

Murder, Manslaughter Cases To Go On Trial

Epps Fry To Face Charge of Killing Father.—Horner Case on Docket

The "big August court" for the trial of criminal cases is scheduled to convene next Monday, August 12, with Judge Felix E. Alley presiding.

The Epps Fry murder case in which Fry will face the charge of killing his 77-year-old father, Merrill Fry, is the case of outstanding interest on the docket of four dozen cases.

First on the trial docket is a manslaughter case against James Horner, driver of the automobile in which the Milam brothers, Charles and William, of Southern Pines were riding when they met their death several years ago.

The manslaughter case in which Preston Blue and Wade Mitchell are defendants, is also set for trial on Monday, and another manslaughter case set for the same day is one against Paul Williams, charged with being the driver of the car which killed Mrs. Jim Williams, Ruby Garner, Charlie Morgan and Herbert Ritter in August, 1939.

Other cases docketed include a variety of lesser offenses.

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Mrs. Thomas R. Cole and daughter, Mary Jane, have returned from Baltimore and Williamsburg, Va. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Cole's mother and sister, Mrs. E. J. Farker and Mrs. R. L. Daniels and Ginger Daniels of New Bern, who were guests of the Cole family last week. Miss Betty Reed Cole returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thompson have returned from Myrtle Beach.

Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Owens have returned from Linville where they spent a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thomas and family have returned from Kure Beach.

Miss Eloise Wicker has returned home after being the guest of Mrs. E. B. Keith in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Johnson and family left Sunday for a vacation in New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Portland, Maine.

Miss Katherine Sledge spent from Friday through Monday at White Lake attending the retreat of the 14 young people comprising the council of the Fayetteville Presbytery.

Miss Margaret Kelly is on vacation at her home in Carthage.

Miss Ruth Gillmore, recreational director for the community has been called to her home in Walpole, Mass., on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Dorothy Coley of Raleigh has assumed Miss Gillmore's duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sutton and children have returned after being in Canada and at Carolina Beach for the month of July.

Harold Thompson spent the weekend at Wrightsville Beach.

Mrs. Fuller Currie has returned home from the Moore County Hospital.

Walter Maness has bought the Electric Shoe Shop from Omar Garrison.

Miss Olive Hennessee has returned after visiting a college mate in Lincoln.

Twenty young people motored to White Lake Sunday. They were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sully.

Mrs. John N. Powell is visiting her son, Henry Vroom and family, in Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Dorothy McKenzie, who taught in the summer school at Concord for six weeks, is home.

Mrs. T. R. Cole, Mrs. H. A. Campbell and Mrs. S. R. Flansdall attended the Parent-Teacher Institute at Chapel Hill Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bingham Ballou and daughter, Suzanne, have gone to their home in Medford, Mass., for the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Veno and family and Richard have returned from a ten day stay on the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Suedge, Misses Katherine and Nancy Sledge and Master Bill Sledge have gone to Crossnore and other points in Western Carolina for two weeks. Miss Katherine Sledge will visit Misses Eleanor Edwards and Sara McLean in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Veno have returned from Asheville.

Mr. George N. Dunn has as guests her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Kastner and children, Mary Lou and Ruddy Kastner, of Fort Meyer, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tufts are enjoying a trip through the New England states and will be away the month of August.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harrison and children, Jimmie and Martha returned the first of the week from the western part of the state.

Joe Montesanti, Jr. has gone to Stockbridge, Mass., for the remainder of the summer.

Miss Dorothy Wescott delightfully entertained at luncheon Saturday. Eingo was played and attractive prizes were given each guest. The occasion was Dorothy's 13th birthday. Guests were Misses Jane Cole, Edith Ann Dunlop, Nancy Sledge, Flora Ellen Cameron, Grace Herndon, and Nancy and Mary Frances Campbell. Mrs. Blanche Wescott and Mrs. J. M. Hagood assisted in entertaining.

Among those who will attend the wedding of Miss Evelyn Sloan to Gordon MacGregor Cameron tomorrow, Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock in the Presbyterian church at Mount Ula are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shields Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thompson, Miss Flora Ellen Cameron and Bevins Cameron. Herbert Cameron will act as his brother's best man and D. D. Shields Cameron and Mr. Thompson will be ushers. Miss Cameron will be a junior bridesmaid.

Among others going up for the ceremony will be Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sully, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Fields, the Rev. and Mrs. A. J. McKelway, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frye.

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A SUMMARY of the ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

As a user of this Company's service, you may be interested in the following information concerning the organization which serves you with electricity. We, therefore, render you this summarized report, based on our Annual Report for 1939 as submitted to our stockholders.

The original Carolina Power & Light Company was organized in 1908. It served 1,100 customers in four small towns and supplied street railway service in one town. Gross annual revenue was \$145,000. In 1926, the company was merged with four other companies. By the end of that year, it was serving 58,541 customers and had an annual gross revenue of approximately \$7,000,000. In 1939, gross revenue amounted to \$12,028,986.

In 1908, the company operated four generating plants with a total capacity of 3,575 kilowatts. In 1939, ten hydro-electric generating plants and two steam electric generating plants, plus 69,000 kilowatts of purchased power, made available 318,050 kilowatts. Its transmission system interconnected at fourteen points with systems of adjacent power companies. Output reached a total of 923,281,000 kilowatt hours.

More Than 112,000 Customers Served In 288 Communities



Serving an area of approximately 21,000 square miles, the company had, at the end of 1939, more than 112,000 customers in 288 communities including residential, farm, commercial, industrial, government and municipal users of electricity. Nearly twice as many customers were served in 1939 as in 1908.

Nearly \$2,000,000 Paid In Taxes For 1939 (\$5,450 Per Day)



Tax payments of almost \$2,000,000 absorbed approximately one-sixth of the company's gross revenue in 1939 and were equivalent to one-fourth of the expense of operating the company's properties. The sum paid for taxes exceeded dividends to stockholders. The Company's tax payments contributed substantially to governmental activities of many kinds.

8,600 Stockholders In Carolinas Received Large Part of Dividends



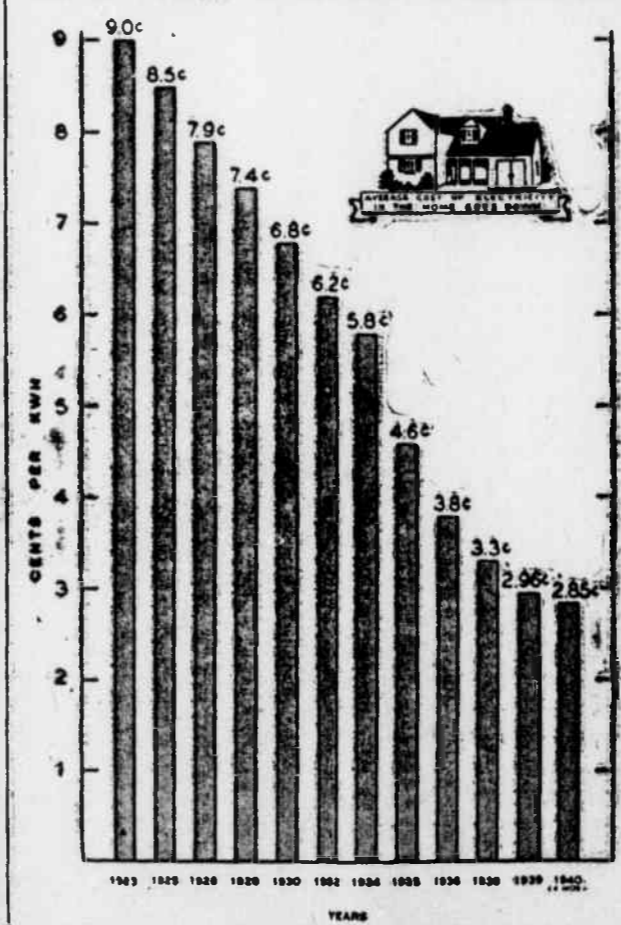
Of the 8,600 owners of the company's preferred stock, approximately three-fourths, representing some 6,900 individuals and institutions, are located in the Carolinas. The dividends paid to these stockholders in the company's territory served to materially increase buying power and prosperity.

Large Requirements For Materials Met Within Territory



The company's need for merchandise, materials and supplies furnished employment to thousands and placed large sums in circulation. As far as possible, purchases were made from firms in the Carolinas which helped to stimulate business generally throughout the territory. Substantial sums were also released for transportation, advertising, and rents within the territory.

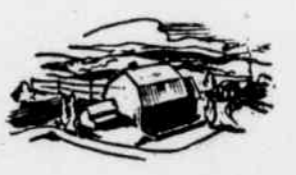
DOWNWARD TREND OF AVERAGE COST PER KILOWATT-HOUR TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS



RATES REDUCED AGAIN IN 1939

Approximately 50% of the company's residential customers and 84% of its commercial customers received a 22% reduction in rate on February 1, 1939. As the chart indicates, residential customers were paying an average rate of 29c per kilowatt-hour at the end of 1938—the national average rate for residential electric service was 38c higher!

Rural Homes and Farms Served With Electricity At Low Rate!



In 1939, approximately 700 miles of rural lines were built and 2,507 farm customers and 1,280 rural customers were added. During the past four years, the company has constructed more than 3,800 miles of rural lines. The number of farm customers has increased nearly ten times since 1935.

Cooperation Given In Agricultural and Industrial Growth



The company's Agricultural and Industrial Development Department cooperates closely with Chambers of Commerce and other groups in stimulating development. In 1939, fifty-seven new industries located within the company's territory. The efforts of this department have resulted in bringing increased employment and millions of dollars to stimulate business generally.

1,366 Employees Are Members Of C. P. & L. Family



Employees of the company share an annual pay roll of \$2,185,000 in 1939. As all employees, including officers and directors, are local residents, practically all of this sum was spent within the territory served. The average service record of employees was 8 1/2 years with more than half having served 4 years or more.

Selling Policy Beneficial To Company And Dealers



Close coordination between company and electrical dealers of the territory continued to prove mutually advantageous. In 1939, under the stimulus of new low rates, customers of the company bought more than \$4,500,000 worth of electrical merchandise from the electrical dealers of the territory.

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