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Golden Parker Is Released On Bond

Is Released When His Father Goes On Bond; Another Hearing In Royall Murder Trial Scheduled Monday Night

Golden Parker at another hearing in the J. M. Royall murder case held Thursday afternoon was allowed the privilege of giving a bond of \$3,500 for his appearance in the December term of court, and yesterday, his father, Dr. G. E. Parker, of Benson, went on his bond, and the young man was released. Claude Barber held in the same case, is still in confinement.

On account of the coroner being called to O'Neals township to conduct an inquest over the body of Finis Williamson, the hearing that was previously set was postponed. There was little new evidence introduced Thursday afternoon. C. T. Page stated that he lent Golden Parker his pistol on the night of the killing of Royall, and that on the next night Parker returned it and told him that he was afraid that he had done wrong, as he had lent it to Barber on the night of the murder.

So far Parker and Barber have declined to go on the witness stand, which privilege their constitutional rights give them. It is our information that the next coroner's hearing in the Royall case probably the last one, will be held in the courthouse next Monday night, Nov. 21.

A True Nobleman.

The instant I enter on my own land, the bright idea of property, the exclusive right, the independence, exalt my mind. Precious soil, I say to myself, by what singular custom of law is it that thou wast made to constitute the riches of the freholder? What should we American farmers be without the possession of that soil? It feeds, it clothes us, from it we draw even a great exuberance, our best meat, our richest drink, the very honey of our bees comes from this privileged spot. No wonder we should thus cherish its possession. . . . This formerly crude soil has been converted by my father into a pleasant farm—and in return it has established all our rights; on it is founded our rank, our freedom, our power as citizens, our importance as inhabitants of such a district. These images I must confess I always behold with pleasure. I know no other landlord than the Lord of all land, to whom I owe the most sincere gratitude.—Crevcoeur, in Letters from an American Farmer.

MODERN MAIDS HAVE NO MONOPOLY ON JAZZ TUNES

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 12.—(AP)—Maidens of a prehistoric day may have danced their version of Charleston and Black bottom to the wall of a jazz orchestra. Lyman Brown, of Portland, Me., archaeologist, here today en route from Mexico City to Chicago, told of unearthing the musical instruments used by early exponents of the art of syncope. Excavations in the Mexican valley, the scientist said, have uncovered musical devices resembling the implements of modern jazz music. "We found horns made from animal tusks capable of producing weird moans like those of a saxophone," declared Brown.

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. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Alton Faulkner recognized his name last issue. Today's Tantalizer: ananlohois

Child's Friend



"A home for every child" is the slogan of Sophie Irene Loeb, President of the Child Welfare Committee of America, who now plans a national campaign in 1928 for a million dollar fund.

Visits Battle Of Bentonville

Californian Interested In Historical Spot Because His Brother Fought There On Union Side.

There are still folks in Smithfield and Johnston county, even after the memorable celebration a few weeks ago, who do not know about the Battle of Bentonville, one of the hottest fought battles of the War Between the States, according to M. C. Healion, of San Diego, California, who was in this city Friday endeavoring to find out how to get to the famous battleground.

Mr. Healion arrived here on a bus from Raleigh Friday morning and inquired at once how to get to Bentonville. The person whom he questioned had never heard of the place, and a second attempt to learn its whereabouts was fruitless. However, he soon accosted some of the county officials whose knowledge of county history saved the situation and soon Mr. Healion had made the acquaintance of W. F. Grimes, the county tax collector, and was en route with him to the historic spot.

The Californian's interest in the Battle of Bentonville grew out of the fact that he had a brother who fought in the battle on the Union side. His brother was Joseph Healion, a member of Company "D" 34th Illinois Volunteers, of which Captain Charles Eckles was in command. He went through the war without serious injury but three years later was drowned in the Mississippi River as he rescued two other persons.

Mr. Healion said while only a boy during the war, his memories of the conflict and of his brother's home-coming at the close of the war were vivid. He told this story of how his estimate of the South was changed: "When the war was over and the Union men were returning to their homes, wearing their soldier suits and full of the glory of victory, Joseph Healion went home clad in a civilian suit. The small brother—the one who told to story to Mr. Grimes—was curious as to why his brother, too, did not glory in what he considered a well deserved victory. The returned soldier took his little brother on his lap and talked to him. 'My boy, Continued from page four

FALL FESTIVAL IS BEING HELD THIS WEEK HERE

A Fall Festival under the auspices of the Ppu-Parrish Post of the American Legion is being held here this week. A merry-go-round, ferris wheel, chair plane, and whip are some of the features of entertainment. On Wednesday afternoon all children will be allowed to ride on any of these for the special price of five cents each. The festival will continue through Saturday.

First Meeting Of Guarantors

Sponsors of Chautauqua To Make Plans For Success of Program; Chas. H. Plattenburg to Lecture First Night

The first meeting of the guarantors who are sponsoring the Swarthmore Chautauqua here this year will be held this evening in the office of Dr. Thel Hooks in the Hood building at 7:45 o'clock. The following is the list of guarantors: Dr. and Mrs. Thel Hooks, Mrs. L. T. Royall, Rev. S. L. Morgan, Dr. W. J. B. Orr, N. C. Shuford, M. A. Wallace, Mrs. J. J. Broadhurst, Parent-Teacher Association (by Mrs. A. S. Johnston), Woman's Club, (by Mrs. W. N. Holt), Lions Club, (permission given N. C. Shuford by Carlton Stephenson, president), Kiwanis Club, (by Geo. Y. Ragsdale, secretary), E. S. Edmundson, Mrs. T. J. Lassiter, N. L. Perkins, D. I. Penny, Dr. C. C. Massey, Chester Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnston.

The first of the six big events scheduled to be given here will be presented here Wednesday evening of next week when Charles H. Plattenburg delivers his lecture entitled: "The Modern Tale of Two Cities." Mr. Plattenburg before he gave all his time to the lecture platform was a successful Iowa newspaper editor. The information he has and the suggestions he makes are the result of years of practical experience in solving the community problems he talks about. The Kentucky Retail Merchants Association financed the printing of 300,000 copies of Mr. Plattenburg's community lecture and broadcasted them over state. Preceding Mr. Plattenburg's lecture there will be a forty-five minute musical and entertaining program by the Christine Bingham Concert Company. This same company will give a concert on Wednesday afternoon, the first day of the Chautauqua.

Other features of Chautauqua include the S. S. Henry & Company—magician art, the Murrell Poor Duo, and a comedy-drama entitled "The Patsy." Rev. D. H. Tuttle, who was in the city yesterday and heard of the coming Chautauqua, stated that he would not care to see the S. S. Henry & Company again unless he wore braces to keep from splitting his sides. He saw it recently in Fremont and he laughed so much that he felt sure his blood pressure was increased several degrees.

Rufus Sanders Dies At Wilson

Friends here and in the county will regret to learn of the death of Rufus Sanders, Sr., which occurred last night at 10:45 o'clock at his home in Wilson. The funeral will be held tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at two o'clock at Antioch Methodist church near Four Oaks. Mr. Sanders, who must have been around seventy years of age, had been in feeble health for some time, and his passing is not unexpected.

The deceased was a member of a prominent family in Johnston county where he lived until a few years ago when he left his farm in Bentonville township and went to Wilson. He took an active part in public affairs and at one time represented Johnston county in the legislature.

Mr. Sanders was a brother of Mrs. J. W. Wellons of this city.

METHODIST LADIES OBSERVE WEEK OF PRAYER

The ladies of the Methodist Missionary Society are observing a week of prayer, holding a service each afternoon of this week through Friday. The service begins at 3:30 o'clock. On Friday afternoon the Bright Jewels will have charge of the program.

Call a Chiropractor.

As Fall proceeded, Mrs. Fall sat in the front row of the spectators' section visibly disturbed. She wrung her hands during the three minutes her husband was on her feet.—St. Paul Dispatch.

MAY BASE DIVORCE ON ADULTERY ONLY PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 13.—

(AP)—Elimination of desertion as a recognized reason for divorce and restriction of divorce to the sole cause of adultery, are urged as changes in the law of the Presbyterian church, in an official document being transmitted to the 10,000 Presbyterian ministers in the United States from the headquarters here of Dr. Lewis S. Mudge, stated clerk of the Presbyterian general assembly.

Distribution of the document for discussion among the churches was authorized by the general assembly at San Francisco last May, and the report has been in preparation since. Final action is to be taken at the next general assembly in Tulsa, Okla., in May, 1928.

Local Methodists Tune In On Bishop

Local Firm Installs Radio In Church and Congregation Joins Worshipers in Raleigh

A service that was decidedly unique was held in the Methodist church here Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, when around a hundred twenty-five assembled to hear Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon on the radio, which had been installed for the purpose by the Young Motor company, agents for the Crosley radio.

Bishop Mouzon was the presiding officer of the North Carolina conference of the M. E. Church, South, held in Raleigh last week. He is a very forceful speaker and when it became known that his sermon Sunday morning would be broadcasted, T. C. Young of the Young Motor company, volunteered to install a radio in the local church for the benefit of any who might wish to hear him, and the Medina Printing company issued handbills announcing the service, it having been previously announced that in the absence of the pastor, there would be no service.

The congregation here was in its place by eleven o'clock, but when the radio tuned in on Raleigh, the voluntary and first hymn had been sung. The local congregation at once entered into the worship service, each one bowing their heads as the minister in Raleigh led in prayer. The responsive reading for the morning was not audibly followed by the worshipers here, though many found the place in the hymn book. But when the preacher announced that the morning offering would be taken, the ushers marched down the aisles and passed the collection plates, while the Edenton Street church choir sang the offertory.

The Bishop could be heard very distinctly, and while at times static interfered somewhat, those present heard the most of the sermon which might be entitled: "Jesus in Gethsemane." "Human sympathy costs less than anything and is worth more than anything," declared Bishop Mouzon, "but not every one can give it—only those who let love into their lives when Jesus opened his heart to take in love. He opened it to the utmost sorrow. To gain relief for His breaking heart, He went into the Garden."

The sermon over, the local congregation was dismissed with the singing of the Doxology. An effort was made to hear the evening service, but it was difficult to hear until the strong voice of the Bishop read out the appointments. This closed the conference session.

Attend N. C. Conference.

Among those from this city who attended the N. C. Methodist conference at Raleigh Friday were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Spiers, T. R. Hood, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Mrs. L. T. Royall, and daughter, Rebecca, Misses Ruth Jones and Bettie Lee Sanders and Mrs. T. J. Lassiter. Among those who attended Thursday night and heard the choir sing "The Crucifixion" were Misses Minnie Lee Garrison, Margaret Rogers, Ruth Jones, Bettie Lee Sanders and Robert Sanders.

When some people tell the truth it is only for the purpose of creating trouble.

Celebration At Splendid Tribute To Kenly Citizen

Attorney General Brummitt the Principal Speaker; Barbecue Dinner For Vets

Seldom has there been more universal bereavement on the part of the people of Kenly and Johnston county than is felt here at this time in the death of Walter J. Hooks, 52, prominent lawyer and financier, which occurred at the Carolina General Hospital in Wilson Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock following an illness of several days.

Mr. Hooks, a man whom the entire community regarded as a citizen of sterling character and qualities, for some time had been in failing health due to general complications. He suffered a slight stroke of paralysis Thursday night at which time he was forced to resort to hospital treatment from which he never revived and death took its toll a week after he arrived there.

All that efficient hospital attaches were able to do in his behalf were of no avail; all that relatives and friends could offer for his comfort and welfare proved useless as his fight for life had ebbed to the extent that he could retain it no longer, and he passed from this life into the other as all must eventually do, with a clear conscience the result of his long interest in his community and the noble enterprises of which he was a consistent and earnest advocate.

Probably no other individual has done for his community what Lawyer Hooks did for Kenly and Johnston county. Surely a more influential or popular person never resided in this section of our great commonwealth, and no death or deaths have, to the knowledge of our citizenry, been mourned to the extent of the noble character who this week passed on to the great beyond. Always active in community assets and playing a prominent part in the support of Christian institutions, none of which he ever became a member. Mr. Hooks endeared himself deeply in the hearts of his almost innumerable acquaintances.

The prominent man graduated from Wake Forest College in the class of 1908 with exceptionally high honors. Prior to his college career, Mr. Hooks was employed by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad as telegraph operator and according to all officials displayed unusual efficiency in his capacity. Several years ago Mr. Hooks was happily united in the bonds of matrimony to Miss Katherine McNeil of South Carolina. To this union were born six children, all of whom survive, namely: Walter J., Misses Margaret, Doris, Beatrice, Clara and Vivian.

The public-spirited citizen was a prominent member of the Johnston county bar association and executed much influence in its behalf. He was regarded as an exceptional lawyer and was held in high esteem by his fellow members in this association who mourn his loss at this time in no uncertain terms.

Funeral services were conducted from the home in Kenly Thursday afternoon at 3:30 and interment was made in the city cemetery shortly afterwards with Rev. McIntyre of the Presbyterian church. As a further token of the high esteem in which he was held by his acquaintances, merchants, professional and business men of the town closed their respective places of business from three until four o'clock Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral services of their beloved friend and neighbor.

Many friends from various parts of the state were in attendance at the funeral services which were the largest witnessed here in some time. Floral offerings which were many and beautiful completely covered the grave which marks the final resting place of one who has done his best for the building of community and Christian influence within the borders of this section of the commonwealth.

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The town of Benson, Friday was the scene of one of the most successful Armistice Day celebrations that have been held in Johnston county. Approximately 5,000 citizens gathered there to do honor to the veterans of the War Between the States, of the Spanish-American war, and of the World War. A typical fall day, the outdoor program which included a parade, speaking at the exposition grounds, a barbecue dinner, and a basketball game, could not have been improved upon.

L. L. Levinson was general chairman of the Armistice Day celebration, while Dr. W. T. Martin had the program in charge. The day's program started with a parade from the business section of town to the exposition grounds, the Erwin brass band and the Clayton orchestra leading. The line of ex-soldiers and the student body from Benson school were more than a half mile long. At the exposition grounds, the ceremonies started with the singing of the national anthem, followed by prayer. Mrs. Charles Gulley, of Clayton, after giving the setting of a patriotic song, sang the song which stirred the hearts of those who heard her. Mrs. C. M. Thomas and Mrs. Warren McCullers, also of Clayton, delighted the audience with a vocal duet.

After the musical program, Dr. Martin, chairman of the program committee, introduced the general chairman, who in turn presented F. H. Brooks of Smithfield, who introduced the principal speaker of the day, Attorney-General Dennis G. Brummitt. Attorney General Brummitt dwelt upon the ideal that prompted the United States to enter the World War. He paid a beautiful tribute to Woodrow Wilson. He complimented the old soldiers of the Confederacy, and especially their reconstruction. He pointed the task of the returned soldier who came back to a country, not devastated, but a country with changing ideas and ideals.

"We entered the war not merely to protect our property, not even merely to protect the lives of our citizens at sea. Our stake in the war," said the attorney-general, "was something greater than gain; something higher and holier than safety. We fought in defense of free government, of civilization itself, for the common decencies which had obtained among civilized peoples."

One of the fine features of the day was the barbecue dinner with all the accessories, and cake and pie besides, which was served to all the ex-soldiers present.

In the afternoon a basketball game between Benson and Kenly high school teams was watched with interest by basketball fans. The game resulted in a victory for Benson, the score being 66 to 25.

A negro wirewalker, known as "Sensational Rome," did a number of clever wire-walking stunts that drew applause from the spectators. In the evening an old fiddlers convention was held at the school auditorium. About fifteen musicians were present to compete for the six prizes which were given. Winners of the prizes were as follows: violin: first prize, J. Oscar Jackson; second, W. P. Butler; banjo: first, Eli Phillips; second, J. T. Jackson; guitar: first, J. W. McFadden, second, Mr. Comfort.

The next Armistice Day celebration will be held at Selma, an invitation having been extended through C. B. Fulghum.

Term Marriages



Judge C. B. Burnell, Los Angeles, says the divorce evil is so great it is time to try five-year term marriages—which could be renewed at the end of that period if both parties were satisfied.

J. A. Mitchiner County Historian

Chosen By County Board of Education; Election Called in Glendale District to Annex Price's District

At a meeting of the county board of education held here Monday of last week, J. A. Mitchiner of Selma was chosen as county historian. County Superintendent H. B. Marrow was instructed to notify Mr. Mitchiner of his election, and also to notify A. R. Newsome, secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, who has been urging that each county appoint a historian.

The petition for a school election was also approved, the election to be held in the Glendale district to provide for the annexing of the old Price school district. After the petition was approved it was presented to the county board of commissioners which called the election for Tuesday, December 20.

Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of the Presbyterian church here and at Oakland, appeared before the board and asked that Oakland church be allowed to connect with the light plant at Cleveland school. After some discussion it was agreed that this could be done with the understanding that the church bear all the expense of connecting and pay the school one dollar per month for use of lights.

CREAM ROUTE WILL BE ESTABLISHED SOON

BENSON, Nov. 9.—The Benson Creamery will establish a cream route in the near future to cover the following points: Dunn, Erwin, Bunn Level, Lillington, Mangers, J. K. Stewart's store, Angier and Coats. A truck will be put on to cover these points just as soon as arrangements for receiving stations can be made.

Meetings will be held next week at Coats, Angier, and Lillington to see what farmers will be interested in selling cream. The first meeting will be held in Coats on Monday night at 7:30 in the school building. Tuesday night at 7:30 there will be a meeting at Angier in the school building. The meeting at Lillington will be held on Wednesday night at 7:30 in the courthouse. All farmers who are interested in selling cream are urged to be present at one of these meetings. J. C. Anthony, agricultural teacher of Lillington high school, and J. B. Slack, of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, Benson, will be present at each of these meetings to explain the process of handling and selling the cream.

In order to forecast the weather with a reasonable degree of accuracy all you have to do is predict anything you don't expect.

Appointments Of Raleigh District

M. Bradshaw New Presiding Elder of the District; D. E. Earnhardt Returns To Smithfield

Always one of the interesting features of the Methodist conference is the reading of the appointments which comes at the end of the session. The North Carolina conference which has been in session in Raleigh during the past week finished its business a little earlier than usual and the appointments were read Sunday night after the sermon at Edenton Street Methodist church.

Smithfield which is in the Raleigh district, will have the same pastor as last year, Rev. D. E. Earnhardt having been returned for his second year here. Mr. Earnhardt is popular here as a preacher and as a pastor, and while there was no other thought than he would return, there was general satisfaction when it became known that his coming back was a settled fact.

The Raleigh district gets a new presiding elder this year, Rev. M. T. Plyler, who served the district for four years having been selected as business manager and associate editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. His successor in the Raleigh district is Rev. Mike Bradshaw, who has just finished four years as presiding elder of the Durham district. The new presiding elder named on account of the vacancy caused by Mr. Plyler's new position is Rev. Walter Patton, who has just completed a six year pastorate at Chapel Hill. He will have charge of the New Bern district.

The appointments in the Raleigh district are as follows:

- M. Bradshaw, Presiding Elder.
- Bailey Circuit: J. C. Williams, E. D. Stott, Jr., preacher.
- Benson Circuit: E. H. Houston, Jr.
- Cary-Apex: W. C. Ball.
- Clayton: J. B. Hurlley.
- Creedmoor Circuit: B. E. Stanfield.
- Four Oaks Circuit: E. D. Dodd.
- Fuquay Springs Circuit: E. C. Maness.
- Franklinton: D. N. Caviness.
- Franklinton Circuit: V. A. Royal.
- Garner Circuit: W. L. Clegg.
- Kenly Circuit: F. B. Joyner.
- Louisburg: Daniel Lane.
- Louisburg Circuit: E. C. Crawford.

- Lucama Circuit: H. R. Ashmore.
- Millbrook Circuit: W. F. Elliott.
- Oxford: W. H. Brown.
- Oxford Circuit: J. H. Lanning.
- Priceton Circuit: G. B. Perry.
- Raleigh: Central, E. L. Hillman; Edenton Street, W. A. Stanbury; Epworth, E. M. Hall; Jenkins Memorial, P. H. Fields.
- Stem Circuit: A. L. Stevenson.
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- Selma: D. M. Sharpe.
- Smithfield: D. E. Earnhardt.
- Tar River Circuit: K. F. Duvall.
- Zebulon Circuit: E. H. Davis.

Superintendent Methodist Organization: A. S. Barnes.

There are those in the county who will be interested to know that J. E. Blalock, who was at Benson four years, was sent to the Parkton circuit, and that M. Y. Self who was at Clayton for four years, goes to Hertford.

Rev. A. J. Parker who was here until a year ago was sent to Piquimons circuit.

Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc—



"Strong" drink makes "weak" members.