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THE LOUIS WEST TRIAL STILL ON IT IS AN HONOR TO BE NOMINATED BY FRIENDS

SHERIFF SHARPE, CHIEF OF POLICE GLOVER, OFFICER WYNN AND MARY YOUNG VERY IMPORTANT WITNESSES ON THE STAND THIS MORNING

Interest in the Outcome of the Trial Still Intense. Pictures of the Jurors Taken This Morning While Standing on Front Porch of Times Office

THE COLD AND CLEAR WEATHER ENABLING THE FARMERS TO WORK AND FAILURE TO GAIN ADMITTANCE IN THE COURT HOUSE HAS DIMINISHED THE SIZE OF THE CROWDS

At nine-thirty this morning the trial of Louis West and Stetson, charged with the murder of Deputy Sheriff George Mumford, was proceeded with. As on yesterday, the court house was packed, but the crush was not as great as then and consequently there was more quiet in court. The great curiosity of many to see the prisoners who are on trial for their lives has been satisfied, and their neglected business this week again taken up.

The first witness called this morning was Sheriff Sharpe. He testified that he had been Sheriff twelve years. He knew George Mumford. He was a deputy for seven years. He identified telegram received from Sheriff McGeachy on February 3rd, notifying him of West crowd being headed this way. Told Mumford to try and locate them. That they were bad fellows and to let him know if he could locate them.

Perry and other deputies arrested Stetson in Selma.

Policeman H. A. Warren testified. Is a police officer. Has been seven years. Saw Mumford on February 3rd. He, Chief Glover and witness were on bank corner and Mumford showed Chief Glover telegram about eleven in morning. Telegram told of crowd wanted. Went with Mumford to look for crowd. Went first to depot. Saw parties before did telegram. They were on Spring street, near Greer street. Saw man with red sweater and cap and a man about the size of Stetson. He had on uniform. They crossed near Manda Bishop's to South street and turned South street, and must have ran or could have seen them on reaching corner. Told Mumford that they would run on reaching corner. Saw them again in afternoon. Was with other officers. Chief went other way to Lodge street and Mumford said come on, I think we have them located at Mary Young's house. Mumford and he went there. Heard window rattle, drew gun and man let window down.

Mumford said open door. Mary Young said, can't make them open. Mumford got an axe, hit the door, shooting commenced and the officers rushed in. Many shots were fired. Mumford and he entered rear door, Mumford in front. Here diagram was introduced on which witness explained positions of officers and others in the house. Don't know whether Mumford fired. Shot three times himself. Mumford said: "Oh Lord, Warren, I am shot. Saw West when Mumford West. Took hold of Mumford's arm, and door of room where West was in was shut by some one. West was facing them when first saw him. He could not have shot Mumford in left side from that position. When shot Mumford careened over as if hit in left side. Helped Mumford off door steps as door was shut. Mumford walked around house, and gun fired Mumford went around house out of sight. Went around where Glover

and Wynne were. Heard other shots. Heard some one say Chief was shot. Saw Lonnie Lyon and another attending to Chief. Saw Mumford down, and West running; shot at West three times as he went down South street. Went to Mumford; he was in dying condition. Saw wound over ear and some of his brains oozing out.

Cross-examined: There was considerable excitement; was at corner of house when window rattled and drove West back drawing gun. Then witness explained positions with photograph. Didn't see anything in West's hands. Don't know who fired shot gun. Heard Policeman Wynne say he fired gun. Denied that Mumford had broke door down and gone into house before he went in. Mumford's pistol was laying on ground when he went to him. Didn't examine it, but put it in pocket and gave it to Sheriff Sharpe in about fifteen minutes. Mumford was lying near fence, a short distance from corner. Had description of West morning of tragedy. It came from Fayetteville. Saw West shoot pistol. It was pointed towards Mumford. Don't think one or two men could have done all of shooting in house. Reports sounded like two or three packs of fire-crackers.

Chief Glover then took the witness stand. Lived in Wilson on February 3rd. Was Chief of Police since June 1, 1910. Saw Mumford first in morning about 10:30 on Spring street. Was there with Warren looking for vagrants. Saw Mumford later in morning, telling him of telegram from Fayetteville. Saw West and man about size of Stetson at Manda Bishop's, near Mary Young's. West had on red sweater and black cap. They went towards Mary Young's. Stopped there a minute and turned up South street towards Greene street. When he and Warren got to corner couldn't see them. Saw West again in afternoon when prisoners were located in Mary Young's house. Had on uniform. Went to Mary's house; asked her where negroes were, said who had on red sweater. She said she hadn't seen any of them. Told her there was no use lying as he saw them come in. Opened door and saw Arch McLean and others. Saw Mumford on back door. He said look out, Glover, they are in this room. West slammed door. Parties inside refused to open it. Threw gun on him as he slammed door. Tried to open door but couldn't. Mumford went off, came back, struck door and shooting began. (Here witness described positions during shooting with aid of diagram). Said twelve, fifteen or twenty shots were fired. Sounded like bunch of firecrackers. Fired at West; he then fired, struck me in shoulder. I changed hands and shot again. Commenced to spit blood and went off and sat down on porch of next house; called Lonnie Lyon to assist him to Sanatorium. Saw West come out of house. Saw Mumford lying near fence. Looked like he was in great pain. West went towards Mumford. Witness was too weak to warn Mumford. West stooped over Mumford, threw his gun six or eight inches from Mumford's face and fired.

Cross-examined: Witness explained position of Mumford with regard to

house. Was sitting on porch of Nell Walker's when West came out. Had plain view. Was seriously injured and at Sanatorium for some time after shooting. Felt weak from loss of blood and arm was paralyzed. Realized he needed help when he called Lonnie Lyon. He came in half or three quarters of minute. West came out of house before Lonnie came up. Lonnie was about ten or fifteen steps from him when West shot Mumford. West paused a second on step and looked both ways. Could have seen him on Nell Walker's porch, and he could have seen Mumford's feet and legs. Told Arch McLean he better leave as there was going to be something doing right away. Went to back door and to Mary Young's room. Both he and Mumford told her to make them open door. Heard Mary Young ask these inside to open. Heard Mumford demand door be opened. When first saw West door was open. Didn't see anything in his hand. Partition door was closed. That door is easily opened. Witness then explained locations. Shot three times himself. Don't know how many times Mumford shot. Saw Policeman Wynne with shot gun; didn't see him shoot, but heard him say he did.

Lonnie was nearer Mumford than witness when West shot him.

Policeman Wynne was next called. He described search for defendants on afternoon of tragedy. Was asked by Chief to aid him. Glover described men wanted. Put on citizens' clothes and took gun, finally found them at beer saloon; left gun there, and came up town to notify other officers.

Returned and found that they had come up Lodge street towards Norfolk Southern. Went up town and met West, Stetson and another near Nan Best's. Passed by them without appearing to notice them. Some one said there goes man with shot gun. West said he wasn't afraid of any damn man with a gun. Saw them go into Mary Young's house; went to notify officers. Returned there. Chief Glover to front door, witness to rear, where he had view of three side windows and rear window. Had shot gun. Warren and Mumford were on opposite side from me. Heard shooting occur, 20 or 25 shots. Chief Glover came out, said he was shot. Warren came around and said George is shot, too. Glover walked off towards Nell Walker's. Saw West head at window and fired. He disappeared and had time to get to where Mumford was lying when heard other shots.

Cross-examined: He and Chief went to house together. Mumford and Warren came back way. First shot he heard seemed to be at middle of room. Heard about twenty-five shots. Didn't last half minute, it seemed. After Glover came out and Warren said Mumford was shot, witness fired at West through window.

Lou Artis was then called. She lived in Wilson. Had seen Louis West, Dave Young and Stetson on Jones street on morning of shooting. They went to store and got cakes; went out like they were going to Mary Young's. Later she went to carry dinner to sick friend about 2 p. m. from there to May Coley's. On leaving May's heard hollering and shooting; came down Norfolk Southern Railroad and saw man come out with hands on abdomen. Then saw Mumford come out and Stetson behind him. Louis West shot Sanders, then shot at Mr. Mumford, said, "God damn you, ain't you dead yet." Said, "you came here to kill me and I am going to kill you." Mr. Mumford said, "Don't shoot me any more," and held up his hands. Mumford was then shot. Witness heard from witness when

West paused and went off. Saw Lonnie Lyon later bringing Mr. Glover up town. Also saw Stetson at Mary Young's. Saw him come out of house. He was standing on bridge in front of Mary's house when West shot Mumford. Stetson was in plain view of West. Later looked back and saw Stetson up beside Imperial factory. Same street went out.

Cross-examined: Witness was excited, scared enough to hollow. West passed her and Mr. Sanders as she got off narrow path. Saw West shoot Mumford twice.

Mr. Tiler Riley and Sheriff Sharpe testified to Lou Artis' character.

Lonnie Lyon was the next witness. He lives on Spring street, in Wilson. Was here February 3rd. Was at N. S. depot at time of trouble on way home. When got to South street he heard shooting. Saw Mr. Glover come out of Mary Young's house, later saw Mr. Mumford. Glover went off and called me. Mumford also sat down. Heard shooting (Wynne) and afterwards saw West come out of house pass Mr. Mumford and say, "You ain't dead yet," and shot him. He then went off holding pistol. Then witness assisted Mr. Glover up town.

Cross-examined: Witness explained that he had been in jail several times once for gambling and on other charges. Mr. Swindell was first person he told of shooting. It was in his office; was asked to go there. Told other persons of shooting. Was scared at shooting, but saw it. Was on railroad near Carrie Walker's when West shot Mumford.

Wade Williams testified in substance: That he was in Wilson on day of tragedy. Saw West, Stetson, Dave Young, Brodie, Tom Smith at beer saloon near town that day. Both West and Stetson had automatic pistols. This was about 1:45. Saw Stetson day following shooting at Manda Bishop's. Stetson said he got out of house during shooting through the mercy of the Lord. Stetson told witness he didn't shoot; didn't have time to. Louis was shooting too fast. Stetson told witness that during shooting he asked West if he had his "nine." West replied yes, to which Stetson said he told West the house is safe.

Fred Lane was at Nell Walker's house next to Mary Young's at time of shooting. Saw Mr. Mumford come out and lay down by fence and saw Mr. Glover come out and set down on porch. Saw Louis West come out pass Mr. Mumford and shoot him. Saw Stetson next day and Stetson talked of shooting.

Cross-examined: Have been in jail once before. Came out on porch after Mr. Mumford came out of house.

Ed. Joyner testified he was in Manda Bishop's house when shooting occurred. Saw Mr. Glover come out and later saw Mr. Mumford against fence. Soon saw West come out, walk towards Mr. Mumford and shoot him. Bishop house and Mary Young house are across street from each other.

Jim Daniel was then placed on the stand and was testifying as we went to press with the one o'clock edition.

Jim Daniel testified that he saw West and another man turn corner at South street and run from police on morning of shooting. He knew one of them was Stetson and that other was tall man with red shirt or sweater. That Officers Glover and Warren were behind them.

Amanda Bishop testified she lived on other side of street from Mary Young's; knows Stetson and had seen Louis West; that they with Dave Young, Brodie and Tom Smith came to her house on morning of shooting. She was asleep, and wanted to know why so many men were there. Dave Young said they were his friends. The men left. Stetson and West returned later. Stetson said he had a gallon of liquor at Mary Young's house. Asked him to bring some over. Watched for them to come back over. (Continued on Page Six.)

Candidates That Have Been Receiving Votes From Their Acquaintances Should Show That They Appreciate the Favor by Striving to Win.

EVERYONE IS MAKING AN EFFORT TO SECURE ONE OF THOSE PRECIOUS TEN THOUSAND VOTE BALLOTS AS A FOUNDATION FOR THEIR VOTE RESERVE

By C. B. MARSHALL.

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Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today. If there is an opportunity for you to see a possible subscriber don't say to yourself that another time will do just as well. It will not do as well. Some one else is more than apt to get ahead of you. Get the promise at any rate, and then do not allow it to escape either your own or your friends' memory.

If you have not yet entered the contest, do not put it off any longer, but send in your name today, and then lay your plans to be a winner on May 6th.

Everybody Interested.

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Every Subscriber Should Vote.

Every subscriber to THE TIMES should give their votes to some candidate. Send in your favorite's name and then vote for her. Vote just as you would for a congressman to represent you, only vote oftener, as it is perfectly safe, and the oftener you vote the more sure your candidate is to be a winner.

Your help may be just what is needed to encourage your favorite candi-

diate to do the good work which will place her at the top of the list.

Poll Some and Keep a Reserve.

It is a good idea to poll a few votes as you go along and keep as near the top of the list as possible, but it is also a good idea to keep a good reserve force in readiness and have them on hand when emergency calls. Remember also that in a contest of this kind nothing succeeds so well as perseverance, and those who commence right now and keep everlastingly at it will be the ones who will win in the end. Just make up your mind to win and do not let anything interfere with that determination. The effort is not great and the prizes are so valuable that they are well worth every possible effort that may be required to win one of them.

Call For Letters.

Have you seen the letters that we are giving to candidates to send to their acquaintances? Come to the Contest Department, and we will give you a bunch of these to send to your friends.

Remember that you can get subscriptions from any place and are not confined to your own district in asking for votes.

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Mr. E. A. Campbell has been calling on the contestants outside of Wilson. He hopes to find a welcome at your home and he will endeavor to assist you in the race for prizes.

Pin Votes Together.

Vote coupons clipped from the paper should be done up in packages of 25 and pinned together. The name of contestant need only appear on the first coupon when this is done. Be sure that the district number is on the coupon. This helps the contest department make the count, and insures proper and prompt credit for your votes.

A 10,000 Subscription Ballot.

In THE TIMES today appears a subscription ballot, good under a special offer for 10,000 votes.

Every candidate who brings or sends to this office before 9 p. m., Saturday, March 18th, a subscription for one year to either THE DAILY or SEMI-WEEKLY WILSON TIMES, will be entitled to the special ballot which counts 10,000 votes additional to the regular scale of votes covering the subscription.

Read the conditions of the offer which must be complied with before this one will be credited.

Candidates residing outside of the city or those who cannot get into the office may mail their subscriptions and ballots any time before 9 p. m. Saturday, March 18th.

Only one of these 10,000 ballots will be given to each candidate.

It develops that W. V. Moss, the party in Greensboro who was impersonating. A revenue officer is from Winston-Salem and his escapade is the result of a protracted jag.

THE WEATHER

Washington, D. C., March 16.—For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Friday with rising temperature on Friday and in the extreme west portion tonight freezing. The temperature tonight in the east will moderate with northwest winds becoming variable.