

SIMS UNDER BOND.

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION A SUCCESS AT NORFOLK.

SIMS PLACED UNDER \$1000. BOND

Laid Over to Grand Jury, Sept. 23. Did Not Testify at Trial

Largest Crowd Ever Seen Gathered in the McCracken County Ky., Court House

James Sims, who is alleged to have murdered his wife Rosa Sims Sept. 1st at the Labor day celebration at Paducah, Ky., and who was suspicioned by the Paducah detectives to have committed the crime was heard in Judge Lang's court last Saturday morning at 10 a. m. The preliminaries lasted fully two hours and a half at which time Sims, was placed under a \$1,000 bond and bound over to the Grand Jury, which convenes next week Sept. 23rd, at which time the McCracken County circuit court will be in session.

This brought the largest crowd ever seen gathered in the McCracken court. The spacious room was taxed to its utmost capacity, and the halls, etc., were full to overflowing, with people eager to hear and see just what the alleged would say and do. People from Metropolis, Brookport, Joppa, Mayfield, Maxon Mills and nearby towns came to hear the trial.

Sims did not testify, as to his guilt or innocence, and did not have one with us to say he did not commit the crime. All evidence proves that he is the guilty party.

The coat which he wore to the celebration was found and upon examination was found to have contained briars and beggar lice, etc. The body of Mrs. Sims, was found on the 2nd day of Sept., in a black-berry thicket, and many witnesses testified that he was the last seen with the murdered woman. Prof. D. H. Anderson, President of the West Kentucky Industrial School located in that city, was one of the strongest witnesses who claims to have seen the man and wife standing near the Rowlandtown Church, quarrelling just about dark. Undertakers McCrary, and Carter testified that small bits of leaves and trash was found in the young woman's hair, and only slight bruises about the face was seen.

Att'y. Grossland, one of the most noted and popular lawyers of Kentucky has been secured for Sims, and he will leave no stone unturned in the coming trial of the McCracken Circuit Court.

Miss Jewel Long, principal of the Brookport, school spent the week end in the city with parents.

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DR. BACOTE'S HOME BOMBED.

The home of Rev. S. W. Bacote for twenty-four years the popular pastor of Second Baptist Church this city, was dynamited last week by some miscreant who evidently is following out the propaganda of certain interests on the East side who do not want Negroes to live in that section of the city. Dr. Bacote has lived in his home, 2210 Kansas Ave., for more than twelve years and has always been courteously treated and highly respected by the white people of that section. He has always counselled the industry courtesy and conservatism on the part of his people, but apparently that counts for nothing with that class of "Rough necks" who delight to sing "All Coons look alike to us." No arrests have been made.—The Kansas City Sun.

Card of Thanks

To the voters of Massac County I take this method to express my sincere thanks to those who gave me their earnest support in the recent election by giving me the nomination as county commissioner. Your kindness shall never be forgotten and I will say I shall always endeavor to make you the servant needed.

Yours very truly,
H. W. Hollifield.

THE EDITOR RETURNS.

The editor, returned from Norfolk, Va., Monday delighted with the trip. He left Norfolk, Saturday evening at 8:45 and arrived home Monday afternoon without accident. He was also delighted to know that he escaped the city hold-up men, robbers, pick pockets and confidence while in the cities, but while in Cincinnati, waiting for the National Baptist Special train to arrive two sharpers attempted to play the confidence game on him but by the assistance of the police and two colored men he was able within one hour's time to make the arrest of one of them, have his trial, land in jail with \$100.00 and cost assessed against him and run the other thief out of the city, but if he returns he is to meet a similar fine. The police and detectives were glad to get hold of this guy as they had just defrauded an old colored woman from the South out of \$93.00 and men out of different amounts. It was the lost pocket book game they tried to pull off on the editor.

On entering the cities avoid the large crowds and taking up time with strangers.

Several delegates lost money while in Norfolk, by pick-pockets. It is said to have more thieves than any city of the South. Some of the delegates lost from all the way from an empty pocket book with a little sand in it gathered on the ocean to \$50.00 while in there Dr. W. P. Washington, lost \$10.

LYNCH LAW IS GROWING

No Effort Being Made By Governors To Enforce The Law of the Land

Athens, Ga., Sept. 10.—Obe Coc, Negro, alleged murderer of the wife of an Oglethorpe County farmer, was captured by a posse today, taken to the scene of the crime, his body riddled with bullets and burned at the stake. Several thousand persons witnessed the scene.

Mob Hunts Woman's Assailant

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 10.—Posses of citizens are searching for a white man who last night tied and gagged and attacked a young married woman here. Traveling in an automobile, the man stopped at the woman's house and asked her to prepare some food for him. When she refused to partake of it with him the attack followed.

Two Burned at Stake in Florida

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 8.—Two Negroes charged with murder were taken from the city jail here shortly after midnight and lynched. A mob of 30 men stormed the jail in search of a Negro who was being held for assaulting a little white girl, but who had been sent to St. Augustine by court officers early last night, following threats of violence. Finding their intended victim gone, the crowd seized two Negroes charged with the murder recently of George Dubose a white man, took them to the outskirts of the city in automobiles and shot them to death. They then placed ropes about the necks of the bodies and dragged them through the city streets. One body was dropped in front of a leading hotel. The other has not been found.

but he wants to be liberal and believe he dropped it while making change, as he hates to own that he was stupid enough to be held up in broad day light. Well it was a delightful trip and all are wiser for having gone.

Elders C. W. Norment, C. C. Phillips, W. P. Washington, W. H. Carter, J. B. McCrary; Sisters Emma Long, Centralia; Annie Michaux, of Dewmaine, attended the National Baptist Convention (unincorporated) at Norfolk, Va. Elders Wm. Moody, E. L. Todd, E. Z. Hunt, F. Bomar, attended the (incorporated) Convention at Newark, N. J., last week.

Preparinag For Association.
Pastor Rev. J. D. Davis, of Colp, has just assured the moder-

ator, that he and his members and friends are making great preparations to entertain the association, regardless to any rumors that may have circulated of a change from there to Cairo, by the request of ex-moderator Dr. Parrish. We are glad to hear that, as we had no doubt but that Mr. Olive would entertain us royally at this session as in the past. We were glad to receive the information, though those rumors did not "move us."

J. B. McCrary, Moderator.

MOUNDS.

Editor of Gazette:—
I want to write just a few words to remind you and others of the condition of the St. John Baptist church of Mounds.

We are getting along just fine with such an excellent pastor as Rev. C. W. Norment. He is a very faithful pastor.

We had a great rally Sunday, all of the neighboring towns rallied with us. Rev. Norment preached in the morning after which we had a large basket dinner on the ground, of which every one enjoyed. The pastors from Cairo, that ascended the rostrum in the afternoon were Revs. Douglass, E. L. Todd, also Rev. Chambers preached too, there was a great crowd of people that came with each of the pastors from Cairo. We had one more grand time.

We thank God first, then we thank each and every one for helping us to make that rally a success. We raised \$739.02. So continue to pray for our success. Rev. C. W. Norment, our pastor has returned home after visiting the National Convention which convened in Norfolk, Va. He brought us good news and glad tidings.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. C. W. Norment,
Pastor.
Miss Vernice Cuffie,
Reporter.

Harrisburg, Ill.

The Metropolis Gazette:

Dear editor:—Allow me space in your paper to say I preached at the Macedonia Baptist Church, Sunday. Text, No other foundation can no man lay, etc.; Subject A true foundation. The church held a very successful rally Sunday which amounted to \$68.00 which shows that all departments of the church are working. Pastor Mitchell was absent on above date.

Two popular couples from Carrier Mills, were married yesterday by Rev. Harshaw, pastor of the Methodist church.
Yours in Christ,
Elder George Brown.

Belgrade, Ill.

The members of the Providence Baptist Church closed a very successful ten days meeting Monday night, with four conversions and four candidates for baptism. Rev. Edgar McCrary, did the preaching. Sunday was a high day in

Belgrade. Visitors from Brookport and Metropolis attended the services.

The collection for the day was good. Sister Myrtle Lassiter, surprised the pastor by giving him a liberal donation. Following are the names of those who contributed with the amount.

Elmer Sims .10, Ithel Kelley .10, Noble Wimberly .10, Bright Long .10, Odus Sumner .10, Edna Terrill .10, A. Green .10, Phillip Sumner .10, Elmer Tanner .10, Rev. Rodgers .10, George Warfield .10, Burl Baker .10, Isaac Lassiter .10, Hiram Sims .10, Columbus Lassiter .55, Lon Adkins .25, Mrs. Adkins .15, Francis Luton .25, E. Luton .25, Florence Lomax .25, M. J. McCrary .10.

Mr. Phillip Sumner, of Brookport, attended our services.

Mrs. Delia Brown, is still very sick at her home.

Rev. J. E. Reddick, of Brookport, preached in the revival Friday night.

Mesdames Izora Lowry, of Centralia, and Frank Wiley of Brookport, attended the revival last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Long, and children and Mrs. M. J. McCrary, worshipped with us Sunday. They in company with Rev. McCrary, dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lassiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Donlow, of Brookport, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Warfield Sunday.

Rev. Edgar McCrary, took supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lassiter, Sunday evening.

Mr. Gus Blackwell, returned home Monday after visiting his daughters in Murphysboro and Paris, Ill.

L. A. Baker, is logging in Mermet.

Brookport, Ill. 9-16-19.
Editor Metropolis Gazette,
Metropolis, Ill.

Dear Sir:—You may announce to your readers that a public meeting will be held at the Unionville Experiment Field at 2:30 p. m. Monday Sept. 22nd.

The very marked effects of soil treatment on this field should be seen by every farmer in Massac County.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Whitchurch,
Associate in Soil Fertility
University of Illinois.

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Willis Jones, visited his daughter in Paducah Saturday.

National Baptist Convention A Success At Norfolk, Va.

Pres. Jones Re-elected

Twenty Thousand Dollars Raised For Theological Seminary At Nashville, Tenn.

Prof. Kelley Miller, Given A Big Ovation at Armory Hall.

The National Baptist Convention (unincorporated) which convened in 2nd Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., Tuesday morning Sept. 10, was called to order by President Dr. E. P. Jones, at 10 o'clock, with several hundred preachers and lay delegates present from every state of the Union and many cities, who came with the spirit of Christ and a determination to exceed all former meetings spiritually and financially.

All agreed that the convention had grown by leaps and bounds since the Chicago meeting and the leaders themselves were surprised at the hundreds of new recruits from every state.

President Jones' address was a master-piece and was eagerly sought by delegates and laymen.

The reports from all the Boards showed that the secretaries and chairman were men of business and were entitled to re-election. President Jones was re-elected without any opposition.

The Woman's Convention met in the Rutte, St., Baptist Church, where they had an exceptionally large delegation and a successful meeting. Mrs. Georgia DeBaptiste A-burn, was re-elected.

Four Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars cash was placed on the table and with the pledges made to be paid in November brought the total amount up to \$20,000 for the National Theological Seminary at Nashville, Tennessee. The negro Baptists will own a National School bought and paid for by their own money. There was great rejoicing when it was announced that money was in sight to meet all financial obligations.

Prof. Kelley Miller, Dean of Howard University, Washington, D. C., one of the greatest thinkers and writers of the Race, was given a great ovation at the Armory Hall. The building proved to be too small for the people who clamored for admission, several hundred being turned away.

We left on Saturday before the full financial report was made and the place for the next meeting was decided on, though Nashville and Chicago, were asking for it. Illinois registered \$1,000 for educational money for next year.

Miss Naomi L. Alston, was a Paducah visitor Wednesday.

Miss Viola Blackwell, is visiting her parents in Belgrade this week.