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## SUPERIOR COURT

**Week's Term Closed Saturday Evening—Disposition Made of Many Cases.**

Judge Stephen C. Bragaw of Washington, Solicitor N. A. Sinclair and the lawyers were busy until late Saturday evening winding up the work of a week's criminal term of superior court. Many cases were disposed of. Judge Bragaw spent yesterday here. He holds Bladen court at Elizabethtown this week.

Eighteen blind-tigers who were rounded up here by Henry Shipman, a negro detective employed by Chief-of-Police Redfern, were either convicted or submitted at this term—most of them submitted—indicating that Shipman did good work.

Nathan Bruce, a. d. w., guilty; c. c. w. and a. d. w., plead guilty, 21 months on the roads.

Ed McQueen, c. c. w.; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Condary Harden, a. d. w.; plead guilty; nuisance; plead guilty; prayer for judgement continued on payment of costs.

Jno. L. Scott, c. c. w.; 6 months on roads.

Will McLean, forcible trespass; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Henry Graham, house burning; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Will Grimsley, a. d. w., guilty; 6 months on roads.

Edward Smith, disposing of mortgaged property, juror withdrawn and mistrial ordered.

Charlie Graves, a. d. w., guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Dave Currie, obstructing officer, not guilty.

Hector Gilchrist, retailing; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs; Sloan Prevatt, same.

Robt. McNair, G. B. Blount, Fred Blount, Duncan McLaurin, Henry Gavin, Sam Bennett, retailing; each plead guilty and prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Will Locklear, assault and disturbing religious congregation; guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs and \$100 bond to appear at November term and show good behavior.

Lizzie Franklin, alias Shady Jenkins, retailing; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs; defendant recognized to appear at November term and show that she has moved from her present residence and has been of good behavior.

Mack McQueen, retailing, two counts; guilty; 18 months on roads;

Evander Drake, murder; plea of manslaughter accepted; 8 months in jail, to be assigned to work on roads 4 months and to be hired to his monther the other 4 months for cash. Colored. Killed brother at Pembroke; claimed accident.

Geo. Allen, a. d. w., plead guilty; judgement suspended on payment of costs.

Sandy Smith, c. c. w., prayer for judgement continued on payment of costs.

Jake Page retailing, plead guilty; prayer for judgement continued on payment of costs.

Jno. L. Scott, judgment stricken out and prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs and defendant to give \$200 peace bond.

Lefton Nance, retailing, plead guilty; prayer for judgement continued on payment of costs.

Alex. Sheridan, retailing, four counts; 60 days in each of three cases, judgment suspended in other.

A number of cases were continued and nol proes was entered in a number of others.

Chas. L. Coon, nominee of the Progressive party for Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a communication to the Charlotte Observer says that he would not accept the office if elected and that he is going to vote for Wilson and Craig.

T. L. Parks, Murrayville, Ga., Route 1, is in his 73rd year, and was recently cured of a bad kidney and bladder trouble. He says himself: "I have suffered with my kidneys. My back ached and I was annoyed with bladder irregularities. I can truthfully say one 50c bottle of Foley Kidney Pills cured me entirely." They contain no habit forming drugs. For sale by all dealers.

## GRAND JURY'S REPORT.

**Conditions at Jail and Court House Criticised—An Old Confederate Released on Recommendation of Jury and Sent on His Way With Replenished Purse.**

The grand jury, Mr. J. B. McCormick, foreman, made its report Friday. It passed upon 84 bills, finding 60 true bills and 12 not true bills and returning 12 presentments.

### Chain Gang.

The chain-gang was visited by a committee composed of N. McInnis, N. A. Brown and Donald McQueen. They reported: "We had a talk with prisoners in the absence of officers and they reported receiving good, wholesome food. We found sanitary conditions and other surroundings in as good condition as could be expected, and they are satisfied with attention given them. They are given the proper outing on the Sabbath day and are made to take a bath every Saturday p. m. and change clothing". The committee thinks that the chain gang is kept as well as could be expected.

### Jail.

The jail was visited in a body and the jury reported: that prisoners are allowed to spit on the floor, thereby allowing filth germs to accumulate; that bed clothing is inadequate to the requirements of each cot; that Sam Sanderson, a small white boy about 11 years old, is locked up with hardened criminals and compelled to eat and sleep with them; that diet is not changed, same food every day; that Jim King is ruptured and in need of medical attention; that Ben Ivey, an old Confederate veteran, is serving a 12 day sentence in jail in default of costs in magistrate's court, \$6.50. Recommend that tubs be furnished the jail for prisoners to wash their clothing; the use of spittoons or prohibit the use of tobacco by the prisoners; that prisoners on minor offenses be made to scour out the jail at least twice each month and that mattresses be furnished prisoners; that food be changed occasionally; that the jail be visited by the sheriff and county physician each week and that they be required to report the facts of each visit to each succeeding grand jury; that Sam Sanderson and all other boys between the ages of 10 and 15 be kept separate and apart from all other prisoners; that Ben Ivey, mentioned above, be released and the grand jury pay his fare back home, \$1.40. The court was asked to act on this at once.

Ivey was released, the jury paid his way home and quite a neat little purse was made up for him by the lawyers and others in the court room.

### County Home.

Eleven inmates found, good health and well cared for according to the means provided. Houses in good sanitary condition, plenty of blankets, food and clothing. A few panes of glass were found broken in the rooms of one or two inmates and they badly need good comfortable chairs. Recommend that chairs be furnished and that the old ladies and old men be furnished rocking chairs and that the broken panes of glass be replaced before cold weather; that the county commissioners allow the sum of \$12 per inmate per month for their proper support, if necessary—"We disapprove," says the report, "of the plan of our poor and unfortunate being sold as it were under the hammer to the lowest bidder;" that a good milk cow be purchased and milk furnished the inmates three times a day and that the keeper be required to plant not less than 2 acres of rye for the purpose of feeding the cow. The present keeper was commended for doing such a good part by the inmates with the money furnished him for their support.

### Court House.

Found that no part of the court house is receiving the proper attention from the janitor, the main auditorium and the rooms and offices on the second floor especially being found in extremely bad shape, and was recommended that the janitor be removed.

### County Offices.

Well attended to and books and records neatly kept.

## HAZING FROLIC ENDS IN DEATH.

**Isaac W. Rand, a Freshman at the University, While Being Hazed by Sophomores Falls Upon Broken Bottle and Cuts Jugular Vein.**

Chapel Hill Special, 13th. to Greensboro Daily News.

Isaac William Rand, aged 20 years, son of O. R. Rand, of Smithfield, member of the freshman class of the University of North Carolina, is dead and four sophomores, A. H. Styron, of Wilmington, W. L. Merrimon, of Wilmington, R. W. Oldham, of Raleigh, and A. C. Hatch, of Mt. Olive, are under arrest at Pichard's hotel here tonight charged with manslaughter.

The sensational affair, which has stirred staid old Chapel Hill as nothing has in many years, is the outcome of a hazing jaunt or little joy party of the sophomores on the early morning of Friday the 13th.

The tragic, gruesome death of young Rand, the most promising of a bright family of boys, is due directly to the old system of hazing which for years has existed in colleges and likewise which for years the public has been assured semi-annually, at least, that it had been stamped out for all time.

The sophomores, according to reliable evidence, have this year been a little more boisterous than for a year or so in the past, this disorder becoming so great last Sunday night from firing pistols, etc., that residents could not sleep. During the early hours last night a few of the boys decided to have a little special exhibition and going to the room of Rand, dragged him and his roommate, Robert A. Wellons, also of Smithfield, from their beds, allowed their petition to put on their shoes and while in their night clothes they were hustled to the athletic field where they were put through a series of stunts.

Near the old entrance to the athletic field the hazing party found an old oil barrel which had been used for liming the athletic field and Wellons was placed on the barrel. He got through his stunts without serious mishap. Rand's time came next. Unconscious of the short time of life, the youth was hoisted to the barrel and shivering in his night clothes was to be told to sing. He said he could not. "Sing Home, Sweet Home, then damn you," shouted one of the masked men.

"I cannot sing," replied Rand. "We will make you sing," came the retort from the sophomore, who lighted his flash light and gave the barrel a push. The barrel upturned, Rand's feet went forward and his head backward to the ground. One old bottle was lying near the barrel and when the boy fell the side of his neck struck this bottle and a gash more than an inch deep and extending from his ear to thorax was made.

"I have hurt him," said one of the mob who again flashed his light.

"Yes you have killed him," replied Wellons.

The members of the mob then hastened to pick up the dying boy and carried him to the gymnasium, a short distance away, where they laid him on a plank and under the pretext of seeking medical aid deserted the dying boy to the lone care of his roommate. Wellons, frantic cries for aid soon brought A. R. Parsley, a student, and the college began to be aroused.

But Rand's bright life was gone. He never spoke a word after being kicked from the barrel nor did it take long for his life blood to stream out.

In the excitement young Wellons, who is a son of J. A. Wellons, of Smithfield, best known to North Carolina as a good roads "crank," recognized one or two of the boys and gave clues upon which an officer from Durham aided by the Chapel Hill force found out four who were arrested, though not formally charged with the crime until after the inquest.

The official verdict of the coroner's jury is: "The jury finds that Isaac William Rand, of Smithfield, came to his death from a cut on the throat caused by a fall from a barrel while forced to dance on the barrel by a party of hazers and the jury

## FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER.

**School Opens Well—Brick Building Will Replace Old Structure—Road Work—Other Items.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, Sept. 13.—School opened last Monday with good attendance. The new principal is Prof. Eakers of Durham, who we trust will be pleased with us. Miss McIver of Carthage has charge of the music department. Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Poole of Lumberton are visiting D. W. Galloway.

Misses Christine Jones and Mattie Brown have gone to Red Springs to re-enter the S. P. College. Many others of our young ladies are going to various schools. We are sorry to lose them but very glad for them to have this advantage.

Miss Lorena Lewis returned from a delightful visit to Washington, Richmond and Baltimore last week. Her milliner this season will be Miss Monroe, who has been with her before and is well liked here. Miss Monroe has been in New York and Baltimore for several weeks but will arrive in a few days.

Mrs. Nettie Ashley and daughter, who spent the summer in Michigan with Mrs. Belanger, returned home last week greatly improved in health and are gladly welcomed by a host of friends. Miss Nettie Glass of Concord has been a welcome guest of her sister Mrs. C. A. Floyd.

J. D. McLean conducted a jolly party excursion to Jackson Springs and Fayetteville last Sunday.

A bum set of players gave "The Wolfe" at the school building Tuesday night. They evidently couldn't "keep the wolfe from the door," for they went stranded next morning.

The Misses McMillan have moved their millinery parlors over P. R. Floyd's store and Mr. Archie Griffin is tearing down the store formerly occupied by them and will build at once on the same site, with brick.

Miss Annie McMillan returned from Baltimore last Monday. She was accompanied by her trimmer.

Rev. S. T. Moyle accompanied his two sons to Durham last Monday, where they entered Trinity College. Mr. Moyle returned on Wednesday.

Though some of the tobacco contingent are gone, yet there are plenty here to handle the market and the tobacco is still coming in. Cotton also is beginning to look animated.

Mr. Andrew Jones and his road force are at work on the way to Lumberton and we hope soon to have a highway worthy of praise to the county seat.

Mrs. Elwanger was called to her former home in Virginia Thursday by the extreme illness of her brother. We trust she found him better.

N. R. Jenkins, through the Pinnix Realty Co., of Greensboro, will have an auction sale of lots the seventeenth consisting of some of the nicest property on Main street. Much interest is being shown in the sale.

E. W. Floyd has bought the stock of L. T. Grantham & Bro., and has opened up with a nice lot of groceries.

### Kicked by a Horse.

Mr. Will Maxwell, who lives on Second street, was badly kicked by a horse about noon today at the stables of Messrs. Deese Bros. Fourth and Chestnut streets. Mr. Maxwell was in the passage of the stables with several other gentlemen and while looking in another direction started to lean against a partition dividing two stalls and missing the partition tripped and fell at the heels of a wild horse that kicked him twice between the shoulders before he could move. He was taken at once to Thompson hospital and it is thought that the injuries sustained are not serious.

recommends that Ralph W. Oldham, of Raleigh, W. L. Merrimon, of Wilmington, A. C. Hatch, of Mt. Olive, and Arthur H. Styron, of Wilmington, be held for investigation by the grand jury of Orange county." The solicitor fixed the bond at \$5,000.

**An Additional Teacher Employed at Graded School—Every Room Now Occupied.**

At a meeting of the graded school trustees Friday night Supt. Sentelle was authorized to employ another teacher and he has secured Miss Pearl M. Abernathy of Caroleen, Rutherford county, who will arrive tomorrow morning and begin work at once. Miss Abernathy comes of a well-known family of educators, is a graduate and has had experience teaching in the Taylorsville high school. She will have charge of the seventh grade and Misses McNair and Ponder and Supt. Sentelle will have charge of the grades above the seventh, high school work, three grades comprising four years' work.

Every room in the school building is now occupied with grade work. Miss Weddell's music class will use the library and Miss Williams' class will use the auditorium.

### A Well-Qualified Man.

Mention has been made in The Robesonian of the fact that Mr. O. E. Franklin of Charlotte has accepted the position of pharmacist with the Pope Drug Co., and will enter upon his duties here on the 20th inst., so the following from yesterday's Charlotte Observer is of local interest:

"Mr. O. E. Franklin, who has been connected with Charlotte drug stores for several years, will move in the near future to Lumberton, where he will become head pharmacist for the Pope Drug Co. Mr. Franklin is a Charlotte boy, but has been spending several years with a prominent firm at Mt. Olive, returning here only a short while ago. He will leave for his new home in about ten days, his family following a little later. Mr. Franklin has an experience in the drug business extending over the past 20 years and is recognized as one of the best qualified men for his work that has been engaged in this line of activity here."

### Notices of New Advertisements.

Auction sale of residence and business lots at St. Paul.

Excursion from Lumberton to Richmond, Va., September 23.

Free trip to Fayetteville—W. E. Kindley Co.

New assortment of toilet articles and sundries—Lumberton Drug Co.

Many valuable farms for sale—Robeson Development Co.

W. I. Linkhaw has just received another car load of horses and mules.

Boiler, engine, shingle machine, etc., for sale—Geo. G. French.

A. H. Hinds keeps his market open summer and winter and has the best of country beef.

Fishing at Moss Neck mill pond.

Report of condition of Bank of Parkton.

Machine and hand-made harness, shoes repaired or made—Ben Edwards.

Cooking qualities of the Cameron steele range to be demonstrated at R. C. Caldwell & Son's.

### Grocery Business Changes Hands

Messrs. Edgar Nance and C. G. Stephens, who for about a year had been running a grocery store on Elm street adjoining the department store of R. D. Caldwell & Son, under the firm name of The Nance Co., sold the business a few days ago to Mr. Malcolm Rozier, who now has charge of the store. Messrs. Nance and Stephens have gone into the crosstie business.

—Miss Jean Pratt of Bennettsville, S. C., who for the last two or three seasons has been a trimmer with Miss Josephine Breece in her millinery store on Elm street, will be with Miss Breece again this season. She arrived Saturday night, Miss Mae Isaacs, of Milford, Del., will also be with Miss Breece this season. She arrived yesterday from Fayetteville, where she spent a few days visiting relatives. Miss Breece expects to have her opening Oct. 1st and 2nd.

The State University opened for the 118th session on the 12th with 781 students, 48 ahead of the same time last year.

## BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

—License has been issued for the marriage of Lillie Martin and W. A. Hedgpeth.

—There will be a regular meeting tomorrow evening of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M.

—The county commissioners are holding a special session today to look over the tax books before turning them over to the sheriff.

—Mr. J. M. Barker, who lives near Rozier, killed on his farm a few days ago a rattlesnake that was 4 feet and 4 inches long with 10 rattles and one button.

—Harrison Rogers, colored, was before the mayor this morning on a charge of being drunk on the streets Saturday. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

—Mrs. E. B. Weis, of Baltimore, Md., arrived this morning and, as mentioned in a recent issue of The Robesonian, she will have charge of the ladies' cloak and dress department in Mr. A. Weinstein's dry goods store.

—A little carpenter work and a little paint, neat matting on the floor and handsome furniture have transformed one of the rooms in the opera house on Elm street into one of the handsomest offices in town for Mr. Geo. G. French, one of the owners of the building.

—The special demonstration of the "Majestic range" cooking stove on last week at the McAllister Hdw. Company's store was a big success. The great advantages offered in this stove were demonstrated by Mr. S. M. Vahranman. Quite a number of sales were made.

—Miss Minnie Moore and L. C. Mayers were married yesterday morning about 10 o'clock in the register of deeds' office, Justice D. B. McNeill officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, who live in the north-western portion of town, and the groom is manager of the Acme Brick Company's plant in North Lumberton.

—Little Misses Julia Thompson and Bertha LeVine attracted much attention Friday afternoon and Saturday in one of the large plate-glass show windows of Messrs. White & Gough's store on Elm street. They were demonstrating a new "two-in-one" school dress sold in that department store and for which many advantages are claimed.

—Three reels of pictures will be shown at the Pastime theatre tomorrow night, one of which will be "Pathe Weekly" No. 22. Among the many interesting pictures shown on this reel will be the reunion of the Confederate veterans held at Macon, Ga., last spring, and is guaranteed to be one of the most interesting pictures yet offered Lumberton people.

—A Woodmen of the World monument was unveiled yesterday morning about 11 o'clock in Meadow Brook cemetery, North Lumberton, at the grave of the late J. G. Tolar, who died about a year ago. The monument was unveiled by Shaw Camp No. 410, near Fairmont, of which Mr. Tolar was a member, assisted by Cyprus Camp No. 125, of Lumberton. Quite a crowd was present.

—Mr. L. C. Parker, of Wilmington, has accepted a position as cashier in the local freight office of the V. & C. S. railroad. He began work Friday. Mr. Parker succeeds Mr. J. W. Morris, who resigned some days ago to accept a similar position in the S. A. L. freight office. Mr. R. C. Birmingham, who for some had held a position in the local V. & C. S. freight office, resigned last week to enter the brokerage business.

—Mr. M. W. Nash of Hamlet, attorney for the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Raleigh, spent Friday in Lumberton adjusting the claim of Mr. D. T. Kinlaw of Barker's, whose dwelling, insured in that association, was destroyed by fire about two weeks ago. The claim was adjusted for \$423.75. This association has about \$500,000 insurance among the farmers of Robeson county. Mr. Nash will recommend that the policyholders hold a meeting in Lumberton on the 5th of October.