communicants: resident, 690;	750
non-resident, 60	
Baptisms: adult, 13; infant, 5	
Total Sabbath school enrollment	1216
Contributions:	
Foreign missions	\$ 3,229.00
Assembly home missions	1,500.00
Current home missions	832.00
Presbytery's home missions	1,621.00
Congregational home missions	1,816.00
Christian education and ministerial relief	877.00
Sunday school extension and publication	4,846.00
Bible cause	94.00
Orphans' home	2,449.00
Current expenses and Presbyterial tax	4,814.00
Pastor's salary actually paid	4,000.00
Miscellaneous contributions	660.00
Total	\$26,925.00

The congregation which heard the report was a large one, and the minister preached an excellent sermon, well fitted to the occasion. Two visitors from Columbia, S. C., were in the audience to hear the pastor with a view to extending him a call.

Marks Time Until President Sends His First Message Tomorrow—Is First Under Republican Control In Full Decade—One Woman Member Present.

Washington, April 11.—The Sixty-Seventh Congress assembled at noon today at the call of President Harding, for its first session, expected now to continue probably until fall. Except for the reorganization of the House and the usual flood of bills today's meetings were somewhat perfunctory, Congress marking time until the receipt tomorrow of President Harding's first message, outlining his views as to the many important problems before the National law makers.

This Congress is the first controlled by the Republicans to meet under a Republican administration in a decade. The Senate previously had been organized at its special session which began last March 4th, but the House proceeded to its reorganization by electing Frederick H. Gillett, of Massachusetts, speaker over Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina, the democratic candidate. The vote was on strictly party lines and Mr. Gillett was elected by an overwhelming majority. Frank W. Mondell, of Wyoming, was reelected Republican leader while Representative Kitchin became Democratic leader by virtue of his nomination for speakership. He succeeds the late Champ Clark. Nearly all of the 435 members were present for the opening.

Crowded house galleries broke into applause when Miss Alice M. Robertson, Republican, of the Second Oklahoma District, the only woman member of Congress, came on the floor. She carried a bunch of red roses. Fully a thousand bills and resolutions many of which failed to get through last session, were thrown into the hopper long before the house got under way. There was no peace resolution in the house, this being held back to await the views of President Harding.

FORMER EMPRESS VICTORIA DIES IN DOORN TODAY

Ex-Emperor William and Prince Adelbert Were at the Beside of the Former Empress When She Dies Early This Morning—Was a Great Shock to Castle.

Doorn, Holland, April 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Former Empress Augusta Victoria died here at six o'clock this morning. By a strange coincidence the end came just one year after she suffered her first serious attack of heart disease. Former Emperor William and Prince Adelbert were at the bedside when the former Empress died. They had been called by Dr. Haesener who attended the former Empress throughout her residence in Holland.

The death came as a shock to the dwellers in Doorn Castle as last week the patient's condition had seemed less serious. Last night the former Empress was only semi-conscious. She was kept from suffering by frequent hypodermic injections but her breathing appeared to become more difficult hourly. As the day broke her breathing became still more difficult for the falling patient and her pulse grew weaker. It was then evident to the physicians that the end was near and Dr. Haesener warned the former Emperor and Prince Adelbert of its approach. "The Ex-Empress became unconscious and her breathing became fainter until at six o'clock life left her frail body."

Little Bruin Says

Fair and continued cold tonight with frost, Tuesday fair and warmer. Decreasing north and northwest winds.