

JURY DECIDES THAT BRIGHT ISN'T GUILTY

Verdict Arrived After Several Hours Deliberation on Yesterday.

OTHER CASES ARE DISPOSED OF

Charles Fagan, Negro, to be Tried Today on Charge of Killing Breakers.

After several hours of deliberation, the jury yesterday afternoon brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of J. B. Bright, Jr., charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

The most interesting case on the docket for today is that of State vs. Charles Fagan, who is charged with killing another negro, Andrew Breakers.

The following cases were disposed of yesterday afternoon:

Spellman Staten, charged with larceny, was found guilty.

Raymond Weston, col., charged with secret assault, was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon.

Gus Vines, charged with violating city ordinance, carrying a concealed weapon, resisting an officer and being a nuisance, was found guilty of the first two charges and not guilty of the last two.

Willie Latham was found guilty of the charge of housebreaking and larceny.

Sentences in the above cases will be made at the conclusion of the criminal docket.

The case against Aleck Gaskill charged with a violation of the search and seizure law, resulted in a verdict of not guilty for the defendant.

Judge Harding decided this afternoon that no jury cases would be brought up for trial on Saturday on account of Memorial Day.

To Play For Championship

Washington and New Bern High School Teams to Play Game Saturday Afternoon.

The Washington high school baseball team will play a post-season game with the high school team from New Bern at the latter city Saturday afternoon. The contest is for the purpose of deciding which team shall represent this section of the State at the state championship games at Chapel Hill.

Neither the local nor the New Bern teams have lost a game this season to the other high schools they have played. Saturday's contest will be the first between the two teams this year. It is expected that a large number of rooters will accompany the local team on the trip Saturday.

EXCELLENT PROGRAM NEW THEATER TONIGHT

The New Theater will offer their patrons an exceptional strong program tonight. The Simple Simon Company will offer an entire new bill, one that has not been offered here before. "The King of the Wizard" will be the offering tonight, a play that will keep you laughing from the rise of the curtain to the fall of the same. This house will offer tonight a five reel feature photoplay of the "Paramount" program in which Daniel Frohman will present, "A Lady of Quality" a play that will appeal to every person attending. On account of the length of this picture it will be impossible to give more than one performance, so the picture tonight will go on promptly at 8 o'clock sharp. So every one should try to get there by this time in order to see the entire program.

Commends Local Plant

Official Claims That Washington Light and Water Plant is Best in the State.

That the residents of Washington are not alone in thinking their light and water plant is the best equipped in the state is shown by a letter which was sent by Warren H. Booker, chief of the State Health Department to Gilbert C. White of Charlotte, the engineer who installed the local plant.

The letter reads as follows: Mr. Gilbert C. White, Charlotte, N. C.

My dear Mr. White:— We were just over to Washington recently and took a few minutes off to go out to see the new water and light plant. It is the best plant, the best equipped, the most modern plant I have seen in this State. It is certainly a credit to you to have such a plant in your town, even several times the size of Washington. They were filtering some of the water out of the plant when I was there and I think by the last of the week they will, in all probability be pumping the water into town. We advised them to send samples of this water to the Laboratory for analysis, and as soon as the Laboratory finds the water is O. K. I presume they will proceed to use it.

With continued congratulations, I am,

Very respectfully yours, WARREN H. BOOKER,

Chief of Bureau Mr. Booker was in Washington during the early part of the month.

SOIL EROSION IN THE SOUTH

Other Crops Must Be Grown Than Those Requiring Clean Culture, as Do Cotton and Tobacco.

The following statement regarding soil erosion in the South is taken from the annual report of the bureau of soils of the department:

"In a study of soil erosion in the South it has been found that large areas are lost to agriculture annually through erosion. In some states east areas, amounting to as much as 50 per cent of the arable land of these sections, have been abandoned. The character of the erosion varies with the type of soil. Usually, on the heavy clay soils, 'sheet' or surface erosion is found. With increasing proportion of sand in the soil the erosion changes to the 'shoestring' type, then to the gully type, with rounded edges, and finally to the gullies with caving sides. The most rapid erosion seems to occur in soils having a layer of silt or clay at the surface and a substratum of sand. This condition usually leads to erosion of the deep gully type, which is difficult to check and unprofitable to reclaim.

"All methods for prevention and control are based either on increasing the capacity for absorbing the water as it falls, or on decreasing the velocity of the run-off. A new method in use in one locality is the construction of what are known as 'christophers,' the distinctive feature of this plan lying in the manner of disposing of storm waters. Across an incipient gully is built a dam, through which is passed a sewer pipe connected with an upright pipe on the upper side of the dam. Water fills the valley until it reaches the top of the upright pipe, and then flows down this pipe in the next field. The water left standing below the mouth of the upright pipe is gradually removed by a tile drain. It is also demonstrated in the South that other crops must be grown than those requiring clean culture, as do cotton, corn and tobacco."

Keep the Horse Busy.

The horse is an inexpensive animal to feed and consequently should be kept busy all the time if possible. If this cannot be done then he should be fed as cheaply as possible. With hay or other roughage and two pounds of cottonseed meal a day the idle horse or mule can be kept in good condition on a very small amount of corn.

Will Elect New Faculty

Next Year's Teachers in Local School to be Decided on Tuesday Night.

The city board of education will meet next Tuesday night for the purpose of electing next year's faculty and attending to other important business. It is understood that there will be several vacancies to fill and changes made

FOURTH WARD ENDS CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

Residents of That District Have Made Big Improvement.

THIRD WARDERS START IN TODAY.

City Wagons Are Kept Busy in Hauling Away Piled-up Rubbish From Streets.

Huge piles of rubbish, weeds and other waste, piled along the sides of the street and a decided improvement in the general appearance of the section are the results of the clean-up campaign which has been conducted by the residents of the fourth ward during the last three days.

The property owners enthusiastically started work bright and early Monday morning and when the first wagons appeared to haul away the rubbish, they found it enough to keep them busy all day. Street Commissioner McDevitt stated this morning that extra carts would be put on the job and that he hoped to be able to get all the refuse hauled away as fast as possible.

Residents of the third ward began operations in their ward yesterday and say that they are going to go even better than the fourth warders. Operations in the second ward will begin on Monday.

Father Dies In Durham

Arthur Elliott is Mourning Loss of Parent Who Passed Away Last Night.

Word was received from Arthur Elliott of this city, who left Tuesday night for Durham, where he was called by the serious illness of his father, that the latter passed away last night.

Mr. Elliott's many friends here sympathize with him in his bereavement. It is expected that he will return to Washington in a few days.

JUST THINK OF IT

Two Hundred Dollar Grafonola Absolutely Given Away.

That advertising is now a science is again demonstrated practically to the buying public of this section by the wonderful advertising system now employed by the most enterprising business house of Russ Bros., who are going to give away ABSOLUTELY FREE to some one of their customers a September 1, 1915, a beautiful Two Hundred Dollar Grafonola. Just think of it! A Two Hundred Dollar Grafonola to be GIVEN AWAY! A few years ago if a merchant was to do such a thing he would be considered a fit subject for an asylum, but conditions have changed, yet in the face of the enormous sum spent in advertising the fact of Russ Bros. giving away a \$200 Grafonola is a stupendous undertaking and it clearly demonstrates their desire to be "always up to and a little ahead" of the spirit of the times.

Every purchaser of \$1.00 worth of goods from any department of their store will receive a coupon good for 100 votes on the Grafonola. The person presenting the largest number of votes to them on September 1, 1915, will receive the Grafonola absolutely free. No favors will be shown and every person will receive an equal chance. The reputation enjoyed by Russ Bros. for "square dealing" insures this fact. We think the buying people will appreciate this extremely liberal offer on the part of Russ Bros. and we predict a lively scramble for votes. See our ad elsewhere.

Extra Session Not Unlikely

Congressman Small States, However, That Nothing Has Been Said Officially As Yet.

When asked whether Congressional duties would demand his presence at Washington at any time in the near future, Congressman Jno. H. Small states yesterday that although he might take several trips to the capital during the summer months, the next regular session of Congress would not convene until the first Monday in December.

"Is it likely that an extra session may be called?" questioned a Daily News reporter.

"It is possible of course," replied Mr. Small and the President may call an extra session some time in October, according to unofficial reports. However, I have no definite information on the matter yet."

"What would be the principal reason in calling an extra session?" was asked.

"Foreign complication, which I hope will not arise, and rural credits," answered the congressman.

SALE ENDS SATURDAY.

Cutler and John's big spring sale will end Saturday. There are still many excellent bargains in their store which may be secured at sacrificing prices.

IMPETUS TO ROAD BUILDING

Secret of Maintaining Country Highway Lies in Keeping It Well Rounded Up and Drained.

Over a good road, we can haul products to market at any season of the year and get full benefit of the highest prices. It is a simple matter to build a good country road, as it is not absolutely necessary that it should be built of gravel or crushed stone. The secret of the maintaining of the country road lies in keeping it well rounded up and sufficiently drained, by arranging it so that the road is about a foot higher in the middle than it is at the edges.

A good dirt road well maintained is not an expensive proposition, writes Eugene J. Hall of Oak Park, Ill., in Farmers Review. Shortly after every heavy rainfall it should be dragged with a split-log drag. This will fill all of the ruts and depressions and produce a smooth surface well rounded up in the middle of the highway. After being rounded up with a split-log drag, the roads are made firm



Soviet-Built Bridge in Colorado—Stones Were Taken From Nearby Hillsides and Result is Ornamental as Well as Economical.

and solid by means of a heavy roller or system of rollers. This will leave a firm, solid roadbed which will not be seriously injured by heavy traffic.

This system of road building is being followed in many parts of the West with splendid success. When ruts and holes are formed in a road, the jolt and jar of the wheel makes them deeper and forms a pocket for holding water from the first rainfall. This softens the roadbed and deep mud holes are soon formed, while if there had been no ruts or depressions there and the road had been well rounded up, the water would have run off into the ditches on either side, and the surface of the road would be firm and in perfect condition.

JAS. R. LILLY DIES SUDDENLY AT VANDEMERE

Drops Dead While Sitting on Porch of Home of His Daughter

DEATH CAUSED BY BRIGHT'S DISEASE

Deceased Was 65 Years of Age and a Native of Jamesville, North Carolina.

While sitting on the porch of the home of his daughter at Vandemere James R. Lilly suddenly dropped dead yesterday. He was a native of Jamesville, N. C., and staying at Vandemere in the hope that his health would improve. He had been suffering from Bright's disease for some time and his death resulted.

Mr. Lilly was sitting on a porch when a colored woman, who was washing clothes in the yard, saw him suddenly lurch forward in his chair and fall to the floor. She ran to him just in time to prevent him from rolling in the yard.

John Kugler Seriously Ill

Son of Mayor Has Had High Fever Since Sunday. Typhoid is Feared.

John Kugler, the young son of Mayor and Mrs. Frank C. Kugler, has been seriously ill since Sunday. He has had a high fever during the greater part of the time, his temperature having been up to 104.

Although it is not definitely ascertained as yet, it is feared that the boy may be suffering from typhoid.

FEED THE DAIRY COWS WELL

Cottonseed Meal is Convenient Feed in Texas and Oklahoma to Balance Sorghum and Silage.

(By H. M. COTTELL.) Native pasture and silage should be available summer and winter. The silage should be fed generously at any time of the year when the grass is not sufficient to secure a high yield of milk. In dry times during the summer and at all times during the winter, sorghum, hay and the hay from either alfalfa, sweet clover or Spanish peanuts should be fed liberally. Dry pasture usually can be provided and it makes a good winter feed. In favorable years wheat pasture may furnish nearly all the feed needed for a high yield during the winter. Five good cows fed all they will eat will yield more profit than 15 half starved.

The daily ration must be balanced between the starchy, heat-making foods, like silage, sorghum hay, corn fodder and millet, and the blood-and-muscle-making feeds like alfalfa, sweet clover and Spanish peanut hay. Every cow yields a good flow of milk on green, luscious grass. The grass furnishes about three and a half parts of the starch to one of the blood-and-muscle-making material. Dry



Excellent Dairy Type.

land farmers often say that sorghum hay will "dry up" a cow if she is given enough of it. It will when fed alone, but it may be fed in large quantities to advantage when balanced properly with hay from alfalfa, sweet clover or Spanish peanuts. Cottonseed meal is a convenient feed in Texas and Oklahoma with which to balance sorghum, millet hay and silage.

Committees Appointed

Ladies Memorial Association Name Committees for Decorating Graves.

At the annual meeting of the Ladies Memorial Association yesterday afternoon, the following committees for decorating the graves of Confederates on Memorial Day were appointed:

Episcopal Church yard—Miss E. M. B. Hoyt, Mrs. W. B. Morton, Mrs. N. Harding, Mrs. C. K. Gallagher, Mrs. J. H. Saunders.

Methodist Church yard—Mrs. W. H. Call, Miss Margaret Jarvis.

Presbyterian Church yard—Mrs. W. H. Call, Miss Margaret Jarvis.

Baptist Church yard—Miss Sallie Midyette, Miss Olive Gallagher.

Cemetery—Miss Sallie Midyette, Miss M. Jarvis, Miss Olive Gallagher, Miss Annie Jarvis, Mrs. N. Harding.

The Ladies of the Memorial Association ask all the ladies of the town sending flowers for decorating the graves of the soldiers to bring them to the home of Miss A. Jarvis as early as possible Friday morning.

All who have them are kindly asked to donate flowers for this cause.

MUSIC AT THE PALMS.

Forbes' orchestra has been engaged to discourse music at "The Palms," the popular concert-garden at the corner of Market and Second streets, tomorrow night. The public is cordially invited to hear the music.

She Was More Thorough. Mrs. Eze—"It isn't right to charge Willie with taking that money out of your pocket. Why don't you accuse me?" Mr. Eze—"Because it wasn't taken."—Stray Stories.

Has the Habit. When a man says "I don't want a coplain," it means that he cop plans most of the time.—Archibor Globe.

Our Company. The rapidity with which the human mind levels itself to the standard around it gives us the most pertinent warning as to the company we keep. Lowell.

Cheese the Chief Export. Berne, Switzerland, exports a much higher value in Swiss cheese than in Swiss watches.

Human Longevity. Thomas Parr of Shropshire, England, in all probability bears the palm for longevity. He lived one hundred and fifty-two years and nine months. It is claimed that Parr's case is well authenticated, while in the cases going beyond him certainty gives way to conjecture.

Exercises To Be At New Theatre

Memorial Day Program Will Not Be Carried Out at Auditorium as in the Past.

The Daughters of the Confederacy again desire to call attention to the fact that all of the Memorial Day exercises will be held at the New Theater on Main street, and not at the high school auditorium as heretofore. There seems to have been some misunderstanding about this.

Tickets for the matinee at the theater on Saturday afternoon will be issued to the veterans, their wives and widows immediately after the dinner at the armory.

MARKET TO CLOSE

The city market will be closed from 11 to 4 o'clock except Saturday's until further notice.

GIRL WANTED JUST OUT of school, age 18 to 20, to canvass. Salary, \$5.00 to \$8.00 per week. Address Box 104, Pinetown, N. C. 5-6-2ip.

FOR RENT THREE LARGE unfurnished rooms, upstairs, with bath. Apply 211 W. Second street. 5-6-4t.

INTERESTING PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY NIGHT

Good Music Will be Feature at Baccalaureate Sermon.

SERVICES AT THE AUDITORIUM

Will Begin Promptly at Eight O'clock. Rev. Huske to Preach Sermon.

A most interesting program will be rendered at the high school auditorium Sunday night, the occasion being the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class by Rev. B. F. Huske of New Bern.

The combined choirs of the city churches will sing several selections and the local pastors will also take part in the services. The public is most cordially invited to attend. The program begins promptly at eight o'clock and will be as follows:

Anthem—"Hail to the Lord's anointed."

Scripture lesson—By Rev. R. V. Hope.

Prayer—By Rev. H. B. Seagriff.

Hymn—"How Firm a Foundation."

Sermon—Rev. B. F. Huske.

Anthem—"Onward Christian Announcements."

Hymn—"Holy, Holy, Holy."

Benediction—Rev. N. Harding.

On Wednesday night will be held the annual debate for the C. G. Morris medal. The question for debate will be, "Resolved, That the United States should subsidize her merchant marines." The affirmative will be taken by Elliott Weston and Ray Warren, while Walter Morgan and William Ellis will take the negative.

Light House Keeper Ill

Mr. Simpson Arrived Here Yesterday From Oceanock, May Undergo Operation.

A. J. Simpson arrived here yesterday from Oceanock Island, suffering ill. Mr. Simpson is suffering from gastritis of the foot and diabetes. He is under the care of Drs. Daves and Josh Taylor. It is not known yet whether an operation will be necessary. Mr. Simpson is keeper of the Southwest Point Lighthouse on Pamlico sound. His son, Louis Simpson, is a resident of this city.

CHOIR PRACTICE

All those who are to sing at the commencement exercises of the Washington high school are requested to meet at the auditorium tonight at eight o'clock for a final rehearsal.

BAKER SAYS.

Bring along your profile in the next two or three days. We want to get out a new display of pictures for our show windows. We have nice display cases, and we want good looking subjects to go into them. Look out for the change next week.

W BAKER STUDIO.

New Theater

TONIGHT

SIMPLE SIMON COMPANY

In

"King of the Wizard"

Photoplays

Daniel Frohman Presents

"A Lady of Quality"

In Five Reels. Prices 10c and 20c.