

## FATE OF JOSHUA W. MILLS NOW IN HANDS OF JURY

Received the Case Late This Afternoon Opinion Differs As To The Verdict. A Mistrial in Case Is Looked For By Majority.

By the time this issue reaches its subscribers the jury in the case of State vs. Joshua W. Mills will be in the hands of the jury for consideration.

The morning hour of the court today was taken up by the argument of Messrs. A. D. MacLean and H. S. Ward for the defendant Mills and this afternoon Solicitor Ewinghaus closed the case for the State and His Honor Judge Ferguson charged the jury.

As to what the verdict of the jury will be is expressed differently by almost every citizen you meet. The prevailing opinion is, however, that the jury will not be able to agree and that the consequence is there will be a mistrial. Others contend that the jury will reach an agreement either for conviction in some degree of murder, either in the first, second or manslaughter or that they will return a verdict of acquittal. These opinions are all conjecture and no one but the members of the jury themselves can fortell the outcome.

This trial has been in progress for over a week and both sides have fought every inch of ground, taking all and giving none. Counsel for both State and defense have displayed excellent ability, particularly in their addresses to the jury. His honor's charge was a masterpiece of logic and reasoning.

But for the indisposition of the Daily News operator today the evidence introduced would have been concluded in this issue. In consequence, however, this paper can not give it until Monday's issue.

## NEW THEATRE SHOW AGAIN CAPTIVATES

Another excellent performance was presented at the New Theater last evening by the Mardi Gras Beauties Company and Messrs. Rogers and Godding, the comedians, again made the audience merry by their funny stunts and witty sayings. Master Allen Godding again delighted those present in his dancing and singing act. The presentation of the American Widow was one of the best productions given by the company during their week's engagement in Washington. All during the week this company of artists have made good and the audience attending the New Theater have been more than pleased. The pictures last night were excellent and were the subject of much praise. There will be an entire change of program for the closing show of the company this evening.

### GONE TO BEAUFORT.

Miss Hattie Griffin has gone to Beaufort, N. C., where she will spend some weeks at the Mansion House.

### ADDITIONAL LIGHTS.

The T. H. Blount Electrical Shop has just installed eight red signal lights on the pier at the Washington bridge. They are proving quite a convenience to boats going through the draw.

## OIL STEAMER WAS IN PORT YESTERDAY

Was Laden With 18,000 Gasoline and Kerosene Consigned to The Harris Hardware Co.

The oil steamer Valma Brooks arrived in port yesterday from Norfolk, Va., having on board eighteen thousand gallons of gasoline and kerosene consigned to the Harris Hardware Company. The Texas Oil Co., through their distributors here, the Harris Hardware Company, have just erected an oil station near the Eureka Lumber Company plant on West Main street. From now on the company will distribute its products by putting on a tank wagon for the purpose of serving customers in the city. The local distributors will also furnish oil to the consumers in Eastern Carolina.

This is the first oil steamer to arrive since the oil station was completed and means quite a step forward for Washington. The fact is notorious that due to competition in oils in Washington that consumers here are now paying from three to five cents less per gallon than in those towns and places where there is no competition.

The steamer returned to Norfolk early this morning.

### SHIPPING BEETS.

For the past two days Dr. David T. Taylor, one of this section's largest farmers, has been shipping beets to northern markets.

### ENROUTE HOME.

Mr. R. T. Pickering of Aurora, N. C., was a Washington visitor today. Mr. Pickering for the past several months has been an inmate at the Soldier's Home, Raleigh. He is returning to his old home to spend several weeks with his family and friends.

## MISS MYERS HOSTESS TO BOOK CLUB

Particularly delightful was the meeting of the Address Book Club with Miss Jane Myers on Thursday afternoon, the 14th. Miss Myers, with her sister, Miss Penelope Myers, received their guests in their own delightful manner, ushering them in a bower of beauty. Bowls of sweet peas, vases of delicate poppies, banks of verbena, gardenias, roses, all tinted with shades of pink cast a halo of beauty over the scene. The meeting was presided over by the second vice-president, Mrs. Jas. W. Charles. In response to roll call the items were of information and enjoyment.

Two papers were the literary program for the afternoon. First, "Famous Actresses," by Miss Marcela Myers, read in her absence by Mrs. Jan. W. Charles. "We who live to please, must please to die." All the wealth of enchantment that hovers over the stage was garnered from lives of Peg Woffington, Mrs. Siddons, Ellen Terry, Rachel and the famous Madame Bernhardt of the present day, and presented in eloquent words. The second paper on "Women Writers of the South" by Mrs. John C. Rodman, told of the gifted writers, Frances Hodgson Burnett, Mary Hegon Rice, Ellen Glasgow and Amelle Rives. The paths and humor contained in their writings was recounted in a charming way.

After enjoying the realistic portrayal of the subjects of the papers, a delicious salad course was enjoyed and the souvenirs of sweet peas, presented by Master Frank Cannon Kugler was deeply appreciated. The club delighted to welcome as its guests Mrs. and Miss Thomas of Mobile, Alabama, and Mrs. Blucher Ewinghaus of Elizabeth City, who are so closely held within the hearts of the Washington people.

## PAID IN FULL AT LYRIC

Is One of The Greatest Dramatic Motion Pictures Ever Made in America. In Three Parts.

Eugene Walters' greatest play and five-season theatrical hit, "Paid in Full," which has been proclaimed by critics to be the greatest dramatic motion picture ever made in America will be shown at the Lyric Theater Monday night, May 18th.

Tully Marshall, originator of the role of Joe Brooks, which part he played for more than one solid year on Broadway, and William Riley Hatch, whose portrayal of Captain Williams, has been set down as one of the greatest works in theatrical history, are both cast in the same parts which gained for them such fame on the speaking stage. In their support there is to be seen Hattie Russell as Mrs. Harris, of the original company; George Irving as Jimmie Smith, Caroline French as Emma Brooks, and others.

"Paid in Full" is the latest production of the All Star Feature Corporation, the concern which has produced in moving pictures Augustus Thomas' "Arizona" with Cyril Scott, Henry M. Blossom's "Checkers," with Thomas W. Ross, and Richard Davis' "Soldiers of Fortune," with Dustin Earnum. Augustus Thomas, the dramatist and playwright, who is director-general of the All Star Company, is the producer of "Paid in Full."

### VISITING HERE.

Mrs. John K. Hoyt, Sr., arrived in the city yesterday from Beaufort, N. C., and is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Fulford, corner of Second and Bridge streets. Mrs. Mary Hoyt Reese is expected to arrive Saturday.

## PRECINCT COMMITTEES AND DELEGATES NAMED

### DR. S.A. NATHAN VETERINARY LOCATES HERE

Dr. S. A. Nathan, Veterinarian and a graduate from the Agricultural and Mechanical College, West Raleigh, N. C., has located in Washington for the practice of his profession. Dr. Nathan will have his office and hospital located at the Washington Horse Exchange Company's stables. Calls will be answered both night and day. Dr. Nathan is well versed in his profession and the Daily News welcomes him as a resident.

### A POEM WITH A PURPOSE.

Much has been written about the need of public play grounds for children. "The Idle mind is the devil's workshop" is a truism which loses none of its force with usage. The best way to keep the youngster out of mischief is to keep him busy. On many streets there is no chance for "budding young America" to cavort and exercise except in the parlor, or on the narrow sidewalk. The healthy youngster is the one who plays out in the sunshine, who takes exercise where the air is fresh and invigorating.

The best thing we have seen on the subject is in form of a poem, which we reprint herewith:

Plenty of room for dives and dens; (Glitter and glare and sin!)

Plenty of room for prison pens; (Gather the criminals in!)

Plenty of room for jails and courts, (Willing enough to pay!)

But never a place for the lads to race; (No, never a place to play!)

Plenty of room for shops and stores; (Mammon must have the best!)

Plenty of room for running scores that rot in the city's breast!

Plenty of room for the lures that lead the hearts of our youth astray;

But never a cent on a playground spent; (No, never a place to play!)

Plenty of room for schools and halls, plenty of room for art;

Plenty of room for tennis and balls, platforms, stage and mart,

Proud is the city—she finds a place for many a fad today;

But she's more than a blind if she fails to find a place for the boys to play.

Give them a chance for innocent sport, give them a chance for fun—

Better a playground plot than a court and jail when the harm is done!

Give them a chance—if you want them now, tomorrow you'll have to pay

A larger bill for a darker ill, so give them a chance to play!

—Charlotte News.

### Requirements of a Companion.

A companion to be interesting, ought to bring new elements, and not be a repetition of our own too familiar personality. We have enough of ourselves in ourselves; we desire a companion who will relieve us from the bounds of our own thoughts, as a neighbor opens his garden to us and delivers us from our own hedges.—P. G. Hamilton.

### Experience Works Two Ways.

Sometimes experience teaches and sometimes she merely gives us self-confidence enough to encourage us to go ahead and make our worst mistakes.

### True Charity.

Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned.—1 Tim. 1:5.

### No Poker Bluff.

Mrs. Feavish says that if it were to do over again, no man need ever ask for her hand until he had shown his.—Dallas News.

### Daily Thought.

If I were you I would not worry. Just make up your mind to do better when you get another chance, and be content with that.—Beatrice Harraden.

### Bothered about sweeping your ceilings?

Then get one of our ceiling brooms with eight foot handle, only 50c. E. K. WILLIS. 5-13-14

### Democratic County Convention Will Meet on Saturday May 23, at 11 O'clock. Will Elect County Chairman.

Precinct meetings were held in the different wards of the city last night at eight o'clock for the purpose of naming the precinct committees and also selecting delegates to the Democratic County Convention which is to convene in the Courthouse here on Saturday, May 23 at 11 o'clock. The members of the precinct committees and the list of the delegates to the county convention from the respective wards follow:

**FIRST WARD.**  
Committee—W. E. Swindell, Jno. G. Bragaw, Jr., McKimmon Saunders, Charles L. Morton, G. H. Hill.  
Delegates—S. C. Bragaw, W. C. Rodman, F. C. Kugler, F. C. Mallison, W. L. Vaughan, W. E. Swindell.  
Alternates—G. H. Hill, W. K. Jacobson, J. G. Chauncey, F. H. Bryan, C. H. Sterling, S. P. Willis.

**SECOND WARD.**  
Committee—R. S. Neal, chairman, F. S. Worthy, H. B. Mayo, J. D. Grimes, D. M. Carter.  
Delegates—R. S. Neal, J. D. Grimes, J. F. Taylor, F. S. Worthy, P. P. Maxwell, H. B. Mayo, W. B. Rodman, Jr.  
Alternates—J. F. Buckman—A. S. Fulford, E. R. Nixon, W. G. Willis, J. H. Calloway, G. J. Studdert, S. T. Nicholson.

**THIRD WARD.**  
Committee—H. G. Winfield, chairman, C. H. Richardson, T. F. Robbins, J. W. Leonard, E. W. Ayers.  
Delegates—C. H. Richardson, S. F. Burbank, Jr.

**FOURTH WARD.**  
Committee—E. A. Daniel, Jr., chairman, P. A. Nicholson, H. C. Carter, Joe Allgood, W. H. McDevett.  
Delegates—E. A. Daniel, Jr., W. H. McDevett, H. C. Carter.  
Alternates—P. A. Nicholson, Walter Credle, Frank Buckman.

### Children Love Washington Park.

## SCREEN NOW ADORN THE STORE FRONT

Messrs. Powell and Ellsworth, who recently purchased the grocery store of Mr. J. F. Taylor, on Market street, have made quite an improvement to their place of business during the past few days. They have placed screen doors to the main entrance and placed their vegetable display out of the way of trash, etc. Not only is the front of the store attractive but the interior as well. This firm is among the most enterprising in the city.

### Parade of New York's Finest.

New York, May 16.—The annual police parade will be held this afternoon, with nearly 7,000 policemen in line. Mayor Mitchell and other municipal officials will review the parade and a novel feature of this year's march will be an exhibition of wrestling, methods of handling prisoners, caring for unconscious persons and the use of scaling ladders for rescues at fires, to be given by sixty-two probationary officers in front of the reviewing stand. A large mat will be spread in the street for the demonstration, which will illustrate the results of instruction in the school for recruits. Police heroes who have distinguished themselves during the past year, will receive their medals this afternoon. The names of twenty-six of the "finest" will be placed on the Honor Roll.

### Royalty's Representatives Visit Galt

Galt, Ont., May 16.—His Excellency the Duke of Connaught is visiting this city today, this being selected as one of the stopping places on the itinerary of his Western Ontario tour. Only once before has this town been honored by the presence of the representatives of His Majesty and that was over forty years ago, when Lord and Lady Dufferin stopped a few hours. The day is one of great jubilation, and appropriate ceremonies are being observed.

### It's Successful in Washington Park.

## CONSTITUTIONALISTS CAN SECURE MUNITIONS OF WAR IF THEY DESIRE

Unless the President issues a new proclamation or the navy department takes action similar to the war department the constitutionalists can get all the munitions of war they wish through Tampico.

Not only the American government's explanation of the Lobo Island incident, but the unofficial explanation here to the effect that no Mexican ports are closed so far as the American government is concerned, has emphasized the position which the United States has repeatedly maintained—that no state of war has existed and that the seizure of Vera Cruz was an act of reprisal for offenses committed against the United States.

The fact that Mexican officials still refuse clearance papers to American ships at some ports in spite of Huerta's order revoking previous orders was supposed to be due to lack of communication.

Washington.—Secretary Bryan informed the Huerta government yesterday that the State Department considered the action of the Mexican federal authorities in withholding information concerning the whereabouts of Private Samuel Parks a hostile act.

Parks, while insane, strayed into the Mexican lines near Vera Cruz about two weeks ago taking two horses belonging to an officer with him and has not since then been from.

The opening of the negotiations of the South American mediators in the Mexican controversy at Niagara Falls, Ont., today was postponed until Wednesday, May 20, the State Department announced. The session originally was scheduled to begin Monday, May 18.

The delay was arranged at the request of the Brazilian ambassador, Mr. Da Gama, in order that the Mexican delegates to the conference who are speeding northward from Key West might not be unduly hurried in their trip to Niagara Falls. The Mexican delegation will reach Washington shortly after noon tomorrow and will be given an opportunity by the postponement to familiarize themselves with the situation here before proceeding to the formal negotiations.

### OTHER CAUSE FOR DELAY.

The mediating envoys will go to the White House late this afternoon for a conference with the

### President and the American delegates, Justice Lamar and Mr. Lehmann.

It was believed possible that some unannounced reason for postponement of the formal opening of the Niagara Falls conference might have prompted the meeting.

Confidence that the mediation ultimately would be successful, despite the temporary delay, was expressed by cabinet officers after the cabinet meeting. One member said confidence in mediation was growing stronger each day and that the possibility of the shipment of arms into Tampico rapidly was diminishing.

### TO IMPORT ARMS.

The shipment of arms into Tampico from countries other than the United States was not discussed at the cabinet meeting, but one of the cabinet officers in close touch with Mexican affairs said he did not believe the American government would attempt to interfere with foreign shipments in any way.

The cabinet meeting brought out no vital developments, the discussion policy being brief and general.

Speaking of the postponement of the mediation conferences, Secretary Bryan said he thought the Huerta delegates wanted the two extra days because their journey was long and connections were close. He said he knew no definite reason for the postponement other than the personal convenience of the Mexican delegates.

### WELCOME VISITOR.

Mr. Harry M. Forst of Washington, D. C., who conducted the special sale for James E. Clark Company recently, is in the city today greeting his many friends.

### APPOINTED POSTMISTRESS

Mary B. Swindell has been named by the Postoffice Department at Washington City, postmistress at Edward, N. C. The office is a four-class one.

### ANNOUNCEMENT.

A beautiful line of Halsey's Glasses, just received, such as Ice Tea glasses, Ice Tea plates, Pitchers, Sherberts, Custards and lot of other nice things. Also a nice line of Crochery.

E. K. WILLIS.

## MANY VISIT THIS CITY YESTERDAY

Washington is fast becoming a mecca for visitors from not only all sections of Beaufort county, but the counties contiguous. Among those in the city yesterday and today from afar the Daily News notes the following:

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Woolard, of Bath; Mrs. A. O. Clark, Mrs. J. J. Gibson, Mrs. R. A. Fleming, Mrs. W. S. Elks, Miss Lulu Arnold, Miss Lena Arnold, Miss Pearl Buck, of Grimesland, N. C., Miss Earl Proctor and Mrs. R. M. Elks, Grimesland. Misses Amanda Harding, Mary Laster, of Norfolk, who are the guests of Miss Eva Lester at Cheocowinny, Mr. Stanley Simpson and Miss Martha Williams, of Ocracoke, N. C.

### Daily Thought.

Inquisitive people are the funnels of conversation; they do not take in anything for their own use, but merely pass it on to others.—Steels.

### Touch of Human Nature.

You probably know 12 men and can judge about how much prejudice there is bound to be in the average jury.—Athenian Globe.

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Divine services tomorrow at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., with preaching by the pastor, Rev. H. B. Searight. Sunday School at 9.45. C. M. Brown, Jr., superintendent. A cordial welcome awaits all strangers in the city. Delightful music. Seats free.

### A Nest Selection.

"That's a nice umbrella you have there."  
"Ain't it? Reflects credit on my taste, doesn't it?"  
"It certainly does. Where did you get it?"  
"Picked it out of a bunch of seven that were standing in the boarding house hall this morning."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### AT COUNTY HOME.

The W. C. T. U. will conduct the services at the County Home Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. A good attendance from the city is desired.

## SMOKEHOUSE, W. M. GODLEY WAS ROBBED

The smokehouse of Mr. W. M. Godley, of Cheocowinny, N. C., during the absence of the family last night, was robbed and about 100 pounds of pork was stolen. The thieves made an entrance in the smokehouse by picking the lock.

Mr. Godley resides on the farm of Mr. N. A. Purser. The loss is heavy to Mr. Godley and he has the sympathy of his friends in his neighborhood. As yet there is no clue to the guilty parties.

### FIRST BAPTIST.

All strangers in the city have a cordial invitation to worship at the First Baptist Church tomorrow. The morning subject of the pastor, Rev. R. L. Gay will be: "Choosing a Master." At the evening hour the topic will be: "God Seeks the Heart." Sunday school will meet at 9:45 o'clock. S. P. Willis, superintendent. Seats free.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Morning and evening prayer with sermons by the Rector, Rev. N. Harding. Sunday school meets at 9 o'clock. E. K. Willis, Jr., superintendent. Good music at all services. Polite and attentive ushers.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. R. V. Hope, pastor. Services at 11 and 8 o'clock. Mr. Gay L. Carrier of Richmond, Va., State Bible School Superintendent of Virginia, will speak at both the morning and evening hours and will also address the Sunday School at 10 o'clock, a. m. Mr. Carter is a speaker of note and no doubt will be heard by large congregations.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

There will be regular services at the First Methodist Church tomorrow morning and evening at the usual hours, to which the general public has a cordial invitation to attend. Sunday School meets, promptly at 9:45 o'clock. E. R. Nixon, superintendent. Good music. All invited.

## FUNERAL OF MRS O'NEAL SUNDAY 3 P.M

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. D. O'Neal, who passed away yesterday morning at the Fowle Memorial Hospital, after undergoing an operation, will be conducted from the First Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. E. M. Snipes and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

The following will act as pall-bearers: A Clyde Harrison, Fenner Paul, O. M. Winseld, Thomas Jackson, Charles Wright and Jesse B. Ross.

### Dealing With an Affront.

The dull world has got the wrong phrase; it is he who resents an affront who pockets it; he who takes no notice lets it lie in the dirt.—George Macdonald.

### Miss the Best Things.

A gay, serene spirit is the source of all that is noble and good. Petty, gloomy souls that only mourn the past and dread the future are not capable of seizing upon the holiest moments of life.—Schiller.

### United States Sheep Industry.

In round figures, 49,000,000 sheep are shorn in this country each year, yielding 289,000,000 pounds of wool, worth \$65,000,000.

### How It Works.

He—"Unselfish, self-sacrificing women—those are the ones that make the best wives." She—"No doubt; and they also make the worst husbands."—Judge.

### A Lively Play.

"I heard one man," said the playwright, "who attended the premier of my new play last night complain that it was so late when he got out."  
"Yes?" queried the critic.  
"Yes, and yet the final curtain fell before 10:45."  
"Ah, perhaps he overlept himself!"—Philadelphia Press.

### To Start Even.

Mrs.—"Wouldn't you like to see wealth more equally divided?" Ab—"Goddamn it, suddenly, just as soon as Ah's spent the 50 cents."