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FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

R. W. HUDSON FOUND NOT GUILTY

Hilliard Harris, Acquitted on the Charge of Murder—Adjourned On Saturday Night—Reports.

The regular January term of Franklin Superior court for the trial of criminal cases came to a close on Saturday night. The business as transacted since our last report is as follows:

State vs. Govan Cheek, abanment guilty, 2 years on roads, notice of appeal.

State vs. Elijah Stokes, larceny, pleads guilty, 12 months on roads.

State vs. William Stallings, false pretense and perjury, continued for bill.

State vs. Alex and Glona Kearney, l. and r., continued.

State vs. R. W. Hudson, a. d. w., not guilty.

State vs. Hilliard Harris, murder, not guilty.

State vs. Hilliard Harris, c. c. w., pleads guilty, six months on roads, leave to hire out.

State vs. D. H. Price, malicious injury to person, defendant called and failed, judgment nisi et fa. and capias.

State vs. G. W. Pearce, cruelty to animals, called and failed, judgment nisi et fa. and capias.

State vs. Jimmie Mitchell, larceny, not guilty.

State vs. Herbert Yarborough and David Mann, a. d. w., called and failed, judgment nisi et fa. and capias.

State vs. W. C. Ransdale, c. c. w., nol pros.

State vs. W. C. Ransdale, a. d. w., continued.

State vs. W. C. and W. G. Ransdale, continued.

State vs. John Mitchell, unlawful possession of whiskey, continued.

State vs. J. R. Moody, false pretense, continued.

State vs. A. R. Edwards, disposing of mortgaged property, continued.

The Grand Jury completed its work on Thursday and presented the following report after which they were discharged with the thanks of the court:

To the Honorable George W. Connor Judge Presiding at the January term of Franklin Superior court 1916.

We the Grand Jury for said term respectfully beg to make the following report:

We have passed on all bills which have been given us in charge and have given due attention to all matters which have come to our knowledge.

We have visited the County Jail in a body and find same well kept and prisoners comfortable and satisfied, but we recommend that the ground floor be made new and new sleepers put in same.

We have visited several of the County offices and find the same in good condition and kept well.

We recommend that the court-room be cleaned thoroughly and repainted. The committee appointed by our body has visited the County Home for the Aged and Infirm and find the same clean and the inmates well cared for and satisfied.

We have visited the convict camp and find the same comfortable and the convicts well clothed and fed and otherwise well provided for.

It has been necessary for us to hire an automobile to visit the various camps and for which we agreed to pay \$5 and we respectfully ask that your Honor pass an order for the County Commissioners to pay the same to John S. Howell.

Respectfully submitted, F. W. JUSTICE, Forman Grand Jury.

Solicitor Norris filed his report on the Clerk's office which is as follows.

To the Hon. Geo. W. Connor Presiding:

The undersigned Solicitor of the

Purchases Plumbing and Vulcanizing Business

Mr. F. H. Howell, formerly of Raleigh, but now located in our city has purchased the business of the Auto Tire Repair Co., and the plumbing business of C. A. Conway and will continue the business at the old stand formerly occupied by C. A. Conway. He will carry on a general plumbing and steam fitting business, and also a general vulcanizing business.

7th Judicial District respectfully reports to the court that he has examined at this term of said court into the condition of the office of J. J. Barrow the Clerk of the Superior court of said county, that said clerk keeps in his office all the books required by law, properly indexed for speedy and convenient reference.

He further reports to the court that so far as he can ascertain the accounts of the said clerk, both as clerk of this court, and as receiver, are regular and correct.

Respectfully submitted, H. E. NORRIS, Solicitor 7th Judicial District.

PERSONALS

Mr. Pell Mann spent Sunday in Rocky Mount.

Mr. J. G. Mills, of Wake Forest, is in Louisburg on business.

Messrs. J. A. Turner and J. W. Mann went to Raleigh yesterday.

Mrs. Geo. Winstead is on a visit to her people near Rocky Mount.

Mr. C. C. Hudson left yesterday for a business trip to Baltimore.

Mr. R. H. Patterson of Wilson, was a visitor to Louisburg yesterday.

Mr. W. Hall Mann, returned Saturday from a trip to Washington, D. C.

Mr. J. P. Winston, of Wake county, was a visitor to Louisburg Tuesday.

Mr. W. S. Reid, of Spring Hope, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Miss Maude Henley, of Raleigh, visited Mrs. D. F. McKinnis the past week.

Miss Mary Forte, of Oxford, visited Miss Sallie Taylor the past week.

Messrs. George Winstead and J. L. Harrison visited Rocky Mount Wednesday.

Miss Sallie Taylor returned home Monday from a visit to relatives in Oxford.

Messrs. J. R. Williams, C. E. Gupton, H. C. Williams and J. H. Eaves left yesterday for a hunting trip in Florida.

Mr. W. R. Young returned Wednesday from an extended trip to Florida.

Dr. E. M. Perry accompanied Mrs. W. J. Cooper to Raleigh Tuesday where she will enter a hospital for treatment.

Mrs. W. W. Boddie returned Saturday from a visit to her people at Kingston, S. C.

Miss Ruth Taylor, came over from Meredith College, Raleigh and spent the week end with Mrs. W. M. Gilmore.

Mrs. H. D. Egerton, who has been visiting her son, H. W. Egerton, at Jacksonville, Fla., returned to her home at Laurel Saturday.

Mr. R. W. E. Davis, Traveling Traffic Manager for the Home Telephone and Telegraph Co., of Henderson, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

G. W. Ford and Son.

The above is the style of another new firm for Louisburg for the coming year and will be located on South Nash street. It is composed of Messrs. G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford, whose business ability has been demonstrated times again in this section, and whose personalities associated with any firm will insure success. They will carry a full and complete line of everything necessary to make up a modern and up-to-date general supply business, and will be in position to furnish their customers everything necessary for the home or the farm.

They inform us they expect to spare no energy in making their place of business one of the best in the county. Watch these columns for a more complete announcement.

PRICES CONTINUE HIGH

On Local Tobacco Market With Fairly Good Sales

The prices on all grades of tobacco on the Louisburg market continues high and strong demand holds good. During the past week the sales have been especially good considering the time of the year and the patrons of the market have expressed the best of satisfaction at the averages made. Those who still have tobacco to sell will do well to bring it along now.

Farmers' Institute

Farmers' Institutes will be held under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Farmers Institute committee of Franklin county, at Ingleside, Saturday, February 12; Justice, Monday, February 14. Institutes will open 10 o'clock.

Discussion on farm operations crops live stock, insects, pests, etc., by Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist; Dan T. Gray, Chief of Division of Animal Husbandry, N. C. Experiment station; the County demonstrator, and others. Special emphasis will be given to Diversification of crops, live stock, etc.

There will be held at the same time and place a Woman's Institute conducted by Miss Minnie L. Jamison, Assistant in Home Demonstration work, and county agencies, to which women are invited to come and join in the discussion of subjects of Household Economics, Home Conveniences, health in the home, the education of our children, and other topics of interest to mothers and home-makers.

Every one invited to bring lunch and come prepared to spend the day, and help to make this the best Farmers' Institute ever held in the county.

Bring a notebook and pencil so as to write down any particular information in regard to questions in which you are particularly interested.

A question box will be opened and the questions answered in a round table discussion in the afternoon.



JUDGE GEORGE W. CONNOR

Who held his first court in Franklin county last week and won the admiration of our people.

Louisburg Baptist Church

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. "The Christian's strong Defense" and "Pride in the Light of the life of the lowly Nazarene" will be the themes of the morning and evening sermons respectively. Rev. Walter N. Johnson, the newly elected Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions, will make an address at the Baptist church here Monday night to which all are cordially invited. He will also speak here Tuesday night. Mr. Johnson is considered one of the strongest men and most forcible speakers in the Southern Baptist Convention. He was elected at the recent Baptist State Convention to his high and most responsible position in open session by a large majority. This will be his first appearance in this section since his election.

Young Woman's Missionary Society

On last Tuesday evening the Young Woman's Missionary Society held their regular meeting at the home of Miss Mary Stuart Egerton. The meeting was led by Mrs. G. B. Rice. Misses Margaret Hicks and Kate High gave their report from the conference and papers were read by Misses Ollie Floyd, Mary Stuart Egerton and Eleanor Thomas, after some business was discussed, delightful refreshments were served, and they adjourned to meet next Friday evening with Miss Eleanor Thomas.

The Franklin Union.

The Franklin county Baptist Union will meet Saturday and Sunday with the Cypress Chapel church near Seven Paths school house. All day sessions with intermission for dinner will be held both days.

A very interesting program which was published in a recent issue will be carried out.

Dr. J. E. Malone left Tuesday for a business trip to Richmond, Va.

An Appreciation of Mr. Mills

We do not believe in waiting until a person dies to send them flowers, neither do we believe in waiting until a person dies to say nice things about them. It will do them no good to say, after they are gone, that they did a wonderful work, but it might possibly make them live longer, and it would surely make them much happier if some one would go to them and tell them that they were doing a wonderful work.

You, who have never been to the Louisburg graded school and who have never thought very much about it, have no idea what a man we have in Mr. Mills. He came to take charge of this school when it was a school in name only. There had never been a graded school here, and quite a number of people thought that there never would be one. These few did everything in their power to keep this unnecessary "tax increases" from being allowed to keep going. He had to put himself up as a target to receive and so to ward off from the school, the criticisms, jeers and sneers of those people. Had he not been as strong as he is, he would have fallen under the burden and as a result there would have been no Louisburg graded school and high school.

He began work here with only seven grades. Under his management this institution has grown wonderfully. Now we have eleven grades and our school has such a good reputation that graduates from here are recognized by any college in the State. To whom do we owe this progress? We say and we believe that all of you who have thought about it will agree with us, we owe it to the personality, great heart and good character of Mr. Mills.

He loves this school more than you do. He feels toward it like we feel toward our homes, and he feels toward our children, and he feels toward our children and that all, even the humblest, are worthy of the best that is in him. He has a personal and fatherly interest in each one, and when one goes wrong he feels a deep hurt.

He has a way of getting next to boys and girls and making them want to do the best that they can. All of us respect him. Even those who say, "I hate Mr. Mills," deep down in their hearts they know that they do not. They know that he is a better man than they and that he can control them. They feel that they must say something about him and as it will not be in keeping with their dignity to say that they like him; they say that they hate him.

We have been in this school under him, long enough to know that he is by no means perfect, but we believe that his faults are greatly outnumbered by his good deeds.

If we have a high ideal, Mr. Mills gave it to us, and if we go any distance up the ladder toward our ideal Mr. Mills will be the one that has helped us on. We are not speaking for ourselves alone, but we know that we are expressing the feelings of all our school mates. We are glad and proud that we began school when we did, and that we have been allowed to study under and to come under the influence of Mr. Mills. We are sure that our association with him has meant and will mean much to us. We believe that all through life we will remember with pleasure and profit, that we received the foundation for our lives under him.

All of us would like to say about him what Antoneus said about Caesar. "His life is gentle; and the elements so mixed in him, that nature might stand up and say to all the world this is a man."

CLASS OF 1916.

Installs New Refrigerator

The Ricks Grocery Co., has just installed a new and up-to-date refrigerator counter in their place of business and it adds much to the already attractiveness of the popular place.

It is of the McCray make and the ice box is located in the center with each end nicely enclosed in glass making a neat case for the display of different articles and at the same time keeping them in a fine state of preservation.

Baptist Pastors' Conference Here Tuesday

A meeting of all the pastors in the Tar River Association has been called

to meet in the ladies parlor of the Baptist church of this place next Tuesday, 10 a. m., February 1. More than a score of ministers are expected to be present. They will be given most cordial hospitality by our Louisburg people.

Among the vital problems to be discussed will be one touching the holding of a simultaneous evangelistic campaign in this Association during the summer under the directions of the Home Board evangelistic force. It is hoped that such a campaign, which has proven quite successful in other sections, may be held here.

The Conference has been called at the suggestion of Rev. Walter N. Johnson, the new Corresponding Secretary of the State Board of Missions. He is anxious to get in close touch with all the pastors of the State at once and to have a heart to heart conference with them. The Conference will last through the day.

Dies From Wounds

News reached here Tuesday to the effect that on Sunday afternoon the 13 year-old son of Mr. Barney Boone, of Cedar Rock township, was accidentally shot with a pistol, the ball taking effect in the region of the heart from which he died on Monday morning in a hospital in Rocky Mount where he was taken immediately for attention. From what we can learn the accident occurred at the home of Mrs. Chaplin, and her son of about the same age, with the Boone boy were playing with a pistol. During the handling the gun went off shooting a hole through the hand of the Chaplin boy and infecting the wound that resulted in the death of young Boone.

His remains were brought to his home Tuesday, and were interred in the family grave yard at the home of Mr. R. D. Bowden's that afternoon.

The bereaved parents have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

Mapleville News

There has been a great deal of moving in Mapleville since the new year came in. Among these who have moved into the city are: Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Duke, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strange, Mr. and Mrs. John Strange, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Perry, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodlief, Mr. and Mrs. Driver. This added greatly to our population, as only three families moved out of the neighborhood.

Rev. G. M. Duke has returned from his annual trip to Florida and reports quite a pleasant trip, though he says it was much colder than usual. Mr. Duke was accompanied by Mr. W. J. Dennis.

Our basketball team had quite a pleasant trip to Franklinton last Friday, even if they did come back with the small end of the score. We are counting on our boys to practice up and represent Mapleville well in the remaining games which are on their schedule.

A Good Record

Mr. T. L. Gooch, of Epsom was in to see us Tuesday and informs us he has sold practically all of his crop of tobacco, six acres on the Louisburg market and received \$1,089.00 of guano on same. Mr. Gooch is one clear check and used only two tons of guano on same. Mr. Gooch is one of Franklin's best and most prosperous farmers as the above will show. He not only makes splendid tobacco but "lives at home and boards at the same place" with his smoke house and corn crib in his yard.

He spoke very highly of the local corps of buyers and the treatment he received from all connected with the warehouse business.

At Mapleville Tonight

Miss Bessie May Dudley, of Richmond, Va., will give an humorous entertainment at Mapleville Academy tonight. Miss Dudley pleases her audiences wherever she goes and the large crowd that will hear her tonight will be well paid for their time and money. The program will begin promptly at 7:30. Be sure to be on time. Admission 25 and 15c.

Farmers Union Meeting

We are requested to state that there will be a regular meeting of the Franklin county Farmers' Union in the courthouse in Louisburg on Thursday, February 3rd, at 11 o'clock. All locals are requested to send representatives.

Franklin County Should Not Fall Behind in Form of Education

In a recent issue of the Times mentioned by the County Commissioners of making an appropriation in support of the Evening Club work in this county. To an impartial observer this seems to be a very meritorious form of education and should be encouraged. The whole trend of modern education is looking toward practical life, but from lack of proper equipment and sufficient teaching force, the schools can not furnish this sort of training. It requires expert supervision to carry on this sort of work successfully, but it does not require the constant attention of the instructor. In this county for the past two or three years this work has been very successful, but to stop now would, in my opinion, be a very serious mistake.

In this time of constantly rising prices, the cost of home supplies becomes a heavier tax on the family purse. If our girls can be trained to aid in the production and conservation of a considerable part of the fruits and vegetables formerly bought from stores a genuine service will be rendered. All over North Carolina in the past two or three years girls have demonstrated their ability to do this work, and in none of the counties more successfully than in Franklin.

Besides contributing to the family support, it is found here that girls are able to earn for themselves. And this is worthy of consideration. Too often the girls in the home are given no opportunity to earn any money for themselves, and are compelled to depend on their parents for every penny. This is not very comforting to the girl. Give her a chance to contribute her share in supplying the table with fruits and vegetables and let her sell the surplus to her neighbors. Let her be a bit independent financially.

Any one who saw the splendid ex-

to the excellent work that has been done in our county under the leadership of Miss Pauline Smith. The small outlay of money that has been put into this work is bringing large returns and I trust our Commissioners may see their way clear to continue it. Let us not take a backward step in any direction.

Respectfully yours, W. R. MILLS.

Long-Hayes

On last Wednesday afternoon, January 19, 1916 3 o'clock, we had an opportunity to witness a lovely marriage when Miss Stella Rae Hayes, of Justice and Mr. Calvin A. Long, of Cedar Rock, were happily united in the holy bonds of wedlock, at the home of the bride in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. Mr. W. M. Gilmore officiating. The room in which they were united was beautifully decorated to suit the occasion. Then at the first sound of the violin struck by the deft fingers of Mr. Willis Creekmore, Miss Clara Long and Mr. J. C. Bowden entered, then came the bride and groom, Rev. Mr. Gilmore speaking the words which made two hearts beat as one.

Miss Hayes is the daughter of Mr. R. L. Hayes, one of Justice's most prosperous farmers, Mr. Long is the son of Mr. W. P. Long, one of Cedar Rock's most prosperous farmers.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for Louisburg, where a sumptuous wedding supper was given in honor of the bride and groom at the home of Dr. E. M. Perry.

We all wish the bride and groom a long and happy life and may love be the guiding star in their home. Tho, we miss the good work of the bride in Justice, may she serve her new community as well.

Old Fiddlers Convention

There will be an "Old Fiddlers Convention at the Red Bud school house on Saturday February 12th.

Admission 10 and 20 cents. Proceeds to be used in securing a school library. Everybody, especially musicians invited.

Services at St. Paul's

Regular services at St. Paul's church next Sunday afternoon at 3:30. Evening prayer and sermon by Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, of Henderson. All cordially invited.