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FRANKLIN SUP'R COURT CONVENED ON MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Criminal Docket Small, Completed Wednesday—No Cases of Importance—Report of Grand Jury.

The spring term of Franklin Superior court convened here on Monday afternoon with Hon. O. H. Guion, of Newberne, Judge presiding. Solicitor C. C. Daniels was present and defended the interest of the State in his usual capable manner. He has many friends here who are always glad to see him in their midst.

Judge Guion has made many strong admirers during his stay here and our people all seem to be of one accord in the expression that it is a pity for the Superior court of the State to lose such men as him from the bench. Judge Guion's charge to the jury was a clear able presentation of their duty told in a very strong and effective way, after which the following were sworn in as grand jurors:

R. G. Winn, Foreman, J. W. Cheaves, W. Hal Mann, W. C. Fuller, J. A. Clarke, W. H. Stallings, W. O. Minor, J. J. Holden, C. W. Perry, F. R. Mitchiner, E. E. Marshall, R. H. Griffin, C. C. Ayescue, J. R. Pace, S. R. Perry, P. M. Bennett, C. F. Faulkner, G. W. Eaves, W. O. Stone was made officer to grand jury.

The State docket was then taken up and tried or otherwise disposed of as follows:

State vs Cato Perry, crap shooting judgment absolute in scifa.

State vs Cato Perry, nol pros with leave.

State and Sallie Kearney vs James Williams, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Charlie Harris, false pretense, continued on account of small pos.

State vs Jack Green l and r, nol pros with leave.

State vs Wiley Davis, a d w, capias and continued.

State vs Wiley Davis, c e w, continued.

State vs J. T. Holden, continued by consent, defendant to give bond.

State vs Charlie Privett, assault, guilty, fined \$10 and costs. The defendant was also required to give bond for his appearance at court from day to day awaiting further directions of the court.

State vs Boss Harris, forcible trespass, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs and jail fees.

State vs Will Tanner and Lennie Harris, failure to list taxes, bill waived by attorney and plead guilty, judgment suspended upon the payment of taxes and the cost of case.

State vs Perry Alston and Herman Alston, a d w, defendants pleads guilty, fined \$5.00 and costs.

State vs Robert Timberlake and Alsey Timberlake, a d w, not guilty.

State and T. R. Haswell vs Nathaniel Perry, not guilty.

State vs J. S. Baker disposing of mortgaged property, guilty.

State vs Willie Strickland l and r, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Nat. Ayescue and Tom Lassister, simple assault, defendants plead guilty, fined \$25 each and costs.

State vs Robert Rodwell, l and r plead guilty.

State vs Willie Taylor, l and r, defendant discharged.

State vs James Harris, Dave Mann and Charlie Mitchell, a d w, pleads guilty, fined \$10 each and costs.

State vs Joe Ruffin, a d w, and c e w, guilty as to c e w, not guilty as to a d w, judgment four months

in jail, commissioners to hire out. State vs Walter May, Bud Green and Thomas Jackson, assault, continued for defendant.

State vs Charlie and Cis Privett, f and a, not guilty.

State vs E. L. Winston a d w, defendant pleads guilty of simple assault, judgment that defendant pay W. M. Miner the sum of \$5.00, and costs.

State vs Ernest Rhodes, continued.

State vs Reina Wheeler, disposing of mortgaged property, guilty, judgment suspended upon the payment of \$25.88 and interest to prosecutor, and costs.

State vs Henry Macon, c e w, not guilty.

State vs Richard Guess and John Henry Johnson, capias and continued.

State vs Nathaniel Alston, seduction, judgment nisi in scifa and capias.

State vs C. W. Conway, nol pros.

State vs E. C. Higgins, continued.

The criminal docket was completed early Wednesday afternoon and court adjourned until Thursday, morning when the civil docket was taken up.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

On Thursday morning the Grand Jury presented the following report after which they were discharged with the thanks of the court:

To Hon. O. H. Guion, Judge Presiding:

We the Grand Jury for said term of Franklin Superior Court respectfully beg leave to submit the following report.

We have passed on all bills that have been given us in charge, and attended to all other matters that have come to our knowledge.

We have examined the home for the aged and infirm and find the same in excellent conditions, the inmates properly and well cared for. We have visited the county jail in a body and find the same in fair condition.

We have visited the offices of the several county officers and find them well kept and the records in good shape.

We recommend that a large safe be purchased for the Clerk of the Court, as the present one is inadequate to hold the books necessary to be kept in same and insufficient to keep the valuable papers which require safe keeping.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. G. WINN, Foreman.

New Postmaster.

On Thursday of last week Miss Mary Yarborough received her appointment as Postmaster for Louisburg and entered upon her duties on Friday morning. Miss Yarborough is one of Louisburg's most capable ladies and we feel safe in saying that after learning the work, she will give general satisfaction. Mr. E. F. Yarborough, who has been assisting the late postmaster, Mr. R. R. Harris, has been appointed assistant postmaster and with his knowledge of the work, is in a position to serve the people of Louisburg and vicinity in every capacity connected with the Postoffice.

Miss Yarborough succeeds Mrs. R. R. Harris who has been acting postmaster since the death of her husband in October, 1909. Mrs. Harris and her husband, both have given the people of this community very efficient service which has been appreciated by all.

Fire at Depot.

The fire alarm was sounded yesterday morning about 8:45 and it was soon learned that the trouble was at the depot. The fire department answered the call promptly and were soon on the scene. The fire did no special damage as it was discovered in time and was soon put out.

TIDE OVERTURNS REPUBLICANISM.

STARTLING RESULT OF NEW YORK ELECTION.

James S. Havens, a Democrat Elected Over Geo. W. Aldridge for Congress in a District in New York That Has Been a Rock-Ribbed Republican One For Twenty Years.

Under the above heading the News-Observer of April 20th has the following article in regard to the large Democratic victory in New York:

Rochester, N. Y., April 19.—More than 15,000 voters of Monroe county changed from the Republican to the Democratic column today and elected the first Democratic Congressman that has represented the Thirty-Second District in twenty years. James S. Havens, a Democrat running on a tariff reform platform, defeated Geo. W. Aldridge for a score of years the ruler of the county Republican organization, by 5,900 votes.

Monroe county, which comprises the Thirty-Second Congressional District, is normally Republican by about 6,000. James B. Berkina, whose death in the middle of his third congressional term necessitated a special election today, carried the district in 1908 by 10,167 votes.

Havens had arrayed against him one of the strongest political organizations in the State. Yet in a campaign lasting but 17 days, and with hastily constructed machinery, he accomplished one of the most remarkable overturns in political history. The result of today's election takes its place beside the Democratic victory in the Fourteenth Massachusetts District, where Eugene N. Foss was sent to Congress from a district supposed to be a rock-ribbed Republican as this one.

Bunn High School Commencement Exercises.

The commencement exercises of Bunn High School will take place Wednesday night and Thursday, April 27th and 28th.

The main day of the commencement is an annual gala day for the people of Bunn and the surrounding community, and everybody is looking forward to it with special interest this year. Dinner is always served on the ground and people come from far and near.

As the school at Bunn is the only State High School in the county the people in general will be glad to know that it has been successful from every standpoint during the past year. The people of Bunn are highly pleased with the management of Prof. Martin and his excellent assistants.

An interesting programme has been arranged for commencement, the chief features of which is the annual literary address by President William Louis Potat, of Wake Forest College, Thursday, at eleven o'clock. Wednesday night will be devoted to the primary and intermediate grades in charge of Misses Cheatham and Wilder. Thursday will be devoted to the High School and music department, an excellent musical programme having been arranged by Miss Peole, instructor in music. Thursday afternoon there will be a recitation contest, by six young ladies of the high school department, in which a medal will be awarded for the best recitation, added to this will be the address of Dr. Potat at eleven o'clock.

A drama will be presented Thursday night by local talent. A small admission fee will be charged, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the school. The play is entitled, "Among the Bleachers" a drama in two acts.

While Thursday night is not con-

sidered a part of the commencement proper, still it is expected that most of the crowd will stay over for the play.

All in all, the commencement this year is expected to be the best ever held at Bunn. The public in general is invited to spend a pleasant day at Bunn, hear Dr. Potat, and see a town in the making.

College Notes.

A public game of basket ball has been announced for Monday afternoon, May 2nd, between the Jabbar-wox and Boomerangs. Another game will be played later between the Scouts and the Regals.

Miss Sallie Allen, of Ridgeway, spent several days at the college this week.

Mr. Ivey Allen went to Raleigh today to take the catalogue for 1909-1910 to Edwards and Broughton. It will be unusually attractive this year because it will contain cuts of the Memorial Building.

Much anxiety was manifested by students and teachers on Monday morning when a telephone message announced that the launches on the river were in danger of being carried seaward. Dr. Fleming came promptly to the rescue, however, and the brave little crafts were soon safely moored.

No event has ever taken place in the history of the town of such vital interest to the Colleges as that being arranged for Wednesday afternoon, May 25th—the laying of the corner stone of the new Memorial Building.

Many will come from the east and the west to be present on that occasion. Former students of the Male Academy will also be present.

The college is to be congratulated on the personnel of her commencement speakers. Rev. G. B. Strickler, of the Union Theological Institute, Richmond, Va., will preach the Baccalaureate sermon on May 22nd. Dr. Strickler is an interesting speaker and a man of much personal magnetism. Rev. W. B. North, of the North Carolina Conference, will preach the Y. W. C. A. sermon on Sunday evening at 8:30.

The Literary Address will be delivered on Wednesday morning by Dr. Edwin Potat, President of Furman University. Other features of Commencement are the Alumnae Banquet on Monday evening, May 23rd; Class Day exercises at 11 o'clock, Tuesday morning; Exercises at the Opera House on Tuesday evening by the school of Expression; and the Grand Concert on Wednesday evening.

At Opera House.

The management of the Opera House here have had a pretty good Company with them during the past week. They are giving an entertainment each night, composed of moving pictures, vaudeville and dramatic work, to fairly good sized audiences. The show seems to have given general satisfaction and will be continued tonight and Saturday night.

Seven Paths.

Probably the heaviest rain that has fallen in this section in many years fell on last Sunday. The land was washed in gulleys and early planted corn and cotton were greatly damaged. About sixty feet of the dam to C. M. Vaughan's fish pond was washed away thereby turning loose the pond. He had it well stocked with fish and his loss will be hard to estimate.

While working the roads near here on last Thursday a number of the crowd found some oides and booze and proceeded to enjoy it. However some of the number got a little too much and as a result two negroes were severely hurt and one in jail. One of the negroes, Sam Cora, who was struck over the head with an axe, is not expected to recover.

THE MOVING PEOPLE

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Louis-

burg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

T. T. Hicks, of Henderson, was in town this week.

Mr. P. G. Stargess, of Middleburg, was in town Tuesday.

E. W. Edwards, of Norfolk, was in town this week.

Mr. J. I. Gillis, of Norfolk, Va., was in town the past week.

H. M. Stovall returned Saturday from a visit to his people at Stovall.

J. N. Davis left Monday night for Raleigh to be present at the funeral of his sister.

D. C. High went to Raleigh Wednesday to take Miss Pipkins to the insane asylum.

S. M. Washington returned Tuesday from a visit to his people in Granville county.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett left Wednesday for Raleigh to attend the funeral of Miss Lula Davis.

Mrs. J. L. Reid and little daughter, Hazel, of Kittrell, are visiting her people in town.

Messrs. F. S. Sprull and T. H. Lacy, of Rocky Mount, are in attendance at court this week.

Mrs. R. B. Beasley and little daughter, Ruth, came over Saturday from Apex to visit her people.

Misses Susie and Ernestine Hayes went to Raleigh Wednesday to attend the St. Marys Anniversary.

Mr. J. L. Tate, Manager of the Tate Machinery and Supply Co., of Littleton, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. R. C. Allbrook, of Tarboro, and who is a candidate for Solicitor of this district, was in town this week.

Mr. R. A. P. Cooley, of Nashville, and who is a candidate for Solicitor of this district, was in town this week shaking hands with his many friends.

J. A. Turner left yesterday for Raleigh to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Firemen's Fire Insurance Company which was held there yesterday.

Jones-Mitchiner.

The editor acknowledges the receipt of the following invitation:

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Mitchiner request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Eula Elizabeth to Mr. William Goodwin Jones on Wednesday morning the twenty-seventh of April nineteen hundred and ten at eleven o'clock at their residence Franklinton, North Carolina.

To Build.

We were informed yesterday that Messrs. D. C. and R. H. Strickland would begin the erection of two nice brick store rooms on the lots now occupied by the two wooden buildings just below the dispensary building on Nash street about May 1st. It is their intention to have these buildings ready for occupancy by August 1st.

Miss Lula Davis Dead.

Friends of Capt. and Mrs. T. W. Davis will be grieved this morning to learn of the death of their daughter, Miss Lula Yarborough Davis, which occurred last night at half past nine o'clock. Miss Davis was in her twenty-second year and had been in poor health for some time, but for the past few days her condition had been critical.

Miss Davis is survived by her parents, five brothers: Messrs John Davis, of Louisburg, Kim Davis, of Goldsboro; William Davis, of South

Carolina; A. H. Davis, of the United States Navy, and Dr. T. W. Davis Jr., of Winston-Salem; and four sisters, Mrs. Edwin Holt, of Burlington; Mrs. R. S. Plummer, of Philadelphia; Mrs. LeRoy Jackson, of Apex, and Miss Penelope Davis, of Raleigh.

The announcement of the funeral which will be conducted by Rev. H. M. North, of Edenton Street, Methodist church, will be made later. The surviving brothers and sisters have been telegraphed and the arrangements for the funeral will be made when it is learned when they will arrive.—News-Observer.

Sheep Lost.

L. J. Wilder informs us that he lost 37 head of nice sheep on Monday caused by the overflow of Tar river over his pasture and drowning them.

A Narrow Escape.

On Sunday evening while returning home from a drive in the country to see his people Mr. D. C. Alston came near losing his life. On account of the heavy rain the creek had all become greatly enlarged and when reaching Sandy Creek Mr. Alston, not knowing the depth of the water drove in when the stream was so strong that it took him, horse buggy and all down. Mr. Alston succeeded in catching a bush and saving himself but the horse was drowned.

Castalia Items.

We regret to note the serious illness of Mr. Joe Whelless, one of our oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, at his home near town. We trust he may soon be restored again.

Red Oak and Castalia High Schools played an interesting game of ball here Saturday. The playing on both sides was good, and as our boys usually have an eye for business, were the easy winners.

Our faculty are doing all in their power to make the approaching commencement fully equal to former occasions. The closing exercises will be held on the 26th and 27th, of April. Mon. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, has been invited and will deliver the literary address on the 27. He is one of the States foremost orators, and a rich treat is in store for all who attend.

S. J. Bartholomew, who is behind the movement and has contracted for the brick, says by early fall we will have a nice building for a banking enterprise here. The stuff is in sight and the subscribed capital stock of \$15,000 will be paid in to begin with.

Prof. Oscar Cresch has been appointed census enumerator for this township, and begun work on the 15th.

Miss Annie Teekle, who is Miller for S. J. Bartholomew this season, is very popular and is an expert in her line of art.

S. J. Bartholomew and C. L. Moss, made a business trip to your town Monday.

Forest fires, which have been reigning in these parts for some days, have done much damage, and the different concerns who have large timber interests are the heavy losers.

Spring is here again in all its glory and grandeur; the trees are donning their summer attire; the song birds are filling the air with enchanting melodies of mating love, the husbandman is inspired with new life and the planter's voice is heard in every nook and corner.

PLAIN TALK.

[The above items were intended for last week's issue but were received too late.]—EDITOR

—Don't forget to pay your poll tax before May 1st.