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Jurors Drawn For December Term

BREVARD BREVITIES

Was everything all wrong with you last Friday? . . . Don't feel badly about it. Remember, it was the Thirtieth. . . . When something has to be showed over successfully and with a loud bang, call in DUNCAN MACDOUGALD and JULIAN A. GLAZENER. . . . MR. MACDOUGALD, by the way, once upon a time lived among the lofty red clay hills of Alabama overlooking the muddy Chattahoochee that lazily winds its way to the Gulf. . . . It's a fact at MR. and MRS. C. A. L. and THOMAS KING MCCRARY. . . . GEORGE PHILLIPS never gets ruffled over anything. . . . That's one of the best recipes in the world for longevity. . . . Three rousing cheers for MR. and MRS. J. E. WATERS who has just passed the twenty-fifth matrimonial milestone. . . . They're hoping they will live to observe their Golden Anniversary. . . . The chauffeur of this special column had the novel experience of being assigned by a proverbial hard-boiled city editor to "cover" a Diamond Wedding Anniversary. . . . One of the law evers to be observed in these United States serves in these United States in houses. . . . They're quite sure you know. . . . A. PLUMMER and FRANK KING, really got enjoyment out of long, black, thick cigars that would frown the ordinary smoker. . . . What's new, Ory, in this case? What's come up. . . . The top of the mornin' to HON. T. W. WHITMIRE, former mayor of this here town. . . . HARRY SELERS is back from his vacation ready to sell and serve in typical industrial fashion. . . . THE BRITAIN boys drew 'em from far and near last Saturday. . . . HARRY PATTON, JERRY JEROME and DAVID G. WARD are others capable of turning out plenty of work. . . . H. H. whenever the occasion warrants. . . . REV. HARRY PERRY is an interesting conversationalist. . . . He, incidentally, was the only head of a church in Brevard for a portion of last week. . . . Others were either away on vacation or absent because of conferences or conventions. . . . We hope the day finds HARRY PATTON, JOE TINSLEY, RAD NICHOLSON, S. R. JOINES and DAN MERRILL feeling fit as a fiddle, as they used to say. . . . Wonders what "DOC" LOWAY'S favorite menu for himself would be. . . . We'd ask him and print it but too many minds will go hungry and blame this column of nonsense until next week. . . . Gone are the days when Willie crept stealthily into the hayloft there to literally devour the pages of a dime paper back book dedicated to the deeds of "Deadwood Dick" and "Notorious escapades of the far west during stirring frontier days. . . . Brevard boys, while still depending somewhat heavily upon fiction with a sage brush flavor and a plot that bristles with hair-raising situations, have, as a rule, turned to more peaceful reading. . . . My Sue Hunt, attractive and efficient librarian, says, and she should know whereof she speaks. As for the girls, their hearts still palpitate principally to sentimental stories with a love affair threaded throughout. . . . Margaret Pedler's "House of Dreams," "Come True," "Red Ashes," "Hornet of Far Lane" and "Tomorrow's Tangle"; Grace Livingston Hill Lutz's "Enchanted Barn," "Coming Through the Eye" and "Not Under Law"; Grace Richmond's "Red and Black" and the "Red Pepper Burns" series are among the best called for books at the Brevard library. Booth, Tackington, Mary Roberts Rinehart, S. S. Van Dine, Earl Deer Bigger, Sax Rohmer, Appleton, and Zane Gray are other librarors whose works are in big demand. And, of course, the invincible Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street" still continues to be alternately cussed and discussed. . . . But interest in the local li-

COURT OPENS HERE DEC. 7; MANY CASES

More Than Hundred Cases Will Constitute Criminal Docket

L. E. GABWELL IS FOREMAN OF JURY

Grand Jurymen to serve during the first and second week at the December term of Superior court, which is to convene Monday morning, December 7, have been drawn. L. E. Gabwell is foreman.

Criminal and civil dockets are being prepared. There will be approximately 100 cases on the criminal calendar. Clerk Otto Alexander of the Superior court, estimated. It was not definitely known yesterday whether or not the case of the State vs. C. H. Shipman, president of the defunct Brevard Banking company, would come up at this term of court. There are numerous other cases of minor importance.

Judge H. Hoyle Sink, of the 18th judicial district, will preside at the December term and J. Will Pless, solicitor, will be in charge of the prosecution.

The following have been drawn to serve as members of the grand jury for the criminal and civil term:

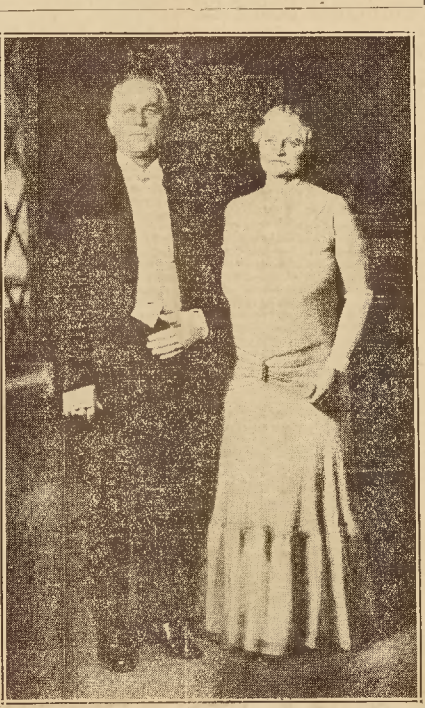
FIRST WEEK

J. M. Huggins, Brevard; J. E. Gillespie, Brevard, No. 1; A. J. Lee, Lake Toxaway; L. L. Graveley, Brevard, No. 1; W. B. Daniels, Rosman; Col. Lee, Lake Toxaway; C. F. Norton, Brevard; Henry McCall, Lake Toxaway; W. C. Fortune, Brevard; Homer Orr, Pisgah Forest; No. 2; J. C. Cash, Namur; Avery Reid, Brevard, No. 3; C. A. Mull, Brevard, No. 3; C. E. Misenheimer, Brevard, No. 3; T. E. Powell, Brevard, No. 1; J. D. Morgan, Namur; J. C. Boston, Rosman; Brevard, No. 1; R. A. Gillespie, Rosman; J. H. Baxter, Brevard, No. 1; E. R. Bishop, Cedar Mountain; W. E. Shipman, Pisgah Forest, No. 1; W. E. Head, Namur; Harry Sellers, Brevard; Clyde Case, Pisgah Forest; Wood S. Hinkle, Namur; G. H. Woodard, Rosman; V. C. Batson, Rosman; D. W. Hollingsworth, Pisgah Forest; V. C. Orr, Penrose; Madison Allison, Brevard, No. 1; W. L. Spohler, Pisgah Forest; H. N. Blake, Brevard, No. 3; J. Frank Hayes, Brevard, No. 3; W. M. Beilston, Brevard, No. 3; Walter Hinkle, Namur; J. L. Ledbetter, Pisgah Forest; W. J. Wilson, Brevard, No. 2; B. A. Hogsed, Brevard, No. 1; Lewis Moore, Brevard, No. 1; Walter Blythe, Penrose.

SECOND WEEK

T. J. Wilson; W. M. Maxwell, Pisgah Forest; Anthony Trancham, Brevard; J. R. Cantrell; A. N. Hinton, Sylva; R. E. Johnson, Brevard, No. 3; Virgil McCrary, Penrose; Solomon Jones, Cedar Mountain; S. W. Radford, Brevard; J. A. Schaefer; A. A. Miller, Lake Toxaway; W. C. Morris, Pisgah Forest; W. J. Wilson, Brevard, No. 1; John S. Patton, Pisgah Forest; D. E. Lyday, Brevard, No. 2; R. H. McKelvey, Brevard, No. 1; H. Lyday, Pisgah Forest; T. D. Grimshaw, Brevard; J. A. Lyday, Brevard, No. 1; J. B. Huggins, Brevard, No. 1; A. C. Landheiter, Brevard, No. 1; W. L. Ledbetter; A. J. Hamilton.

Silver Wedding Anniversary



Above photo shows MR. and MRS. J. E. WATERS, one of the most beloved and highly respected couples in Brevard, who last Saturday night observed their silver wedding anniversary at their beautiful home on Park avenue. Reception was held from 3 p. m. to 12 for 175 invited guests. Many appropriate gifts were tendered the "bride" and "groom" who were wed 25 years ago.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED BY BREVARD COUPLE PROVES TO BE BRILLIANT EVENT

Celebration Held Saturday Night by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Waters

Of wide interest in Western North Carolina and South Carolina was the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Waters, which event was celebrated Saturday evening, November 14, at their home on Park avenue, entertaining with an "at home" from eight until twelve o'clock.

The lower floor was thrown in suite for reception of the 175 guests to whom invitations were issued. Decorations emphasizing a pink, green and white motif were artistically carried out in the rooms, with ferns, polka plants, autumn flowers and leaves arranged to form an enchanting setting for the colorful costumes. The tall tapers burning in the spreading candelabra cast a soft glow over the scene.

The dining table, with its Irish lace cover, was centered with a large white three-tiered wedding cake adorned with a miniature bride and groom. Suspended from the chandelier above was a white wedding bell, from which were attached white satin ribbons caught below at the four corners of the table. The punch bowl, at one end of the dining room, added further to the prevailing color scheme and attractive setting of the evening. In the receiving line were: Mr. and Mrs. Waters and their three charming daughters, Misses Ruth, Almada and Willie Kate, all presenting a pleasing spectacle in their handsome and becoming costumes. Mrs. Waters wore a Paris evening gown of beaded chiffon, while her daughters, Misses Ruth, Almada and Willie Kate, were attired, respectively, in gowns of pink Irish lace, autumn brown chiffon and white beaded chiffon. They each wore corsages of valley lilies and pink roses.

Welcoming the guests at the door and presenting them to the receiving line were: Mrs. Roscoe Nicholson, Mrs. A. H. Kizer, and Mrs. F. V. Whitmire, of Greenville, S. C.

Presiding in the dining room were: Mrs. C. A. Sifton, Mrs. J. S. (Continued on page seven)

2 ARE NABBED IN STORE RAID IN GLOUCESTER

Enos McCall's Mercantile Establishment Entered by Thieves

SHERIFF RECOVERS BIG LOAD OF LOOT

With two men languishing behind the bars of Transylvania county jail and others expected to be taken into custody momentarily, Sheriff T. E. Patton, Jr., was sitting every clue at his command last night in an effort to bring the guilty parties to justice after robbery last week of a general merchandise store operated by Enos McCall at Gloucester, in which much loot was taken away by thieves.

Sheriff Patton said he preferred to withhold names of the men under arrest for the present until his investigation reached a further stage.

Entrance to the store was gained by smashing a rear window to the establishment. Heavy leather coats, hose, shirts and numerous other articles of merchandise were removed from the store. Some of these things have been recovered from various parties throughout the county.

Sheriff Patton and Deputy Sheriff Tom Wood have led the investigation of the burglary and were satisfied with the progress they had made last night. The amount of loot taken by the midnight depredators was the largest ever known in the county in some time. The arrest of the two men occurred Monday and Tuesday night.

Probe Begins Anew As Man Shifts Blame

Sidelights

Some interested followers of the new and sensational developments in the Masters murder case were speculating yesterday on whether or not there will be a preliminary hearing for Whitmire and the two Pettis before a justice of the peace Saturday afternoon, Whitmire has been in a highly nervous state since his arrest and it is believed by some that he may be required to undergo an examination to determine his mental condition.

Jesse Masters disappeared from his home on August 15, 1926. When he did not return after an absence of two weeks, the mystery of his disappearance deepened and fear for his life was felt. Shortly thereafter his decomposed body was found near Rosman. An investigation into his death was then instituted.

Whitmire lost his composure when, after his arrest on a charge of storebreaking, he revealed his parole and that he might be required to return to the penitentiary. He was quoted as having exclaimed over and over again: "I'd rather die than go back!"

Whitmire and the Pettis have been held incommunicado in the Transylvania county jail, all visitors save members of their families and close relatives being barred from seeing them. Their incarceration has been the occasion of widespread comment and much interest centers in the probable outcome of the case.

Louie Whitmire Claims Arthur Petit Killed Jesse Masters

WHITMIRE ACCUSED OF STORE ROBBERY

Preliminary hearing for Louie Whitmire, 31, and two brothers, Tai Petit, 46, and Arthur Petit, 24, all linked in the mysterious slaying in 1926 near Rosman of Jesse Masters, has been tentatively set for Saturday at 3 p. m. before Justice of the Peace F. M. Shuford.

Arraignment of the trio will culminate from the arrest last week of Whitmire in connection with the robbery of Walter Whitmire's store at Rosman. They are now being held in the Transylvania county jail where they were placed after being taken to custody by Sheriff T. E. Patton, Jr., and Deputy Sheriff Tom Wood.

NEW MURDER ANGLE

Whitmire has caused the murder of Masters five years ago to assume an entirely different complexion by accusing Tai and Arthur Petit with the actual killing. Masters' body was found in a bad state of decomposition, with his head lying some distance from the body. Whitmire was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to serve from 15 to 20 years in the penitentiary for the crime. He served about four years and then gained his liberty on parole.

Now, so sheriff's authorities say they have been informed, Whitmire denies he killed Masters. He claims Arthur Petit, a cousin of his wife, killed Masters, together with a rock over a matter involving a sum of money and then slashed his throat while he was in the company of the woods. Whitmire also told Sheriff Patton and Deputy Wood, they said, that Petit was the man that threw a knife into the dying man's side.

LIFE WAS THREATENED

Whitmire is understood to have claimed his lot was "trapped" in the penitentiary under pain of death at the hands of the brothers, who threatened him with a similar fate unless he confessed their names as the actual killers. When the case came to trial, Whitmire never testified in his own defense, but the evidence collected even after the cold gray prison doors had clanged closed behind him.

But Whitmire fears his parole will be revoked and he faces another long term in the penitentiary as a result of his arrest in connection with the Rosman store burglary. That's why, so he told authorities, his prolonged silence has at last broken.

STORY IS ENTERED

Entrance to the Whitmire store was effected by shattering a pane of display window with an axe which was left in the place of business. A 45 calibre pistol was among the articles removed from the store. Officers recovered this in a package returned to the store.

When Whitmire was jailed he was in a high state of nervousness, a condition said to have been brought about in the place of business by excessive use of intoxicants lately. He habbed incoherently (Continued on page six)

INDICT PELL AND MITCHELL IN BANK CASE

Buncombe Grand Jury Accuses State Banking Commissioners

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 18.—A Buncombe county superior court grand jury today returned an indictment charging violation of the state banking laws against former Chief State Bank Examiner John Mitchell, and members of the corporation commission, William C. Lee of Waynesville, Judge George P. Pell, Raleigh, and Stanley Winborne, Murfreesboro.

They are charged with conspiracy to violate the banking laws by the Central Bank and Trust Co., and Biltmore-Oteen Bank & Trust Co., to remain open while insolvent. The banks failed last November.

REV. WEST IS TO STAY HERE

Returned as Pastor of Local Methodist Church by Conference

Of principal local interest, in the annual Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, held last week is the fact that Rev. J. H. West, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, has been appointed to stay for another year. Many expressions of favorable comment have been heard regarding the return of the popular pastor to Brevard for his third year.

The other appointment made in this county is that of the Rosman Methodist church, where E. Yates is to be the new pastor at this station, succeeding Rev. J. M. Green, who is sent to the conference. The two pastors exchanged charges.

Numerous changes in pastorates were made in the larger churches in the conference. W. A. Lambeth is appointed to Central church, Asheville, succeeding Dr. H. B. Trimble, who is transferred to a professorship at Emory University. Dr. Lambeth is transferred from Trinity church, Durham, to Asheville, Rev. G. T. Bond, pastor of the West Asheville church, and Rev. Walter F. West, pastor of the Hendersonville church, both popular among a large circle of friends in Brevard, are changed to Greensboro and Albemarle, respectively.

Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon presided over the sessions of the conference, which was generally pronounced highly successful in every respect, Asheville proving a most hospitable host to the ministerial gathering.

GLANCING BACK AT BREVARD

Thirty-six years ago!

Gosh, that's a long time ago, isn't it? Back in the dim and distant past with a vengeance. Back in those olden days, when the hog-barn bars, Toy Cobb, Sitting Bull, one reel movie thrillers, matinee idols—these, and many other things of another era have passed out of the picture in the last thirty-six years.

Time has wrought many changes in Brevard and Transylvania county during that time. Some faces familiar in those days are still seen. Others have passed on. But the Times will, beginning with this issue, thumb back through time, dusty, yellowed files and recall the stirring scenes in this town and county in 1895.

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ALL-STAR GRIDERS TO PERFORM FOR POOR

All roads will lead to Brevard on Saturday, when a football game extraordinary will be uncorked here for the edification of the most fastidious fan.

Where local games are there are grid games. This one will be in a class all its own. The performers will be exhibiting their wares for a different cause. No alma mater this time. And the performers themselves—a portion of them, anyway—will be strange to behold, indeed. Proceeds from the game will be applied toward the promotion of welfare work among needy families of town and county.

One team will be selected from the crew of Brevard High School and Brevard Institute. The other will be a selection of "All Stars" from shining lights of other years who now are celebrities in all stations of life in Brevard and Transylvania county. The following have been named as prospective candidates to select the "All Stars":

Maxey, Ralph Ramsey, Pat Kinzey, Julius Schoener, Rev. A. L. Alexander, "Red" Misenheimer, Frank King, Joe Clayton, Gene Bryson, Leon English, Jerry Jay, Harold Whitmire, Tommy Whitmire, Harry Clayton, Frank Henry, Jack Trudham, "Dobie" Lane, Ed English, "Red" Fullbright, Tom Hampton, Albert Kilpatrick, Albert Lyday, Julius Hinton, Donald Jenkins and James Jones.

Practices were to have been started right away following announcement of the decision as to the teams to play and the date on which the game will be played, these arrangements having been perfected by Jerry Jerome and Ruffin Wilkins.

President Hoover conceived the idea of such charity games in the United States as a means of raising funds for the promotion of relief measures among poor people whose circumstances were caused by unemployment or otherwise. Athletic heads throughout the land were quick to push the project and the governors of practically all states, including North Carolina, were quick to seize upon the idea as a good one in which the situations of their respective states could be relieved in a great measure.

Tickets will go for 25 cents apiece and will be put on sale at an early date. It is possible a bevy of beautiful girls will make a personal solicitation of business and residential sections in the interest of disposing of as many of the tickets as possible.

Such a contest as that proposed should serve a dual purpose: provide plenty of entertainment for spectators and plenty of assistance for a lot of people in unfortunate circumstances. The interest of disposing of the whole-hearted support of every one in Brevard and Transylvania county.

YOUTH'S HAND INJURED

ROSMAN, Nov. 18.—Beulan Davis, age 18 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, had the misfortune to have his hand severely injured Monday while hauling wood in the Diamond Creek section. Dr. J. E. Wilkinson of Rosman, dressed the injured hand and it was thought it was fractured. He was removed to Brevard where an x-ray picture was made, which showed it to be severely bruised and not broken. Young Mr. Davis is resting as comfortably as could be expected.

CHILD OPERATED ON

ROSMAN, Nov. 18.—Marion, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Barrett, was removed to Pearson Memorial hospital in Hendersonville, Monday, very ill with mastoid trouble. The child underwent an operation late Monday afternoon and latest reports here to the effect he is recovering as well as could be expected.

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