

TERRELL TRIAL DRAWS CROWDS

Arguments Completed Thursday Afternoon; Judge To Charge Jury Today

SPECIAL VENIRE DRAWN

Counsel in the Ted Terrell murder case which has been in progress since Tuesday afternoon with two special night sessions, completed their arguments yesterday afternoon around 6 o'clock and court adjourned until this morning when Judge Clawson Williams will deliver his charge to the jury which was selected from a special venire of 75 men summoned on Monday afternoon and night to appear here on Tuesday morning to decide the fate of the young Vance county man whom the state is seeking to convict of first degree murder as a result of the fatal shooting of Andrew Knight, also of Vance county, at Clinton (Bad-eye) Whit's service station near Norlina on the night of March 7, 1937.

Although the state is asking for a first degree murder verdict, it is expected that Judge Williams will charge the jury that under the law they have a right to return a verdict of first degree, second degree, manslaughter or "not guilty."

The case was tried at the May term last year and Terrell was sentenced to the penitentiary for 20 years after a jury had convicted him of second degree murder. An appeal was noted at the time and the Supreme court granted the defendant a new trial mainly on the grounds that Judge Grady, who was presiding at that time, erred in his charge to the jury. Appeal bond was set at \$20,000.

With a special venire summoned for the trial and an unusually large array of counsel for both the state and the defendant, the case has attracted unusual interest as crowds have taxed the seating and standing capacity of the court room day and night to hear the witnesses testify and listen to attorneys fight their battle over evidence and make their arguments to the jury.

Arguments started Wednesday afternoon and ran through until yesterday afternoon with a night session on Wednesday night for two of the lawyers to make their addresses. A night session was also held on Tuesday night.

The defendant is represented by Banzet & Banzet, John Kerr, Jr., and W. H. Yarborough of Louisburg; Assisting the state in the prosecution are William Taylor, Jr., and Gibson & Gibson of Henderson.

According to the testimony, Andrew Knight, a young man of Henderson who weighed approximately 200 pounds and Jeff (Chicken) Davis left Henderson on the afternoon of March 7 and rode to Whit's station. After being there for some time, Ted Terrell, young man who weighs approximately 140 pounds, and who had been living at a cabin at the service station for about two weeks, came to the service station.

Knight and Terrell were brothers-in-law and after their meeting in the service station the two of them left and rode to Henderson where they visited a man named Abbott. Leaving Henderson they returned to the service station where they had some drinks.

A quarrel developed and Knight cut Terrell about the throat and back of his head with a pocket-knife.

Following the fracas, Knight took Terrell in his car and carried him to Norlina in search of Dr. Foster. Unable to locate the home of the Norlina physician, Knight then carried the wounded man back to the service station.

Chicken Davis was then called upon to take Terrell to a doctor. Davis started out with him, but instead of going to see a physician, Davis, who claimed that his life was threatened with a bottle, drove Terrell to the home of James A. Brown, where Terrell attempted to borrow a gun.

Told by Abbott that he did not have a gun, Terrell and Davis then drove to the home of Ed Goodman, where he had previously stayed, and where he broke into the house, secured a gun.

UNDERGOES OPERATION
Carl White, who recently underwent an operation at Paris Memorial Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., is recuperating at his mother's home near Portsmouth. Mrs. White who remained with him for two weeks has returned to Warrenton.

Approximately 250 Names Added Registration Books

Registration books in the fourteen voting precincts of Warren county closed on Saturday with approximately 250 new names added to the list of potential voters.

Claude Haithcock, chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections, said that while the exact number of new names added to the books had not been ascertained, reports coming from all precincts indicated that more than the usual number of persons had registered to participate in the primary of June 4. He estimated the number at between 200 and 250.

Mr. Haithcock said that he knew of no particular reason for the increase in registration this year unless younger persons are taking more interest in politics than was the case in years past.

Despite the fact that many new names have been added to the books, the vote Saturday week is not expected to be unusually large. Those well versed in politics point out that there is not as much interest in the primary this year as on other occasions due to the fact that all of those holding public office in Warren county do not have opposition, and, too, there is no gubernatorial race this year to bring out a large vote.

In the heated campaign of 1936 around 3,300 persons went to the polls to cast their ballots. The consensus of opinion among politicians is that hardly more than 2,800 votes will be cast in the primary of June 4.

Project To Beautify County Cemeteries Approved By WPA

A county-wide WPA project to beautify and improve cemeteries has been approved, but work of this nature will not be started until after the end of this fiscal year, Miss Lucy Leach, county welfare officer, stated this week after receiving a letter from H. M. Lilly Jr., field supervisor out of the Henderson office.

Miss Leach said that for some time she had been trying to get such a project approved and that while Mr. Lilly had sanctioned it he had written "it is inadvisable to start a project of this sort so near the end of the fiscal year." Efforts will be made to get the project started as soon as possible after July 1, Miss Leach said.

The welfare officer also stated: "Of course we are very anxious that every one get private employment when it is possible to do so, but if any one in any part of the county is in need of work and can find none, we think it best for this person to come to the welfare office any Wednesday afternoon between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock to sign-up with the employment office and then make application in the welfare office. This referral is sent to the WPA office and if accepted the applicant will be notified to go to work. These referred to WPA must be of relief status."

Miss Leach said there are many needy people in the county, with no plans for the coming year, insufficient food and often sick. Cases needing aid at present, she said, are: One white woman with no money needs teeth pulled; two colored women with no money have to have insulin every week.

Graveley To Hold Memorial Services

Littleton, May 26.—Hon. L. L. Graveley of Rocky Mount will hold Memorial Day Services at the Baptist Church in Littleton Sunday night at 8 o'clock. The exercises are sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mr. Graveley is prominent in the Methodist Churchman, chairman of the Board of Directors State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis, is largely responsible for the establishment of the Western Hospital for Tuberculosis at Black Mountain, and State Senator.

TO HOLD SERVICES
Rev. L. L. Kent of St. Paul's Church in Louisburg will hold services at Emmanuel Church Sunday.

DAUGHTER BORN
Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haithcock of Badin on May 19, a daughter, Neysa. Mr. Haithcock was formerly of this county.

SKINNER FLAYS RECORD EDITOR

Objects To Attacks By Palmer; Does Not Like Position Taken By Paper

CANCELS SUBSCRIPTION

Resenting the policy of The Warren Record in publishing as either free matter or in paid space articles signed by a citizen in which attacks are made upon officials of the county and taking particular offense to a political advertisement carried in this paper last week in which John B. Palmer, citing records from the court house, inferred that he had been granted a special privilege while serving as a member of the Board of County Commissioners, John L. Skinner of Littleton, secretary-treasurer of the State Association of County Commissioners, airs his grievances in a written article this week and requested that his paper be canceled.

In addition to condemning the paper for donating or selling space "to certain persons seeking to injure my reputation by publishing matter that was either misleading or false," Mr. Skinner orally accused this newspaper of never mentioning the honors paid him by the state or giving him credit for the work he has done in an effort to better conditions in Warren County and throughout North Carolina.

Accusing Mr. Banzet of receiving more than the law allowed in tax foreclosure proceedings, Mr. Palmer made the following reference to Mr. Skinner in his political advertisement last week: "Warren County vs. Arthur Barnes and wife, Hadie D. Barnes: 'On account of \$3.44 taxes. 'On motion of Julius Banzet, Atty. for county, 2 lots River township—struck out in tax foreclosure for \$26.87. Report of sale to J. L. Skinner, then County Commr., May 23, 1932. No costs taxed in bill of costs as shown by record.'"

Mr. Skinner's article follows: "Littleton, N. C. May 26, 1938.

"Mr. Howard Jones, Editor, 'Warren Record, 'Warrenton, N. C.

"Dear Mr. Jones: "I read with considerable interest in your last week's issue that I am the proud owner of two valuable lots in the town of Littleton, purchased from Warren County for which I have never paid.

"I do not know what the record shows but I do know that I never bought the lots referred to nor any other lots in the town of Littleton or anywhere else except one formerly owned by an ex-slave of my family, one Bob Skinner, col. If it is necessary for me to go into details with reference to the purchase of this property they are as follows: The town of Littleton had sold this lot for six years past due taxes, the County of Warren had sold the same property for past due taxes for five years. To prevent the loss of the property to our servant I paid ALL accumulated taxes, costs, penalties and interest and took title to same. I immediately wrote old Aunt Ella Skinner that I had protected her interest in the matter and that if at any time she wanted to return home that she should have her home back upon the payment of the accumulated taxes and costs. I also stated to her that if she was unable to pay the amount I had paid for her that I would give her a home in the house for the rest of her life and would see to it that her taxes were paid each year and I would retain title to the place. I loaned this old woman the money upon several occasions to pay her taxes and I think that I had a perfect right to do so. If there is any question in the mind of anyone of my right to insure a home for an ex-slave of my family I will thank you to tell them to bring their complaint to me in person and they will be told a plenty.

"I will state further that if any person, newspaper or other agency insinuates that I ever failed to pay for anything that I purchased anywhere or at any time from anybody they do not tell the truth. I state again that I did not buy the Barnes lot. I did not receive any deed for same and hence did not pay for it. Is that clear?

"On more than one occasion you have either sold or donated space in your paper to certain persons seeking to injure my reputation by publishing matter that was either

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Sand Hogs Meet Below The Hudson



Hundreds of feet below the waters of the Hudson the north tube of the Lincoln Vehicular Tunnel is "holed through" to connect New York and New Jersey. The tunnel is designed with two tubes, each one-way. The south tube is already in use. The north one will be completed next year. As a climax to the two-year digging job, sand-hog crews from each shore meet near center of the river bed.

Plaster Falls, Woman Screams, And Near Riot Occurs At Court House Yesterday; No Injury Results To Any One As Result

Falling plaster which sounded like the explosion of a shotgun, accompanied by the scream of a woman, alarmed hundreds of spectators in the court room on Wednesday afternoon and brought about a state of temporary confusion as many spectators in the back hallway of the building raced down the stairway with the belief in mind that the floor was giving away under the unusually heavy load of humanity which occupied practically all space in the Temple of Justice to hear the arguments in the Ted Terrell murder case.

The scream came from Mrs. Kearney, court stenographer, as plastering fell from the ceiling to the floor and on furniture in the Clerk of Court's office where she was sitting at the time. As the crowd started pouring down the back steps they were met and stopped by Chief of Police Jack Scott, who happened to be standing near the Clerk's office when the crash occurred. No damage was done to either Mrs. Kearney or the Clerk's office and order was soon restored in the court house.

Three C. M. T. C. Vacancies In County

Warren County boys desiring to attend the Citizens Military Training Camp to be held at Fort Bragg from June 16 to July 15 should make application at once, a news release from Fort Bragg states.

According to information received here five young men of this county have already qualified for attendance at the camp this year, which leaves only three vacancies to be filled from Warren county.

The boys who have qualified for this training are Joseph Lee Harrelson, Norlina; Menacius Hayward Aycock, Warrenton; John Edward Adams, Manson; Sam Williams Pinnell, Warrenton; Thomas Kincaide Harrelson, Norlina.

Young men between the ages of seventeen and twenty-nine desiring attendance at the camp are requested to make application with the C. M. T. C. Officer at Fort Bragg or to get in touch with Major C. T. Bowers of Warrenton who is county chairman for Warren.

The following physicians have volunteered to examine prospective trainees free of charge: Dr. H. H. Foster, Norlina; Dr. L. H. Justis, Littleton; Dr. W. D. Rodgers, Warrenton.

Littleton Scouts Win Camp Honors

Littleton, May 26.—The Birch Tree Boy Scout Patrol went on a camping trip to Camp Balance Rock, Friday May 20 and Saturday, May 21. Two cars took Scoutmaster Rev. Rees Jenkins with the Littleton Scouts: Rees Jenkins, Jr., Billy Palmer, Bobby Patterson, James Leach, James Myrick, Robert Thomas Currin, Jack Perkinson, Rudolph Topping, Leigh Glasgow, and two Warrenton Scouts, Fitzhugh Read and Bill Davis.

Littleton competed in all of the contests and won the relay race, the clean-up camp grounds, and cabin, the compass, the stunt, and the personal appearance. Littleton won first place in the camp and received the first prize which was a fine Scout axe. Four other troops besides the Littleton troop were there.

BAPTIST SERVICES
Special services will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at the Macon Baptist Church on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. E. Brickhouse.

Board Case Is Ordered Reopened By Williams

Durham Negro Found Guilty On Stick-Up Charge

James R. Redmand, dudish negro, whom Pink Rodwell, negro of Norlina, identified as the man who held him up at the point of a pistol on the afternoon of January 8 as he left the Warrenton post office and robbed him of \$30.00 he had received from a money order, was convicted of highway robbery by a jury on Tuesday. Sentence had not been passed last night by Judge Clawson Williams who is presiding over this term of Warren County Superior court.

Although Redmand denied the charge and brought witnesses here from Pitt county who testified that he was there at the time the crime was committed, Rodwell remained firm in his identification and told of accompanying Sheriff W. J. Pinnell to Durham where he identified Redmand from a group of pictures and later picked him out from several prisoners who had been brought him from the cells of the Durham jail for him to look over.

Rodwell's wife accompanied him to Durham and she, too, identified Redmand as the man who came to her husband's home on the afternoon of the robbery.

Sheriff Pinnell stated that Redmand's physical appearance and the clothes he wore when he was taken in custody at Durham on suspicion fitted with the description of the man given him on the afternoon of the robbery by Rodwell.

It was brought out in court that the defendant was of a nomadic nature and as he roved about the country he had been convicted of crooked dice charges. His name has also been linked with a gang of flimflam artists working out of Durham. He was in a poker game when taken in custody on suspicion by Durham officers for Sheriff Pinnell.

The Redmand case, which started on Monday afternoon and developed into a long drawn out affair, was the first indictment to go before a jury for a verdict. After this trial attorneys started their task of selecting jurors from a special venire of 75 men to try the Ted Terrell murder case which has occupied the attention of court since Tuesday at noon.

The charge of breaking, entering and larceny which has been booked against J. D. and D. M. Winkler, brothers of Virginia, since April, 1936, when the Swan Sandwich Shop and Beer Garden at Norlina was broken into and robbed was removed from the trial docket by the state taking a nol pros with leave.

The state also took a nol pros with leave in the case against members of the Board of County Commissioners, charged with failure to carry out Grand Jury recommendations, but on Wednesday afternoon when Judge Williams learned from the Grand Jury report of this court that all the recommendations had not been carried out he ordered the case reopened.

A case against Whit Perry, charged with breaking, entering and larceny, was continued under former order, and the charge of trespass booked against W. A. Powell was removed from the docket, judgment having been complied with.

REV. KENT TO PREACH AT EPISCOPAL CHURCH SUNDAY

Rev. L. F. Kent, rector of St. Paul's Church at Louisburg, will officiate and preach at the 11 o'clock service in Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Sunday morning, the Rev. Mr. Wagner announced yesterday. At 8 o'clock Sunday morning Holy Communion will be celebrated in the local church and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon evening prayer will be conducted at Good Shepherd, Ridgeway, the rector stated. The public is invited to attend these services.

TO ARRIVE TODAY

Congressman and Mrs. John H. Kerr are expected to arrive today from Washington, D. C. Judge Kerr is scheduled to deliver a commencement address in Bertie county tonight.

DAUGHTER BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Odum of Arcola a daughter, Matilda Jane, on May 12th.

Nol Pros Granted Earlier In Week, But Grand Jury's Report Causes Change

JURY IS NOT SATISFIED

The case against members of the Board of County Commissioners charging them with failure to carry out Grand Jury recommendations was ordered re-opened on Wednesday by Judge Clawson Williams when he received from the Grand Jury serving at this term its report which states that the former recommendations had not been satisfactorily carried out.

Earlier in the week Judge Williams had granted a nol pros with leave after learning that the county jail, which was condemned by several Grand Juries as being unsafe, unsound, and unsanitary, had been repaired since the last session of court here.

The original indictment was drawn against members of the Board of County Commissioners at the May term of court last year upon instruction from Judge Henry A. Grady, presiding here at that time, when he learned that former recommendations in regard to the jail and other matters had not been complied with.

Unable to borrow the necessary money to carry out the proposed improvements, the commissioners called an election to vote on a \$20,000 bond issue for altering and remodeling the jail. The issue was defeated by an overwhelming majority of voters.

Recognizing the effort made by the commissioners to remedy the situation, the Grand Jury at the September term of court recommended that the board spend \$5,000 at once, if possible, to relieve the conditions.

The board then secured bids on plans which met with state requirements and borrowed \$5,000 to have the work done. The job was recently completed and approved by the state authorities at a total cost to the county of around \$6,000, the other thousand being taken out of the general fund.

The Grand Jury serving at this term pointed out that while it found the jail proper in a much improved condition and fairly satisfactory, certain recommendations of the former Grand Jury, such as replacing iron bars with steel bars, had not been carried out and that windows and screens be installed in the jailer's quarters.

The present report also stated that recommendations formerly made in regard to painting and repairs at the County Home had not been carried out, nor had a repair shop for school buses been erected as recommended by two former Grand Juries.

Commenting on the report yesterday, William H. Burroughs, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, stated that the recommendations in regard to the County Home and school bus garage had not been carried out due to the fact that the county did not have the money to do so, but that these items would be included in the budget for next year. He said that the court was informed of this effect at the last session and that bids have already been received for the garage and have been called for to make the improvements at the County Home.

The report in full follows: "Hon. Judge Clawson Williams, 'Judge Presiding, 'May Term of Superior Court. 'Your Honor,

"We, the Grand Jury of the May term Superior Court of Warren County, make the following report of the duties performed by us while acting as a Jury.

"We have carefully examined all witnesses and passed upon all bills presented to us by the Solicitor. "We visited the following places by committee and find: "PRISON CAMP: We find the sanitary conditions in general to be satisfactory, the prisoners comfortable and well pleased.

"COUNTY HOME: We find at the County Home that the painting of all the buildings as specified by the January Grand Jury has not been carried out. Due to the urgent need of this work, sills, windows and door frames and the buildings in general are unnecessarily deteriorating. We find that the main roof of the Supt. dwelling has been painted

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