

# LYNCHING JURY IS EXPECTED TO REPORT TODAY

## Wicomico State's Attorney Looks For Findings In Afternoon

## 21 MORE WITNESSES HAVE BEEN CALLED

## Salisbury Police Chief Is Before Investigators Nearly Hour

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Salisbury, Md., March 16—Expectation that the Wicomico county grand jury will complete its investigation of the lynching of Matthew Williams, Negro, and make known its finding tomorrow afternoon was voiced today by Levin C. Bailey, State's Attorney.

Seventy witnesses testified today and twenty-one more had been summoned to tell the jury what they know of events connected with the lynching of Williams, who shot to death Daniel J. Elliott, Salisbury lumber dealer, December 4.

Mr. Bailey said the jury, which formally opened its investigation Tuesday, is willing to devote any amount of time to the inquest and to summon before it anyone whose name is presented in good faith as having knowledge which might bear on the subject.

### Police Chief Quizzed

Among those who appeared before the jurors today was Police Chief N. H. Holland, of Salisbury, who was on guard at the main entrance of the Peninsula General Hospital when the lynchers entered by a side door and took Williams to the Courthouse Square, where the Negro was hanged from a tree. Mr. Holland was questioned nearly an hour this morning.

Throughout the morning and afternoon sessions a double stream of witnesses flowed up and down the Courthouse steps. The naming of twenty-one more persons to appear swells the total list prepared by Mr. Bailey to 123. Yesterday the jury questioned twelve, including physicians and nurses at the hospital.

### Additional Ones Named

Those named in addition to the original 102 are:

Graydon L. Ware,	Loran Niblett,
Fred A. Grier, Jr.,	Thomas Webster,
Harry Waller,	Russell White,
Marion Brown,	Randolph Ralph,
John Crosswell,	Daniel J. Elzey,
Dr. H. A. Barnes,	Roger Jennings,
Mary Massey, nurse;	George Farlow,
John Martin, Sr.,	Edward Guthrie,
John Martin, Jr.,	Elmer Shockley,
L. Carroll Hopkins,	Negro,
Fats Wilson, Somerset county;	John Hudson, Negro.

### Their Testimony Taken

Those who have testified before the grand jury are:

Miss Helen E. Fisher, of the Peninsula General Hospital.	
Dr. S. H. Hurdle, health officer.	
James Handy, Negro, hospital orderly.	
John Easton, hospital orderly.	
Leah Brewington, colored, cook.	
Samuel C. Broughton and John M. Goslee, of the Salisbury police.	
Alfred T. Truitt and Charles J. Truitt, Salisbury publishers.	
E. Sheldon Jones, a newspaperman.	
David J. Ward, State Senator from Wicomico county.	
William J. Ahtes,	John W. Downing,
Alexander Pollitt,	W. Arthur Kennerly,
William O. Dolan,	Otho L. Byrd,
Wallace H. White,	W. C. Thurston,
Ira D. Turner,	Lee O. Harris,
John G. Farlow,	J. M. Schramm,
N. James Gordy,	Howard Campbell,
P. E. Burroughs,	William Perry,
E. Urie Oliphant,	Roger Bailey,
William Calloway,	Ralph Corbin,
L. Thomas Parker,	John Crockett,
Fred Ruark,	Sidney Church,
Rufus Perry,	Police Chief Robert
Bill Maddox,	Allen, of Ocean
Russell Dennis,	City;
Marion Smith,	William Harrington,
Pat Hitchens,	Fred A. Grier,
Milton Clark,	Marion Brown,
Louis A. Smith,	Dr. H. A. Barnes,
Elwood Waller,	Miss Mary Massey,
Conrad O. Long,	John Martin, Sr.,
Henry Yewell,	John Martin, Jr.,
Petta Johnson,	L. Carroll Hopkins,
Richard Elliott,	

### Negroes who testified today were:

Marion Talley,	J. R. Waters,
Leandon Morris,	Daniel J. Elzey,
Howard Leonard,	Roger Jennings,
Henry Purnell,	Elmer Shockley,
Maslin Pickett,	

W. Preston Lane, Jr., Attorney-General, and G. C. Anderson, Assistant Attorney-General, were in the grand jury room with Mr. Bailey. The body adjourned at 5 P. M. to reconvene at 9 A. M. tomorrow.