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MURDER CASE PRELIMINARY

State Attempting to Show That L. J. Norris Killed J. B. Bissett With Pistol

IMPORTANT TESTIMONY

Inmate of Soldiers' Home Swears He Saw Carriage Drive by With Couple Inside and Man Riding on Rear Axle—State Will Attempt to Prove Existence of Other Pistol—Defense Will Not Show Its Hand.

Unless the state is able to produce more testimony than it introduced today, L. J. Norris will never be convicted of the murder of J. B. Bissett. Everything today was circumstantial, and there are two links in the chain that must be pieced out before the prosecution can hope to convict. There was no direct testimony that Norris did the shooting. The state rested its case shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon and a recess was taken until 3:30 to give the attorneys time to prepare their arguments. The defense will open and close. Police Justice Watson will find enough probable cause to bind Norris over to court.

Efforts to place the responsibility for the murder of J. B. Bissett, who was killed beyond the Soldiers' Home Saturday night, August 12, were made today by the prosecution at the preliminary hearing of L. J. Norris, who is held for the crime. At the noon recess the prosecution stated that it had only two or three more witnesses to examine; the defense will not show its hand. City Attorney W. H. Pace, Solicitor Herbert E. Norris and Col. J. C. L. Harris are prosecuting and Messrs. Bart M. Gatling and William C. Harris are appearing for the defendant.

The most sensational testimony of the entire day was the declaration of Mr. J. B. Norem, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, who swore that he saw the carriage in which Bissett and Ada Yerby were riding pass the Home and that a large, broad-shouldered man was standing on the rear axle. This man, the prosecution will attempt to show, was Norris. The prosecution will contend that Norris and Bissett were not friendly and that there was motive to fix the blame. The state will also endeavor to show that Norris had another pistol besides the one he gave to the officers, or that passed into their hands as coming from him.

All the witnesses except Ada Yerby and Haywood Penny, the carriage driver, were separated today and none heard the evidence of the others before he himself was sworn.

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DEATH HAS SUMMONED J. HAYWOOD SAWYER

News has been received in the city of the death of Mr. J. Haywood Sawyer, one of the most prominent lawyers of Eastern North Carolina, which occurred this morning at Elizabeth City. Mr. Sawyer had won a high stand among the lawyers of the state and his death will be heard with regret. The following telegram was received today:

Elizabeth City, N. C., Aug. 25, 1911. Raleigh Daily Times, Raleigh N. C.

J. Haywood Sawyer one of the most prominent attorneys of Eastern North Carolina died this morning after a brief illness at his home in the city. He was 54 years old and unmarried.

Santa Fe Shaft Dedicated.
Santa Fe, N. M., Aug. 25.—A granite monument to mark the end of the historic Santa Fe trail was dedicated in the plaza here today, with interesting exercises under the auspices of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Second Lady of Ireland



Lady Paget, the former Miss Stevens of New York, whose husband, General Sir Arthur Paget, has been appointed to succeed General Sir Neville Littleton in the Irish military command. Lady Paget, because of her husband's appointment, becomes the second lady of Ireland next only to the wife of the Viceroy, and her friends are wondering how she will acquit herself in Dublin society, where it is said more tact is needed even than in London.

TWO ACCIDENTS IN AUTOMOBILE RACES

Elkin, Ills., Aug. 25.—In the road races F. E. Radena, Rimey's mechanic, sustained a broken ankle when the Cno car, bursting a tire, shot into a tree. Rimey was unhurt. Robillard's Staver, Chicago, threw a tire, and the car smashed into a telegraph pole. He was unhurt.

DEATH NARROWLY AVERTED. Piece of Piping Thrown at Night-watchman—Arrests May Follow—Assailants Shot At.

(Special to The Times.)
Elizabeth City, Aug. 25.—L. B. Thornton, the night watchman of the Elizabeth City Cotton Mills had early yesterday morning the unpleasant experience of having a big heavy pipe come whizzing by his head, being hurled at him by some one on the outside of the building with the intention of killing him. Mr. Thornton about three o'clock had made the rounds of the mills, and had gone in the superintendent's office, when some one knocked at the door. He failed to open the door and in a minute the heavy piece of piping came crashing through the window, barely missing his head. Mr. Thornton quickly fled through the wrecked window and the assailants fled. He fired again from the door bringing down one of the men. But the man regained his feet and continued his flight. Blood was found on the ground yesterday morning. There is a suspicion as to the assailants and arrests may follow.

COTTON CATERPILLAR.

State Entomologist Says Damage is 30 to 50 Per Cent.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 25.—Dr. W. E. Hines, state entomologist, today predicted that the caterpillar or cotton worm will curtail the cotton crop in this state from 30 to 50 per cent, and that within the next few weeks other states east of the Mississippi river would feel the force of this pest. The worms are beginning to work in Mississippi, he said, and he is getting reports from other states of their appearance. It is an impossibility, said Dr. Hines, for the south to make a fifteen million bale crop this season. In this and in other states the rains have ruined the middle crop and the worms are about to get the top crop. He does not think the danger will be over until the middle of October.

New Moose Officers Installed.

Detroit, Aug. 25.—The loyal order of the moose delegates discussed the proposition to establish a normal school for orphans and the children of the order's members. The newly elected officers were installed.

MOST BRUTAL MURDER

Aged Negro Woman Thrown Into Well to Die

Returning From Church Woman is Taken From Her Buggy by Negroes—Carried to Well and Thrown in—Timbers Thrown on Her—Died After Getting Out.

(Special to The Times.)

Albemarle, N. C., Aug. 25.—Stanly county has to a great extent been free from murders. News reached our city last afternoon of one of the most cruel murders this section has ever known.

It appears that an old negro woman, something near seventy years old, together with her grand son, who is partly insane, attended preaching on last Sunday night some six miles from their home. They left the church together about ten o'clock. Early the next morning the negro boy appeared at the home of some white citizens and tried to make them understand what had been done, but the neighbors seemed to place little credit to what he said and hence made no search.

About ten o'clock in the day a Mr. Troutman passed by an old well which had been out of use for years and heard some one in the well calling for help. He called a neighbor and upon making an investigation, found that it was this old negro woman. She had been thrown into the well, but landed on some timbers, which were in same, and so did not get into the water. After throwing her in the well the murderers threw plank, stumps and rocks in upon her, thinking and hoping to thus cover up their terrible crime. But by chance the old woman fell behind one of the pieces of the timber which was in the well and in this way the rubbish which was thrown in an effort to forever close her mouth, did not have the desired effect.

The neighbors removed this rubbish and brought the old woman out alive, but badly hurt, so much so that she in a few hours died from the injuries. She made the statement before she died that two men did it, but could not identify them.

Her grandson, who was with her, says that they were overtaken by two men, both negroes, who were in a buggy. That they took the old woman from her buggy and placed her in theirs and drove to the well. That he walked along after them. That he saw them throw her in the well and then they used the buggy to haul the rubbish which was thrown in the well. This negro boy has identified one of the parties as Sam Walker, who has been arrested with the preliminary hearing set for Friday week. This delay on account of witnesses and more testimony, as it is doubtful as to whether this negro boy is competent mentally to testify.

No motive can be assigned for this horrible murder. The old negro woman was respected in her community.

Editors at Wichita Falls.

Wichita Falls, Texas, Aug. 25.—Nearly the entire membership of the Northwest Texas Press Association was assembled here today at the opening of the association's annual convention. The sessions will continue over tomorrow.

TWENTY-FIVE REPORTED KILLED IN A WRECK

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Twenty-five are reported killed and fifty injured when a Lehigh Valley train went through a trestle near Manchester. The train was loaded with veterans returning from the grand army encampment.

Noted Soldier and Priest Dead.

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 25.—The funeral of Father Thomas W. Major, southern soldier and priest was held in the Roman Catholic church, of which he was pastor. Business in Frankfort practically ceased while thousands of citizens, irrespective of creed, paid tribute to the noted divine and soldier.

Rich Man Dies for Lack of Food.

New York, Aug. 25.—The will of Dr. Charles F. Meyers, a physician, who lived in poverty and died recently from lack of food, shows he left a fortune of about five hundred thousands dollars.

—Mr. Brodie L. Duke, of Durham, is in the city today.

This Little Lady Can Vote



The little baroness Clinton, who has the right to vote in England.

While England's women are fighting for suffrage, there is one little lady in England who has the right to vote whenever she pleases, and she didn't have to fight for this right. This fortunate lady is eleven-year-old (Clinton). Under the law she has the right to be summoned to all councils and state ceremonies of the sovereign. She can vote on any important question at issue and no one can deny her right.

But the little baroness seems to care more for her dolls just at present than she does about the yearly budget or what the King is doing. She attended the coronation and a little coronet was prepared for her.

DEFENSE LOST TWO POINTS

Important Motions of the Defense in the Beattie Case Denied By the Court

PROGRESS OF THE CASE

The "Dear Kid" Letter, Written by Beattie to Beulah Binford, Admitted in Evidence—Motion of Defense Questioning the Wording of the Indictment Also Denied—George Jarrell, Richmond Detective, the First Witness—Detective Schaefer Another Witness Today.

Chesterfield Court House, Aug. 25.—The defense lost two big points as Henry Clay Beattie, Jr.'s trial for his wife's murder progressed. Judge Watson quickly overruled the motion to exclude the "Dear Kid" letter, written by Beattie to Beulah Binford, introduced yesterday. The court denied the motion which questioned the wording of the indictment about wound being in the face instead of skull or brain of the victim, as shown by the autopsy.

George Jarrell, a Richmond detective, was called as the first witness at today's session of Henry Clay Beattie Jr.'s trial for wife murder. Jarrell was put on the stand to complete for the prosecution the description of the scene of crime, the prisoner's demeanor and his story of a "bearded highwayman." Detective Schaefer, who has had almost entire charge of the case, was next called. Through him the state reviewed what the various investigations disclosed.

Court convened at 10:30. Hundreds gathered to catch a glimpse of Paul Beattie, Henry's cousin, the commonwealth's chief witness.

Detective Jarrell testified that Beattie said his wife's assailant ran into the woods after the shooting. Mrs. Beattie's uncle, Tom Owen, testified yesterday that Beattie said the man ran up the road. Jarrell de-

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STATE COUNCIL ENDS

Most Pleasant State Council Junior Order Ever Held

Twenty-first Meeting of Juniors Was One of the Best in History of the Order—Best of Silver Presented to Retiring State Councilor—Dr. Brewer's Speech.

(Special to The Times.)

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 25.—The twenty-first annual meeting of the Jr. O. E. U. M. state council of North Carolina, adjourned yesterday afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock, following the installation of officers. The meeting here has been one of the most pleasant in the history of the order. There were approximately 500 delegates in attendance and although the sessions were cut short by reason of the long meeting Wednesday night a great many of the delegates will remain in Asheville until today and some until Saturday to enjoy the pleasures of this section. Among the interesting business matters attended to yesterday morning was the increase in pay of the secretary from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per year; also the increase in pay of the state councilor from \$250 to \$500. The constitution and by-laws were also amended in certain particulars. The council yesterday morning decided to appropriate \$1,500 annually for publicity and organization purposes.

One of the most pleasant incidents occurred yesterday when Prof. C. E. Brewer, of Wake Forest College, called the retiring state councilor, L. T. Hartsell, of Concord, to the altar, and, as a representative of a host of friends in the order, presented to Mr. Hartsell a magnificent chest of silver. In making the presentation talk, Dr. Brewer said: "Mr. Dear Brothers: It is impossible for me to put in words my feelings as it is for you brothers of this state council to express in any material way their love for you. And yet I am commissioned by our brothers to present to you this chest of silver, not as a token measure of our affection, but as a slight token of our devotion to you. In the years to come may this little gift be to you a constant reminder of the loyalty and love of your brethren of the state council."

Mr. Hartsell in accepting the chest of silver replied feelingly: "Brethren: My heart is too full for me to express in words my appreciation of this token of your love and esteem. I make no claim to infallibility, but I have done the best I could. I have endeavored to treat every member as a brother. I am under a deep sense of obligation to every one of you for your continued co-operation and support. May God bless you every one. I cannot say more."

Yesterday afternoon the members of the state council were tendered a trolley ride over the principal lines of the Asheville Electric Company and each and every member of the state council enjoyed the delightful ride. The delegates have had a good time; the local councils have done everything in their power to make pleasant the stay of the visitors and that they have succeeded is evident by the way many compliments bestowed upon the members of the local councils and the people of Asheville generally.

STRIKE THREATENED ON ILLINOIS CENTRAL

Paducah, Ky., Aug. 25.—Nearly eight thousand employees of the Illinois Central will walk out within seventy-four hours, unless the railroad recognizes the employees' federation, according to federation headquarters statement.

Dying From Blow in Boxing Bout.

Edwardsville, Ills., Aug. 25.—Gilbert Jenkins, a sixteen-year-old school boy who fought a bout with a young lad, Bobbie Brendle for the entertainment of a hundred men and women aboard the steamer Keystone, is dying as the result of his injuries. Jenkins received a blow in the left side of the abdomen.

Dr. Steel Dead.

Belmore, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Dr. Theophilus Steele, a prominent physician and Confederate veteran, who succeeded to the command of Gen. Morgan after the gallant cavalrman was captured, is dead at his home here, aged seventy-seven. He was in ill health several months.

Will Become a Nun



Mrs. Gertrude Haile Lanman, one of the most brilliant leaders of society at Norwich, Conn., and one of the most wealthy women in the state, who has given up her riches to charity, renounced the world in general and social pleasures in particular and entered a convent. She is now in the convent of the sisters of the Reparation in New York, with the intention of becoming a nun. Mrs. Lanman was born in a Presbyterian family, but soon after her husband's death she became an Episcopalian, and in 1909 she joined the Roman Catholic church.

MEETING OF COTTON MEN BEEN POSTPONED

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 25.—The meeting of the southern agricultural commissioners and cotton men is called for September 5th, to take action regarding the cotton crop's true condition, and steps to prevent a bearish campaign has been postponed until September 12th. The date was changed because it conflicted with the farmers' union convention.

OKLAHOMA TOWN QUIET.

Little Evidence of Race Feeling After Outbreak Yesterday.

Purcell, Okla., Aug. 25.—Although the town is quiet and there is little evidence of race feeling over the burning yesterday of Peter Carter, a negro, who attacked Mrs. Minnie Sprangins, it appeared before Carter was recaptured that it would be difficult to prevent the mob leaders lynching every negro here.

Carter was caught but escaped. Later he was captured by three members of his own race and led back to town.

Within a few minutes flames were leaping from the negro's pyre.

Taft to Attend Republican Outing.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 25.—President Taft has arranged for a trip to Hamilton tomorrow to attend the outing of the Essex Club, at which the three candidates for the Republican nomination for governor of Massachusetts will speak, together with several other prominent party leaders. The event will be held at the home of Congressman Gardner.

"Greeters" Meet in Macon.

Macon, Ga., Aug. 25.—The Southern Greeters' Association, the membership of which is made up of the managers and clerks of the leading hotels, throughout this section of the country, began its first annual convention here today, with a good attendance.

Printers to Play Baseball.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 25.—Two-score members of the Boston Typographical Union left today for St. Louis to attend the coming baseball tournament of the Union Printers' National Baseball Association, which includes teams in ten of the largest cities.

Commander of Grand Army.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Judge Harvey M. Trimble of Illinois, was elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Eagles Close Meeting.

San Francisco, Aug. 25.—Delegates to the grand aerial, fraternal order of Eagles held two sessions today, closing the business of the 1911 session.

CENTRAL M. E. CHURCH HERE

Mr. A. E. Glenn to Read History At Celebration Sixty-Ninth Anniversary Next Sunday

IT IS STORY OF TRIUMPH

Established as Mission in 1846, Central Church Has Become One of Raleigh's Leading Powers For Good—An Appreciative Review of The Church By One Who Feels Deep Interest in Its Prosperity.

At the sixty-ninth anniversary of Central Methodist church Sunday, Mr. A. E. Glenn will read a historical sketch, which will be of interest to many Raleigh people. As Mr. Glenn says in the sketch he has endeavored to present the material and spiritual history of "a church that has come through tribulation to its present place of power and influence in this city." He has done this well in the following article:

This church was established as a mission by the Annual Conference held at New Bern, N. C., Dec. 2, 1846. Rev. Alsey H. Tucker was appointed its first missionary. It had been apparent for years that in certain portions of the city, and especially in the southeastern portion, sin abounded to the utter neglect of the house of God and the preached word. Although many attempts had been made in vain yet at no time were these sinful people given up in despair to fill out the measure of their iniquity and to work their own undoing. Prayer meetings in the homes of the people led by Henry Porter and Henry J. Brown were kept up at intervals for several years previous to the opening of the mission. In 1847 Rev. S. D. Bumpass, then stationed in Raleigh, saw the need of a place of worship and obtained such a place in the southeastern part of the city near the southeastern corner of Person and Davis streets. But before this was ready for services preaching had been revived in the old Baptist church in the same neighborhood. This building stood a little north of the center of Moore Square, now known as the Baptist Square. From motives of propriety he then abandoned the project of preaching in the house that he had secured for this purpose. Soon after this the condition of this neighborhood was mentioned in the Quarterly Conference, and in 1845, it was decided to apply to the ensuing Annual Conference for a missionary, which arrangement was carried out as seen in the opening statement of this article.

Having obtained permission to do so the Rev. Alsey Tucker began preaching in the Old Baptist church above referred to, it having been abandoned at least as far as regular preaching was concerned. But its doors were soon closed to him, and he was driven to the necessity thereafter until a chapel was built of holding his meetings in private homes.

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AVIATOR ATWOOD REACHES NEW YORK

New York, Aug. 25.—Atwood after a spectacular air journey from Nyaek, reached here, passing Grant's Tomb at 2:22 o'clock. He made a spectacular flight over the city before the gaze of hundreds of thousands.

No Sunday Reception for Togo.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 25.—Obeying protests against "Sabbath desecration" of city council has decided not to tender Admiral Togo a reception, upon the latter's arrival Sunday.

Killed in Auto Accident.

Pittsburg, Aug. 25.—William L. Barren, was killed and Harry Clark, injured when their automobile went over an embankment. Both were pinned under the car. The gasoline tank exploded.

Saloons Wins in Birmingham.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 25.—The returns gave a victory for the legalized saloons in Jefferson county by sixteen hundred majority.