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FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY.

Hon. H. W. Whedbee Judge Presiding—Hon. H. E. Norris Solicitor—No Cases of Great Importance.

The regular October term of Franklin Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases convened on Monday morning with Hon. H. W. Whedbee of Greenville Judge presiding. Hon. H. E. Norris, of Raleigh, was on hand promptly and ably represented the State with much credit to himself as Solicitor of this district.

After selecting the Grand Jury, which was composed of Messrs. W. E. Tucker, Foreman, J. O. Sledge, J. H. Conyers, H. P. Dodd, C. A. Underwood, W. H. Smith, W. Milley Bunn, W. J. Strickland, A. E. Powell, W. L. Moss, J. C. Foster, J. R. Mitchner, J. M. Nowell, J. P. Bledsoe, T. E. Hinnant, A. E. Spivey, Jack Mitchell, and S. J. Alford as officer, the Judge delivered one of the strongest and most clear charges to the grand jury that has been heard in the court house here in many years. He only took up time to discuss the law as pertained to the several cases that were to come before them, but clearly explained this duty in such a far reaching way that it brought surprise to many of his hearers. It was clear from his charge that the old idea that it was the duty of the grand jury only to pass upon all matters brought before it was wrong, and that instead it was their sworn duty to originate any case that was within their knowledge. The charge was a fine one and the delivery was enjoyed by many hearers.

After the grand jury left the room the docket was taken up and disposed of as follows:

State vs. J. H. Arnold, continued under former order.

State vs. Nancy Massenburg, nol pros with leave.

State vs. Norman Green, nol pros with leave.

State vs. Joseph B. Smith, continued.

State vs. Fennell and Phura Satterwhite carrying concealed weapon, guilty.

State vs. John Jones, retelling, not guilty.

State vs. Robert Ethridge, carrying concealed weapon, pleads guilty, sixty days on roads.

State vs. Joseph Peppers, carrying concealed weapons, pleads guilty, fined \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Jimmie Mitchell, carrying concealed weapons, pleads guilty, fined \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Josh Kearney, a. d. w. pleads guilty, fined \$10.00 and costs.

State vs. W. G. Aycock, retelling and unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty upon recommendation of the Mayor and the Solicitor prayer for judgment was continued for two years upon payment of costs.

State vs. Isaac Horton assault pleads guilty judgment continued for the period of two years upon the payment of costs.

State vs. Eras Brame, assault, judgment continued for period of two years upon payment of costs.

State vs. Lealie Green larceny, pleads guilty judgment continued for two years, upon the payment of \$10.00 for damages to bicycle and costs of this action.

State vs. Emmett Waddell, carrying concealed weapons, pleads guilty, judgment \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Norman Allen, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Bill Deck and Lake Webster, defendants pleads guilty, fined \$10.00 and costs in one case and \$15.00 and costs in another case.

State vs. Charlie Friday, carrying concealed weapons, pleads guilty, judgment to pay one half costs.

State vs. Jack Green, assault with deadly weapon, pleads guilty, fined \$10.00 and costs.

State vs. W. R. Perry pleads guilty in assault with deadly weapon, case judgment suspended upon payment of costs, case for carrying concealed weapons, judgment continued for two years.

State vs. Alex Lee carrying concealed weapons, pleads guilty, fined \$10.00 and costs.

State vs. Gredy Conyers, assault

with deadly weapons, carrying concealed weapons pleads guilty.

State vs. Peter Myrick, assault deadly weapons, pleads guilty, fined \$15.00 and costs.

State vs. Joseph Hicks, a. d. w. pleads guilty, fined \$25.00 and costs.

State vs. Bob Woodlief attempting rape capias and continued.

State vs. Bob Woodlief retelling liquor capias and continued.

State vs. Wiley Murray retelling liquor, defendant called and failed.

State vs. William Neal rape continued.

State vs. John Dent c. c. w., guilty fined \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Morris Brown, a. d. w. pleads guilty, three months on roads.

State vs. Hugh Coppedge, Wilson James, and Jack Yarborough disturbing public worship, pleads guilty, judgment—Yarborough fined \$10.00 and one third costs; Wilson James three months on roads, Hugh Coppedge three months on roads.

State vs. Ed Gill unlawful possession of whiskey, guilty, six months on roads.

State vs. B. B. Carter, alias Edward Upchurch, defendant called and failed.

State vs. Ralph High, Charlie Whitley Phura Satterwhite, Henry Satterwhite, Howard Jones and James Finch disturbing public worship, at-fray Phura Satterwhite pleads guilty, prayer for judgment continued, capias and continued as to Whitley and Henry Satterwhite, others found not guilty.

State vs. Phura Satterwhite c. c. w. guilty, judgment, 18 months on roads.

State vs. Ed Dement, c. c. w., guilty.

State vs. Edward Dement assault error and off.

State vs. Billie T. Person failure to appear at Justice court, rule discharged.

State vs. Seba Strickland a. d. w. verdict of guilty ordered by court.

State vs. Louis Burgess, Louis Williams and Jacob Williams Jr., guilty, as to all defendants, judgment \$10.00 and costs to each.

State vs. Robert Ethridge judgment changed to \$50 fine and costs.

State vs. Sebastian Satterwhite disturbing public worship, pleads guilty, fined \$5 and costs.

State vs. Peter Sills, a. d. w., guilty, judgment three months on roads.

State vs. Joseph Telfair, a. d. w., not guilty.

State vs. Ernest Jackson c. c. w. pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Phura Satterwhite, disturbing public worship, judgment suspended.

State vs. Alphonso Winston, a. d. w. pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Malcolm McKinne, speeding in automobile, not guilty.

State vs. Cleveland Bailey, a. d. w. guilty, four months on roads.

State vs. Jim Harrison l and r. Juror withdrawn and mistrial ordered.

State vs. Marcellus Moore a. and b. abandonment pleads guilty, four months on roads.

State vs. Matt Teasley, disturbing public worship, guilty, fined \$10.00 and costs.

State vs. B. J. Perry, retelling and having unlawful quantity of whiskey in his possession, found not guilty as to former, guilty as to later charge, fined \$50 and cost and to give \$500 bond for good behavior.

State vs. Lemon Finch a. d. w. defendant called and failed.

State vs. Osmie Foster removing crops, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Fred Carpenter c. c. w. a. a. d. w. guilty as to c. c. w. not guilty as to a. d. w. four months on roads.

State vs. Dock Sims, assault continued.

State vs. Billy Pearce assault not pros.

State vs. Nina Ruffin not guilty.

State vs. Richard Dan Perry, assault, defendant called and failed.

State vs. Will Smith larceny, nol pros.

State vs. Lena Yarborough, retelling, pleads guilty.

State vs. Anderson McKnight, retelling, not guilty.

State vs. Joe Kelly and Will Alston, defendant pleads guilty of assault, fined \$15 and one half costs each.

State vs. Ros James, Will Alston and Charlie Wilson, gambling, capias and continued.

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GERMANS RETREAT IN FIGHT ALONG THE CHANNEL COAST

London Papers Print Such Reports With The Qualification "It is Said"

GREAT TURNING MOVEMENT DEVELOPING IN BELGIUM MYSTIFIES THE CRITICS.

Desperate Efforts of Allies to Stop German Advance on Dunkirk Reported to be Meeting With Temporary Success; Naval Engagement in the Baltic and Other European War Developments.

London, Oct. 21.—10:05 a. m.—An engagement between German torpedo boats and hostile submarines in the Baltic near Rugen Island, off the Prussian coast, is reported from Stockholm, according to a Central News despatch from Copenhagen. No details of the fight or its results are given.

Rome, Oct. 21.—10:35 p. m.—Late news from the Adriatic is to the effect that the bombardment of Cattaro Dalmatia, continues with great violence.

London, Oct. 21.—10:10 a. m.—A comparison of the official reports from Paris and Berlin leads to the conclusion that all the western battle front in France and Belgium the Germans resumed the offensive, but with their supreme, directed against the Allies' left.

The news supplementing these official communications, however, indicate that on the left at least the Allies are not acting merely on the defensive.

The great turning movement is undoubtedly developing through the corner of Belgium bounded by France and the sea, but the public remains in a haze as to whether the turning movement is one on the part of the Allies to get around the German right flank or a German operation to envelope the Allies' left.

The impression grows that the Germans are determined to add Dunkirk to the line of seaports now held along the Belgian coast and the Allies are making desperate efforts to hurl back the invaders. Late reports through Dutch sources declare that the Germans have been repulsed six miles from Ostend and that guns are now heard near that city. Other late reports which lack confirmation, state that the Germans have abandoned Bruges. If these reports are true it would indicate that the Allies are meeting with some success in their efforts to re-occupy the seacoast.

The movements along the coast continue to be more or less in the nature of reconnaissance movements, while the aim of the fighting on the allies' left center Lille, which is because its railroad and highways connections are of vital strategic importance to the Germans. From Lille two roads run out to the west—one northerly to Armentieres, and the other southerly to Fournes, through a country which is enclosed and thickly populated.

The French statement contents itself with the assertion that these roads are held by strong forces of Germans while the Berlin communication claims a victory on them. Operations along these roads may also be a reconnaissance movement, checked by the Germans, but all reports agree that the German resistance at Lille continues to be of the most stubborn nature.

On the Vistula River.

Only the most meagre reports arrive from the eastern war area, but it is clear that the Russians are at least holding their own. Both sides are evenly entrenched, and the Vistula river region promises to become another battle of the Aisne.

The allies console themselves for the Russian withdrawal from western Galicia, and the advanced positions near the Russian-Polish border by the belief that the Germans, having committed themselves to an invasion of Russian-Poland, will not be likely to send reinforcements to the armies in the west as could have been the case if the Russians had suffered a great reverse nearer the German frontier.

Czar's Ukas Against Vodka.

Outside of the purely military operations, interest centers in the Russian Emperor's Ukase against Vodka and the efforts being made to care for the Belgians still in their own country and to feed and to repatriate those who have taken refuge in other countries. Berlin states that no obstacles will be placed in the way of this necessary work, but at the same time claims that Germany has done all possible in view of military exigencies, to relieve the distress in Belgium.

Patriotic Britons today are making a mecca of Lord Nelson's monument decorated in honor of the anniversary of the victory of Trafalgar. A strange reversal of history is the number of official tribute placed on the monument to the French navy in Trafalgar Square.

London, Oct. 21.—The correspondents of the London newspapers in the field have succeeded today in getting through some details of the fighting along the channel coast in Belgium. The reports agree that the Germans are retreating.

The Belgian correspondent of the Telegraph in his account of the fighting reports that British warships bombarded villages which the Germans have occupied and also the country to the south of these places.

"Then the order was given for the infantry to advance," he says "and the rattle of machine guns supplemented the noise of the naval guns. The Germans were caught between two fires and their line began to waver and slowly gave way before the pressure of the infantry."

The strength of the attack was then increased and soon the whole German line resting on the coast was in full retreat.

In a dispatch from Flushing sent at 1 o'clock this morning, the correspondent of the Daily Mail declares that the Germans appear to have been driven back in an engagement at Middle (Continued on Twelfth Page.)

FALLS DEAD ON JURY

Mr. S. J. Mathews, a Confederate Veteran and one of Franklin county's oldest citizens, being 71 years old, died suddenly this morning while on the jury in the case of State vs. W. O. Pruitt. He leaves several children. The remains were turned over to an undertaker for preparation for interment.

BIG PICNIC AND RALLY

AT NEW HOPE SCHOOL ON LAST FRIDAY.

The Sunday School, Farmer's Union, Junior Order and Education Joint Hands.

Although the weather kept away the larger part of the crowd and broke into the program of the day in other ways, Friday was a day long to be remembered by the citizens of the neighborhood of New Hope. It was the occasion of a joint picnic and rally of the Farmer's Union, Junior Order, Sunday school and Education and was a day of much interest and benefit. Amidst most excellent music furnished by the New Hope choir, whose ability in its capacity is envied by many, the exercises began with Mr. J. B. King as master of the ceremonies a man who was fully capable of meeting the requirements of this important part. He introduced the speakers who were Mr. J. M. King, of Raleigh, who spoke on Sunday school work and whose address was well prepared and appreciatively received Mr. W. R. Rodgers, in behalf of the Junior Order, Mr. T. J. Harris, President of the Franklin county Farmer's Union, whose enthusiasm for this splendid organization brought forth a strong and forceful address, and lastly Supt. E. L. Best in behalf of the County schools. Supt. Best's subject was "the relation between the teacher and patron." It was a splendid subject and was well handled. He made many ways clear how to increase the confidence of each in the other and pointed out the real benefit of increasing and uniting the work of the community along this line. He said by its proper use the benefits would be no end to its accomplishments.

After the exercises a bountiful dinner was spread and all present partook of a most enjoyable repast. There was plenty and much to spare as it had been prepared for a day of pretty weather when a larger number of visitors would have been present.

The schools started at New Hope on Monday with both teachers present and a good attendance of pupils.

"Beverly of Graustark."

It is always delightful to discover, when one has sought an evening's entertainment at the theatre, that one's choice has fallen upon a play of clean morals and piquant daintiness. Such will be the case for those who visit the Opera House Wednesday October 23rd, to witness a performance of "Beverly of Graustark," one of the prettiest pieces of literature that the famous George Barr McCutcheon has as yet given the public, as dramatized by Robert Baker. It pleases the eye and delights the mind and the Company presenting it has left nothing undone in the way of local scenery, costuming and careful selection of prominent actors. Beverly Calhoun is especially happily interpreted by Miss Dorothy De Ecker.

The State; now there are 500. Then there was \$15,000,000 on deposit; now \$100,000,000. Last year our farm products were worth \$260,000,000 and our manufactured articles were worth \$225,000,000. In other words, we produce more than a half billion dollars worth of property. That means that the per capita income for every man woman and child in the State was \$200. Verily this is the land of Geesh.

The only amendment Mr. Bailey touched was the one in reference to taxation, about which there seems to be confusion. The speaker assured the audience that the reason for the amendment was not to raise any body's taxes but to equalize them on land and on intangible property.

J. W. BAILEY SPEAKS

TO A GOOD SIZED AUDIENCE MONDAY.

Was Introduced by Hon. R. B. White—Gives Glowing Record of Democratic Party.

Last Monday was the occasion of the opening of the Campaign in Franklin County for this year and the beginning was well made in a splendid address from Hon. J. W. Bailey, Collector of International Revenue, of Raleigh. The Court adjourned and the Court house was full at 2:00 o'clock, the time set aside for the address.

The speaker was presented to the audience by Hon. R. B. White in a very pretty and forceful introductory and Mr. Bailey arose and delivered a treat in the way of a campaign speech, to our people. He spoke of the fact that we were confronted with a most remarkable condition, one that we had not seen before since the Civil war, and that was the fact that the Democrats had been in power two years and at another election had practically no opposition from the opposing parties. Among the many things responsible for these conditions he pointed out the fact that the record of the party had so completely proven the inefficiency of the republican rule and that the republicans and progressives were too busy discussing among themselves as to which of them were the worse to take up time with trying to vindicate their policies before the public.

Among the many splendid achievements the Democrats have wrought since they rescued the Government from the hands of the "predatory plundering classes," in the language of Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Bailey recited the currency reform. When the present regime came in power, he said two years ago, a few men on Wall street could tie up every penny of surplus money in this section, and bring about a money panic, as they actually did in 1907 during Mr. Roosevelt's administration, "there will never be another money panic in this country as long as Mr. Wilson is President," said he.

What a fine opportunity for such a panic at the outbreak of the present European war, when every stock market in Europe and in this country suddenly closed. Suppose this condition had obtained in 1907? The Princeton school teacher's rare learning in the art of government and his quick response to needs of the people rather than to the desires of the money lenders, putting in circulation at once a half billion dollars, saved the day.

But not only has the currency reform been brought about and the taxing power of the nation changed from a means of protection to private enterprises to a means of governmental support only, but a wonderful change in the character of the men at the head of the government has been wrought. The Southern men, so long a stranger in the house of his fathers, now feels at home in the Capital of the nation. Especially does a North Carolinian feel at home when he is welcomed by so many of his fellow country men, who are occupying the "seats of the mighty."

As the children of Israel carried with them the bones of Joseph when they left Egypt, the land of bondage, so, after fifty years, the Democratic party has brought the marrow of the bones of Thomas Jefferson back to the White House.

Referring to State issues Mr. Bailey said that the Democrats had been in power here nearly always. So while much was said about graft in politics the party did not need reform. She was already, straight.

The speaker, referred in glowing terms to the determined and magnificent work of Locke Craig in saving to the people of the State \$2,000,000 in freight rates.

Mr. Bailey claimed that North Carolina had made more progress within the last fourteen years, since Gov. Russell went out and Gov. Aycock came in, than any State or any people on the face of the earth. Then the free schools had a term of only 50 days during the year; now 190 days. Then an average attendance of \$85,000; now 400,000. At that time there were no free rural libraries; today there are 200. Then there was not a rural public library; now there are 3,500 public libraries in each of the country boys and girls. Then there were only 25 banks in