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MARTIN COUNTY MAN IS HELD ON BIGAMY CHARGE

Linwood Sawyer Held Under \$1,000 Bond After Hearing Tuesday

Bond for 1,000 was asked by Recorder John W. Darden for the release from official custody of Linwood Sawyer, of Martin County, who was arraigned Tuesday on a charge of bigamy.

Evidence in the form of marriage certificates were introduced showing that Linwood Sawyer, of Martin County, 19 years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sawyer, was married to Miss Stella Myers, of Creswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felton Myers.

This wedding took place in Plymouth on October 6, 1928, with Rev. J. R. Everett, at that time pastor of the Baptist church, officiating. Witnesses to this ceremony included Annie E. Sawyer, Dorothy Sawyer, and Mrs. Gladys Watkins. The license was issued in Washington County.

A second certificate recorded that Ernest L. Sawyer, of Jamesville, 23 years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sawyer, was married on June 1, 1934, to Addie Hinson, of Dardens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hinson.

This ceremony was performed by Magistrate J. T. McNair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Watson on Main Street in Plymouth. Witnesses to the nuptial vows on this occasion were George Watson, Annie M. Watson and Raymond Heath.

No evidence was introduced by the defense but it is understood and was casually mentioned by Judge Darden that reports were to the effect that the young man at the time of his second marriage was under the impression that he had a divorce.

Unconfirmed but reasonable information has it that the young man turned over to an attorney a fee for the divorce proceedings, and in turn was handed a copy of the complaint or some legal looking document. This he thought was the legal papers for a bill of divorce.

The warrant for the arrest of Sawyer was issued by the father of his second mate on October 6, 1934, when he learned of the matter. The indictment was made by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck, of Martin County who held him for Washington County authorities.

The second wife, Mrs. Addie Hinson Sawyer, was under the impression that Judge John W. Darden was the person who married her to Sawyer here on June 1, 1934. But she admitted that she was not positive. Magistrate Darden (also recorder) was under the same impression but the records showed that J. T. McNair performed the ceremony.

Though he was married the first time under the name of Linwood Sawyer, son of Ernest Sawyer, and the second time as Ernest L. Sawyer, son of A. E. Sawyer, the two wives identified him as the same man. Mrs. Mary O. Sawyer, register of deeds, was not sure that he was the same man who applied for license the second time.

Neither of the two wives had any children. Very little emotion was shown by either of the two women. He had been away from his first wife some time before he married his second companion. Mr. Sawyer is a well-dressed neat-appearing young man.

In his remarks about the bond for the defendant, W. L. Whitley, prosecuting attorney, said "Women will travel to several towns to buy a cheap hat or look among a number of dresses before purchasing, but they don't show such caution when choosing a husband. And I can't understand it."

"Is this the only thing that you don't understand about women?" asked Recorder Darden, and the attorney readily admitted it wasn't.

Local Legionnaires Attend Funeral at Columbia 14th

The following members of the James E. Jethro post, No. 164, American Legion, attended the funeral of Dennis S. Brickhouse at Columbia Sunday, October 14:

Dr. W. H. Johnson, W. V. Hayes, Roy L. Litchfield, O. R. Armstrong, R. L. Tetterton, L. R. Ausbon, and J. B. McNair.

The funeral was conducted by the Scuppernon post of Columbia and was attended by a large crowd of people.

Mr. Hayes acted as one of the pallbearers and J. B. McNair and L. R. Ausbon were members of the firing squad.

Mr. Brickhouse was formerly a resident of Columbia and became a Legionnaire when the Columbia post was organized a few years ago. He was chief of police of Manteo up to two months ago, at which time he resigned to enter a hospital at Hampton, Va., where he died a few days ago.

Hog cholera appears to be spreading in Wilson County with the farm agent adding to control the disease.

Fall Fashion Frolic to be Staged October 25 and 26

The Junior Woman's Club in conjunction with the Roanoke Beacon and the New Theatre are laying plans for staging Plymouth's first Fall Fashion Frolic at the theatre Thursday and Friday evenings, October 25 and 26.

Local merchants will be requested to cooperate with the club in making this a successful venture, and each will be represented by a local young lady, who will appear in the celebration as a contestant for the title "Miss Fashion Queen" of Plymouth. And in addition to the various numbers in which each model will display new fall fashions for local dress shops, local entertainers will be presented in a number of musical and dance interludes.

Kelly Kingman, of Columbia,

has recently staged similar observances in Williamston and Robertsonville, and stated yesterday that there seems to be quite a great deal of enthusiasm already displayed by local interests in this novel method of ushering in the fall season.

The Beacon will carry more information in the next week's issue, and in the meantime a committee of the Woman's Club will interview local merchants and arrange for the fulfillment of their plans.

The Fall Fashion Frolic will be staged in addition to the regular screen attractions on the two days, and at the regular prices of admission. Mr. Brinkley, manager of the theatre, is arranging to secure outstanding pictures for the occasion.

ENROLLMENT FOR COUNTY SHOWS GAIN OVER 1933

Small Loss Shown by Lower Grades Overcome by High School Gain

Public school enrollment of white students in Washington County for 1934 exceeds that of 1933 by 47 pupils, it was learned today from figures compiled by James W. Norman, superintendent of public instruction.

Roper: There was a gain of 4 from 97 to 101 in the high school, while in the elementary department there was an enrollment this year of 254, which is 18 less than the 272 last year. Average attendance shows a 22 per cent gain in the high school and 10.02 per cent loss in the lower grades.

Plymouth: Enrollment for 1933 was 137 in the high school, while in 1934 there were 147, showing a gain of 10 pupils, while in the elementary department there were 375 enrolled this year, a gain of 13 over the 362 for last year. Average attendance shows a 9.8 gain this year in the high school and 11.3 gain in the lower classes.

Creswell: Enrollment for 1934 is 116 against 103 last year, showing a gain in the high school of 13, while the lower grades showed a loss of 8 by a drop from 336 last year to 328. Average attendance was 13.7 gain in the higher grades while there was an 11.8 loss in the lower grades.

Cherry: Nothing but the elementary grades taught in this school. There is a gain of 26 students over last year's enrollment of 157 to 183. Average attendance shows a gain of 23.2 per cent.

Wenona: Only the elementary grades are taught in this school. Last year there were 14 enrolled with this year of 1 student, cutting it down to 13. The average attendance shows a 9 per cent loss.

The total high school enrollment for 1933 was 330, while in 1934 there is 364, showing a gain of 34 for this year, while the total enrollment for 1933 in the elementary departments of the various schools was 1,141, while this year the total soared to 1,153, making a gain of 12 students for this year.

The average daily attendance for 1933 in the high schools was 3,151, while this year there is an increase to 3,408, which shows a 25.7 per cent increase for 1934. The attendance in the elementary grades for 1934 shows an increase of 11.6. The total average attendance for the entire white school system is given at 17.3 above last year.

12 Boys From Farm Class At Roper Attend Fair

Roper.—Twelve boys of the Roper Agricultural class attended the N. C. state fair at Raleigh Friday. They arrived at noon and took in the exhibits, the automobile races, and many other amusements. Friday night was spent at State College.

Saturday places of amusement around Raleigh were visited. At night they saw the State-University of South Carolina football game in Raleigh, and Sunday morning the return trip was made.

Those on the trip included James Chesson, Leroy Spruill, William Chesson, Eric Spruill, Harold Swain, Donald Spruill, John Davenport, Grayson Spruill, Bill Davenport, Emmett Spruill, Mack Marrow, Raymond Ambrose, Elfant Tarkington. With the boys was C. H. Floyd, instructor of agriculture.

From Wenona: N. Holton, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Holton.

These students are classified by years as follows: Sophomores: Cahoon and Campbell; freshmen, Alexander, Bateman, D. W. Holton, N. Holton, and Spruill. Bateman, Cahoon, and Campbell are taking pre-law work, while Alexander and Spruill are doing pre-medical work. G. W. and N. Holton are working for the degree of bachelor of science.

Other students at Wake Forest who are well known here include Tex Edens, halfback; his brother, Terry Edens; Dallas Morris, halfback. Tex and Dallas are listed as probable starters in the football game with Presbyterian College at Wake Forest Saturday.

Tex Edens played centerfield for the Plymouth baseball club in the Albemarle league this summer, while Morris held down third base. Tex led the local club in hitting for the season, his mark hovering around the .360 point.

Terry Edens is an end on the football squad and was remembered as having visited his brother here this summer.

Job C. Clayton, 72, Dies At Roper Home

Funeral services were held today for Job C. Clayton, 72 years of age, who died Wednesday morning at 3:30 o'clock at his home in Roper. Infirmitudes of age with complications caused his demise. Interment took place in the Methodist church yard in Plymouth.

Surviving are four sons, D. V. Clayton, assistant cashier of the local unit of the Branch Banking and Trust Co.; Clair, Vernon and Herman Clayton, of Baltimore; and one daughter, Mrs. Ethel Eubanks, of Durham.

Greater Roanoke Fair Gets Under Way Monday Week

Arrangements for holding the Greater Roanoke Fair, opening in Williamston Monday after next, October 29th, were announced virtually complete this week by Manager N. G. Bartlett. In addition to the \$1,500 cash prizes offered in the agricultural, livestock, poultry and fancy work departments, the fair operators have already made one of the largest cash outlays ever expended before to make the fair one of value and real entertainment for the people of this entire section. Elaborate displays of fireworks will be seen each night, and some of the most sensational

free acts ever seen in the South have been booked. Work shows will be on the midway this season with a varied program of entertainment and rides, and Homer F. Lee's band will be at the fair all the week.

The free attractions include: The giant rooster act (one that has never appeared before in this section and the only one of its kind in America), the aerial Blacks the three Kressels, Bee Kyle, America's premiere lady diver, Taylor's rodeo, and other features such as Jack Steele and his motorcycle stunts on Tuesday night and automobile races on Saturday.

FALL MEETING OF HOME CLUBS TO BE HELD ON 25TH

Fifteenth District To Hold Annual Meeting There; Many To Attend

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

The fall federation meeting of the home demonstration clubs of Washington County will be held at the high school building in Roper on Thursday afternoon, October 25, with Mrs. W. H. Harrison presiding. The meeting will begin at 2 o'clock. A welcoming committee has been appointed and ushers also to help the club members find their club corner.

We are anxious for every club to be well represented, for there is a beautiful trophy cup to be given to the club that has been wide-awake. We hope it will not put the club to sleep, as it has a tendency to do. Mr. Tabor club, the youngest club in the county, has a mighty good chance to win if they come.

We are expecting Mrs. Brooks Tucker, state president of home demonstration work, as our guest speaker. This will be an unusual treat. I want every club member in the county to know Mrs. Tucker.

A report of our county work will be given at this time. Don't miss finding out what your clubs have done. Mr. W. C. Manning will be there to present the trophy cup. We always look forward to his coming.

Mrs. A. E. Davenport will explain the "Whys and Wherefores" of the Jane S. McKimmon Loan Fund.

Mrs. W. T. Gibson will welcome the women to Roper, and Mrs. H. W. Norman, of the Scuppernon club, will respond.

We are expecting this to be one of the best meetings yet. Don't miss it.

Junior Woman's Club Committees Are Named

At a called meeting of the Junior Woman's Club Monday evening, it was decided to donate twenty-five dollars (\$25) toward the oil burner the Legionnaires are buying for the community hall. This is part of the proceeds from the recent baby contest. The club has already donated money for books for a high school girl and are contemplating many other charitable expenditures.

Fourteen members were present. A motion for a November date was made and vetoed. Mrs. B. G. Campbell was unanimously elected sponsor of the group. Mrs. Eugene Still was appointed corresponding secretary. The following committees were appointed:

Program, Emily Brinkley, chairman, Mildred Martin and Martha May. Constitution, Louise Duvall, chairman, Elizabeth Davidson, Louise Brinkley, Fionnie Davis.

Membership, Elizabeth Norman, Thelma Getsinger, Mildred Waters, Nellie F. Beasley.

Other committees will be appointed later.

The committees are always at work and will turn in their reports at the next regular meeting, which will be held November 6th. Members are urged to remember to attend the district meeting in Columbia next Tuesday.

Lexion Auxiliary Is Formed Here Friday

An American Legion Auxiliary was organized here last Friday afternoon in the Legion Hall with the following officers: Mrs. W. V. Hays, president; Mrs. R. A. Duvall, vice president; Mrs. H. A. Willford, secretary; Mrs. D. A. Hurley, treasurer; Mrs. C. McGowan, chaplain; Mrs. Zeno Lyon, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. W. R. Hampton, historian.

Regular meetings will be held on the second Friday afternoon in each month at 3 o'clock. Dues were fixed at \$1.25 per year, payable in October. Dues for 15 members were received. Others who wish to become charter members are urged to see either Mrs. Willford or Mrs. Hurley.

COLUMBIA TO BE HOSTESS TO CLUB WOMEN TUESDAY

Elaborate Program Has Been Arranged for Semi-Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the fifteenth district of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in Columbia Tuesday, October 23, beginning at 10 o'clock, it was announced today by Mrs. B. G. Campbell, of Plymouth, district president.

The invocation will be by Rev. W. J. Underwood, with Mrs. W. S. Carawan, president of the Columbia club, and past president of the district, greeting the visitors. The response to the welcome address will be made by Mrs. J. C. Andrews. Music will be featured on the program.

The principal speakers scheduled to take part on the program are Mrs. R. H. Latham, of Winston-Salem, president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs; and Mrs. Howard G. Etheridge, of Asheville, second vice president of the state organization.

Mrs. J. H. Tankard will bring greetings from the state home demonstration clubs, while a picture memory contest will be conducted by Mrs. C. J. Sawyer, of Windsor, chairman of the division of arts. Mrs. C. S. Beasley, district vice president, will award the attendance prizes.

Mrs. Campbell hopes that a large crowd will attend the meeting. Mrs. J. R. Campbell, of Plymouth, is secretary of the organization in this district. The business session will include recognition of past president, discussion of projects; federating new clubs, reports from delegates of each club.

Delegations are expected from Aulander, Aurora, Ayden, Colerain, Farmville, Fountain, Greenville, Pantego, Powellsville, Plymouth, Robertsonville, Swan Quater, Washington, Williamston and Windsor. There are 21 clubs in the above mentioned towns.

NEW METHOD TO REDUCE COSTS OF FERTILIZERS

"Blended" Fertilizers Are One Answer For A Cheaper Guano

"Blended fertilizers are one answer to the question for a cheaper source of satisfactory nitrogen for cotton fertilizers.

If enough sodium nitrate is used to balance the acidity of ammonium sulphate, a mixture of these two relatively inexpensive inorganic sources of nitrogen produces as good yields of cotton as when the more expensive organic sources of nitrogen, such as tankage and cottonseed meal, are used.

That is the result of experiments in the southeastern cotton belt, by Oswald Shreiner and J. J. Skinner of the Division of Soil Fertility, U. S. Department of Agriculture, reported recently before the American Chemical Society, meeting in Cleveland. Blending works equally well with the concentrated fertilizers, now coming into more general use.

These findings are economically important because they place inexpensive inorganic and synthetic nitrogen products, when properly balanced with basic materials, on a par in crop producing value with more expensive organic compounds from animal and vegetable wastes. The organic materials cost, on the basis of 1934 prices, is almost 3 times as much per unit as the inorganic.

In the experiments, two thirds sodium nitrate and one-third ammonium sulphate gave much better results than one-third the nitrate and two-thirds the sulphate. The former mixture also gave as good yields as one part sodium nitrate, one part ammonium sulphate and two parts of either dried blood, cottonseed meal, fish scrap or tankage.

Another experiment showed that over a period of three years, full applications of fertilizer at planting time gave slightly higher yields, and, naturally, lower labor costs than split or delayed applications. This was true whether the source of the nitrogen was sodium nitrate, ammonium sulphate, or urea. Similar results have previously been reported by the Alabama and Georgia stations.

Tobacco Stems and Stalks Have Value as Fertilizer

There is a certain percentage of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash contained in both stalks and stems of tobacco that have fertilizing value. The potash content runs from 4 to 8 per cent and the nitrogen runs from 2.5 to 3.5 per cent. The phosphoric acid content runs less than 1-2 of 1 per cent. In addition to the fertilizer value the plowing under of stalks and all tobacco refuse will also aid in the control of many disease and insect pests.

Home and Club News

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

Schedule for Next Week

Monday afternoon, October 22, County Bridge.
Tuesday, Pleasant Grove.
Wednesday afternoon, October 24, Wednesday night, Creswell club.
Thursday afternoon, October 25, at 10:30, county council meeting, Thursday afternoon, October 25, 2 o'clock, county federation at Roper High school building.
Friday afternoon, October 26, Albat. Saturday morning, 8:30, curb market.

Trophy To Be Presented

The trophy cup presented by the Roanoke Beacon will be awarded to the club scoring the highest percentage on the following when totaled at the federation meeting next Thursday:

1. Number members enrolled.
2. Number members enrolled since April 7th.
3. Number of members lost since April 7th.
4. Number of club members with dues paid.
5. Average club attendance since April 7th.
6. Number present at federation on October 25th.

All club secretaries are asked to work out the figures on the score card, bring to federation next Thursday, with a pencil to add this number.

District Federation

All home demonstration club members are urged to attend the district meeting of federated clubs next Tuesday morning at Columbia. We are nearer to Columbia than any other county, and we are anxious to have a large attendance.

Get together and several go in each car. We know Creswell club will be well represented. All the county council officers will attend. We want you to be present to hear the 1934 home demonstration report for our district. It will be inspirational as well as informational.

County Council Meeting

All presidents and secretaries of home demonstration clubs are asked to be present with the four council officers for a very important meeting. At this time the president and secretary of the council will be elected for the next two years. Think of this very seriously and be prepared to express your self at this meeting.

Canning Contest

All club members who can be asked to bring to the federation meeting Friday afternoon two exhibits of canned products.

The Ball Jar company is offering a cash prize to the three best exhibits brought, which should consist of one jar of fruit or berries and one jar of non-acid vegetable.

The Kerr company is offering a dozen jars to each of the three best exhibits consisting of two jars of meats, two jars of fruit, and two jars of vegetables.

Please be prompt with your exhibit and remember that the exhibits can be in any kind of jar. It doesn't have to be the company's particular brand. Every club should have enough pride to be represented. I wonder which club can conserve the most palatable looking products. This will answer the hold a masquerade party October 31 at 7:30 in the Legion Hall. Admission. The canning leaders are expected to enter each of the contests. No excuse will excuse them.

Durham tobacco growers say they will get 40 per cent more money from 50 per cent less tobacco this year than in 1933.