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## BOY ROBBERS GO BACK TO JAIL

Court Agrees on One-Year Sentence and Fines in View of Prisoners' Youth.

Three youths arrested last June in connection with the robbery of the store of Rector and Son on the Richmond-Washington highway near Dumfries, were tried in the circuit court here on Monday before Judge Samuel G. Brent and sentenced to one year in jail and fines of \$300 each plus court costs amounting to about \$200 apiece. They were charged specifically with tying and gagging "Donnie" Rector and robbing the place of money and merchandise valued at about \$58.

The boys, all hailing from New York, are Joseph Piazza, 16, Rosario Salici, 18, and John Marino, 18. Judge Brent, addressing them at the time of their sentence, said that there might be doubt of the wisdom of letting them off so lightly, but that in view of their youth he was willing to act upon the advice of Commonwealth's Attorney Lion and give them a chance to make an early start toward being good citizens once more. The boys having been in jail since their arrest will be credited with the 241 days already served.

A special election in Gainesville district was set for March 27 to consider a bond issue of \$40,000 for the erection of a new school building. Seventeen acres of land lying between Gainesville and Haymarket have been purchased from Mr. M. Bruce Whitmore, of Manassas, subject to the success of the bond issue. Court adjourned from Monday to today and will be idle again until Tuesday.

A summary of Monday's business follows:

**Common Law.**  
Order for special election in Gainesville district on March 27 to pass upon a proposed bond issue of \$40,000 for the erection of a new school building approved by the county school board, board of supervisors and state department of education.

**Commonwealth vs. Wade Cornwell,** indictment for a felony (breach of prohibition law). Defendant discharged; jury's verdict, not guilty.

**D. C. Clarke vs. Fannie B. Harris,** principal defendant, and the National Bank of Manassas, co-defendant—Case dismissed on plaintiff's motion.

**Re estate of E. H. Goodwin,** deceased—Report of Robt. A. Hutchison, commissioner of accounts, confirmed; E. R. Conner, administrator, directed to pay out funds and settle accounts.

**N. A. Ashby vs. C. F. Brown,** on notice—Cause continued to fourth day of April term.

Clerk ordered to lend to Michael Lynch certain revolver forfeited to the commonwealth, to be used by him during his term as constable.

Preliminary order of adoption of Joseph Allen Payne, infant son of C. Thurston Payne and Susie R. Payne, Delaplane, Fauquier county, by Oscar M. and Daisie G. Douglas, of Thoroughfare, who will keep him for a period of one year before issue of final order of adoption; Dr. Wade C. Payne to visit child at least once in every three months until time of final order. Child's name to be changed to Joseph Allen Douglas.

**N. Y. Life Insurance Co., of N. Y., vs. Henry F. Lynn and Mary E. Lynn,** his wife—F. S. McCandlish appointed and substituted for Andrew L. Todd as trustee, in trust dated May 24, 1926.

**J. T. Young and E. W. Buckman** appointed trustees to hold legal title to property of R. E. Lee Lodge, No. 221, I. O. O. F., instead of J. F. Williams and J. M. Rainey.

**Commonwealth of Va. vs. One White Motor Truck, The Texas Co. et al.—Texas Co.,** relieved from further liability incident to (Continued on Page Eight)

## COURT DECLINES TO REAPPOINT DUVAL

Judge Accepts Recommendation of Supervisors, Sheriff and Attorney Lion.

A petition to reappoint former Prohibition Officer R. H. Duval, whose services were dispensed with by order of the January meeting of the county board of supervisors, was presented to the circuit court on Monday and denied by Judge Brent who stated that his action was dictated by recommendations of the board of supervisors, sheriff and attorney for the commonwealth.

The supervisors decided to abandon the plan of paying out \$1,680 a year to two special officers, and in its place to increase the sheriff's salary from \$700 to \$1,200 a year, the sheriff to acquire the services of "desirable deputies." It has been suggested that "desirable" in this case means acceptable to the dry interests.

It is understood that the main reason for such a change is its economic aspect. Officer Duval's monthly salary of \$100 was made up from \$75 of county money plus \$25 from the state, while no part of the fines imposed accrued to the county, every cent going to the state. The February court record so far has no reference to the matter.

## FOR POPULAR VOTE ON SHORT BALLOT

Delegate Chichester Prefers to Submit Pending Questions to the Voters.

Stating that while he personally was inclined to oppose the short ballot, D. M. Chichester, representative of Stafford and Prince William in the House of Delegates, said he believed the people of the state should have a voice in the decision of the questions now pending and for that reason he would vote to refer the question as an amendment to the constitution to the people of Virginia at the elections next fall.

The bill referring the question passed the Senate last week and will come before the House in a few days. Under its provisions the ballot now used by the people in voting would be shortened by making some of the now elective State officers appointive and giving the Governor power to name them. The only officers it would affect are the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Under the provisions of the amendment, if passed, the Governor would appoint these officers just as the president of the United States now appoints the members of his cabinet.

## PRESBYTERIAN PROGRAM

An interesting program, including readings, music and a play, was given in the Sunday School room of the Presbyterian Church Tuesday evening by Circle No. 1 of the Presbyterian Missionary Society. The play, "Dr. Adams and His Patients," was directed by Mrs. Sigman, who played the part of the doctor. Miss Grammer took the part of the nurse; Mrs. D. R. Lewis, the maid, and the patients were: Misses Lucy Arington, Anna Bruce Whitmore, Virginia Conner, Edythe Wilfong, Frances Bushong and Jane Walter and Mrs. Walter Sadd. The program was composed of readings by Miss Adrienne Vernon and Mr. Worth H. Storke, vocal numbers by Miss Gladys Ball and piano music by Miss India Flynn.

"A Hoodooed Coon," a three-act comedy, is to be presented at the high school auditorium on Wednesday, February 29, under the direction of Mr. C. W. Boyles. Franklin Hibbs plays the title role of "Misery," who is always in trouble. "Hibby" has quite a reputation as a comedian and is expected to make a fine success of the part.

## MISS ANNIE JOHNSON DIES AT CLOVER HILL

Member of Old Prince William Family Buried on Tuesday in Family Cemetery.

Miss Annie Miller Johnson, a life-time resident of Prince William county, died early Monday morning following a week's illness due to paralysis and complications. Her death occurred at Clover Hill Farm, the old Johnson home where she was born on October 13, 1850, and where she had spent her entire life with the exception of the time that the family "refugeed" south during the war between the states.

Miss Johnson was a daughter of Joseph Johnson and Emily Eliza Wheatley Johnson, and was the last surviving member of her immediate family. She leaves a number of nephews and nieces including Mrs. Egbert Harrell and Messrs. Lee and Ralph Johnson, of Manassas; Mrs. G. A. Hutchison, of Aldie, and the five children of the late Joseph B. Johnson, of Clover Hill.

Funeral services were held from her late home on Tuesday afternoon and interment was made in the family burying ground. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. Stuart Gibson.

Among the out-of-town relatives here for the funeral were: Mr. J. Hendley Johnson, of Kingsport, Tenn.; Mr. Joseph F. Gulick, of Chevy Chase, D. C.; Mrs. M. H. Lightner, of Haymarket; Miss Clara Lamb, of Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hutchison, of Aldie.

## LADIES SPEAK BEFORE W. C. T. U.

Flint Hill Visitor to Local Union Gives Inspiring Talk—Other Numbers.

(Mrs. Emma J. Harrell, Secretary)

The W. C. T. U. observed "Willard Memorial fund day," at the home of Miss Maggie Smith on Wednesday afternoon. The meeting opened with the singing of "America, the Beautiful," and after scripture reading by the vice-president, Mrs. J. Halpenny, and prayer by Rev. Mr. Halpenny, the roll was called and each member responded with a quotation from speeches of Frances E. Willard. Then followed readings on the life and work of Frances Willard and the purpose of the memorial fund.

Mrs. Thomas G. Pullen, of Flint Hill, gave a very inspiring talk. She spoke of our great heritage, of Frances Willard and of many other noble women who have done much for the temperance cause and have gone on to their reward. She said that the time has come when we must lay aside party and stand for principle. She made a plea to all present to do all in their power to uphold the great cause of prohibition and not to neglect to vote; and to vote always for the dry man. She said if all Christians and church members would do all in their power for prohibition it would win out easily.

Mrs. K. L. Sadd gave a fine paper on "Answering the Call." "Are we answering the call in our homes, in our schools, in our lives?" she asked. "Are we doing all we can for the great cause of prohibition?"

Among others who took part were Mrs. T. R. Bywaters, Mrs. B. T. Hodge, Mrs. George D. Baker and Mrs. J. L. Gorrell. All of the talks and papers were helpful and inspiring. The program was interspersed with several poems and music and all left voting it one of the very best meetings we have ever had.

There was a full congregation at Trinity Church Sunday evening when Dr. W. W. Ellsworth, who was giving a series of lectures at Swavely School, spoke on "The Making of the Bible."

## BOTH HIGH TEAMS WIN BASKET BALL CONTESTS

Manassas Girls and Boys Victorious Over Leesburg Outfits Friday.

Again on Friday our basket ball teams were victorious. This time they won both games from Leesburg. The girls' game was very well played, with a final score of 22-14 in favor of Manassas. The boys' game was much better than the score 48-5 might indicate. The Leesburg boys played a fast game, with good pass work, but the Manassas boys had the edge on them. The Manassas boys simply smothered their opponents by the best exhibition of guarding they have shown this year.

This game was the best attended game of the season thus far. We wish to thank our friends for their splendid support, and hope to see them this Friday night when we play Warrenton on our home floor.

For the second time the games were late in starting. This was due to the fact that part of the Leesburg team got lost and went almost to Warrenton before finding out where they were. We have made a special effort to explain to Warrenton the embarrassment which has been caused by the late arrival of our visiting teams; and they assure us that they will be here in plenty of time to start the game on time Friday night.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Journal is an advertisement of the Warrenton game.

## BARRETT'S HERD HEADS COW LIST

January Leaders Produce Average of 1062 lbs. Milk and 37.77 lbs. Fat.

(C. E. Muddiman, Official Tester)

John Barrett's herd of 29 grade Holstein, Guernsey and Jersey led the Prince William Cow-Testing Association for January with an average of 1062 lbs. of milk and 37.77 lbs. of butterfat.

The total production of the association was 503988 lbs. of milk and 17445 pounds of butterfat, making an average of 722.4 pounds of milk and 24.99 pounds of butterfat. This average would be better if there were some more unprofitable cows sold, as there were 20 sold during January.

During the month 698 cows were tested, of this number 71 were dry and 15 produced 50 or more pounds of butterfat.

The following is a list of the cows producing 50 or more pounds of butterfat:

- J. F. Miller, Nokesville, Gr. H., Cherry, 899; 51.2.
- J. F. Miller, Gr. H., Blackie, 1195; 52.5.
- J. F. Miller, Gr. H., B. Beautie, 1223; 53.6.
- H. S. Hynson, Manassas, Gr. H., No. 15, 1454; 97.4.
- R. S. Hynson, Gr. G., No. 37, 1229; 58.3.
- Harley and Kline, Manassas, Gr. H., No. 5, 1430; 52.9.
- Harley and Kline, Gr. H., No. 6, 1403; 53.3.
- J. H. Iden, Manassas, P. B. H., No. 16, 1845; 57.1.
- C. C. Lynn, Manassas, Gr. H., Mary, 1657; 51.3.
- P. A. Lewis, Manassas, Gr. H., Tillie, 1945; 51.7.
- P. A. Lewis, Gr. H., Grace, 1634; 52.2.
- P. A. Lewis, Gr. H., Burke, 1668; 58.3.
- J. E. Barrett, Manassas, Gr. H., Thelma, 1531; 50.5.
- J. E. Barrett, Gr. H., Bob Lewis, 1741; 71.3.
- Portner Realty Co., Manassas, Gr. H., No. 36, 1531; 55.1.

The Ministerial Association held its regular meeting this morning at the National Bank building. Union prayer meetings followed.

## SHOOTS WOMAN AND TURNS GUN ON SELF

Aurelius Sullivan Dies While Woman He Was to Marry Recovers Rapidly.

Insanely jealous over Mrs. Mary E. Richards, 33 years old, with whom he boarded, Aurelius Sullivan, 46, a divorced man, shot Mrs. Richards in the right side of her face in an effort to end her life and then turned the weapon on himself, firing a bullet through his right temple and blowing out his brains, says the Alexandria Gazette of Wednesday. Mr. Sullivan died a few hours later and Mrs. Richards is recovering rapidly.

Mr. Sullivan was a photographer who lived in Manassas last summer. The double shooting occurred in the small apartment of Mrs. Richards in Alexandria. Discussing the matter with a representative of the Gazette, Mrs. Richards declared she was getting a divorce from her husband, now said to be in Tennessee, and it was her intention to marry Mr. Sullivan, who was employed as a night watchman, at the Fruit Growers' Express.

Mrs. Richards is a native of Orange county and Mr. Sullivan came from Spotsylvania. She has three children, aged 11, nine and five. Sullivan was said to have been divorced 19 years ago.

## SWAVELY QUINT BOOSTS WINNING STREAK TO FIVE

Warrenton Loses to Local Basketers—Arnold and Aman Star for Victors.

By defeating Warrenton High School at Warrenton last Friday, the Swavely basket ball team posted its string of victories up to five.

The game was fast and exciting, although the final score was 38 to 12. The Warrenton players seemed unable to pass through the strong Swavely defense, but time and again scored on apparently impossible shots from the center of the floor.

Arnold displayed his usual talent in defensive work for Swavely, while Aman starred on the offensive.

SWAVELY

Lochrie	F.
Criswell	F.
Aman	C.
Arnold	G.
Hayes	G.
Howard	G.
Total	38

WARRENTON

Sudduth	F.
Kessler	F.
Schwab	C.
Thompson	G.
Gill	G.
Total	12

## E. P. ROBERTSON DEAD

Everett P. Robertson, who operated a general store at Bristow for many years, died early Friday morning in a Washington hospital after an illness lasting nearly two years. His body was brought back to Bristow on Sunday and funeral services were held at the Methodist Church, the Rev. Mr. Smith officiating.

Mr. Robertson was 49 years old and, with the exception of the last year in Washington, had spent his entire life at Bristow. He was the son of Basil and Elizabeth Robertson and is survived by his mother, his wife, who was Miss Hattie Herndon, two children and a brother, Mr. Henry Robertson, of Washington.

## PARRISH BADLY HURT

Capt. Harry N. Parrish, of Jefferson Park, Southern railway conductor who lived in Manassas a few years ago, lost his left leg in a tragic accident at Alexandria today. Capt. Parrish fell while attempting to board a train. It is understood that his left leg was so badly mangled that amputation was necessary. His right leg also suffered serious injury.

## SOLONS BUSY AT STATE CAPITOL

Senate Votes More Pay for Judges—Half-way Mark Already Passed.

A bill giving the circuit court judges of Virginia \$4,500 per annum was adopted by the state Senate on Friday. The original bill asked for \$5,000 and an effort was made on the Senate floor to cut it down to \$4,200. Other bills designed to increase the salaries of judges of the state Supreme Court of Appeals and to raise the per diem fees of jurors in civil and criminal cases weathered the storm in the Senate and were sent to the House for concurrence. Efforts were made to defeat the bill for raising the compensation of jurors in criminal cases, on the ground that such a measure would have the effect of disturbing the Governor's budget.

Supreme Court judges under one of the bills will receive \$600 more per annum, raising the salary of the president of the court to \$6,800 and the salary of the other three judges to \$6,600.

Senator Wickham, of Hanover, attacked the Smith bill fixing criminal jury fees at \$2 (the bill originally asked \$3), instead of the \$1.50 now paid.

The bill appropriating \$10,000 from the game protection fund for a survey of disputed boundary line between Maryland and Virginia and for the placing of permanent markers at points approved by Federal authorities was reported favorably out of committee and placed on the calendar.

Favorable action also was reported by the committee on a proposed appropriation of \$300 for a portrait of former Governor Andrew Jackson Montague, now representative in Congress from the third congressional district. The portrait is to take its place in the State Library with the portraits of other Virginia governors throughout the history of the state.

The administration bill placing an additional half-cent tax on gasoline, making the total tax five cents a gallon, was introduced and referred to committee. This bill would require dealers, firms and corporations to furnish reports of wholesale and retail prices and does not exempt oil and gasoline distributing companies from payment of the tax on gas consumed by their machines in distribution. Penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of the law would be a fine of \$1,000.

An anti-lynching bill drafted after the recommendations of the Governor and providing for financial indemnity by localities to relatives of the lynching victim also was introduced.

The committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing has deferred action on the Watkins bill prohibiting the sale of milk by state institutions in competition with private dealers and requiring that any surplus over the consumption needs at the state farm and reformatories be converted into butter and cheese and sold to the best advantage on the open market. The hearing lasted more than two hours, private dairy interests, farmers and representatives of the various state institutions filling the legislative hall. Supt. Penn of the State Farm testified that an appropriation of \$68,000 would be necessary to take care of the deficiency if the bill was passed.

Friday also saw a heated hearing before the Senate courts and justices committee of the Price bill to define Indians and ne- (Continued on Eighth Page)