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Body Found By Railroad Track Near Four Oaks Causes Suspicion of Foul Play.

JURY TO SIT AGAIN

Efforts to identify a white man whose body was found along side the Atlantic Coast Line track near Four Oaks last Tuesday have not been successful, and the body was finally interred. After the coroner's inquest the body was turned over to the local undertaker and the burial took place Christmas afternoon at Barbour's Chapel cemetery. Elder G. W. Shepard, pastor of the Barbour's Chapel Advent church, gonducted a brief funeral service in the presence of a large number who had gathered to pay a tribute of respect to one vho, though unknown, had met misfortune in that vicinity.

That there was a window brokthere was drunkedness and rowdiness on the train was brought out gating the killing of an unidentifrom Four Oaks early Tuesday the case that the man was killed Carolina. r stunned in a fight and pushed through the window of the toilet to preach this last sermon at local Auctioneer

window and drunkedness on the for Elon when the Christian church train was furnished by the super- was establishing it. He has been the Coast Line in the form of a its foundation. Until the weight telegram to Agent Jordan of Four of years became heavy upon him

The body was picked up by the tive board of the school. erew of an extra freight going HELPED REBUILD SCHOOL. went South, and on Solicitor Parker's suggestion Coroner Stevens directed that the members of this crew and the crew of the passenger train attend an adjourned hear ing of the jury to be held in Smithfield January 2.

There were no letters or papers to indicate the name of the man. In one of the pockets was \$56.20 in money and a ticket to Miami. Fla., purchased in Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 21. There was what seemed to be a Roman Catholic prayer in Italian on a colored card, also two pocket handkerchiefs. There is an old scar eight inches long over the left eye and running back on the forehead and

Mrs. Elsie Snipes Over Radio

Friends of Mrs. Elsie Snipes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holt, of Princeton, will be intersted to know that she has been broadcasting in several piano solos over the radio from WRVA, Richmond. Mrs. Snipes is a student in the advanced piano department of the Richmond Conservatory of Music and a pupil of the director, Francis Eugene Cosby. This young artist played Rachmaninof?'s Prelude in C Sharp Minor, and Chaminade Arlequine, from Station WRVA, Richmond, last night.

AUNT ROXIE SAYS-



People gittin' so mean dese days till dey sets steal traps in 'tatah

DR. WELLONS WILL PREACH HIS Youthful Romance Unusual U. N. C. OAKLEY-PEEDIN 100TH ANNIVERSARY SERMON Winds Up In Jail Alumini Banquet

By JOHN G. DICKSON In Charlotte Observer

Greensboro, Nov. 28 .- Rev. J. W. Wellons, D. D., oldest Mason in North Carolina and chaplain of the Masonic and Eastern Star home at Greensboro, will be 100 years of age on January 1, 1926. en out of the toilet room of one It is his intention to preach his of the coaches of Atlantic Coast anniversary sermon on that day at Line Southbound passenger train Elon college, the Christian insti-No. 83 Monday night and that tution which he helped to found. Doctor Wellons is still active in spite of his great age. He conbefore the coroner's jury investi- tinues to look after the spiritual welfare of the inmates of the pronunciation is good. He looks to Hall, in which he will preach his passed. The supposition is held by actual record of his age. He is Dr. Wellons was one of the foundquite a few who have looked into beloved of all masons in North ers of Elon college.

It is Doctor Wellons' ambition animated by a strong and ever-Information as to the broken lasting love. He strove mightily he was a member of the execu-

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pansion of this educational institution. The buildings are there as duced by a runaway mule. result of this movement.

een a cardinal principle with Doctor Wellons. There must be edtraining should go with it. Educaof Christianity behind it, in order world. Training, he believes, without religion behind it, is as likely

The mind of this venerable min- The trombone artist was sliding trial. Barrett's congregation, in Virginia. In 1854, 71 years ago, he joined d. near Pittsboro. For some years

retire because of illness. He then his head on the real estate which teen. Mr. Braxton the girl's father, family were shocked last Tuesday velvet.

General Mansfield sent for him "Eighty-two and a half, make and suggested that he move his it 83?" Mr. Samuel Honeycutt prother's family and himself to said. The mules were stopped half other quarters. But the minister a mile away. Mr. Honeycutt does vere allowed to take with him 16 a pin. They had heard his song his brother's wife and little daugh- News. er, their slaves and another min-

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muleship.



Cade, Gertrude Cade, Cary Harri- information that has come to hand hearing the evidence the court present. It will be an Eastern Mr. A. A. Peedin of this city, befound only one of the defendants, Mildred Braxton, not guilty. All the others were adjudged guilty make arrangements for the alumand fines of \$50 each were im- ni banquet which we are going to posed on Luby and Gertrude Cade have i nthe Kiwanis hall in Seland on Cary Harrison.

field from La Grange in Lenoir all know what University Spirit county on the 16th of December. was ten, fifteen, or twenty years The parties desiring to be united ago when we were there. Howevin marriage were Cary Harrison, aged 17, and Mildred Braxton. aged 13. With them were Luby Cade and a period of great material exhis wife Gertrude Cade, who posed pansion on the part of the unplying for the marriage license, meet University Spirit arrayed gave his name as Duberry Langs- in these new costumes. Rev. J. W. Wellons, who will fied white man found along side home, and to preach occasionally. be one hundred years old on Janthe Coast Line track three miles His voice is still strong and his uary 1, and Whitley Memorial porarily assumed the names of Johnston county want the univermorning, soon after No. 83 had be many years younger than the anniversary sermon on that date. ton, a marriage license was is- conditions in order that they may sued by the deputy clerk in the register of deeds office, Miss Luma McLamb. So far the scheme had worked perfectly, and the Gets 'Written Up' ages from entering into the mar- leveled against her. riage contract. They made their intendent of the first division of a trustee of the school ever since Samuel T. Honeycutt Peace D. T. Lunceford, and the on- for us. We are not going to have Knocked From Wagon lookers were amazed and surpris- just an ordinary alumni banquet When Mule Takes ed to see Cary Harrison and Mil- at Selma-we are going to turn married instead of Mr. and Mrs. will hear from. A number of al-Cade, the persons for whom the umni from Eastern Carolina will buildings by fire several years ago Raleigh, Dec. 18.—"Eighty-two license were actually issued. The be there. he was a strong supporter of the and a half, make it 83?" Samuel fore Miss McLamb had been notinovement to supplant the demol- Taylor Honeycutt, star first base- fied that the wrong couple were will come. Dr. George D. Vick, ished structures with great mod- man and catcher on the university getting married. She hastily rush- of Selma, is toastmaster. ern buildings-not only to replace baseball team 30 years ago, caught ed in upon the scene and disposthem, but to provide for the ex- himself saying yesterday as he sessed Mr. Lunceford of the liwoke from a deep sleep superin- cense, but she did so too late to prevent their being pronounced Mr. Honeycutt bought the mules husband and wife. The bridal par- your leter of December 25th, to Christian education has ever from a bank which had taken ty by this time had seen that their speak to the Johnston county Althem from a farmer who failed on plans were about to become umni in Selma on the evening of his note. The Johnston county wrecked and they attempted to January 1, 1926. I accept it gladstatesman is a great auctioneer, a beat a hasty retreat out of Smith- ly. There are some things I want traveling salesman who went very field. Before they could leave, how- to say about the university Under tion, he says, must have the force fast yesterday. The Smithfield man ever, the entire party was arrestwas selling a tract of land at ed and all were safely lodged in them to every Alumnus or citizen hat trained men and women may Wendell. Standing on the platform jail. On the following Saturday you can persuade to listen to me. work for the betterment of the in his wagon, drawn by his fav- Mildred Braxton's father came up The University appreciates the orite mule, the auctioneer was cry- from La Grange and released her spirit of the Alumni in wanting ing aloud and sparing not. The from jail. The others remained to know the facts about her and to be a force for evil as for good. band was discoursing sweet tunes. here in jail until the day of the she wants you to know them. I

ian church, becoming a member of trombonists slide the jazz to his McCollough, of Kinston, and James cisms directed against her. Raynor of Benson, all took a hand "Men, are you going to let it in assisting Solicitor Massey in the North Carolina and Virginia go at \$82.50?" Mr. Honeycutt ask- weeding out the technicalities of FORMER SMITHFIELD conference as a minister. Two ed, and he chewed contentedly the case. In addition to the fines MAN PASSES AWAY sized by the use of candles and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Avera. The cars later he was ordained a wrile the trombonist yanked tunes and cost imposed, it was decided Christian minister in Bank's chap- from the depths of his horn. that the marriage had been leg-"Eighty-two and a half, once, ally performed, but could never Mr. Walter Radford Is Found prior to his ordination he was 82 16 twice-" Mr. Honeycutt become a bona fide marriage unminister on a circuit in Moore coun shouted, but that was the last of til the would-be-husband reaches y, but after being in this work it. His pet mule tore down the the age of eighteen and the wouldor several years he was forced to street, standing the auctioneer on be-bride reaches the age of sixwent to Suffolk, Va., where he he was selling. The impact knock- was present at the trial and after when news reached here of the On Monday evening an informal

Another Still Taken

Deputy Sheriff P. L. Wood, John slaves belonging to members of one million times and the trom- late Joe Young in Cleveland town- his youth the deceased had been and cake were served. his family. The general agreed, and bone oftener over eastern North ship December 22. They came upon a member of the Methodist church | Mrs. Oakley is quite a popular here for the wedding were Mr. and with the following weights. 364 ing some time with relatives in ed. They destroyed 120 callons of

Thirteen Year Old Would- Spirit of University Stat-Be-Bride Taken Home ed Anew in Light of Lovely Marriage of Popu-Recent Criticism.

The Recorder's Court went in The Alumni of the University ession here on Tuesday long of North Carolina will have a banenough to dispose of one case only, quet in Selma on Friray, Jannamely, that of state vs. Luby vary 1, at 7 o'clock which from ids well to be most interesting son and Mildred Braxton. The de- Alumni and their wives from the fendants in this action were charg- county, and a number from aded with obtaining marriage li- joining counties, ministers and cense under false pretense. After newspaper representatives will be eters have been exchanged. I am helping the committee to

ma Friday evening, January 1, something altogether new to the people of Smithfield in marriages. The wedding party came to Smith- tation of University Spirit. We as the parties who were soon to iversity has come to pass. On be married. Cary Harrison, in ap- next Friday night we want to

ton, and upon the presentation of The university is being sharp-Cary Harrison and Mildred Brax- sity to give them a restatement of youthful lovers had well nigh de- is she attaining the ends or her feated the statute prohibiting ideals. And what does she have youths and maidens of their to say in answer to the criticisms

All of us want you to come to desires known to Justice of the Selma and make this statement dred Braxton stand forth to be loose something there that you

> Let me know at once that you H. B. MARROW,

MR. COATES REPLY

Thank you for the invitation in appreciate the fact that you are In 1837, when 11 years of age, he Eighty-two and a half, make it lack of legal counsel. Mr. E. J. you what they are and to disecame affiliated with the Chris- 83?" Mr. Honeycutt sang, and the Wellons, of Smithfield, and Mr. cuss wih you in detail the criti-ALBERT COATES

Dead In Bed At Atlanta, Georgia.

been fifty-seven years old.

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lar Couple at Methodist Church Tuesday Morning.

LEAVE FOR A TRIP

eleven o'clock when Miss Thelma Peedin, the attractive daughter of Darolina occasion. The following came the bride of Mr. Cledith Emory Oakley, of Durham.

Under the skillful direction of Mrs. A. R. Wilson the church had been converted into a bower of lovliness with long leaf pine, ferns This entire romance offers 1926, at 7 p. m. A number of the effect was produced by the use of white baskets filled with mistletoe, and lattice work of white around the chancel and the arch before which the ceremony was performed. At the appointed hour a musi-

cal program began with a violin

solo, Andante, played by Mr. J. A. Campbell. Mr. Theron Johnson then sang "At Dawning" and "Be cause." Miss Mary Barbour, of Enfield, sang "O Promise Me" and "I Love You Truly." Mrs. C. V. Johnson played the accompaniments. Miss Barbour and Mrs. Johnson wore becoming costume sweet peas and roses. The bridal chorus from Lohengrin was used strains were wafted through the church the ushers, Messrs. John Grimes and Norman Grantham took their places near the altar. The bridesmaids were Miss Rachel Jordan of this city, and Miss Louise Wrenn, of Goldsboro. They wore becoming costumes of rose georgette with gold hats and carried arm bouquets of pink Columbia roses. The groomsmen were Messrs. Raymond Peedin of this of a pretty marriage Saturday afcity, and T. C. Lee, of Durham ternoon at four o'clock when Miss Little Miss Frances Lela Peter- Gladys Kyle Sanders, the daughette. The maid of honor was Miss bined to make a beautiful setting Washington. Hilda Peedin, sister of the bride, for the interesting event. Tall Duke an industrial town havin at the altar by the bridegroom with "I Love You Truly." She was ac- the Erwin Cotton Mills Co. his brother. Mr. Curtis Oakley, of companied on the piano by Miss The change in the name wa Roxboro, who acted as best man. Louise Young, who also played the made because of the conflict th The impressive ring ceremony was other wedding music. Mr. Joseph town has had with Duke University performed by Rev. A. J. Parker, Sanders, brother of the bride, and ty, in Durham. Mail and telephon pastor of the bride. The bride was Mr. Wilbur Turner were ushers. calls intended for Duke Universit particularly lovely, wearing a The two bridesmaids were Miss have come to Duke, it is said, an black georgette gown brocaded in Mary Ellington, of this city, and the similarity of the names ha rose and gold velvet flowers, and Miss Susan Roberson, sister of caused a deal of confusion. Pet a gold hat. She carried a bouquet the groom, of Franklinton. They tions were circulated some tim of Bride's Roses showered with wore charming afternoon frocks ago to have the name changed. valley lilies.

the bridal party repaired to the layender sweet peas. Miss Mildred Durham, secretary-treasurer of home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee San- Young, of this city, was maid of the Erwin chain of mills. ders where a five course luncheon honor. She wore a yellow beaded was served. Plates were laid for crepe with gold lace hat and car- gan operations and within the nex twenty. Christmas decorations pre- ried yellow roses and lilies of the few weeks the population will b vailed throughout the rooms, a valley. The ringbearer was Mas- ground 5,000, according to est color scheme of red being empha-ter Thomas Avera, little son of mates by the mill officials. chaded lights. Appropriate toasts bride entered the church alone. She were proposed during the course of was attired in a lovely ensemble the luncheon. Mr. and Mrs. Oak- suit of tan with fur trimmings Route 1, was in the city Chris ern points. Mrs. Oakley's going-Friends and relatives of the piece suit of black georgette and

assisted other Christian ministers ed him silly. The birds sang very it had been terminated he took death of Mr. Walter Radford reception was given at the home in their congregational and educa- sweetly in every lane. The folks her home with him. The entire which occurred at his home in of the bride to members of the ional work.

He was still ill when the civil

from his handsome face, massaged ter nearly a week's stay here, a worder of the staught music in the local hardly knows whether to think from his handsome face, massaged ter nearly a week's stay here, a Monday. He retired Monday night rehearsal. A feature of the evening school since completing her musiwar came on and nearly all of the preachers left Suffolk. One day on his feet again.

It rom his handsome fact, massed the first and set him his stricken shoulders and set him bits usual health but about several supplied with turkeys for cake, Mr. John Grimes cutting the found dead in bed. Had he lived button; Mr. J. A. Campbell, the personality have won for her many have the price of the chickens. A a few days longer he would have ring; T. C. Lee the dime; Mrs. A. friends. The bridegroom is a son any rate Mr. Parker was not will-R. Wilson the thimble. Miss Mary of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oakley, ing to take less than twenty cents, The body was brought here for Barbour delighted those present of Roxboro. He holds a responsible so he carried his load of chickens refused to go. Later, however, he not now know what caused them W. Parson and W. C. Parson made burial and was laid to rest in the with several vocal selections and position in the offices of the Ligdid go, agreeing to move if he to break and run. He suggests a raid on a whiskey still in the Radford cemetery on Thursday, Mrs. A. R. Wilson gave a number gett and Myers Tobacco Company pounds of pork which he had just swamp on the plantation of the December 24, at 3:30 o'clock. In of delightful readings. Hot coffee at Durham.

and at Columbia University. She Miss Leah Love, of Monroe.

Prison Sentence Cause NUPITALS HERE Dock Hill To Take Appea

A Hard Worker Jury Renders Verdic



College, serving as waitress.

Elizabeth Church

Miss Gladys Sanders The liams for his home in Sanford.

Roberson. Elizabeth church, about five miles from this city, was the scene ter of Mr. R. A. Sanders, became ary 1, the town now known with picture hats and carried love-Immediately after the ceremony ly bouquets of pink roses and compliment to W. A. Erwin, Sr., c

ley left on train No 80 for north- and gold lace hat. Her bride's bou- mas eve with about twenty-fi away costume was a handsome two- with valley lilies and white sweet Selma before coming here but had

two weeks later, accompanied by Carolina. — Greensboro Daily the still about dark and came here and Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor young woman of this city. She is Mrs. Robert Oakley and Mr. Cur- 343, 304, 335, and 353. very near capturing the whole of this church, conducted the serv-outfit. The fire was still burning ices. Quite a number of beautiful graduating from the high school Mrs. T. C. Lee, of Durham; Miss Mr. L. C. Powell and sister, Miss ister, a Methodist, he left Suf- Mrs. Joe Davis has been spend- but the still had just been remov- designs were laid upon the grave. here, she studied music at the Louise Wrenn, of Goldsboro; Miss Estelle, left yesterday for Flori la Durham Conservatory of Music Fannie Bett Brown, of Raleigh, and after spending the holidays here

About One A. M. Wed nesday; Court Impose Sentence of From Thre To Five Years in Stat Prison.

JURY OUT 2 HOUR

The trial of the case of stat vs. Dock Hill for the murder o Sam Barbour, which took place a Dock Hill's home near Clayton ear ly last spring, was terminated her about one o'clock a. m. on Decen ber 23. This trial was started or Monday morning and two solling days were devoted to it. The stat rested at the close of the day Monday, and most of Tuesday was required for the defendant who produced his evidence. The speech making of the lawyers began in the afternoon and continued on until late in the night, the indee charging the jury at eleven p. m. The jury returned the verdict some OPAL CODE, from Fort Worth, two hours later in which they had Texas, has plowed her Bell County found the defendant guilty of farm for four years, making a liv. manslaughter. The court imposed ing for six members of her family, a sentence of from three to five Now that her young brothers and years in the state prison from sisters are provided for she is which the defendant took an apworking her way through Baylor peal. The defendant was allowed thirty days in which to perfect his appeal An appeal bond was fixed at \$100. His appearance bond was fixed at \$10,000.

This case was the only one tried in the second week of court, and Scene of Wedding in the second week of court, and immediately after passing the sentence Judge Devin departed for his home in Oxford and Solicitor Wil-

There are still many cases be-Bride of Mr. Harris fore the Johnston county court, and a special term will probably be opened here on January 16 for the trial of criminal cases.

HARNETT MILL TOWN TO BE CALLED ERWIN

Duke, Dec. 23.-Effective Jan bearer, and carried the ring in the bride of Mr. John Harris Tom- Duke will be known as Erwin, ac the heart of a rose. She wore a linson Roberson. Long leaf pine, cording to advices received from charming frock of yellow georg- ferns, smilax and candelabra com the Postoffice Department i

and she was becomingly attired in columns wrapped in white and two cotton mills, is about 25 year powder blue georgette and gold entwined with trailing smilax addi old. It was named in honor of the hat and carried an arm bouquet ed to the beauty of the scene. Be- late Washington Duke, founder o of Premier roses. The bride en- fore the entrance of the bridal the American, Tobacco Company tered with her father and was met party Miss Dorothy Young sang and who was a big stockholder i

The new name was chosen i

The new mill here recently be

Chickens vs. Turkeys Mr. John H. Parker, of Selm

quet was white roses showered chickens for sale. He had been to neas. The bridegroom entered with been able to dispose of only one his best man, Mr. Hugh McGee, of old hen. In Smithfield he had even worse luck, not selling a one, Mr. Parker only asked 20 cents killed, Mr. Parker killed five Po-Among the out-of-town guests land China hogs, fifteen-moths-old

with relatives.