

March Term Superior Court Began Monday, March 20th

The spring term of Superior court opened Monday with his honor Judge W. Lloyd Horton presiding. Judge Horton has the distinction of being the youngest Superior Court judge in the State. Naturally the public eye has been a little more keenly directed toward him than would have been toward an older man but the impression is growing that a young judge can hold the scales of justice as steady as an old judge.

The charge of Judge Horton touched more perhaps on the purpose of life than on its crimes. He defined happiness as being the true purpose of life and pointed out that the only need of law is protection of person, property and morals. Among the crimes which are punishable by death are murder, rape, arson and burglary. The principal crimes against the person which are punishable by fine or imprisonment are slander, assault, seduction, kidnapping etc. One of the crimes against property rights is larceny, which is the taking and carrying away the property of others secretly and without authority.

Gambling was touched on at some length, the charge and some special classes were defined, gambling in cotton futures, stocks, crap, pokers and other kinds of chance. It was his conclusion that cotton and stock gambling had made more hungry and homeless women and children than crap and poker though that class of gambling can be done by elders and deacons, yet it is as much against the law as it is for negroes to get out at some sheltered spot in the woods and play for a few nickles.

The concealed weapon was given due consideration the numerous times which it caused trouble, the few times it does any good and yet how great numbers carry them. Perjury was characterized as one of the most corruptible crimes, yet a very common one often committed when there is very little at stake. The violation of the prohibition law was also brought up.

The court stressed the point that all laws were equal and that if we are to preserve and protect ourselves, our property and our morals we must enforce all laws alike. One of the most striking features of the entire charge was that in the twenty-seven counties in which Judge Horton held court seventy-five per cent of the criminals brought before him have been young people generally eighteen to twenty-five years of age and, as he says, there is a reason for it. The principal cause is the lack of proper home training, too much freedom is given children. They are restrained and the ideals of right and wrong are not emphasized as they should be and it is ground for serious alarm.

The following cases were disposed of: State vs. Roy Strawbridge. There were several charges against this defendant among which were two charges of assault with deadly weapon. The motion for judgment absolute made at the December term was continued at request of the defense until the June term.

State vs. Linwood Ewell. Carrying concealed weapon. Nol pros with leave.

State vs. Kelly Moore, Charles Whitfield and Grover Wynne. Larceny and receiving. Nol pros.

State vs. Roy Gurganus, carrying concealed weapon. Defendant plead guilty. Fined \$150.00 and costs.

State vs. Louis Holloman. Murder. Nol pros with leave.

State vs. L. A. Sykes, false imprisonment. Continued under same bond.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

PANSON GOT SEEN CHILLUNS, EN MISS LUCY TOL' ME T' GIB 'IM DEM SEEN KITTENS WHUT UP AT DE HOUSE, BUT HE LOW HE DON' WANT NOTHIN' ELS' ROUN' HIM WHUT EATS!



MAINE STARTS THE BIG DEMOCRATIC LANDSLIDE

The Democratic land slide last week started in Maine, headed for the Pacific coast, and produced the following municipal results in the Pine Tree state:

Lewiston, Waterville, Rockland Saco and Biddeford all elected Democratic mayors and in each case gained control of the city government. Saco has not had a Democratic mayor since 1911; the Democratic candidate in Waterville was elected by the greatest majority ever given and candidate in the history of the city; and Lewiston also gave a record-breaking majority. In addition to these victories the Republican candidate for mayor in Bath was defeated by a citizen's candidate, nominally a Democrat.

Referring to bad government under a former Republican administration in Rockland, the Knox Messenger of that city a paper of ability and sound judgment, commenting on the Maine Democratic landslide, says:

"But we feel that there is a deeper reason this year for the wide Democratic margin. It is one of the signs of the times which have been appearing so profusely since the American people learned that the G.O.P. had handed them a gold brick in 1920. Does not the fact that Marion, Ohio—Warren Harding's own town—Northampton, Mass.—Cal. Coolidge's own town—Saco, Me.—Republican since 1911; Waterville, Lewiston, etc., etc., have all gone smashingly Democratic point to anything in your mind? It means to us that the Great Reaction has set in and that Rockland, in going Democratic, has but evidenced the change of heart being felt from Maine to Oregon."

"This is a Democratic Year."

HARVEY CONTINUES TO SHRINK

Ambassador George Harvey seems to grow smaller and smaller as time goes by. Senator John Sharp Williams (Dem., Miss.) referred to his relative importance in national affairs in a recent speech on the Four-Power Treaty. Senator Williams had mentioned some great names in English history, when Senator Ashurst (Dem., Ariz.) facetiously remarked: "I hope the Senator will not forget George Harvey."

"I decline," said Senator Williams, "to be diverted from the great sublime heights to which my oratory has just a moment ago risen to the contemplation of George Harvey. Notwithstanding the prevailing influence which the Senator from Arizona is entitled to have with me, I decline to have my sublimity of thought brought down to George Harvey. I would not mind if one of the pages were mentioned by name, but I do not want to fool with George Harvey while I am in earnest about a national question."

State vs. Roy Gurganus. Assault with deadly weapon. Not guilty.

State vs. John Thomas. Assault with deadly weapon. Sentenced to two years on Edgecombe county roads.

State vs. John Jones. Carrying concealed weapon. Fined \$50.00 and the costs.

State vs. Scott Williams. Murder. In this case the defendant was without counsel and the court assigned H. M. Stubbs and E. S. Peel. The defense through counsel entered a plea of second degree murder and the State accepted the plea, whereupon the court sentenced the defendant to the state prison for a term of twenty-five years.

State vs. Mack Bryant. Larceny. Plead guilty. Sentenced to jail for a period of four months with leave to hire out.

State vs. Lester Briley. House breaking and larceny. Plead guilty. Sentenced to the state prison for not less than one nor more than five years.

State vs. Grover Wynne, Joe Godard, Charles Whitfield, Bob Whitfield. Plead guilty of forcible trespass. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

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FIRST YEAR OF THE REPUBLICANS' RULE

"No Republican is entirely satisfied with result so far accomplished."—Congressman Carl W. Riddick (Rep., Mont.), Chairman Publicity Committee, Republican Congressional Committee.

At the end of its first year the Harding Administration finds itself politically bankrupt. All its campaign notes have gone to protest. If government were subjected to the ordinary vicissitudes of private business the Republican party would now be in the hands of a receiver and its leaders would be tramping the streets in search of a job.—New York World (Ind.)

"The Postmaster General (Hays), has not been worth a five cent piece since he has been Postmaster General. He does not know anything about the Post Office Department."—Congressman James R. Mann (Rep., Ill.) former Republican floor leader.

"The American people are beginning to realize that they have been deceived. Three years of Republican control of Congress and one year of the Harding administration have brought concrete examples of the disastrous consequences of Republican rule."—Senator William H. King (Dem., Utah).

"A little more treasury raiding, a little more bludgeon politics, and the matchless 7,000,000 popular majority of the Republican party in the last presidential election will bury the Republican party in the next election."—New York Herald (Rep.)

"Joe Lark bought a pair of shoes 'tday from some money he had left from the Wilson administration."—Abe Martin.

"Everybody is giving this Congress hell."—Congressman William R. Wood (Rep., Ind.)

INVESTIGATING AMERICAN COTTON EXCHANGE

New York, March 20.—Evidence obtained in a recent "John Doe" investigation of the American Cotton Exchange, accused of operating as a bucket shop, will be presented to a grand jury tomorrow District Attorney Benton announced today.

Assistant District Attorney Simmons, who will present the case against the exchange, announced the hearing would require several days. It is understood that all witnesses who testified at the "John Doe" hearing or who may be called during the grand jury investigation will receive immunity from prosecution. Several of these witnesses, by their own admissions, were involved in the alleged unlawful practices of the exchange.

Involuntary petitions in bankruptcy were filed today against Randolph Rose, Sr., and Randolph Rose Jr., who traded under the name of Rose and Son and against Rose & Company, a firm consisting, according to the petition, of Randolph Rose Sr., and Celia Manasse. Rose and Son were among firms whose activities Chief City Magistrate McAdoo requested be laid before the grand jury after they had been involved in testimony at the "John Doe" hearing.

The petition against Rose and Son estimated the firms liabilities at \$150,000 and assets at \$125,000. That against Rose and Company estimated liabilities at \$107,000 with assets undetermined.

BANNER YEAR FOR VACCINATION CAMPAIGNS

1921 was the banner year for typhoid vaccination campaigns in North Carolina, but 1922 is bidding to be a close second. Already contracts have been signed by Anson; Beaufort; Iredell; Chowan; Franklin; Hertford; Lee; Stokes; Union and Yadkin counties requesting campaigns to prevent, not only typhoid, but also diphtheria.

The State Board of Health is offering to direct and advertise the campaign free of cost and the county pays to physicians eight and one-third cents for each dose administered. Local physicians were used in these campaigns last year in twenty-two counties and this proved to be a better plan than to send a stranger into the county.

If your county is not among those mentioned, talk to a member of your board of county commissioners.

Yours very truly,
Wm. E. WARREN, Health Officer.

SAFETY FIRST!

The School Board has put posts across the western entrance to the school grounds to prevent the running of automobiles across the school yard. There has been considerable wild driving by reckless youngsters, which is very dangerous when the grounds are filled with small children.

PORT ORICO POTATO PLANTS

now ready; 75c per bushel. W D Gurganus, Godwin farm, Wmston. 4tp

Local News and Personal Mention

Miss Carrie Dell White will entertain tomorrow afternoon in honor of Miss Arline Murrill, bride-elect at her home on Church street.

Misses Nell Wynne and Margaret Everett of St. Mary's School returned to Raleigh this morning after spending the weekend at home with their respective parents.

Miss Mary Louise Carstarphen spent Saturday in Rocky Mount shopping.

Messrs Frank and Irving Margolis and Walter Orleans spent Sunday night in Plymouth.

William C. Manning, Jr., of Atlantic Christian College spent the weekend at home with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clark of Belhaven were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford Sunday.

Mr. W. E. Stubbs of Bolhaven was a very pleasant visitor in town Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Hardison has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.

Mr. S. S. Lawrence of Raleigh is in town attending court this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Rogerson went to Raleigh Tuesday and returned Thursday night by motor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mizelle spent Sunday in Robersonville.

Miss Janie Edwards of High Point is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. M. Perry.

Mrs. Harry Barnhill of Richmond is visiting relatives in town and the county.

Messrs. Finn, J. E. Simmons, Misses Elizabeth Powell and Miriam DeBerry of Tarboro were guests at the Britt Hotel last Friday.

Mrs. C. B. Siceoff is spending several days with her husband in Washington, N. C.

Mrs. Scott of Goldsboro is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry M. Stubbs.

Mr. Luke Roberson of Parmele is a business visitor in town today.

Harris' aluminum sale will be held Thursday, March 23rd, 2:00 P. M. Be there!

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

At the regular meeting of the 20th Century Club, held at the home of Mrs. Clayton Moore, February 15th, 1922, it was voted by the members that a resolution be drawn up and adopted as follows:

Resolved: That we express to Mrs. S. Rome Biggs our sympathy in her recent bereavement in the loss by death of her beloved mother, Mrs. Emily Fagan.

We realize that words seem quite empty in the face of such a loss, which closes the earthly life of one of the most beautiful characters, but our feeling of sympathy while struggles for expression is very real and sincere.

Resolved: That this minute be sent Mrs. Biggs with our love and sympathy, that a copy be placed on our records and a copy be sent The Enterprise for publication.

By the Committee:
BETTIE M. HARRELL,
FANNIE CHASE STATON,
EVA WYNNE.

BASKETBALL TALK

To the editor:
If the Williamston High School ever estimated their "regulars" and sent their Junior High School basketball team (the short pants gang) to face Jamesville's regular team (each member of said team being sixteen years old, with the exception of the smallest boy on the team) why don't they take their defeat as gracefully as the Jamesville team on the following day when they met Williamston's man-sized, man aged veterans without the aid of a first aid kit? We were glad to have had the chance to face a better team just for the experience.

Yours truly,
"A. FAN."
Jamesville, N. C.

WHY NOT SAVE THE MIDDLE MAN'S PROFITS
Why pay more when you can have it done cheaper. See me before letting your plumber contact.
GEO. T. KEENE,
Practical Plumber.
Phones 185 or 167, Opposite City Hall.

RAILROADS LOSE OUT IN THEIR TAX FIGHT

(By Maxwell Gorman)
Raleigh, March 21.—The State administration is feeling "mighty good just now over the victory of the state in the case brought by the railroads against the state and revenue commissioner Watts which sought to evade large sums in taxes.

The interlocutory injunctions which the roads sought in the federal courts against the collection of state taxes were denied in a unanimous opinion handed down by Judge Ed Waddill of the Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Connor of the Eastern North Carolina district and Judge Boyd of the western North Carolina district.

By denial of the injunctions if the opinion is affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States, to which an appeal will be taken direct, the taxing units of the state will collect annually practically one million dollars in ad valorem and franchise taxes that would not have been paid had the decision gone the other way. In addition, there is involved taxation upon the incomes at the rate of three per cent upon the taxable net income, which involves a large amount of money, the exact amount of which is not known. All of these taxes have been fixed for a period of three years, making the aggregate amount involved well up into the millions.

The opinion ends the agreement entered into between the state and the railroads last October under the terms of which the railroads paid the taxes not in dispute while the state made no effort to collect the remainder.

In the individual orders signed in each case, a period of thirty days was granted the railroads before the opinion will become operative. This extension was granted in order to permit the railroads to avail themselves of all the remedies afforded by law. Under the judicial code an appeal may be taken directly to the Supreme Court of the United States, with a request for a stay of proceedings, pending decision by the Supreme Court. The code also provides that the case shall be expedited for hearing by the highest court.

In the event the opinion of the three judges should be overruled and the interlocutory injunctions granted, the cases will then be returned for hearing on their merits. But if the Supreme Court affirms the opinion of the three judges, the cases will then be ended for practical proposals and the suits will be dismissed.

Able Counsel for State
Credit for the victory is being given largely to the great lawyers selected by Governor Morrison to assist the Attorney-General in this case, these including from Supreme Court Justice Graye H. Brown; Hon. Thomas D. Warren; Hon. W. P. Bynum and Attorney-General Manning. Of course the railroads had a number of the ablest corporation lawyers in the country employed in the suit but they were well matched when they engaged in legal combat with the four N. C. lawyers named.

Mrs. Eliza H. Wynne of Bear Grass died Sunday after an attack of brain trouble which resulted in partial paralysis. Her husband, John H. Wynne died about eight years ago and she lived alone until a few weeks ago. She has two children and leaves no brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Wynne was the daughter of the late Henderson Harrison and was seventy-two years old. The burial was at the Wynne family cemetery near Bear Grass and the services were conducted by W. T. Pollard, her pastor.

Luke Riely Says, "The Rat Died Before Reaching the River."
"Since moving near the river two years ago, we've always used RAT-SNAP. Watched a vicious water rat, nibbling at RAT-SNAP outside the house. About 15 minutes later he burst out for the water, to cool his burning stomach, but he died before reaching it." Three sizes, 35c; 65c; \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Leslie Fowden's Drug Store, Hoyt Hdw. Co., and Harrison Bros. & Co.

NOTICE
North Carolina, Martin County.
To F. D. Jones and others:
Notice is hereby given that I purchased six acres of land in Williamston township listed for taxes by F. B. Jones, at a sheriff's sale for taxes at the court house door in Martin county on Monday June 6th, 1921. I shall demand a deed for same one year from that date unless sooner redeemed.

This March 6th, 1922.
J. E. H. KNIGHT.

WANTED: A SECOND HAND IRON safe. Medium size. J. L. Coltrane.

Increased Membership Will Mean Increased Profits

THE LEGEND OF THE FIRST DRUNKARD

Noah lost his epithet "The Pious," when he began to occupy himself with the growing of vine. He became a "son of the ground," and this first attempt to produce wine at the same time produced the first to drink to excess, the first to utter curses upon his associates, and the first to introduce slavery.

This is the way it all came about: Noah found the vine which Adam had taken with him from Paradise, when he was driven forth. He tasted the grapes upon it and finding them palatable, he resolved to plant the vine and tend it. On the selfsame day on which he planted it, it bore fruit; he put it in the wine press, drew off the juice, drank it and became drunken, and was dishonored—all on one day.

His assistant in the work of cultivating the vine was Adam, who had happened along at the very moment when he was engaged in planting the slip he had found. Satan asked him "What is it thou art planting here?" Noah answered, "A vine." Satan: "and what may be the qualities of what it produces?" Noah: "The fruit it bears is sweet, be it dry or moist, it yields wine that rejoiceth the heart of man." Satan: "Let us go into partnership in this business of planting a vineyard." Noah: "Agreed, Satan."

Satan thereupon slaughtered a lamb and then in succession, a lion, a pig and a monkey. The blood of each as it was killed he made to flow under the vine. Thus he conveyed to Noah what the qualities of wine are: before a man drinks of it he is innocent as a lamb; if he drinks of it moderately he feels as strong as a lion; if he drinks more of it than he can bear he resembles the pig; and if he drinks to the point of intoxication then he behaves like a monkey, he dances around, sings talks obscenely and knows not what he is doing. This deterred Noah no more than did the example of Adam, whose fall had also been due to wine, for the forbidden fruit had been the grape with which he had made himself drunk.

HAMILTON NEWS ITEMS
Mrs. Charlie Harrington of Oak City spent last week with her mother Mrs. Lula Anthony.

Miss Annie Anthony spent Tuesday night in Hobgood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Salsbury, Messrs. R. W. Salsbury and Bill Haislip spent Tuesday in Hobgood.

Mrs. F. L. Gladstone spent last week in Tarboro with her aunt, Mrs. Kate Parks.

Mr. Button of Philadelphia is spending some time here with his daughter, Mrs. J. P. Boyle.

Lieutenant and Mrs. R. B. Watkins of St. Louis were called here Wednesday on account of the death of Mr. J. P. Boyle.

Miss Mary Robinson spent the week end with friends in Ayden.

Mrs. Sallie Williams of Leona has returned to her home after visiting Mrs. Hines.

"The Rats Around My Place Were Wise," Says John Tuthill
"Tried everything to kill them. Mixed poison with meal, meat cheese, etc. Wouldn't touch it. Tried RAT-SNAP, inside of ten days got rid of all rats." You don't have to mix RAT-SNAP with food. Saves fusing, both or. Brea ka cake of RAT-SNAP, lay it where rats scamper. You will see no more. Three sizes, 35c; 65c; \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Leslie Fowden's Drug Store, Hoyt Hdw. Co., and Harrison Bros. & Co.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed on the undersigned trustee on the 7th day of February, 1914, by John Edwards and wife, Miranda Edwards a sad of record in Martin County public registry in book D-1 page 537. Said deed of trust securing certain bonds of even date and tenor herewith, and the stipulations therein not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of said bond the undersigned will on the 24th day of March, 1922, in front of the court house door in Williamston, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock P. M. offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described land:

Beginning at a gum in the fork of a branch, Bettie Andrews corner in Geo. W. Blount's line; thence up said branch 82 yards to the road, a stake; thence up said road 66-1-2 yards to a stake, Bettie Andrews' corner; thence a west course, a parallel line with the first line 66 yards, to a branch; Blount's line; thence down said branch to the beginning, containing one acre, more or less.

This 20th day of February, 1922.
A. R. DUNNING, Trustee.

PORTO RICO POTATO SLIPS
raised from vines. price \$1.00 per bushel. Joshta L. Coltrane. 4t

HID OR STOLEN: FROM THE Methodist church a Crescent bicycle Friday morning. Return of it or information leading to its whereabouts will be rewarded by Mrs. E. P. Whitley

FOR SALE: ONE DODGE TOURING car, 1920 model; recently overhauled; bargain for quick sale. See Dick Taylor at Barnhill's Garage. 2t

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