

BROTHERS BOUND TO HIGHER COURT IN MURDER CASE

James Herring Charged With Slaying Harvey Propes, Farmer—Brother Held As Accessory.

Rutherfordton, Oct. 13.—At a preliminary hearing held Friday before County Recorder W. J. Mode at Rutherfordton, James Herring, charged with murder, and Clifford Herring, charged with being an accessory before the fact, were ordered held in jail without bond until the next criminal term of Superior court which will convene at Rutherfordton Wednesday, November 5. On account of the election this term of court will convene two days late.

The trial began about 11 o'clock and lasted until 8:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. Roy Blanton, county solicitor, and Fred Hamrick, were attorneys for the prosecution, while the Herring brothers were represented by a Morganton lawyer.

Brothers Arrested.

James and Clifford Herring were arrested by Sheriff W. C. Hardin following the shooting from ambush of Harvey Propes, 64-year-old farmer of the South Mountain section of this county, September 30. Mr. Propes was picking cotton, in company with his son, when a rifleman, concealed on the creek bank nearby, sent a bullet through his body.

Mr. Propes lived about a mile south of South Mountain Industrial Institute. No motive was assigned for the killing, but he had been active in prohibition work, and frequently assisted officers in searching for stills in the mountains adjacent to his home. He was formerly a rural policeman, and was active against bootleggers. About four years ago his barn was burned and it was thought at the time it was in retaliation for his activities against bootleggers. He was always a friend of law and order, and his activities while an officer of the law and afterwards

brought down upon his head the wrath of every law breaker and bootlegger in the South Mountain range.

Intensive Investigation.

Following an intensive investigation and search by county officers, headed by Sheriff Hardin, Clifford Herring, who resides in the South Mountain section, was arrested and placed in the jail at Rutherfordton, charged with being an accessory before the fact. His brother, James Herring, could not be located and for two days the mountains were scoured for him. However, two days after the fatal shooting he gave himself up, stating that he had been in Burke county and knew nothing of the affair until arriving home, after which he immediately went to Rutherfordton and gave himself up. Charged with murder, he was placed in jail. It is alleged that Mr. Propes had helped to cut down a still on the Herring brothers property and this is one cause of their coming under the officers suspicion.

In the investigation, according to Sheriff Hardin, a pair of shoes, admitted by James Herring to be his, was found at the Herring home and they corresponded exactly with the tracks in the bushes from which the rifleman had fired the fatal shot. The rifle used by the gunman was found about a mile and a half from the scene of the shooting and the bullets in it were the same as the one taken from Mr. Propes' body, officers declared. Tracks near this spot were made by someone wearing the shoes taken from the Herring home, it is said.

CHANGE IN SOUTHERN RAILWAY SCHEDULE

A change in the Southern railway schedule was announced here this week, which went into effect last Sunday. Train No. 35, south bound, now arrives at 5:27 p. m. Train No. 36, north bound, arrives at the same time as formerly, no change being made in the north bound schedule.

EFIRD'S TO CELEBRATE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

Charlotte, Oct. 13.—October 22 marks the seventh anniversary of the opening of Efird's magnificent Charlotte store located on North Tryon street. Seven years ago the opening of this store was regarded by many as an undertaking in the merchandising field, but it has now become a recognized institution by the people of the Carolinas.

There is perhaps no store in the two states that has played such an important part in the industrial growth of the two states, for this Carolina owned and operated store has always been quick to recognize the value of Carolina products and has always been ready to introduce these products to the public. This was the first store in the state to stage a gigantic made-in-Carolina exposition, which attracted the attention of thousands. This store has always been active in sponsoring affairs of interest to the public.

As a leader, this store has always featured the newest of quality merchandise at a moderate price, up-to-date merchandising, competent buyers for the 56 departments of the store, offers to the customers the opportunity of buying quality merchandise from selections unsurpassed in the largest cities of the country.

This year, according to officials of this store, greater preparations than ever before have been made, for the anniversary celebration, which will be more than "just another sale," the featuring of quality merchandise at new low prices to compliment customers.

Rutherford Men Inspect Coker Farms

Rutherfordton, Oct. 13.—One hundred leading farmers and business men of Rutherford county made an agricultural tour to the famous Coker Farms at Hartsville, S. C., Thursday. The tour, sponsored by the civic clubs of Rutherford county, will mean much for the county agriculturally, it is believed.

The party saw 100 head of Guernsey cattle, 40 milkers included. This farm will not keep a milk cow that does not make a minimum of 500 pounds of butter fat per year. The records of the Guernseys on this farm run from 500 to 800 pounds of butter fat per year per cow and from 10,000 to 15,000 pounds of milk per year per cow.

SMITH'S GROVE

Forest City, R-3, Oct. 13.—Misses Pearl and Ruth Crowder entertained the young people with a B. Y. P. U. social Saturday night. Many interesting games were played, and delicious candy and sandwiches were served. Those present were Misses Macy Humphries, Pauline Hudlow, Mary Wilson Hardin, Annie Mae Andrews, Pauline Crofts, Marie Hudlow, Lucy Crowder, Joyce Brackett, Alice Hardin, Vena Upton, Vattie Belle Brackett, Pauline Bridges, Effie Mooney, Jennie Hudlow, Annie Luckadoo, Gertrude Fortenbury, Ethel Andrews, Hazel Newton, Pearl and Ruth Crowder and Messrs. Carl Melton, Thomas Nodine, Grady Luckadoo, George Harrill, Furman Lowery, Sherrill Walker, Stow Upton, Roy McFarlang, Bill Smart, Charles Crawley, Lawrence Ross, Clarence Rollins, Elmer Guffey, Russell Bailey, Aurlly Crofts, Roy Luckadoo, Astor Small, Howard Martin, John Carpenter, Orland York, Shufford Humphries, J. V. Carpenter, Charles Crofts, Paul Carpenter, and several others. All seemed to enjoy the occasion very much.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hudlow, Saturday night, a fine boy. Miss Pauline Crofts spent Saturday night with Miss Gertrude Fortenbury.

Miss Mabel Collins spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Annie Mae Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Crowder were the dinner guests Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fortenbury.

Mrs. C. L. Steidley Closes Revival

Spindale, Oct. 13.—The revival services at the Spindale Methodist church closed Sunday night after a successful two weeks' service. Mrs. C. L. Steidley, of High Point, was in charge of the revival. Large numbers attended each service during the two weeks. On the closing night the large auditorium was filled to capacity, and the side rooms were utilized extra chairs placed in the aisle, and many had to remain standing. Visitors were present from a number of other points in the county. The male quartette from the First Baptist church, at Rutherfordton, sang two special selections Sunday evening. During the two weeks' service many have professed and joined the Methodist church, or other churches in town. Sunday evening nine were accepted as members. The co-operation between the various churches has been wonderful during the service. The Baptist churches co-operated by dispensing with services on two or three occasions.

Note Burning Ceremony Held

Alexander Mill, Oct. 13.—Sunday, October 14, was a great day with the Alexander Baptist church. The notes on the church were paid and were burned Sunday night, all members participating in the ceremony. A long cord was stretched down each aisle, a short cord for each pew was tied to the long cords. The notes were suspended from the cord where it crossed the pulpit. Miss Mary Moore, treasurer of the building committee, burned the first note. B. R. Hicks, who was in charge of the construction work, burned the second. Rev. C. C. Matheny, pastor of the new church, burned the third, while Mr. A. S. Moore, the oldest member present, and Joyce Cantrell, the youngest member, burned the fourth note. As the blaze of the last note died out, the congregation sang the Doxology, which was followed by a prayer of Thanksgiving led by the pastor. The congregation responded to the prayer with Gloria Patria. Seven members were received into the church during the services.

Korean and Kobe lespedeza, grown by seven farmers in Iredell county, has been inspected for certification by the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association.

Thirteen Gaston county farmers visited the Coker farms near Hartsville, in South Carolina to study the varieties of cotton being grown. The visitors were looking for a variety suitable for Gaston farms.

Seventy-five bales of cotton from 85 acres is the yield expected by E. J. Ezzell of the Waxhaw community of Union county due largely to protecting the field from boll weevil by early poisoning.

CAROLEEN WOMAN HURT IN JUMP FROM CAR

Rutherfordton, Oct. 13.—Mrs. L. E. Padgett, of Caroleen, is in the Rutherford hospital here suffering from broken limbs as a result of jumping out of a car this morning while rounding a curve en route to town. Her right leg and left arm are broken and she suffered other injuries when she jumped out of a small touring car that was making about 30 miles per hour. She was in the rear seat. She is 60 years old and is the mother of several children.

DR. B. E. WASHBURN, OF JAMAICA, IN THE COUNTY

Dr. B. E. Washburn, of Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I., was a caller at The Courier office Thursday. Dr. Washburn is connected with the health department of Jamaica, but will be in Raleigh, N. C., until January 1. He spent last week with relatives in this county. Dr. Washburn took advantage of the opportunity and had his name placed on The Courier mailing list. He is very much interested in the history of Rutherford county, and being a member of one of the county's oldest families he has a first hand knowledge of much of Rutherford's early history.



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