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SUPERIOR COURT

Adjourned Yesterday After Three Busy Days—Much Work Accomplished—A "Convicting" Term—Young White Man Gets 15 Years for Burglary—Negro Gets 15 Years for Killing Wife—Many Cases.
The term of Robeson Superior Court which convened Monday for the trial of criminal cases adjourned yesterday afternoon after putting in three busy days. Judge H. W. Whedbee of Greenville, who presided, left last night for his home. This was Judge Whedbee's first court here in several years, and while it was expected that the term would last throughout the week, it being a week's term, the moving spirit of the judge caused a usual week's work to be completed in three days. The following cases were disposed of:
Jno. Wess McCullum, colored, charged with killing his wife, Mariah McCullum, February 7th, this year; guilty; 15 years in State prison.
Furney Williams, the young white man who broke into Mr. E. H. Phillips' residence in Lumberton some three months ago and stole some money from the pockets of Mr. Phillips' sons, while they were asleep, a full account of which appeared in The Robesonian at the time; guilty, 15 years in the State prison.
Eddie Duett, colored, concealing child's birth; guilty; 7 years in State prison.

Days on roads.
Junius Locklear, Indian, carrying concealed weapons; guilty; 90 days on roads.
Bennie Ransom, Indian, passing \$5 counterfeit bill; guilty; 3 months on roads.
Jesse Nicholson, colored, larceny; guilty; 4 months on roads.
N. S. Kinlaw, retailing; guilty; 6 months on roads.
Bob McCormick, colored, carrying concealed weapons; guilty; 6 months on roads.
Clara Reynolds, colored, larceny; guilty; 12 months on roads.
Jess Goins, colored, larceny; guilty; 12 months on roads.
Jno. Goins, larceny; guilty; 12 months on roads.
Jno. Arch McCullum, colored, larceny; guilty; 12 months on roads.
Fess Bethea, colored, larceny; guilty; 12 months on roads.
Shep Faulk, colored, larceny; 12 months on roads. It will be remembered that Faulk was charged with breaking into a safe in the office of Dr. W. A. McPhaul several months ago, and was given a hearing before Recorder E. M. Britt, who gave him a sentence of 6 months on the roads, but he appealed to the Superior Court with the above result.
Jno. Burnett, colored, assault with intent to rape; guilty; 5 years on roads.
Alex Jacobs, assault with deadly weapon; not guilty.
Dennie McMillan, carrying concealed weapons; guilty; \$15 and cost.
Ed Monroe, failure to support child; not guilty.
Geo. McCullum, trespass; \$50 to pay cost.
Hezzie Lovett, cruelty to animals; not guilty.
Dan F. McNeill, resisting officer; guilty; \$200 and cost.
Dan F. McNeill, nuisance, McNeill voluntarily made oath before open court that he would not drink any intoxicating liquors as beverage in two years and was placed under \$1,000 bond for good behavior.
Joe Stone, hindering officer; \$25 and cost.
The cases against Dan McNeill and Joe Stone were the result of a disturbance on Elm street in Lumberton some months ago, when McNeill, under the influence of liquor, defied law and order and resisted Chief of Police Redfean when the latter arrested him, and Stone hindered Chief Redfean in making the arrest. Both were given road sentences when tried before Recorder E. M. Britt but they appealed to the higher court.
H. L. and Home, Stephens, false pretense; not guilty.
Messrs. W. Lennon, E. M. Johnson and E. L. Wooten, of the county bar, were appointed a committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Mont T. Bobbitt and present to bar at next term of court.
This seems to have been a "convicting" term—mighty few who were tried escaped conviction.
Negro Murderers 3 White Men and Is Killed by Posse.
Macon, Ga., Dispatch, 14th.
A posse of citizens and officers today shot and instantly killed Peter Jackson, a negro farm hand, who was accused of killing three white men last night and this morning near Cochran, Ga. The negro had barricaded himself in his home and defied the posse, who, according to reports received here, blew up the house with dynamite.
The men killed by the negro were: W. S. Hogg, aged 40, night marshal; Lynn Sancers, 40, farm supervisor and Oscar Lawson, 23, farm hand.
Meat Packers Appeal to State Department.
Washington Dispatch, 14th.
American meat packers appealed to the State Department today to demand that Great Britain stop interfering with cargoes consigned to neutral ports and settle for \$14,000,000 worth of their products now held in prize courts. They charge the British government with destruction of commerce in food products between the United States and other neutral nations.

GRAND JURY'S REPORT

Increased Allowance for Feeding Prisoners at Jail Recommended. Also Changes of Clothing—No Violations of Child Labor Law Found—Schools and Sanitary Conditions in Mill Villages Good—Attention Called to Bad Condition of St. Pauls and Red Springs Roads—Recommendations.
For once the grand jury was behind the court in getting through its labors, court adjourning yesterday afternoon in advance of the report of the grand jury. But the jury did a good deal of work, as the following report, signed by the foreman, Mr. D. J. McGoogan, and submitted yesterday afternoon to his honor Judge H. W. Whedbee, indicates:
"We passed on sixteen bills and have found thirteen true bills and three not true bills.
Jail and Prisoners
"We have visited the county jail in a body and we find twenty-four prisoners in jail at this time. While the prisoners all report that they have a sufficiency of food, in our opinion the quality of the food which is supplied to them on the small allowance of twenty cents per day allowed by the county is not sufficient and we would respectfully recommend that this allowance be increased from twenty cents per day to twenty-five cents per day for each prisoner. We found the jail very good except that the walls are not as sanitary as they should be on account of needing a coat of paint or whitewash. We also found that while the prisoners have sufficient bathing facilities, in a good many cases the clothing is not sufficient to keep them in a sanitary condition. It has come to our knowledge that some of the prisoners have no change of clothing and we respectfully recommend that where a prisoner is admitted to jail without a change of clothing that the same be supplied to him at the expense of the county.
County Offices
"We have also carefully inspected the court house and county offices. We found all the offices well kept and in a very satisfactory condition. We found the court house building very well kept with the exception of the tile flooring in the lower part of the building, which has not been kept as clean as it should be, and we suggest that the sheriff require the janitor to thoroughly cleanse the floor and keep the same in a better condition.
Chain Gang
"We have visited the two sections of the chain gang of the county and also the county home, and found conditions at both places very good, except as follows:
"In convict camp No. 2 it came to the attention of our committee that one of the prisoners was afflicted with tuberculosis and was being kept in the same cage with the other prisoners. We would urgently recommend that the county physician be requested to look into the health conditions of the camp and make any changes and recommendations as he deems necessary.
"The food conditions at the convict camps were favorable and all the convicts reported that they had plenty to eat and were very well treated by the guard.
No Violations of Child Labor Law
"We have, to the best of our ability from inquiry and also from calling before our body certain parties connected with the management of the different cotton mills in this vicinity, endeavored to ascertain if the child-labor laws were being strictly complied with. We have been fully satisfied from the investigation that we have made that these laws are not being violated to the knowledge of the managers and superintendents of these corporations.
Two Principal Roads in Bad Condition
"The attention of this grand jury has been specifically called to the bad condition of two of the principal roads of the county, namely, the St. Pauls road and Red Springs road. The part of the St. Pauls road which is especially referred to is that portion beginning at the 8-mile post from Lumberton and extending to the Big Marsh. From the information which has reached us and from personal observation of some of the members of this grand jury, we are satisfied that this portion of the road mentioned needs immediate attention and we especially call the attention of the road supervisors of the township in which this road is situated to their duty along this line.
"The portion of the road leading from Lumberton to Red Springs and to which we desire to call special attention as being in a very bad condition is situated in Raft Swamp and Burnt Swamp townships between the 8-mile post from Lumberton and Philadelphia church. This road has been badly neglected and in a number of places is being rapidly washed away and cut up.
"While the road conditions in Robeson county are not what they should be, we deem it our duty to make special mention of the work needed in the two cases referred to for the reason that there has been a vast amount of money expended on these two roads by the county and we consider it a great waste of money for it to have to be re-built."

ROBESON REAL ESTATE VALUES

County Board of Equalization Approves Work of County Tax Assessor and List-takers—Total Value Land \$5,116,857, an Increase of \$115,869 Over Valuation Made 4 Years Ago—Average Value \$9.92 an Increase of 16 Cents—Total Increase in Value Town Lots and Other Land \$210,168—Valuations Now More Nearly on Equal Basis Than Ever Before.
Meeting Monday as the county board of equalization, the county commissioners accepted and approved the valuation of real estate made by County Tax Assessor Geo. L. Thompson and the list-takers for the various townships. Only one change was ordered and that upon the recommendation of Mr. Thompson and list-taker for the township, Mr. M. Shepherd. That was for Orrum township, where an increase of 10 per cent was ordered. A decrease was asked for Wishart's township, but was not granted. Very few complaints were made.
County Auditor J. M. McCallum, who is in position to know more about it than any other man in the county, says that valuations are now more nearly on equal basis than ever before, and that the credit is largely due to Assessor Thompson, who has worked to that end faithfully ever since the work of listing began.
The average value of land per acre in Robeson county was increased by \$72,435, but some glaring inequalities that heretofore existed were remedied to a large extent. In instances where valuable property was on the books at less than one-fifth its value—in some instances at even as low as one-tenth—the valuation was increased, and in other instances, where property of small value was listed at nearly its full value, the valuation was reduced. Never before has the valuation been so nearly an equal basis.
The total valuation of land in the county is placed at \$5,116,857, as against a valuation for the past 4 years of \$5,001,048, an increase of \$115,809.
Town lots are valued this year at \$2,308,679, as compared with \$2,214,310 for the past 4 years, an increase of \$94,369.
The increase of \$94,369 in town lots and \$115,809 in other real estate gives a total increase for the county of \$210,168.
The average value of land per acre for the county is \$9.92, as compared with the former average of \$9.76, an increase in average value of 16 cents per acre.
The highest average valuation is in Rowland township, \$13.94. Rowland township was also highest according to the valuation 4 years ago, \$15.61. Howellsville has the lowest average, \$6.37, its average according to the valuation four years ago, the lowest then, having been \$6.30.
In the following paragraphs are given the total number of acres, total valuation and average valuation for 1915 and for past 4 years. These figures will be changed slightly as land which has been impossible to get up to now is placed on the books, but it is not expected that there will be any great changes.
Valuation of Town Lots
Burnt Swamp—1915, \$4,115; 1914, \$3,260.
Fairmont—1915, \$190,475; 1914, \$185,190.
Lumber Bridge—1915, \$24,360; 1914, \$22,335.
Lumberton—1915, \$820,085; 1914, \$747,650.
Maxton—1915, \$424,615; 1914, \$494,690.
Orrum—1915, \$29,405; 1914, \$33,705.
Parkton—1915, \$75,075; 1914, \$67,720.
Pembroke—1915, \$40,956; 1914, \$38,497.
Red Springs—1915, \$274,045; 1914, \$266,298.
Rennert—1915, 7,735; 1914, \$8,520.
Rowland—1915, \$257,470; 1914, \$262,285.
St. Pauls—1915, \$117,353; 1914, \$101,995.
Shannon—1915, \$4,985; 1914, \$3,815.
Thompsons—1915, \$25,380; 1914, \$26,280.
White House—1915, \$11,625; 1914, \$12,070.
Alfordsville—1915: No. acres, 40,010; valuation, \$373,920; average value per acre, \$9.35. 1914: No. acres, 38,434; valuation, \$356,537; average per acre, \$9.27.
Britt's—1915: No. acres, 22,827; valuation, \$203,905; average value per acre, \$8.93. 1914: No. acres, 20,193; valuation, \$179,210; average per acre, \$8.87.
Back Swamp—1915: No. acres, 22,514; valuation, \$227,310; average per acre, \$10.10. 1914: No. acres, 21,877; valuation, \$224,830; average per acre, \$10.27.
Burnt Swamp—1915: No. acres, 18,031; valuation, \$155,568; average per acre, \$8.62. 1914: No. acres, 15,953; valuation, \$126,098; average per acre, \$7.90.
Fairmont—1915: No. acres, 21,274; valuation, \$240,360; average per acre, \$11.29. 1914: No. acres, 21,723; valuation, \$239,755; average per acre, \$11.03.
Gaddy—1915: No. acres, 11,672; valuation, \$120,275; average per acre, \$10.30. 1914: No. acres, 11,212; valuation, \$122,215; average per acre, \$10.92.

VACCINATING HUNDREDS

County Health Officer Page Finds People Eager to be Vaccinated Against Typhoid—About 900 Vaccinated First Three Days This Week—Lumberton People Neglecting Opportunity—Appointments.
Dr. B. W. Page, county health officer, is much gratified at the interest people all over the county are taking in anti-typhoid vaccination. Up to last night he had vaccinated over 900 people. He had been going at such a pace that he decided not to make any further appointments this week except that he will be in Lumberton for that purpose all day Saturday.
Lumberton people, Dr. Page says, are not taking the interest in this work that is being taken in other sections of the county. They are not taking advantage of the opportunity afforded them for free vaccination. Perhaps that is accounted for in a measure by the fact that no doubt many people here have had their family physician vaccinate them, but no doubt there are many who should be vaccinated who have not yet taken advantage of this means of safety against attacks of typhoid.
Monday of this week, at Fairmont, the J. W. Burn's place, White Pond, Oakdale and Marietta, Dr. Page vaccinated 426 people; Tuesday, at Elrod, Purvis, Mr. Moriah and Maxton, 234; yesterday, at St. Pauls, Shannon, Red Springs and Alfordsville, 200—making a total of 893 for the three days, and besides these he vaccinated enough people in his office to bring the number to 900.
Appointments Next Week
Dr. Page will visit the following places next week: Thursday—Fairmont 9 a. m., J. W. Burn's place 11 a. m., White Pond 2:30 p. m., Oakdale 4 p. m., Marietta 5 p. m.; Friday—Raynham 9 a. m., Elrod 10 a. m., Purvis 11 a. m., Mt. Moriah 12 m., Maxton 3 p. m., Pembroke 6 p. m.; Saturday, Lumberton all day.
LOWE LOCAL ITEMS
Children's Day Exercises at Raft Swamp Sunday Afternoon—Crops Very Good—Soon to be Through "Laying By"—Curing Tobacco—Mr. J. A. Carlyle's Poultry Farm—Personal Mention.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Lowe, July 14—Rev. R. N. Cashwell of Lumberton preached at Raft Swamp Baptist church last Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
Mrs. Henry J. Langston left last Friday for her home at Wingate, N. C., after spending some time with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tyner. Mr. Burner Conoley of Jacksonville, Fla., who has been spending some time with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Smith, returned to his home Wednesday.—Mr. Carl V. Tyner, returned home last Tuesday from New York City, where he had been studying medicine for the past year.—Rev. A. H. Porter of Whiteville spent last Friday night at the home of Mr. W. R. Tyner.
Children's day exercises will be at Raft Swamp Baptist church next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. Woodberry Lennon of Lumberton is expected to make a talk after the exercises by the children.
Miss Cora Tyner is visiting friends and relatives at Wingate.—Miss Emma Johnson of Red Springs is visiting in the home of her uncle Mr. W. C. Townsend.
Crops in this section are generally very good. The farmers will soon be through "laying by" and be ready for the Sunday school picnics—we are hearing so much about it.
Tobacco curing has opened up in this section. Mr. Stephen Davis has cured a barn.
Mr. W. R. Tyne, and daughter De Lesline spent Tuesday in Lumberton on business.
If you want to see something pretty, visit Mr. J. A. Carlyle's poultry farm, dotted white with fry-size chickens.
Mr. M. D. Powers spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. Lum Crump of Lumberton.

DOWN MARIEET WAY

A Party of Young Folk Entertained by Miss Connelley at Carolina Beach—G. W. Club Meets with Mrs. Jenrette—Personal.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Marietta, July 13—Miss Sallie Connelley royally entertained the G. W. Club and a few other friends at her delightful summer home at Carolina Beach recently. The party left Marietta Saturday, July 3d, and returned Tuesday night. Miss Connelley and her brother Mr. Cromwell put forth great effort to make the stay by the sea one of pleasure and were indeed successful in their effort, for every minute was thoroughly enjoyed by every one present and the entire trip was one of pleasure. Those present can never forget the kind hospitality of Miss Connelley and brother. The following composed the party: Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Henley and cousin, Miss Mary Harrington of Mullins; Mr. Hoyt Harrington and sister, Miss Anna Bell; Mr. Cary Henley and sister, Miss Ada Mae; Mrs. Wells and children, Mr. and T. C. Parham and family, Mr. Albert Hayes, Miss Minnie Hill, Mr. Goodyear, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Purvis of Orrum.
On the day of our return Capt. Harper very kindly gave the party a free trip on the steamer Wilmington as we passed the quarantine station and the magnificent home of Mr. Sprunt. The hospitality of Capt. Harper and the trip on the water was greatly enjoyed by all.
The G. W. Club met at the home of Mrs. T. Jenrette Friday afternoon. On arrival the guests were ushered into the parlor, which was fragrant with roses. After the business session and discussion of current events, the afternoon was spent playing rick. The hostess, assisted by her sister, Miss Helen Oliver, gracefully declared Mrs. Jenrette an ideal hostess.
Mr. C. B. Oliver, who had been at work in Oklahoma, has returned home.—Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Edens, Misses Sallie Graham and Daisy Ward of Rowland and Mr. W. H. Graham, Jr., of Macon, Ga., were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Oliver.—Miss Mary Harrington of Mullins has been the delightful guest of Mrs. Leon Henley for several days.—Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Townsend and Mrs. Wade of Dunn spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Oliver.—Miss Rachel Oliver, who last week visited in Lumberton and Rowland, has now gone to Chapel Hill, where she will spend some time.—Miss Rosa Floyd of Fairmont is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Oliver.—Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hayes left last Wednesday for Raleigh, where Mrs. Hayes has entered a hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis.—Mrs. W. H. Henley and children are spending some time with her father in Lynhaven, Fla.—Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Henley and daughter, Miss Eva are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Purvis of Orrum.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., for the Week Beginning Wednesday, July 14, 1915.
For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: The week will be one of generally fair and warm weather except that scattered thundershowers are probable.
REGISTER NOW
Now is the time to register for the school bond election which will be held July 28. Mr. J. B. Bowen is registrar. He may be found in the office of the county superintendent of public instruction at the court house. New registration is required and one cannot vote for or against this proposed bond issue without registering. Only 58 people had registered up to noon today. Now is the time to register, before you forget it.
BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS
—Mr. B. B. Tew of route 4 from Red Springs is among the visitors in town today. Mr. Tew says crops are good up his way, especially corn.
—Messrs. White & Gough bought last week a \$24,000 stock of bankrupt merchandise in Oxford. The stock is new, the owner of the bankrupt stock only having been in business about a year.
—Mr. W. F. Adams, who lives out Elrod way, was on the jury this week. Mr. Adams says they have had too much rain out his way and crops are not doing so well. He was delighted with the way Judge Whedbee kept up the business of the court.
—Mr. Angus Paterson, a Confederate veteran who is making his abode at the Soldier's Home, Raleigh, arrived last week and is spending some time about town visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Paterson says he likes the "home" fine and receives good treatment and plenty to eat.
—Mr. J. C. Worley has sold his interest in the Lumberton Steam Laundry to his partner, Mr. W. T. Robbins, who will continue to operate the laundry. Mr. Worley will be associated with the Lumberton Pressing Club, which will install a new line of up-to-date machinery.
—Mr. Jeff D. Taylor, who lives on route 5 from Lumberton, is a trucker who knows how. He has something that's good to eat for sale all seasons of the year. He remembered yesterday The Robesonian's local reporter, with a nice "mess" of squashes, which were very much appreciated.
—"Anna, Karemina," one of the Fox feature pictures, shown at the Star theatre Monday, was superb, and that singer at the Star is a delight. The Texas Quartet has been captivating audiences at the Pastime this week. Both the Star and the Pastime are putting on excellent attractions, giving Lumberton high-class movie shows.
—Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Brown of Fairmont will leave tomorrow for Waynesville, where Mrs. Brown will spend the balance of the summer. Dr. Brown will divide his time between Fairmont and Waynesville. The Robesonian hopes to receive a number of Mrs. Brown's delightful letters about Waynesville and the chautauqua at Junaluska.
—Dr. Wm. Laurie Hill of Charlotte spent Monday in Lumberton. Dr. Hill is representing The Progressive Farmer. Incidentally while here he sold 7 copies of his book "The Master of the Red Buck and Bay Doe" and favored the editor of The Robesonian with a copy which he hopes to have the pleasure of reading and reviewing in the near future.
—The Lumberton Male Quartet, composed of Messrs. Frank Gough, C. B. Skipper, E. B. Freeman and J. Pope Stephens, went last Sunday to Benson, Johnson county, where they furnished music for a Sunday school rally. This quartet is well known and is ever receiving calls from far and near to sing on special occasions. The members of the quartet say they were royally entertained by the people of Benson.
—In a phone conversation this morning Dr. J. P. Brown talked enthusiastically about prospects at Fairmont. A crowd of buyers have arrived and the prospects for a good tobacco season are fine. A new drug store, a new garage and a new barbershop have opened in Fairmont recently. The tobacco market opens at Fairmont a week from today—July 23—as advertised elsewhere in this paper.
—Mr. Neill McNeill of Parkton was among the visitors in town yesterday. Mr. McNeill is nearing his 50th birthday, but notwithstanding that and the fact that he served throughout the War Between the States, he is pronounced by those who know him best as the youngest man in Robeson. Mr. McNeill is as spry as a cat and loves a game of football perhaps better than any man throughout all these coasts. He often travels a long way to witness a game.
—For any pain, burn, scald or bruise, apply Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—the household remedy. Two sizes 25c and 50c at all drug stores.

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