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SHOT BY POLICEMAN.

Will Ramsey, colored, runs when warrant charging him with selling liquor is read to him and is shot in the back by policeman McQuage.

Early Tuesday night policeman W. J. McQuage arrested Tom Allen, colored, for being drunk and disorderly. Allen's fine and the cost amounted to \$3.95, and the policeman accompanied the negro to Rutherford street to give him an opportunity to raise the money to pay the fine. As they were passing the store of Mr. C. M. Bruner, policeman McQuage saw Will Ramsey a one arm colored man standing in the door of the store and as he had a warrant for his arrest, on the charge of selling whisky in Monroe, he stopped and pulled out the paper and commenced reading it to him. By this time the policeman, still having Allen in town, had also stepped into the door of the store, but before he finished reading the warrant Ramsey pushed him aside and jumped into the street and ran diagonally across the same in the direction of Mr. J. J. Little's stables. McQuage, as quick as he could, also ran out of the store and drew his pistol, a .41 calibre Colts, and fired twice. Ramsey continued to run and not until the following morning did the officer learn that the negro had been hit by one of the bullets from his pistol.

Ramsey went to the home of his brother, near the old tole house, and sent for Dr. Bennett. The doctor found him sitting up smoking a cigarette, with a big hole in the center of his back. Just to look at the wound it would seem almost impossible that one would recover from it but, strange to say, so far Ramsey has had no bad symptoms and the chances now are that it will not prove fatal.

Mr. McQuage claims that he did not shoot to hit the fleeing man, but to scare him and make him stop. He thinks the ball first hit the ground and then glanced and struck Ramsey. He had a preliminary hearing before Esq. G. W. Rogers yesterday morning, at which time Dr. Bennett, who was the only witness examined, gave it as his opinion that Ramsey would get well, but also stated that it would be several days before he was out of danger. On this evidence Messrs. H. H. McLendon and Jas. A. Lockhart, who appeared for the State, contended that the officer was not entitled to bail, but should be committed to jail until it appeared that Ramsey was entirely out of danger. On the other hand Cox & Brock, who appeared for McQuage, contended that their client was clearly entitled to bail, and it was this view of the case that Squire Rogers finally adopted. Bail was placed at \$800 and was promptly given.

Tom Allen, the negro policeman McQuage had in charge when the trouble with Ramsey occurred, also ran, but later in the night was located at the depot. In again effecting his arrest Mr. McQuage fired several shots, one of them knocking off the heel of the fleeing man's shoe.

Death Of Mr. John W. Huntley.

Mr. John W. Huntley died at his home in White Store township last night about 10 o'clock. He was 86 years of age and had been in failing health several years. Mr. Huntley, before the frailties incident to old age came upon him, was active in the public affairs of the county and was widely known and respected for his good sense and honesty of purpose. For quite a number of years he lived quietly on his farm, and took no part in public affairs. His surviving children are: Mrs. Edaline Gaddy and Mr. F. T. Huntley, of Wadesboro, Mrs. Alfred Lowery, Mr. J. C. Huntley and Misses Mary and Mattie Huntley, of White Store.

Notice.

The "Nona Institute," Ansonville, N. C., will begin its first session Oct. 2nd, 1907. Those who desire tuition or board can obtain further information from B. R. Phelps, Lock Box 245, Monroe, N. C., or from Mr. W. A. Smith, Ansonville.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Cases Disposed of After Our Report of Last Week Closed—Henry Bennett convicted of Assault With Intent to Commit Rape and Sentenced to 12 Years in the Penitentiary.

The following cases were disposed of in the Superior Court after our report of last week closed:

Will Howell, assault and battery; \$50 and the cost.

Jonas Cole, larceny; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

Preston Odum, forcible trespass; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

Jim Smith, false pretense; not guilty.

Walter DeBerry, attempt to wreck train; not guilty.

Sam Kirkland, gambling; 2 months on roads.

Gus Sanders, gambling; 2 months on roads.

Frank Humphrey, gambling; 3 months on roads.

Rial Kenney, gambling; 4 months on roads.

George and Wiley Dunlap, who had been given terms of six months each on the roads for assault and battery, were allowed to pay fines, the first \$50 and half the cost, and the latter \$25 and half the cost, after which they were released.

The trial of Henry Bennett, colored, who was charged with raping a little colored girl, consumed all of Thursday. The negro was convicted of assault with intent to commit rape, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for 12 years. Notice of appeal was given by the negro's leading counsel, Mr. J. T. Bennett.

The case of the State against Dan E. Teal for dangerously cutting Mr. Cary Allen was continued. Mr. Teal's bond, which he has not yet given, was placed at \$400.

Court adjourned for the term late Friday afternoon.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

"We, the grand jury of September term of Superior Court of Anson county, respectfully submit the following report:

"We have transacted the business sent us by the State's counsel, and have presented such violations of law as have come to our knowledge.

"A committee of six of our number has visited the Wadesboro township chain gang, and find the quarters in a clean and comfortable condition, and the convicts say they have plenty to eat and wear, and seem well cared for. We find that the cook room and cooking vessels at the quarters are not kept in a clean condition, and we recommend that these be attended to promptly.

"We have visited the county home, and found everything clean and nice, and the inmates all seem satisfied with their treatment. We recommend that the leaks in the tin roofs at the home be stopped, and that all the roofs be painted at once.

"We have so visited the offices of the clerk of court, sheriff and register of deeds, and find all in good condition. We found the books of the clerk and register very neatly kept and in good shape.

"We recommend that new furniture be secured for the clerk of the court's office, as the old furniture therein is unsightly.

"We also recommend that the vaults of the offices of the clerk of court and register of deeds be fitted up with the steel filing system to preserve the valuable records stored therein.

"We find that some guardians and administrators are very dilatory in making their reports.

"We recommend that the city water be placed in the court house, so that it can be drawn at one or more places therein.

"We find a good many repairs needed about the court house. Several window lights are out, repairs are needed on the roof. The iron shutters to the windows should all be painted without delay, and we especially recommend that these iron shutters should always be kept closed except when the court room and offices are in actual use, as this precaution might save the court house, in case of fire, especially at night.

"We also visited the county jail in a body, and found the jail kept in as good condition as the present arrangements will admit.

"Owing to the congestion of our criminal docket, we recommend that the county commissioners ask for a special term of court to be held in November, 1907, and that Judge Jas. L. Webb preside.

"W. K. BOGGAN, Foreman."

WHITE MAN KILLED AT FALLS.

Captain Thos. Griffith Knocked Into the River While Standing on Dam and Instantly Killed.

Captain Thomas Griffith, foreman of the force handling concrete at Blewett Falls, was the victim of a fatal accident Monday. Mr. Griffith, while standing on the dam directing the work of the men under him, was struck by the large iron hoops used in transporting, across the river, over a wire cable, heavy material for the construction of the dam, and knocked into the river, falling a distance of about 40 feet.

The body of the unfortunate man struck the water at the mouth of one of the speedways of the dam, and such was the force of the water that it was sucked beneath the current and jammed against the masonry of the dam. After half an hour's hard work the body was finally recovered, but not until a rope was made fast around it so that it could be drawn from the fast rushing waters.

Captain Griffith went from Rockingham, where he has a wife and child living, to the Falls.

Death of Mrs. S. H. Brock, of Monroe.

Mrs. Mary Shaw Brock, wife of Rev. S. H. Brock, of Monroe, died suddenly at her home in that place Friday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock, aged 64 years. Mrs. Brock had been a sufferer from heart trouble several years, but her health for a month and a half before her death had been better than it had been in a long time. On the afternoon of her death she expressed herself to those around her as feeling unusually well. When the summons came she was sitting in her chair and without saying a word fell forward and died almost instantly. The only person in the house at the time was a colored servant, Mr. Brock being away from home engaged in a meeting. The servant, thinking Mrs. Brock had only fainted, summoned a physician, but when the medical man arrived she had already breathed her last.

The interment was in the cemetery at Marshville Saturday, the exercises being conducted by Revs. J. L. Shinn, of the Baptist church, and Geo. H. Atkinson, of the Presbyterian church.

Mayor W. E. Brock, of Wadesboro is the only surviving child of the deceased, and he has the tenderest sympathy of his many friends here and elsewhere in his affliction.

Colored Boy Accidentally Killed at the Falls.

Monday afternoon Bun McRae, a colored boy of about 17 years of age, met a horrible death at Blewett Falls. The boy was standing between the cement house and the railroad when a train came along and caught him between a box car and the side of the house, instantly crushing his life out. So tightly wedged was the body between the car and the house that it was necessary to saw several boards out of the side of the house before the body could be removed. McRae is a native of this county and had the reputation of being an unusually reliable boy.

New Law Firm.

The announcement that Messrs. H. H. McLendon and F. E. Thomas have formed a copartnership for the practice of law will be read with interest throughout this section. Mr. McLendon is one of the best known attorneys of Wadesboro and has for a number of years enjoyed a large and lucrative practice. Mr. Thomas, while well known throughout the county, only recently secured his license. He is a young man of ability and his friends expect to see him climb to the top of the ladder.

Ordination Services.

H. W. Lowery will be ordained to the office of deacon in Mineral Springs Baptist church next Sunday. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. J. P. Boyd. Two sermons, one at 11 o'clock, a. m., and the other in the afternoon. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Public cordially invited.

C. H. MARTIN, Pastor.

Don't miss the Millinery Opening at the Busy Corner next Thursday.

DEATH OF MR. E. R. SIMONS.

He Passed Away Sunday Night at His Home in Statesville.

The many friends here and elsewhere in Anson of Mr. E. R. Simons will be grieved to hear of his death, which occurred at his home in Statesville about 12 o'clock Sunday night. Mr. Simons health had not been good for some time, but he took his bed for the last time only five days before his death.

Mr. Simons, who was about 60 years of age, was a native of Anson and for many years was in business here with the late Capt. J. T. Bradley. The name of the firm was Bradley & Simons, and they did business in the building east of the court house now used by the Blalock Hardware Co. as a storage room. In 1891 Mr. Simons and Mr. W. A. Thomas went to Statesville and engaged in the hardware business. In 1901 Mr. Simons retired from active connection with the hardware firm and soon thereafter established the North State Veneer Co.

In 1889 Mr. Simons married Miss Mary Lock McCorkle, daughter of Judge M. L. McCorkle, of Newton. His wife and six children survive. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Sallie Williams, who was at his bedside when the end came, and one brother, Mr. E. L. Simons, both of Lilesville.

The Statesville Landmark, in noting his death, said of Mr. Simons: "Mr. Simons was a quiet, reserved gentleman and was intimately known to but few people. To his acquaintances he was companionable and agreeable. Those who knew him intimately knew his worth and knew him to be one of the best of men in all the relations of life. He was a good citizen, an honorable, upright man, one who feared God and eschewed evil. One who was intimately acquainted with him in business and otherwise for 20 years says he never knew him to do a dishonorable act; that in all matters he was straight and clean. He was generous and kindly but he made no show of his good deeds. He was one of those who passed quietly on his way, whose worth was known to but few, but whose death is a loss not only to his family and friends but to the community."

Delegates Appointed.

The daughters of the Confederacy met Saturday and appointed the following named ladies delegates and alternates to the State Convention, which meets in Greensboro October 9th: Mrs. Eugene Little, Mrs. C. M. Burns, Jr., Miss Elsie Bennett; alternates, Mrs. V. W. Boshammér, Mrs. J. M. Wall, Miss Nan Little.

To the general convention, which will be held in Norfolk, delegates were elected as follows: Mesdames L. L. Little, J. D. Leak and W. A. Ingram; alternates, Mesdames L. D. Robinson and W. A. Lucas and Miss Marion Little.

Surprise Marriage Last Night.

Last night, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Lewis Griggs, in South Wadesboro, Mr. Ed. F. Sullivan and Miss Hattie Griggs were married. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. A. Smith. The marriage was a great surprise to the friends of the young couple, as none of them had any idea they were contemplating such a step. Mr. Sullivan is studying for the ministry and is working his way through college. He and his bride left on the 9:30 train for Wake Forest, where they will keep house while he pursues his studies.

Serious Cutting Affair.

Monday morning, at Pee Dee, two Blewett Falls negroes got into a difficulty and one of them cut the other on the leg, severing an artery, and inflicting a dangerous wound. Fortunately Dr. McDonald, the Falls physician, was close at hand or the negro would have bled to death. The name of the negro who did the cutting is Hamp Cane, but we have not been able to learn the name of the negro who was cut.

Next Thursday will be opening day at Liles' Millinery Department.

WORK AT BLEWETT FALLS.

Rockingham Power Company Preparing to Transmit Power to Wilmington and Intervening Towns.

We clip the following news item concerning the Blewett Falls water power development from Tuesday's Wilmington Star:

"Parties returning the past week from the giant construction work of the Rockingham Power Company, of this city, at Blewett's Falls, in Anson county, report the work as progressing satisfactorily. More than a thousand workmen are employed and those acquainted with the situation say it is entirely within the range of probability that Wilmington will be lighted with electricity from the plant some time during the new. That it is the bona fide purpose of the company to transmit power to Wilmington is evidenced from the fact that in all the towns of importance between here and Rockingham, the company's engineers have been surveying and negotiating with the municipal authorities with regard to contracts for the town lighting. At Lumberton, possibly the most important town between here and Rockingham and closest to Wilmington, it is learned from a reliable source that the company has been negotiating for the purchase of a site near the depot undoubtedly wanted for the establishment of a sub-station. At Lumberton the company has also been negotiating with the town authorities relative to furnishing electricity for lights and power, supplanting the municipal plant which is now operated there."

Rev. Chas. M. Fetter to Return to this Section.

It will be good news to the many friends here of Rev. Chas. M. Fetter to learn that he is to return to this section. Mr. Fetter, who was pastor of the Episcopal church here several years ago, has accepted the pastorate of the churches of this denomination at Rockingham, Hamlet and Laurinburg. Mr. Fetter has been pastor of a church at Buena Vista, Va., and the Times newspaper of that place speaks of him as follows, in noting his giving up his work there:

"We use the words advisedly when we say that Buena Vista will suffer a public calamity in the loss of Rev. Chas. M. Fetter. Leaving aside personal attachment which has grown up between him and most of us, Buena Vista can at this particular time ill afford to lose a broad gauge man, especially a broad minded man, who occupies the position as a minister and a moulder of public opinion.

"The best work of a gentleman is that a man can entertain widely different views from others and at the same time remain on perfectly friendly terms with his opponent. A truly broad minded man always grants to the other party the same privilege of entertaining his own views that he takes for himself, even though he may know those views are wrong and he, above all things, never makes a personal issue of differences of opinion."

Mr. R. A. Carter Dies in Florida.

A letter received here today by Mr. J. S. Richardson from his son, Mr. P. K. Richardson, who lives in Florida, contains the sad intelligence of the death of M R A Carter, which occurred at McIntosh, Fla., Sunday. He died of paralysis. Mr. Carter lived for many years near Ansonville this county, and has many friends throughout this section who will be grieved to learn of his death.

A Distinguished Visitor With Us.

The friends of Captain Wm. May Hammond, of Thomasville Georgia, are delighted to greet him in their midst and to extend to him the warm hand of appreciation. He is an honor to this community, the place of his birth, and the home of his father, grand-father and great-grand-father. His success in the place of his adoption has been marked and enviable.

R. T. B.

Wadesboro to Have a Furniture Factory.

Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock Mayor Brock started around town soliciting subscriptions to the capitol stock of a furniture factory for Wadesboro. In a very short time he secured subscriptions aggregating \$5,000, and this morning he informed a representative of the v. & I. that there is no doubt but that all the stock needed would be secured and that the factory will be built.

POLKTON LOCALS.

The warm weather is opening the cotton rapidly and ripening the corn. Our farmers, consequently, are very busy.

Mr. T. B. Goodman spent last Sunday in Charlotte.

Mr. Edmund Maske has entered school at Wingate.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Beachum, who have been living in Hamlet for some time, are now making our town their home. Mr. Beachum has been a freight conductor on the S. A. L. railroad for several years.

Mr. Howard Bricker, captain of a steam shovel force on the railroad the Standard Oil Company is building into Norfolk, is at home on a vacation.

Dr. T. M. Smith spent several days last week in the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, taking treatment for a malignant attack of neuralgia. He returned home Monday evening very much improved in health.

The Messrs. Carter have moved one of their saw mills to the land of Mr. J. J. Medley, three miles north of Polkton.

Rev. Mr. DeVane, pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place for several years, made his farewell trip here last Sunday. He will go to Oklahoma in a short time.

Misses Essie Martin and Fanny Birmingham have entered Littleton Lemale College.

Miss Rosa Beachum is visiting in Rockingham.

Master Hargrave Parker of Burnsville, is attending Polkton High School. He is making his headquarters at Mr. T. C. Baucom's.

Mr. Walker Thaxton is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mittie Thaxton of our town.

Mrs. George W. Hendley and daughter, Miss Emma, are guests of Mrs. T. M. Smith this week.

Mr. E. F. Thomas, spent Monday evening with friends in Polkton.

Miss Fanning George Crump leaves this week for Red Springs where she will enter school.

Mr. M. W. Goodman, mail carrier on Polkton route number three spent Sunday at his home here. He recently purchased the telephone central at Bivens' Store, and will put it in first class condition.

Mrs. Henry Hutchinson is spending several days with her sister, Mrs. R. G. Austin, of Polkton.

Miss Lou A. Edwards has returned from an extended business trip to Baltimore and other northern cities.

Mrs. Fanny Pope is visiting friends and relatives in the vicinity of Fountain Hill and Deep Springs.

"Progress" is getting out timber for a commodious house on his Clyfton Oak plantation.

PROGRESS.

Spring Hill Items, Near Polkton.

The cotton crop will be 11,989,736 bales, so let her go to 15 cents at once, please.

Dr. T. M. Smith returned Monday from Charlotte, where he had been in hospital for something like neuralgia in a very severe form.

Mr. Dewese had one of his fingers badly cut in the gin of Mr. S. K. Harris.

A boy baby came to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gales Monday evening. Haven't learned his name yet.

We have received the Scottish Chief, of Maxton, through some friend. Thanks. It is a first class local paper and should have the liberal support of the people in Robeson county.

Mr. J. W. Gale and son, Irwin, spent several days in Rockingham visiting relatives and friends.

Rev. J. C. Black is protracting a meeting at Fountain Hill this week.

Rev. Black will commence a protracted meeting in the Baptist church in Polkton the second Sunday in October.

Mrs. E. M. Pope is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. P. Rushing, at Fountain Hill.

Mr. John Moore was visiting Mr. Charley Williams Sunday.

The latest news from Mr. Isham Gurley was that, providence permitting, he would visit on the Hill next Sunday.

PAT.

Busy Corner Millinery Opening takes place next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20th, 27th and 28th. The public is cordially invited.