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## M'CRARY BOUND OVER

After hearing the evidence offered by the state in the case of State vs. Yancey, McCrary and Jack Poor, the two young men charged with breaking into and robbing the depot at Pisgah Forest, the recorder last Monday decided that there was probable cause against McCrary but not sufficient evidence to bind young Poor over to the higher court, and accordingly the grand jury will be called upon to pass upon the evidence offered at the convening of court next Monday morning.

The evidence brought out before the recorder at the hearing Monday afternoon was, in brief, as follows: Mrs. Edie Nelson, a resident of Pisgah Forest who has been spending some time in Athens, Tenn., testified that young McCrary visited her in Tennessee shortly after the robbery and that he then told her that he and young Poor had robbed the depot, securing about one hundred and ninety dollars, which were divided between them at a point near the old Mackey place; that she was told that they had entered the depot with the aid of a key.

On cross examination the witness admitted that although her husband was living McCrary had furnished her the money with which to make the trip to Tennessee, an amount of twenty dollars, and that she had received about twenty dollars more from him when he visited her in Athens; that she spent the time in Tennessee at the home of a woman by the name of Bessie Clark and earned her board by assisting in preparing meals for the boarders at that place, who were "gentlemen traveling men." The witness also told of a visit to her home since her return to Pisgah Forest by Sheriff Pickelsimer in company with a Mr. Thomas, special agent of the Southern Railway Co., when she told these officers of what had been told by McCrary in Tennessee.

Sheriff Pickelsimer, introduced by the state, told of the visit to the Nelson woman's home in company with the representative of the railroad and of certain conversations he heard between the defendants and Mr. Thomas.

After hearing these two witnesses both the state and defense rested and the decision of the recorder was that McCrary give a \$500 justified bond for his appearance at the Superior court next week, and that the charge against Jack Poor be dismissed.

The state was represented by Solicitor Michael Schenck, assisted by the local law firm of Galloway & Allison, while young McCrary was represented by Charles B. Deaver with W. E. Beeson, Jr., looking after the interests of Jack Poor. The hearing was spirited at all times and was marked by many sharp passages between the attorneys, at one time almost reaching the point where the sheriff had to interfere in the interest of order. It was no place for a nervous man.

## W. H. GROGAN HURT

Last Saturday afternoon in alighting from a moving automobile W. H. Grogan inadvertently stepped off backward and was thrown to the ground with such force as to seriously injure his hip.

The accident occurred near the Franklin as Mr. Grogan was alighting from an automobile driven by J. A. Miller, Jr., and although the machine was not going very fast he was thrown to the ground with considerable force.

Immediately after the accident he was carried to Duckworth's drug store where his injuries were attended to by Dr. E. S. English. Upon examination it was found that his hip was badly bruised by the force of the fall, and otherwise badly shaken up, but no bones were broken. Although, ordinarily, the injuries would not be considered very grave, Mr. Grogan's advanced age will prove a detriment to a rapid recovery and he will hardly be able to be about again in several weeks. At present he is getting along as well as could be expected under the circumstances.



CHARLES B. HANFORD  
The Celebrated Tragedian Who Will Appear in Brevard August 4th With the Booster Club Chautauqua.

## BOOSTER CLUB CHAUTAUQUA

The promoters of the Booster Club Chautauqua met in the assembly room of the Brevard Club last Friday morning and made plans to push the coming chautauqua to a successful termination. The ladies of the town were invited to attend this meeting and a goodly number were present, and one and all seemed to enter into the spirit of the work and promised their cooperation in making the chautauqua a success.

A central committee, composed of Orv. L. Jones, chairman, Thos. H. Shipman and J. H. Pickelsimer, was appointed to look after the advertising and selection of speakers for the morning sessions of the program, and Mrs. C. McCook, Jr., appointed as chairman of the ladies' committee to look after the sale of tickets. A prize of five dollars was offered to the person selling the highest number of season tickets, and the one selling the next highest number will receive two dollars and a half. A number of ladies, girls and boys are actively engaged in pushing the sale of tickets and quite a bit of friendly rivalry exists.

At the meeting of the ladies and promoters it was decided to hold the chautauqua in the Auditorium, this appearing to be much the best arrangement, and accordingly there will only be three hundred and fifty tickets sold. After this number has been disposed of there will be no more on sale at any time, the committee having decided that there would be no crowding. Everyone who expects to attend the chautauqua should buy a ticket early, for it may be possible there will be none to buy a little later. All who buy a season ticket from the various canvassers will have the privilege of selecting a reserved seat without extra cost.

Although the speakers for the morning periods cannot be announced at this time, it is quite likely that Rev. R. L. Davis, superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, will deliver an address on Tuesday morning, August 3, and Prof. A. C. Reynolds, president of the Cullowhee Industrial School, will be heard on Wednesday morning. These gentlemen have been invited to make addresses on these days and it is to be hoped they will be present. The morning periods will be open to the public, no charge being made for any morning address, and the public is invited and urged to attend.

For the third morning program, "Towa boosters' day," the committee has not finally decided what will be done, but it is likely that this program will be turned over

to local speakers, allowing each one about five minutes, making it a free for all speaking match for all who want to say something about boosting Brevard and Transylvania county. The program and speakers for all three days will be announced next week.

The following is a tentative program, subject to change:

### Tuesday, August 3—Agricultural Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Farmers' Institute. Address by Rev. R. L. Davis, superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League. Subject to be announced later.

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Lecture, "The New Agriculture," by Dr. Frank B. Vrooman.  
4:30 Concert by the Bessie Leigh Concert Company.

EVENING.  
8:15 Concert and Entertainment by the Bessie Leigh Company.  
9:00 Lecture, "Arms and Ammunition," a story of the great war, by Dr. Frank B. Vrooman.

### Wednesday, August 4—Educational Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Educational Rally. Address by Prof. A. C. Reynolds, president of Cullowhee Industrial School.

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Forty-five Minutes of Fun and Made with the Mysterious Milburns.  
3:15 Impersonations, Stories, Recitations, Grave and Gay, by Charles B. Hanford, the famous actor.

EVENING.  
8:15 Musical Hobbies and Pastidigital Performance by the Mysterious Milburns.  
9:00 Grand Scenes from Shakespeare's Comedies and Tragedies by Charles B. Hanford, the celebrated tragedian.

### Thursday, August 5—Town Booster's Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Addresses on Boosting "The Old Home Town" by local speakers; each one limited to five minutes and everybody invited to say a word for Brevard and Transylvania county.

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Grand Concert by the Lyric Glee Club of Philadelphia.  
3:15 Lecture, "Elements of Success," by Dr. George P. Bible, chautauqua director.

EVENING.  
8:15 Lecture, "Life and Opportunity," by Dr. George P. Bible.  
9:00 Concert and Entertainment by the Lyric Glee Club.

Following are the names of the local men who subscribed for the chautauqua, as guarantors: A. M. Verdery, O. W. Clayton, Thos. H. Shipman, J. H. Pickelsimer, C. M. Doyle, R. L. Gash, M. F. Brodie, J. W. Duckworth, F. D. Clement, J. W. McRinn, E. W. Rhythe, Ora L. Jones, J. W. Burnett, Clyde Ashworth, Lewis P. Handlin and N. A. Miller.

## REGULAR SURPRISE BOX

The county board of education lately has developed into a regular surprise box, one surprise seemingly following on the heels of another until a man not endued with a gift of prophecy has no idea what will happen next.

The first surprise came on the 14th when news quickly spread that the county board had declined to elect Prof. T. C. Henderson as county superintendent of schools. Since Mr. Henderson has held the office for about ten years and is better fitted for the work than any other man in the county, this was a great surprise to most folks.

Surprise number two came when it was learned that Welch Galloway, an attorney of Brevard, was elected as county superintendent for the next two years. While Mr. Galloway is well fitted for almost any kind of job that can be mentioned, and would make an excellent superintendent, there is a serious question as to whether he can qualify, for the reason that the law says a man, to be eligible as superintendent, must either be a practical teacher or have had active work in teaching or supervising schools within five years preceding his election. This clause would seemingly leave Mr. Galloway out of consideration.

The third surprise was pulled off just as we were going to press last week and was in the nature of a resignation from T. H. Galloway, the chairman of the board. As stated last week, the board was in session as we went to press, trying to elect a successor to Mr. Galloway, and after a large number of men were considered by the two remaining members, C. C. Youngie was finally decided upon, and Mr. Youngie was accordingly elected as county chairman.

So far as we know, there will be no more surprises until the meeting of the board on the first Monday in August when the board will consider the qualifications of Mr. Galloway, and if he is found ineligible some one else will be elected as superintendent.

## WAR IN TABLOID FORM

After making an extended investigation into the submarine attack on the American steamer Nebraska, the German government announced last week that it had been attacked by a German submarine and that the imperial government would make good the damage.

During the past week reports have been circulated that a big strike threatens at the Krupp plant at Essen, Germany, where the German government makes most of its big guns and ammunition. Higher wages and shorter hours are being demanded by the workmen, who have been pushed to their capacity since the beginning of the war.

It is reported that 540 cases of cholera developed in the Austrian army last week, resulting in 281 deaths.

The German submarine U-51 has been sunk in the Black Sea by a Russian warship. This submarine has sunk several vessels, and is thought to have safely passed Gibraltar and through the Bosphorus, slipping by the allied fleet at the Dardanelles.

The Cunard liner Orduna, from Liverpool to New York, with 227 passengers, including twenty-two Americans, was attacked without warning by a German submarine on the morning of July 9 at a point about twenty miles from the spot where the Lusitania was sunk. The attack following the statement by Germany that all vessels would be searched before being torpedoed, brings more difficulties in the way of a peaceable settlement between this country and Germany. The Orduna succeeded in escaping without damage, although fired at a number of times by torpedoes and being chased by the submarine on top of the water.

## GENERAL NEWS

In a special charge to the grand jury in Wake county last week, Judge R. B. Peebles instructed the jurors that he had reached the conclusion after a careful examination of the recent ruling of the United States Supreme court in the Kentucky liquor shipment cases and a comparison of the Kentucky statute involved with the North Carolina "quart shipment" law that the quart law in this state is unconstitutional in so far as it would prohibit the shipment into this state of liquors for private use, but that it is constitutional in so far as prohibiting the shipment of liquors for sale.

The Asheville Gazette News is to be congratulated in that the business management of that paper will in the future be under the management of Mr. L. R. Duvall. For the past several years Mr. Duvall has been in charge of the advertising department of that paper and is much better fitted in every way to manage the paper than the retiring manager.

Leo M. Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan in Atlanta was recently commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Shaton, was attacked by another prisoner at the state farm last Saturday and seriously injured by having his throat cut.

That the governor of North Carolina, with the consent of the relatives of Prof. Elisha Mitchell, will name a commission to have erected at the summit of Mount Mitchell a fitting monument to the memory of the noted explorer who lost his life in the exploration of the highest peak east of the Rockies, after the state has acquired a portion of the mountain for a park, was the announcement made by Governor Locke Craig in Asheville last Saturday. This governor made a trip to the top of the mountain last week and personally inspected the property.

Harry K. Thaw, the millionaire slayer of Stanford White, who has been on trial for the past ten years, was declared sane by a judge and jury last week, and although an appeal was taken by attorneys for the state he was released on \$25,000 bond.

About 150,000 Welsh coal miners went on strike last week, thus closing down the mines in which the English navy is depending for coal. Although it is against the law for the men to strike at this time there seems to be no way to force the men to work, unless their demands are met with.

The United States government is planning to buy the invention of John Hays Hammond, Jr., by which vessels may be operated from a long distance by wireless control. The new device will be used for coast defense.

Don E. Herbert, son of Senator J. C. Herbert of Clay county, committed suicide while in company with a young woman on Swannanoa Drive near Asheville early last Friday morning. He had been drinking heavily for some time.

According to an announcement made in Detroit last week, every man who has bought a Ford during the past year will receive a rebate from \$10 to \$60.

The Liberty Bell, which started for the San Francisco exposition several weeks ago, arrived at its destination last Friday and was met by several thousand people. It will remain in the west for six months.

Belton C. Shuford, manager of the Brookford cotton mills store, was seriously injured and his two children, aged five and three years, were killed last Sunday at a railroad crossing near Hickory when train No. 12 ran into the automobile in which Mr. Shuford was riding.