

Three Die Over Killing Of One

Doctors Attend Execution As Trio Go Calmly To Expiate Crime

Boston—Three men were electrocuted at the State prison Thursday for a single murder.

Edward J. Heinlein, John J. Devereaux and John J. McLaughlin, each about 30 years old, went to the chair for the murder of James H. Ferneau, aged night watchman, during a holdup in a Waltham car barn on October 25, 1925.

As the eighteen witnesses who watched the execution filing into the death house, attorneys were nearing the end of their unsuccessful attempts to stay the execution.

Less than half an hour after a telephone call to a representative of Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, of the United States Supreme Court, had failed to bring about a stay, Heinlein was stepping calmly into the death chamber at three minutes past midnight.

Strap Stops Prayer Preceded by the Rev. Father Michael J. Murphy, the prison chaplain, who held aloft a black crucifix, Heinlein walked with a steady tread to the chair, repeating the words of the priest's simple prayer.

The crucifix was held to his lips for a moment, the head straps cut off the words of the prayer, the switch was thrown and eight minutes later the three attending physicians pronounced the man dead.

Devereaux, who admitted on the witness stand that he shot and clubbed the watchman to death, was the second to die. He entered the execution chamber at 12:15 and death was pronounced at 12:21. McLaughlin was in the chair less than two minutes after Devereaux's body had been removed and at 29 minutes past twelve he had joined his companions in death.

Observers were stationed in the death house to note, if possible, whether or not the men in the chair suffered any pain. The physicians reported that in their opinion the condemned men lost consciousness within the 120th part of a second.

The execution, originally set for August 8, last, had been delayed through efforts to obtain commutation, on the ground that Devereaux was mentally irresponsible at the time of the crime as a result of shell shock and war injuries.

It was on this ground that an attorney strove to put the case before the United States Supreme Court less than half an hour before the men went to their deaths. He sent him whirling to Governor Fuller's house in a taxicab with half an hour of grace, left, but the move failed.

The strain of last minute developments told heavily on the Governor and a physician was called to attend him about the time of the executions.

Cleveland Native Catches Biggest Fish In Montana

Readers of the county will be interested in an item from a Western paper stating that Marvin Willis, who left this county in 1905 and now lives at Columbia Falls, Montana, recently won a prize for catching the biggest fish of the year.

Mr. Willis is a brother of J. F. Willis, of Belwood, R-1, and is well remembered by many folks in the county. The article follows: Columbia Falls sportsmen are doffing their hats to Marvin Willis who recently received word that he was the winner of a contest conducted by a Colorado Sporting goods; winning the prize offered by the company for catching the largest fish.

Early last spring, Mr. Willis located his big one and on the first day of the season was on the job trying to land him. After several days of fishing of the kind that (you and I know very little about) he landed a 17-pound Dolly Varden. He had the fish weighed before a notary public and his sworn statement was sent in to the company.

The contest closed sometime in October and Mr. Willis was notified that he was the winner of first prize, which is a Divine Cascade rod, valued at \$40.

It is interesting to note that the second largest fish weighed seven pounds. The progress of Marvin Willis as a fisherman has been questioned hereabouts as he invariably sets the limit when "they are not biting" for ordinary fishermen but were not convinced that he was the best in the West until this contest closed. The territory covered by competing fishermen comprised several states.

Following is the letter: Colorado Springs, Dec. 15, 1926. Marvin S. Willis, Columbia Falls, Montana. Dear Sir:

We are very pleased to inform you that you are winner of the first prize in our 1926 trout fishing contest. Your fish being the largest trout caught on bait or spinner. The prize you have won is a Divine Cascade rod. If you will let us know the length rod desired, we shall be pleased to ship this on to you at once.

It may be possible that we do not have in stock the length you will

want, if such is the case, we will receive a shipment of rods from the Divine factory shortly after the middle of January and will ship a rod to you at that time. We sincerely hope that you will catch many more big fish with this rod. We certainly congratulate you on being the winner.

For your information, the next largest fish in this class weighed seven pounds and one ounce. Very sincerely yours, The Colorado Sporting Goods Co.

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M. Schulz Company Open Factory Display of Pianos On 177 S. Lafayette St. You Are Invited

That Shelby has reached that stage of population and commercial progress that it is being looked upon in the outside business world as an inviting trade center of established volume and assured development is being palpably emphasized by almost daily evidences of substantial commercial achievements in our midst.

More indicative of general prosperity and intellectual culture and social refinement is the growth of piano manufacturing, especially notable in this line of industry is widespread recognition given in the musical world to the pianos manufactured by M. Schulz company, of Chicago, whose reputation for integrity of structure, durability of service, artistic design, perfection of tone, compass of sound and mobility of expression, have never been equaled—and if ever to be improved upon it will be by this same company.

It was the M. Schulz company of Chicago that conceived and adopted this slogan "Make America Musical," and having put this slogan forward this company proceeded to the manufacture of pianos that cannot be surpassed the world over, so that their instruments are not only making America musical but are encompassing the world by their superlative merits, wherever music is featured and sweet toned pianos are in vogue.

These Schulz pianos are sold entirely on their merits—not by the talks of salesmen, but by the speaking superior features of the construction of the instrument itself—and the individual prospective buyer is made personally familiar with this construction by factory representatives, and to this end the M. Schulz company sends out to the cities which are recognized as inviting locations for such displays, a full, duplicate exhibition of every instrument the

factory makes. Such an exhibition for educational purposes—is now open in Shelby at 117 S. LaFayette street with E. E. Huston, factory representative in charge, and the trade and social environment and intellectual stamina of Shelby and this community could not well have higher recognition from a great musical center. And it is now up to our people to show their appreciation by frequenting this exhibition at 117 S. LaFayette street, which will be in vogue for two weeks only. Do not delay your visit, therefore, for a more opportune time—today is the day of opportunity—next week will be too late. adv.

Weatherers for the winners also scored eight points and Carpenter, local center, registered 10.

Tryon plays a return game on the Lattimore court January 21st. Lattimore (32) Tryon (27) McSwain (16) Paysour (2) R. F. Martin (13) L. F. Scarpenier (10) C. Kiser R. G. Stroupe Harrell L. G.

Toluca News Of Personal Mention

(Special to The Star.) Born to Mr. and Mrs. Burt Sain January 2, a bouncing baby boy, Thomas Warren. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. Andy Willis is in Lumberton visiting his nephew Mr. Luther Willis. He expects to visit the seacoast before returning home.

Mr. Luther Houser and family of Bethpage spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. W. H. Young.

Miss Lizzie Huss who has been at the Morganton hospital for the past several years returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carpenter visited their daughter Mrs. Thomas Vickers of Hollis last Thursday.

Miss Archie Fay Gantt of Belwood, spent last Tuesday night with Misses Mary and Lucy Sain. The boys and girls in and around Toluca gathered in and all enjoyed a nice time together.

Mr. Sam Sain spent last Tuesday night at the home of his brother, Mr. Dennis Sain.

Misses Mary Sain and Winnona Willis spent last Wednesday with Miss Stella Costner.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Sain spent last Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mull.

Mrs. Jane Mostella is improving some at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mull and son D. M. Mull spent last Monday night at the home of Mr. S. A. Sain.

Mr. D. M. Mull of Double Shoals is spending some time with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mull.

J. J. George Place Sold At Auction

Cherryville Eagle. The John J. George property, consisting of his home and about 105 lots 25 x 300 feet on the hard surfaced and sand clay roads in the southern part of town was sold at public auction last Thursday by A. E. Woltz, trustee. The sale was conducted by the Pinix Land company of Greensboro and Gastonia with R. W. Matheny as auctioneer.

The residence lot was bid off by D. P. Rhodes for \$15,000. It cost between sixty-five and seventy thousand dollars to build the dwelling on this lot.

The lots 25 feet front and 300 feet deep on the hard surface road adjoining the residential lot brought from \$235 to \$500 each. The back lots and those on the sand clay road same size as those on the hard surface road brought from \$13 to \$95 each.

The following persons constitute the purchasers: D. P. Rhodes, residence and 16 lots; D. P. Dellinger, 37 lots; Phate Brown, 15 lots; E. L. Patterson, 12 lots; Van Costner, 4 lots; M. A. Stroup, 14 lots; F. H. Cunningham of Gastonia 13.

The sale amounted to \$25,432.

Latimore Quint Keeps On Winning

Bessemer City, Jan. 10.—The boys basketball team of Tryon high school lost a hard-fought game to the fast Lattimore team from Cleveland county here Friday afternoon by the score of 32 to 27. The game was fast and furious from the beginning until the final whistle. The locals led the visitors at the half by one point and were also in the lead at the beginning of the final quarter. It was only in the last four minutes of play that the winners were able to register victory.

The Lattimore team has a reputation of running up big scores and only close guarding by the Tryon team prevented a larger score.

The shooting of McSwain with 16 points, and Martin with 13, for their respective teams, was the feature of the game.

Piedmont Parent Teacher To Meet

A very important meeting of the Parent-Teachers association of Piedmont high school will be held Thursday night, January 13, in the parlor of Schenck hall. The subject is Child Welfare, a topic to touch the hearts of every parent and teacher and citizen. A program of unusual interest is being prepared. All members are expected to come and bring prospective members and friends with them. CHARLOTTE YOUNG.

The Paris government is merely taking French leave of its financial obligation.

STRESS VALUE OF RAISING CATTLE

Raleigh.—The farmer who gets the most of his income from cotton accumulates less than the man who grows some livestock or has some other cash crop along with the cotton.

This, according to experts of the school of agriculture at State College is the answer to the question of who makes the most money, the farmer who plants all cotton or the farmer who plants a number of crops with cotton as an important one. A recent study was made of the relationship between the rate at which farmers accumulate wealth and the percentage of the gross income of these same farmers that comes from cotton. The savings were the average of the entire earning life of the farmer.

"The facts show," say the college workers, "that those farmers who received less than 40 per cent of their income from cotton had accumulated wealth at the rate of \$284 per year. When the annual income from cotton went up from 41 per cent to 70 per cent, the annual saving went down to the average of \$146 per year. Those farmers who received more than 70 per cent of their total income from cotton added to their wealth only \$78 per year. In other words, those farmers who depended upon cotton for three-fourths of their

income during all their past years of labor had gained in wealth only about one-third to one-fourth as fast as those who depended on cotton for less than a third of their income.

The figures showed further that the farmer who got less than 40 per cent of his income from cotton and more than 25 per cent of his livestock made the most money on the average. Those farmers who got more than a fourth of their income from livestock increased their wealth at an average of \$240 per year. This, state the college men, is only another sound argument for better balanced farming this year.

Pay Your Town Taxes

Between now and February 1st the Town will have street improvement bonds and interest thereon to pay to the amount of \$37,255.00.

Water works bonds and interest due amounts to \$6,596.00.

Making a total of \$43,851.00.

Please pay your town taxes promptly and also any street and sidewalk assessments which you might owe against your property, in order to make it possible for the town to meet bonds and interest and maintain its good credit.

MRS. O. M. SUTTLE, Clerk and Treasurer.

CALLS FOR TEACHING OF SEX KNOWLEDGE

High Point.—Declaring that Sexology should be taught to children in the public schools and that there is only slight need, if any, for change in the present divorce laws of North Carolina, J. Allen Austin, attorney, addressed the ministers' association here today. Education, not legislation, is needed for the upbuilding of people's morals, and education should begin with the children, stated the lawyer, who has made a special study of divorce and marriage relations.

Too long people have been kept in ignorance on matters pertaining to sex, and this fact is reflected in the large number of divorces, Mr. Austin believed. Now that the question of divorce has been brought to the forefront in the state, the truth, and the whole

BUSINESS SCHOOL FOR SHELBY, N. C.

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Gregg Shorthand, Touch Typewriting, Business English, Business Correspondence, Penmanship, Spelling, Rapid Calculation, General Office Practice.

Commercial Course

Bookkeeping, Banking, Business Arithmetic, Rapid Calculation, Business English, Business Correspondence, Penmanship, Spelling, General Office Practice.

Secretarial Course

Bookkeeping, Banking, Gregg Shorthand, Touch Typewriting, Business Arithmetic, Business English, Business Correspondence, Rapid Calculation, Penmanship, Spelling, General Office Practice.

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Following the usual customs when opening a new school we shall place thirty specially priced charter membership scholarships with the first thirty who apply and who are accepted for admission. Not only is there a material price reduction in these charter membership scholarships, but there are many other attractive advantages. If you are contemplating a course in the school at the opening or any time in the near future it will pay you to get in touch with the representative through the Shelby Chamber of Commerce phone 363, immediately and learn all the details.

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truth should be sought, said the attorney. Mr. Austin assailed the essence with which divorcees are secured in the state, stating that in 60 per cent of the cases the decree were obtained from no evidence whatsoever. However, he did not place the blame for this condition on the present law but rather upon unscrupulous witnesses who are willing to tell lies for a price. TRY STAR WANT ADS.

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