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## Court Continues Through Friday

**Number of Cases Disposed of Last Two Days of Court; Harry Baucom Discharged In Non Suit**

Superior court did not adjourn on Thursday afternoon as was anticipated by the Johnston County Bar Association, but the trial of cases continued until late Friday evening.

A true bill was returned against Tommy Pollock, colored, charged with false pretense, and the defendant plead guilty to the charge. Pollock represented to a certain negro in Selma that he was an eye doctor and by such representation obtained \$20. When he placed himself upon the mercy of the court, he was sentenced to jail for a period of eighteen months and assigned to work on the county roads.

Ernest Richardson, colored, entered a plea of guilty of violation of the prohibition laws, and was sentenced to the roads for six months. This judgment is to remain suspended until the December term of court and will continue to remain suspended upon payment of cost at that time. The defendant is now on county roads under a sentence of the Recorder's court, and the sentence herein is not to run concurrently with the Recorder's court sentence. Upon his refusal or failure to pay cost at the December term, 1929, capias shall issue and then he shall be committed and caused to serve this sentence in full.

Harry Williams, white, and Arthur Benson, white, plead guilty of larceny. Prayer for judgment for two years is continued upon payment of cost, upon the condition that he pay the cost in this action and that he appear at each criminal term of this court for the next two years and show that he has been of good behavior.

Harry Williams was sentenced to the state penitentiary for a period of not less than two years nor more than three and assigned to the East Carolina Training school at Rocky Mount to be governed and controlled and finally discharged according to the rules and regulations of the said institution. He is discharged without bond but capias is to issue for him when he can be admitted into the institution to which he is now sentenced. If he fails or refuses to remain at the East Carolina Training school or to abide by the rules of said institution he shall upon request of the solicitor, be brought again before this court and shall then be committed to the State Prison.

Harry Baucom, white, was in court upon a charge of resisting an officer. He plead not guilty. At the close of the state's evidence, it appeared that the officer had no warrant at the time of the arrest of the defendant. Counsel for the defendant, E. J. Wellons, moved that the defendant be discharged under judgment of non-suit. The motion was allowed and the defendant was discharged.

A true bill was found against Charley Drue, colored, charging larceny. The defendant entered a plea of guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued until the August term of court and for his appearance he was required to give a \$500 bond.

Lewis Parrish, white, pleading guilty to a charge of forgery, was held as follows: Judgment is suspended until the December term of court upon condition that the defendant make immediate restitution of property or its value.

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**Fight Manager**  
Mrs. Edna Greiner of Detroit, who is distinguished as being the first woman fight manager in the United States.

## E. S. Abell Hard Against Simmons

**Wants An Opportunity To Cas His Vote Against Senator; De Priest Incident**

"It is to be hoped that the Hoovercrats who sacrificed party principle and party standard and supported Hoover for President are thoroughly satiated and satisfied," says Ed S. Abell long a Democratic warhorse in Johnston county, who makes no secret of the fact that he holds Senator F. M. Simmons responsible for political conditions in the state today.

"I will never be satisfied," says he, "without having an opportunity to show my repentance for what I have done for Simmons until I can have the opportunity to cast my right of suffrage against him."

Outlining his views on the present political situation, particularly in view of the DePriest incident, Mr. Abell says:

"It is to be surmised that the Democratic women and men in North Carolina who voted for Hoover for President, are not surprised at the reception of the wife of the Negro Congressman from Illinois at the White House in Washington. If the public press is to be believed, this Negro woman was received in all respects upon an equality with prominent white women who also were present at this entertainment. Suppose every Democratic white woman who voted for Hoover for President had to attend one of these receptions, and meet as a guest upon social terms, this colored woman, the wife of a Negro Congressman.

"I wish that Senator Simmons was forced to act as major domo at one of these receptions, and introduce this colored lady. I also further wish that Preacher Cannon should be forced to ask grace and request God's blessings upon the social equality of the occasion. It is my further wish that McVinch, of Charlotte, should be forced to attend this reception, with a brush made out of peacock feathers, and fan the wife of the Negro Congressman and keep the flies out of her soup while she sups."

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"The writer of this article has been voting the Democratic ticket for 52 years, and has voted in 26 elections, and has never scratched a ticket. During Senator Simmons' regime in North Carolina I have managed his campaign in Johnston county each time he was up for election. In the memorable Simmons-Kittling campaign, I spent 60 days at work, at my own expense, making a house to house canvass for his election. In that election he only hoped to break even in Johnston county, but his majority exceeded 600, to his surprise and gratification. I have followed him through thick and thin, heat and cold, wet and dry, because I believed that he embodied all the qualifications of a true Southern Democrat. During the time he has been Senator from North Carolina I have visited his office by

## Tobacco Crop Is Bright Belt To Better This Year

**N. L. Perkins, Experienced Tobacconist Thinks Many Farmers Make Mistake In Topping Their Tobacco Too High**

The tobacco crop in Johnston county, according to Mr. N. L. Perkins, an experienced tobacconist, who travels over the county a good bit, will be considerably better this year than last in spite of the excessive rains, unless something unforeseen happens from now on to damage it.

Curing has begun on a small scale in some sections, and the next few weeks will find everyone hard at it throughout the county. Mr. Perkins states that the majority of the primings that he has seen show very good body and color, running more to the orange shade which is more desirable than the white flashy types.

"Many of the farmers are making the big mistake of topping their tobacco too high, seeming to be afraid of losing a few leaves. It has been proven time after time that tobacco topped off unusually high is thin, very poor in quality and will bleach out very quickly upon being exposed to the light and air. Whereas on the other hand when it is topped sufficiently low to allow the tip leaves to fill out to mature growth, the tobacco has a much finer body and color, and will more than make up in price for the few leaves lost in low topping."

"The outlook for fair prices for good tobacco this season is very favorable, for the common or low grades it is not so good. So if everyone will do his best to make it as good as he possibly can, he will find that he will be well repaid for his efforts this fall."

**Shows Large Irish Potatoes**

Mr. H. R. Radford, who lives at the cotton mill, showed us eight Irish potatoes yesterday which weighed six and a half pounds. He made sixty bushels and about half of his crop will average like those on display at the Herald office. They are of the White Bliss variety.

**Old Money.**

Mrs. H. R. Faircloth has an interesting collection of old coins. She has two large copper cents about the size of a half dollar. One was made in 1847 and the other in 1853. Two half dime are in the collection—one made in 1870 and the other in 1839.

making one formal call. I have never made a request, either political or other kind, of him. I have never even written him a letter of recommendation for any friend. I have studiously avoided even the semblance of a reward for my devotion to him, but if the good Lord will spare my life and give me strength to attend one more election I shall vote against him and work against him with as much vigor and zeal as I have worked for him. It is said: "The good Lord hates a quitter." We all know that if a captain of a ship deserts in disaster and leaves those in his charge to the mercy of the winds, he receives the contempt of every decent citizen. I have no more respect for a political traitor than I have for a captain who deserts those in his care.

"I will never be satisfied without having an opportunity to show my repentance for what I have done for Simmons until I can have one opportunity to cast my right of suffrage against him.

"Political conditions in North Carolina today are attributable to Senator Simmons more than all other factors combined, and if it depends on my vote whether Judge Meekins or some other elected Republican should be elected Senator from North Carolina, or Mr. Simmons, Judge Meekins would surely be the next Senator from this state."

Miss Cora Belle Ives was a week end visitor in Scotland Neck.

## FARMERS REPORT COTTON BLOOMS

The first cotton bloom of the season to reach the Herald office was found in the field of Mr. B. J. one of the Hickory Cross section on June 26. This cotton was planted April 22. Soon after receiving this bloom Mr. J. P. Coates who farms for Mr. B. B. Adams of Four Oaks sent in a bloom which was pulled from his patch on June 27. The cotton planted was of the Parrish variety and it was sowed on April 12. Mr. J. H. Adams, of Four Oaks, route 1, brought to the office Saturday two cotton blooms, a red one and a white one, the red one having opened on June 27. Mr. Adams reported some boll weevils, though not enough to be very alarming unless wet weather continues.

Yesterday other blooms were brought in by J. L. Myatt, of Cleveland, found June 26; J. J. Eason of Smithfield, route 2, and J. Albert Jones, who farms for W. H. Austin, on June 29; by J. N. Johnson, of Clayton, route 3, on June 30; and one by N. J. Allen on July 1; (Mr. Eason reports a large number of boll weevils in his fields.); Chas. Tomlinson, 11-year-old son of W. D. Tomlinson, July 1; Miss Helen Johnson of Smithfield, route 1, June 30; W. M. Rose, Smithfield, route 2, June 29.

## Committee Asks For Contributions

**Home Demonstration Fund Is Increased During Week —List of Contributors**

Contributions in the amount of \$120 have been reported during the past week for the continuance of the home demonstration work in Johnston county. This amount, which is in addition to funds already reported, is not a complete report for only the local committee made report. Committees throughout the county are soliciting contributions.

Amounts subscribed during the past week are as follows:  
Peach club, \$5.00.  
Pleasant Grove club, \$2.00.  
Young Motor Co., \$25.00.  
W. M. Sanders & Son, \$25.00.  
Home Realty Co., by J. E. Abell, \$10.00.  
E. S. Abell, \$5.00.  
Ed F. Ward, \$5.00.  
Paul D. Grady, \$5.00.  
G. A. Martin, \$5.00.  
A Friend, \$5.00.  
Britton Hill Motor Co., \$5.00.  
Dr. W. G. Wilson, \$5.00.  
Dr. Thel Hooks, \$5.00.  
Dr J. W. Whitehead, \$5.00.  
A Friend, \$10.00.  
Chas. Davis, \$2.00.

## REV. T. H. KING AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

In the absence of the pastor of the Baptist church here Rev. S. L. Morgan, who with his family has been spending a few days at White Lake, the Baptist pulpit here Sunday morning was filled by Rev. T. H. King of Clinton. Rev. Mr. King is a former pastor of this church and quite a number of his old friends were out to hear him Sunday morning. He preached a forceful sermon which was thoroughly enjoyed by those who heard him.

## REV. B. R. LACY PREACHING AT PROVIDENCE CHURCH

Rev. B. R. Lacy, president of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., is conducting a series of revival services at Providence Presbyterian church in Pleasant Grove township. The first service was conducted Sunday. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

## Messrs. Woodall Broadcast.

Last Wednesday night radio fans who tuned in on WPTF at Raleigh heard a splendid musical program given by Messrs. Marvin and Raymond Woodall of this city. Several sax selections were played besides vocal numbers including both solos and duets. Mrs. Lucy Hood Coletrane accompanied them on the piano.

## Declares Abell Stand Is Wrong

**M. L. Shipman, Former Commissioner of Labor and Printing, Says Such Stand Persisted In Would Wreck Party**

The following appeared in the News and Observer after Mr. E. S. Abell's statement was published:

"Since reading the castigation of our venerable Senator F. M. Simmons by Col. E. S. Abell, of Smithfield, I am constrained to express the fear that the Democratic party of North Carolina is lumbering over a simmering volcano, and if that kind of thing is persisted in by our party leaders we may as well fold our tents and prepare to retire in order at the next election," declared former Labor Commissioner M. L. Shipman yesterday.

"The action of Senator Simmons in refusing to support the nominee of his party for president was as great a surprise and disappointment to me as to any other Democrat in the state," Mr. Shipman continued, "but I do not expect to be charged with a like indiscretion by joining with his critics in 'feeding him out of the same spoon.'"

"If the Almighty Father had adopted the plan of deserting His creatures for their first offenses many of us would have been in the 'bad place' a long time ago. I am not undertaking to defend the conduct of Senator Simmons during the campaign last year or to condone the actions of the multiplied thousands of Democrats who went a step further than he did by actually supporting the Republican nominee for president. But I do feel that a get-together movement would be more in keeping with sound political judgment than fostering an apparent effort to widen the breach created by the late unpleasantness."

"Senator Simmons appears to have lost none of his prestige in Congress and if his Democratic colleagues in the Senate consider him 'regular' I see no harm in his brand of Democracy down here in North Carolina. He has done too much for the party and the state to be forever condemned on account of the blunder chargeable to him during the last campaign. From my early manhood until the present I have been taught by party leaders to regard Grover Cleveland and William Jennings Bryan as the two outstanding Democrats of the country in their day and generation despite the fact that each of them actually bolted the nominee of his party and voted for an opposing candidate. Mr. Cleveland, while still an occupant of the White House, refused to support the nominee of his party for President at the election in 1896, and Mr. Bryan later on declined to vote for his party's candidate for governor of Nebraska, rather than surrender his convictions on the liquor question. Shall Senator Simmons be read out of the party and retired from a position he has filled so long and so well for a refusal to surrender conscientious convictions similar to those which actuated Mr. Bryan in his opposition to Dahlman for Governor of Nebraska?"

"I was manager for Mr. Simmons of three counties in the west during the primary campaign of 1900, went through the counties of the Tenth District twice in his interest 12 years later and have since held myself in readiness to do battle for him should my feeble efforts be needed. If he calls on me next year it is my present purpose to respond. I shall certainly support him in preference to any prospective candidate whose name has been mentioned. Not as an endorsement of his opposition to President last year, but on account of his distinguished service to his party, the state and the country through all the years of a fruitful life."

"The Democratic party in North Carolina cannot hope to maintain its ascendancy by bitterly assail-

## Hoover's Doctor



Commander Joel T. Boone of Pennsylvania, medical officer of the President's yacht, Mayflower, has been appointed special physician to President Hoover.

## Mrs. Holland Dies At Advanced Age

**Passes After Lngering Illness at Age of 83; Funeral Here Friday Afternoon**

Mrs. Willie Holland, widow of the late Merritt Holland, died on Thursday night at the home of her son, W. L. Holland, in Selma. Mrs. Holland had been ill for about two years and her death was not unexpected. She was 83 years of age. The deceased lived in this city for a number of years with her daughter, Mrs. Ella Baker, and her son, Dr. N. T. Holland.

The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gattis of Wake county. After her marriage she lived in Johnston county where she reared six children who survive her, three: Mrs. J. Walter Blalock, of Portsmouth, Va.; W. J. Holland, of Selma; T. M. Holland, of Clayton; L. Holland, of Greensboro; Dr. N. T. Holland, of Durham and Smithfield; and Mrs. Ella Baker. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Henderson, of Method, and Mrs. J. R. Bailey of Raleigh; and three brothers, Samlers Gattis, R. E. Gattis and H. D. Gattis all of Raleigh.

The funeral was conducted in the Methodist church here Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. S. A. Cotton, of Weidon, a former pastor, conducted the service assisted by Rev. J. D. Bundy, pastor of the Smithfield church. Rev. Mr. Cotton expressed in appropriate words his appreciation of the deceased, who was a woman of excellent traits of character. Interment was made in the city cemetery, the pallbearers being her grandsons of the deceased. A number of beautiful floral designs covered the grave. The flower bearers were grandsons of the deceased.

## BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC BE HELD JULY 3RD.

Smithfield Baptist church and Sunday school picnic will be held at Holt Lake Wednesday, July 3. Every member of the Baptist church and Sunday school and their family are cordially invited and urged to come with a laden basket. If impossible to bring a lunch, come anyway.

Cars will leave the church at 2:30 p. m. We want to go and have a full afternoon of good time. If you cannot go at that time, come any time until 6:30. Supper will be served then. Special bathing rates are offered for that afternoon. Every member is urged to make special effort to enjoy this occasion.

## Beautiful Old Watch.

Mr. Percy L. Barnes wears a beautiful old watch which was made in 1853. The case is an 18-carat gold case hand engraved. It is a Waltham product, which is wound and set with a key. At the time it was made it was a ladies' size watch but is much larger than the prevailing style for ladies to-day. The watch which was given Mr. Barnes by his wife, has been handed down through three generations.

ing the position of those who could not bring themselves to the point of supporting the nation-ticket last year. United we stand, divided, we fall."

## Grand Jury Files Report With Clerk

**Warns Those Who Have Not Listed Their Taxes To Do So By the August Term of Court; Inspect County Offices**

Thursday afternoon the Grand Jury completed its work and made report to Judge Midwells, presiding over the term of Superior court through its foreman, W. L. Stanfield of Selma, as follows:

"We have passed upon all bills of indictment sent us by the court according to the evidence in each case and disposed of all matters coming before us according to law."

"We have inspected the courthouse and find this property being fairly well taken care of with the exception of the plastering; and plumbing needing repair. In our visit of inspection of the county offices of the courthouse we observe according to the Tax Returns Records of the Township List Takers, that there is quite a number of both white persons and negroes who have not listed their taxes for 1929, and who are on the "delinquent list." This is to warn them that it will be well that they file their list prior to the coming August term of court."

"We have visited the jail and found it in good condition and well kept."

"We have visited the County Home and found it to be well kept. There is an atmosphere of happiness and contentment among the inmates, though we recommend better conditions for the washing or laundering of clothes."

"We have inspected both convict camps, white and colored, and found both well kept and prisoners in good condition."

"We find the Health Department of the county being well looked after by our efficient county physician, Dr. C. C. Massey, with the cooperation of our well fa worker, Mrs. D. J. Thurston."

## ATTENDS FUNERAL; FOUND DEAD AT HOME LATER

Cephus Shields, a young negro between twenty-five and thirty years of age, died suddenly at his home here Wednesday afternoon. He attended the funeral of his grandmother, Rena Cogdell, who was buried in the colored cemetery last Wednesday afternoon. While at the grave he was taken ill and went home. When the family returned from the grave he was found dead. The funeral was held Sunday.

Other flowers which were much admired were large white and blue hydrangea recently presented by Mrs. Mary Myatt. These flowers have added a bright spot to the office and are much appreciated.

## Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc-



"Dat sho' wuz a purty dress made outen flour sacks de lady wore, but men ort ter wear de 'self-risin'' letter patched on in de place whar work don't wear."