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GIVEN THIRTY YEARS

Arthur Walker Colored Sent to The Pen.

PLEAD GUILTY OF BURGLARY IN SECOND DEGREE.

Largest Attendance at Court for Year— Judge Webb Delivers Charge to Jury.

Randolph Superior Court convened Monday morning with Judge J. L. Webb, of Shelby, presiding.

The attendance was unusually large on Monday, and on Tuesday the court yard, and in fact the whole town was thronged with visitors.

When court convened Monday the following grand jury was sworn and empaneled:

L. C. Phillips, foreman; T. E. Marshall, W. H. Winingham, John Vuncannon, Wm. P. Pickett, Thos. Slack, Willie F. Brooks, D. W. Lohr, Jr., E. W. Walker, H. A. Tomkinson, Henston Trogdon, J. J. Miller, R. L. Gray, J. H. Vestal, Carl Coltrane, M. J. Leach, T. B. Tysor, W. W. Burrow. J. B. Slack was sworn as officer to the grand jury.

Judge Webb delivered an exhaustive charge to the grand jury upon the duty of not only the grand jury, but the citizens as well, in upholding the laws for the protection of the lives and property of the people.

He declared it to be the duty of every citizen to obey the law, whether they believed it a good or a bad one. It is the duty of the grand jury to see that the law is enforced. The position of grand juror is one of responsibility, and the enforcement of the law depends largely upon its action. The court is powerless to bring a violator of the law to justice unless the grand jury first declare it a case to be tried. He charged them to investigate all violations of which they have knowledge, and if, after examining witnesses, they think there is possible cause, return a true bill, and in this way justice will be meted out to the defendants—if guilty they will be punished, if innocent they will be released. After referring generally to the duties of both citizens and jurors, Mr. Webb referred in no uncertain terms to the criminal laws. Murder, burglary, arson, and rape, secret assault, larceny, embezzlement, gambling, drinking, etc., were subjects of comment.

Mr. Webb was especially forceful in that part of his charge referring to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, being drunk in public and the sale of cigarettes to boys under 17 years of age.

He declared that there is no evil in North Carolina today greater and more dangerous than boys smoking cigarettes. For a boy to smoke before maturity means destruction of health, mind and in many instances character. Realizing this great evil the law declares that a merchant who sells cigarettes to minors is guilty of a crime and calls upon the grand jury to indict these merchants.

Although the courtroom was crowded and warm the crowd followed his honor closely in the charge which was indeed, a strong one.

The grand jury retired about 1:30 o'clock after which court adjourned for dinner.

The following petit jurors were drawn:

W. E. Harrell, J. M. Brower, A. B. Steele, R. L. Talbert, G. H. Black, Osborne Slack, G. R. Moser, D. S. Craven, W. W. Jones, R. D. Horner, J. M. Brewer, J. M. Cornelison.

The most important case on the docket at this term was disposed of yesterday afternoon when Arthur Walker, a negro plead guilty of burglary in the second degree and was sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary.

Walker broke into the residence of Allen Robbins, near Caraway, on the night of July 4th.

CASES TRIED.

Monday afternoon the following cases were tried:

State vs. Lou Spinks, a. w. d. w., defendant pleads guilty, judgment \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Will York and Ed Underwood, cruelty to animals, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Frank Powell, affray,

plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Geo. Culbertson and H. Kearns, affray, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Orlando Harrill, retailing. The court ordered that whereas the defendant had been in jail for 5 months, and had worked two and one half months on the county roads, that judgment be suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Shube Robbins, a. w. d. w., defendant plead guilty, judgment fined \$20.00 and costs.

State vs. Hal Croker, John Gray and Maion Lambert, a. w. d. w. Croker and Lambert plead guilty. Verdict of jury as to Gray guilty. Defendants required to pay costs and give bond for good behavior.

State vs. Chas. Patterson, assault and battery, plead guilty.

State vs. Tom Robbins, disturbing congregation, jury out as we go to press.

State vs. D. T. Trotter, slander, now being heard by the court as we go to press.

State vs. Horner Moore, retailing defendant called and failed.

State vs. Will Gray, C. C. W., judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs. Albert McNeil, retailing, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs. Chas. Patterson, assault and battery, verdict guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs. Josiah Frazier and E. Lee Cox, plead guilty. Fined \$25 and cost, defendants gave bond for good behavior for two years.

State vs. Josiah Frazier and E. Lee Cox, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. W. A. Patterson forcible trespass, verdict not guilty.

State vs. Bulah Howard, larceny guilty, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs. J. F. Lewis, a w d w, plead guilty, judgment \$10 and costs.

State vs. Ern Kime, a w d w, plead guilty.

State vs. John Floyd a w d w, verdict guilty, judgment 3 months on county roads.

State vs. Cooper Moffitt, nuisance verdict guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. J. L. Green, and Tamar Altridge, f and a, not guilty.

State vs. W. A. Pritchard, resisting officer, plead guilty. Judgment \$25 and costs.

Mr. Craven Going to Lancaster.

Prof. Bruce Craven, formerly of Trinity, has recently been elected Superintendent of the Public Schools of Lancaster, one of the most progressive and best known systems in South Carolina. He is among the foremost of public school men in this State as well as one of the best writers and the best wishes of his home people are always with him. The position pays a salary of \$1500.

Barn Fired By Lightning.

The barn of D. B. Culp of Richfield Stanley county was struck by lightning last week. Fire, which consumed the building and contents, followed. Threshers had just entered the barn to shelter.

A horse and mule belonging to Jno Cruise, and a mule belonging to H. F. Small were killed by the lightning, and 100 bushels of grain burned in the barn. The threshers escaped injury.

Evans Given Thirty Years.

John Evans, colored, age 23 years was tried and convicted in Wake County Superior Court Saturday for murdering his father. It was claimed that young Evans shot his father through a window while he slept. The defendant was sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary.

Death of Dr. Griffith.

Dr. J. F. Griffith, one of the best known dentists in this State, died at his home in Salisbury last week. He was 57 years old and is survived by a widow and one son. He was prominent in the State Dental Association, and influential in his community.

Ocean View Hotel Burned.

Ocean View Hotel, near Wilmington, was destroyed by fire early Thursday morning. Several other buildings in close proximity were also burned. The guests lost many personal effects.

CAMPAIGN OPENS IN ASHEBORO.

First Speech By Candidate On The State Ticket Made to The People of Randolph Tuesday— Hon. B. F. Aycock Made Fine Impression.

The campaign in North Carolina opened Tuesday in Asheboro, with a speech by Hon. B. F. Aycock, of Wayne County, Democratic candidate for Corporation Commissioner. This is the first speech of the campaign delivered, and Mr. Aycock came upon the invitation of the Asheboro Bryan-Kitchin Club, the first organized in the State.

The speaker was introduced by Hon. R. N. Page, of Beaufort, a candidate for Congress. Mr. Page was very brief in his introductory speech. He said: "We have now arrived at the beginning of another campaign.



HON. B. F. AYCOCK.

Each two years the citizens of the State nominate candidates for the various offices, and the campaign begins. No better place can be found to open the campaign than in Randolph County.

Referring to Democratic prospects, Mr. Page said the party never started in a campaign with more encouragement and a better chance to win than this one. The national convention has nominated a man for President whose name is dear to the heart of every Democrat, a man whose life is beyond reproach and at whom his strongest enemies cast aspersions. The State ticket is also with out reproach. As a strong representative of the State ticket, Mr. Aycock, who was received with applause.

The court room was thronged with people of both political parties who listened with intense interest for more than an hour as the speaker reviewed the record of the two parties in a strong and convincing manner. Mr. Aycock said he would not make an eloquent speech. He declared that he might not make a good speech but he could run as straight a furrow as any man and back as good biscuits as any woman in Asheboro the fact that when the slaves were freed, his mother taught him how to do every thing.

Entering upon his speech proper, Mr. Aycock declared that it was the duty of every man when he reached the age of maturity to investigate and cast his ballot for the candidate and for the party whose platform offered the most to the people. Every man should be interested in good government and the people should "reason together that good may come." He said he wanted to talk to the people of Randolph and of North Carolina heart to heart and reason together without feigning, that peace, happiness and good will may prevail in the State.

Touching national matters, he referred to the nomination of Wm. J. Bryan for president and to the adoption of the national platform as the will of the people and not as the dictation of any one man or combination of men. No one man in State or national government is permitted to dictate the candidates or policies of the Democratic party. We believe in waiting to hear from the mighty people, and their will is the will of the Democratic Convention.

Who nominated Taft? Who dictated the Republican platform? Did the people? No. Mr. Roosevelt nominated Taft and outlined the policy of the Republican party; ignoring entirely the masses of the people of

that party who joined in demand for relief. Mr. Bryan was nominated by the people and stands for the people. He believes in State's Rights giving you the privilege to do without the interference of Federal judge or other authorities without an opportunity to be heard.

Touching tariff and the Republican promise of revision, Mr. Aycock declared it a confidence game to fool the people hoping with this promise of revision to quiet the people and at the same time approach the money interest and monopolies with the proposition of pledges to their corrupt campaign fund to secure their election. The speaker declared that if re-elected Republicans might revise the tariff but for the benefit of these monopolies instead of the poor over-burdened consumer.

He declared that the taxes paid to the Federal Government by the people in an indirect way, if they could but once realize the enormity of it, they would rise up in fierce rebellion.

Referring to State matters, Mr. Aycock boasted that the people of North Carolina had not asked of the State any reasonable thing and there had been nothing that the Democratic party could think of which would benefit the people of the State that had not been enacted into law. He pledged that the party stood ready and willing to do anything that yet remained undone. He referred to the progress of education, the appropriation to the old soldiers, the erection of school houses, the building of insane asylums, homes for the aged and infirm, asylums for the deaf, dumb and blind, the need of which was keenly felt by the people, and realizing it the Democratic party acted accordingly.

The complaint has been made that the Democrats have spent a great deal of money. For the party Mr. Aycock pleaded guilty, but declared that every dollar that was collected during the Democratic administration in taxes had been put to use and invested in a manner in the interest of the people generally in this State. There has been no extravagance, no misappropriations, and should not the party who spends the money honestly and in the in-

terest of the masses be recognized and continued in power? The action of the party is an open book and the people can see where every dollar has gone. The Republican administration was one of extravagance, misappropriation, embezzlement, bringing destruction to manufacturing enterprises and wreck to the home.

Mr. Aycock urged every young man to cast his ballot in the interest of peace and happiness and lend his aid to the promotion of good government and prosperity among the people. He urged the old men to go to the polls and vote for the principle that inspired them to shoulder the burden and endure the four years of war and hardship. If this is done the entire Democratic ticket in the State and County will be elected.

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CONDENSED NEWS.

The Lexington Law and Order League was organized last week. At the first meeting \$238 was raised to prosecute "blind tigers."

George P. Wadsworth, a prominent business man of Charlotte, was married at Chicago last week to Miss Margaret B. Douglas.

C. M. Miller, civil engineer, is preparing a map of Guilford county which will show the principle residences of the county, public and private roads, school districts, telephone lines, etc.

Mrs. Susan B. Hoskins, widely known in this section as a noble woman and a devout christian died at High Point last week.

The High Point Publishing Co. has been declared bankrupt and its affairs have been turned over to the Greensboro Loan & Trust Co., as receivers.

Miss Mattie White of Guilford County was married Monday at High Point, to D. S. Clodfelter. The marriage was solemnized at the home of H. P. Poplin.

E. C. Strayhorn a prominent citizen of Thomasville died Saturday morning. He was for some time engaged in the manufacturing business but has more recently been engaged in the insurance business.

"Free and Easy," a notorious negro settlement at Hamlet, was destroyed by fire Saturday.

The settlement was reputed for gambling dives and blind tigers.

METHODISTS MEET.

District Conference in Session at Mocksville Last Thursday and Friday.

The Methodist conference of the Winston District met at Mocksville, last Thursday.

Rev. T. F. Marr, D. D., presided. Rev. J. H. Barnhardt was elected secretary. The reports of the churches comprising the district conference, show steady growth.

The Winston District embraces 21 pastoral charges, eight stations and 13 circuits, with a membership of nearly ten thousand. This is one of the most important fields in North Carolina.

The next conference will be held at Kernersville. J. K. Norfleet, of Winston, O. L. Williams, of Mocksville; T. E. Whitaker, of Oak Ridge and F. S. Lambeth, of Thomasville, are delegates to the general conference at Asheville.

Death of Mother of Rowan's Sheriff.

Mrs. Maria Krider, mother of Sheriff Hodge Krider, of Rowan County, died at her home near Salisbury Saturday.

Last month Mrs. Krider, who was 73 years old, suffered a fall in which she received other injuries besides a broken hip. The deceased was wife of a noted Presbyterian preacher and is survived by two sons and two daughters.

Democrats Organize in Greensboro.

A Bryan and Kitchin Club was organized in Greensboro Friday night. President, James W. Forbis first vice president, A. Wayland Cook; second vice-president E. P. Wharton; third vice-president, J. Ed. Albright, fourth vice-president, E. J. Stafford; secretary, T. C. Hoyle; assistant secretaries, Democratic press; treasurer, E. G. Sherrill.

Governor Offers Reward.

Governor Glenn offers \$200 reward each for the murderers of J. M. Morris, a prosperous farmer who was killed so brutally in his home near Monroe recently. There is believed to have been two of the burglars and the reward is \$200 each.

Receivers for Pomona Mills.

King & Kimball, attorneys at Greensboro, have been appointed receivers of the Pomona Cotton Mfg. Co., of Greensboro. This company was recently adjudged bankrupt by the U. S. Court at Greensboro.

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M. P. CONFERENCE.

Important Religious Body Convenes Today.

SUB-DISTRICT MEETING AT WHY NOT.

Large Assembly of Methodist Delegates and Ministers at Why Not.

The conference of the Fourth Sub-district of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Church is in session at Why Not. The conference convened today with a large attendance and will continue in session through Sunday.

The conference is composed of four delegates and the pastor of each church in charge in the district. Mrs. R. H. Ross, Miss Xanthe Stowe, Colon Spencer and W. L. Ward are delegates from Asheboro, and the pastor Rev. T. M. Johnson and wife are also in attendance.

The officers of the conference are: Rev. J. H. Bowman, Chairman, Liberty, N. C.

Rev. T. M. Johnson, C. E. Superintendent, Asheboro N. C.

In charge of correspondence for Church Record, Rev. T. M. Johnson.

Subject: Our Opportunities.

PROGRAM.

Thursday, 8 P. M.

The Open Door—Sermon, Rev. J. H. Bowman.

Friday, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional Exercises.

Election of Secretary and Enrollment of Delegates.

CHURCH FINANCE.

(a) Tithing, Rev. T. M. Johnson, fifteen minutes; open discussion, ten minutes.

(b) Necessity of Apportionment of Pastor's Salary and General Interests, Rev. J. H. Stowe, fifteen minutes; open discussion, ten minutes.

(c) Christian Living Before the World, Sermon, Rev. J. D. Williams.

Afternoon.

(d) Cards and Envelopes, Rev. J. A. Ledbetter, fifteen minutes; open ten minutes.

(e) Importance of Systematic Collection, R. T. Pickens, fifteen minutes; J. H. Spencer, five minutes; W. S. Cecil, five minutes.

(f) Every Cent of Every Claim (Motto), Rev. A. O. Lindley, fifteen minutes.

(g) Liberty from the Standpoint of Privilege, Rev. J. H. Stowe, fifteen minutes; open fifteen minutes.

Paper: The Work of Our Women in the Church, Mrs. W. C. Hamner, Jr., Asheboro 7:45 P. M.

PASTOR'S WORK.

(a) His Charge Demands His Time, Thought, Talent, Energy, Rev. J. D. Williams, twenty minutes; open, ten minutes.

(b) His Work is Study and Pulpit, Rev. Edward Suits, fifteen minutes.

(c) In the Home, Dr. W. K. Hartsell, fifteen minutes.

(d) His Work Outside His Own Membership Rev. C. Hamner, fifteen minutes.

(e) His Work in a Social Way, L. B. Hughes, fifteen minutes.

(f) His Work as the Financial Foreman, Rev. G. L. Reynolds, fifteen minutes.

Paper: How to Help Your Pastor, Miss Evrine Morgan.

Saturday, 9:30 A. M.

LATELY'S WORK.

(a) To Make it Possible and Reasonable for the Pastor to Give His Time, Thought, Talent and Energy to His Work, Rev. J. H. Moton, fifteen minutes; Z. A. Lewallen, five minutes.

(b) His Work in the Pew, Rev. W. J. Hackney, ten minutes; Matthew Farr, five, Joel Trogdon, five.

(c) His Work Regarding His Pastor in His Home, Rev. J. H. Hedin, ten minutes; Sam Bell, five; W. P. Pickett, five.

(d) His Work among Outsiders, L. R. Hughes, ten minutes.

(e) Work in a Social Way, Rev. A. O. Lindley, ten minutes.

(f) His Work as a Financial Leader, Dr. W. K. Hartsell, ten minutes.

11 a. m.—The Call to the Ministry Sermon, Rev. J. H. Stowe.

Afternoon.

Paper: A True Layman, Colon Spencer.

The C. E. Work, conducted by the C. E. Superintendent.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM.

The Importance of Junior Christian Endeavor, Geo. Ross, Asheboro.

The Duty of the church in developing the young life in the church—Rev. G. L. Reynolds, Denton.

The Duty of the Pastor in developing the young life in the church, Miss Etta Auman, Seagrove.

How to get the Committees to do their work, Miss Xanthe Stowe, Asheboro.

Open Conference.

7:45 P. M.

QUESTION CONFERENCE

Sunday, 9:30 A. M.

Relation of the Sunday School to the Church, L. R. Hughes, fifteen minutes, open five minutes.

The Importance of Holding the Children for Church Service.

Paper: The Duty of Parents to the Sunday School, Miss Alma Dell.

Qualifications and Duty of a Sunday-School Teacher, Miss Rosa Thompson.

11 a. m.—Sermon: Aggressive Evangelism, Rev. T. M. Johnson.

Afternoon.

Sermon: Our Church Extension, Opportunity and Duty, Rev. A. O. Lindley.