

GILLIAM IS ACQUITTED

CASE BEGUN WEDNESDAY FINISHED SATURDAY NIGHT

Judge W. C. Harris Disposed of Many of The Cases On Docket Sending Many To Jail, Roads and State Prison

An unusual happening occurred in Franklin Superior Court the past sessions when a very important case was tried the first week which was the regular term, resulting in a mistrial and was tried again the second week, a special term, resulting in an acquittal. This was the outcome of the case of assault with deadly weapon against William C. Gilliam, when it was charged that he entered the home of Haywood Harper last June and beat him up. The case was begun in the afternoon on Wednesday and was given to the jury in the evening on Saturday. The jury remained out only a short time when it returned a verdict of not guilty. The jury was composed of W. S. Gay, G. W. Hunt, Denimal Privett, Walter West, E. C. Arnold, S. B. Foster, I. D. Cooke, A. L. Goswick, R. H. Johnson, Junie Alford, Charlie Baker, Paul R. Hudson, R. G. Winn, Jr.

Other cases taken up and disposed of during the week were as follows:

Josephine Williams, unlawful possession of whiskey, judgment changed to 60 days in jail.

Wilbert Young pleaded guilty to carrying concealed weapons, given 6 months in jail, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs.

J. E. Barnette was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and given 18 months on roads.

Lee Roy Blount pleaded guilty to operating automobile intoxicated, 1 year in jail, suspended upon payment of costs and fine of \$50, and not to operate a car for 12 months.

Clifton Harris pleaded guilty to housebreaking and larceny, and was given 4 months on roads.

C. C. Hudson pleaded guilty to operating an automobile intoxicated, and was given 60 days in jail, and not to operate an auto for 12 months.

Charlie Wayne Harris pleaded guilty to housebreaking and larceny, and was given 12 months on road, and the costs.

William Gilliam was found not guilty of assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, and robbery.

James Daniel pleaded guilty to housebreaking and larceny, and given 6 months in State prison, to begin at expiration of sentences from other counties.

Bennie Faulkner pleaded guilty to housebreaking and larceny, and was given 6 months in State prison to begin at expiration of sentences from other Counties.

Roger Faulkner pleaded guilty to housebreaking and larceny and was given 6 months in State prison, to become effective at expiration of sentences of other Counties.

Bennie Faulkner, Roger Faulkner, Ernest Richardson, James Daniel, housebreaking and larceny, not pros as to Ernest Richardson, 6 months each for others, in State prison to run concurrently.

That section revoking the drivers license in the sentence of Perry Lee Satterwhite for operating automobile intoxicated, was stricken out.

Bosley Clows pleaded guilty to assault with deadly weapon, 1 year in jail, suspended under the condition that he remain of good behavior and pay costs.

The stamp system by which surplus food commodities have been distributed to persons on direct relief will soon be extended to cover cotton goods.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday, Feb. 24th:

Saturday — Double Feature — George O'Brien in "The Fighting Gringo" and John Payne and Jane Wyman in "Kid Nightingale" Also Chapter No. 4 "Zorros Fighting Legion."

Sunday-Monday — Joel McCrea, Nancy Kelly and Roland Young in "He Married His Wife."

Tuesday — Warren William and Joan Perry in "The Lone Wolf Strikes."

Wednesday — Charles Bickford and Doris Day in "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

Thursday-Friday — Alice Faye, Fred McMurray and Richard Greene in "Little Old New York."



DR. CLARENCE POE

Editor of the Progressive Farmer, who will speak at the Franklin County Farm Short Course in Louisburg on Thursday, February 29th.

European Summary

Stockholm—Russian planes bomb and fire Papala, Swedish town near Finnish border; Sweden protests to Moscow; incident threatens revival of Swedish movement for intervention in Finland.

Helsinki — Russians batter eastern end of Mannerheim Line after pushing Finns back on western terminus in double offensive; Finns say invaders, numbering 30,000 and 35,000 lose heavily.

London—Six neutral vessels added to victims of sea warfare; Britain arming fishing boats with anti-aircraft guns to counter Nazi air raids; R. A. F. scouts Helgoland Bight.

Bucharest—Rumania bows to Allied economic pressure, bans shipment of high test gasoline and aviation oil to Germany. German challenges Rumanian ban, demands full oil quotas.

Istanbul—Russia calls home hundreds of Soviet technical experts; German experts already gone.

Dr. Bagby To Preach to Scouts

The annual church service for the Louisburg Boy Scout Troop No. 20, will be held at the Methodist Church on next Sunday night, February 25. Dr. A. Paul Bagby, of the Baptist Church will preach. The Scout Troop will attend in uniform, and all parents of Scouts are especially urged to attend. This should be an outstanding service and a cordial invitation is extended to all. The hour is 7:30.

The Sunday morning service at the Methodist Church will be conducted by the pastor, Mr. Phillips, and the sermon topic is, "Fear Not. The Church School service is at 9:45 A. M. and the Epworth League at 6:45 P. M.

Killed by Truck

Coroner R. A. Bobbitt was called to Centerville Tuesday night to investigate the death of John Coleman, colored, who was run over by a transfer truck, owned by J. K. Pinnell, about 7 o'clock that evening, and which was driven by James Hayman, negro.

Coroner Bobbitt empaneled a jury composed of H. M. Lancaster, E. W. Guppton, R. D. Griffin, A. T. Sturgess, Gene Radford, L. H. Guppton, who viewed the body and examined a number of witnesses, who explained how Coleman ran to jump on a moving transfer truck as it was entering highway 58 at Centerville and missing his catch fell under the truck and was run over, the wheels crossing his abdomen.

The jury arrived at a verdict that Coleman through his own negligence was responsible for his death.

JOHN FLETCHER HARRIS

Franklin. — John Fletcher Harris, 80, died from a heart attack at his home in Franklin, Wednesday at 3:30 p. m.

A resident of Franklin for the past 40 years, Mr. Harris was originally from Virginia. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Blanche Belle Harris; four sons, Clifton, Clyde, Robert and Thomas Harris, all of Franklin; and four daughters, Miss Blanche Mae Harris, Miss Virginia Harris and Miss Ophelia Harris, all of Franklin, and Mrs. Joseph R. Collier, of Raleigh, Route 5.

Funeral services were held at the grave in Franklin cemetery Thursday at 3:30 o'clock.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

Franklin County Farm Short Course Program For Men and Women

February 28 and 29 at Louisburg College

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1940

10:30 A. M.—Welcome Mr. W. C. Strowd
Mr. J. T. Patrick
Introduction of Speakers Mr. W. C. Boyce
County Agent
"Making Most of The Short Course" Mr. O. F. McCrary
District Agent
Miss Anamerle Arant
District Agent
11:30 A. M.—"Poultry As a Cash Income" Mr. C. F. Parrish
Ext. Poultry Specialist
12:00 A. M.—"Outlook for 1940" Mr. E. Y. Floyd, State
Executive Officer

12:30 P. M.—PICNIC LUNCH.

JOINT SESSION

1:30 P. M.—"Cold Storage in Preserving Farm Meats" Mr. K. T. Pumphrey
Manager Tarboro Ice Plant

MEN'S SESSION

2:00 P. M.—"Tobacco Recommendations for 1940" Mr. E. Y. Floyd
2:30 P. M.—"Agricultural Program for 1940" Mr. E. Y. Floyd

WOMEN'S SESSION

2:00 P. M.—"Arts and Crafts" Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris
Ext. Economist in Food Conservation and Marketing
2:30 P. M.—"Care of the Family Milk Supply" Mr. A. C. Kimrey, Ext.
Dairy Specialist

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1940

10:30 A. M.—"The Garden That Feeds The Family" Mr. L. P. Watson, Ext.
Horticulturist

11:00 A. M.—"Garden Insects and Their Control" Mr. J. O. Rowell, Ext.
Entomologist

11:30 A. M.—Introduction of Speaker Mr. A. F. Johnson
Editor Franklin Times
"Ten Year Farm Program For The South" Dr. Clarence Poe
Editor Progressive Farmer

12:30 P. M.—PICNIC LUNCH.

MEN'S SESSION

1:30 P. M.—"Controlling the Boll Weevil" Mr. J. O. Rowell
2:00 P. M.—"Sweet Potatoes As a Cash Crop in Franklin County" Mr. L. P. Watson

2:30 P. M.—Short Talks by Local Farmers.

WOMEN'S SESSION

1:30 P. M.—"Small Fruits" Mr. L. P. Watson
2:00 P. M.—"Control of Household Pests" Mr. J. O. Rowell
2:30 P. M.—"Your Clothes and Personality" Miss Willie Hunter, Ext.
Clothing Specialist

Plans have been made for accommodating a capacity crowd to hear Mr. E. Y. Floyd, Dr. Clarence Poe, and Mr. J. O. Rowell when they appear on the Farm Short Course program at Louisburg College, Wednesday and Thursday, February 28 and 29, announces W. C. Boyce, County Agent.

Arrangements have been made for the use of the College auditorium, and for safety precaution in case that it will not seat the crowd present, the auditorium at Louisburg High School will be available, which will seat more than 600 farm men and farm women.

Mr. Floyd will outline for farmers of Franklin County the most recent recommendations for producing marketable crops of tobacco. Mr. Rowell will outline the best method to produce an economical crop of cotton, including methods for controlling boll weevils. Their damage have reduced our crop to a production below 5,000 bales a year, from a normal production for the allotted acreage of 14,000 bales. Dr. Clarence Poe will discuss the outline of a balanced agricultural program for the south. Mr. L. P. Watson will offer valuable information towards improving our gardening. In 1940 we believe the land planted to garden will produce the largest saving for every farm family.

The full program of the Farm Short Course as announced will be found above.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court held regular session on Tuesday and disposed of the following docket: Noel Wright, larceny and receiving, compiled and discharged. A. S. Wiggs, found guilty of careless and reckless driving, 60 days on roads, suspended upon payment of \$25 fine and costs.

Charlie Williamson, operating automobile intoxicated and reckless driving, request for jury trial, continued.

Irvin Pearce, operating automobile intoxicated, not guilty. Sam High plead guilty to larceny and receiving and given 8 months on roads.

Johnny Conyers plead guilty to violating prohibition law, and given 90 days on roads, suspended upon payment of costs and not to violate any of the liquor laws of N. C. for two years.

Lump Long plead guilty to violating prohibition law, and was given 12 months on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of costs and not to violate any liquor laws of N. C. for two years.

The following cases were continued: William Hartsfield, reckless driving.

Willie Hunter, abandonment and non support.

Crudup Davis, removing crops. William Jones, bastardy.

Marvin McNair, reckless driving.

Eugene Turner, profane language, public drunkenness.

Ennis Lancaster, operating automobile intoxicated, profane language.

William Henry Williams, bastardy.

For every 30 seconds that ticked off from the beginning to the end of 1939, one person in a rural community received service for the first time from an REA-financed electric-power system.



ANAMERLE ARANT

Miss Anamerle Arant, District Home Agent, will appear on the Farm and Home Short Course, at Louisburg College, February 28.

Miss Anamerle Arant, Northwestern District Agent, will appear on the Short Course Program, Wednesday, February 28, at Louisburg College and tell how to get the most from the Short Course. This is the first Short Course to be held in Franklin County for the farm men and women.

The Short Course will include the special interest meetings usually held by the specialists at various times during the year. It is hoped that more men and women may take advantage of these meetings by the specialists at this time when farm work is not so rushing.

A discussion of poultry as a cash income by Mr. C. F. Parrish, Ext. Poultry Specialist, on Wednesday morning at the joint session should be of special interest to both men and women. Mr. A. C. Kimrey, Ext. Dairy Specialist, has an excellent demonstration for the women's session on Wednesday afternoon on care of the Family Milk Supply. Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, Ext. Economist in Food Conservation and Marketing, will have material on arts and crafts that will be of interest to the women of Franklin County especially the county is already known for some of its work along these lines.

The women will not want to miss (Mr. Rowell's suggestions) on Thursday morning at the joint session of how to control garden insects or Mr. Watson's discussion of the garden that feeds the family. He should have many new things to supplement the discussions at the January club meetings.

At 11:30 on Thursday morning Dr. Clarence Poe will bring a message on his idea of a Ten Year Farm Program for the South. The program which was discussed at the conference of Southern Governors.

Thursday afternoon Mr. Rowell appears before both groups discussing with the men, controlling the boll weevil and with the women control of household pest. Mrs. Watson also appears before both groups discussing small fruits with the women, and "Sweet Potatoes as a cash crop in Franklin County" with the men.

Miss Willie Hunter, Ext. Clothing Specialist, climaxes the program with "Your Clothes and Personality."

Bring a lunch, enjoy the fellowship of the lunch hour and spend two days getting valuable information and inspiration.

ENTERTAINS BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. W. E. Collier, Jr. entertained her bridge club at the home of Mrs. E. F. Thomas on Monday evening.

High score prizes were awarded to Mrs. W. V. Arent and Mrs. Hamilton Hobgood for visitors and club members respectively.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. E. F. Thomas served a salad plate and coffee to the following visitors: Mrs. John Williamson, Mrs. Edward Stovall, Miss Ann Barnhill, Mrs. W. V. Arent, and club members: Mrs. Douglas Perry, Miss Peggy Ford, Miss Rose Malone, Miss Jane Fuller, Miss Jean Fleming, Mrs. W. R. Hartness, Mrs. W. C. Boyce and Mrs. Hamilton Hobgood.

RECOMMENDS APPOINTMENTS

The Democratic Executive Committee of Franklin County met in Chairman Griffin's office on Saturday and recommended Phil R. Inscoe and L. O. Frazier to be appointed as the Democratic members of the Board of Elections in Franklin County.

A pretty good attendance was present and in the absence of Chairman Griffin, who was detained in a case in Court, B. N. Williamson presided.

A most harmonious discussion of the coming campaign was engaged in and a heavy vote throughout the County was predicted.

EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

London, Feb. 21.—Neutral shipping, harassed by warfare between Germany and the Allies, bore the brunt of mounting sea war losses today as the British Admiralty showed new determination to protect vessels from German attacks and claimed a high rate of destruction of enemy submarines.

The Admiralty disclosed that fishing ships were being equipped with "stingers"—anti-aircraft weapons—to fight off German aerial attacks such as Nazi planes carried out on a wide scale yesterday.

One trawler reported driving off a German raider with gunfire and another group of fishing craft told of damaging a German plane with raking crossfire during the raids.

(A German communique declared two British minelayers and an armed merchant ship were sunk during the raids.)

Royal Air Force planes during the night carried out scouting flights over Helgoland Bight, an arm of the North Sea where important German aviation and naval bases are situated.

Stockholm, Feb. 21.—Swooping Russian planes today bombed and fired the little Swedish border town of Papala, an incident that threatened to rekindle the fiery Swedish movement for intervention in Finland.

Although all of Papala's 3,000 residents escaped death and the shower of 134 bombs was believed aimed at Finnish territory just six miles away, neutral observers expressed the opinion that Swedish "Activists" now would reopen their drive to help Finland "so vigorously that any other help is unnecessary."

Townpeople estimated that 34 of the bombs from the heavily laden raiders were explosive, the remaining 100 incendiary. The fact that there were no casualties was credited to a timely warning flashed from the border and by the heroic work of a girl telephone operator who stuck to her post.

Most of the lethal load was dropped in the center of town.

Among the demolished buildings were an apartment house and a saw mill from which workers just had time to flee. Bombs rained about a church in which terrified townsfolk had huddled, shattering many of its windows.

The weather was clear and the bombers flew as low as 3,000 feet.

JONES DEFEATS LONG

New Orleans, Feb. 21.—Louisiana's next Governor, 42-year-old Sam H. Jones, turned today from his smashing ballot victory over the old Huey P. Long dictatorship to plan the "rehabilitation of Louisiana."

Jubilation over his triumph by more than 20,000 votes over Governor Earl K. Long for the four-year term beginning May 14. Jones nevertheless soberly called his "the greatest job any Louisiana public official has faced since Reconstruction Days."

In an interview, he said "our simple objective is to restore constitutional, democratic, decent government."

"The second thing is to put Louisiana on a sound financial basis. And the third is, we must never let this thing happen again in Louisiana—this set of conditions that for years has made every honest Louisianian bow his head in shame."

Governor Long declined comment, saying only that he would issue a statement when he saw official returns from yesterday's runoff primary for the Democratic nomination, tantamount to election. He summoned his crestfallen administration leaders to Baton Rouge for a conference.

He refused to concede defeat, although unofficial returns tonight showed 1,651 of 1,703 precincts gave Jones 278,593 votes, Long 257,829.

LAMM WINS

Wake Forest, Feb. 17.—W. C. Lamm, of Louisburg, is one of the 117 students who made the mid-term honor roll at Wake Forest College. Lamm, a junior, is enrolled in the academic school.

Approximately 11 per cent of the student-body is represented on the honor roll.

CASTALIA WINS OVER ALL-STARS

Castalia High triumphed 23-18 victory over the Edward Best All-Stars Wednesday evening. Mattie Hunt was leader in the winners attack with 9 points. Elsie Guppton was leader for the losers with 7 points. Agnes Leonard and Nellie Southall were runner-ups for the All-Stars.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

DALES HELD FOR COURT

FOR MURDER OF JOHN HENRY FOGG

No Bond Allowed; Shooting Took Place on Side Road Near Perdue's Filling Station on Halifax Road; Coroner Bobbitt and Sheriff Moore Make Investigation

James (Bud) Dales, colored and about 35 years old was held for the April term of Franklin Superior Court to answer to the charge of murdering John Henry Fogg, about one o'clock Sunday morning on a side road near Perdue's Filling Station about four miles east of town on the Halifax road, by Coroner R. A. Bobbitt at an investigation without a jury on Tuesday morning. There were eye witnesses to the shooting and the defendant admitted shooting Fogg after Fogg had struck him with a rock.

Sheriff John P. Moore and deputies Fred Frazier and G. S. Gilliam made an investigation Saturday night and picked up five of the seven occupants of the car and held them for a hearing. Dales was caught Monday near Inez, Warren County, secreted in an outhouse under a lot of hay, bags, etc. and brought back to Louisburg by Officer Gilliam.

There being no inquest only a few of the details were brought out, but from the community information it seems that about all the bunch were saw mill hands employed near Durham, and that Fogg was to spend the week-end at home. He was brought home by one of the crowd who owned the car and accompanied by others. Arriving at Louisburg they secured whiskey on the South or West side of town and again on the Northeast of town. In this condition they proceeded to take Fogg and others home. Before reaching the filling station a dispute developed in the car and the car was stopped on the side road, where all got out, some ran away and others watched and renewed the trouble. Fogg walked off followed by Dales and a negro named Mills, and Dale got truck on the head with a rock and he shot Fogg, the ball taking effect in the back of the head. Edward Mills was held as a material witness under a \$100 bond, which he gave and other members of the party were recognized as witnesses to appear at Court in April.

THE CRIPPLED CHILDREN AND EASTER SEALS

Beginning with Monday, the eleventh of March the campaign will be gotten under way to aid crippled children in our community and county through the sale of Easter Seals. Your Easter Seal dollar may not seem like a lot of money or your Easter penny may seem very insignificant, but when these pennies and dollars are multiplied by a host of people it amounts to a great deal, and a large number of crippled children, crippled either from birth or through the ravages of disease, may be lifted from the gloom of despair and given the opportunity to fulfill many of their hopes and dreams of life.

In this day and time many of us feel that we are truly living in God's country where all sorts and conditions of men find an equal opportunity for life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. This is true because the vast majority of citizens of the United States still believe that they are their brother's keepers and that we do have a responsibility for the less fortunate members of society.

The Reverend L. F. Kent has been appointed the county chairman in Franklin County for this year's seal sale. There will be local community chairmen in strategic sections of the county, and the County Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Mills, has given his hearty approval to this project and these seals will be sold to any school child who would like to help his less fortunate brother.

We feel sometimes that we are asked for so many things, to make so many contributions, that if we give to every cause, no matter how worthy that cause might be, we would have little left for ourselves, but somehow an unfortunate child touches the heart of the most indifferent individual and the county committee feels sure that the citizens of Franklin County will do their utmost to see that every crippled child will have adequate care through the money derived from this Easter Seal sale.

A search for new and extended uses for animal fats and poultry products and by-products will be included in the initial work of the U. S. Department of Agriculture regional laboratories.