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## Court Adjourned Wednesday P. M.

### Percy Phelps Gets 12 to 15 Years For Manslaughter. Fortner Case is Transferred to Mecklenburg. Few Road Sentences.

The July term of Superior Court convened here Monday morning with Hon. M. V. Barnhill, judge presiding, and Hon. Don Gilliam, solicitor.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Barnhill made a splendid talk which created a fine impression upon the people of this section. This week's court was scheduled to have been conducted by Hon. E. H. Cranmer, but an exchange was arranged with Judge Barnhill. This was the first term of court conducted by him in this county.

Solicitor Gilliam has appeared here for several terms and has made many warm and close friends. He is energetic and vigorous in representing the state, but always gives the accused a fair and square chance, and is held in high esteem here.

Court adjourned Wednesday afternoon after disposing of two divorce actions. The civil docket was left practically as it was.

The following criminal cases were disposed of:

Seth Jennette and Bennie Burnett, violating prohibition laws; defendants plead guilty of possession and transportation and were assigned to the county roads for four months.

Johnnie Hoggard, violating prohibition laws; not guilty.

Mary Lofton, assault with deadly weapon. Judgment of the court was frivolous and malicious prosecution, and the prosecutrix, Ada Harper, was taxed with the cost.

Joe Cradle, violating prohibition laws, was fined \$100.00 and cost.

Louis Smith and Simon Smith, violating prohibition laws; each assigned to the county roads for nine months.

Percy Phelps, murder, entered a plea of manslaughter, which was accepted by the State, and was sentenced to serve from 12 to 15 years at hard labor in the state prison.

A. B. Fortner, seduction; not pros.

Mary Lofton, nuisance; not pros.

A. B. Fortner, fornication and adultery, entered a plea in a batement and action was removed to Mecklenburg county.

## Birthday Party

Little Miss Frances Alexander entertained a host of her little friends at a birthday party on Monday afternoon.

## 70th Birthday

Mr. J. W. Harrison of Oak Grove Farm celebrated his 70th birthday Tuesday, July 14th. His children and grandchildren were present.

**DR. KING'S NEW LIFE PILLS**  
The Pills That Do Cure.

## 33 Years Ago —IN— Washington County

Items gathered from issue of The Roanoke Beacon published Friday, July 22, 1892

Miss Lillie Wingate of Perquimans has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. B. Nurney.

Messrs. C. D. Loane, J. H. Skittleharpe and L. P. Hornthal are at Nag's Head.

Peacock bridge and Murratcock bridge were both carried away by the storm Saturday night.

Mayor Bryan informs us that only two cases have been tried by him during the past three months.

Our citizens seem very anxious to have the Norfolk & Southern road extended from Roper to Plymouth.

**CORN FOR SALE**—O. M. Chesson R. F. D. 2, Plymouth

## W'LEAN TO OPEN PEACH SHOW

Attractive Exhibits and Varied Amusements Promised at Hamlet Exposition.

Hamlet.—The Carolinas Sandhill Peach Show is again an assured attraction for mid-summer visitors to Hamlet and the peach belt of the Carolinas. The most important preliminary detail incident to this annual exhibit was the raising of funds for carrying out plans and determining the date for holding the show. These preliminaries are in the past and the steady grind to whip into shape attractive exhibits and added amusements for visitors has begun in real earnest.

Governor Angus W. McLean, who has shown so much interest in the development of every section of the commonwealth, was unstinted in his approval of the Carolinas Sandhill Peach Show for 1925 and has made known his intention to be present on July 23, and formally open the show with an address appropriate to the occasion. The presence of Governor McLean at this exhibit will be the signal for hundreds of Carolinians and many from other states to make their way to Hamlet and avail themselves of the double opportunity of seeing and hearing North Carolina's distinguished governor and view the attractions of the Peach Show.

Visitors to previous exhibits need only to be told the date on which this year's exhibit is to be held to assure their attendance, but as there are to be many added attractions at this year's exhibit, the task of the management from now until July 23 will be to "say so" to the general public and make ample provisions for entertaining the increased number of visitors for each day of the occasion.

The Carolinas Sandhill Peach Show, officially, will be opened by Governor McLean at 11 o'clock, Thursday morning, July 23. From that hour until midnight the following day, July 24, visitors to Hamlet will have a continuous round of pleasure, including music by orchestra and brass band, airplane stunts, baseball games, instructive lectures on the production and marketing of peaches, exhibits of peach products and various devices for caring for orchards and using the wonderful opportunities this section has been blessed with.

## Motor Club Wants Patrolmen.

Greensboro.—C. W. Roberts, vice president of the Carolina Motor club, has asked R. A. Doughton, commissioner of revenue, to allow the motor club to employ a number of men to patrol state highways as state officers if the council of state finds it impossible to provide a uniformed force, as has been suggested.

The men would be paid by the motor club, it is understood, but would serve as state officers. Mr. Roberts says that other states now have such forces. He doesn't know that the motor club directors would be willing to bear this expense but is of the opinion they would and asks of Mr. Doughton definite information so that the matter can be laid before directors of the club.

## Quietly Married

It came as quite a surprise to their many friends to learn of the marriage of Mr. Clarence I. Ainsley and Miss Eva Burt which occurred on Sunday, July 5th, at the home of justice W. O. Norman in Roper. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Norman in the presence of only a few close friends.

Both these young people are well known here and enjoy a wide circle of friends. They spent a brief honeymoon in Norfolk and Ocean View, after which they returned to Plymouth where they are making their home.

## Jail Torn Down.

The chain gang is busily engaged in demolishing the old jail and hauling away the rubbish. The county commissioners plan to beautify the court house grounds as soon as the jail is completely removed by building a reinforced concrete and brick curb around the grounds and planting grass and flowers at advantageous points.

Our people will gladly welcome such a move, for it will greatly improve the appearance of the property and be a greater source of pride to the people of the county.

## New Home Agent.

Miss Delano Wilson, former county home demonstration agent, having been transferred from this point, Miss Elma Gray Morehead of Buckhead, Ga., has been sent here to continue the duties of this office.

Miss Morehead has had considerable experience in this work, and we feel sure that she will receive the full co-operation of the people who are interested in this work.

From time to time we hope to publish accounts of her activities, and also other matters that are of concern to the ladies of the various councils throughout the county.

## Demonstrator Discontinued.

A recent meeting of the board of county commissioners the office of Farm Demonstration Agent was discontinued. R. W. Johnston has held this position for several years. The office was discontinued in order to cut down county expenses, so we are told.

## Baptist Assemblies to Open.

Raleigh.—E. L. Middleton, Sunday school secretary of the Baptist board of missions, announces the opening of the second annual session of the Chowan Baptist assembly at Chowan college, Murfreesboro, Wednesday, July 15, continuing through July 23. Perry Morgan, general B. Y. P. U. secretary, and director of the Baptist mountain assembly at Mars Hill college, announces the seventh annual session of this assembly to be held Tuesday, July 28-August 6.

## Anson Will Loan \$300,000 to State.

Charlotte.—Anson county will lend \$300,000 to the North Carolina highway commission to provide for a standard paved highway from Wadesboro to the new concrete bridge spanning the Yadkin river on Route 20, according to an announcement made by W. C. Wilkinson, commissioner of the sixth district of the state highway system.

## DOINGS IN THE TAR HEEL STATE

NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA  
TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS FOR BUSY PEOPLE

Tarboro.—Thieves entered the store of Rosenbleon Levy Company here and succeeded in getting about five hundred dollars worth of goods. There is no clue.

Elizabeth City.—News reached relatives here of the death of Edward Etheridge, of Sheffield, Ala. Mr. Etheridge was injured in an airplane accident while doing stunts near Sheffield one day last week.

Greensboro.—Howard Kellam, five years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kellam, died here of injuries received when he was hit by an automobile driven by Peter Rasmussen, of Charlotte. Paralysis of the right side was caused by the lad's injuries.

Chapel Hill.—Dr. W. deB. MacNider, Kenan professor of pharmacology in the University, has received a grant of \$1,700 a year for two years from the Ella Sachs Plotz Foundation, of Boston, for research in the problem of chronic Bright's disease.

Wilmington.—Postal receipts at Wilmington during the fiscal year ended June 30 were announced by Postmaster Warren G. Elliott as having been \$221,890.94, a decrease of about \$3,000 under the total for the preceding year.

Wilmington.—The county commissioners of Robeson county have executed contract with the North Carolina Highway Commission authorizing a loan for a million dollars for hard surfacing three projects in Robeson county, according to announcement made here.

Hickory.—A. F. Setzer, aged 64, for 35 years a resident of Hickory, died in an automobile while en route to Lincolnton to enter a hospital for treatment. The body was taken to Newton and prepared for burial.

Goldboro.—Figures released by the Goldboro chamber of commerce, show Goldboro's population to be 14,222 as of June, 1925, compared with 11,296 in 1920, or an increase in the five-year period of approximately 3,000 or 26 per cent.

Lumberton.—Work began here on the Thompson Memorial Hospital, which when completed will cost approximately \$80,000, and replace the Thompson Hospital which was destroyed by fire in November.

Statesville.—Two young men each received a load of shot and two arrests were made following a "night ride" participated in by four young men who called at the home of Dillard Jarvis and demanded with threats the privilege of seeing his daughter.

Greensboro.—Postal receipts in Greensboro for the first half of 1925 exceeded receipts for the first half of 1924 by \$8,731.86, according to figures compiled by J. H. Armfield, assistant postmaster. Receipts for the first half of this year were \$124,386.35 as compared to \$115,654.49 for the first half of 1924.

Durham.—While official announcement is being withheld, in the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin N. Duke, who are in New York, it is reported authoritatively here that Mr. Duke has increased his recent \$25,000 subscription to the half million dollar endowment fund of Greensboro College for Woman by \$50,000.

Charlotte.—A broken hip and severe cuts about the head were injuries sustained by Jesse Richards, aged four years, son of J. J. Richard, employe of Mecklenburg Dairy, when he was run down near his home in the 900 block of East Ninth street, by an automobile driven by a Mr. Eaves.

Winston-Salem.—Houston Stovall, aged thirty, and a prosperous farmer of the Smithtown section of Stokes county, near the Virginia line, lies in a hospital at Stuart, Va., with pistol shot wounds in both lungs, inflicted by a .32 calibre gun fired by Hassell Campbell, aged 18, of the same section.

Albemarle.—Two men while walking along the highway at Locust were killed instantly by lightning. A lady living near the scene of the tragedy was standing on the porch at her home and saw the bolt of lightning strike the men and saw them fall. For several minutes fire was seen to burn the clothes and body of the men.

Hobgood.—One and one-half miles from Hobgood, Peter Cain, a negro tenant on the farm of L. E. Whitehead, heard the screams of his wife, and running to her assistance found that she was being chased by an alligator. He immediately called to one of the children to bring his gun. He then killed the alligator which measured seven feet in length and weighed 81 lbs.

In Memory of

## Mary J. Craddock

Who Died June 29, 1924

Mother gone but not forgotten,  
Never will our memory fade.  
The death angel came and took her

To the saving throne of grace.  
Many, many years she served us  
With many a heartache and pain,  
But our love will ever linger

Around the spot where her body was laid,  
We loved her, yes we loved her,  
But the Savior loved her more  
And now let's strive to meet her  
Over on the other shore.

—Mary Feirel

—FOR SALE—The Isaac Harrison Farm, 100 acres, three miles from Plymouth. About fifty-five acres fine pine and gum timber, balance now contains splendid crop and is in high state of cultivation; terms satisfactory. A. L. HARRISON, Front Royal, Va.

Carolina Cotton Crop Conditions.  
North Carolina cotton condition, at 77 per cent of normal, improved 3 per cent from May 25 to June 25, according to report released by the U. S. department of agriculture crop reporting board. The present condition compares with 74 per cent a month ago and 73 per cent at this date a year ago.

A normal or 100 per cent condition at this time would have indicated a yield of 300 pounds lint per acre in North Carolina. However, with a condition of 77 per cent, and without consideration of later weather or insect damage to the crop, the present report indicates a prospective yield of 231 pounds of lint per acre. This does not take into consideration the almost certain damage to the crop later from boll weevil.

Last year at the same time 2,050,000 acres were under cultivation, of which three per cent was later abandoned. The acreage under cultivation indicated at present is 2,183,000, or 4 per cent more than was planted last year.

With the prospective yield of 231 pounds per acre and not discounting almost certain boll weevil damages, these figures indicate a crop of 1,015,000 bales for this year. This is too early to rely on cotton estimates.

Influences that have affected cotton in North Carolina during June were weather, cultivation, moisture temperature, insects and stands. The weather, cultivation, moisture temperature has been ideal for cotton and the plant has practically made its start since June 1. Fields are well cultivated.

Though rather dry in the Southern counties and too wet in the northern counties, the average is very favorable for the crop. Root lice have been abundant, especially in the northeastern counties where damages by them have been excessive. Stands average from poor to fair. However, good crop growth is evident everywhere in the state.

## To Erect Electrical Building at State.

The department of electrical engineering at State college is to have a new home. For nearly 20 years this growing division of the college has been housed in Winston hall, along with the department of civil engineering and chemistry. Upon the recommendation of President Brooks, the board of trustees has authorized the erection of a new building out of the permanent improvement fund provided by the last general assembly.

Contract for the new structure will be awarded as soon as Robert Upjohn, the architect, completes the plans and it is expected that work on the building will begin late in the summer. The job will be rushed to completion and the building will probably be ready for occupancy sometime during the spring.

## Stolen Cars Recovered in June.

Thirty-seven cars were stolen and 64, nearly twice that number recovered during the month of June according to the report of the Theft Bureau of the Department of Revenue. Twenty-seven of the 37 cars stolen were Fords, and 55 of the cars recovered were Fords.

The department makes the following request: "Please be certain to send in reports on every car stolen and recovered. This is required by law and is a great help to you and protection to all automobile owners."

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