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"Dr. Buzzard" Trial Crowds Court House

Transient Negro Promised Wonders For Various Amounts

LANDS IN JAIL

Amusing Stories Related In Court By Victims of C. A. Jordan

Every available seat was taken in the courthouse on Wednesday afternoon when the case against C. A. Jordan, alias "Dr. Buzzard", was finally reached in Recorder's Court, and probably never before did so many witnesses relate, in succession, such ludicrous and amusing stories as was heard from the lips of the prosecuting witnesses who had allegedly been hoodwinked out of money or goods by the self-styled "Dr. Buzzard", who appears to have claimed to be able to do many wonderful works.

The first witness called to the stand was Susie Banks, of New Hope. She testified that the defendant told her that if she would give him 6 geese, 2 hens and a rooster he could dig money. The bargain was that he was to dig behind the barn. Susie gave the poultry but she didn't get any money back. She had promised to give "Dr. Buzzard" ten per cent of what he got, she said. He didn't even dig.

Sam Tillett, who lives near Winfall and says he works mighty hard, working out there on the road, gave "Dr. Buzzard" two dollars because he said it would bring him good luck. Then "Dr. Buzzard" came back and asked for more, so Sam gave him \$7.75 more, making \$9.75 in all, which Sam insisted in court he wanted back. "Dr. Buzzard" promised Sam, so Sam said, that all he wanted with the money was to secure thirty pieces of silver, which he would boil and then he would wash in the water in which the silver was boiled and you would have good luck. Pressed to know who was going to be washed, Sam admitted he really didn't know whether he was to be washed or the Doctor. However, he turned over the money. "Dr. Buzzard" gave him a receipt for it. He was pretty handy in giving receipts, gave them right and left, all signed "Dr. Buzzard". He promised to return Sam's money on Friday night and Sam sat up for hours waiting. The Doctor failed to come back.

Raeferd Gallop, of Winfall, testified that he was worried when "Dr. Buzzard" told him that his wife was in a bad fix, somebody had conjured her, and gave him five dollars, the conjure doctor promising to return the money, which would be just as good to spend as ever after he had boiled the silver, which he would change it to, the fifty dimes. "I don't want your money—I don't want any man's money", he said the doctor told him. "But he didn't bring the money back. I sure would like to have my five dollars", said Raeferd, with feeling.

Ethel Spellman let the conjure doctor have her \$1.50 which she said was borrowed money, just lent it to him to use to boil. But he didn't bring it back. He didn't bring anybody's money back. He also relieved Ethel of 6 chickens, was going to use the blood of them to put into medicine to cure Ethel's husband. Nothing was said of what he would do with the chickens after he used (Continued on Page Three)

Judge's Wash Woman Held For High Court

Judge Walter H. Oakley, Jr., sent a case in which the defendant was charged with being drunk and disorderly to Superior Court Tuesday from Recorder's Court, following the statement made by Cora Chance, the Negro defendant, that the prosecuting witness, Lizzie Zachary, had said to her "I wash for Judge Oakley, and I know he is going to be on my side".

The statement made at the close of a long and excited recital of the circumstances leading up to the trouble between the two middle-aged Negro women, next door neighbors, caused an outburst of laughter in the court room, which was filled with spectators who had gathered to hear the evidence in the case against the self-styled "Dr. Buzzard", a transient Negro who is alleged to have fraudulently obtained large sums of money from local Negroes recently. Judge Oakley, after carefully examining the statement of the witness, Chance to be

FORMER CITIZENS LEAVE FOR CHINA TO RESUME WORK

Rev. and Mrs. White Will Be Missionaries In Orient

AT LEAKSVILLE

Return After Seven Years Spent In This Country

Rev. P. E. White, Mrs. White and their two children, Geneva Josephine and Louis Norman, will sail from San Francisco on Friday of next week for Chengchow, Hohan, China, to resume the missionary work in which they were engaged for several years, prior to returning home seven years ago.

Both Mr. and Mrs. White are natives of Perquimans. Mr. White is a son of I. A. White, of Hertford, and Mrs. White is a daughter of the late L. W. Norman and Mrs. Norman, of Hertford. Their little daughter was born while they were living in China.

Mr. White, who has been for the past six years pastor of the King Memorial Baptist Church, at Leaksville, served as President of the Ministerial Association of Leaksville, for a number of years. At a recent meeting of this organization the following resolutions were adopted and were published in the Leaksville News:

"Whereas the call has come to the Rev. P. E. White to return to the Mission Field in China after an absence of several years, and

Whereas the past six of these intervening years have been spent in a most blessed and profitable ministry in our midst as pastor of the King Memorial Baptist Church, Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express our deep appreciation to Brother White for the abiding work that he has done through the grace of God in building the Kingdom of God in the hearts of his people, and for that kind spirit of ever-ready cooperation in every movement for the uplift and betterment of the community,

2. That we render thanks unto God for the kind providence that gave him to us for these years, and rejoice in the privilege that has been ours of having this period of good fellowship with one whose life so reflects the spirit of Christ; with a man having strong convictions, yet possessing a tender tolerance; a pastor who was a real shepherd, and a husband and father whose home life was an inspiration to the multitude who enjoyed his hospitality.

3. That we commend him and his family to God in prayer for safe-keeping on the long journey and pray that his surrendered life may be used mightily of God in China to bring light and hope to the people there.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Brother White, that they be published in the Leaksville News and that they be spread upon the minutes of the Ministerial Association."

THE LEAKSVILLE, SPRAY, DRAPER MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION
J. C. AMMONS,
W. C. GOODE,
W. H. ALLISON,
Resolutions Committee.

The White family only recently returned to Leaksville after visiting Mr. and Mrs. White and Mrs. Norman in Hertford.

REVIVAL MEETING STARTS SUNDAY

Rev. Fred Powell, Philadelphia Evangelist, Will Preach at Bethlehem Christian Church

A revival meeting will be held at Bethlehem Christian Church, beginning next Sunday, with the Rev. Fred Powell, Evangelist, of Philadelphia, conducting the services. Mr. Powell is well known in the community, having preached at Bethlehem before, and large crowds are expected to hear him. The public is cordially invited. Services will be held each evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. No services will be held during the day-time.

Bethlehem Picnic Held On Labor Day

The Sunday School of Bethlehem Christian Church, held their annual picnic on Labor Day, which is next Monday, September 2. Plans include a picnic on the grounds of the church, and a contest will be held at Bellamy's Wood.

NEWS of the WEEK

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U. S. Warns Soviet On Propaganda

Washington, D. C.—The meetings of the congress of the Communist International (Comintern) came to an end. During its sessions delegates from all countries had reported encouraging progress for the party. American delegates had boasted of leading the San Francisco dock strike of "boring from within." When the sessions were over, the United States lodged a "most emphatic protest" with the Soviet Government through Ambassador William C. Bullitt. It said that the U. S. "anticipates the most serious consequences" if the Soviet Government does not halt activities deemed to be a violation of the pledge signed in November, 1933 by Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Foreign Commissar. The pledge stated that his government would restrain organizations from "propaganda having as its aim the bringing about by force of a change in the political or social order of the whole or any part of the United States."

Optimistic Note

New York City—Merchants in 43 states look back on sales increases of 9 to 7 per cent this year. To New York's twelfth annual Gift Show they sent 3,200 buyers as against 2,700 last year. Sales ranged from 25 per cent to 300 per cent over 1934. Last year's dollar items gave way to wares featured at \$1.50 and \$2.00. Business was good—the best in four years.

Speed Demon Changes Tracks

Lake Bonneville, Utah—In spite of the fact that Utah's State flower is a lily, Sir Malcolm Campbell, Scottish speed demon, will try in this state to reach his goal of 300 miles an hour over a measured mile. His monster racing automobile the Bluebird, failed to set this mark at Daytona Beach because ripples in the sand forced him either to slow up or smash up. He will take his 12-cylinder, 2,600 horsepower, Rolls Royce driven racing car out to the ultra-smooth salt flats of Lake Bonneville. Here the millionaire thrill chaser will spend \$25,000 in trying to whizz 440 feet per second to a new record.

Presbyterian Members Decrease Offerings Increase

New York City—The Christian Herald's annual survey of American Church membership for 1934 reports 1,223,064 new members—"the largest increase since 1930." The Presbyterian, largest single church in the U. S. A., showed a decrease, however, of 27,368 members last year, entirely a dark one. Its 1,959,923 members in 9,025 churches, with 9,901 ministers gave \$35,718,531. These offerings increased \$421,304 over the previous year and averaged \$18.56 a member.

European Country Disbands Its Army

Monte Carlo, Monaco—While European countries race for bigger armaments, one country announces its intention not to reduce its defense, but to disband its entire army! A deficit of \$669,000 in the tiny country of Monaco whose revenue comes, or used to come, mainly from Monte Carlo's famed Casino, caused Prince Louis its white-haired ruler, to cut expenses, fire Monaco's entire military force numbering 76.

New Bombers Will Revise Air Tactics

Dayton, Ohio—The idea of bombing planes outstripping pursuit fighters seemed fantastic to old school tacticians, yet the three great, shining new bombers waiting to be tested at the army's mile square testing field at Dayton will send the pattern of World War air battles to limbo. Air Corps specifications called for a minimum one-ton bomb-load, a 2,000 mile range, and a speed of 200 m. p. h. Keen rivalry between Douglas, Martin, and Boeing with an eye on million-dollar contracts have boosted speeds to 250 or faster, raised ceilings to 30,000 feet, and set higher levels in climb, maneuverability and ease of control. With the army's \$24,000,000 to spend for new aircraft this year, bombers may well take a quarter of it with prices above \$100,000.

The Case Of Fire

Knox, Ohio—Vernie Gross was dismayed to discover his barn afire. Thinking quickly, he started the baler working and called the neighbors. Good hay went to the haler, burning hay out the door. Result: baled-25 tons; saved 1,500 bushels of small grains, 80 more tons of hay, one big barn.

WOODVILLE PASTOR RESIGNS

The many friends of Rev. O. Jack Murphy will regret to know that he has tendered his resignation as pastor of Woodville Baptist Church. He expects to attend school in Louisville, Ky., this winter.

Perquimans Missing At Vet's Convention

STATE GRIDDERS START PRACTICE ON SEPTEMBER 3

Fifty-five Candidates Invited to Report at State College by Coach Hunk Anderson

College Station, Raleigh.—Football players by the dozen will begin to arrive here next week for the start of fall grid drills at State College on Tuesday, September 3. Fifty-five men have been invited to report by Coach Hunk Anderson.

Mr. Anderson, who has been visiting friends in South Bend the past two weeks, arrived Sunday and will have everything in shape for the players when they arrive. Anderson will hand equipment to candidates on Monday, September 2 and drills will start early the next morning. Drills will be held both morning and afternoon until registration of upperclassmen Wednesday, September 18.

Freshman Field will be used as the practice field for the first three weeks. Yearling candidates will occupy half of the field after September 13, the varsity using the other half.

After the first three weeks of practice Anderson expects to take the varsity to Riddick Stadium scene of State's home games, where he will taper the men off for their opening game with Davidson at Greensboro Saturday night, September 28.

Riddick Stadium is at present cluttered with material being used in the construction of concrete stands on the west side of the playing field. The field itself, however, is being protected and is being watered and cared for daily for the coming season.

Captain Barnes Worth, steady right guard, will lead the 1935 candidates into camp. Worth has been working this summer in a glass factory at Toledo, Ohio. Coach Anderson considered him the steadiest guard he saw in action last fall. Worth, a Raleigh boy, is one of the 15 monogram men Anderson has asked to report for early drills.

A number of candidates are already in Raleigh, several having found employment here this summer. Among them are Everett "Cow Boy" Robinson and Earl "Montana" Scofield, the cowboy halfbacks; Venice Farrar, halfback and fullback whom Anderson will move to the line; Alex Regdon, varsity guard; Dan Piloseno, freshman guard, and Roger Mass and Russell Nicholson, varsity ends. Eddie Berlinski, all-State freshman left halfback last fall, has been in Raleigh since mid-July. Eddie is busy earning spending money as physical educational instructor in the North Carolina State prison in Raleigh.

Howard Bardes, varsity halfback, also is on deck. He came to Raleigh following the closing of the R. O. T. C. student military camp at Anniston, Alabama in July. Bardes is managing a city league baseball team and is umpiring softball games.

The men who will aid Anderson as members of the coaching staff—Ed Kosky, Frank Reese, and Roscoe Roy, will arrive next week with the players. They are out of the city on vacation.

John Broughton In Hensley Orchestra

John Broughton, Jr., left Thursday for Old Point Comfort, Va., where he will play first saxophone in the Hensley Orchestra at the Chamberlin Hotel.

Mr. Broughton will return home before he leaves to resume his studies at Wake Forest College, where he will be a junior this year.

Roberson Family Now In Hertford

J. G. Roberson, the new owner of Anderson's Drug Store, which will now be known as Roberson's Drug Store, who was out of town for a few days this week, is now permanently located here. Mr. Roberson, who is a registered druggist, was formerly located at Parker's Drug Store, in Franklin, Va.

The Roberson family consists of Mr. and Mrs. Roberson and two daughters. Miss Spivey Roberson, the elder daughter, will assist her father in the drug store. The younger daughter, Miss Alice, will be a sophomore in the Perquimans High School this year.

Tobacco growers with an excess poundage to sell this fall may secure extra allotment cards from their county agents.

William Madre Only Remaining Confederate Soldier

MIND CLEAR

Despite Age of 91, He Recalls Many War Experiences

When the roll was called this week at the annual meeting of the Confederate Veterans, held at Amarillo, Texas, no representatives of Perquimans, once a hot-bed of the Confederacy, responded.

Time was when there was a long list of these Perquimans Boys in Gray who had followed the Stars and Bars throughout the struggle of the War Between the States. A surprising number of these men came back when the war was over, though many died in battle or from exposure. So many of those who returned had been mere youngsters, strong and enduring. Among these was the late William S. Blanchard, who at 16 volunteered in the Confederate Army and served throughout the entire four years. Most of those who returned lived to be old men, many of them bearing the marks of battle. Only a few years ago there were a number of these Perquimans County Veterans who assembled upon occasion in reunion meets.

Recent years have taken heavy tolls of the once numerous "Southern Boys" throughout the land, however, and today only a trace remains here and there of the soldiers who followed Lee and Jackson.

Among those of Perquimans who have passed away within the last two decades were Isaac Newton White, laid away not so long ago in his Confederate uniform, beneath the Stars and Bars he loved; Allan Perry, W. T. McMullan, W. S. Blanchard, Charles Lane, Calvin Mansfield, W. A. White and Zack Toms.

Of the Perquimans veterans only one is left, William Madre, of Hertford, whose ninety-first birthday will occur in October.

Mr. Madre, whose mind is remarkably clear, recalls vividly the circumstances connected with the War, which began when he was a youth of seventeen. He recalls very clearly the time when ten confederate soldiers were captured by two Union forces and carried to Point Lookout where they were kept prisoners. Mr. Madre evidenced much interest in an excerpt from "The War of the Rebellion—A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies", which recently fell into the writer's hand, giving a report of the Union officer in command of the detachment which captured these Perquimans men. The record dated December 6-10, 1864, reads in part as follows:

"Major: I have the honor to report that the command you were pleased to honor me with for the purpose of arresting a band of Guerrillas was entirely successful.

Resuming our march, we went as far as the forks of the road this side of "Newby's Bridge", where I detached Lieutenant Wilcox with twenty-five men to go within half a mile of Hertford, on this side of the river with instructions to remain there until I communicated with him at Hertford, while I, with the remainder of the command, crossed the Perquimans River, went direct to Hertford, and communicated with him. Here I remained during the night and made it the headquarters of the detachment. The citizens were very accommodating, readily furnishing us with forage and rations. Next morning at daybreak I ordered Lieut. Wilcox and 25 men to proceed to Elizabeth City with the prisoners and cattle that we had captured, while I, with 20 men, scoured the country between Hertford and Edenton, where I captured most of the guerrillas. Returning to Hertford at 3 P. M. after baiting the horses, I recrossed the river at Hertford and took up my line of march.

"We reached Portsmouth at noon, having been gone four days, capturing 10 prisoners, 7 horses (used to convey prisoners), 6 cattle and 16 bales of cotton.

"The following are the names of the prisoners captured: Captain W. Myers, Company D, Sixty-sixth North Carolina; Privates Nathan Smith, William J. Baker, Ambrose Elliott, Joseph White, Kinchon Howell, Darius White, Anderson Elliott, of Company D, Sixty-sixth North Carolina; James Denby, Company D, Sixty-first Virginia Regiment; Spence D. Gray, the man Albemarle."

These were indeed trying days in (Continued on Page Two)