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Little Interest Shown January Court Term

\$25,000 Suit Draws Major Portion of Attention

CIVIL CASES

Only Small Percentage Of Actions Come Up For Trial

The January term of Superior Court for the trial of civil cases only, convened in Hertford on Monday, with Judge Thomas J. Shaw, of Greensboro, presiding.

While a number of cases had been placed on the calendar at this term, only a very small percent of them actually were tried, although several were disposed of by agreement.

Three cases were tried on Monday. In neither of these was any great amount of money represented. On Tuesday the first case called was continued after lengthy argument the part of counsel, and court then recessed until Wednesday morning.

The first case tried on Monday was that of Annie Small Harrell against Richard Steward, Mattie Steward and G. D. Towe. At the conclusion of the plaintiff's testimony a motion for non suit as to G. D. Towe was granted. Later there was a directed verdict which resulted in a judgment against Richard Steward in favor of the plaintiff for \$421.00.

The next case, that of Blanchard-Newby Motor Company against W. L. Wood, resulted in a verdict being returned by the jury in favor of the defendant W. L. Wood.

In the case of Evelyn Skinner against Booker T. Felton, both of whom are colored, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, and it was ordered that the defendant pay to the plaintiff the sum of one hundred dollars in support of the child of the couple.

The jury returned a verdict Thursday morning awarding \$500 to Mrs. Edna Colson, administratrix of Elmer Colson, against J. R. Parker. Mrs. Colson had sued for \$25,000.

The suit was the result of an automobile accident which occurred at the intersection of Grubb Street and Covent Garden, in Hertford, on March 27, 1933, when Elmer Colson was fatally injured.

Mr. Parker, whose home is in Gates County, was not present at the trial of the case on Wednesday, and was represented by T. W. Costen, of Gatesville. Mrs. Colson was represented by McMullan and McMullan, of Elizabeth City.

Sam Banks, colored, the driver of the automobile in which Elmer Colson was riding when the accident occurred, was the first witness to be examined. Banks testified that he was driving the car, with Mr. Colson seated beside him, and that they were going west on Grubb Street, and that as their car started across the intersection with Covent Garden, with only two wheels of the car on Covent Garden, the car driven by Mr. Parker, coming north, struck the side of their car, turning the car over, and that he was on the high side and that he climbed out of the car and ran away. Banks was later picked up at his home near Woodville by Sheriff J. E. Winslow.

Asked why he ran, Banks said that he was frightened, that he had never been in a wreck before, and that he saw a lady get out of the car driven by Parker and run away, and so he ran, too.

Sheriff J. E. Winslow testified that when he reached the scene of the accident, which occurred around 8 or 8:30 at night, some five or ten minutes after the accident occurred, that he found Parker at the scene; that Parker was intoxicated, and that he admitted that he was the driver of the car which struck the Colson car. Mr. Winslow also testified that Mr. Colson was unconscious and that he was taken to the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, where a died a few days afterwards.

Mrs. Godfrey, formerly Mrs. Edna Colson, widow of Elmer Colson, who has remarried, testified of her husband's condition following the accident, and stated that her husband was a farmer and that his probable income was fifty dollars a month.

Simon Rutenberg testified to the position of the cars on the street when he reached the scene of the accident.

T. E. Raper, who helped to lift the automobile from the body of Mr. Colson, testified to the relative positions of the automobiles, also.

Probable cause was found at the

OPPOSES BAILEY



DAVID L. STRAIN

Durham man enters senatorial race against Josiah W. Bailey, and is planning to tour the State in a sound truck.

COUNTY WOMEN FORM COUNCIL

Group Will Plan Objectives of Demonstration Clubs During Year's Activities

At a meeting of home demonstration club members called by Miss Gladys Hamrick, Home Demonstration Agent, and held on Saturday of last week, a County Council was organized, with the following officers elected: President, Mrs. Myrta Winslow; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. C. D. White; reporter, Mrs. J. C. Winslow.

The purpose of the meeting was to set goals or objectives for the contestes the home demonstration clubs of the county are preparing to enter this year. A pressure cooker will be given to the club making the best average for the year.

Following are the goals suggested by the Council: Percent of attendance at the monthly and county meetings; percent of members doing home projects assigned; club doing best work in foods (major project); club doing best work in clothing (major project); club making more improvements in yard beautification; largest percent of year round gardens; club making best record in canning; at least four from each club attending county council meetings; each club represented at leaders' school; best club project of any kind.

Ace-Deuce Contract Club Holds Meeting

The Ace-Deuce Contract Club met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. A. Sawyer in New Hope. After the progressions, the hostess served a delicious ice course.

High score prizes were won by Miss Rebecca Webb and Mr. M. M. Spivey.

Those playing were: Miss Helen Morgan, Miss Vida Banks, Miss Rebecca Webb, Mrs. H. R. Perry, Mrs. J. W. Jackson, Mr. Graham Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Spivey, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sawyer.

Frank A. Banks Is Buried Thursday

Frank A. Banks, 59, son-in-law of Mrs. R. Q. Skinner, died suddenly Wednesday morning at his home in Ocean View, Va., the victim of a heart attack. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Pearl Skinner Banks, and two brothers, William Banks and J. T. Banks, both of Raleigh.

Funeral services were held Thursday in Norfolk, Va., the body subsequently being brought to Hertford for burial in Cedarwood Cemetery.

hearing had for Mr. Parker in Recorder's Court upon the death of Mr. Colson, but at the trial of the case in Superior Court, when Mr. Parker was charged with manslaughter, a jury found him not guilty.

The civil action tried this week was instituted subsequently.

DR. DAVENPORT IS GUEST SPEAKER AT P. T. A. MEET

Gives Hearers Valuable Information Regarding Malaria

SPECIAL MUSIC

Third Grade Has Largest Number Parents Present

Dr. C. A. Davenport, who was the special guest speaker at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday afternoon, gave his hearers some very valuable information on the subject of malaria, which was particularly pertinent at this time when malaria has been recently so prevalent among us.

Dr. Davenport informed his hearers of how this disease is carried and stressed the necessity of the malaria treatment being administered during the spring, summer and fall, in order that the disease may be stamped out.

Dr. Davenport was introduced by Mrs. H. T. Broughton.

Mrs. E. W. Lordley, president, presided.

A delightful contribution to the program was two musical numbers by the Grammar School Glee Club under the direction of Miss Kate M. Blanchard.

Mrs. H. G. Winslow drew the lucky number which won the door prize, a box of candy given by Mrs. William T. Elliott, a grade mother.

The Third Grade of which Mrs. Nathan Relfe is teacher, won the silver loving cup for having the largest number of parents present.

Preston Copeland Hurt On School Grounds

Preston Copeland, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Copeland, of Belvidere, was very painfully hurt on Tuesday while playing on the school ground. The little fellow, who said that he was running and fell, striking the heel of another boy's shoe, received such a wound on the scalp that it was necessary to take him to a physician for treatment.

Preston is one of the children of Belvidere, who come to the Perquimans High School to school every day because of the fact that there is at present no school building at Belvidere. The Belvidere school was burned in the spring and as yet no school has been built at Belvidere.

Breaks Wrist While Cranking Ford Car

Cranking a Ford car used in sawing wood in the village of New Hope on Saturday, resulted in a broken wrist sustained by Winman Spivey, the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Spivey, of New Hope. The young man was brought to Hertford for treatment following the accident.

RETURNS TO HOSPITAL

Miss Nancy Coke Darden spent several days this week at the Stokes-McCoy Hospital, in Norfolk, Va., following a recurrence of sinus trouble with which she suffered considerably last year.

To soften hardened putty, place in boiling water and allow to stand until water cools.

Woman's Club Now Seeking Public Library For Hertford

Mrs. F. T. Johnson, president of the Hertford Woman's Club, is very anxious that some steps be taken to give Hertford a public library, and for the next program of the Club, which meets on Thursday, January 30, she has secured Miss Mary Gilbert, field worker for the State Library Commission, as speaker. Miss Gilbert is prepared to give whatever information those interested in the matter may desire and will give her support to the movement.

Mrs. Johnson, incidentally, was one of the women instrumental in beginning a public library movement in Manteo a few years ago, and the latest reports from Manteo indicate that this library now contains more than twelve hundred books, which are giving pleasure to many who would otherwise not have the privilege of reading.

MAYOR WINSLOW PRESIDES OVER COUNCIL MEETING

Recent Heavy Snow Is Cause For Change In Ordinance

MUST CLEAR SNOW

Light at Extreme End Of Grubb Street Is Requested

Mayor H. G. Winslow presided on Monday night at the first town meeting held since he took over the office of Mayor of the Town of Hertford on January first, to fill the unexpired term of E. L. Reed, who resigned the office.

One of the matters discussed, which will result in an ordinance to take care of the situation, was one which was brought very disagreeably to the attention of the residents of the town during the recent snow.

At this time snow remained on many of the sidewalks of the town in the residential sections until it was melted by rain. A freeze which followed a light rain which fell on the first snow resulted in icy pavements which were a menace to pedestrians and which remained so for several days.

An ordinance will probably be passed by the town council to provide for the removal of snow by the property owners from all sidewalks of the town. As the ordinance now stands it only requires the owners of property in the business section of the town to remove the snow from paved sidewalks.

While it is not often that a snow of such proportions falls in this section, it is believed that when it does and another situation develops such as the recent one, there should be an ordinance to take care of the matter.

It was decided that the Mayor, the Commissioner of Public Works, R. N. Hines; the Town Clerk, W. G. Newby; and Dr. C. A. Davenport, of the Board of Town Commissioners, would attend the meeting of municipality officers held in Elizabeth City on Tuesday.

J. Oliver White and I. L. White appeared before the Board to request that a light be placed at the extreme end of Grubb Street.

Other matters taken up consisted chiefly of routine business.

Mrs. R. H. Willis In Richmond Hospital

Mrs. R. H. Willis, who was stricken with cerebral hemorrhage at the home of her sister, Mrs. P. L. Bostick, in Raleigh, last week, has been taken to a Richmond, Va., hospital and placed under the care of a specialist. While there has not been any marked change in her condition, and little hope has been held out to the family by physicians, no change for the worse has occurred and the family appear to be more hopeful of Mrs. Willis' recovery.

Mrs. Bostick is in Richmond with her sister.

Town Officials Attend Meeting In E. City

Mayor H. G. Winslow, accompanied by Town Clerk W. G. Newby, Commissioner of Public Works R. N. Hines and Commissioner C. A. Davenport, attended the meeting of municipal officers of this section held in Elizabeth City on Tuesday.

Housewives Will Be Shown Art Of Meat Canning February 5

INSTRUCTOR



MISS DICKSIE LEE LEWIS

Miss Lewis will conduct the meat canning class at the Community House in Hertford on Wednesday, February 5.

ROTARIANS HONOR PRESIDENT BUTLER

Special Program Rendered Tuesday In Honor of Departing Hertford Dentist

Dr. Luther H. Butler, president of the Hertford Rotary Club, who will leave shortly to take up his residence at Greensboro, was presented with a beautiful past president's emblem by the Hertford Club at its regular meeting on Tuesday night, when a special program was rendered in his honor. Only three Rotarians were absent from this meeting. A delicious turkey dinner was served by the Hotel Hertford.

Presentation of the gift, which climaxed the program, was made by A. W. Hefren, who paid a beautiful tribute to the departing president.

Judge Walter H. Oakey, Jr., chairman of the special program committee, in introducing the program, which opened with a song led by L. W. Anderson, remarked that he felt that the speech made by Dr. Butler two weeks ago when he announced his intention of leaving Hertford, was probably the most eloquent one ever made at that place. "The fact that he was overcome in telling us," said Judge Oakey, "spoke more eloquently than words."

C. P. Morris, in a few well-chosen words, told Dr. Butler that the Rotary Club as a whole had enjoyed having him as its president, and expressed the deepest regret on the part of the Rotarians at losing him.

With Mrs. R. M. Riddick as accompanist, L. W. Anderson sang "Can't You Hear Me Calling, Caroline," and as an encore, "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling." Mrs. W. E. White gave several humorous readings.

Dr. Butler spoke feelingly of his appreciation of the honor which the Rotary Club had bestowed upon him in its various expressions of regret, and thanked the Club for the past president's emblem, reiterating his sincere attachment to the Rotary Club as well as to the people of Hertford, where he has made his home for the past eight years.

The program closed with a song by Mr. Anderson, "Don't Give Up the Ship," in the chorus of which the company joined.

While Dr. Butler has not announced the exact date of his departure from Hertford, he stated that he expects to be settled in his new location by February first.

Baptist Ladies Plan Silver Tea On Friday

The ladies of the Hertford Baptist Church are giving a Silver Tea on Friday afternoon of this week, to which the public is cordially invited. The affair, which is for the benefit of the building fund of the church, will be held at the home of Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood and the hours are from 3:30 to 5:30. A special entertainment program is being prepared and every effort is being made to make the occasion very enjoyable.

Demonstration at Community House In Hertford

TIMELY SUBJECT

Class Conducted By Experienced Economics Worker

Probably one of the most valuable of the demonstrations conducted through the home demonstration agent's efforts, from the standpoint of the housewife, will be the meat canning demonstration which is to be given in Hertford on February 5, according to an announcement made this week by Miss Gladys Hamrick, home demonstration agent of Perquimans.

Miss Dicksie Lee Lewis, who has had wide experience in the various branches of home demonstration work, will conduct the class, which will be held at the Community House and which will begin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and continue for probably two hours.

Every housewife in the county is naturally interested in the matter of learning how to successfully can meats. During this season of the year, when as a result of the annual hog killings throughout the county there is an abundance of fresh meat, and when the farm family has a great surplus of fresh meat which they would be so glad to have preserved for latter occasions, it is a splendid opportunity to learn to preserve this surplus.

Miss Lewis comes to Hertford highly recommended. A graduate of home economics at Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn., she has conducted adult classes in foods and nutrition, child's care in feeding, simple menu planning, keeping the family fit, buying and preserving foods, canning garden budgets, school lunches and girls' classes in foods and nutrition, and has been active in various phases of home economics work.

She is said to be thoroughly familiar with her subject and also able to get her message across successfully.

Rev. P. E. White Writes From China

Writing from Chingchow, China, Rev. P. E. White, Missionary, says that it was a joy to receive a copy of The Perquimans Weekly that day.

The letter addressed to the editor of The Perquimans Weekly, and written on December 15, reached Hertford on January 13, twenty-eight days after it was written.

"Your paper," writes Mr. White, who is a former Hertford boy, and who with his family went back to China last summer to take up the missionary work which was interrupted some years ago because of the revolution in China, "told about the Armistice Day addresses and other matters of interest. Before you receive this letter you will have crossed over the Christmas holidays and entered well into the New Year. It is not too late to wish for your readers and all our friends a full, blessed New Year."

"Today is Sunday," the letter continues. "We had a great day in Church this morning. I am teaching a Sunday School class part in English and part in Chinese. It serves as a hook to get some to study the Bible. After Sunday School the pastor, Mr. Lung, preached a splendid sermon on Redemption. There were about twenty to testify that they wanted to receive Jesus as their Savior. We are trying to have something going on all the time to interest and help these poor people come to terms with the Lord. I have never seen anything more favorable to the preaching of the Gospel. I should like to ask you to share the work with us in your prayers and support."

Rev. Mr. White's father, I. A. White, and Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. L. W. Norman, both of whom live in Hertford, keep in constant touch with the Phil Whites through correspondence. Their letters indicate that they are thoroughly happy in their work in China.

Honey served with hot toast is delicious with hot tea or coffee for luncheon or supper.