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Woodson May Run For Congress

Zeb Long To Probe Sheriff's Slaying

SOLICITOR WILL MAKE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION

Advices Carolina Watchman Complete Probe Will Be Made During September Term Of Court.

UNDECIDED AS TO WHAT CHARGE BE PREFERRED

Solicitor's Heart Saddened By Sheriff's Untimely Death

Solicitor Zeb V. Long, of the fifteenth judicial district, will make a thorough probe into the slaying of Sheriff W. L. McKenzie, by Scott Winders, demented world war veteran, during the September term of the Superior Court, according to a communication addressed to The Carolina Watchman by Mr. Long, which has just been received.

Mr. Long stated that he had not decided what charges he will prefer against Mr. Winders, but would be governed by the evidence.

Mr. Long's letter was an instant in which you are to the trial of Scott Winders who slew Sheriff McKenzie recently to hand this morning. "Naturally all charges of the violation of the law occurring since last Court will come up for investigation at the coming Term of your Superior Court.

"I never know what charges the State may prefer until I investigate the case. Therefore, all of the information that I am able to give you is that this case will be thoroughly investigated at the coming term and such action taken in the Courts as the evidence warrants.

"My heart is deeply saddened for the untimely, tragic passing of this noble Officer and splendid gentleman. "With best wishes, "I am, "Yours truly, "ZEB V. LONG, Solicitor."

It will be recalled that Sheriff W. Locke McKenzie was fatally shot by Scott Winders on the morning of July 16, 1931, at the latter's home where the sheriff had gone to answer a complaint relative to the conduct of Winders and threats made by him against relatives and officials of the veterans bureau in Charlotte.

Immediately after the shooting Winders was taken to the Mecklenburg county jail for safe keeping. Several days later he was returned to Salisbury for a coroner's inquest and was held without bail for the murder of Sheriff McKenzie.

It is considered likely that Winders will be tried at the September term of the Rowan County Superior court which convenes September 14.

BEAR STRANGLES SELF WITH ROPE

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 5.—Evidence indicated a bear committed suicide here while a humane society officer was en route to investigate complaints that the animal growled too much, disturbing neighbors.

The bear was tittered along with a coyote and dog, behind the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pruett, show people temporarily forced to work in restaurants here. John Varner, humane officer, found the body of the bear.

"It was almost as if he had heard I was coming and had taken that way out of the trouble," Varner said. "The body still was warm."

"The bear had been tittered to the top of a window. It had climbed on a box and had turned round and round until the rope was tight, then jumped off, dying of strangulation."

The Pruett's were grieved by the loss of their pet.

GOOD MORNING

Contributions to this column are welcomed.

To be available for publication, all articles must be short and snappy, accompanied by the name and the address of the author. Copy should be typewritten and double spaced. Contributors are requested to keep copy of matter submitted, as the editor of this column will not return manuscripts. Address communications: Editor GOOD MORNING, care of The Carolina Watchman, Salisbury, N. C.

FOUR PRECEPTS

A farmer, realizing his days were limited, called his son to his bedside and admonished him to obey the following four rules throughout his life:

1. Speak ill of no man.
2. Keep good company.
3. Join the Baptist church.
4. DON'T SELL ANY CORN.

SUMMER

I love to lie and idly dream

By some far-off secluded stream

Where willows reach in lithe festoons,

While blending rise a thousand tunes,

From earth to sky,

A summer tune.

I love to dream, and idly dream

While frogs croak loud their mellow tone,

And all the world is well my home,

When singing streams are decked, with foam,

And all is green,

With hope serene.

REBELLIOUS

A color expert advises men to wear

bright-colored clothes so that motorists

can see them better. If a motorist

can't hit us in this gray suit, he needn't

think we're going to help him.—New York Evening Post.

THE NEW PATRIOTISM

"Here comes the parade, and your

Aunt Helen will miss it. Where is she?"

"She's upstairs waving her hair."

"Mercy! Can't we afford a flag?"—Kennebec Journal.

MILESTONES

"We are celebrating our maid's jubilee today."

"Has she been with you twenty-five years?"

"No, she is the twenty-fifth we have had this year."—Vart Hem (Stockholm).

TO A PROSPECTIVE BRIDE

Come, dwell with me and be my spouse

Within a cute ten-payment house;

And we will have, you may be sure,

The best installment furniture.

A fifteen-payment radio,

A thirteen-payment set of Poe,

A baby grand, a cute coupe (With twenty-seven weeks to pay).

I'll buy three precious gems antique (At twenty down and ten a week),

And we will live, as man and wife, An up-to-date installment life! —A. L. L. in Judge.

STATEMENT

Effective with this issue of The Carolina Watchman a change of ownership is announced whereby the publication along with all rights, contracts, subscription lists, and property pass to the ownership and direction of The Carolina Watchman Publishing Company, a local corporation, headed by E. W. G. Huffman and S. Holmes Plexico, president and secretary-treasurer, respectively. Although The Carolina Watchman Publishing Company was only recently organized, The Carolina Watchman has been published for over 99 years and now has the distinction of being the oldest newspaper published in North Carolina, according to records received from Raleigh. There will be no change in the name of the paper.

In the acquisition of The Carolina Watchman, the new management feels that there is

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS IN BRIEF

ROYALL IS SECRETARY Raleigh—Clairborne Royall, of Goldsboro, has been appointed secretary to Senator Cameron Morrison.

KING MAINTAINS INNOCENCE Asheville—C. R. King, 35, now in Arkansas, who is wanted for slaying two men in North Carolina, stoutly maintains his innocence.

OVER-PRODUCTION IS REASON Henderson—A decided over-production is blamed by George W. Hill, president of American Tobacco company, for the low prices being paid for tobacco this year.

LOSES LIFE IN ATTEMPT Edenton—Woodrow Ellington, 18, of High Point, was drowned when he jumped into the water near here in an attempt to save Miss Margaret McCabe, of Greensboro. She swam to safety.

SEVEN PRISONERS ESCAPE Greensboro—Seven prisoners serving 30-day sentences for trespass, took French leave from jail. Three other prisoners in the same block refused to leave when the way was opened for them.

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DELLINGER CASTS HIS HAT FOR SENATOR; HAS SEVEN HOUSE.

Cherryville, Aug. 5.—David P. Dellinger of Cherryville, who has served as a member and officer of the North Carolina General Assembly from Gaston county for 20 years, has formally announced his candidacy for lieutenant governor in the 1932 primary.

Mr. Dellinger was born in this county, a son of John C. and Barbara Glenn Dellinger, being a distant relative of the late Gov. Robert B. Glenn.

He attended the public schools, old Rutherford college and the University of North Carolina.

The candidate is an active Mason, both York and Scottish rites and Shrine, and is a member of many other orders.

He has been an active Baptist church worker since 12 years of age and has devoted a large part of his time to church, lodge and civic work.

Mr. Dellinger has often served as speaker pro tem of the house of representatives, a point he raises in qualifying his fitness to serve as president of the state senate.

OVER 3 MILLION LOANED VETERANS

The office also sent out 87,741 checks for compensation and disability allowances. These totaled \$3,589,551.80, making the total amount of money paid out through the Charlotte office in the year \$17,850,095.10.

There were 11,270 new applications received for treatment, compensation and disability allowance during the year.

WIFE WOUNDED

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DOG SAVES VILLAGE

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Who's Who In Rowan

COUNTY OFFICIALS

- BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
- H. E. Rufty, Chairman, Salisbury, N. C.
 - O. L. Linn, Landis.
 - T. M. Byrd, Granite Quarry.
 - J. T. Graham, Cleveland.
 - J. E. Hoffman, Franklin.
 - Cal L. Miller, Sheriff.
 - B. D. McCubbins, clerk of court.
 - W. D. Kizziah, register of deeds.
 - J. E. Haynes, auditor.
 - C. E. Gooch, county court judge.
 - J. Allen Dunn, solicitor.
 - W. L. Tatum, coroner.
 - N. A. Trexler, surveyor.
 - Hayden Clement, State Senator.
 - Geo. R. Uzzell and E. W. G. Huffman, Representatives in the House.
 - W. G. Yeager, County agent.
 - C. W. Armstrong, health officer.
 - Mrs. Mary O. Linton, welfare officer.
 - Geo. Houck, county home superintendent.
 - Hope Elliott, jailor.

Rowan Mutual

Has Good Year

Re-election of Dr. C. M. Van Poole, as president, and the reception of reports of its financial standing, featured the annual meeting of the Rowan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, held recently. W. D. Graham was re-elected vice-president and C. R. Julian, secretary-treasurer.

The meeting was attended by several hundred farmers who hold policies in the company.

This company has 2,632 policy holders, who carry over five million in fire insurance, while 18,000 was paid out for all purposes last year, there being no indebtedness against the company.

All members of the old board of directors were re-elected: W. M. Deal, C. A. Brown, A. V. Sloop, W. B. Hartley, D. M. Barger, W. A. Cline, H. L. McLaughlin, C. A. Campbell, T. L. File, S. E. Baker, T. D. Brown, J. F. Campbell and D. W. Myers.

SALISBURY MAN IS CONSIDERING ENTERING RACE

Will Decide Definitely Around First Of The Year, He Says.

FORMER STATE SENATOR BEING URGED TO RUN

Political Leaders Do Not Believe Farmer Bob Doughton Will Be Aspirant.

Walter H. Woodson, local attorney and former State Senator for a number of terms, will probably enter the race for Congress next year, according to reports current in political circles in this district.

When interviewed last night by a representative of The Carolina Watchman, Mr. Woodson declined to either confirm or deny these reports but intimated that he was seriously considering entering the race.

"I shall not make any announcement in reference to being a candidate for Congress until probably around the first of the year. I believe a short and fast race is all that is necessary, and, if I enter, there is no need of announcing at this time." Mr. Woodson stated to The Watchman representative last night.

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