

LAST WITNESSES FOR PLAINTIFFS' EXAMINED

Attorneys for Defense in Defunct Saving Bank Case Begin Taking Depositions Soon

END OF TRIAL NOT YET IN SIGHT

Indications Are That Judge Ingram Will Not Give His Decision Until Next Spring—Record of Testimony to Be Filed in Clerk's Office of Corporation Court.

The taking of depositions for the plaintiffs in the suit of the depositors against the officers and directors of the wrecked Savings Bank of Newport News, which began more than six months ago, was concluded yesterday, Attorney E. S. Robinson being the last witness examined. The only other witness heard yesterday was Miss Lily C. Stewart, formerly a bookkeeper in the defunct institution, who was recalled to the stand to give expert testimony relative to the condition of the books of the old bank.

The attorneys representing the defendants probably will begin taking depositions within a week or two and will conclude early next year. When all of the depositions are completed, the papers will be forwarded to Judge Ingram of Richmond, who was appointed by Governor Swanson to sit in this case. It will take the judge several weeks to examine the papers and his decision in the case probably will not be rendered before next spring.

ABANDON AFTERNOON SERVICE. Officers of the First Presbyterian Church Decide on This Step.

At a meeting of the officers of the First Presbyterian church, Tuesday night, it was decided to abandon the 6 o'clock service on Sunday afternoons and to hold the evening service at 7:30 o'clock during the winter months and 8 o'clock during the summer months. This change was made at the request of many members of the congregation.

It was also decided to abandon the chorus choir of the church and have a quartet instead. The officers also voted to hold regular business meetings each quarter, instead of annually, as heretofore.

First Public Meeting. The Literary and Debating society of the local Young Men's Christian Association will hold its first public meeting of the winter season in the association Monday night. An interesting literary and musical program will be rendered. The officers of the society for this year are: President, S. Scott; vice president, James A. White; secretary, R. E. Peck.

Profanity Decision by Supreme Court. (By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Jackson, Miss., says: By unanimous vote the supreme court yesterday held that the expression "go to hell" is not profanity. The case was that of Rosa Stanford, a negro girl 12 years of age, who was convicted in the lower court at Corinth of violating the statute against profanity.

Negro Appointed. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 12.—James A. Cobb, a negro has been appointed special assistant United States attorney for the District of Columbia.

Mrs. C. W. Bahner left yesterday for a visit to friends in Washington, D. C.

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Epworth League Star Course. An evening of Music and Education by the Misses Wentworth and Cotterill and Messrs. Blakemore and Salley, Chestnut avenue Methodist church, Twenty-fifth street and Chestnut Ave. This (Thursday) evening Nov. 14, 8:15 o'clock. Admission, adults 15c, child ren 10c.

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FIRST DAY'S SESSION OF METHODIST CONFERENCE

After Bishop Galloway Had Opened Conference Rev. S. S. Lambeth Was Elected Secretary.

PETERSBURG, VA., Nov. 13.—Inclement weather of the early morning held down the attendance upon the conference, but as the clouds gave way to sunshine the galleries of Washington Street church soon filled with visitors and delegates, who had been delayed in arriving, reached the church and took their places before business had progressed far. Before the day closed all the delegates were there.

Much of the early hours was taken up by delegates in greeting each other, and so much confusion was created at one time that Bishop Galloway was compelled to admonish the brethren. Little important work was done during the morning, save the election of secretary and the naming of committees.

Bishop Galloway opened the session with communion services. Rev. S. S. Lambeth was chosen secretary, with Rev. F. B. Lipscomb, of Petersburg, and Rev. G. F. Green, of Danville, as assistants. The time of meeting was fixed at 9:30, and adjournment at 1:30. Standing committees were named and J. T. Whitley was appointed secretary to Bishop Galloway.

The report on Church Extension showed an increase during the year of \$8,500, and that seventy-eight per cent of last year's assessment had been paid. The assessment for the coming year is placed at \$10,125.

The report of the board of education showed the revenue at \$22,000 and new assessment at \$50,000.

Rev. Dr. Cook, secretary of the board of Missions, from Nashville, addressed the conference on the work of his department, and said the work of missions had been great, and the cry for help had been heard and needed.

Rev. S. S. Lambeth, D. D., preached the conference sermon tonight at Washington Street church. Rev. W. F. Little, dean of the faculty of Vanderbilt University, delivered an address on world-wide Methodism.

Mr. Land to Leave.

Mr. E. J. Land will leave Saturday morning for his old home in Newport News, N. C., where he will become a partner in the real estate business conducted by his father in that city.

Early Morning Blaze.

A negro dwelling near Chestnut avenue and Thirty-fourth street was destroyed by fire shortly before 3 o'clock this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Calvin Rogers have returned from their wedding trip.

BIG CROWD ON GROUNDS

Daughters of Confederacy Day at the Exposition.

BEGINNING OF ANNUAL CONVENTION

Business Sessions Will be Held in Norfolk, But Delegates Will Have Plenty of Time to Take in Point of Interest.

One of the largest crowds seen on the Exposition grounds this month gathered yesterday to participate in the exercises incident to the celebration of Daughters of the Confederacy Day.

Exercises held at the Auditorium at 11 o'clock yesterday morning marked the beginning of the annual convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. The ladies spent the afternoon visiting the exhibit palaces, and many of them remained over to take in the warpath in the evening.

Business sessions of the convention will be held at Odd Fellows Hall, Norfolk, every day this week, but care will be taken to give the visitors a plenty of time in which to visit the Exposition thoroughly and visit points of interest in Tidewater.

Civic Improvement. Ralph Stephen S. White, one of the foremost Jews of America, who will be the orator of the day at the Exposition on November 19, Civic Improvement Day, has chosen for the text of his address the subject, "Civic Improvements."

The exercises will be held in the Auditorium beginning at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mayors and municipal officers of nearby cities, and clergymen and church goers have been invited to attend and participate in these exercises.

J. A. Humphrey, secretary of the Illinois commission to the Exposition, has returned to the Illinois building at the fair after a two weeks' trip to his home.

NEGRO WOMAN BADLY HANDLED

Della Adrist Claims that Henry Yancey Used an Axe.

Della Adrist, a negro woman, was terribly beaten about the head and face by Henry Yancey, also colored, at her home on Twenty-third street, near Washington avenue about 7 o'clock yesterday evening. Patrolmen Griffin and Earp reached the scene soon after the fight occurred and the woman was removed to her home, where a physician was called to dress her wounds. She was summoned to appear and answer to the charge of disorderly conduct. Yancey was locked up to await a hearing before Justice Brown this morning on the charge of assault.

The cause of the fight could not be learned. The woman claims that Yancey struck her with an axe, but the man says he used a wooden box on her head.

LARGE NUMBER ATTENDING CONVENTION OF BAPTISTS

William Ellyson Retires as Association President and J. T. Henderson of Bristol, Succeeds Him.

DANVILLE, VA., Nov. 12.—Although the first session of the eighty-fourth annual convention of the Baptist General Association of Virginia was held last night, larger crowds assembled in the First Baptist church this morning to hear today's proceedings. President Ellyson called the first

session to order at eight o'clock last night, and Rev. W. J. Decker, of Orange, conducted the opening devotional exercises. Rev. Samuel H. Thompson, of Hillsfield, delivered the opening sermon.

Following the devotional exercises there was a contest for the election of a president. Dr. J. William Jones nominated William Ellyson for re-election; Dr. Hatcher nominated T. H. Ellett, of Richmond, and Dr. Taylor, of Petersburg, nominated Professor J. T. Henderson, of Bristol. Mr. Ellyson declared his opposition to a third term for any president and begged Dr. Jones to withdraw his name. Dr. Jones declined to do so.

Professor Henderson's election was made unanimous on motion of Mr. Ellett.

The following were elected vice-presidents: Rev. J. R. Bagley, Rev. W. J. Decker, Rev. R. E. L. Ayler and Mr. Samuel M. Page.

Rev. Hugh L. Smith, of Emporia, was unanimously re-elected secretary and clerk, and H. Theodore Ellyson, of Richmond, assistant secretary. The other officers elected were: B. A. Jacob of Richmond, treasurer, and J. B. Montgomery, auditor.

The report of the board of the organization at Salem was submitted to the association today. It shows that during the year 101 children were provided for, that another grade has been added to the school, and that three of the older girls from the orphanage school are now attending Roanoke College.

The receipts for the year were \$71,600, which amount has been expended in maintenance and repairs.

THEATRICAL

The Frank Brothers' Yiddish Stock Company will appear at the Academy of Music tomorrow evening in "The Jewish Hamlet," which is said to be one of the greatest plays of the Yiddish stage.

The stock company recently closed a successful engagement at Baltimore and is now on a road tour, visiting this section for the first time.

The advance sale of seats opened at the box office yesterday.

POSITIVE IN DENIAL.

Mr. Bryant Declares That His Wife Took Poison by Mistake.

Mr. N. W. Bryant last night made a statement to The Daily Press, positively denying the report that his wife attempted to commit suicide Tuesday. He said that Mrs. Bryant took a teaspoonful of carbolic by mistake; that she had no intention of taking her own life, and that the facts were not correctly reported in this paper.

The account of the affair given in this paper yesterday morning was based upon statements made by the attending physicians and Mr. Bryant himself.

Mr. ALLEN'S BODY TAKEN AWAY.

Shipped From This City Last Evening to Kalamazoo, Mich.

The body of Mr. Jellie Allen, who died at the Fort Monroe hospital Tuesday night was sent to Kalamazoo, Mich., over the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad at 8:30 last night. Mrs. Allen is accompanying the remains and she will be joined at Cincinnati by her son, Mr. Glen Allen of that city.

The funeral will take place at the residence of Col. O. M. Allen at Kalamazoo tomorrow and will be conducted by the Shriners lodge of which Mr. Allen was a member. In respect to the memory of Mr. Allen, formerly chief clerk of the United States army transport Summer, now at Chesapeake & Ohio pier No. 4, all work on that vessel was suspended yesterday by order of the superintendent of the local quarters-masters' depot. The transport's flag and those of the other transports in the harbor were at halfmast throughout the day.

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PRESIDENT AWAITS THE RETURN OF TAFT

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decision not to reiterate his third-term announcement until after the return of Secretary Taft and until things begin to "shape themselves more definitely relative to the next convention," the President has indicated some of his friends that he wants to see a nearer approach to crystallization of sentiment in the country before he finally "effaces" himself. Some of his advisers have told him that such an announcement now would simply cause the binding of various State delegations in favor of "favorite sons," and that some delay would permit a man in sympathy with Roosevelt's policies and ideas to gain more definite following as the time for the convention draws near. By withholding his announcement until the return of Mr. Taft, the President will also be able to sound the sentiment of the Republican National Committee, which will meet in Washington the first week in December to choose the convention city.