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NEGRO IS SENTENCED TO THIRTEEN YEARS

ARTHUR WHITE FOUND GUILTY OF ATTEMPTED ASSAULT.

Trial is Short Before Superior Court. Little Girl Tells Story of Horror To Court.

Arthur White, colored, charged with attempted criminal assault on a little six-year-old white girl, was found guilty in the Buncombe county Superior court yesterday afternoon and was sentenced to a term of thirteen years in the state penitentiary at Raleigh. The trial was short and occupied only the latter part of the afternoon's session. The negro conducted his own defense. The jury was out only a short time in consideration of the case and no surprise was expressed over the verdict by those who heard the evidence in the court.

White was arrested a few days ago by the police on the complaint of the mother of the child and when the case was called in police court the negro was sent to jail in default of \$2,000 bond to await trial before the higher court. The case is one of the worst that has ever come before the courts of Buncombe county and the evidence submitted was of such a nature throughout that it could not be printed.

The little girl accompanied by her mother was the main witness against the defendant and her testimony was practically the same as was given in the police court hearing. She told her story simply and although her childish mind seemed to be slightly awed before the court she finished her tale of horror with but slight hesitation. The mother was also called upon to testify how the child revealed to her what had happened and how she had called the attention of the police.

Drs. L. B. McBrayer and Lewis Elias made practically the same statements as in the police court. Only one other witness, Chief of Police Charles N. Lomax, was called to the stand by the state and his testimony was chiefly in regard to the arrest of the negro.

The defendant took the stand for himself and told a rambling story of how he had worked in the house where the little girl lived. He was very nervous throughout the trial and his voice shook while he talked. He could give no satisfactory answers to the questions of the solicitor. He denied charges made by the child and stated that the little girl had always seemed to have an aversion for him. He was also allowed to plead his case before the jury. He told the same story during his speech that he had told while on the stand and in practically the same manner.

Only a short time was consumed by the solicitor in addressing the jury and the charge of Judge W. F. Harding was brief. The defendant requested that several character witnesses be called to testify in his behalf but this was made unnecessary when Solicitor Robert R. Reynolds stated to the court that he would admit anything that could be said of the defendant's character up to the time of the attempted assault.

RECESS TAKEN.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Supreme court took a recess today until April 6 without announcing decisions in any of the more important cases before it.

SOLID YEAR OF MISERY

After a Solid Year of Misery Bordering on Hopelessness, a Grateful Change Comes of a Sudden.

Monticello, Ga.—Miss Tommie Bowden, of this town, says: "I suffered for one long year with serious womanly troubles—and it became so bad that I thought no remedy could cure my case."

I was nervous, at times, and had a sick headache so bad that I could hardly bend over.

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I then began taking Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I hadn't used it but one day before I felt a great change. I continued taking it, and I know it saved my life. I believe it is worth its weight in gold.

I hope every lady who suffers from womanly trouble, will try Cardui. I praise it to every lady I meet, and my sister also recommends it as the best of medicines for women."

Do you suffer from any of the numerous ailments so common to women, such as headache, backache, side-ache, nervousness, sleeplessness, etc.? Have you that tired, weak, worn-out feeling? If so, we urge you to take Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has not only relieved thousands of women suffering from serious, womanly ailments, but has also been found an excellent tonic for that tired-out feeling.

Get a bottle of Cardui today. N. B.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga—Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

POINTS OF LAW ARISE IN OTTINGER'S CASE

INSANITY PLEA ENTERED BY HIS ATTORNEYS.

First Case in State Court Since 1860. Jury Returns Conflicting Decision.

Points of law that probably never were before brought up in a North Carolina court of justice were involved in the hearing of the case of the state against John A. Ottinger at yesterday's session of the Buncombe county Superior court, presided over by Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte. On account of the fact that the defendant is a deaf mute many unusual features have been brought into the trial and a large crowd of interested spectators were in the court room throughout the day. The last case on record where a deaf mute was tried for murder in the courts of this state was at Raleigh in 1860. This was the case of the state against Harris and the decision handed down by Judge W. H. Battle of the Supreme court at that time is the only decision on record in the history of North Carolina courts. The two cases bear few common phases and for that reason the trial of Ottinger was practically conducted without precedent.

When the case was called yesterday morning, Martin, Rollins and Wright, attorneys for the defendant, surprised the court by entering a plea of not guilty with defense based on a plea of insanity. This was the first hint that such a course would be adopted and the prosecution was compelled to change its tactics in conducting the case. Solicitor Robert R. Reynolds was assisted by Judge Spears Reynolds.

Since the case involved a trial as to whether or not the defendant was insane no witnesses were called to the stand other than the experts introduced by the defense to testify as to the mental condition of the defendant. These were Drs. G. W. Purefoy, H. B. Weaver and J. T. Sevier and the taking of their evidence occupied the entire morning session. The testimony of all three physicians practically agreed that the defendant could be of no possible assistance to his attorneys in conducting his defense. It was stated that he had been examined by all of them in the offices of Dr. Purefoy Sunday afternoon and that it is their united opinion that he has not sufficient intelligence to know what is going on in the court room or to appreciate the seriousness of the charge that has been placed against him.

Dr. Purefoy testified that in his opinion Ottinger like any other mute is not responsible for his acts. He stated that he believes all mutes to be abnormal in comparison to men who can speak and hear. The physician admitted that the defendant has sufficient intelligence to refrain from answering any questions that would tend to incriminate him. The physician also stated that it is his opinion that the defendant should be sent to some institution where he could be restrained from doing any further violence.

The statements of Dr. Sevier on the stand were along the same lines as those of Dr. Purefoy. He testified that in his opinion the prisoner at the bar was not capable of defending himself even with the assistance of an expert interpreter. He further stated that all of the mutes he had ever known were of greater intelligence than the prisoner and that in his opinion the physical condition of Ottinger would not permit him to do manual labor.

The testimony of Dr. Weaver was of the same kind and he stated that in his opinion the defendant is of sufficient intelligence to know the right from wrong as a man in possession of all his faculties.

John E. Ray, superintendent of the School for the Deaf and Blind at Raleigh, acted as interpreter in the case and about a dozen local deaf mutes gathered closely around him to watch his every movement.

The arguments of the attorneys in the case occupied the most of the afternoon and the case was given into the hands of the jury after 4 o'clock. Solicitor Reynolds made a brilliant speech to the jury and the case of the defendant was ably summed up by Attorney Thomas S. Rollins.

In his charge to the jury, Judge Harding pointed out that there were just two issues that it would have to answer. The first of these was, "Is the defendant, John Ottinger, able to plead to the indictment preferred against him in this case?" The second was, "Is the defendant John Ottinger now insane?" He pointed out that the case contained many issues at law that are entirely new and never heard of before in the courts of North Carolina.

The jury remained out of the court room more than an hour and when it returned to announce its verdict, the answer was "no" to both issues. This left the court in a quandary as to exactly what should be done in the case since the answers were regarded as being inconsistent. Judge Harding announced that he would reserve his decision until Wednesday morning.

Since the real merits of the murder charge were not gone into yesterday the mystery surrounding the killing of the wife of the defendant remains as deep as before.

CALENDAR OF SPORTS FOR WEEK

- Tuesday. First annual indoor athletic carnival of Sportsmen's club of America, at Chicago. Mike Gibbons vs. Gus Christie, 10 rounds, at Hudson, Wis. Clarence Ferns vs. Eddie Johnson, 20 rounds, at Pueblo, Colo. Wednesday. Opening of annual bench show of Chicago Kennel club, at Chicago. Friday. Tournament for national A. A. U. wrestling championships opens in Chicago. Intercollegiate wrestling championships at University of Pennsylvania. Annual indoor athletic meet of the western intercollegiate conference, at Evanston.

MANY MASONS HERE FOR REUNION TODAY

CLASS WILL BE ORGANIZED THIS AFTERNOON.

From Fourth to Thirty-Second Degree will be Conferred by Four Local Organizations.

Many Masons from various sections of the state have arrived for the reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies which is to be held today, tomorrow and Wednesday at the Masonic hall in the Drummer building and the final reports which had been received by the members of the various committees last night were to the effect that many lodges will send classes of candidates here for the higher degrees. The local organizations which will confer the degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second during the time of the reunion expect that the class will be one of the largest ever initiated here.

The candidates will meet this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock when the class will be organized and a special meeting of all of the bodies will be held. A half hour later the fourth degree will be conferred by the Canton team and at 4:20 o'clock the fifth degree will be conferred by the same organization. The sixth, seventh and eighth degree will be conferred at 5:30 o'clock and dinner will be served at the Masonic hall promptly at 6 o'clock.

Following the evening meal, the ninth degree will be conferred at 7 o'clock and an hour and a half later the tenth will be conferred. The candidates will receive the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth degree at 8:30 o'clock tonight.

The officers of the bodies of the rite in the valley of Asheville in charge of the reunion are: Asheville Lodge of Perfection, No. 1 ineffable degrees—fourth to fourteenth, inclusive; Venerable master, C. A. Walker, senior warden, Dr. C. E. Cotton; junior warden, W. B. McEwen; orator, H. C. Allen, almoner, C. N. Brown; secretary, W. F. Randolph; treasurer, J. W. Grimes; master of ceremonies, W. A. Ward; expert, J. J. Nichols; assistant expert, W. E. De Meacham; captain of the host, E. D. Galer; tiler, Robert Davidson; past venerable masters, A. J. Willis, W. F. Randolph, J. A. Wagner, J. A. Nichols, Dr. F. T. Meriwether (deceased), J. A. Mims, Dr. C. P. Ambler, J. C. McPherson and A. H. Cobb; Buncombe chapter Rose Croix, No. 2, historic and religious degrees—fifteenth to eighteenth, inclusive; Wise master, F. C. Todd; senior warden, J. J. Nichols; junior warden, C. H. Honess; almoner, C. N. Brown; orator, H. C. Allen; secretary, W. F. Randolph; treasurer, J. W. Grimes; master of ceremonies, J. H. Allport; expert, W. E. Poter; assistant expert, S. Sternberg; standard bearer, J. C. Alberts; guard of the temple, W. D. Meacham; tiler, R. J. Lewis; past wise masters, Dr. C. P. Ambler, J. A. Nichols and T. J. Harkins; Asheville council of Kadosh, No. 3, chivalric and philosophic degrees—nineteenth to thirtieth, inclusive—Commander, T. J. Harkins; first lieutenant commander, A. H. Cobb; second lieutenant commander, A. S. Guerdard; chancellor, H. Carr; orator, Thomas Furness; almoner, C. N. Brown; recorder, W. F. Randolph; treasurer, J. W. Grimes; master of ceremonies, G. F. Lee; expert, E. E. Galer; assistant expert, Victor Stern; captain of the guard, E. S. West; steward, S. W. Lipinsky; past masters of Kadosh, J. C. McPherson, J. A. Nichols and Dr. C. P. Ambler.

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PHRETTIANIANS WIN. DAVIDSON, March 22.—Davidson opened the season here today by defeating Catawba 8 to 1. The visitors played a loose game throughout while but one error was charged against the home team. Catawba could do practically nothing with the deliveries of Osteen and Currie and only one run was made off Penella who went in for the last two innings. Rows was not touched up so freely, the miscues behind him being responsible for the greater number of runs. The features were the pitching of Osteen and Currie, Osteen's home run and Somerville's two batters in the second inning. R. H. H. Davidson 4 1 Batteries, Rowe and Rhinehardt Osteen, Currie, Penella and Stough, Umpire Crantford.

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