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SCOTT HANGED AT WILMINGTON.

Negro Sentenced for Mutiny and Murder Executed—Said and Did Fool Acts in His Last Hours.
Wilmington Special Sit., Charlotte Observer.

After making a confession fully exonerating the other two surviving members of the crew from any part in the crime, Henry Scott, colored, was hanged in the county jail here this afternoon under sentence in the United States District Court for mutiny and murder aboard the Philadelphia schooner Harry A. Berwind off this coast last October. The hour of execution had been postponed, awaiting the return of his counsel from Washington, where it was sought to get presidential intervention, which, however, failed.

In his confession Scott admitted killing Capt. E. B. Rumil and four others, all that composed the white men of the crew of the schooner Berwind, justifying himself with the statement that the crew was maltreated and half fed. Arthur Adams and Robert Sawyer, the other two men, exonerated, are under sentence to die August 17th for their part in the crime, but in the light of the confession of Scott on the scaffold, it is expected that they will be either reprieved or pardoned by the president.

Scott is a Philadelphia negro and met death with the coolest nerve perhaps ever displayed by a man going to execution. He signified his repentance, asked that his body be turned over to Jefferson College, in Philadelphia, for scientific research or to some other college and told the marshal to see that the rope was all right, saying that he would give him the signal, which he did. He said he wanted no "humburgery" about the execution and asked the United States marshal who sprung the trap to "make a home-run of it." Death ensued in 10 minutes from a broken neck. The body was sent this evening to the State University medical school, at Raleigh, for dissecting purposes.

The execution of Henry Scott was very successful and was witnessed by about a hundred persons inside the rail enclosure. United States Marshal Dockery had made every preparation for the hanging and his plans were carried out without a hitch. An immense crowd, composed largely of colored people, gathered around the jail at the hour of the hanging, but there was no excitement. The remarkable nerve displayed by Scott leads some to the conclusion that the negro must have been mentally weak. His confession was written and sworn to several days ago and delivered into the custody of William K. Bellamy, his counsel, and Rev. E. R. Bennett, his spiritual adviser. The testament was sworn to again this morning just prior to the execution and on the scaffold the exonerations of Adams and Sawyer was made even more emphatically.

Counsel for Adams and Sawyer, George L. Peschau and George Rountree, Esqs., will at once make application to the President for an unconditional pardon for the other two men upon the strength of the confession of Scott. While he exonerates them fully he says that they were traitors to him in not helping him conceal the crime and that they deserve to be shot, but he must say that they are not guilty of any part in the crime. He says that he shot the men himself and threw their bodies overboard. While his pastor was reading his confession from the scaffold today, Scott would turn to the crowd now and then and ask for quiet. When the minister would halt in the reading, as if he could not make out the copy, Scott would prompt him. He displayed not the slightest emotion and, before he went upon the scaffold, he placed his autograph on the back of photographs of himself and gave them to friends among the bystanders.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Lumberton, N. C., postoffice, July 9th 1906. If not called for in one week, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office, Washington, D. C. Parties calling will please say advertised.

Mrs. M. A. Garden, Foster Davis, Miss Minder Cromartie, Mrs. Missouri Cook, J. A. Hanes, A. L. Kingan, Samuel McCormick, Julia Mitchell, Fulton Phillips, (2) Henry Oxendine, J. F. Thompson, S. P. Smith, Sarah Stephens, Jake Tadlock, Marion Willoughby, Miss Lener Willis, R. M. NORMENT, P. M.

TOWN OF KINGSDALE.

Work of Kingsdale Lumber Co.—Ball Team Organized—Baby Hurt.

Saturday afternoon the writer accompanied Mr. S. A. Edmund on a drive to his farms and to the town of Kingsdale. While there are some good crops along the road, as a whole they do not look well. Unless there is a decided improvement before harvesting time the crops will be short.

The Kingsdale Lumber Company has built four new tenant houses, three kilns and is installing a 125-horse power boiler. It will be installed in about a week and the plant will then have 800-horse power. Some other new and modern machinery is also being added.

Mr. J. A. Duke is the superintendent of the Kingsdale Lumber Company. In conducting the business of the plant from 250 to 300 operatives are employed, the monthly payroll amounting to about \$6,000.

A plant has been installed to operate in connection with the saw mill for the manufacture of turpentine from saw dust and refuse from the mill. When the new boiler is running this plant will be operated. All the refuse will be carried from the saw mill through pipes to the turpentine department and through a steaming process turpentine will be extracted from it. Mr. Benjamin is in charge of this department and has had considerable experience.

Excepting the cost of operating, all the turpentine made from the refuse will be that much gained, for heretofore it has been burned. Mr. Benjamin thinks that at least five gallons of turpentine can be saved from the refuse of every cord of wood used in the saw mill. After the turpentine has been extracted the refuse will be taken back to the boiler room and used as fuel.

The child of Mr. Cook at Kingsdale fell from the bed Friday night and dislocated an arm.

The baseball enthusiasts of Kingsdale recently organized a team and one of the interesting games so far was played with the Center team at Atkinson's mill. The score resulted 14 to 13 in favor of Kingsdale. The latter are proud of their victory and will accept a challenge from the Center team for another game.

Big Fourth of July Picnic.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

There was a picnic at the brick mill of the Messrs. Blanchard and Howard today which was much enjoyed by all present. St. Pauls was represented by a delegation of fifteen or twenty; Lumber Bridge by a small number and Ashpole by two of its fair daughters. The young ladies of the community turned out with baskets and the crowd was bent on everyone present enjoying themselves.

The crowd was anxious to see the brick mill in operation so the owners, assisted by the young men of the visitors, fixed up and made some nice brick. This part of the programme was enjoyed as much as any if not more so.

The young men procured lemons, sugar and ice and served the crowd with some nice lemonade and some ice cream that was just splendid.

Shannon, N. C., July 4th.

The N. C. Military Academy.
In another column will be found an advertisement of the North Carolina Military Academy, Red Springs, which begins its annual session Wednesday, September 5th. Col. W. M. Jones is at the head of the institution.

The academy grounds contain about nine acres. The buildings consist of the administration building, armory, social hall, gymnasium, little barracks and dining hall.

Courses leading to diplomas are offered. The annual charge for tuition, board, quarters, fuel, light, mending underclothes, use of arms and equipments is \$225, payable \$115 on entrance and \$110 on or before January 23rd.

With Our Advertisers.
The Bank of Lumberton publishes a comparative statement of its condition.

FROM BUIE NEIGHBORHOOD.

Some Sickness—Condition of Crops.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. and Mrs. Bethune, of Georgia, are visitors to the family of Mrs. Bethune's father, Mr. R. A. Melvin.

Miss McLean, of Dillon, S. C., is visiting Mrs. Eli Skipper. Miss Jenny Kelly is on a visit to friends in Maxton.

A picnic is reported for Saturday at the old Desert mill. Fill your baskets and pull out soon in the morning.

Mr. J. E. Thompson spent Sunday and Monday with his little daughter, Hilda, at the home of Mrs. John Pate.

Miss Rachel Boyer is visiting in Sampson county. There have been several cases of fever in the Philadelphia community this summer. Master MacArthur is just recovering from a case of it. His aunt, Miss Rosa, is very sick at present. Mr. James McKay has been sick with fever for several days. So far it has appeared to be a very mild form of typhoid fever. The physicians and neighbors have tried to locate the cause, but have failed so far. We think all are better at this writing.

We had a considerable little wind storm Sunday afternoon. No damage to amount to anything is reported. Heavy rain at the same time.

The condition of the crops in this section are varied. There is a good prospect for a corn crop. The cotton, compared with other years, is somewhat belated—at least ten days late. The weed looks healthy, but the growth has been slow. The oat crop has been very poor.

Services at Buie Methodist church third Sunday afternoon. Public cordially invited.

Buie, N. C., July 5th.

In Echo Community.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. J. W. Ward and family entertained a number of their relatives and friends at their hospitable home, Wednesday, July 4th. The gathering was for the purpose of bringing together as many as possible of their near relatives. Mr. Ward's mother, Mrs. E. C. Ward, also his aunts, Mrs. Julia Bullock, of Chadbourne, and Mrs. J. D. Crawford added to the happiness of a most pleasant occasion by their presence.

A beautiful dinner, consisting of everything to be obtained in the way of edibles, was served to the twenty-two guests present. Lemonade and ice cream was served during the afternoon.

The gathering proved one of rare pleasure for all present and the guests of Mr. Ward feel deeply indebted to him and his estimable family for the day of unalloyed happiness afforded them.

The following were present: Mrs. E. C. Ward, Mrs. Julia Bullock, Mrs. H. B. Ward, Mrs. J. D. Crawford, Misses Lizzie, Eddie, and Neva Gaddy, Nancy and Strauda McCormick, Mary Ellen Bracey, Tillie Edens, Blanche Ward, Emma Williams, Rebecca Elliott, Messrs. J. D. Crawford, J. R. Burns, W. C. Williams, Frank Williams, C. P. McGirt, Ralph Gaddy, Ed. Elliott.

Mr. Frank Williams and sister, Miss Sarah, spent Sunday at Free State, S. C.

Mrs. E. C. Ward, who has been confined to her bed by sickness for several months, is much improved.

Miss Rebecca Elliott and little brother, Ed. Elliott, of Dillon, are visiting Miss Tillie Edens.

Mr. C. P. McGirt spent part of this week in "Black Ankle" on business.

When going calling on Sunday afternoon, beware and watch the clouds.

Mr. Mack Bracey passed through town Monday.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

W. A. Savage, attorney, to Jane Dees, lands in Alfordville township; consideration, \$300.

C. B. Mitchell, et al, to South-eastern Lumber Co., lands in White House township; consideration, \$2,672.

Wells Ashley et al to A. E. Atkinson et al, land in Britts township; consideration, \$400.

R. M. Norment et al to Carolina Lumber Co., timber on lands in Raft Swamp township; \$1 and other considerations.

T. B. Pace and wife to Pryor Ancrum, lot in Maxton; consideration, \$100.

T. B. Pace and wife to P. P. Johnson, parcel of land in Maxton township; consideration, \$7.50.

D. D. Currie and wife to M. W. McLean, lands in Blue Springs township; consideration, \$1,600.

J. C. McLean et al to M. W. McLean and wife, lands in Robeson county; \$1 and other valuable considerations.

J. B. Edgerton and wife to A. L. and W. F. Bullock, land near Rowland; consideration, \$332.

Lock Shaw and wife to McDiarmid-Williams Co., timber in Howellsville township; consideration, \$5,000; also timber in St. Pauls township; consideration \$10,000.

A. L. Shaw and wife to Samuel Walters et al, land in Lumber Bridge township; consideration, \$800.

Reuben X. Bullard and wife to I. Elmore Bullard, lands in Lumberton township; consideration, \$475.

J. H. McArm to Rowland Ginning and Seed Co., land in Thompson township; consideration, \$300.

J. W. Carter and wife to H. C. McNair, interest in land in Maxton township; consideration, \$1,000.

Willis White et al to Kenneth Harrell, lands in St. Pauls township; consideration, \$50.

J. W. Carter and wife to H. C. McNair, interest in land in Maxton township; consideration, \$85.

W. J. Ward et al to Beaufort County Lumber Co., lands in Britts township; consideration, \$650.

R. N. Monroe and wife et al to Beaufort County Lumber Co., lands in Alfordville township; \$10 and other considerations.

John W. Smith and wife to Wm. H. Lislie, land in Red Springs township; consideration, \$175.

PICNIC AT LENNON'S MILL.

Crops Looking Fine—Personal Items.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

As we did not get our notes in last week, we will try to be on time this week.

Crops are looking fine down on the Broad Ridge at present most of the farmers are still plowing, as the grass is growing.

We saw in The Robesonian some months ago where our attention was called to watch the Fertilizer called the "Ground Hog" sold by W. B. Cooper. I heard some of the farmers say the only fault they find of it is that it makes too much grass where it is put.

The picnic at Lennon's Mill Friday is reported one of the best of the season, especially as one enjoys eating those nice cakes, pies, chicken and everything to suit a hungry man's appetite.

The Children's Day exercises at Mt. Ellum Sunday were fine and every body enjoyed it.

Mr. E. J. Britt, of Lumberton, attended Sunday school at Long Branch Sunday and made a nice talk in regard to the lesson which was highly enjoyed, as Jay always feels like one of us.

Mr. F. T. Collins, who is home from Wake Forest, is to commence teaching school at Maxton today.

Mr. J. S. Stone was so kind as to carry a wagon load of young ladies down to Mt. Ellum Sunday evening to the children's exercises.

We are glad to say work will begin on the new church at Long Branch Monday, as the contract has been let out to Mr. J. I. Stone, Jr.

Mr. Geo. Thompson spent the Fourth at Lake Waccamaw and reports a fine time.

Mr. G. A. Pitman visited over at Bellamy Sunday and was the guest of Mr. Wm. Smith.

Mr. A. L. Stone went to Lumberton today to attend the cotton growers meeting.

Sorry to report Mrs. J. I. Stone, Sr., sick. We hope she will soon be out again.

Miss Reather Roberts, of Marietta, is visiting at the home of her uncle, J. F. Roberts.

Miss Minnie Edmond, of Lumberton, was visiting in the Long Branch community Sunday.

Among the visitors Sunday were Messrs. Charley and Lesley Parker, of Kingsdale, who were the guests of Mr. Claud Roberts.

We will close our items with best wishes to The Robesonian as we highly enjoy its columns. Long Branch, N. C., July 9th.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The county commissioners are in session today, discussing road matters.

Mr. D. D. Hillburn, of Bladenboro, has taken a position with Mr. C. M. Barker.

Lumberton Lodge Knights of Pythias will install officers and confer the second degree tonight.

Mrs. Caroline Jones' boarding house has been repaired and she is again taking care of her boarders at home.

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen this morning Mr. Levy Phillips was elected night watchman.

Mr. F. P. Yates has resigned as Seaboard agent here and is succeeded by Mr. C. T. Cox. The transfer was made Friday.

The Knights of Pythias to night will organize the new degree team. All members of the team are requested to be present.

Mr. W. H. Graham, of Rowland, has been appointed to succeed Mr. M. G. McKenzie, resigned, as a member of the county pension board.

Rae ford Facts and Figures: Old Sheriff McLeod may not be so kind and accommodating the people will always remember him with smiles.

Rae ford Facts and Figures: Annie Gilchrist, a colored woman who lives near Rae ford, has been taking The Robesonian ever since it started. [Sure, and she can't get along without it.]

Mr. H. H. Howell, of Back Swamp, suffered an accident three or four weeks ago that is causing him considerable trouble. A mule stepped on his foot and it is causing him much pain.

Rev. C. H. Durham will assist the pastor, Rev. A. E. C. Pitman, in a meeting at Pleasant Grove church, beginning tonight week.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services. We are under the impression that Pleasant Grove church is near Renneret.

Robeson Superior court convenes here the 23rd. for the trial of criminal causes. Judge W. B. Council will preside. It will be a one-week term, and not for two weeks, as might be inferred from our last issue giving a list of jurors for "first" and "second" week.

Messrs. A. W. McLean and R. D. Caldwell returned Saturday from Raleigh, where they went to attend the hearing in the Lumberton union depot matter before the Corporation Commission. Another hearing will be had Saturday, 21st, when some definite action will be taken.

Mr. Franklin McNeill was re-nominated by the State convention to succeed himself as a member of the Corporation Commission. He received nearly twice as many votes as the combined vote of his two opponents—Long and Middleton, the vote resulting: McNeill, 521, Long, 189 and Middleton, 81.

Wilmington Star: A marriage which is soon to take place and which is of much interest to a large number of friends, is that of Miss Josephine Bell Hall and Mr. Dudley Davis Lennon, both of this city. The bride-elect is the attractive daughter of Rev. Dr. Fred D. Hale, and the groom is a young man of fine qualifications. The marriage, which will take place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hale on August 1st, will be a very simple and quiet one, at which only relatives and near friends will be present. After the ceremony the couple will visit the groom's parents at their home in Allenton, this State.

Baptist Union Meeting.
The next Union Meeting of the Robeson Baptist Association will be held at Centerville, July 27-29, 1906. Following is the programme:

FRIDAY.
11 a. m. Sermon—J. J. Scott.
1:30 p. m. North Carolina for Christ—J. M. Fleming, J. W. Cobb.
2:15 p. m. What, according to the New Testament, are the qualifications for church membership?—D. P. Bridges, O. P. Meeks.
3 p. m. The Pastor and the Sunday School—M. A. Stephens, A. E. C. Pitman.
SATURDAY.
10:00 a. m. The New Testament Law of Giving—J. B. Jackson, E. A. Paul.
11:30 a. m. Sermon—I. P. Hedgepeth.
1:30 p. m. Is it a religious duty to educate our children?—R. A. Hedgepeth, D. B. Humphrey.
2:30 p. m. "Close Communion"—C. H. Durham, W. A. Humphrey.
SUNDAY.
11:00 a. m. Sermon—I. E. McDavid.

Maxton Personals.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. W. L. McKinnon, of Wadesboro, spent Sunday here with his mother.

Mr. M. C. McNair, of Winston, who has been here for some time, returned to his home Sunday morning.

Miss Charlotte Styron, who has been stenographer for Mr. B. F. McLean, left Sunday night for her home in Wilmington, where she accepts a like position with the D. L. Gore Company.

Messrs. Roscoe McMillan and Kenneth Denny, of Red Springs, were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. Angus Baker, of Jacksonville, Fla., an old Robesonian, was here Monday.

Mr. U. L. Barrett, of the Parker-Gardner Co., has had several pianos on exhibition here for the past week. Miss Myrtle Muse, of Carthage, gave several recitals here for the benefit of the company which were enjoyed very much by all who heard her play.

Hon. G. B. Patterson has returned from Washington, and will be home for a while now since Congress has adjourned.

Dr. McNatt, Misses Clarkie McLean and Blanche Fore left last Tuesday morning for Jackson Springs, where they will stay for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. McRae and son and Mrs. Wiswall left Tuesday morning for the Beach.

Mr. B. C. Glass went to High Point on business Tuesday.

Mr. L. W. McKinnon and wife returned home Wednesday morning from their bridal tour, which was spent in the mountains of western North Carolina.

Mrs. E. M. Williams spent last Wednesday in Lumberton with Mrs. George Fench.

The Fourth passed off very quietly here. Quite a number of negroes were in town but the larger portion of them, accompanied by a "big brass band," went to Red Springs to celebrate.

Miss Emma B. McRae returned home Wednesday night from Portsmouth, Va., where she had been on a visit.

Dr. L. R. Kirkpatrick left Wednesday night for his home at Seneca, S. C., to visit his parents.

Major R. M. Williams spent Thursday in Wilmington on business.

Mrs. E. L. Stamey, of Greensboro, and Mr. B. S. Barnes, of Winston, who have been with their mother, Mrs. Barnes, for some time, returned home Thursday.

Miss E. G. Gibson left Thursday night for her home at McCall, S. C., where she will spend part of her vacation. Dr. J. S. Norman, of Lumberton, takes her place in the McNatt pharmacy while she is away.

Mr. D. R. Barnes spent Friday in Sumter, S. C., on business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lawrence, of Fayetteville, spent the Fourth here with Mrs. E. E. Cook.

Mrs. C. V. Wooten returned Thursday night from Red Springs, where she has been for some time.

Mrs. Bee Weatherly returned home last night from Raleigh, where she has been visiting for some time.

Miss Georgia Boggs, of Selma, Ala., came in last night and will be the guest of Miss Clarkie B. McNair for several days.

Maxton, N. C., July 7th.

Raft Swamp Notes.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Rev. R. A. Hedgepeth and wife, of Barnesville, spent Saturday night here with relatives.

Mr. J. M. Powell and Miss Mamie Carlyle spent Sunday with friends near Back Swamp.

Mr. H. W. Baucom, of Wake Forest, spent Sunday in the community with friends.

Several of our citizens attended services at Clybournville Sunday.

Mr. W. L. Parham spent a part of last week at Hope Mills and Fayetteville on business.

Rev. John Prevatt returned home Saturday from Sampson county, where he has been spending some time.

Mr. Owen Odum came home Saturday from Buies Creek, where he has been attending the special summer school. He reports a very successful term.

Misses Leona Prevatt and Nora Barnes, of Barnesville, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.

Lowie, N. C., July 9th.

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