

FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

REGULAR JANUARY TERM FOR CRIMINAL CASES

Hon. F. A. Daniels, Judge Presiding—An Able Charge—Solicitor Norris Doing Good Work—Progressing Well.

The regular January term of Franklin Superior Court was called in session on Monday morning by Hon. F. A. Daniels Judge presiding with Hon. H. E. Norris, Solicitor present to represent the interests of the State.

After selecting the following men as a Grand Jury, Judge Daniels delivered one of the strongest charges we have heard here in some time. It was a fine discussion of the violations and meanings of the State laws, and pointing out the duties of both the Grand Jury and the trial Jury. The Grand Jury was composed of R. G. Winn, Foreman, W. A. Massey, John A. Evans, W. S. Preddy, J. H. Eaves, J. H. Timberlake, W. W. Shearin, W. S. Goswick, J. A. Wheelers, W. W. Bowden, H. O. Hill, W. B. Gordon, W. L. Gup-ton, W. S. Parnell, J. O. Davis, J. B. Sturdivant, T. P. Dean, C. T. Hudson, S. J. Alford was made officer to the Grand Jury.

The charge to the Jury being complete and other preliminary arrangements being made cases were taken up and disposed of as follows:

State vs. Joseph B. Smith, continued.

State vs. Wiley Murray, manufacturing and retailing liquors, nol pros.

State vs. Lemont Finch a. d. w. capias and continued.

State vs. Whitley and Satterwhite disturbing public worship capias and continued.

State vs. B. B. Carter, false pretense nol pros with leave.

State vs. Bob Yarborough unlawful possession of whiskey continued.

State vs. Ros James et als capias and continued.

State vs. Bill Davis, c. c. w. capias and continued.

State vs. H. Satterwhite affray, capias and continued.

State vs. Charles Wilson murder, capias and continued.

State vs. Bob Woodard, manufacturing and retailing spirituous liquor, nol pros.

State vs. Bud Young disturbing public worship, capias and continued.

State vs. John Cobb a. d. w. pleads guilty.

State vs. F. P. Elocks, forcible trespass, judgment suspended on payment of costs and \$5.00 to J. K. Brewster.

State vs. Bud Green and Malissa Whitaker, affray, defendant Bud Green called and failed.

State vs. Richard Dan Perry assault guilty, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs. Wiley World trespass and c. c. w., guilty, eight months on roads.

State vs. Percy Winston, c. c. w., pleads guilty, fined \$10 and costs.

State vs. Julius McKnight, a. d. w., pleads guilty.

State vs. Roscoe Pearce, retailing guilty.

State vs. Jack Guess, c. c. w., pleads guilty \$10 and costs.

State vs. Clara Bridges, a. d. w., austria.

State vs. W. M. Medina, disturbing school entertainment, not guilty.

State vs. Annie Teasley c. c. w., Court orders a verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Bud Green and Malissa Whitaker, affray nol pros with leave.

State vs. Marvin Pruitt and Frank Jones, disturbing school entertainment not guilty.

State vs. George Bell and Thomas Denton, a. d. w. and c. c. w., guilty as to both in case of a. d. w. not guilty as to c. c. w., fined \$10 each and costs.

State vs. Noel and James Smith, retailing, guilty.

State vs. Noel and James Smith and Lila Dickerson, k. b. h. not guilty.

State vs. B. H. Sanders and J. F. Glasgow, a. d. w.

As we go to press Court is still in progress and will probably last over into next week.

The Grand Jury completed its work on yesterday afternoon and made the following report, after which they were discharged with the thanks of the Court.

Grand Jury Report.
To the Honorable F. A. Daniels Judge Presiding and holding the January Term 1915 of Franklin County Superior Court.

We the Grand Jury for said Term beg leave to submit the following report for said Term.

We have passed on all bills which have been given us in charge and have acted on all matters that have been called to our attention which would require our investigation and all matters that have come to our knowledge.

Our committee has visited the County Home and find the same in good condition and the inmates well cared for and all of them satisfied.

We have visited the County Jail in a body and find the same in as good condition as could be expected under the circumstances. We recommend swinging cots for the prisoners. We find the same in good sanitary condition.

We have visited the stockade where the prisoners are kept for work on the roads and find same in excellent condition and the inmates well cared for.

We have visited the County offices and find all in good condition, the records well arranged and indexed. We recommend that a safe be purchased for the Sheriff's office large enough to keep all the important books and papers.

We return our thanks to Hon. F. A. Daniels Judge and to Hon. H. E. Norris Solicitor for the courteous treatment we have received from them.

Respectfully submitted,
R. G. Winn,
Foreman Grand Jury.

COMMUNITY HEALTH WORK

Community Health Work Reinforced
The new year finds many changes in the personnel of the Hookworm Commission and the Community Health work in North Carolina.

Dr. M. W. Steel of Kentucky succeeds Dr. D. C. Absher in community work in Scotland county. Dr. W. H. Kimbler succeeds Dr. Washburn as whole-time health officer of Nash county, while Dr. P. W. Covington goes to Wayne county and Dr. M. E. Champion to Pitt county to enter new fields of community health work. Dr. John Collison, who has been Field Director for Hookworm Eradication in North Carolina since September, 1913, and who has recently been engaged in community work in Sampson county, is now with the Georgia State Board of Health.

Dr. Steele, formerly with the Kentucky State Board of Health, was graduated from the Louisville Medical College in 1905. He comes with an experience gained from seven years of general practice and two years of public health work. Dr. Steele will complete the work begun by Dr. Absher in Scotland county, the latter having been elected whole-time health officer of Vance county.

Six committees in all have completed the Commission's plan of health work. These are Salemburg and Ingot in Sampson county; Red Oak and Mt. Pleasant in Nash county; Philadelphia in Robeson county and Hillsboro in Columbus county. With few exceptions every individual in these communities have been examined for hookworm disease and every infected person treated. Every home, school and church has been provided with sanitary closets, while rural sanitation has made marked advances along numerous other lines.

Mr. J. R. Bunn visited Raleigh Tuesday.

Dr. J. E. MALONE RE-ELECTED

At Meeting of County Board of Health Monday.

Pursuant to call of the Secretary the members of the Board of Health of Franklin county met in the office of Mayor James A. Turner on Monday, Turner after approving the minutes of the previous meeting the Board proceeded as follows:

The first business to come before it was the election of a County Health officer for the next two years, which election was unanimous for Dr. J. E. Malone to succeed himself in this position.

Upon motion of Dr. S. P. Burt the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Board of Commissioners of Louisburg, Franklin county, and Youngville, County Commissioners and Board of Education asking them to appoint a committee of one to meet with the Board of Health on Tuesday after the first Monday in February to be held in the Register of Deeds office, for the purpose of ascertaining the possibility of making Dr. Malone a whole time Health officer instead of a part-time officer.

In the absence of Mayor J. A. Turner who is Secretary of the Board Supt. Best was made temporary Secretary. The Board is composed of the following gentlemen: T. S. Collier, Chairman, Dr. S. P. Burt, Mayor J. A. Turner, Secretary, Supt. E. L. Best, and Dr. R. B. Henderson.

THE LAND SALES.

Small Crowds but Good Prices Received.

The Atlantic Coast Realty Co's sales force arrived in Louisburg on Tuesday and went out to the Ellen Cooke farm but owing to the bad weather the sale was postponed till yesterday, at which time they made a nice sale and received pretty fair prices.

They sold the farm of Mr. E. S. Ford on the four Bridges road Wednesday and report the sale quite satisfactory.

Today they will sell the Percy Bunn farm about 12 miles from town and a big crowd is expected as this is one of the best farms in the County.

The all star Band has been with them and assisted in creating interest around these sales and have afforded much pleasure with their music.

In our write up of this Company's activities around here in our last issue we failed to note the fact that Mr. R. F. Holoman was one of the advertising experts who is here with Mr. Cobb in the interest of these sales. He is the right man on the right job.

Gets Many Appointments.

Our many readers will be pleased to learn that Hon. R. B. White, Senator from this district has been given nine committee appointments including the Chairmanship of one of the four largest committees in the Senate—that of Propositions and Grievances. The other appointments are on the committees of Education, Finance, Public Roads, Corporation Commission, Internal Improvements, Claims, Judiciary, Institutions for Deaf.

The Senate has not as yet gotten down to actual business, as he time has been monopolized by committee work.

The appointments of the House have not yet been made but will be published as soon as we can secure a list.

Tobacco Market To Close

The Tobacco Board of Trade at a meeting held on Thursday evening of last week decided on Friday, February 12th, 1915 as the day upon which to formally close the Louisburg tobacco market. Up to this writing the market has sold approximately four million pounds and from all the information obtainable there will be no inconvenience to the farmers to get what they now have of the weed on the market by that time. Therefore if you have not sold all your tobacco you had best get it ready before the 12th of February.

Cotton Report.

The tabulation of the separate returns from the ginners for the January report shows that there were 12,710 bales of cotton counting round as half bales, ginned in Franklin county from the crop of 1914, prior to January 1, 1915 as compared with 13,523 bales prior to January 1st, 1914.

GREAT ARMIES BATTLING BY ARTILERY EXCHANGES

Germany Making Counter Movement to Meet the Approach of Britishers Through France; All Reserves Being Called to the Colors.

Great armies are battling in the East and West by artillery exchanges, sapping operations and trench attacks. They are aligned today much as they were January 1. Everywhere the disposition seem to be to await spring when, with fresh armies thrown into the field events promise to move more quickly.

Great Britain is sending thousands of men to France every week, and according to reports from Berlin, Germany, aware of that, is making great military preparations for a counter movement. All the reserves are being called to the colors, it is declared in London, and the further statement is made that German generals are preparing to assume active direction of all the campaigns—the Austro-Hungarian fight against Serbia and Russia and the Turkish campaign against Russia and Great Britain. That briefly is the plan that London military observers believe will be followed, subject however, to any change which the entrance into war of Roumania or Italy might necessitate.

Germany still claims she is making progress towards Warsaw. There have been published in London, however, reports that these operations are merely masking movements to shield a German retreat to the Silesian frontier. British military observers do not credit this idea, believing General von Hindenburg has further offensive strength, but at the same time they draw attention to the fact that the Russians must feel confident of Warsaw's safety else they would not continue to hurl so many troops against Hungary through Bukowana.

In the West the points of greatest interest are in the center near Soissons, and on the French right in Alsace. There the fighting continues while the remainder of the line is virtually inactive.

Roumania is to begin mobilization of her army late this month.

Although the Austro-German forces in Poland apparently have given up for a time a general offensive movement, local fighting continues. Vienna reports that an attempt of the Russians to cross the lower Nida, in Southern Poland, was repulsed. The attack apparently means the Russians have determined on another move on Cracow, the Gallician stronghold.

Army headquarters at Petrograd states German attacks on Russian positions along the Vistula were beaten back. A minor victory over the Turkish forces in the Caucasus also is announced.

According to Berlin reports, the British military establishments in and near Dunkirk were completely destroyed by the German airship flotilla, which attacked that city on Sunday. The Dunkirk lighting plant also was destroyed according to some official information made public in Berlin. Dunkirk, on the coast of France, is the British continental military base. Troops and supplies arriving from England are landed at this port, where extensive military supply stations have been established, and Dunkirk, in consequence, has long been the object of the German aerial fleet.

Turkey has acceded to all of Italy's demands and arrangements are under way whereby the Ottoman government will give satisfaction for the invasion of the Italian consulate at Hodeida and the dragging therefrom of the British vice consul who sought safety there. A date probably will soon be set for the firing of the military salute to the Italian flag. The ceremonies will take place at Hodeida, the salute being accorded as the flag is hoisted over the consulate grounds which were violated. A Turkish commission has been appointed to investigate the incident before the final granting of repatriation.

Notwithstanding the prospect of an early closure of the Hodeida incident, observers of the powerful political currents that have been created by the war believe that Italy will inevitably be swept into the conflict, and probably at an early date. According to the latest reports, the Italian government is already rushing troops to her Islands in the Aegean Sea off the coast of Asia Minor. It is significant that these garrisons should be strengthened just at this time. It is taken to mean that the Italian government is preparing for the eventualities of the war.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club
On Tuesday afternoon in spite of the inclemency of the weather Mrs. June Ferguson very delightfully entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club.

The subject for the afternoon was Germany's music.

Mrs. J. S. Parham read a very interesting paper A sketch of Germany's work in the music of the world, and her Chief composers.

Mrs. W. E. White and Mrs. A. H. Fleming sang a much enjoyed duet, of German composition.

Mrs. W. E. Uzzell gave a violin selection accompanied on the piano by Miss Sallie Williams of the Louisburg College.

Miss Williams also rendered a beautiful instrumental solo and Mrs. A. H. Fleming gave a vocal solo.

This was one of the most delightful meetings of the winter, the bright beautiful music contrasting most beautifully with the wet day. All felt the cheer and harmony of the sweet old German strains, and went away feeling cheered and enlivened.

Delightful refreshments were served and the guest departed feeling indebted to Mrs. Ferguson for a very delightful afternoon's entertainment.

Mapleville Book Club.
The Mapleville Book Club had its first meeting for the year on January 7th with Mrs. J. O. Wilson. Thomas Nelson Page was the author studied at this meeting. The program was as follows:

Life of Thomas Nelson Page read by Mrs. Wilson, selection from "Two Little Confederates" by Clyde Harris The Accident," read by Mr. G. M. Beam. A story told by Archibald Wilson. Music by Miss Gladys Brown.

The story told by little Archibald Wilson was decidedly the most enjoyable part of the program.

The President and Secretary having resigned, the following were elected to take their places: Miss Gladys Brown, President and Mr. G. M. Beam, Secretary.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, after which the Club adjourned to meet on January the 21st, with Mrs. Clyde Harris.

Stockholders of Furniture Co. Meets.
On Thursday night of last week a meeting of the stockholders for the ensuing year of the Howell-Bunn-Hudson furniture Co., was held in its offices over its place of business. A most satisfactory report was made and after the discussions of the year's business the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President—C. C. Hudson, Vice President—M. T. Howell, Secretary and Treasurer—Jno S. Howell, Directors—E. S. Ford, F. W. Hicks, C. C. Hudson.

In the election of Secretary and Treasurer Mr. J. R. Bunn was named to succeed himself but owing to other business he stated he could not accept the position for this year and asked that another be elected.

The business will be continued with renewed efforts the coming year.

Big Reduction.
From their page advertisement on another page it will be seen that Howell-Bunn-Hudson are going to make things interesting in the furniture line for the next thirty days, as they are offering their entire stock for one-third off. Look up their advertisement, read what they have to say and call in to see them.

12,000 DEAD FROM GREAT EARTHQUAKE

ITALY SUFFERS ANOTHER GREAT CATASTROPHE.

Over 8,000 Meet Death in Ruins Here, While Over a Thousand Are Maimed—Early Figures Give Injured in the Stricken District 20,000—Many Historic Places in Rome Damaged—Shock Severest Ever Felt—List of World's Big Disasters. Rome, Jan. 13.—11:15 p. m.—The latest estimates of the number killed in the earthquake, places the total at 12,000. It is further estimated that 20,000 were injured.

AVEZZANO AN ANCIENT TOWN
Avezano, where the greatest number of casualties have been reported as the result of the earthquake, is in the province of Agulla, in the Abruzzi department, 63 miles east of Rome and a short distance from the base of Mount Velino. It is an ancient town and had a population of some 10,000. One well-preserved building was the towered castle built by Gentile Vignio Orsino in 1890.

THICKLY SETTLED DISTRICT
Most of the damaged towns are in the heart of Italy, in a line running northeast and southeast of Rome eastward toward the Asiatic sea. The country in the province of Rome and the department of the Abruzzi is mostly mountainous, and thickly populated. Numerous villages and towns dot the territory. Monte Rotondo has a population of about 5,000. It was here in 1867 that Garibaldi defeated the Papal forces. At Tivoli there is a population of some 14,000. It lies 18 miles northeast of Rome and retains many of the antiquities of the old Roman days among them the temple of Tibertus and the Villa d'Este, celebrated for the beauty of its architecture. Pofi is a village of four thousand inhabitants. Zagarola, Paliano, Veroli, Pereto Poggio, Native and the other places where damage or fatalities occurred are small towns.

Strongest in Rome's History.
Rome Jan. 13.—A terrific earthquake, the strongest ever felt in Rome, occurred early today. It lasted several seconds and caused a serious panic, people everywhere rushing from their homes in terror. Many buildings were damaged by the shock.

The dome of the Church of St. Charles Catinary was cracked. A large piece of the cornice of the Jesuit Church of St. Ignatius fell with a crash, adding to the fright of persons in the neighborhood. Ceilings in many of the houses fell, a number of persons being injured in that manner.

Great Statue Crumbles.
A colossal statue at the Basilica, of St. John in Lateran, which occupied a position visible from many parts of Rome, tumbled down and was shattered, on the steps of the edifice.

Several street car lines were forced to suspend operations. As details began to arrive it was apparent the disturbance in the province of Rome and the Abruzzia had been greater than at first believed and that it had been felt severely around Naples.

At Monterotondo, three persons were killed and two wounded; at Zagarola the dome of a church fell; at Galliano part of the Cathedral was wrecked; at Veroli, two persons were killed and two injured. At Tivoli one person was killed; at Pereto five houses collapsed and at Poggio Native one person was killed and several were injured.

Many Cities Isolated.
There is no communication with the ancient fortified city of Agulla, in the Abruzzi, owing to interruption of telegraph service. It is reported however, that several villages were destroyed in that vicinity.

At Torre Cajetani, 37 miles east of Rome almost the entire village was destroyed, at Arpenna the municipal building collapsed.

From numerous places calls for physicians are reaching Rome.

Pope Benedict was reciting the Thanksgiving after the morning mass when the shock occurred. The Pontiff retained his composure and gave orders immediately that the damage, both inside and outside the nation, be ascertained.

King Victor Emmanuel also ordered the Minister of the Interior to furnish a list of the injured.

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