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Prominent Business Man Passes

William Joshua Meares, 61, one of the city's prominent business men, died Wednesday evening, at 6:00 o'clock at his home, 301 Beech street.

Mr. Meares operated a tailor shop at 509 East Market street, known as Meares' Tailor Shop, for more than 40 years. He was also treasurer of the Deacon Board of St. James Presbyterian church for 35 years, a member of the Professional Men's club, and a member of St. John's Masonic Lodge No. 12.

Funeral services will be held at St. James Presbyterian church Sunday at 2:30 p. m., with the Ministerial Alliance in charge.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Essie B. Meares; a son, Julian A. Meares; three daughters.



RECEIVE MASTERS' DEGREES—Pictured above left to right are Mrs. Lucille C. Tarpley, Mrs. Beatrice R. Jones and Mrs. Willie A. Clapp, all of Greensboro, who received the Master of Science degree in Rural Education at the closing session of the 12th annual convocation of A. and T. college summer school which closed last Sunday. The three are public school teachers in the state.

Wise and Warren Held For Murder Of Mrs. Williams

A. C. Wise, 30, and James Warren, 41, were given a preliminary hearing Friday morning before Magistrate J. E. Paschal for the brutal slaying of Mrs. Nellie P. Williams August 11 on Muir's Chapel road. Both men were later bound over to Superior court which is scheduled for September 10.

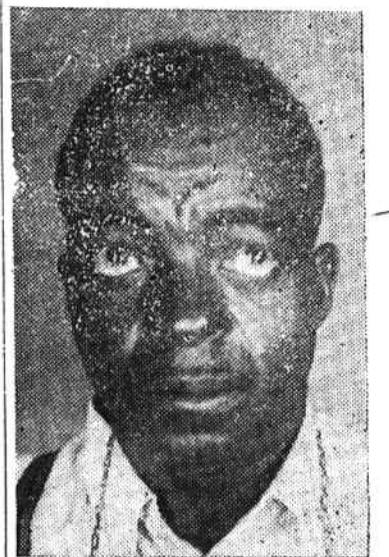
Only one deputy, J. W. Donovan, testified for the state. He stated that Wise told him that Mrs. Williams had made arrangements to meet him by bus at a designated spot on Walker avenue August 11, and he (Wise), made arrangements with James Warren to take him to the point of meeting. The deputy further quoted Wise as saying that Mrs. Williams did not come on the first bus following his arrival, but did come on the second one and got off a short distance from where Wise and Warren were parked, then walked 15 or 20 feet in the pine thickets just off Muir's road. The deputy quoted Wise as saying that after a disagreement he took his knife and cut her throat, then took a sapling from a nearby tree and beat her. He took her watch, glasses and pocketbook and went back to the car where Warren was waiting. Upon returning to the car Wise told Warren not to tell what had happened. He then paid Warren 75 cents for the trip.

Mrs. Williams' glasses, watch and pocketbook were found at Wise's residence where he had told the deputy they were placed. Blood stains were seen on the ground where the dead woman lay and on the shirt waist which she wore. The deputy stated that Wise's pants and shirt were bloody.

Warren, who is pleading not guilty of taking Wise on the August 11 trip, stated that he took him to the Muir's Chapel

road August 6 at which time Mrs. Williams met Wise and went for a short ride with him. Later she got out of the car and walked a short distance with Wise, and the deputy quoted Warren as saying that Wise paid him \$1.00 for the trip.

Donovan quoted Warren as stating further that he went to a dentist in the Jefferson Standard building about 10 o'clock Saturday morning, and that the dentist pulled two teeth. From there he is said to have gone to an A. and P. store and to several other places. He also stated that he did not see Wise at all on August 11, "But Warren had



A. C. WISE

enough in him not to make any further statement," said the deputy.

The picture shown in the Future Outlook does not closely resemble Wise due to the fact that his glasses were off, and he was a bit perturbed at the time it was made. Wise, who is small of stature, weighs approximately 160 pounds.

Letters To the Editor

Dear Editor:

In asking for ideas to help combat the deplorable crime wave which has swept our city and county in the past months, you have really thrown a challenge to the citizenry. I'm not sure I can be of much help, but as a good citizen, I felt the urge to at least write.

I think our crime wave has its source in several streams, and when they converge, the result is rape, murder or illegitimates. The first stream is ignorance. Education may not be the answer to all the problems, but there is no substitute for it. When real education, not just "readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic" is made available to more people, it will in a great measure help prevent crimes. I think it is high time that sex and criminology should be taught in school, instill them in pliable minds. This first fault lies at the door of educators.

The second stream is idleness. It is well said that "idleness is the devil's workshop." When young people, men and women have nothing to do, then they make something to do. At first it may start out as a game, but it usually ends in something violent. We have in a lackadaisical way, presented to the people a summer recreational program, but have we given the people a well-rounded all the year program? What we want to do, what we need to do is give the people something to occupy their minds. This second fault lies at the door of the city.

The third stream is poverty.

On this stream ride ill health, disease, malnutrition and crowded housing conditions. The war has only brought to the fore these conditions which have long existed among us. Low wages is the boat in which all these other ills ride. When we are given adequate housing facilities with cheerful home surroundings, we'll spend more time in them. Poverty is the breeding ground for all these ills. As you know in neighborhoods where all the pleasant conditions prevail, we have less crime and less delinquency. This fault lies at the door of the people. Once we as a body actually see this basic condition and begin striving to remedy it, crime and its followers in this area will start moving out.

I hope I've been some help in this campaign to lessen the evils of crime in our county. Some of the observations I have made have been of necessity harsh, but truth is harsh and justice is uncompromising in the good for all the people.

WILLIAM H. MALLORY

Greensboro, N. C.
August 25, 1945

Dear Editor:

I think where there's no Christianity in the homes while the children are growing up, and the parents not interested to the extent that they keep them in school, allowing them to be in bad company are some of the causes of many of the crimes committed today.

To prevent these crimes, the



WILLIAM J. MEARES

Mrs. Marietta Carrington, Mrs. Anita B. Rivers, and Miss Agnes Meares; one brother, Gaston Meares; four sisters, Mrs. M. Dudley, Mrs. M. King, Mrs. L. Hutchins, Mrs. L. Baker; one daughter-in-law and two sons-in-law.

Interment will follow in Maplewood cemetery.

ELKS DELEGATES ATTEND CONVENTION

Four officers of the Old North State Lodge 87, Elks organization, left Sunday for Philadelphia to attend annual meeting of the grand lodge and the branch group, Independent order of the Elks of the World.

Delegates are Alvis Rhodes, exalted ruler; R. L. Ledwell, esteemed leading knight; John Purcell, member of the trustee board, and W. E. Hooker, secretary. They will return this weekend.

L. H. McLaurin, Civic Leader, Passes

REIDSVILLE, Aug. 30 — L. H. McLaurin, 43, civic leader, died at Memorial hospital last night. A native of Laurinburg, he attended Laurinburg Institute, Smith University, Charlotte, and graduated from Clark university, Atlanta, Ga., and Renaux School of Embalming, New York.

He came to Reidsville and established the McLaurin Funeral home in 1931. He was a member of Omeida Phi Phi fraternity, the Elks club, Men's Progress

sive club of Reidsville, chairman of the finance committee of the Reidsville division of Boy Scouts of America, and lay leader of the Methodist church.

Funeral will be held Saturday at 10 a. m., at Reidsville Methodist church, interment taking place at Laurinburg Saturday at 5 p. m.

Mr. William Gilmer, of 1234 Gray street, has returned from Marietta, O., after spending a week with his brother, Rev. Arthur M. Gilmer.