

MRS. BERGDOLL GIVEN SENTENCE

May Escape Prison by Paying Fine

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Philadelphia Woman and Co-Defendants Released on Ten Thousand Dollar Bail.

Philadelphia, May 17.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll was today sentenced to pay a fine of \$7,000 for the part she was convicted of having taken in the evasion of the draft laws by her sons, Grover and Edwin Bergdoll. If she refuses or fails to pay the fine, Judge Dickinson of the United States district court imposed the alternate sentence of one year and one day in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Her fine must be paid by June 13.

A like fine, with the same alternative, was imposed upon two of her co-defendants in the conspiracy case. One was her son, Charles F. Braun, who changed his name because of the notoriety achieved by his brothers, and the other her lifelong friend and counselor, James E. Romig. The two other defendants, Albert Mitchell and Harry Schuh, were fined \$1,000 each, with the alternative of spending six months in the Mercer county jail at Trenton, N. J.

Counsel for the defendants immediately filed a formal appeal from the sentence. This action, the clerk of the court explained, was for the purpose of staying execution of the sentence, as otherwise the defendants would have been sent to jail immediately.

Judge Dickinson, in sentencing Mrs. Bergdoll, declared there was no way of ascertaining how much of her guilt was the act "of a fond and foolish mother," and while her motive did not affect her guilt, it might mitigate the punishment. Her heaviest punishment, he said, would be the thought that her sons had brought disgrace upon her.

"No one would wish to see a mother sent to jail for merely helping her sons, guilty as they were," he said. In sentencing Romig, who is 70 years old, Judge Dickinson said his only claim to leniency was his age. He censured the former city magistrate in blunt terms. Braun's motives, Judge Dickinson said, had perhaps been the best of any of the defendants and he did not consider it just to punish him more severely than the others. He pointed that the jury had recommended mercy in the case of Mitchell and Schuh.

As she walked out of the court room Mrs. Bergdoll turned to newspapermen and said: "Never will I pay a fine. Perhaps I shall go to jail. Maybe I'd be better off so." The five defendants were released in \$10,000 bail each pending an appeal.

Washington, May 17.—The house committee investigating the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, the draft dodger, got down to the loose ends today without another glimpse of the rainbow which was supposed to point the way to the pot of gold. Only a few more witnesses are to be examined and the committee expects to close public hearings tomorrow.

It was established to the satisfaction of the committee today that D. Clarence Giboney, counsel for Bergdoll, and the man who arranged the expedition to the mountains of Maryland to find the buried treasure, was drowned in Mexican waters last winter. Because of persistent reports that Giboney was alive on foreign soil, the committee called Dr. William H. T. Collins, a Philadelphia dentist, who declared positively that Giboney was dead. The dentist said he had examined the body sent to Philadelphia from Mexico and that identification was established by the teeth.

MRS. MARTHA THOMPSON PASSES AWAY AT HOME

Mrs. Martha Janet Thompson, wife of Mr. R. D. Thompson died last Friday afternoon at her home in the "Fork." Mrs. Thompson had been in poor health for more than a year. For the last few months she had failed very rapidly and all that skilled physicians and loving hands could do was of no avail. The end was not unexpected. God thought best to call her home.

The funeral and interment were at the family burying ground Saturday afternoon. She had expressed a wish during her life that "Molly," the dear old horse that had carried her on many a trip of pleasure and mercy for the last twenty-five years be used to carry her to the grave. Her sons and sons-in-law acted as pall-bearers.

She is survived by her aged husband and five children, Mrs. M. J. Conyers, Mrs. H. J. Broadway, and H. E. Thompson of Manning Route 2, R. E. Thompson of Acolu and S. L. Thompson of Lynchburg, S. C., and more than a score of grandchildren all of whom were with her when the end came.

Thus has gone a devoted wife a loving mother, a kind sympathetic friend. "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

NEWS FROM NEW ZION

On Sunday afternoon, May 22nd at 4:00 o'clock the baccalaureate sermon of New Zion graded school will be preached at the school auditorium by Rev. W. A. Beckham, pastor of Methodist church, Lake City. Probably all the people of this community have heard Mr. Beckham before, and are delighted to have him for this occasion.

On Monday night following at 8:30 o'clock the graduation exercises will be held. Misses Clarice Gibbons and Rosa Hardy having completed their course will receive diplomas. Mr. A. C. Hinds of Kingstree is the commencement speaker. He is a good speaker and is certain to be both interesting and instructive.

This year has been a successful one for our school. All work being completed and everything in readiness for even a better year this coming session.

Wm. E. Smith, Principal.

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETS; COMMITTEES NAMED

The Civic League met Monday afternoon, May 16th, with a splendid attendance. The meeting was called to order and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The chairman of school grounds committee reported the most notable work accomplished since the last meeting, the finishing of the coping, and the excellent condition of the play ground.

The employment of a play ground instructor was discussed, and it was decided to leave the investigation and decision of this matter to a committee of six including the president and secretary.

The chairman of the railroad committee gave an excellent report. According to correspondence received from the superintendent of the railroad, the chairman informed us of the willingness of the railroad to make improvements on their property.

Mr. Geo. Hanks, manager and proprietor of the Pastime Theatre made the League a very liberal offer. If the League will sell three hundred tickets at four dollars each for the month of June he will give us two hundred dollars of the profits. These tickets will be good for every performance, (including matinee) during the month and will be transferable. The president appointed the following captains to handle this campaign:

- Mrs. J. A. Cole, Mrs. T. M. Mounzon, Mrs. J. B. Cantey, Mrs. A. T. Helms.
- The League authorized the Health Committee to purchase some inexpensive fly novelties with "Compliments of Civic League" printed on them to aid in the "war" on flies.
- Mrs. H. R. Gray was unanimously elected a member of the League.
- The following committees were appointed for the year 1921:
- Court House**
Mrs. T. M. Mounzon, Chairman; Mrs. H. J. Bomar, Mrs. T. M. Wells, Mrs. T. Nimmer.
 - Street Sanitation**
Mrs. J. B. Cantey, Chairman; Mrs. Geo. Dickson, Mrs. Leon Weinberg.
 - Depot Committee**
Mrs. S. O. O'Bryan, Chairman; Miss Mattie Appelt, Mrs. H. D. Clark.
 - School and Play Grounds**
Mrs. E. S. Ervin, Chairman; Mrs. W. T. Lesesne, Mrs. S. T. Harvin, Mrs. A. T. Helms.
 - Membership**
Mrs. L. H. Harvin, Chairman; Mrs. Seaman Richardson, Miss Janie Wilson.
 - Publicity**
Mrs. J. D. Gerald, Chairman; Mrs. E. L. Wilkins, Mrs. T. F. Coffey.
 - Charity Committee**
Mrs. A. I. Barron, Chairman; Mrs. I. I. Appelt, Mrs. J. A. Easley, Mrs. J. W. Heriot.
 - Entertainment**
Mrs. J. A. Cole, Chairman; Mrs. B. B. Breedin, Mrs. Horace Thomas, Mrs. Marion Williams.
 - Memorial Committee**
Mrs. Joseph Sprott, Chairman; Mrs. C. R. Sprott, Mrs. Gertrude Sistrunk.
- As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.
- Respectfully submitted,
Irma H. Weinberg,
Secretary and Treasurer.

SOCIETY EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

MRS. W. C. DAVIS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. C. Davis entertained a number of guests at her home last Thursday evening with progressive rook. The color scheme of pink, green and white was carried out in the decorations and in the serving of refreshments. The candelabras in the dining room, reception hall and parlors held green tapers. The porch was beautifully decorated with ferns and palms and placed in the reception hall were thirteen tables where the guests played during the evening. After dinner mints and punch were while the games were in progress. At the close of the evening ice cream and cake, in which the color scheme was also carried out, were served.

The guests who had the honor of being present at this lovely event were: Mr. and Mrs. S. Oliver O'Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cantey, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bradham, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bradham, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Scott Harvin, Mr. Lucius Harvin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bomar, Mr. and Mrs. Seaman Richardson, Mr. Frank Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Huggins, Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Dickson, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Brockinton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wide-man, Mrs. G. H. Huggins, Misses Lou and Rita Huggins, Miss Laura Keels, Mrs. T. B. Haynesworth and Miss Louise Haynesworth of Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Harvin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis, Mr. Clarence Sprott, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sprott, Sr., Miss Tora Bagnal, Judge and Mrs. John S. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shaw, Rev. L. B. McCord, Mr. Sam Barron, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Plowden, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Coffey, Miss Lucy Johnson and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davis.

JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

At the lovely home of Prof. and Mrs. A. T. Helms on last Friday evening the Juniors entertained the Seniors at a reception. The color scheme, green and gold was carried out in the decorations with California poppies, yellow daisies, nasturtiums and ferns, also green and gold candles were placed in candelabras in the parlors and dining room. The lights on the porch being shaded with green and gold shades. The reception hall was turned into a forest, the trees were covered in grey moss and lighted with the electric lights. Punch was served during the evening by Misses Lulu Rigby and Cecil Clark. Numerous games were played and a contest was held, the prizes being awarded to the Misses Annie Cochran and Laurens Wilson. After this the Juniors wrote and sent telegrams to the Seniors.

Refreshments of blocked ice cream and cake, also carrying out the color scheme of green and gold, were served. At the close of the evening the Juniors invited the Seniors into the "Forest" and presented them with their fortunes, these being put in the shells of peanuts and tied with green and gold ribbon, these fortunes were hanging from the boughs of the trees.

Those participating in this lovely event were:

Juniors: Misses Isabelle Plowden, Sara Lesesne, Cecil Clark, Mary Hamner, Lulu Rigby, Ruby Bradham, Evelyn and Annie Cochran, Rosa and Edna Plowden, Estelle Wilson, Messrs. James Burgess, Frederick Nimmer, Willie Bradley, Charlie Wilson, Edward O'Bryan, James Coskrey, Jake Wilson and William Richardson.

Seniors: Misses Grace Thames, Mary Rigby, Mary Sue Wilson, Lynne DuRant, Elizabeth Sprott, Elizabeth Creecy, Luella Holladay, Ruby Jayroe, Bessie Mahoney, Madeline Shope, Lucile and Edna Rawlinson, Roberta Berry, Messrs. Charlie Davis, Austin Davis, Robert DuRant, Laurens Wilson, Ikey Bagnal and Prof. and Mrs. A. T. Helms.

ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN BY PRIMARY GRADES

On last Thursday evening at the school house the Primary grades gave a lovely entertainment. As near as could be obtained by this paper the following program was given:

Chorus—Second and Third grades.
Play—"Dolly Shaw". Recitations, Character Song, First Grade.
Play—"The Deaf Grandma"—Advance First Grade.
Play—"The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe"—Second Grade.
Play—"Mother Gone Visiting"—Third Grade.
Dutch Song—Third Grade.
Umbrella Song—Second and Third Grades.

The paper is sorry the names of the children who took part in the entertainment could not be obtained. But we are sure that all those present enjoyed it very much.

MRS. HANKS HONOREE OF ROOK PARTY

Mrs. R. C. Wells entertained in honor of Mrs. G. K. Hanks, Friday afternoon with a rook party. The color scheme of pink and green were carried out in the decorations and refreshments. At the close of the afternoon Mrs. Wells' guests were served a lovely ice course.

Those participating in this affair were Mesdames T. B. Haynesworth of Florence, J. A. Cole, A. I. Barron, Edward Ervin, J. H. Orvin, T. F. Coffey, J. H. Hamner, John Heriot, Ria

M. E. SUMTER DISTRICT CONFERENCE HELD HERE

On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 17-18, the Methodist Sumter District Conference held a meeting here. The delegates for this conference numbered about eighty, they being entertained in the homes of the Methodist people of this city. The following program was rendered during the two day session:

- Tuesday Morning Session**
10:30—Song service and devotions—G. W. Dukes.
- 11:00—The Task of the Modern Sunday School—Mrs. A. M. Broughton.
- 11:20—The Work Tools of the Sunday School—J. E. Ford.
- 11:40—Special Days in the Sunday School—C. T. Easterling.
- 12:00—Open Conference—J. E. Ford.
- 12:30—Enrollment of Delegates and Appointment of Committees.
- 1:00—Adjournment for dinner.
- Tuesday Afternoon Session**- 2:30—Devotions—J. W. Elkins.
- 2:45—Give More Thought to Children—Miss Pauline Suddath.
- 3:05—Elementary Recognition Service.
- 3:15—Departmental Conferences.
- (1)—Elementary Conference, District Elementary Superintendent presiding.
- (2)—Program Building—Miss Katie Beaumont, Influence of Environment. The Cradle Roll Superintendent at Work.
- (3)—Open Conference—Miss Suddath.
- (2)—Pastors', Superintendents' and adult Conferences.

The Pastor and Educational Evangelism—J. M. Rogers.

The Place and Program of the Superintendent—Joseph Sprott.

Wesley Bible Class Organization and work—Charlton DuRant.

Training our Leaders—Rev. J. Q. Vance.

Open Conference—J. E. Ford.

5:00—Adjournment.

Tuesday Evening Session
7:30—Song Service and Devotional—J. G. Ferguson.

7:50—Our Conference Sunday School Program—J. E. Ford.

8:10—Christian Education and the Sunday School—Dr. J. W. Daniel.

Wednesday Morning Session
9:45—Devotions—R. M. DuBose.

10:00—Winning the Whole Church to the Sunday School—W. V. Dibble.

10:15—Sunday School Worship—Miss Suddath.

10:30—Training in Christian Stewardship—W. H. Perry.

10:45—Successful Sub-District Plans.

11:00—Question Hour—J. E. Ford.

11:30—Our District in Line.

11:45—Committee Reports.

12:00—Life Service—B. L. Knight.

12:30—Adjournment.

CHILD GOES TO ROME

Washington, May 17.—Richard Washburn Child was nominated by President Harding today to be ambassador to Italy.

At the same time the president sent to the senate the nomination of Dr. Jacob Gould Shurman of New York, former president of Cornell university, to be minister to China.

Mr. Child formerly of New York, now lives in Washington. He has been connected with the Republican national committee, and during last summer's campaign spent months in President Harding's headquarters at Marion.

Rome, May 16. (by the Associated Press.)—Robert Underwood Johnson, retiring United States ambassador to Italy, plans to leave Rome Friday on the way to the United States. He will make a tour of Italy and France before sailing for New York.

DR. EDWARD ROSS DEAD

Washington, May 17.—Dr. Edward Bennett Ross, chief physicist and head of the electrical division of the bureau of standards, died today of heart disease, while seated at his desk.

He was in his 60th year and had been associated with the bureau since 1901. He is survived by a widow.

Died suddenly at his home near Paxville yesterday, Mr. Haskell Broadway. The deceased was a good citizen and a watchmaker by trade.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES TO BEGIN SUNDAY MORNING

Commencement exercises begins Sunday morning with baccalaureate sermon at the Presbyterian church followed by oratorical contest and debate Monday night. He graduating exercises will be Tuesday night. Rev. Phillips of Chester, S. C. will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday.

Brown, Bessie Lesesne, J. E. Davis, Stewart Harvin, Seaman Richardson, G. M. Smith, J. H. Rigby, John Breedin, W. S. Harvin, and Misses Lou Huggins, Mildred Ervin, Williams and the hostess, Mrs. R. C. Wells.

MISS FLOWERS ENTERTAINS

On Thursday evening of last week Miss Daisy Flowers entertained at a birthday party in honor of her sister, Miss May Flowers. The guests numbered about fifteen and during the evening several games were enjoyed. At the close of the evening Miss Flowers served her guests a lovely ice course.

SOUTH CAROLINA MAN IN RECTAL

Many persons throughout South Carolina will be interested in the following account, from "Musical America," of a recital in New York city in which Mr. Laurens Bradham took a leading part. Mr. Bradham is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Bradham of Manning and has been studying piano in New York for the past three years.

"A recital demanding serious artistic consideration was given by pupils of the Ellinor Comstock Music School at the Cosmopolitan Club, New York, assisted by Gladys North, violinist, and Lillian Littlehales, cellist.

"Four pianists were presented by the school, the first of these, Laurens Bradham, appearing in two ensemble numbers and a group of modern works. In all of these Mr. Bradham's playing revealed considerable artistic dignity, coupled with unusual technical force. His solo offerings were culled from MacDowell, Paderevski, Hinton, Leschetzky, Stojowski and Rachmaninoff. In the Mendelssohn Trio in D Minor he had the dependable support of the two assisting artists and in a Romance for two pianos by Thern he was seconded by Clara Weiss, a musician who made such use of her single appearance as to warrant praise for poise and sensitiveness.

"Yvette Klein, a somewhat younger musician, presented a group by Scarlatti, Rubinstein, Palmgren, Poldini and Arensky and essayed the piano part in Rubinstein's Trio in B Flat. If lacking in maturity her playing has a compensating sprightliness and grace. Her Japanese study by Poldini was done with especial charm. Dorothy Quincy upheld her part in the trio in B Flat of Beethoven admirably.—News and Courier.

MUST GIVE UP ARMS

Berlin, May 17 (By the Associated Press.)—The time limit for disarmament by Germany is fixed absolutely as June 30 in an allied note presented to the German government today. The note, which concerns execution of the recent ultimatum, demands that the organization of the German army of 100,000 be brought into conformity with the peace treaty by June superfluous munition and unauthorized fortress equipment surrendered by May 31, and all arms in possession of civilization by June 10.

Germany is required to endorse by May 30 the list of munition factories authorized by the allies and stop the output of unauthorized factories. The note further deals with the question of police and demands a reduction in all classes of police to a total of 150,000 by July 15.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS OF TWENTY YEARS AGO

May 22, 1901

Rev. S. A. Nettles is on a visit to his sister, Mrs. E. C. Alsbrook.

Sumter is soon to be attached to the long distance telephone. Manning will follow suit.

In the suit of J. J. Clark against the Manning Publishing Company tried on last Thursday, it resulted in favor of the defendant.

Miss Nettie Weinberg, who has been visiting her brother in Camden, returned last Thursday, accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dr. Abe Weinberg.

The Central Hotel is to be renovated and enlarged and put in modern shape. Mr. Rigby tells us that he proposes to add about fourteen more rooms, change the front and put in modern improvements, much after the plans of the new hotel in Sumter. Mr. Rigby also intends erecting several two-story residences on the lot facing Church street.

The town council is contemplating boring several artesian wells in various parts of the town. They could not do a better thing for the health of the town.

A fearful wind and rain storm passed through this county last Sunday afternoon, carrying before it trees, fences, barns, houses, churches, school houses and doing much other damage. The Methodist churches, white and colored, at Paxville were razed to the grounds, besides eight seed houses and the Paxville Academy building. A shed belonging to Mr. A. C. Bradham was destroyed and under it was crushed a new buggy. Big damage was done all over the county and several colored people had narrow escapes.

Rev. L. D. Bass, at one time pastor of the Manning Baptist Church, was indicted in the courts in Washington for using the mails for fraudulent purposes, and was convicted and sentenced to three years in a West Virginia prison.

PREMIER HAS SPOKEN

London, May 17.—When Premier Lloyd George was invited today to say something concerning the statement printed in the Dublin Freeman's Journal Monday, to the effect that he offered to meet Eamon de Valera, or other Irish leaders without condition, the following statement was issued from No. 10 Downing street, the official residence of the prime minister.

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SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST NEGRO

Attempted Assault in Orangeburg County

SCREAMS SAVED GIRL

Accused Negro Brought to Penitentiary for Safe Keeping, Avoiding Possible Violence.

Orangeburg, May 17.—Abraham Williams, sometimes known as Abraham Mays, a negro, is being held at the state penitentiary on a charge of attempted assault upon a well known white girl of near Branchville, the attempt being made this morning about 10 o'clock. The news reaching Orangeburg is to the effect that the 16 year old daughter of a leading farmer of near Branchville was attacked by Abraham Williams, but his attempt was unsuccessful. The girl was taking a letter to the wife of Abraham Williams, upon her father's place as the Williams negroes receive their mail at the mail box of the girl's father and when she called for Williams' wife, the front door was closed. A voice from the inside called "Come in." The wife of Williams was not there, but the girl did not know it. As she opened the door, according to the story reaching here, Abraham Williams, who had not gone out to work, appeared with only his shirt on and grabbed the girl. When she screamed, Williams was frightened, and turned her loose, it is said.

The examination made by a white physician of Branchville determined that there was only an attempted assault, only minor bruises appearing upon the body. As the attempted assault happened so near the town, the local magistrate dispatched the rural policeman, who was in attendance at his court, with the town chief of office to the scene so quickly that Abraham Williams did not have time to dress and get away. They caught Williams near his house, making the arrest. Williams denied his guilt.

By alert work of the local officers, the gaffering mob was avoided and the prisoner brought to Orangeburg, where Sheriff Dukes was in waiting, he having been notified of the crime. The sheriff took Williams by a circuitous route to the state penitentiary for safe keeping. Abraham Williams has always lived in the Branchville section and is about 50 years of age.

MINERS TO JOIN IN SOLID FRONT

New York, May 17.—The anthracite mine workers will join forces with the bituminous miners in formulating policies which will govern the negotiation of wage agreements with the coal operators, to take the place of the present contracts which expire March 31, 1922.

This action which will consolidate the ranks of 500,000 organized miners of the country so that they will present a solid front to the coal operators was decided upon today at a conference between international officers of the United Mine Workers of America and the presidents and international board members of the three union districts comprising the anthracite coal region. The conference decided that an anthracite tri-district convention which is usually held in August to draw up the new wage demands, should be postponed until after the international convention of the United Mine Workers which opens at Indianapolis, September 20. At this international gathering the bituminous workers frame their wage proposals.

John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers, explained that under this agreement the Indianapolis convention would frame policies that would govern both factions of miners in their wage negotiations and the extent and method of their cooperation. He said a date would be fixed after the international convention for the tri-district meeting at which time the anthracite would complete their demands. Officers of the anthracite miners pointed out that under the new plan which originated with the international officers of the mine workers union, the bituminous miners would "set the pace" in the wage negotiations instead of the hard coal workers as in the past, when their convention preceded the national meeting.

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DISCUSS RURAL LIFE

Richmond, Va., May 17.—Delegates of the rural life conference, called by Gov. Westmoreland Davis, held their second session of the day in the hall of the house of delegates tonight.

Governor Davis in an address this afternoon criticized the policy of the federal reserve system relative to the farmers.