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JUNE TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT BEGAN MONDAY

Judge Garland E. Midyette, of Jackson, is Presiding

LASTS BUT ONE WEEK

Few Criminal Cases and Applications For Divorce Usually Disposed Of By June Term

The June term of superior court convened Monday. It is the general practice to make this a short week of court, confining itself to the few criminal cases and perhaps a number of divorce cases.

Judge Garland E. Midyette, who is in a way looked upon as a "home boy," commands the love and respect of Martin County people, certainly as a judge, but even more as a friend and a citizen.

Judge Midyette gave only a short charge to the grand jury. He informed them that the State laws contain a list of about 6,000 crimes, all of which could not be mentioned and perhaps many are unknown even to good lawyers. Yet, he said, any grand juror may be able to detect practically every act that constitutes a crime under our criminal laws. Any act that requires force or that contains fraud is a crime in this State.

The only statement that was especially emphasized in the charge was that relating to traffic laws. Among the most dangerous violators was the drunken driver, who is a menace to himself as well as to all others.

While the liquor law, the law against housebreaking, the law against seduction, and a few other statutes were named, no general charge covering them were mentioned.

The grand jury completed its work the first day.

PENSIONS BEING PAID THIS WEEK

\$2,982.50 Being Paid To Confederate Veterans And Widows

Approximately \$2,982.50 are being mailed out to Confederate veterans and Confederate widows in the county this week, \$1,642.50 to the veterans and \$1,280 to the widows.

Mr. R. J. Peel, clerk of the superior court received the pension checks recently for nine Confederate soldiers and twenty-five widows of the Confederacy. But fast the line of Gray weakens and even since the checks were written two of the nine have died. Joseph W. Ward has moved from this county to Pitt, leaving only six veterans here. Checks are being received in this county by A. B. Waters, Dardens, John D. Simpson, P. R. Rives and Zeph Howell, Williamston, D. F. Roberson, Robersonville and James H. Johnson, Oak City.

The pension law allows every soldier of the Confederacy \$1 per day which is paid semiannually. Widows receive \$100 each year in \$50 payments.

Library Commission Offers Books Free

With no charge except postage to and from Raleigh, the North Carolina Library Commission is carrying on a splendid work in lending books to citizens of the State. It is understood that the service is widely used throughout the State, but that very few citizens in this county are taking advantage of the commission's offers.

A coupon for applying for books appears elsewhere in this paper, and any citizen in the county is invited to fill it out and send in for whatever books they may wish to read. The borrower may hold a book three weeks, the coupon states, and the only cost is postage to and from Raleigh.

STRAND THEATRE

WEDNESDAY BUFFALO BILL Junior in "THE OBLIGIN' BUCKAROO"

Added 2-REEL COMEDY And Serial WILLIAM DESMOND in "THE VANISHING RIDER"

Also FREE TICKET FOR SHOW FRIDAY

SCHEDULE OF HOME AGENT

Besides Holding Meetings Agent Is Preparing for Summer Camp

Besides holding the regular club meetings throughout the county this week, Miss Lora E. Sleeper, home agent, is making preparations for the girls' camp this summer. While in Jamesville yesterday, the agent engaged a competent cook for the camp, and within a few days now, all plans for the trip will be complete.

At the meeting in Bear Grass today, a demonstration on the making of light bread was given. Similar demonstrations will be held at Farm Life tomorrow morning and at the home of Mrs. W. R. Nicholson in Poplar Point tomorrow afternoon.

Thursday, the Williamston girls meet in Miss Sleeper's office. This meeting will be given over to a bread demonstration. Williams Chapel women meet in the afternoon for their regular demonstration which will have to do with bread making. The women of Hamilton, will have their regular meeting Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Friday, the Hamilton club girls will hold their meeting in the morning. This is the only girls club in the county. Miss Sleeper says that has lost almost every member, the girls living so far from the school that it is impossible for them to attend the meetings. However, a great interest is being shown in the work there.

Friday evening, the girls of the Jamesville clubs are having an ice cream and cake supper. These girls are very anxious to pay their delegates expenses to the State Short course in Raleigh and all proceeds from the supper will be used for that purpose. The delegates who will attend the course are Misses Ocie Walters and Mildred Hardison. The public is cordially invited to attend the supper.

The Junior club at Everetts has added to its funds by their sales made on the curb last Saturday.

GOLD STAR TO MOVE STOCK

Going Into Store Building Adjoining Farmers Supply Co.

The stock of the Gold Star Store here will be moved from the building where it is now housed, to that adjoining the Farmers Supply Co., on the same street. When the store was opened here several years ago, the bottom floor of the Flat Iron building, on Washington Street, was remodeled and business was started there for the lack of a more suitable building. The Harrison boys, owners of the store next to the York Building and adjoining the Farmers Supply Co. have remodeled the house, and Mr. J. D. Thrower, manager of the Gold Star Store, will move the stock of goods in the early part of next week.

Special Term Federal Court Next Month

At a special term of United States district court, which will be held for the trial of civil cases only in Washington beginning July 2, the case of Needelman v. A. W. Griffin and others will be called, according to a press announcement made yesterday. The case is scheduled for hearing Wednesday, July 3, when two other cases are to be heard.

The court will be held during three days only, and only seven cases will be called, three on Monday, three on Tuesday, and one Wednesday.

Unveil Confederate Marker at Plymouth

Today is a big day for Plymouth and Washington county when hundreds of people attend the unveiling of the Confederate marker on the court house lawn in that town. The tablet, erected under the auspices of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce commemorates the activities of the war, Albemarle and the battle of Plymouth.

Many notables are attending the exercises, and Plymouth is dressed in gay attire for the occasion.

Modern Woodmen Of Everetts Hold Meeting

A real good initiation was carried on in the Everetts Camp, M. W. A., Monday night, June 11, when John Henry Chesley and J. D. Britton were properly adopted in this great organization. The members present, numbering about 25, in spite of the bad weather, enjoyed the meeting very much. The next meeting will be held on Monday night, June 25th, when one candidate will be carried through the scenes of woodcraft. All members in good standing are urged to be present.

OLD-TIMER IS VISITOR HERE COURT WEEK

Dr. H. G. Wommack, of Georgia, One of Few Court Followers Left

IS NOW 86 YEARS OLD

Makes Living By Compounding Medicines and Sell Them; Is Veteran Of Confederate Army

Hardly ever does one now see an old-timer in attendance upon court week, but yesterday the June term of Martin County superior court brought in a veteran in the person of Dr. H. G. Wommack. He was over with his medicine chest, and from all appearances business was good with the old gentleman.

Dr. Wommack, now 86 years old, was born in Georgia February 15, 1842. Like most of the young men of his age and time, he entered the Army of the Confederacy. Four years of service in the Sixth Georgia Regiment, with Colquitt's famous brigade, made a real man of him. He saw service at Corinth, Ocean Pond, the Virginia valleys, Vicksburg, and many minor battles and came out of the war with a training that has kept him active ever since.

Ten years ago he dropped his actual practice, however he states he is the oldest physician in the State. During the past 10 years he has compounded and sold medicine, and he says that he is making a good living for himself and family. He married twice, the first time rearing seven children, all of whom are now living. By the second marriage he has three children, the youngest being four years old this month, approximately 82 years younger than his father.

Dr. Wommack, in spite of his age, is very cheerful, but he says that it will be a matter of only a few years now before he will place aside his medicine chest and be remembered only by the Confederate monument. Out of 135,000 men who took part in this struggle, Dr. Wommack says there are only 400 living in this State.

It is very unusual to see a man of so many years who is able to gain a living for himself and family, especially as it is remarkable where there are several members of so few years of age.

IS KILLED WHEN TRAIN HITS CAR

Henry Overton, of Mackeys, Dies After Accident at Grade Crossing

Henry Overton, of Mackeys, died yesterday morning from injuries received a few hours before when a Norfolk Southern train hit a car in which was riding near Plymouth. Overton's son and a young man named Oliver were badly hurt in the smash, but it is reported they will recover. Immediately following the accident, Mr. Overton was placed on the train that had hit his car and while en route to a hospital in Norfolk, he died.

The three men were on their way home in Mackeys when the young Overton boy, driver of the car, failed to see the train and ran his car into it. According to those who visited the scene of the accident, it was just about that time of morning when the headlights on the train was turned out, making it impossible for the car's driver to see the train in time to avoid hitting it.

Jamesville Boys' Judging Team Goes to Raleigh

Wendell Griffin and Russell Martin, representing the Jamesville chapter of Young Tar Heel Farmers go to Raleigh tomorrow where they will take part in a judging contest. While there they will attend the State meeting of Young Tar Heel Farmers.

Professor W. T. Overby left today for Raleigh to attend the meeting of the young farmers. He says that his boys have made splendid progress in the work, and that the two taking part in the judging contest will make a creditable showing in entering their decisions.

Masons Hold Annual Election of Officers

At their last regular meeting, Masons of the local lodge elected officers for the coming year. The appointive officers will be filled within the next few days, it was stated by Mr. N. C. Green, the newly elected Master. The new officers will be installed at the next regular meeting June 26.

The new officers are N. C. Green, master; L. H. Gurganus, senior warden; N. K. Harrison, junior warden; C. D. Carstarphen, sr., treasurer; C. D. Carstarphen, jr., secretary. The officers to be appointed are five in number.

CROWDS GROW AT REVIVAL

Most Successful Meeting Is Indicated at Christian Church Services

With the attendance increasing, the revival services at the Christian church here are pointing to a most successful meeting. No definite announcements as to when the meeting will be concluded have been made, but it is thought that the services will not continue into the next week.

The sermon Sunday night was based on the words of the frightened jailer who ran and asked Paul and Silas what he must do to be saved. He was told to believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved. The preacher said that the same belief is necessary now and that belief must come with such convincing force that the "believer must turn and follow Christ wherever He goes, even unto the end."

The text for last night's sermon was "Prepare to Meet Thy God" from Amos, 4:12.

The same preparation necessary to meet a king, a ruler or a friend will not suffice when we go to meet our God. We put on our very best in preparing to meet friends, but when we go to meet God, we cannot put on our own; we must be clothed in the righteousness of Jesus Christ and go, not with pride of dress, but in humility and with humbled hearts.

If dress counted with God, Mr. Mashburn stated the wealthy could get in early and go nearer, but such is not the case. What we are and not our dress, is what counts.

The subject for tonight will be the "Great Salvation" while tomorrow night the preacher will base his sermon on "An Urgent Invitation."

PROCEEDINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT

Criminal Docket Is Being Cleared Rapidly; 6 True Bills Returned

Although the official proceedings of the superior court in session here this week were not obtainable before press time, it is understood that the criminal actions are being disposed of rapidly and that the docket carrying those cases will be cleared by late this evening.

In the grand jury report, six true bills were returned, and on several counts, pleas of guilty were entered.

With the completion of the criminal hearings, work will be started on the civil docket which is crowded, unusual. The remainder of the week will be given over to those cases, it is thought.

At noon today work on the house-breaking charge against William and Alonzo Hassell had been started.

Cars Collide Here At Railroad Underpass

John Bond, farmer living near here badly damaged his car, a Ford, last Saturday night when he ran it into the rear of another car at the underpass just east of the town.

No one was seriously hurt, and it was more'n amusing to hear Mr. Bond tell the details. Several colored people, when their car broke down, got out and pushed it down the Garden Terrace hill. When they reached the bottom, the pushing was not so easy, and they stopped right at the Coast Line underpass. Bonds sounded his horn, and when the Negroes failed to clear the track, he ran his car into theirs. For a while Bonds stated it looked as if he was going to be whipped, but he reached for his hammer and stuck up until he got nervous and began crying. An occupant of his car quieted him by threatening to go for a milk bottle. The cars were badly damaged.

To Preach At Smithwicks Creek Church This Week

Elder Newsome H. Harrison will preach at Smithwick's Creek Church on the Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elder Harrison is filling the appointment of Elder Sylvester Hassell, who has recently been sick and who has not fully regained his strength.

Elder Harrison has preached for more than 60 years for one church in Washington County, and is now the only Confederate veteran in Washington County.

Will Begin Revival At Dardens Church Sunday

Beginning next Sunday afternoon at 3:30, Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, of Plymouth, will conduct a one week's revival at Ware's Chapel, Dardens. Since it will be impossible for Mr. Edwards to leave his work in Plymouth Monday night, the Chapel will hold a choir practice that night.

Mr. Edwards is an excellent speaker and the people of the town and community are cordially invited out to hear him.

TOWN FATHERS HOLD MEETING HERE LAST NIGHT

Many Matters Discussed, But Action Deferred on Most of Them

NO ACTION ON PAVING

Also Postpone Action On Construction Of Sewer Line To Location of New School Building

Confronted with a large number of town welfare problems, the town commissioners in session here last night put none of the business on the completed list with the exception of a few minor things, dealing with dance permits, tax refunds, and payment of current bills.

The business up for discussion was of a varied nature, dealing with improvements and how they were to be financed. The plan for paving the sidewalks was submitted, and the particulars were eagerly listened to by the several members of the board and the few visitors.

The tentative plans called for four-foot walks in the residential sections of the town with the exception of Main Street, and there they should be full width, according to the plans submitted by the town engineer. The project, which includes practically every sidewalk in town, in terms of yards amounts to 12,308. In terms of money, the project would cost \$25,000 and \$30,000, or around \$1.50 per yard. Up until this point, the meeting was very attentive, but when a bond issue was proposed for financing the project, the questions began to fly; and, in short, the paving of the sidewalks lost its attractiveness.

The discussion was wrapped up in bonds, and the meeting reviewed the present price of bonds, both from the buyer's and seller's viewpoint, and talked about retiring some of the town's with the \$75,000 coming from the Virginia Electric & Power Co. A motion was made providing a committee to investigate the cost and report to the board within the next four or five days. The motion was not voted upon, and the problem was left in midair.

Ask Sewer Line to School Lot Messrs. Arthur Anderson and C. D. Carstarphen, sr., members of the district school committee, asked the board's consideration of a sewer line to the spot where the new school building is to be erected. Just where the obligation was to be placed was debated for 20 or 30 minutes, but the matter fared similar to that dealing with the paving of sidewalks, it was left in midair. A motion was made, however, that would have the matter brought up before the executive session of the board. The motion was not voted upon.

While the individual members of the board have not expressed their private opinions regarding the laying of a sewer line, it is understood that some favor an order that would provide a sewer line while the other half are inclined to hang by their guns and just run the water line as agreed upon when the matter was up some time ago.

It is expected that figures will be examined and a proportional cost will be assigned to the town and district in laying the sewer line to the building.

The opening up of Biggs Street was urged by Messadams Warren Biggs and Leslie Fowden, representatives of the Woman's Club. Mrs. Biggs stated that the club had purchased a lot on that street and was planning to prepare a playground for the children of the community and town, and that to make the lot accessible it would be necessary to open the street. The improvement suggested was entered upon the minutes, but no disposition of the matter was made. The chairman of the board stated that the request would be given consideration.

It will be remembered that the town spent several hundred dollars in tilting for the street several years ago. The investment has been of very little value because it was not complete within itself, and it now looks as if the ladies are going to carry it through.

Order Traffic Signs

Seven flexible traffic signs, five 'stops' and two 'slows' were ordered placed on the streets to take the place of the boards and painted signs. The signs are the latest and will be installed shortly, according to a member of the street committee.

Noah Huff was refunded his poll tax when it was learned that he owned property in town but did not live in town.

The dance slate, according to the minutes, will be cleared in August when William Cook stages his dance. His permit, like those held by J. E. Griffin and Clyde Everett, was granted before the ban was placed on the latter part of this month. Griffin follows with his some time next month, and Cook clears the slate when he holds his during the month of August.

While no decision was reached, the matter of selling town auto license tags was discussed at length. The present tags expire the last of this month, and since the town is moving

PARTY ENJOYS NORFOLK TRIP

Several Local People Guests Of Boat Line On Week-End Trip

Guests of the Norfolk, Baltimore & Carolina Boat Line, several local people enjoyed a trip to Norfolk on one of that company's boats during the past week end. With their automobiles aboard the members of the party left the river wharf here shortly after 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon and viewed the wonderful scenery as the Dorothy Leigh glided down the river and into the Albemarle Sound. A supper that would have put those served on the bay liners in the background was prepared, and after dining with the captain of the boat, G. G. Wise, the guests were universal in their praise for the captain's floating home and his bill-of-fare.

While the boat was taking on a shipment of peanuts in Edenton, the crew and guests invaded Edenton for a short while, but it wasn't long before the captain weighed anchor and all were off for the open spaces. All through the night the motor ship rode the swells and early morning the outfit was nearing Norfolk. At port, the captain docked at the head of the line's fleet of boats, including the New Bern, Albemarle, Chelsea and others. In a few minutes the cars were rolled off and headed toward the beach, where the party spent the remainder of the day, returning home before midnight Sunday.

Besides favoring East Carolina with cheap freight rates, and offering a splendid freight service between points in this section and Norfolk and Baltimore, the Norfolk, Baltimore & Carolina Line has established a warm friendship with hundreds of people in this section. The trip to the Virginia city was in keeping with the goodness of the line's owner, Mr. Lee Hogshire, and the Dorothy Leigh's master, Captain G. G. Wise.

ISAAC JACKSON DIED SUNDAY

Prominent Citizen of Jamesville Succumbs To Bright's Disease

Isaac Jackson of Jamesville, died Sunday afternoon from chronic Bright's Disease.

Mr. Jackson was 73 years old, born and reared in Washington County, where he lived until about six years ago, when he moved to Jamesville, where he lived at the home of his brother, H. C. Jackson.

He was never married and leaves but one brother, Henry C. Jackson, now of Asheville. He was one of a family of six brothers, four of whom preceded him to the grave. He was buried at the old Jackson burying ground, near Pinetown, in Washington County.

He had been a member of the Christian Church since he was a young man. The funeral services were conducted yesterday morning by Rev. J. H. Hale, of Williamston.

Will Begin Revival Sunday In Everetts Baptist Church

Beginning next Sunday night a series of special services will be held in the Baptist Church at Everetts. The first of the services will be held in the evening of that day. Rev. Sankey L. Blanton, a graduate of Wake Forest College, and now a student of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will be in the pulpit at each of the services. Mr. Blanton goes to the church highly recommended as an able and consecrated preacher.

The people of Everetts and community are asked to join in the services and to attend as often as they can. A hearty welcome awaits all.

The Baptists there are looking forward to a very successful meeting, and it is hoped by them that large crowds will be in attendance upon each service.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wells and Miss Mabel Wells, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Faulkner, of Rocky Mount, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hight here for a short while Sunday.

The time for its auto license sale from June 30 to December 1, there is some confusion as to how the six months' period from June 30 to January 1 should be covered. It was pointed out that the date 1929, did not particularly specify when the license went into effect, but rather it denoted the time of expiration. One or two tags have been sold, but additional sales will probably wait for further action upon the commissioners.

Property owners on Washington Street who had widened that street in front of their properties presented bills for proportional refunds. The bills were in accordance with the paving project on that street and amounted to a little over \$100. A check of the yardage was ordered before the bill is approved.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO HOLD 2-DAY MEET NEAR HERE

County Sunday School Convention To Be Held Thursday and Friday

AT HOLLY SPRINGS

Excellent Program Has Been Arranged For Meeting; All Sunday School Workers Urged to Attend

All indications point to a record-breaking attendance at the annual Martin County Sunday school convention which is to be held next Thursday and Friday, June 21 and 22, at the Holly Springs Methodist Church, three and one-half miles from here. The opening session will be held at 8 o'clock Thursday night, June 21.

According to announcement made by officers of the county Sunday school association, the program has been prepared with the idea of having a convention for the discussion of practical Sunday school plans and problems, the plan being to have something in the convention that will help workers in all departments of the Sunday school.

Among the prominent speakers on the program will be Miss Flora Davis, Raleigh, associate superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday school association; and Mr. D. W. Sims, Raleigh, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association. During the convention these workers will discuss various phases of Sunday school work.

As has been previously announced, a pennant will be presented to the Sunday school having in the convention the largest number of representatives, 16 years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled from that particular church to the church with which the convention is held. The contest is open to all Sunday schools in the county, except the Sunday school with which the convention is held and others within one mile. The pennant will be presented at the close of the sessions on Friday afternoon, June 22.

The convention program begins on Thursday night at 8 o'clock when an hour and a half program will be given. Miss Davis will speak on Four Square Sunday School Leaders while Mr. Sims will explain methods of teaching.

On Friday morning, at 10:30, Miss Davis will speak on "The Child—the Greatest Responsibility of the Home and Sunday School." Mr. Sims will talk on "An Expanding Program." The session will be dismissed at 12:30, and dinner will be served at the church. Everybody is invited to come and bring a basket.

The afternoon session Friday begins at 2 o'clock and ends at 4. Miss Davis will have as her topic, "The Sunday School Meeting the Needs of the Young People." Mr. Sims will speak on "The Workers' Council at Work." An opportunity will be given at this meeting for the presentation and discussion of special Sunday school problems.

At the night session, at 8 o'clock, Miss Davis will tell of "The Use of the Story in Teaching," while Mr. Sims' topic is "The Alert Bible Class." The convention will adjourn at 9:30.

ORDER MATERIAL FOR POWER LINE

Virginia Power Co. Official Says Work To Begin Soon

In an interview Tuesday with Mr. J. T. Chase, manager of the Carolina Division of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, it was learned that material for the erection of the power line of that company from Tarboro here had already been ordered. Surveys are being made, but it could not be learned just when construction work would be started. Mr. Chase stated, however, that three large crews of men from the Stone and Webster organization would be put on the project and that once they are started, the work will be completed in a comparatively short time, certainly by September 1 or before.

Shoplifter Arrested In Local Store Yesterday

Yesterday afternoon while Mr. G. W. Blount was busy in the rear of his store here, Hattie Latham, young negroess looked over the store's stock and lifted a pair of pink bloomers, a yard and a half of cloth and a pair of silk stockings. Mr. Blount saw the woman leave the store with the goods under her arm, and in the absence of a policeman he ran for his merchandise and brought the woman back also. Chief Daniel appeared on the scene and a hearing was called. Under a \$50 bond, the defendant goes to the recorder's court next Tuesday.