

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:

The grand jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Rockingham, and now attending the Circuit Court of said County, at its June term, 1944, upon their oaths do present that Robert Samuels, on or about the 31st day of October, 1943, in said County, with force and arms, in and upon one Betty Morrison, a female child under the age of sixteen (16) years, to-wit, of the age of fifteen (15) years, unlawfully and feloniously did make an assault, and her, the said Betty Morrison, then and there, to-wit, on the day and year aforesaid, and in the County aforesaid, unlawfully and feloniously did carnally know and abuse, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found upon the testimony of Betty Morrison and E. P. Landers, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

STAT. RAPE

COMMONWEALTH

v.) Indictment

ROBERT SAMUELS

Felony:
June Term, 1944.

A True Bill:

Chas
Foreman

Witnesses:

- ✓ 1. Betty Morrison
- ✓ 2. E. P. Landers

Lawrence H. Hoover
Commonwealth's Attorney

the Grand Jury to give evidence.
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years, to-wit: of the age of fifteen (15) years, unlawfully and
one Betty Morrison, a female child under the age of sixteen (16)
October, 1944, in said County with force and arms, in and about
said do present that Robert Samuels, on or about the day of
said County of said County at its June Term, 1944, upon
of the County of Rockingham and now attending the
the Grand Jury of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

DEC 15 1944

#1899

COMMONWEALTH

V.) Felony (stat. rape)

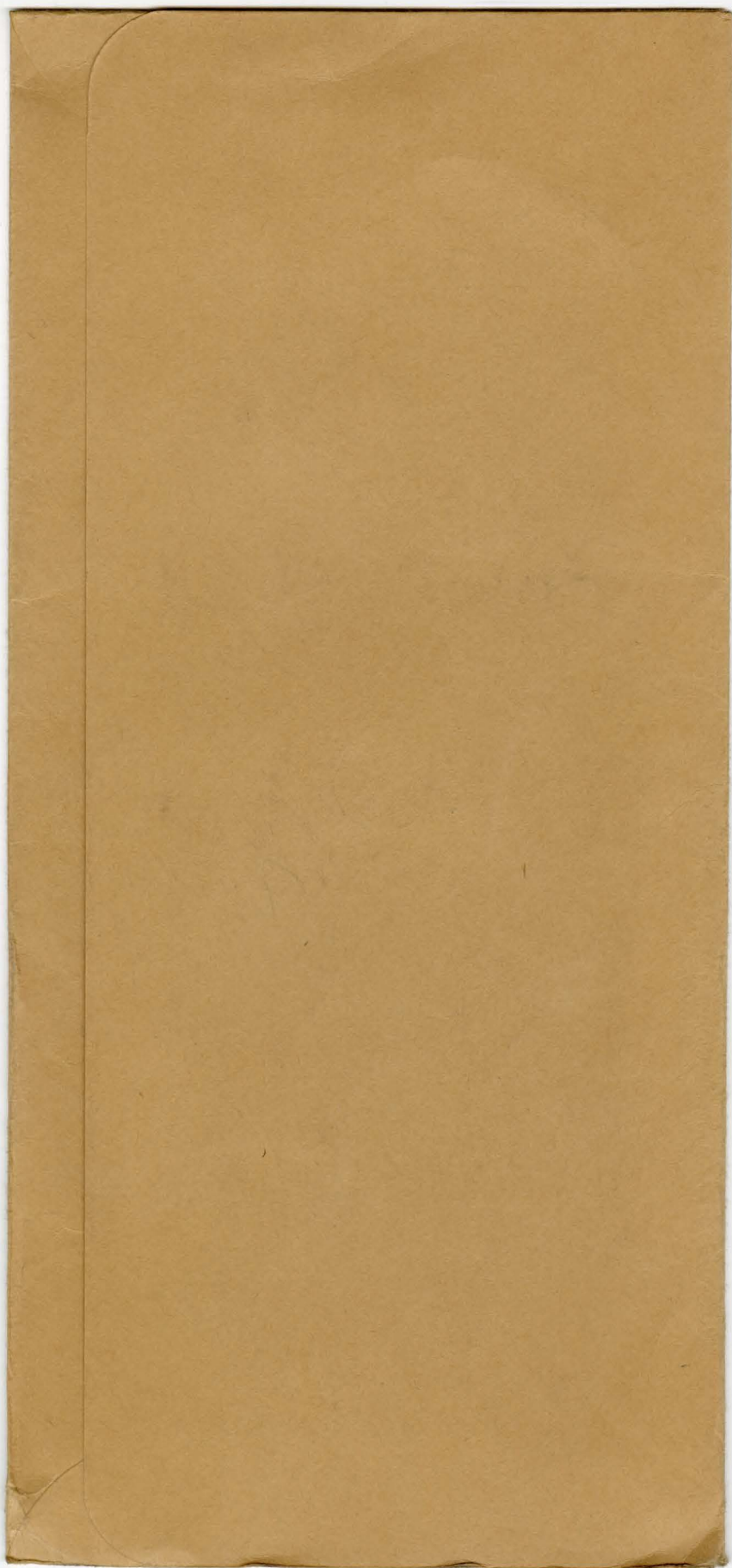
ROBERT SAMUELS *v.s. - Bond - cell*

set Jan. 15 - 1945

1 yr

7/104

7/176



Q
Trial Justice Court

J. D. R. Docket No. 1172

Commonwealth

in re

Robert Samuels

11-18-43

12-6-43 2PM

Arrest Warrant
Trans to JDR

Grand Jury



The Commonwealth of Virginia, } To-wit
Rockingham County, }
To the Sheriff of Said County:

Whereas, Hugh Morrison of said County, has this day
made complaint and information on oath before me, J. C. Swartz, Clerk of T. J. Court
of the said County, that Robert Samuels T. J. or J. P.
on the 30th and 31st day of October, 1943, in the said County, did unlawfully
and feloniously have sexual intercourse with one
Betty Morrison, a juvenile under the age
of 16 years, against the peace and dignity
of the Commonwealth of Virginia

These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you forthwith to apprehend and bring
before the Trial Justice of the said County, the body of the said

Robert Samuels

to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according
to law.

Given under my hand this 4th day of November, 1943.

J. C. Swartz
Clerk T. J. or J. P.

Memo. of Commonwealth Witnesses:

Name

Address

JUDGEMENT

December 6-1943

Upon the hearing of the within charge,

the defendants are held to await the action of the Grand Jury

Fine	-	-	-	-	-	\$	
Issuing Justice's Fee	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>1.00</i>
Clerk's Fee	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>1.25</i>
Trial Justice Fee	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>2.00</i>
Arrest and Mileage	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>—</i>
Summoning Witness	-	-	-	-	-	\$	
Witness Attendance and Mileage	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>2.00</i>
Commonwealth's Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>5.00</i>
Jail Fees	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>.50</i>
Total	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>19.75</i>

McMann

Trial Justice

STATE OF VIRGINIA—COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, TO-WIT:

I, _____, in and for the County of Rockingham, State of _____, T. J. or J. P. or Bail Commissioner of Virginia, do hereby certify that _____ and _____

_____ as his suret _____, have this day acknowledged themselves indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of _____ dollars (\$) as to which they severally waived their exemption, to be made and levied of their goods and chattels, yet upon this condition: That the said _____ shall appear before the Trial Justice Court of Rockingham County at _____, on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____ o'clock A. M., and not depart hence without leave of said Court, and at such other time or times to which the proceedings may be continued or further heard, and before any court or judge hereafter having or holding any proceedings in connection with said charge, and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning the within charge until the same is finally disposed of, then this recognizance shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Given under my hand this, the _____ day of _____, 19____.

T. J. or J. P. or Bail Commissioner

Trial Justice Court

Criminal Docket No. *1172*

Commonwealth

vs.

{ Arrest Warrant

Robert Samuel

Executed the within warrant by arresting and delivering the body of

Robert Samuel

before

Jail

this _____ day of _____, 19*43*

Nov.

Jr. E. Samuel

Officer's Mileage

Miles travelled by officer - -

Miles carried prisoner - -

Total mileage - - -

Not guilty

12-6-43 2PM

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

vs.
Robert Samuel

It appearing to the Court that the defendant Robert Samuel is a juvenile under the age of 18 years, it is ordered that this case be transferred to the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court of Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Given under my hand this 18th day of Nov. 1943.

KCMone

TRIAL JUSTICE.

IN THE JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF ROCKINGHAM
COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

vs.
Robert Samuel

The above matter having been transferred to this Court by the Trial Justice Court of Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg Virginia, it is ordered that this case be set for hearing on the 6th day of Dec., 1943 at 2 P M. and that the Clerk of This Court give notice of said hearing to Robert Samuel and Myrtle Samuel, the parents of said infant, and that E. D. Ott be appointed Guardian ad litem to represent said infant at the Trial.

Given under my hand this 18th day of Nov. 1943.

KCMone

JUDGE

Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

vs.

Robert

It appearing to the Court that the defendant Robert is a juvenile under the age of 18 years, it is ordered that this case be transferred to the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court of Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Given under my hand this 18th day of Mar, 1943.

RC Moore

TRIAL JUSTICE.

IN THE JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

vs.

Robert

The above matter having been transferred to this Court by the Trial Justice Court of Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg, it is ordered that this case be set for hearing on the 18th day of Mar, 1943 at 10 M. and that the Clerk of this Court give notice of said hearing to Robert and the parents of said infant, and that be appointed Guardians ad litem to represent said infant at the Trial.

Given under my hand this 18th day of Mar, 1943.

JUDGE

Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

COMMONWEALTH VS. Robert Samuels

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Last known address Elkton PA
Color W- Height 5-6 Eyes Blue Hair Bn Weight 163
Marks _____
Age 18 Occupation Electric Service
Date of Trial 1-15-45
Result 1 yr

COMMONWEALTH vs. *John Doe*

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Last known address *123 Main St*
Color *W* Height *5-6* Eyes *Blue* Hair *Black* Weight *165*
Marks _____
Age *34* Occupation *Electrician*
Date of Trial *1-15-98*
Reside *123*

MAJOR C. W. WOODSON, JR.
SUPERINTENDENT

CAPT. J. R. NUNN
PERSONNEL OFFICER

LT. W. C. THOMAS
EXECUTIVE OFFICER



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

D. M. BALDWIN
SAFETY ENGINEER

R. D. AVERY
RADIO ENGINEER

G. J. MCREE
BUSINESS OFFICER

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

RICHMOND

TELEPHONE 2-2811
TELETYPE RICH 366

P. O. BOX 1299

I, Robert Clifton Samuels, being sober and of sound mind, make the following statement to Trooper E. P. Landers, at State Police Headquarters, Harrisonburg, Virginia, at 3:00 P. M., Saturday, November 6, 1943, without fear of punishment, or promise of reward, having been warned at the time of making said statement, that all, or any part of it may be used against me:

I first met Betty Morrison in front of the Harrison Hotel, in Harrisonburg, about 2:00 A. M., Sunday, October 31, 1943.

Me and Owen Samuels and Homer Moubray were standing in front of the Harrison Hotel, when Betty Morrison was walking North on Main Street, and she stopped and started talking to us. She said to Owen "Well, Owen, are you ready to go up with me?", and Owen said, "No, I don't think I am going up." So she tried to get Owen to go, and Owen wouldn't go.

I was standing over on the street close to where the others were standing, and she walked up to me. I had my hands in my pockets. And she asked me if I wanted to go up and stay with her. She told us she had a room in the Harrison Hotel. I told her I didn't think I wanted to go up with her. She grabbed me by the arm and kept on jerking at me until she got me in the door, then she held me by the hand and led me up the steps to her room, which was room No. 2. She opened the door with a key, and when we went in, she locked the door on the ~~inside~~ inside.

We sat down on the bed for maybe four minutes, and Owen Samuels, Red McDaniel and Homer Moubray came in. They knocked on the door first, and and Betty unlocked the door and let them in. There were two chairs in the room, and Red McDaniel and Homer Moubray sat down on them. Owen Samuels sat down on the bed. We talked for a while, and the light was on. Then Homer and Red came back downstairs. After they left, Owen, Betty and I were sitting on the side of the bed, with Betty between us. The light was still on. I put a pillow under my head and lay across the bed. Owen Samuels and Betty Morrison then lay across the other end of the bed - I think they were facing each other. When I lay down across the bed, Betty got up and turned the light off.

While they were lying across the bed, they were moving around, and the bed was going up and down. This lasted for about ten minutes, then Owen got up and said he was going to the bath room. Betty asked him if he was coming back, and he said he was, but he didn't come back.

Wit: W. J. Keane Chief of Police

Robert C. Samuels

D. M. BROWN
S. J. BROWN
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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

MAJOR C. W. BROWN
CAPT. J. W. BROWN
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

RICHMOND

10-10-1943

10-10-1943

I, Robert Ellison Gamble, being sworn and of sound mind, make the following statement to Sergeant E. F. Lambert, at State Police Headquarters, Harrisonburg, Virginia, at 3:00 P. M., Saturday, November 6, 1943, without fear of punishment or promise of reward, having been warned at the time of making said statement, that if I should be found guilty of perjury, I shall be liable to punishment therefor.

I first met Betty Harrison in front of the Harrison Hotel, in Harrisonburg, about 3:00 P. M., Sunday, October 31, 1943.

She and Owen Gamble and Homer Kordy were standing in front of the Harrison Hotel when Betty Harrison was walking North on Main Street, and she stopped and started talking to me. She said to Owen "Well, Owen, are you ready to go up with me?" and Owen said, "No, I don't think I am going up." So she tried to get Owen to go, and Owen wouldn't go.

I was standing over on the street close to where the others were standing, and she walked up to me. I had my hands in my pockets. And she asked me if I wanted to go up and stay with her. She told me she had a room in the Harrison Hotel. I told her I didn't think I wanted to go up with her. She grabbed me by the arm and kept on talking at me until she got me in the door, then she held me by the hand and led me up the steps to her room, which was room No. 2. She opened the door with a key, and when we went in, she locked the door on the inside.

We sat down on the bed for maybe four minutes, and Owen Gamble, Red McDaniel and Homer Kordy came in. They knocked on the door first, and Betty unlocked the door and let them in. There were two chairs in the room, and Red McDaniel and Homer Kordy sat down in them.

Then Owen and Red came back and sat down on the bed, and the light was on. After they left, Owen, Betty and I were sitting on the side of the bed, with Betty between us. The light was still on. Then Gamble and Betty Harrison then lay across the bed and lay across the bed. I think they were facing each other. When I lay down across the bed, Betty got up and turned the light off.

While they were lying across the bed, they were moving around, and the bed was going up and down. This lasted for about ten minutes, then Owen got up and said he was going to the bath room. Betty asked him if he was coming back, and he said he was, but he didn't come back.

Robert Ellison Gamble

Signature

Signature

Signature



D. M. BALDWIN
JOHN D. BERRY
G. L. MOORE

MAJOR E. W. WOODSON, JR.
CAPT. J. B. BURN
LT. W. C. THOMAS

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

RICHMOND

After Green didn't come back, I lay on my end of the bed, and Betty on the other end for a little while, then she moved over beside me. She got close to me, and put her arms around me, then she threw her legs over on top of me, and she was almost on top of me. Then she started unbuttoning the middle of her body up against me. Then she said, "Robert, I am going to like you." I said, "What for?" She said, "You are the only one who ever lay over on her back, and I have never done that before." Then I pushed her pants aside, and put it in her. She didn't try to stop me from putting it in, and it was easy to get in. The put her arms around my back. She opened her legs herself. I didn't have to open them. She started like she was getting some fun out of it, and came up to meet me many several times. She never said a word until we were through.

It took me about ten minutes from the time I got on her until I got through. There was a discharge from me, but the rubber didn't break.

After I got through, Betty was laughing and talking and said she was going home with me. I said "No you ain't neither."

I got up and went up to the bus terminal and got a cup of coffee, then went back to the Harrison Hotel. When I got back to the hotel, Betty was standing in the corner at the hotel, crying. I asked her what she was crying about, and she said she was crying over me. It was then, and not in the hotel room, that she said she was crying home with me, and I told her she wasn't.

This was about 8:30 A. M. I had gotten up about 5:00 A. M. and went to the bus terminal for a cup of coffee, and when I went back to the hotel, Betty was sitting up on the bed. This was right after I had had sexual intercourse with

at 8:30 A. M., Betty and I went into the Harrison Hotel and got some things. After we finished eating, I left the hotel, and that was the last I saw of Betty Harrison. I have not seen her since.

Robert

Robert C. Harrison

copy of Robert

copy of Robert

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County, To-wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 9th day of November, 1943,
Robert Samuels, principal and W.M. Samuels
surety, who justified to his sufficiency, came before me, Stephany Devier
Bail Commissioner
(J. P. or Bail Commissioner), of the said county of Rockingham,

and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia each in the sum of One thousand ~~no~~ 100 Dollars, (\$ 1,000.00),

to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, for the use of the Commonwealth of Virginia rendered, and they each severally waived their homestead exemption to their recognizance; yet upon this condition:

That if the said Robert Samuels shall personally appear before the
~~Circuit Court~~
Trial Justice's Court of Rockingham County, at the Courthouse of said County, on the 18th day
of the Nov 1943 at 2 P.M. Term thereof, being the day of Nov, 1943, and at such other time or times to which the proceedings may be continued or further heard, and before

any court or judge hereafter having or holding any proceedings in connection with the said charge, and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain felony
whereof the said Robert Samuels stands charged, and be bound under said recognizance until the charge is finally disposed of or until it is declared void by order of a competent court, then the above recognizance shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my signature this 9th day of Nov., 1943

Stephany Devier
(J. P. OR BAIL COMMISSIONER)

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County, To-wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the _____ day of _____, 1943

_____ of the said county of Rockingham,

and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia each in the sum of _____ Dollars (\$1,000.00).

_____ of the Commonwealth of

and they each severally waived their homestead exemption to their recognizance; yet upon

_____ shall personally appear before the _____

_____ of the County of said County, on the _____ day of _____, 1943.

_____ and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain _____

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charged, and be bound under said recognizance until the charge is finally disposed of or until it is declared void

by order of a competent court, then the above recognizance shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full

force and effect.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto affix my signature this _____ day of _____, 1943.

_____ (Judge of said County)

Fel
Paid

Robert Damuella
\$1,000.00
To T. J. Court
11/18/43
2:22 P.M.

State

Prisoners Report of Rockingham County Jail

Name Robert Samuels Date Arrested 11-6-43
Date Bailed Out 11-9-43 Again Placed in Jail 1-15-45
Male ☒ Female ☐ Age 18 Race W Single ☒ Married ☐ Divorced ☐
Home Address Elkton Va
Place of Birth _____ If Foreign Born _____ Time in U. S. _____ Years _____ Months _____
Physical Condition good Is Person a Drunkard? _____ or Drug Victim? _____
Can Read? ☒ Write? ☒ Occupation labor Offense Committed Rape
City Ordinance _____ State _____ Held for Grand Jury _____
Held for Trial _____ Sentence 1 Year Months _____
Fine _____ Costs _____ Time in Jail _____ Held for Penitentiary yes
Held as Insane _____ Held for Other Authorities _____
Behavior _____ Date of Discharge _____

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Height _____ Weight _____ Color of Eyes _____ Color of Hair _____
Teeth Marks _____ Hand Marks _____
Arm Marks _____ Face Marks _____
Shoulder Marks _____ Back Marks _____
Thigh Marks _____ Knee Marks _____
Calf of Leg Marks _____ Foot Marks _____
Fingers Off _____ Mole Marks _____
Neck Marks _____ Brest Marks _____
Left Arm Marks _____ Right Arm Marks _____
Left Leg Marks _____ Right Leg Marks _____
Fine After Prisoner at Jail; Amount to State \$ _____ Amount to City \$ _____

Date Reported

Deputy and Jailor

Sheriff

Callan A Rhodes

State

Prisoners Report of Rockingham County Jail

11-6-43

Name Robert L. Bannock Date Arrested 11-6-43

Date Bailed Out 11-9-43 Again Placed in Jail 1-12-44

Male ☒ Female ☐ Age 18 Race W Single ☒ Married ☐ Divorced ☐

Home Address 11-6-43

Place of Birth

Physical Condition

Can Read ☒ Write ☒ Occupation Laborer

City Ordinance Held for Grand Jury

Held for Trial Sentence 19 months

Fine Cost Time in Jail Held for Penitentiary

Held as Inmate Held for Other Authorities

Behavior Date of Discharge

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Height Weight Color of Eyes Color of Hair

Teeth Marks Hand Marks

Arm Marks Face Marks

Shoulder Marks Back Marks

Foot Marks

Call of Leg Marks

Finger Off Mole Marks

Neck Marks Breast Marks

Left Arm Marks Right Arm Marks

Left Leg Marks Right Leg Marks

Fine After Prisoner at Jail Amount to State \$ Amount to City \$

Date Reported Deputy and Jailor

Signature

Harrisonburg, Va.,

Dec 31 1923

To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County:

SIR:

I report herewith, according to law, (Sec. 935a, Code of Virginia,) the names,
etc., of the following prisoners, in Jail on this date:

NAME	COMMITTED	OFFENSE	SENTENCE	BY WHOM COMMITTED
Amas Walker	Sept 29 1923	Larceny	Held For Trial	J C Cooper J.P.
William Ashcraft	Nov 17 1923	Forgery	" For Ind J.	J W Keiter J.P.
Milton Linn	Dec 22 1923	Attempt to Kill	30 days Jail	By Jury in Circuit Court
Andrew Carrier	Dec 22 1923	Rape	Held For Ind J.	J M Desser J.P.
Isaac Gooden	Oct Term 1923	Proa Act	See Court Order	J M Hoas Judge
Lucy Ralston	Nov 23 1923	Proa Act	4 M. Sentence	By Jury of Rockingham Co
George Dean	Dec 3 1923	Proa Act	Held For Bond	Req. issued by Judge of Court 5000.00

W L Dillord

Sheriff Rockingham County.

Report of Prisoners in
Jail on Dec 31 - 1923

Filled in the Clerk's Office
Rockingham County, Va.

JAN 1 - 1924

Clerk

I report herewith, according to law, (Sec. 935a, Code of Virginia), the names,

Sir:

To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County:

Harrisonburg, Va.