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Terminate Adams And Keene Cases

Defendants Plead Guilty; Adams Given Year in State Prison; Keen Fined

The case against W. T. Adams, former register of deeds of Johnston county, charged with embezzlement, and J. A. Keen, former county auditor, charged with neglect of official duty, were terminated here on Saturday just at the close of the March term of Superior court, by the defendants going into open court and entering a plea of guilty on the bills of indictment. Mr. Adams was represented by Judge Brooks, while Mr. Keen had no counselor at all. However, several members of the bar were present and practically all of them interceded in Mr. Keen's behalf. The court in passing sentence on the two men expressed the opinion that the mental suffering of the two men had been great and should mitigate any sentence that should be imposed at this time. Mr. Adams was sentenced to one year in the state prison, term beginning yesterday. Mr. Keen was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost of the action against him.

Other cases disposed of not already reported are as follows: William Henry Morris, a white man of Boon Hill township, was placed on trial on Thursday for the larceny of some leaf tobacco and was acquitted by the verdict of the jury.

M. C. Blue, the negro from Kenly whose wife, Ella May Blue, was killed in an affray about the first day of February in the town of Kenly, was tried on Friday for an assault with a shotgun, and was found guilty. He was sentenced to jail for four months to be assigned to work on the roads of Johnston county.

Addie Lee King, a white woman of Pine Level who parades the land under three or four alias names, was tried on Saturday for forgery, found guilty, and sentenced to a term of six months in jail to be released in the discretion of the county superintendent of public welfare.

Frank Anderson, a young white man of Clayton, who had abetted in forgery with Addie Lee King, was tried, convicted and sentenced to a term of six months in jail to be assigned to work the roads of Johnston county.

DEBATE AT COLORED SCHOOL

On the date of March 25, the Johnston County Training School versus Goldsboro High School. Both schools are members of the high school debating league. This is the first time these schools have had the chance to display their ability as debaters in this league. Special reserved seats for white people. At 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents.

DR. T. L. GINN DEAD

Friends here will regret to learn of the sudden death of Dr. T. L. Ginn, of Goldsboro, which occurred yesterday morning about 11:30 o'clock at his office. Dr. Ginn married Miss Bertha Stevens, a daughter of the late W. S. Stevens, of this city. He was apparently in his usual health, he and Mrs. Ginn having attended the Sunday school training school held in Goldsboro last week. The funeral will be held this afternoon at five o'clock.

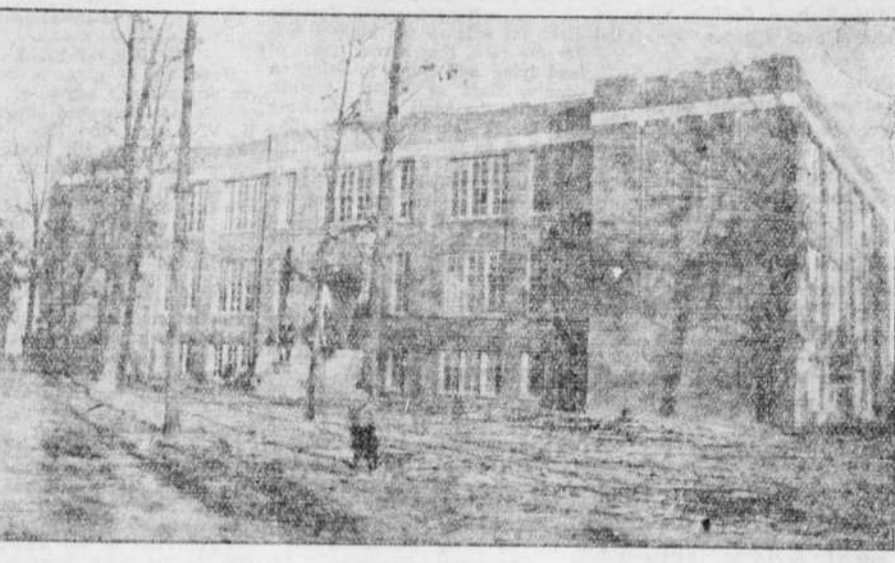
To cure insomnia, get a job as night watchman.

AUNT ROXIE SAYS—
By Mc—
"A line uv help is better dan a page uv explanation."



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NEW CLEVELAND SCHOOL HOUSE



THIS BUILDING takes the place of three former school buildings of Cleveland township. The picture from which the cut was made was furnished by Mr. A. M. Johnson, who takes considerable interest in the school.

Essay Contest In Cleveland School

Redford Williams Writes Best Essay on Cleveland Consolidated School

The new school building in the Cleveland school district, which has the distinction of being the only school district that coincides with the township, has been the subject of essays written by pupils of the high school, and which were placed in the hands of judges to select the best for publication.

The committee selected the one written by Redford Williams as the best, but honorable mention was given Louise Wood and Wilbur Wright. The prize article by Redford Williams is as follows:

"We, the students of Cleveland school, think it our duty and take pleasure in telling the people outside of the community of our new consolidated school. There were only three schools in Cleveland township, and they were all consolidated into one school which is Cleveland. These schools were Mount Zion, Shiloh and Polenta. About ten years ago the people of Cleveland township tried to get a consolidated school, but so many opposed it that it was a failure. Instead of getting a consolidated school, Polenta school house was built. One year ago the school spirit was aroused again. This time there were more for it than there were against it, so the majority ruled and today we have a consolidated school in Cleveland township.

After getting the school, the people of the community selected three men for the committee of the school. The committeemen are: Mr. F. M. Weeks, Mr. P. W. Barber, and Mr. C. C. Williams. These and all other men of the community take interest in and help the school all they can. With the help of the county board of education which is composed of W. G. Wilson, J. W. Woodard and P. B. Johnson, and Mr. H. B. Marrow, county superintendent, we hope and believe that the school will be a great success.

Mr. Marrow and the committeemen were lucky in selecting the faculty. The faculty is made up of seven, six ladies and the principal, Mr. J. O. Terrell, of Jackson county. The faculty has proven to be exactly what the school needs. As a location for the school, five acres of land were bought in the center of the township. The grounds are not yet in good condition, but in one year it will be improved and fixed for all kind of athletics. The building has sixteen large class rooms and a large auditorium that will seat five hundred people. We do not have any use for all the building at the present time, but if the population of the township continues to increase as it has for the past few months, we can use the entire building. As it is the first year, the building is not very well equipped which is around one hundred thousand dollars.

Fire Destroys Frame Building

At County Home 5 Miles of This City; Local Fire Department Saves Other Bldgs.

The fire siren called the fire company to the county home about five miles from this city, Sunday night about ten o'clock. One of the four-room wooden buildings used by the white inmates before the erection of the new brick home, was totally destroyed by fire, but the fire company rendered valuable assistance in preventing any of the other buildings from burning. It was necessary to keep wet what is known as the "crazy" house, and the barns at one time were in danger.

Two negroes had been given rooms in the building on Saturday. Some furniture and a few other things were lost in the fire.

A large crowd finally gathered, a number of Smithfield citizens beside the fire company being among those who went. The fire wagon spread the news of fire as it made the quick trip to the scene and the crowd was augmented by those living on the road.

The building was an old one, and the loss is probably not a great amount.

ENGLISH EXTENSION CLASS TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY

Dr. B. B. Lane, who conducts an extension class in English here each week, wishes to announce that he will meet his class as usual next Friday. He was unable to come last week on account of illness with influenza.

SOPHRONIA'S WEDDING

A play, Sophronia's Wedding, will be given in Princeton high school auditorium on Friday evening, March 25 at 8 o'clock. If you are looking for a real evening's pleasure you can't afford to miss it. Come bring others. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

How Smart Are You?	What Is Your Average?
Testo-Ten	

Here is a test of memory, intelligence, and general knowledge, that will provide fun and entertainment for all by giving you an opportunity to test your knowledge in competition with others. These questions will cover a wide range of information. How many of them can you answer without seeking recourse to the encyclopedia or dictionary.

1. What heroine of Boccaccio and Chaucer is remembered for her patient obedience to her husband?
2. What is the Lucy Stone League?
3. What slogan is used in advertising Maxwell House coffee?
4. Who draws the "S'Matter, Pop" comic?
5. Who did the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nicholas Longworth, marry?
6. What English nurse was executed in Brussels by the Germans on October 15, 1915? Why?
7. What well-known American boxer has had his nose remodeled by plastic surgery?
8. What two of the most famous film stars are married to each other?
9. What woman is famous for making millions of dollars in Wall Street?
10. What woman scientist has contributed much to our knowledge of radium?

(Answers found on page 8)

Haynes Suddenly Grand Jury Files Makes Getaway Complete Report

Man Charged With Shooting Harry Baucom Disappears Before Trial Ends

The disappearance of Monk Haynes, charged in the Superior court with shooting Harry Baucom, was the exception of the criminal term of court which closed here Saturday at noon. The Haynes trial on Friday had proceeded far enough for all the evidence to be in, and the lawyers were ready to argue the case Saturday morning, but the defendant failing to show up, Judge Harris withdrew the Haynes jury.

The outstanding case of the term was the case in question which grew out of a controversy between Harry Baucom and Haynes which had its beginning on the night of February 14th, resulting two nights later in a serious fight between the two men.

The case went to trial after the noon recess on Friday, and was hotly contested by both the state and the defendant. Haynes went before the court with the defense that the shooting which he did and has never denied was done in self-defense, claiming that there was bad blood and threats between him and Baucom. The basis of the disagreement, Haynes claimed, was that he was trying to make Baucom desist from night-riding with one of his wife's sisters.

Baucom on the other hand claimed that Haynes had a grudge against him of which he could not explain and claimed that Haynes attacked him without provocation in his room on the night of February 14th, attacking him with a pistol loaded with four bullets. It was in evidence that Baucom had three bullet wounds—two in the left arm and one in the abdomen—and that Haynes was severely beaten over the head by some very damaging weapon in Baucom's hands. According to Haynes's contention, this was a pair of brass knuckles, which Baucom claimed that the wounds were inflicted by Haynes's pistol which he had wrested from Haynes's hands after the shooting had stopped.

Both Haynes and Baucom made a poor showing on the witness stand as to reputation. It was disclosed that Baucom had been in jail in Smithfield and in Raleigh for non-support of his wife and four children who reside in Harnett county. He also admitted having deserted the army and serving a sentence under court martial for this desertion. Haynes admitted that he had no particular employment. He stated that he had been in courts for gambling and once when being crowded by officers, he deserted a car loaded with whiskey.

There were several witnesses examined on both sides of this case but none of the testimony made any substantial change in the contentions of the two parties, and these are the facts that were to have been argued to the jury on Saturday morning. When Saturday morning came, however, Haynes, who was under a \$1,000 bond did not report back to court for a conclusion of the case. He was called and failed, and judgment nisi sci fa and capias was ordered.

The case on Friday was hard fought and every point of law and evidence was cautiously covered. The state was represented by acting solicitor, W. H. Lyon and F. H. Brooks, while Haynes was represented by Abell and Shepard, with Mr. Abell directing the defense. When Haynes was called and failed on Saturday, Col. Abell announced his withdrawal from the suit and stated in open court that he would not again appear for the defendant. Under these conditions, the court directed that the jury be withdrawn and judgment of mistrial was entered.

Rutherford county farmers are preparing to store their sweet potato crops. One 3,000-bushel house will be built at Ellenboro; one of 12,000 bushel capacity at Forest City and four 1,000-bushel houses are planned for other sections of the county.

We, the Grand Jurors at the March 1927 term of court beg leave to file the following report: We have examined all bills of indictment sent to us and properly disposed of them. We have investigated all matters presented to us and made such disposition of same as the circumstances indicated. We have, in a body, visited the county home, the stockade and the jail. We find the inmates of the county home well provided and properly cared for. We talked with the inmates and inspected their quarters and we take pleasure in commending the keeper, Mr. Arthur Hinton, and his good wife for their kind and considerate attention to those citizens of the county who on account of misfortune have found it necessary to make their home in the county home; we visited the various convict camps in the county and find that the prisoners are well fed and seem to be as contented with their lot as could be expected under the circumstances. We especially commend Mr. John Rackley, the efficient superintendent of the roads, in the interest taken by him in the welfare of those unfortunate who are serving road sentences. We have visited the jail and found it to be in splendid condition, sanitary and clean, and the prisoners confined there all spoke in the highest terms of the treatment they were receiving at the hands of Mr. Daughtry, the jailor. He seems interested in the welfare of the prisoners and has been very considerate of their interests. We have visited the various offices in the courthouse and have inspected the records and find them to be well and neatly kept. The officers themselves, were very courteous and attentive, and rendered every assistance to us in making our inspection. Mr. Rose and his corps of helpers in the clerks office have their records in splendid condition; Mr. Barnes, our efficient Register of deeds, has his office in excellent condition; the sheriff's office is functioning splendidly. We found his records well and neatly kept and his work properly attended to; the auditor's office was visited and we found all the records there in splendid condition. Mrs. Thurston, the very active welfare officer, gave the grand jury a very frank and full report and we found her office to be a very active one in meeting her requirements and responsibilities. We visited the treasurer's office and found his records well and neatly kept. We made a careful inspection of the office of Mr. H. B. Marrow, county superintendent, and we especially commend him for his splendid and accurate records that he is keeping of the educational work in the county. He was very courteous and anxious to give all information desired, and we find his office in excellent condition and commend him and his co-workers for the splendid progress of the educational facilities in Johnston county. Every official with whom we have come in contact has been anxious to give us the full benefit of information relative to his office.

We recommend that the two frame buildings at the county

Asks One Million National



Above is Aaron Sapiro, originator of the Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Plan, plaintiff against Henry Ford in a \$1,000,000 libel suit, for a statement in the Dearborn Independent which charged that he was in "a conspiracy of bankers who seek to control the food markets of the world."

Ford-Sapiro Trial No Sensation Yet

The Million Dollar Libel Suit Against Henry Ford Brings Crowds to Detroit Court.

DETROIT, Mich., Mar. 19.—Crowds that daily have tried to "crash the gates" at the trial of the \$1,000,000 libel suit against Henry Ford present a serious problem to court attaches as the time for Ford's appearance on the witness stand draws near.

Although the proceedings thus far have not been of a sensational nature, there has been a spirited fight each session for the seats. No injuries have been reported in jams at each door, but clothes have suffered.

Aaron Sapiro, who claims his reputation as an organizer of co-operative farmers organizations was injured by articles in the Dearborn Independent, has been the only one of the principals regularly in court.

Sitting quietly behind his attorney, the black-haired plaintiff has had little to say other than to advise from time to time with his lawyer, W. J. Cameron, editor of the Independent, and F. D. Black, its business manager, have attended more or less regularly, Cameron being the first on the witness stand.

Senator Jamse A. Reed, of Missouri, brought the first bit of action to the trial in his open statement for Ford. Glancing over his glasses with indignation as he charged failures and consequent loss of millions of dollars through Sapiro-organized associations, smiling sardonically as he told of promises made by the Chicago attorney and resorting to mockery in quoting from speeches of Sapiro, the veteran Senator held the undivided attention of the jury and packed room.

Reed jabbed back savagely at times following repeated interruptions by W. Henry Gallagher, Sapiro's counsel. Stopped by the attorney, as he was referring to the Tri-State Tobacco Association, Senator Reed shot out:

"I'm certain I did not cover this ground before, and I'm going to do it in half the time you take up with objections."

Cameron, who was on the stand but a few minutes yesterday before court adjourned, was able to answer only a few of Mr. Gallagher's questions. The battery of Ford counsel were on their feet at every question as to what Ford and his editors had discussed in conferences over the policy of the paper.

The editor did say, however, that Ford did not impose his views on the staff, giving as an instance that Ford regards Russia leniently while the Independent opposes Bolshevism.

"Did Mr. Ford ever discuss an international banking ring?" asked the plaintiff counsel. Reply was shut off by Ford's attorneys. Phrased in different ways, the

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New Law Fixing Fees In Johnston

Provision Of Legislative Act In Regard To Fees Of Sheriffs And Constables

Senator Canaday, in compliance with a request from the Herald for a resume of legislation passed by the General Assembly touching Johnston County, has furnished this paper with copies of two bills. One, an act to enlarge the membership of the County Board of Education from three to seven members, has already been published in these columns. The other is the bill entitled "An act to fix fees of sheriffs and constables in Johnston County." The provisions of this bill are as follows:

Section 1. That sheriffs and constables in Johnston County shall receive the following fees: Arrest of a person indicted, including all services connected with the taking and justification of bail, two dollars.

Going for and conveying prisoner to jail, five cents per mile each way, and expense of guard and all other expenses of conveying prisoners to jail, or from one jail to another for any purpose, or to any place of punishment, or to appear before a court of justice of the peace in another county. Executing subpoena on a witness, sixty cents.

Executing summons or other writ or notice, one dollar. For every execution, either in civil or criminal cases, two dollars.

For collecting execution for money in civil actions, five per cent on the amount collected to the amount of two hundred dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the balance.

For seizing property in claim and delivery proceedings, two dollars. For levying a judgment, two dollars.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of law in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

NEW CONCERN FOR CITY

The following certificate of incorporation was issued Thursday, March 17th in the office of W. N. Everett, Secretary of State: "Smithfield Shoe Store, Incorporated, of Smithfield, N. C. To carry on the shoe business in all its branches. Authorized capital stock \$25,000.00 and subscribed \$1,500.00 by D. E. Narron, E. C. Narron, and B. M. Davis, all of Smithfield, N. C."

CITY PRESSING CLUB TO DRY CLEAN SUITS FREE

Elsewhere in this paper will be found an announcement of the City Dry Cleaning company. This progressive firm, ever on the alert for new business and better service to its customers, is offering for Wednesday and Thursday of this week to dry clean two suits or two overcoats for \$1.00. They have also installed an up to date shower bath in connection with their dry cleaning establishment and are offering free baths on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Where there is a will there are always lawyers willing to find a way to break it.

There are two kinds of parties in this country: political and betting. Both need watching.

A Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Ticket must be called for before the following issue.

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Woodrow Barnes recognized his name last issue.

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