

tions than the actual commission of the two crimes. He demanded the instigators be found.

Judge Bailey first referred to the murder by a colored man of a family of four persons in adjacent Worcester County on Oct. 12, and the subsequent "interference" and "false accusations" of a Communist organization, which, he said, aroused the populace of the lower Eastern Shore.

Section Incensed

This entire section of the state was incensed at the organization's activities, Judge Bailey charged.

"While the case of the four persons murdered in the adjoining county is not for your investigation," Judge Bailey said in his charge to the grand jury, "nevertheless, the two murders that occurred in this county last Dec. 4 are both for your investigation.

"The first of these murders is for your investigation as to whether or not anyone instigated Matthew Williams to the crime he committed. If so, who.

"The second of these murders—by the populace, by the mob—is also for your investigation. First, as to who instigated the mob, who instigated the murder, and, secondly, as to who were the actual perpetrators of that murder.

Power of State

"The resources of this county and the power of this state are at your command that you may in reference to each of these murders make your investigation full and complete, and that you may to the best of your ability present to this court each person engaged as instigators in the first murder, engaged as instigators in the second murder, and engaged as perpetrator of the second murder.

"During the period following these two murders in this county so many unkind words were said both by us and about us, and so permeated did the atmosphere become with ill will and unkind remarks, that it would have been no trouble at all for one to have concluded we were living in and were a part of a generation of vipers."

List of Witnesses

Following Judge Bailey's remarks, State's Attorney Levin C. Bailey, a nephew of the judge, turned over to Sheriff G. Murray Phillips the list of over 100 witnesses to be summoned.

This list contains names of persons from Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester Counties, and not until all of the summonses are served will the list be available to the public, Mr. Bailey said.

He added, however, that the list contains the names of many prominent residents of the three counties, as well as several Negroes.

May Begin Probe Tonight

Indications are that the grand jury will begin consideration of the lynching case at once. Several less important cases are being considered today, but the criminal docket is the smallest in years, and it is considered highly likely that the lynching case will be reached tonight or before noon tomorrow.

Procedure in the case is up to State's Attorney Bailey, who will decide which cases are to be considered first.

Lane to Appear Before Jury

Among the officials who will appear before the grand jury is Attorney General W. Preston Lane, who has been aiding State's Attorney Bailey in investigating the case. Mr. Lane, at his home in Hagerstown today, said he had not yet been notified when to appear for the grand jury probe, but said he believed he might possibly be called tomorrow.

Original List 75

The grand jury is expected to devote at least three days to hearing the testimony of the witnesses. Upon the strength of their testimony will depend whether any indictments are returned in the case. The Wicomico County Circuit Court convened today and, if indictments are returned, those accused probably will be tried at the current term of court.

Originally the list of those to be summoned before the grand jury contained 75 names, but Mr. Lane, aided by Mr. Bailey and by Baltimore detectives assigned especially to the case, continued his investigation up to the end of last week and added 25 more names to the list, it is understood.

According to Mr. Bailey, all of those summoned are citizens of Wicomico, Somerset or Worcester Counties. No Baltimoreans are on the list, he said.