

Hornbuckle Gets Four Year Sentence For Killing Scruggs

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during the hearing, and he repeatedly adjusted his tie and brushed back his curly hair as he listened to the evidence.

His young wife is in Georgia and was not here for the hearing.

Much Interest.

The hearing drew one of the largest crowds of any court case here in several terms, the lower floor of the court room being filled with many standing along the side aisles.

Near the front of the court room were the widow and children of the slain man and also his mother, Hornbuckle's brother sat with him behind his counsel inside the bar.

It was brought out in testimony on the stand that the baby in the arms of Scruggs' widow was born in June after he was killed in February.

Several Lawyers.

The defendant was represented by Attorneys Clyde R. Hoey and Joe Whisnant, while Attorney C. O. Riddings, of Forest City, and Attorney B. T. Falls aided Solicitor Espuring in the prosecution.

Many witnesses were introduced by both sides with Drs. E. A. Houser and Sam Schenck being used to show the nature of the fatal wounds. The long stick of cordwood with which the boxer hit Scruggs was introduced and throughout the hearing of the evidence was placed against the table of the prosecuting counsel.

Witnesses for the State for the most part failed to see, so they said, Scruggs pick up a brick to hit Hornbuckle as was claimed by the defense, while defense witnesses testified that Scruggs, who was known as "Peanut," was raising back up after having stooped to pick up the brick when Hornbuckle slugged him across the head. Two defense witnesses testified to seeing the brick on the ground, one stating that some one threw it into some vines nearby after a crowd had gathered at the scene, but State witnesses declared they did not see the brick which Hornbuckle claimed Scruggs reached.

Was Good Witness.

The young boxer and cotton mill worker proved to be a good witness when placed upon the stand and a stiff cross-examination by Judge Falls failed to shake his composure or to get his replies mixed up.

Hornbuckle's story was that he had been helping get a car out of the road where it was stuck and in doing so had gotten some mud on his trousers. He walked out near the railroad crossing at Eastside he said, and sat down with others there. Scruggs, who was said by other witnesses to have been drinking, came up with another man soon after arriving Hornbuckle said Scruggs asked him why he did not get the mud off of his pants. The witness said he replied that he would when it was dry and that Scruggs then cursed him. A few other words were passed, he said, and then Scruggs asked his brother-in-law whether or not he should hit Hornbuckle and then stooped for the brick. It was then the defendant said that he swung the cordwood to keep from being hit. After the blow was struck someone said to him, he testified, that Scruggs was bad hurt and that he should get a doctor. He testified that he asked where to get one and was told to go to the cloth mill office. He said he did not get in there but went on to a house, telephoned for Dr. Ben Gold, failed to get him, and then telephoned to Dr. E. A. Houser only to be told that Dr. Houser had already been called. He then, he testified, walked to his brother's home at the Dover Mill village, later caught a ride to Gastonia and there boarded a train for Georgia.

The prosecution introduced evidence to show that Hornbuckle was a boxer and also heavier than the slain man, presumably to show that it was not necessary for him to have used the stick in self-defense. Testimony introduced by the State also tended to show that the row between the two started over a pint of liquor which Scruggs wanted to get from Hornbuckle on credit and not over the mud on the boxer's clothing as defense witnesses and Hornbuckle claimed. The State, furthermore, brought out that Hornbuckle had served a road term here several years ago, and the same information was brought out against one of the defense witnesses, both being given a bad character by Police Chief Poston.

Pastors Meet Here In Conference 4th

The pastors conference, of the Kings Mountain association will meet at 2 o'clock next Monday, at the First Baptist church. A full attendance of all the pastors in the association is desired. Dr. Wall will speak with reference to entertaining the Baptist State Convention, which meets with his church Nov. 12. Rev. J. W. Lynch will deliver an address on some vital subject pertaining to the church work.

College Game Here Saturday; Mt. Holly Beats Shelby Eleven

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by Harrelson until a pass was carried over to cut the margin to one touchdown. Fans on the sidelines recalling how "Milky" Gold and "Rooster" Bridges won the Forest City game with 30 seconds to play last year began to wonder if the golden Jerseys, fighting as they haven't fought before this year, might not turn the miracle stunt again. Two passes and a penalty sent the ball to Mt. Holly's six-yard line, first down and goal to go.

Shelby was clamoring for the tying score but on the first play Rippy tossed a pass into the end zone which was grounded and it was Mt. Holly's ball on the 20-yard line. And there the whistle ended the game.

Mt. Holly exhibited a couple of the hardest driving backs seen here this year and a line full of charge and pep. Farris, in the backfield, and McSwain, in the line, were outstanding performers for the Shelby eleven, although a string of scrubs sent in during the last quarter by Coach Morris staged a more ferocious fight to transform a defeat into victory than did some of the regulars they replaced.

Wayne Ferguson, a 4-H club boy of Jackson county, sold 12 pure bred Poland China pigs at 180 days old for \$256.93. The pigs paid nearly \$2 a bushel for corn consumed while being fattened.

BEVIVAL AT SPINDALE

Rutherfordton, Oct. 31.—Everything is ready for the opening of the George T. Stevens month-long evangelistic campaign, services which opens in the new mammoth tabernacle in Spindale. Sunday night, November 4 at 7:30 o'clock. Great interest is being shown in the meetings by the people of Rutherford county.

All the churches of Rutherfordton, Spindale, Forest City and others nearby will be asked to suspend their services Sunday night and each Sunday night during November so the congregations can attend and hear Dr. Stephens. E. Powell Lee, of Atlanta, Ga., will lead the singing and do special solo work while C. W. Keeter, of Rutherfordton, will be choir director. A choir of 250 select voices from every section of the county will lead the music for the meetings.

Sunday School Meet At Eastside Sunday

November Meeting Of Kings Mountain Association To Be Led By J. W. Costner.

The November meeting of the Kings Mountain Baptist Sunday school association which meets Sunday next at 2:30 o'clock at the Eastside Baptist church will be led by J. W. Costner and the topic for discussion will be "Denominationalizing the Sunday school."

The following is the program: 2:30—devotionals by J. P. Toms, Eastside; 2:45—What is meant by "Educationally," and "In line with the policy of the church?" F. E. Green, Double Springs; 2:55—Seven talks of eight minutes: Why a Sunday school should contribute to—State missions, G. T. Cabamiss, Zion; home missions, T. S. Keeter, Grover; foreign missions, Mrs. L. H. Ledford, Ross Grove; Christian education, O. P. Hamrick, Bolling Springs; ministerial relief, George M. Gold, Union; orphanage, Jno. P. Mull, Shelby First; 3:50—Quiz on "what we are doing toward the enlargement work in our Sunday schools," led by the chairman; 4:00 p. m.—adjourn.

New Jersey Man Marries N. C. Girl

Rutherfordton, Oct. 31.—Miss Grace Bailey, daughter of Mrs. G. H. Bailey of near Rutherfordton, was married here Tuesday to Robert Powell, of Wenoah, N. J., Rev. E. B. Jenkins, of the First Baptist church, performed the ceremony. The bride spent the summer at Lake Lure and Chimney Rock with her sister, Mrs. W. T. McSwain. Mr. Powell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Powell, of Wenoah, N. J., and is an engineer. The young couple will be at Lake Lure and Asheville for some time. They will later motor to Wilmington for a few days and then go up the east coast to New Jersey and other points.



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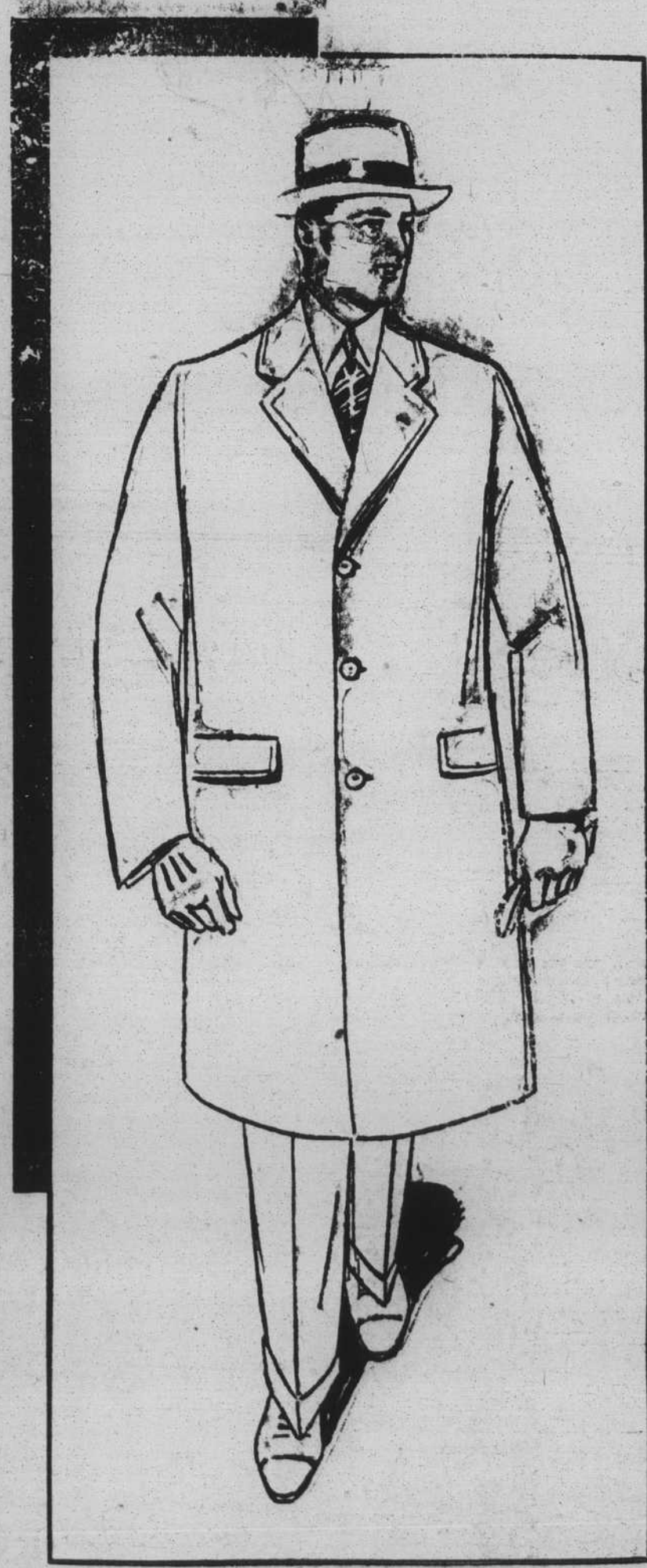
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