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Nine Murder Cases For Trial This Term

Killings All the Way from 44 Years
to Less Than a Week Old on Docket
of Court Which Convened Wednesday—Unusual Cases Are Those
of Joe Kemp and Frank Summers—
120 Cases on Docket.

Nine of the 120 cases appearing
on the criminal docket for trial at
the November term of Robeson Super-
ior court, which will convene Wed-
nesday morning of this week, are
murder charges. Those to face trial
on the charge of murder are:

Wesley Gibbs, deaf and dumb In-
dian, charged with killing Parker
Goin, his brother-in-law, near Row-
land, about a year ago.

R. T. Gaitley and Tom B. McNeill,
charged with killing a colored man
when he resisted arrest several
months ago. Gaitley and Ratley had
been deputized to make the arrest
and when the negro resisted he was
shot by McNeill.

Jesse and Dock Oxendine, Indians,
charged with killing Victor Bullard,
also Indian, near Buie, early last
spring.

Joe B. Kemp, charged with killing
Daniel E. McNeill, near Red Springs
44 years ago.

Ernest McPhaul, charged with kill-
ing Sellers Skipper, some two months
ago.

Jas. McLeod, colored, charged with
killing another negro, near Shannon
several months ago.

Julia Alice Morrison, colored wo-
man, charged with killing Alex.
Meares, negro man, near St. Pauls,
Tuesday of last week.

Frank Summers, charged with kill-
ing Manning Ford, near Marietta,
last February.

Unusual Murder Charges
Two very unusual murder charges
are those of Joe B. Kemp and Frank
Summers. Kemp was arrested on Sep-
tember 27, last, at St. Augustine, Fla.,
on the charge of murder committed
on August 27, 1878—44 years ago.
Kemp was later released under a \$4,
000 bond and returned to St. Augus-
tine. He has returned to Lumberton
to face trial, however. The outcome
of this trial will be watched with in-
terest.

Frank Summers was arrested at
Augusta, Ga., last July and a few
days later led Robeson officers to
the place in the woods, near Marietta,
where he had placed the body of
Manning Ford, whom he admits kill-
ing in February of this year. This
killing was not even suspected by the
parents of Ford until after Sum-
mers' wife had "turned him up" 5
months later and he admitted to Geor-
gia officers that he had killed Ford
in his home and hidden the body in
woods near by. The skeleton of Ford
and parts of his clothing were found
only a short distance from the house
in which Summers formerly lived
and in which he continued to live for
several months after the killing.

This is a two-weeks term of court
and Judge W. M. Bond of Edenton
will preside.

White Boys Charged With Housebreaking

Maston Britt and Ray Brown Admit
Entering Homes of Two Negroes—
Cases Will Be Heard in Juvenile
Court.

Maston Britt and Ray Brown, white
boys about 13 years old, were arrest-
ed Saturday afternoon on the charge
of house-breaking. The boys admit en-
tering the homes of Lock Odum and
J. F. Floyd, both colored, who live
in the southern part of town. A
pistol, a watch and some chewing to-
bacco were taken from the Odum
residence, while a pistol, a watch, a
fountain pen and \$2.50 in money were
missed from the Floyd home. Most of
the stolen goods was recovered by the
officers after the boys were arrest-
ed.

A bicycle belonging to Aaron Crom-
martie, colored, which Britt took
from in front of Mr. L. H. Caldwell's
store Saturday afternoon, also was
recovered. The boys will be given a
hearing before Mr. C. B. Skipper,
clerk of the juvenile court, this after-
noon or tomorrow.

What D'ye Mean, Poor? Kiddin' Us?
Although he captured four whiskey
manufacturing plants, 600 gallons of
beer and one blockader during the
month of October, Rural Policeman
W. W. Smith of the Maxton district
says he had a poor month's business
in that line.

Messrs W. A. Smith and W. L.
Prevatt of the Buie section are among
the visitors in town today.

Curb Market Will Be Open Next Friday

On Account of Armistice Day the
Curb Market Will Be Open Friday
of This Week Instead of Saturday
—Miss Josephine Breece Has Given
Use of Old Presbyterian Church.

CURB MARKET WILL BE OPEN ALL WINTER

Through the kindness of one of
Lumberton's finest and most gener-
ous citizens, Miss Josephine Breece,
we have been given the use of the
old Presbyterian church building on
East Fifth street for the curb market.
The gift of the use of this building
is certainly one which is appreciated
far and near. Every producer in the
county rejoices over this great kind-
ness and I am sure the town should
feel doubly proud to know that it has
a citizen so generous of heart and of
such willingness to serve her county
and town.

The market for this week will be
on Friday morning, November 10th,
instead of Saturday, inasmuch as
next Saturday is Armistice Day and
will be observed as a holiday by the
town and community. So keep this in
mind next week, we will have the
market on Friday instead of Satur-
day morning, and everybody must
keep this change in mind for this
week only.

If the weather is good this sale
will be on the curb, as the street in
being paved in front of the church
building.

Don't forget we will have a good
sale next Friday, November 10th, at
9 a. m.

Urging Women to go To Polls and Vote

Miss Mary McNeill Appointed Vice
Chairman for County—Local Com-
mittees of Ladies Named by Miss
McNeill.

Miss Mary Gilchrist McNeill, of
Lumberton, daughter of the late
Judge T. A. McNeill, has been ap-
pointed vice chairman of the county
Democratic executive committee by
Chairman T. L. Johnson. Miss Mc-
Neill has been sending out letters
urging the women to go to the polls
and vote in the election tomorrow.
She has appointed the following com-
mittees to assist in getting local
women voters to the polls: North
Lumberton—Mrs. Alf. H. McLeod,
chairman, Mesdames Chas. H. Boyd
and Moses Burney; South Lumberton
—Mrs. Regan McIntyre, chairman,
Mesdames D. D. French and E. L.
Hamilton.

Lumberton Stores Will Be Closed Nov. 11 Armistice Day

Business will be at a standstill in
Lumberton Saturday of this week,
Armistice Day, practically all mer-
chants and other business men of the
town having agreed to close their
places of business on that day.

Special attention is called to the
fact that it will be necessary to
transact on Friday of this week busi-
ness usually left until Saturday, as
stores will not be open from Friday
night until Monday morning.

As stated elsewhere in this paper,
the curb market will be open this
week on Friday, instead of Satur-
day.

JOHN JONNEGAN OF MAXTON SHOT IN DRUNKEN ROW AT HARPER'S FERRY LAST NIGHT

Wound Not Considered Serious—A. D.
Carmichael of Scotland County Ar-
rested.

A white man named John Jonne-
gan, of Maxton, was shot, but not
seriously injured, in a drunken row
near Harper's Ferry, between Maxton
and Pates, last night. A. D. Car-
michael, also white, of Scotland coun-
ty, was arrested by Rural Policeman
W. W. Smith on the charge of firing
the shot. The bullet struck a rib in
Jonnegan's left side, glanced and
passed out at his back, it is said.

Recorder's Court—Charged With Vi- olating Sanitary Laws.

Alex Wood, Chas. Mosley, Ernest
Yates and Ben Blount, all colored,
were before Recorder D. H. Fuller
Thursday on the charge of violating
the sanitary laws. Blount was found
not guilty, while all the others were
found guilty, judgment being con-
tinued upon payment of the cost.

Will Graham, colored, was up Fri-
day on the charge of stealing razors
from Mr. Howard Bullard. He was
sentenced to 30 days on the roads.

Republicans Fire A Few Guns Here

Small Boys and Few Voters at Speak-
ing Saturday Night—Mr. C. B.
Hocutt Resents Reference to Wil-
son as Traitor by Customs Collector
McCaskill and Heated Argument
Ensues—Candidate McDonald Not
Offensive.

The first Republican political ad-
dress of the 1923 campaign to be de-
livered here was made at Seasons'
store, in the eastern part of town,
Saturday night by Mr. A. L. McCaskill,
customs collector at the Wilming-
ton port. The audience was made up
largely of small boys, not more than
a twenty voters being present. The
speaker criticized the late Governor
Aycock and Bickett, former President
Wilson and everything that has been
done by the Democratic party in State
and nation. "Not one promise made
by the late Governor Aycock has been
kept," said McCaskill.

The speaking was not interrupted
until McCaskill began to denounce
Woodrow Wilson as a traitor. It was
then that Mr. C. B. Hocutt took issue
with the speaker. A heated argument
and debate followed between the two.
Although not accustomed to political
speaking, Mr. Hocutt came out of the
"encounter" flying the Demo-
cratic banner.

Mr. W. J. McDonald, Republican
candidate for Congress from the
Sixth district, announced his candi-
dacy and made an appeal for votes.
Mr. McDonald did not assail his op-
ponent, nor did he say anything
against the Democratic party. He
thinks a Republican can better re-
present the district in a Republican
Congress, he said.

Sam J. Smith Died This Morning

One of Best-Known and Wealthiest
Farmers of Robeson County Passed
at His Home Near Raynham.

By 'Phone to The Robesonian.
Fairmont, Nov. 5.—Mr. Sam J.
Smith died at 10 o'clock this morning
at his home near Raynham, 5 miles
west of Fairmont. Deceased was about
60 years old and had been in ill health
for some time, death resulting from
stomach trouble. His condition be-
came critical only a few days ago,
while traveling on a train between
Charleston and Savannah. His widow
and five children—three sons and two
daughters—survive, Mrs. E. L. Bow-
man of McDonald, being a daughter.
His widow is a daughter of the late
Mr. C. P. Grantham, who lived near
Fairmont.

Mr. Smith was one of the largest
land-owners and one of the wealthiest
and best farmers in the county. He
also owned large farming interests in
Columbus county, between Chadburn
and Whiteville, being owner of the
famous Sweets farm. He was well-
known and had many friends who will
be grieved to learn of his death.

Politics Hot in Wishart Township

Three Candidates for Road Supervisor
and Folks Are All Hot Up.

Politics in Wishart township are
the "hottest" ever known, according
to people who have recently had oc-
casion to visit in that section. One
who has lived in the township for
more than a half-century says the
Lincoln-Douglas campaign was a mild
affair compared with the present
campaign for township road super-
visor in Wishart's. There are three
candidates for this office. Mr. T. P.
Monroe was nominated at a non-parti-
san meeting of voters living in the
township. The other candidates—
Messrs. E. E. Britt and Arella Smith
—came out as "independents" after
the nomination of Mr. Monroe. A full
vote may be expected in Wishart's.

MR. ROWLAND GREGORY IS ABLE TO BE ABOUT ON CRUTCHES

Says He Was Driving on Right Side
of Road When Auto Killed His Mule
and Pretty Near Finished Him.

Mr. Rowland Gregory of the Sad-
dletree section informs The Robe-
sonian that he was driving as far to
the right as possible on the night of
October 24, when an auto driven by
Mr. A. L. Hinson struck and killed
Mr. Gregory's mule. According to Mr.
Gregory, Mr. Hinson was driving on
both sides and also in the middle of
the road. Mr. Gregory was thrown
out of his wagon and the auto ran
over his left foot and leg. He is able
to get around with the assistance of
crutches and was a Lumberton visitor
Saturday. The mule, wagon and Mr.
Gregory were dragged some 50 yards
by the car, he says.

—The Jennings Mill school gave a
box supper Saturday night of last
week, realizing \$71.67. The proceeds
will be used for the benefit of the
school.

St. Pauls News

Missionary Rally Was Ideal Occasion
—"Phone in the News to 198"—So-
cial and Personal.

By Bess G. Johnson

St. Pauls, Nov. 3.—This suitable lit-
tle quotation of J. P. Irvine's is quite
appropriate for this first of Novem-
ber: "Trees bare and brown, dry
leaves everywhere, dancing up and
down, whirling through the air, Red
cheeked apples, roasted popcorn al-
most done, toes and chestnut's toast-
ed—that's November fun."

The many friends of Mr. A. I. Mc-
Donald are glad to see him out again
after a few days' illness. Miss Mary
Lee Stirling is also convalescing.
Mrs. G. E. Thagard has a pretty
severe type of eczema, but we trust
will shortly prove convalescent. Ecz-
ema is no fun.

Miss Della McGoogan is entertain-
ing her little Sunday school class
with a Halloween party at her home
this afternoon, from 3 to 5. The lit-
tle bunch no doubt is anticipating
"wonders."

Miss Mayme Berry of Latta, who
has been in Lumberton the past few
weeks, came over Tuesday a. m. She
is now a guest of Miss Bess John-
son.

Mrs. Boyd Peele of Gibson recently
visited in the home of her mother,
Mrs. Lilly Sykes.

Mrs. Sam M. Davis, who has been a
guest of her daughter, Mrs. Paul
Montague, in Winston Salem, has re-
turned, bringing with her a little
niece, Nita Montague, who will be
with her grandparents possibly until
Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Pierce and
Mr. Pierce's sister, Mrs. Inez L. Row-
ley, arrived in town Wednesday night,
will be here a few days ere they re-
sume their automobile tour to Jack-
sonville, Fla., having made the trip
by auto from his former home, Jack-
son, Michigan.

Our ladies who attended the deli-
cious missionary rally in Lumberton
Wednesday report an ideal gather-
ing, very enjoyable features of the
a. m. session being a splendid ad-
dress by Mrs. W. A. West of Fayette-
ville, who is president of the Presby-
terial, and one by Miss Pattie Wat-
kins of Flora Macdonald college, who
is very widely known, which was al-
so enjoyed. Besides other very inter-
esting talks in the afternoon session,
two of our St. Pauls ladies, Mrs. E.
C. Murray and Miss Della McGoog-
an, made short talks, the former dis-
cussing the cause of foreign missions
while the latter discussed the impor-
tance of Bible and mission study.

Those from the local auxiliary of our
town attending, we note Mesdames E.
C. Murray, J. A. McGeachy, J.
Browne Evans, W. D. Johnson, L. I.
Grantham, Ann Odum, and Misses
Della McGoogan and Sallie Hughes,
all being very favorably impressed with
the delightful hospitality of the
ladies of their sister town, Lumberton.

Mr. Chas. Upchurch of Athens, Ga.,
spent Wednesday at the home of Mr.
J. F. Locke on Main street.

Tuesday of next week is voting day.
Did you ladies realize it?

Mr. J. C. McGoogan of Quitman,
Ga., arrived in St. Pauls today for
a few days visit to his people here.
He is a son of Mrs. D. A. McGoogan,
who resides on Armfield street.

A bunch of deer hunters from here
went over in Bladen county Tuesday
p. m., returning Thursday night.
Among those in the crowd we note
Messrs. Jas. A. and W. D. Johnson, L.
I. Grantham, J. C. Lindsay, Charles
Allen Monroe, Jim Butler, Dr. J.
Fred Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Christian,
whose present headquarters is Lum-
berton, recently departed their many
friends here by running over for a
little visit.

Well, we've gotten our phone. The
number is 198. If any of you have
news any time you wish to get in,
why do not forget. We are at your
service. The number will be inserted
in the new directory but until then
remember 108 and a very grateful
heart will await you at this end of
the line always.
"William Todd" advanced vaudeville
festival will be here next week, be-
ginning November 6th; Marine band
and orchestra; plenty of music and
delightful performance anticipated.

Quite a nice time was realized at
the oyster supper given by the Camp
Fire girls in the Culbreth building
last Tuesday evening, \$52.50 being
taken in.

Red Cross Roll Call Begins November 11

Robeson County is Expected to Make
Fine Showing—Films Showing War
Scenes Will be Shown All Over
County—Special Program for All
Schools.

On Armistice Day, Saturday, Novem-
ber 11th, the sixth annual Roll Call
for Red Cross subscriptions will begin
all over the civilized world. Robeson
county will make the best showing
this year it has ever made. This will
be the greatest effort ever put forth
for the great and important work in
the Red Cross chapters all over the
county.

In addition to the regular methods
by the various chapters in the county,
another feature will be added this
year. This will be the special Red
Cross film, showing actual war
scenes and various features of the
work of this great organization. This
picture will be shown in all towns
in the county having electric current
and some others by the aid of the
community service bureau of the
county. A special program will be ar-
ranged in all these schools, special
music will be furnished, and a short
talk will be made by ex-service men
and other workers. Supt. J. R. Poole
has given much aid and assistance by
providing methods and assisting in the
programs for putting on the work at
the various points.

A list of the towns and schools at
which this special picture will be
shown will appear in Thursday's edi-
tion of this paper. All schools and
teachers making any contributions
or assisting in the work will be given
honorable mention through the col-
umns of the various newspapers in
the county at an early date. At Fair-
mont, the work has already commenc-
ed. A special meeting has been re-
cently held, and reports from that
section are most encouraging. From
other sections reports are com-
ing in daily of work being done for
this great cause, according to Mr.
L. R. Stephens of Lumberton, who is
chairman of the Lumberton Red Cross
chapter and will be in charge of the
roll call for Robeson.

Parkton Letter

A Rare Musical Treat—Band Meets
Tuesday Night—Little Cotton Left
in Fields—Setting Strawberries—
Other Items.

By C. D. Williamson

Parkton, Nov. 4.—The entertain-
ment given by the Southern Bureau
of Music of Fayetteville Thursday
night at the school auditorium was
a great success. Mr. Frank Blount
appeared on the stage at 8 o'clock
and announced the program that fol-
lowed, saying that they appreciated
the opportunity of giving a concert
at Parkton to such a large house,
stating that the music would be of
a classical nature; and we say that
he uttered the truth for it was very
much so. The first selection consum-
ed a little more than 15 minutes and
during the entire time the order was
perfect. In this selection Miss Ast
proved to the large audience to be
the superior of all violinists ever
come our way or that we ever heard.
The accompaniment at the piano by
her father was unexcelled. His touch
was sublime and we can truthfully say
such music is educational. Yet we
see and hear pianists who claim to
be up to their job bang right along
the same old way all the time and
never try to execute or account any
strain no more than if it wasn't put
there to play.

Miss Cotton, vocalist, was a charm,
not only in voice but appearance. Al-
so the violin duet rendered by Miss
Ast and Mr. Blount was unexcelled.
We have had Chautauques and vari-
ous musical concerts given here be-
fore, but the one given here Thurs-
day night excelled them all in pleas-
ing that large audience. Door re-
ceipts were more than \$60.

Dr. H. G. Hill of Maxton will
speak here tomorrow evening at the
Presbyterian church in the interest
of the Ladies' Missionary society.

We read in the paper that the
county school teachers made a fine
showing in Lumberton a week ago,
their good looks, etc., and he was
right. The Parkton faculty was well
represented there and taking the
faculty as a whole we say they can't
be beat and to single them out they
would beat the U. S. and to judge
our principal by his looks he should
be Governor some day.

Messrs. T. W. Thompson, C. A.
Boddinhammer and J. Q. Parnell
made a business trip to Charlotte
this week. Some cotton kings.

Prof. W. N. Worth of Fayetteville
spent Thursday night in our town
and advised the Parkton band that
he would meet with the band regard-
less on next Tuesday p. m., and all
members are urged to be present at
the hall over A. F. Hughes store at

NEXT CALL WEDNESDAY

The second issue of THE
ROBESONIAN this week will be
published Wednesday, instead of
Thursday. This will enable the pa-
per to carry election news to its
readers earlier and will make more
effective the messages of advertis-
ers who are reminding the peo-
ple that their stores will be closed
Saturday of this week in order
to observe Armistice Day. Ad-
vertisers will please note that the
next issue will be published a day
earlier than usual which will make
it necessary for them to get in
their copy a day earlier.

Cotton Market

Middling cotton is quoted on the
local market today at 24 1-3 cents
the pound; strict middling 25 cents.
Middling sold here Saturday for 25
cents the pound.

Items of Local News

—Regular communication of St. AL
bans lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M.,
Tuesday evening 7:30. Work in sec-
ond degree.

—The regular monthly meeting of
the mayor and town commissioners
will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30.

—Premium winners at the recent
Robeson county fair can get prem-
iums by calling at the office of Mr.
W. O. Thompson, Chestnut street,
Lumberton.

—Building Inspector Ed J. Glover
issued permits for the erection of
three residences in Lumberton during
the month of October.

—S. A. Hammond, Indian, who
lives on R. 2 from Lumberton,
brought to The Robesonian office
Saturday an unusual sweet potato,
one that is rather "tall" in length
and large around, too.

—A Ford touring car belonging to
Rev. Mr. McLaurin, pastor of the
Presbyterian church at Rowland, was
stolen Saturday night. The car was
abandoned at Laurinburg, however,
and recovered by the owner.

—Fire Chief Ed J. Glover return-
ed Friday night from Logan's Port
Indiana, where he attended a meet-
ing of fire chiefs. He reports both an
interesting and profitable meeting.

—Mr. A. Weinstein and Mr. Oscar
M. Israel left last night for New York
city for the purpose of buying ready-
to wear merchandise for A. Weinst-
ein's department store. They expect
to be away about 10 days.

—Lumberton business houses gen-
erally will be closed Saturday of
this week, November 11—Armistice
Day. Shoppers are being urged to do
their Saturday shopping on Friday,
as Saturday hours will be observed
on that day.

—A white 'possum with red eyes
is a recent addition to the Lum-
berton zoo. The 'possum was captured
in the Flowers swamp, near Bloom-
ingdale church, recently by Mr.
Carlton Floyd of that section. Mr.
Ed J. Glover purchased the unusual
colored 'possum from Mr. Floyd Sat-
urday. Many people who have seen
the 'possum declare they had never
before seen one of that color.

—Although the "Laura Werno
Ladies Quartet" as it appeared here
was not a quartet at all, but a trio
the fourth lady not being there, the
three ladies who were on hand gave
a delightful entertainment at the
school auditorium Thursday evening.
Miss Werno, dramatic interpreter and
musician, and the two ladies with her
rendered a charming program that
was thoroughly enjoyed by a fair-
sized audience. This was the first of
five attractions of a Redpath Lyceum
course under the auspices of the
Woman's club, and if the other num-
bers are anything like as good the
season tickets are ridiculously cheap
at the price at which they are offer-
ed.

7:30.
Cotton gins are rushing as usual
and the receipts run high; but little
left in the fields at present and there
will not be enough frost-bitten cotton
this season in our township to stuff
little Mary Currie's baby doll pil-
low.

Mr. J. G. Hughes is setting straw-
berries and several others have set
several acres and we predict many
more and ere many years a market
in our town same as Chadburn. If
not why not.

Mr. J. A. Johnson of St. Pauls was
a business visitor to our town today.
Sheriff Lewis and his assistant, al-
so a representative of The Robeson-
ian, Mr. Britt, spent a day in our
town this week. The sheriff thinks
crops good up our way compared to
the southern part of the county. We
believe he made a fair collection of
taxes for the first go-round.

The writer spent last Sunday in
Lumberton and had the pleasure of
hearing Dr. Beaman preach at the M.
E. church, which was a treat. And the
birthday dinner with my people, Mr.
and Mrs. Justin McNeill! don't
mention it! caused me to feel younger
than ever—we will never forget.