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SUPERIOR COURT.

Trial of Barfield Prevatt on Charge of Murdering Emory McNeill Set for Tuesday of Next Week — Venire of 200 Men Ordered — Buie Riot Cases Set for Trial Saturday — Scotland County Case Next Thursday — No Court Tomorrow.

Many cases have been disposed of in the Superior Court which convened Monday, Judge C. C. Lyon of Elizabethtown presiding. Solicitor N. A. Sinclair did not arrive until Tuesday evening, Mr. T. L. Johnson of the local bar acting in his place during the first two days. Court will not be in session tomorrow on account of the local celebration of the Fourth.

The case in which there is most wide-spread interest, that against Barfield Prevatt, charged with murdering Emory McNeill of Lumberton on March 29 last, has been set for trial at 10 a. m. Tuesday of next week. A special venire of 200 men has been drawn.

The trial of Dan and Coot Patterson and Ed. McNeill, all colored, for being implicated in the riot at Buie on February 1st, last, when Will Breeden, colored, was killed, has been set for Saturday of this week. A verdict of second degree murder will be asked.

The case from Scotland county, W. T. McKenzie, charged with the murder of Peter Jones, near Laurinburg last October has been set for trial Thursday noon of next week. A special venire of 125 men has been ordered.

A verdict of manslaughter was agreed on this morning in the case of Norwood Dunn, colored, who shot and killed Charlie House, also colored, at Fairmont, at a school breaking, and was sentenced to 5 years on the roads. The firm of Johnson & Johnson appeared for the defendant and McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor prosecuted. It was claimed that both negroes were playing with the pistol and that the shooting was accidental.

Other cases have been disposed of as follows: Dock, Fred and Tom Rozier, and Andrew Roberts, nuisance; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Jim Carmichael, larceny; plea of guilty of forcible trespass accepted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Shaw Edwards, nuisance; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Press Edwards, nuisance and carrying concealed weapon; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Isaac McMillan and Robert Davis, gambling; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Alex McLean, gambling; plead guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Pleas Gilliam, gambling; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs on recommendation of solicitor. Same in cases against James McMillan, gambling; Swindell McEachern, forgery; Jet Bethea, gambling; Clyde Williams, larceny (waived bill of forcible trespass on premises of D. C. Culbreth.)

Ernest McNeill, gambling; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Zack Duncan, injury to building; plead guilty of trespass; \$10 fine and costs.

Tom Williams, larceny; plead guilty of trespass upon property of D. A. McMillan; apprenticed to D. A. McMillan for 12 months, McMillan to pay costs of action.

Isaac McMillan, carrying concealed weapon; not guilty.

Garry Ellerby, disturbing religious congregation; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs; carrying concealed weapon; plead guilty; \$15 fine and costs.

Charlie Smith, assault with deadly weapon; plead guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs and defendant to give \$50 bond for his appearance at each term of criminal court for 12 months and show that he has been of good behavior and has not drunk any liquor; (Continued on page five).

NIX ON "BLOOMER GIRLS"

They Cannot Play in Lumberton—So Orders Mayor White—Town Commissioners Refused to Take Action Yesterday — Mayor Had Evidence Not Presented to Commissioners — Not Booked by Fourth of July Program Committee.

Mayor A. E. White this morning instructed Chief of Police Redfern to advise the manager of the "Bloomer Girls" ball team, with which the Lumberton ball team had a contract for a game on the local grounds tomorrow, that the game would not be permitted. The team played at Fairmont yesterday and its manager was notified by phone.

Agitation against allowing this game was started yesterday and Mayor White called a meeting of the commissioners to be held at 6 o'clock last evening to consider what action should be taken. Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, and Rev. J. F. Gorrell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, strongly argued against allowing the game on the ground that it is an immoral exhibition and would not be for the best interests of the town. Mr. Frank Gough, chairman of the program committee, Mr. J. A. Sharpe, a member of the committee and Mr. W. K. Bethune, chairman of the advertising committee, of the Fourth of July celebration, explained that this was not booked as an attraction by those in charge of the celebration, that they had absolutely nothing to do with it and had not advertised it as one of the attractions. After discussion lasting an hour and a half the commissioners refused to take any action, leaving the matter where it stood. Mr. James D. Proctor, a member of the board, offered an ordinance to forbid the game but he received no second.

This morning additional evidence was presented to Mayor White which convinced him that it would be best to forbid the game and he accordingly instructed the chief of police as noted above.

The program committee of the Fourth of July Organization asks The Robesonian to publish the following statement, which explains its position:

Statement of Program Committee.

The undersigned, constituting the program committee of the Fourth of July Organization, desire to state in regard to the ball game which was to have been played here tomorrow between the Lumberton team and a team composed of "Bloomer girls," that this game was not booked as an attraction by us for the celebration of the Fourth in Lumberton. We had absolutely nothing to do with the arrangement of this game and have never advertised it as one of the attractions for the day under the Fourth of July Organization. The contract for the game was made by the local ball team without our knowledge and we have had no more to do with it than have those who started the agitation against allowing it.

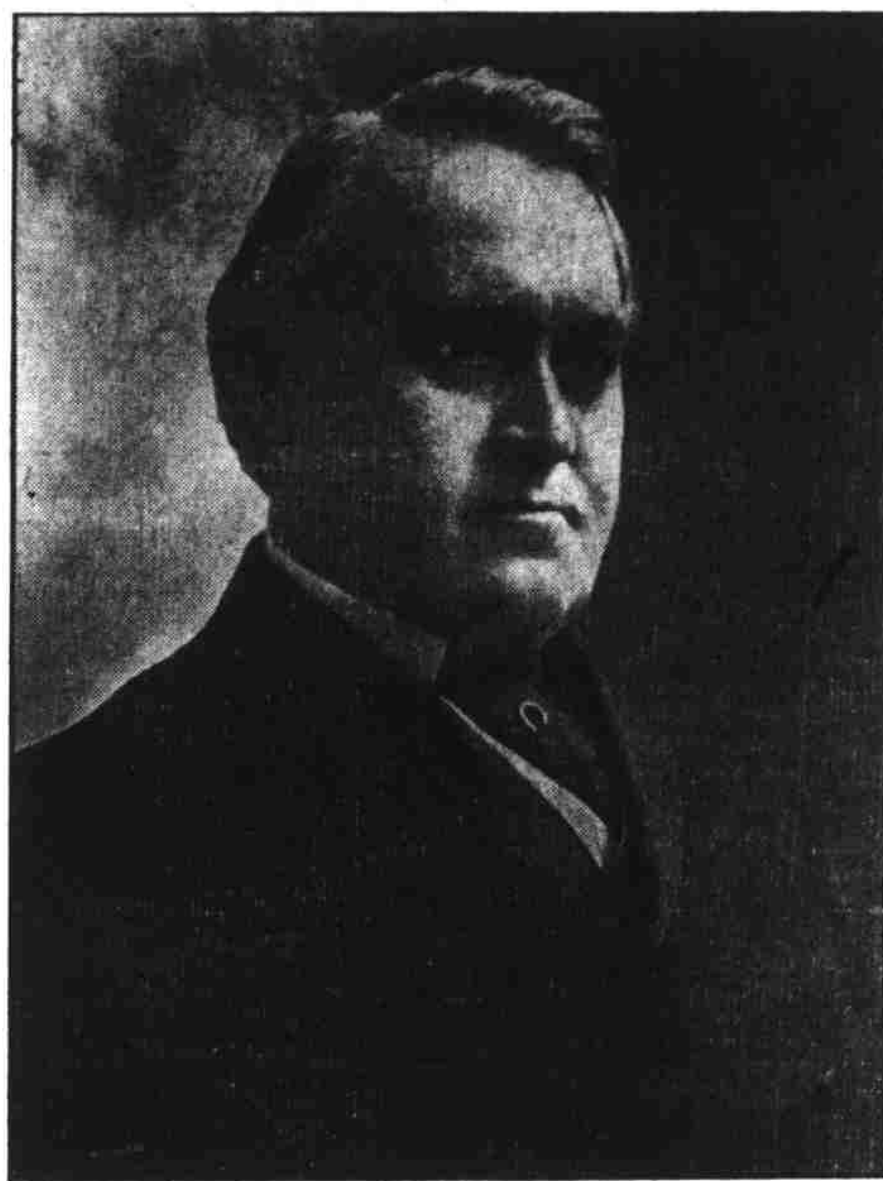
This statement we make without prejudice to anybody concerned but merely to make our position clear, since the matter has been agitated and the program committee has been censured for something with which it had absolutely nothing to do.

FRANK GOUGH, Chairman,
J. R. POOLE,
H. E. STACY,
E. J. BRITT,
J. A. SHARPE,

Test Case Against Sheriff Lewis.

Assistant Recorder R. A. McLean has instituted suit against Sheriff R. E. Lewis for refusing to admit to the county jail a prisoner arrested on a warrant for violating a town ordinance of the town of Lumberton. This is a test case to decide the validity of a recent order of the county commissioners instructing the sheriff to refuse to allow town prisoners admitted to the county jail after July 1.

At Albemarle Monday afternoon Spencer Watkins, aged 21, agent for the Southern Express Company at that place, was electrocuted by a live wire.



SENATOR LEE S. OVERMAN,
Who will be Speaker at the Celebration of the Fourth in Lumberton Tomorrow.

FLYING MACHINE AND BIRD MAN HERE

Mr. John Kaminski of Milwaukee Will Fly Here Tomorrow—Youngest Licensed Aviator in World—Kaminski Arrived Yesterday and Machine Has Been Put Up and Is Ready for Flight—Flights Will be Made Near Old Public School Building and Over Town—All Things Ready for Great Celebration of Fourth.

Mr. John Kaminski of Milwaukee, the youngest licensed aviator in the world, arrived yesterday with his mechanic, Mr. Jack Knight of Milwaukee, and the flying machine, which arrived Tuesday has been put up and is now ready for flights near the old public school building. The flights will take place sometime tomorrow afternoon after the ball game between Fairmont and Moxton. Mr. Kaminski will circle around a few times at the school building and will then fly over the town.

Although only 18 years old, Mr. Kaminski is an experienced and daring birdman. He has a book full of pictures showing him in flights at various places and of newspaper clippings in which he is described as a brave and daring birdman doing "daredevil" stunts in the air. In one picture he is shown carrying up a woman at Arkon, Ohio. In a Chicago dispatch telling of the shipping of "Sweetheart," Mr. Kaminski's machine, to Lumberton, he is described as "one of the pluckiest bird-men following the craft, in much demand for exhibition purposes." He received offers from two other places for tomorrow but elected to come to Lumberton.

The speech of Senator Lee S. Overman will be the feature of the program tomorrow morning. He will be introduced by Mr. H. E. Stacy of Lumberton.

The ball game between Maxton and Fairmont will take place on the grounds from which the flights will be made. This will be the most interesting game of the season.

There will be many other attractions and this will be the greatest day Robeson county has enjoyed in a blue moon. A tremendous crowd is expected.

Examinations for Public School Teachers.

Supt. J. R. Poole will hold examinations for teachers in his office in Lumberton as follows: For white teachers, Thursday, July 10; for colored, Friday, July 11; for Indian, Saturday, July twelfth. Examinations for high school and 5-year State certificates will be held at the same time. Examinations for renewals of 5-year State and high school certificates will be held only on 10th, on which date also will be held, as has already been announced in The Robesonian, examinations for entrance to the A. and M. College at Raleigh.

IN RE COW STALLS.

Meeting Will Be Held at Court House Monday Night to Thresh Out Question of Allowing Cow Stalls to be Maintained Within Certain Limits—H. E. Stacy Elected Town Attorney to Succeed R. A. McLean, Resigned.

At the court house next Monday night will be held a meeting which will be lively or otherwise—guess which—its tameness or liveliness depending upon whether or not many citizens of Lumberton are interested in maintaining cow stalls within certain limits inside the town.

Such a meeting was determined upon at a meeting of the mayor and town commissioners held Monday night, this taking the place of the regular monthly meeting Tuesday night. The question of cow stalls was brought up by Mr. H. E. Stacy, who came before the board in the interest of various citizens of the town who are protesting against the town allowing cow stalls to stand within a certain distance of any residence within the corporate limits. He requested that an ordinance be passed prohibiting cow stalls to remain or be located within a distance of at least 200 or 300 feet of any residence within the town. After some discussion it was ordered that this matter be not passed on at this meeting, but that a meeting be held at the court house on Monday night, July 7th, which meeting all citizens of the town who are interested in this matter are invited to attend and at which time this matter will be thoroughly gone into and passed on.

At the meeting Monday night Mr. H. E. Stacy was elected town attorney at an annual retainer of \$100 to succeed Mr. R. A. McLean, who tendered his resignation, effective at once, on account of the fact that he had been appointed assistant recorder for the Lumberton district and hence could not hold the position of town attorney. It was ordered that Mr. McLean be paid \$25 for services rendered since his election in May.

It was further ordered that bill of M. B. Sutton for \$239.28 for concrete work at S. A. L. passenger station be paid, subject to approval of the street committee, the S. A. L. Ry. Co. having agreed to pay one-half of the cost of this work.

Old Tobacco Warehouse Being Torn Down.

The large flat-topped tin-roofed tobacco warehouse on the property which Dr. W. A. McPhaul recently purchased from Messrs. R. D. and L. H. Caldwell, Q. T. Williams and W. W. Carlyle, as mentioned in The Robesonian at the time of the sale, is being torn down and probably will be cleared off in a few days. This building was not included in the sale and Mr. L. H. Caldwell has purchased the interest of the other parties in the building and is having clearing away of the old building done. He will probably use the material in the erection of a freight warehouse near Seaboard freight depot. This will still leave two buildings on the property and they are owned by Dr. McPhaul. One of them faces Elm street and the other faces Chestnut. Dr. McPhaul says that just as soon as Mr. Caldwell gets his building out of the way he expects to have work started on moving the building that faces Elm and then excavating will be started for the new hotel which Dr. McPhaul will build.

Receiver Appointed for Lumberton Drug Co.

Mr. J. S. McDonald was appointed Monday by Judge C. C. Lyon receiver for the Lumberton Drug Co., of which Mr. McDonald has been manager for a short while. The business was placed in the hands of a receiver at the request of the owners of the store, Mr. M. G. McKenzie and son, Mr. Lacy McKenzie. The store will be kept open and will continue business without interruption. No statement has yet been filed as to assets and liabilities.

The noblest motive is the public good.—Virgil.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Cotton today, 12 cents.

—The first watermelons of the season for the local market were received yesterday—Georgia melons, "Tom Watson" variety.

—Tomorrow being a National holiday, Sunday hours will be observed at the postoffice, the mail carriers will not make their rounds, and the local banks will be closed.

—Mr. Frank Gough returned Tuesday night from Greensboro, where he went Monday night to see his sister Mrs. J. T. Johnson of East Bend, who is sick in a Greensboro hospital.

—Mrs. Jno. McPhail of Wishart's township sent to The Robesonian office yesterday a curiosity in the shape of tomatoes growing on an Irish potato vine. There was no sign of where the cross occurred.

—Messrs. Q. T. Williams, G. E. Rancke, Jr., Jno. S. McNeill, G. Y. Jones and Alf. H. McLeod spent a while in Laurinburg last night attending a special communication in the Royal Arch degree of masonry.

—Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Page moved yesterday from the house on East Fifth street recently purchased by Mrs. Nanny R. Stephens to a cottage belonging to Mr. A. E. White, Walnut and Eighth, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McAllister.

—Things are taking on a new appearance in and about the old cemetery near the Seaboard station. The town authorities have had a force of hands under the direction of Mr. Jake Thompson at work in the cemetery since yesterday morning. The appearance of the place is being greatly improved.

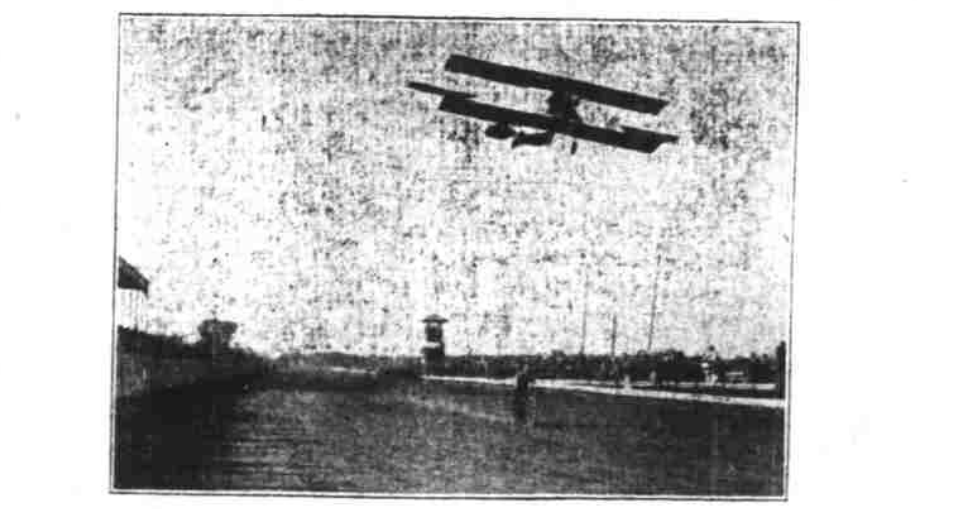
—Mrs. T. R. Tolar returned Tuesday evening from Charlotte, where she spent a day or so with her husband, who is undergoing treatment in the Presbyterian hospital of that place. Mr. Tolar has been in the hospital about a week. His condition is improving and it is expected that he will come home about the first of next week.

—Robert Sanders, a young white fellow from the National cotton mill, was before Asst. Recorder McLean this morning to answer charge of being drunk and disorderly at the cotton mill last night. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs. Saunders was arrested at the mill last night about 1 o'clock by Sheriff R. E. Lewis and jailed until this morning, when he was given a hearing.

—Rev. N. R. Pitman of Kansas City, Mo., boarded the Seaboard train here yesterday afternoon en route home from Fairmont, where he spent several days visiting relatives. Mr. Pitman does editorial work on The Word and Way, a paper of a circulation of 22,000 published in Kansas City. In the 70's Mr. Pitman held a position with The Robesonian, in the days of the late W. W. McDiarmid.

—Mr. A. S. Pitman, carrier on rural route No. 2 from Lumberton, and his wife and daughter, Miss Eureka, left this morning for Wrightsville Beach, where Mr. Pitman, who is president of the Robeson Rural Letter Carriers' Association will attend today and tomorrow the annual meeting of the State Letter Carriers' Association. They will return Saturday. Mr. Henry Taylor, substitute, is serving the route today.

—Mr. J. J. Cherry, who was employed as clerk in the Pope drug store for some time and later was in the Lumberton drug store in the same capacity, was married on June 17 in Atlanta, Ga., to which place he went from Lumberton a short while before that date ostensibly to accept a position. When last heard from by Mr. J. S. McDonald, Mr. Cherry and his wife were in Phoenix, Arizona, and it is thought that they will locate there. Mrs. Cherry, whose maiden name has not been learned, is a registered pharmacist. She and her husband became acquainted while Mr. Cherry was working in Atlanta, Ga., before coming to Lumberton. Mr. Cherry is a son of Mr. C. C. Cherry of Raleigh.



This picture shows Mr. Kaminski racing a motorcycle at Elgin, Ill., where he made a number of successful flights last September.



Kaminski in Machine He Will Fly Here Tomorrow. This picture was made at San Diego, California, just before making a successful flight.

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