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LLLIE STEWART IS FOUND GUILTY

udge Sentences Woman To Penitentiary For Killing Of Bryant Bragg

URN TO OTHER CASES

With the Stewart-Bragg case nding in a verdict of "guilty of anslaughter" and a sentence from to 10 years in the penitentiary, no with the conversational conectures of "what's going to happen" ending a curiosity-suspense hich had pervaded the crowded ourt room and hung about the treets and firesides, Warren Suprior Court turned its attention ith unruffled calmness last Fri- ay morning to other matters upon s docket. The sentence of the oman, found guilty of killing Bragg with a pistol wound in the ack, was this week changed by udge W. A. Devin from 7 to 10 ears to from 5 to 10 years, which ay mean less than 5 years if good ehavior is shown.

In the manslaughter case which llowed, Coleman Bullock of the anson section, charged with killg a negro there three years ago, jury was unable to agree after eliberating through the night. aturday morning they were disissed. The second jury did not elay long in finding him guilty nd the negro was sentenced from months to two years in the State enitentiary.

In still another case in which uman life was involved, William itty of the Wise section, drew e longest sentence of this court. e was sent to Raleigh for from to 20 years after the jury had und him guilty of murdering Ceuchey" Haskins, another negro, ith an axe. State's evidence was t conclusive enough for murder the first degree, it was said. The me occurred during the Christas holidays.

A case against Charlie Frazier, hite citizen of near Warrenton nd a son-in-law of a former olice officer here, was continued. his trouble arose over the death a young negro man who was ot following an argument over me feed at the home of Mr. razier.

Conditioned upon good behavior nd a bond of $200, Herbert Munn, hite citizen of the Warren Plainsacon section, had his sentenced duced from one year in prison to eedom. He is to show that his role by Judge W. A. Devin is inging results or he will be call- upon to serve his time upon reest of the solicitor.

Bessie Mitchell, negro woman om whose home John "Buddy" acon, now on Death Row at the ate Penitentiary, fled at the time m Pinnell was killed and Rob nnell badly wounded—, was und guilty of resisting an officer. dgment was suspended upon payent of costs at the May term.

The case against Henry Thornn for disposing of mortgaged operty of Frank Ryder was conued as were other criminal ses with the exception of Frank raswell, accused of the murder of D. Ormsby, textile employe, who as found dead on the Macon-Warrenton road on the night of ly 4, 1929. Harvey George is ving time for this crime. The ry could not connect Braswell th the case and found him not ilty. Late Monday the court rned its attention to the civil cket and there it remains this orning with lawyers arguing the lmer case.

Henry Price, 74, Dies In Texas

Henry Price, 74, a brother of the e Capt. E. C. Price of Warrenton, ed in his home at Fort Worth, xas, last Tuesday. He was the n of the late John M. and Mara Reynolds Price and had been bad health for about four months. Mr. Price departed from Warren unty for Missouri many years o. The last 25 years of his life re spent at Fort Worth. He never arried. Surviving brothers are il P. and Judge T. Price, both of xas.

RETURNS TO WASHINGTON

Howard F. Jones, secretary to ongressman John H. Kerr, deted on Monday for Washington, C., after attending the marge of his daughter, Miss Ella odie Jones, to Dr. Rives Taylor, re on Saturday evening.

The Al Smiths, Senior and Junior

Bronzed by a warm Florida sun, Al Smith, 1928 Democratic candidate for president, is shown here with his son, Alfred E. Smith, Jr., resting after a round of golf at Miami Beach, Fla. The title "Happy Warrior" seems correctly to befit the New Yorker in this picture.

Officers Capture Mammoth Outfit In Raid Tuesday

One of the biggest whiskey seizures in several years was placed in Warren jail at Warrenton on Tuesday afternoon following a raid by Sheriff Williams and deputies at Cal Crossan's place near Macon. One hundred and thirty-seven gallons of booze, and 45 dozen cases of fruit jars were checked into the jail by W. H. Burroughs, member of the board of county commissioners. The county also received a complete steam boiler plant, with all copper appurtenances.

The Sheriff nabbed "Uncle Cal," too, because he found 48 gallons of booze in his crib and because the steam outfit was operating on his premises and in clear view of his house, it is said. The sheriff said that he and Frank Neal, Elmore King and Arthur Stevenson of near Macon, destroyed 4,000 gallons of beer. Operators of the plant were not seen.

Appeals For Help For Three Families

"Help is much needed for three families," Miss Lucy I. Leach, welfare officer for Warren, says. One white family of seven children, with a baby two weeks old, is sick with influenza. Two colored families, one included seven children and the other four, and both deserted by the father, are in need of assistance.

"Any help which may come from the warm hearted people of this county will be appreciated," Miss Leach said.

To Hold Conference Providence Saturday

With the Rev. L. B. Jones of Weldon, presiding elder of this district, in attendance, the first quarterly conference of the Warren charge will be held at Providence on Saturday. The visiting minister will preach at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served at the church, followed by business discussion of church affairs.

The Rev. S. E. Wright is urging all church members to attend.

Breaks Out Coffin, Disrupting Funeral

QUERETARO, Mex., Jan. 23.—A funeral party here was thrown into panic when Jose Lozano "came to life," broke from his coffin and dashed out of the cemetery as he was about to be buried. His friends scattered in all directions, many stumbling over tombstones in their haste. Lozano had suffered a cataleptic spell and had been pronounced dead.

SON BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Boyd of Erwin on Thursday morning, Jan. 23, a son.

Charged With Stealing Tobacco, Men Face Fagg

Charged with stealing tobacco from S. J. Satterwhite, prominent farmer and legislator from near Manson, W. H. Malette of Boydton, Va., and Buck Mayfield of near Macon, were yesterday placed in Warren county jail under $500 bond each following a hearing before Magistrate W. G. Fagg. The men had been nabbed following sleuthing by Officers Frank Neal and Claude Coleman, working with Mr. Satterwhite and Buck Wilson.

The tobacco was traced to South Hill and Malette and Mayfield arrested by Virginia officers. Later the Warren minions of the law were brought here to face Judge Fagg yesterday. At the trial Mayfield admitted the possession of $10, property of Mr. Satterwhite, and the officers, with Mr. Satterwhite, went to his home and retrieved it.

Checker Players To Meet Here Jan. 1

Checker players of this immediate section will have opportunity to compete with the best in adjoining counties at the armory of B. company, Warrenton, next Friday evening commencing at 7:30 o'clock. Plans for a checker party, with a small admission charge, are being perfected by the Woman's Auxiliary of Limer Post of the American Legion. Refreshments will be served.

Those who travel say that Warrenton has more devotees of this game than any other section in this end of the State. Macon has a few faithful pushers and the Henderson firemen include a number of "good ones" among their membership, it is said. From Virginia, over in Mecklenburg, particularly, comes the news that they have some "old time checker players" there.

The party is to be progressive and the tournament is to decide who is the best checker player in attendance.

CHILD DIES

Funeral services for Audrey Louise Smiley, 14-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Smiley, were held at the Warren Plains Methodist church on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, pastor of the Warrenton Baptist church. Death occurred early Saturday morning in the Smiley home in North Warrenton as a result of rickets. The child is survived by her parents and one sister.

NEW COMMISSIONER

Friends of Hon. Stanley Winborne of Murfreesboro are glad to learn of his appointment to the Corporation Commission by Governor Gardner. Mr. Winborne is well known and popular here. The job carries a salary of $6,500 a year.

Montgomery Book Aids In Spread Of Warrenton's Fame

Fame of Warrenton has spread far and wide and one of the agencies responsible of recent years has been the book of Mrs. Walter A. Montgomery of Raleigh who lived here for many years. This newspaper has recently received a letter from Hamilton B. Tarry, a brother of Mrs. R. B. Boyd Jr. of Warrenton, with the following clipping from the book page of the Memphis Commercial-Appeal:

D. D., DAYTON, Tenn.

"Have you any kind of a sketch of old Warrenton, in North Carolina? I would like to know something about its early establishment and the people who established it."

Answer—We have a book called "Sketches of Old Warrenton, North Carolina," written by Lizzie Wilson Montgomery, published in Raleigh, N. C., by Edwards & Broughton in 1924. In her chapter Historical Sketch of Warrenton she writes: "History records that during the American Revolution 'there were no Tories in Bute,' and its patriotic people could not endure the name of Bute, that being the name of the former favorite, friend and prime minister of George III. In 1779 the county of Bute was divided (the line being run by a Mr. Christmas) into the counties of Warren and Franklin. Their patriotism, however, seems not to have been sectional or local, but national, as the names of the two counties indicated. Warren was named for Dr. Joseph Warren, the patriot and soldier who fell at Bunker Hill, and Franklin for 'sleek Ben Franklin,' the Boston patriot, the great philosopher, and America's greatest statesman of that era, the son of a tallow chandler and soap boiler.

"Warrenton, the county seat of Warren County, was incorporated in 1779. A plot and survey of the streets and lots and public squares was made in that year by Wm. Christmas, a citizen of Franklin County, and afterwards a state senator from that county.

"The act of the Legislature (1779) appointing commissioners and trustees, namely, William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Edward Jones, John Faulcon, Adkin McLemore and William Duke, for laying out and carrying on the town. A square was set aside for the court house, lots were laid out, numbered and sold by subscription at fifty dollars each, space was set aside for the prison and stocks. Purchasers of the lots were required to build within three years a brick, stone or well-framed house, not less than 20 feet long, 16 feet wide, and at least 10 feet pitch, with a brick or stone chimney. There had been a small settlement at the forks of the Shady Grove and Halifax (the old stage coach line) roads, consisting of a storehouse containing groceries, commonplace dry goods, tobacco and liquors, blacksmith and wheelwright shops for repair of vehicles and shoeing of horses of the stage line, and for the convenience of the people in the surrounding country. Before the town was incorporated the old stage line (Halifax road) ran from the forks of the road in a southwest direction along the southern border of the Col. Wm. R. Johnson place, afterwards the home of Wm. Eaton Jr. It is mentioned as passing the Kemp Plummer Jr. residence, the John Watson place, the Alex S. Jones home (Woodley) and Gilliam Wilson store, on the road to Salisbury over Tar River where Louisburg now stands, and on to where Raleigh is now situated.

"The growth of the town seems to have been very slow the first 25 years. Few houses were built, in architecture no particular style was followed, each one building according to his original plan. If a second story was built it was after the pattern of the 'salt-box houses' of New England, so-called because of the resemblance to the box made to hold salt and kept hanging on the kitchen wall. (This style of house was adopted to evade the tax put on two-story houses built in the colonies.) The salt-box house was of two stories in front, the back part of the roof sloping down so suddenly as to make a half story, and then down over a single story, the protruding eaves of which formed the back porch. At an early period of the town the families of means and prominence lived on their estates

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IS CHARGED WITH ATTEMPT TO ROB

Thompson's And Harris' Evidence Brings David Katz To Magistrate's Court

HELD UNDER $1000 BOND

Adopting the tactics of Sherlock Holmes, master detective, Buck Thompson and Ben Harris, young white citizens of the Macon section, gathered material for a story of evidence last Friday night at Macon which could not be denied in a hearing here this week before Magistrate W. C. Fagg and David Katz, white man, is at liberty under $1,000 bond, charged with attempted robbery of the Bank of Macon. Lee Wheeden of Roanoke Rapids signed the bond.

The two men drove to Egerton's store near midnight where Mr. Harris sleeps. A strange car standing in front of the Bank of Macon aroused their curiosity and after standing there a few minutes, it was driven away. They followed, taking the number. The car passed them. They played hide and seek up and down the road for a few times and the unknown machine slipped away toward Norfolk. Macon Thornton, the mayor, and others were aroused. There was evidence of attempted robbery of the bank.

The next day, Harris and Thompson went to Roanoke Rapids and spotted the car. Then Mr. Katz. They said that he was evidently "standing-by" to help the would-be-robber make an escape last Friday evening when they rolled upon the scene.

B Co. Basketeers Win One, Lose One

Playing hard but bucking an unusually strong team, Co. "B" went down in defeat before Middleburg basketeers by the score of 35-15 in a game played at Henderson last Friday night, but staged a comeback Wednesday night which showed that they had not forgotten their floor work or the way to the goal when they pushed a 29-19 victory over Creedmore's town team.

The boys played a good game with Middleburg and worked hard, it was said, but the Vance county quint has a team of stella type and is frequently matched with Raleigh and larger places. M. Jackson, with 14 points, and J. Jackson, with 11, led the scoring for Middleburg, while Terrell with 6, and Floyd with only one less, led for Warrenton.

With good floor work but without the ability of sending the ball through the goal, Warrenton's team was trailing the small end of a 16-8 score when the whistle brought the first half to a close in the game Wednesday night between the town of Creedmore and Co. "B". The second half was a different story. Dale, who had been tossing the ball from most any place on the floor through the basket and who made 15 of the 19 points for Creedmore and never missed a foul shot, was held down, and the boys of Co. "B" pushed forward with 21 more points whereas their opposition only gained 4 point. Loyd Daniel did unusually nice work for the local boys and led in individual scoring with 8 points. Mutt Overby, Terrell, and Floyd made 6 points each. Dale and Mangum built the entire score for Creedmore.

Line-up for the teams:

Middleburg: Ellington, Breedlove, Cerrin, M. Jackson, J. Jackson, Holloway, Steed, Collins.

Creedmore: E. Mangum, Dale, Fleming, R. Mangum, Bullock, Simons.

Warrenton: Terrell, Floyd, Daniel, E. Overby, M. Overby, V. Loyd, Weldon, J. Loyd, B. Overby.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bramberry of Norfolk have been here this week, awaiting trial of railroad cases in which Mr. Bramberry as chief claim agent of the railroad, was interested.

Mr. Allen Zollicoffer of Roanoke Rapids was a visitor here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Brodie and Miss Paige Brodie returned to Raleigh on Sunday after visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Jones.

Miss Tempe Boyd of New Bern spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. R. B. Boyd.

Mrs. Katherine P. Arrington and Miss Ann Burwell are visiting in New York.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Dr. Rives Williams Taylor to Miss Ella Brodie Jones, white; Will Hendrick to Lizzie Harris, and Walter Brown to Veanna Young, colored.

Plan Big Flight?

Much speculation has been aroused over the intended use of the new $30,000 speed ship which was delivered to Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh at Los Angeles recently. The plane, secretly built for the Lindberghs, is designed for long distance hops. The Lindberghs are shown here just before the test flight.

Local Legion Post To Take Part In Round-Up Week

Lloyd C. Kinsey, commander of Limer Post No. 25 of the American Legion, was interviewed today with reference to the participation of the local Post in the week designated by the State Commander of the American Legion, department of North Carolina, as "Round-Up Week." Post Commander Kinsey first quoted State Commander Geo. K. Freeman of Goldsboro as having said, "This the eleventh year of the American Legion's existence finds greater demand being made upon us for constructive work than ever before. The ranks of our disabled comrades are constantly increasing making necessary continued leadership for adequate hospitals. The number of dependent orphan children of our deceased comrades is increasing, requiring a larger membership in the Legion to furnish funds, leadership and administration to insure them opportunities to which their fathers and mothers heroic service entitles them. The restlessness of our people due to adverse conditions in many sections of the State demands some unselfish organization to lead in community service. The growth of opinions subversive to our form of government require constant vigilance on the part of men and women who having dedicated their lives to service of State and Nation stand undaunted in the face of such movements for strict adherence to the principles upon which our government was founded and in the observance of which it has been maintained. These and the supreme importance of seeing that the Universal Draft bill (which will certainly tend to take the profit out of war as this bill provides that in case of war money-power as well as man power shall be drafted), and other demands to ex-service men are so impelling that the Legion has decided to put these matters frankly before every ex-service man and endeavor to enroll them in the American Legion before February 1st.

"In the past we have not really tried to secure our membership so early," continued Commander Kinsey, "but this year we feel that we should do so in order that our Post, district, division and department officers may devote their full time and attention to these pressing needs, and that the legislature and congress may know that our large membership entitles us to speak for the ex-service men."

"We now have more than 7,500 members of the Legion in North Carolina, by far the largest membership we ever had at this time of year. Commander Freeman has designated the week January 26th to Feb. 1st as "Round-Up" Week to secure 9,800 more members necessary to give us our State's quota this year. On Monday, the 27th the Post will set to work its committees arranging for a meeting of the Post to be held Tuesday night at 8 P. M. at the Court House when the Hon. Hodge A. Newell of Henderson will deliver an address on the aims and purposes of the Legion. On Wed-

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LAWYERS BATTLE IN PALMER CASE

Jefferson D. Palmer's Suit Against Carolina Power & Light Co. Holds Interest

$250,000 AMOUNT ASKED

Interest born of woman, intrigue and booze which filled the court room last week to every available foot, swings this week to money, sympathy and the battle of big lawyers as Jefferson Davis Palmer, young son of Mrs. J. D. Palmer of Warrenton, seeks to recover $250,000 from the Carolina Power & Light Co. for damages suffered when he was shocked and burned by contact with a 6,600 volt wire at the Warrenton Ice Plant on Sunday afternoon, September 30, 1928. It is a case in which the social ton ton may romance without any fears of indecent testimony, and the crowd this week has been large, but sense hasn't drawn like sex.

The plaintiff contends that through negligence on the part of the power company that he was caused great bodily pain and that through their carelessness his earning capacity has been diminished and his prospects of business success materially reduced. The power company seeks to prove that it was individual carelessness by the plaintiff and not the fault of the company that the young Warrenton boy was injured.

Attorneys for the plaintiff, Mr. Palmer, put four doctors on the stand to prove the nature of his injuries. They told the jury in medical terms and then Mr. Palmer showed them, bare to the waist, the burns upon his neck, about the collar bone and upon his right arm. The withered condition of the right arm was pointed out as well as the slight tension which pulled his neck to the right. When he took the stand he told of having played at the ice plant, with other boys, on many occasions and of the Sunday evening upon which he was injured. He said that no one had ever warned him not to climb the pole and that he had, with Jack Kidd, on that Sunday afternoon, put on climbers, property of Jim Moore, and started climbing. Jack couldn't get but a foot or two up the pole. Jeff said he went on up right away. He climbed upon the cross bars, supporting the transformers, and the "next thing I knew I was in bed."

The Rev. B. P. Robinson told of a conversation with his son Ben, both of whom came here for the trial, and of the fact that Ben told him that he had climbed part of the way up the pole. Ben, Jack Kidd, Paul Bell and John Drake told of playing there, but Jack Kidd was the only eye witness to the tragedy. It developed in evidence that it was a rainy day. Several prominent Warrenton citizens took the stand to prove the fine character of Jeff Palmer.

The Carolina Power & Light Co. had J. H. Stribling, superintendent of the Richmond division of the Virginia Power & Electric Co., here to testify that the transformers in question and the equipment was in accord with the best practices of the industry. He and Solicitor Parker had a battle royal during the entire afternoon upon different details of testimony and at times the evidence sounded like a lecture upon electricity at a school of technology. Other experts on electrical affairs went into great detail to explain the questions which the counsel for the plaintiff asked. Depositions taken in New York, quoting electrical engineers, were read by both sides and the plaintiff offered wires and pictures in evidence.

The defense closed with the testimony of James C. Moore, owner of the plant, and kinsman of the plaintiff. Mr. Moore said that he had warned Jeff Palmer not to climb the pole which held the transformers though he had about six weeks previously been with him when he climbed a telephone pole with the climbers with which he later mounted to his accident.

The legal battle has been hard fought with Solicitor R. Hunter Parker and his law partner, Jack Allsbrook, of Roanoke Rapids with Charles Katzenstein of New York appearing for Mr. Palmer. Defense counsel for the Carolina Co. was led by James H. Pou of Raleigh and Congressman John H. Kerr. Associate counsel were W. H. Witherspoon of Raleigh, Polk and Gibbs and Julius Banzet. Opening speech

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