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### HUGH LONG FOUND "NOT GUILTY."

#### JURY SO DECIDES WITHOUT LEAVING BOX OR HEARING ARGUMENTS BY ATTORNEYS.

A precedent was established in Aiken county court history on Thursday last when the jury in the Long murder case decided that they had about enough of the testimony and were ready to acquit Legislator Long without hearing any more evidence or any of counsel's arguments in the case; that they had already reached their decision and would have returned a "not guilty" verdict the afternoon before.

The defence has just rested its case and the prosecution was ready to place on the stand witnesses in rebuttal, but it was near the dinner hour and the court announced a recess, whereupon the foreman of the jury, Jas R League, of North Augusta, leaped to his feet, but when he started to make his statement the Court stopped him with the announcement that the State must be given its opportunity to present witnesses in rebuttal to the testimony offered by the defence.

When the State's testimony was completed after dinner, the foreman then informed the court that the jury had already determined upon the merits of the case, and that arguments by counsel were useless. This stopped a promised flow of oratory. So Judge Ernest Gary of Columbia, presiding, delivered his charge and permitted the jury to enter an ante-room and draw in regular form the acquittal of Long. They were out about ninety seconds, when the Clerk of Court, in sonorous tones, read the verdict, "Hugh Long, indicted for murder, not guilty."

With some few natural exceptions there is general satisfaction over the verdict, and no one, so far as known, has presumed to question its justice.

#### SCRANTON SKETCHES.

##### Items of Interest, Mostly Personal, from Our Neighbor Town.

Scranton, June 10:—Mr H O Graham has returned from Columbus, Ohio, where he has been pursuing a course in veterinary surgery. He has one more year before completing his studies.

Miss Clyde Wiggins and Mr Lyde Langston of Elim spent Sunday pleasantly at the home of Miss Fanny Cannon.

Mrs L E Kennedy of Andrews spent Sunday at the home of Mr and Mrs Geo C Cusac.

Mrs Stanley Matthews of Cowards returned to her home Monday, after spending a few days here with her sister, Mrs C H Pate.

Dr Myers Graham of Cowards went to Charleston today for medical treatment; he was accompanied by his brother, Mr Charlie E Myers. Dr Graham has a large and increasing clientele in his section and we hope he may soon be able to return to his practice.

Misses Ruth and Hattie Parrott of Elim were the welcome and attractive guests of Miss Olive Lavender at the home of Mr and Mrs J M Myers, Jr, Sunday.

Dr W S Lynch went to Florence Tuesday on business.

Dr C H Pate took to Florence Monday Mr R Barfield's daughter, who will undergo an operation for appendicitis. Master Liston Kirby, the youngest son of Mr S J Kirby, will also have to be operated upon for the same trouble. We hope these patients will recover, and soon be able to return home. I M G.

#### BENSON BREEZES.

##### Observance of Children's Day--Local and Personal.

Benson, June 10:—Saturday, June 7, will be remembered as another day to be marked with a white stone in the calendar of our community. This was Children's day at Cedar Swamp. And not by any means by children alone will this particular occasion linger long and pleasantly in memory's archives. A host of grown-up folk came to mingle together in an informal way, seemingly oblivious of business care and worry of any kind. Misses Ulmer Crooks, Ervin McCullough and Mrs G Ollie Epps had the children drilled in the exercises for the day. These ladies deserve the hearty praise of the entire community for their indefatigable efforts in the arduous task of training the children, besides the arrangement of the entire programme, which was carried out to the very letter.

The little folk formed in line outside the church, marched to the rhythmic strains of soft music down the aisles and took their assigned seats at the cessation of the music with the steadiness and precision of trained soldiers.

The girls were dressed in white with a beautiful bow of ribbon neatly arranged in the soft tresses of their hair, of which they are justly proud.

Following are those who enacted the programme: Florence Rembert, Everette McCullough, Mary Rembert, Laurie Brown, Addie Burrows, Hasell Epps, Tommie McCrea, Frances Burrows, Dan Brown, Edith McCullough, Fowler McCutchen, Olena Haddock, Emory McGill, Junnie McCutchen, Dolerese McNeil, Eulah

McCullough, Beth McGill, Grace Haddock, Hessie McCullough, Sadie Tyler, Dave McCutchen, Mabel Tyler, Blanch McCutchen, Alberta McCrea, Cecil Phillips, Dosia Burrows, Herbert Brown, George Rembert, Eulah McCullough, Salters Burrows, Nathan Brown, Julia Marion McGill, Oneder McCrea, Alma Duke and Elector Parnell.

After the conclusion of the programme for the smaller folk, Rev D A Phillips of Kingstree gave an interesting short talk to them and Rev H C Haddock invoked the Divine blessing upon the assemblage. Our beloved Sunday-school superintendent, Mr S H Guerry, also spoke a few words to the children, after which Presiding Elder Holroyd pronounced the benediction.

Outside Messrs J W McNeil and L F Tisdale had in readiness a plentiful supply of delicious lemonade and served the crowd with much ease and politeness.

We have had opportunity on several occasions to mention the edibles and their bountiful supplies that the ladies of this section have the enviable reputation of preparing to tempt the appetites of even the most fastidious; hence we refrain from mentioning in detail the spread provided. It goes without saying that those who shared the feast enjoyed it, for they lingered long and busily at the large table, which was arranged underneath a cluster of stately oaks, garlanded with streaming moss, their limbs interlocking, forming a perfect shade from the summer sun.

As it has been the custom heretofore, the boys entertained the crowd in the afternoon by playing baseball. On this occasion we presume they

would prefer our not mentioning the score in print.

Sunday night this section was visited with a heavy rainfall. Monday a very cold rain fell all day and it is still raining today (Tuesday) with wind coming from the north. This weather will prove a set-back to the already small cotton, and will put the farmer at least one week behind with his work.

Miss Bunnie Nunnemaker of Sumter is visiting her relatives, Mr and Mrs G O Epps, this week.

Miss Sadie Snowden has arrived home from Lander College.

Cadet Jack McCullough is at home from Clemson College, greeting his many friends. W E S

#### Attention, Veterans!

As I wish to attend the meeting of the Blue and the Gray at Gettysburg July 1, 2 and 3, I would be glad to get in company with any veterans who may be going. I think of leaving Kingstree June 29, or perhaps Florence at that time.

CONRAD CONSTINE,  
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#### When to Stop Advertising.

When the grasshopper ceases to hop and the old cow quits her bawling; when the fishes no longer flop and the baby stops its squalling; when the dunners no longer dun and the hoot owl quits its hooting; when the rivers cease to run and the burglar stops his looting; when the vine no longer runs and the skylark stops its larking; when the sun no longer shines and the young man quits his sparring, when the heavens begin to drop and the old maids stop advising, then it is time to shut up shop and quit your advertising.—Ex.

#### To the Tobacco Growers of South Carolina.

Since the heavy rains the tobacco is in a very green and growing state and I being a warehouseman and being fully in touch with the tobacco situation, and knowing the strong demand for ripe and colory tobacco, I feel that it is my duty to caution every farmer to let his tobacco get ripe before gathering, as one barn of ripe tobacco will bring more than several barns partially green.

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