

JURY GIVES VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER IN JOSHUA W. MILLS CASE

With Verdict The Jury Requested The Court For Mercy, To Be Extended To Defendant.

Sentenced Two Years State Prison

Jury First Stood 6 For Acquittal; 2 For First Degree and 4 For Second Degree.

Joshua W. Mills was this morning convicted of manslaughter for the killing of Benjamin Ormond, which took place in the barber shop of Edmund Edwards.

The jury has been considering the case since Saturday afternoon and while all kinds of rumors were rife as to how they stood, no one knew positively until they gave in their verdict this morning at 9 o'clock.

The jury in returning their verdict of manslaughter submitted to the court the following prayer:

"We the jury, in the case of State vs. Joshua W. Mills, respectfully submit the following verdict: Guilty of manslaughter and in doing so we pray Your Honor to extend to the prisoner the full mercy of the court; and we further pray, that in passing upon his guilt you will be as light as in your power so to do. Signed, J. W. Clark, E. J. Edwards, Jona Windley, M. H. Linton, W. S. Peed, W. R. Hall, N. A. Cutler, L. T. Thompson, J. B. Peed, W. A. Meekins, J. E. Wall, H. H. Ross.

From a reliable source this paper is enabled to give its readers some idea as to how the jury stood in considering the case until a verdict of manslaughter was reached with a prayer to the court for mercy.

After they had received the case they deliberated for several hours before taking a ballot. This ballot showed that six were for acquittal; two for murder in the first degree and four for murder in the second degree.

The jury stood as of this ballot until Sunday morning about 9 o'clock

when another ballot was taken with the following result: Four for murder in the second degree; two for acquittal and six for manslaughter.

The jury stood according to the last ballot until this morning when they reached a conclusion. They arose at 5 o'clock and began at once to discuss the case and at 7 o'clock all agreed to return a verdict of manslaughter with a prayer for mercy on the part of the court.

Judge Ferguson in passing sentence stated in open court that but for the request of the jury he would have imposed a much longer sentence. He then sentenced the prisoner to the state prison for a term of two years at hard labor and attached all the cost of the trial on the defendant which approximately will be as much as 2,000 if not more.

Counsel for Mills gave notice of appeal to the Supreme Court but the consensus of opinion is that Mills will begin the service of his sentence at once.

Thus ends one of the most memorable trials in the history of Beaufort county. Since Friday May 8th, the case has been in progress and both the state and defense has fought stubbornly every inch of ground.

The counsel for the state were: Solicitor Ehringhaus, Manning & Kitchin, Daniel & Warren. For the defense: Ward & Grimes, Small, MacLean, Bragaw and Rodman, Rodman & Bonner, and B. B. Nicholson.

When the prisoner Mills was taken to the state prison to begin his sentence has not yet been given out by Sheriff Ricks.

FIVE PART PICTURE



Attraction At The Lyric Theatre This Evening

"Paid in Full," the tremendous five-act theatrical success, which has to its credit one of the most successful engagements in the history of New York theatricals, has been produced in moving pictures under the direction of Augustus Thomas and the All Star Feature Corporation and this masterpiece of modern cinematography will be the attraction at the Lyric Theater this evening.

Eugene Walters' greatest writing has been done in a five-part motion picture play in a wondrous way, and in its initial showing to the press of New York City, it has been accorded a generous praise without one word of disapproval or adverse criticism.

Tully Marshall, whose performances in The City and the House of

Bondage and other Broadway plays, stand out in endorsement of this man as one of America's best actors, is to be seen in the role which he originated, Joe Brooks. In support of Mr. Marshall, there is a company of celebrities who have been selected with a careful consideration seldom exhibited in picture making. William Elmer Hatch, the greatest portrayer of the many men who have played the part, and also a member of the original company, is again cast as Captain Williams, the curious old sea captain who bears a big share of the play's action. In addition there are Caroline French as Emma Brooks; George Henry Irving as Jimmy Smith; Winifred Kingston as Both Harris and Hattie Russell as Mrs. Harris.

ATTENDING COUNCIL.

Miss Lucretia Hughes of this city, and Miss Mary Marsh of Raleigh, N. C., have gone to Wilmington, N. C., where they are attending the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina.

THE WORLDS YOUNGEST DETECTIVE

Henry R. Maltz Of New York City Is Here And Will Open An Office Noted In His Profession

The world's youngest detective is now in Washington in the person of Mr. Henry R. Maltz and he announces that he has decided to locate in this city for the prosecution of his line of work. His aim will be to aid the merchants and business men not only here but throughout the entire country. As yet Mr. Maltz has not decided where his office will be. He is a native of New York and has achieved fame in his profession. He is engaged in studying criminal art, his object being also to aid the police in their work of dealing with criminals. His idea is to furnish knowledge by means of which criminals will be reformed instead of often confined in their evil ways. Below follows a brief history of Mr. Maltz's career: Born 1892 in New York City and educated there. Graduated from High School 1909. 1909, connected with Holmes Detective Bureau of New York City. 1912, connected with the Dunn and Jewson Detective Agency of New York, under direction of Police Inspector Nicholas Brooks.

1914-15, was made chief of the state detective service, New Haven, Connecticut.

1916, May 6, Norfolk, Va., began a tour around the world to study the theory of criminology.

BOOK CLUB GUESTS MRS. HATHAWAY

Thursday afternoon the O. Henry Book Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Hathaway at her home at Washington Park. The living room was most attractive with bowls of lovely roses. A cheery fire burning in the open fire place added a warmth and brightness to a cloudy, cold afternoon. The paper of the afternoon was prepared and charmingly read by Mrs. A. M. Dumay on the life of Sidney Lamer.

Miss Lida Rodman gave a sketch on the works of Timrod and read one of his lovely little sonnets which was very much enjoyed.

Mrs. H. W. Carter added interest to the meeting by giving a report of the Federation of Women's Clubs which has just held a meeting at Fayetteville, and to which Mrs. Carter went as a representative from the O. Henry Club.

The club had as a guest for the afternoon, Mrs. R. M. Davis of Salisbury, who is visiting Mrs. Charlie Brown. Mrs. Hathaway served tea and sandwiches, and delicious ice cream and cake. No meeting of the season has been more enjoyed than this one held with Mrs. Hathaway at her attractive home on the river shore. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Louis Mann.

ARE BEING GREETED BY OLD FRIENDS

Capt. W. W. Satterthwaite and Mrs. Satterthwaite of Elizabeth City are in the city visiting Mrs. Satterthwaite's sister, Mrs. Sallie Mayo, on West Main street. Capt. Satterthwaite for the past year has been the superintendent of the Elizabeth City Oil and Fertilizer Company, and prior to that time was superintendent of the Havens Oil Mill here. During his residence in Washington he and Mrs. Satterthwaite gained a large circle of friends. When it became known that they were to leave this city for another field it was learned with regret. Their numerous friends are more than glad to greet them again. They expect to return to Elizabeth City tomorrow.

GEO. W. BIBLE PASSED AWAY IN NORFOLK

Was In The Yankee Gunboat Here When Josephus Daniels Sec'y Of The Navy Father Was Killed

News has been received here announcing the death of Mr. George W. Bible at Norfolk, Va., Friday last. Mr. Bible recently suffered an attack of pneumonia and in all probability this was the cause of his death. When the end came he was visiting his nephew, Mr. B. T. Bible of Norfolk, Va., stopping over in that city a few days en route to Washington City where he had accepted a clerical position in one of the departments. For the past twelve years he has been a resident of this county, being in charge of his sister's interest, the late Mrs. M. J. Eganston at Leesville, N. C., up to the time of her death. For the past two years Mr. Bible has been engaged in clerical work for Dr. Ira M. Hardy at Kinston, who until recently was the superintendent of the Feeble Minded School.

During the war between the states Mr. Bible came to Washington as a refugee on the gunboat Louisiana and was on the boat the time the father of Hon. Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, was shot and who afterwards died in the hospital at New Bern. Prior to his coming to this county to reside Mr. Bible was the associate editor of several trade journals in the north and also did literary work of a high character. He was near seventy years of age, and was well known in Washington and throughout Beaufort county.

U.D.C MEETS TUESDAY AFT AT LIBRARY

There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy Family Chapter, at the rooms of the Public Library at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon. All the members are urged to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

HYDE COURT WILL MEET THIS WEEK

His Honor Judge Garland S. Ferguson, Judge Stephen C. Bragaw, Solicitor Ehringhaus, H. S. Ward, Norwood L. Simmons and others left on the gas boat this afternoon for Swan Quarter, N. C., where the Superior Court for that county will convene. These gentlemen would have left yesterday but for the fact that the jury in the case of state vs. Joshua Mills had not agreed upon a verdict. The court in Hyde is for one week and both criminal and civil cases will be tried.

BOXING NOTES

Buffalo, N. Y., May 15.—Tom Kennedy, of New York, heavyweight will meet "one round" Davis, the local heavyweight, in a ten round mill tonight.

Bridgeport, Conn., May 15.—Young Kansas Reynolds of Philadelphia, are matched for a ten round bout here tonight.

RETURNS HOME.

Albert, the son of Mrs. A. M. Edwards, who has been a patient at the Washington Hospital for the past several weeks suffering from an attack of fever, was able to return to his home yesterday, much to the gratification of his friends.

Daily Thought.

Little minds are turned and subdued by misfortune, but great minds rise above it.—Irving.

W.C.T.U. HELD MEETING AT COUNTY HOME

A Very Interesting and Enjoyable Program Was Rendered By The Union. Many Were Present.

Sunday afternoon at four o'clock there was a very interesting and entertaining service conducted at the County Home under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The meeting was led by Miss Bethe Farrow and proved to be one of the most enjoyable occasions held at the county home in some time. Miss Annie Mae Harms and Gladys Allgood, with their violins, assisted in the music. There were fifteen members of the union present and a number of visitors.

The following program was carried out:

Hymn 308. Bible reading, Mrs. M. E. Giles. Prayer by Mrs. S. F. Allgood. Hymn 42. Poem, "In God's Good Time," Mrs. E. T. Stewart. Reading, "Restored to a Better Life," Mrs. Fannie Sugg. Prayer by Mrs. Giles. Reading, Bob Burdette on Beer, Mrs. A. W. Thomas. Poem, "Flowers for the Living," Mrs. O. B. Carmalt. Hymn 108. Reading, Life More Abundant, Mrs. Giles. Reading, Armor of Light, Mrs. T. J. Harding. Hymn 45. Prayer by Mrs. Alice Powell. Reading, The Kingdom of God, Miss Sadie Wiswall. Poem, "God is Calling Me," Mrs. S. F. Allgood. Reading, Working for Christ, Mrs. W. T. Hudson. Doxology.

FINE SHOW BILLED FOR NEW THEATRE

The New Theater opens tonight with the "Russell-McKinley Musical Comedy Company." This troupe is composed of eight people, five pretty and attractive girls and three men. The program will be changed each night. There will be plenty of comedy, good singing and dancing. The wardrobe is elaborate in each performance. The electrical effects are beautiful. There will be as usual two films of excellent pictures. Be sure and attend. Prices 10c and 20c.

FUNERAL OF MRS. J. D. O'NEAL HELD SUNDAY

The last sad tribute of respect was paid to Mrs. J. D. O'Neal yesterday afternoon at three o'clock when the funeral services were conducted from the First Methodist church. A large number of sorrowing friends were present. Both the pastor of the First Methodist church, Rev. E. M. Snipes, and Rev. R. L. Gay, pastor of the First Baptist church, paid fitting tributes to the memory of the deceased. The floral offerings were profuse. Suitable hymns were sung by the choir both at the church and the grave.

MAY 18 IN HISTORY.

- 1861—Siege of Vicksburg begun.
- 1864—A bogus Federal proclamation for more troops issued.
- 1876—A National Greenback Convention held at Indianapolis, Ind.
- 1898—The cruiser Charleston sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines to reinforce Admiral Dewey.
- 1904—Western Union Telegraph cut off service to pool rooms, crippling gambling on races.
- 1905—Philadelphia Council leased gas plant for 75 years. City gets 50 cent gas after 1955.
- 1910—The earth passed through the tail of Halley's comet.

TWO GREENVILLE BOYS DROWNED IN TAR RIVER SATURDAY MORNING

WILL MEET GUARANTORS NEXT FRIDAY

Miss Grace Hershey of Pennsylvania, is expected to arrive in Washington Friday next for the purpose of meeting the guarantors of the forthcoming Chautauqua billed to be presented in this city sometime during the latter part of June. The Chautauqua will consume the entire week. Miss Hershey comes to make arrangements for the Chautauqua and other representatives will follow Miss Hershey later. All the guarantors for the Chautauqua are requested to meet Miss Hershey in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Friday night at 8:30 o'clock, and any interested citizen is requested to be present. The ladies of the city have a special invitation to be present.

SERIES OF MEETINGS WILL BEGIN

An angelic meeting of more than ordinary interest will begin in the First Presbyterian church of this city on Thursday night, May 21st, at 8:00 p. m. It will be conducted by Rev. Frank Hall Wright of Dallas, Texas, the eloquent and distinguished Indian evangelist of the Presbyterian Assembly, assisted by his singer, Mr. Walter Good.

Mr. Wright is a strong, sound, Scriptural preacher, earnest in manner and orthodox in matter. He is also a singer of surpassing beauty and sweetness. In his magnetic hands the familiar old gospel hymns assume new life and power.

Mr. Wright has held meetings in Goldsboro, Durham, Raleigh and other places in this state, as well as in many towns and cities throughout the South, where his labors have achieved splendid results.

He comes to our city with the strongest possible endorsements and recommendations as a safe, sane, and conservative evangelist. We extend to him and his colleague a most cordial welcome and trust that their efforts for upbuilding the Kingdom of God in this community will be crowned with divine favor and distinguished success.

GONE TO BEAUFORT.

Mrs. T. F. Smith left this morning for Beaufort, N. C., where she expects to visit friends.

FROM BELHAVEN.

D. Lesofsky and Mrs. Lesofsky and J. O. Crary of Belhaven, were passengers on the Norfolk Southern train this morning.

GUEST OF MRS. WOOLARD.

Mr. G. T. Willis and daughter, Miss Inez Willis of Beaufort, N. C., are visiting Mr. Willis' sister, Mrs. W. D. Woolard, in the city.

ANNAL MEETING NORTH CAROLINA GOOD ROADS ASS'CN.

The executive committee of the North Carolina Good Roads Association have decided to hold the annual meeting in Durham July 8th and 9, and a most cordial invitation is extended to every one interested in the promotion of good roads cause in North Carolina to attend and take part in this convention. An effort will be made to make this the most successful and interesting convention yet held by this association.

"PAID IN FULL"

