

WEATHER—Fair and Cold. Temperature 40 and 50. WASHINGTON, N. C., WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 21, 1914.

EVIDENCE AS INTRODUCED AT PRELIMINARY HEARING OF STATE vs JOSHUA W. MILLS

Cause was Heard before C. M. Brown, J. P. at Court House Monday. Defense Introduced no Witnesses Mills denied Bail.

Below the Daily News gives the evidence as introduced in the preliminary hearing of the State vs Joshua Mills, for the killing of Benjamin Ormond, heard before Justice of the Peace Charles M. Brown at the Court House Monday last.

and asked how about getting a shave in my place, and offered to pay for my shave, I said my friend, you don't have to pay for my shaves, but if you are in a hurry and want to go home, go ahead.

fectly normal. I have known Mills all my life, ever since I was big enough to know anything. I was not expecting trouble and did not pay close attention.

Ben Hooten was summoned and examined by Mr. Daniel. I live in Washington. Was in the barber shop when this thing occurred. I recall Ben Ormond coming in, also when Josh Mills came in. It was about 11 o'clock.

Ormond was standing close to the back door near the stove. Were three chairs in the shop, the stove is near the back door. I was waiting about 5 or 6 feet from Ormond when Mills came in. Ormond did not have his coat on; he was standing up. I do not know what he was doing.

Ormond was in front of him facing him. I don't remember hearing any talk. I can stand as much beef blood as anybody, but when it comes to human blood, I can't stand much of it. After it was all over Jones came out of the back door of the barber shop.

Ormond was standing. Mills did not say anything when he walked in. About the first remark I heard, Ormond said hello Josh, and I think he said hello back; the next reply was, Ormond said Josh you would not let my mule stay in the stable, and I don't know whether Mills made any reply to that or not.

Examination by Mr. Daniel. I was in the barber shop the night Ben Ormond was killed. I did not know who it was at the time. I was in the back chair of the barber shop. Edmund Edwards was shaving me and this man, which they said was Ormond and another man came in about the time I got in the chair.

Examination by Mr. Daniel. I am brother of Ben Ormond and qualified as his administrator. I remember the occasion when my brother was killed. I believe it was the 21st of November. I was with him from about 8:30 that night.

I could not tell which one struck the first blow. I saw Mr. Mills' hand up. I don't know that I did see Ormond's hand up. I was sitting in the chair. Joe Boone was next to me. I saw something glittering in Mills' hand and I said Joe that looks like a pistol, and I saw him make a motion and then saw the blood fly; then I said Joe it is not a pistol.

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SCENE FROM BEVERELY OF GRAUSTARK



Who is to be Superintendent Of Beaufort County Schools

Mr. W. L. Vaughan, the efficient Superintendent of Schools of Beaufort county, has offered his resignation, the same to be effective the end of this month.

of schools, then why not elect him? If the man cannot be found in this county, who shall possess certain qualifications prescribed by the School Law of North Carolina, then find him elsewhere.

It will be impossible to find a man in this county or out of it who can take up the work laid down by Mr. Vaughan and perform the duties at once as efficiently as he. Of course, any good school man can learn, but one of the necessary requisites in school work is experience.

With the above material which our County Board may make a selection, it appears that it will not be necessary for them to go beyond our borders to elect a County Superintendent of Schools, who can and will perform the duties with honor and credit to the county.

Notice has been published that the Board of Education of Beaufort county, will on next Saturday, the 24th, elect a County Superintendent of Schools to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Vaughan, resigned.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Harris Hardware Company was held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday morning at 11 o'clock.

This question was considered and received much attention when Mr. Vaughan was elected superintendent over five years ago. There seemed then to be a small sentiment that Beaufort county did not have a man big enough for the job.

Eighty per cent of the stock was present and voted in person. The stockholders named the following directors for the ensuing year: Geo. T. Leach, T. R. Hodges, Chas. A. Flynn, C. F. Bland, J. F. Cowell, William Bragaw, J. M. Rodges, Charles P. Aycock, and B. F. Eagles.

That some sentiment that Beaufort county has not a man well enough versed in public school management to become Mr. Vaughan's successor seems yet to exist among a few of our citizens. But that sentiment is a phantom.

The Harris Hardware Company was organized in 1903 with a capital stock of \$2,500 paid in and from that time the capital stock has grown to its present proportions.

I was not arrested for having a pistol in my pocket a few days after that. I did not have any that night. I did not go up to Ayden to consult my brother's wife before bringing this suit.

No concern in Eastern Carolina does a more extensive business, both wholesale and retail, due in a large measure no doubt to the affability and courteousness of the officials. From the very first they gained the esteem of the entire community and expanded to such an extent that they today place goods in nearly every town in Eastern Carolina.

Ormond died next day. He would weigh about 225 pounds and was a man of tremendous vitality. I had not known him before that time. All of those wounds could have happened in a fight or difficulty.

After the business of the company had been transacted dinner was served to the stockholders at Hotel Louise.

GENERAL LEE BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED

Delightful Program Carried out At Court House Last evening, Large Number were present.

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to each and every one who in any way aided in the Lee and Jackson memorial exercises held in the Court House last evening. I am doubly appreciative as my arms must be strongly supported.

MISS LENA WINDLEY, President Pamlico Chapter, U. P. C. The one hundred and twenty-seventh anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee was fittingly and beautifully celebrated by the Daughters of the Confederacy, Children of the Confederacy and the old veterans at the Court House last night.

The Court room was attractively decorated for the occasion. Rev. W. H. Call was the master of ceremonies and performed his task in a way to attract and please. His remarks opening the exercises were happy. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. E. M. Snipes, pastor of the First Methodist church, which was followed by the Children of the Confederacy, entitled, "Lee and Jackson."

The second speaker of the evening, Rev. R. L. Gay, charmed his hearers in remarks on General Lee. It was greatly enjoyed. Following this address a quartet consisting of Misses Bragaw and Rhodes, and Messrs. Harding and Ayers rendered a selection. The closing hymn was "How Firm a Foundation," the favorite of the great Southern chieftain.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. D. Malone of the Episcopal church. Every number on the well arranged program was entertaining and enjoyed by every one present.

With special scenery and stage setting and electrical effects no better act ever played at the New Theatre than that of last evening. Westerman and Hopkins opened last night for a two day engagement and presented an act of singing pantomime and music of Indian character and went well with the audience.

The motion pictures are among the evening's bill that carried off a good part of the praise, while the vaudeville bill far surpassed the average act that comes here.

Miss Mae Ayers returned home yesterday afternoon via the Norfolk Southern train from Hertford, N. C., where she has been the guest of Miss Mary McMullan for the past two weeks.

THREE MEN ARRESTED IN WENDELL, N. C.

One of whom entered the store Of F. H. Von Eberstine at Chowinity Sunday Night. Now In Jail here.

Sheriff Geo. E. Ricks went to Wendell, N. C., a station about twenty miles this side of Raleigh, yesterday morning and returned on the evening train bringing back to this city three colored men, Gus Vines, wanted in Craven county for selling whiskey; Jesse James Pritchard for entering the store of Mr. Fred Von Eberstine at Chowinity last Sunday night, and C. Clark. The three men were located at Wendell due to their purchasing a block ticket from the Norfolk Southern agent at Chowinity. In consequence of this information Sheriff Ricks wired the authorities at Wendell to locate the parties and arrest them. This was done so the sheriff went and secured his men. The authorities in Craven county were notified of Vines arrest so deputy sheriff Odeon, accompanied Sheriff Ricks to Wendell. Vines is wanted in New Bern for retailing and a capias has been issued for him. Pritchard, when arrested was wearing a suit of clothes taken from the store of Mr. Von Eberstine. The third negro who claims his name is C. Clark and a native of Leechville, N. C., is being held by Sheriff Ricks. Possibly he is wanted for some crime in another county. He is of a dark ginger cake color, nearly black and looks to be about 23 year old. He is about five feet, eight inches tall, and weighs between 150 and 160 pounds. Sheriff Ricks will endeavor to ascertain whether he is wanted elsewhere before he is given his freedom. Vines is now in jail at New Bern and Pritchard and Clark are inmates in the jail here.

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Lyric Theatre Entire Change of Program Today