

SHO' JURORS OPEN PROBE OF LYNCHING

Questioning of 102 Witnesses
At Salisbury Expected to
Take 3 Days

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SALISBURY, Md.—Wicomico County's grand jury today began the arduous task of questioning 102 witnesses summoned in connection with the probe of the lynching of Matthew Williams, colored, here last Dec. 14.

Attorney General W. Preston Lane and Deputy Attorney General Anderson are here to assist State's Attorney Levin C. Bailey, who is in charge of the investigation.

Probe Is Secret

Proceedings of the grand jury are secret, and it could not be learned who were the first witnesses before the inquisitorial group. So lengthy is the list of witnesses summoned, however, that the investigation is expected to extend over at least three days.

Among the 102 witnesses called are leading citizens of Salisbury and Wicomico County. The list includes two former mayors, a judge of the Orphans Court, physicians and nurses at the town hospital, the chief of police and three patrolmen, state police officers, the sheriff and two deputies, newspaper men, the Salisbury town attorney, a pugilist, several farmers, an author and numerous others.

Aided Attorney General

Several persons from adjoining counties also have been summoned, as well as two Baltimore detectives, Sergts. Walter Martin and Graydon L. Ware.

The detectives aided Attorney General Lane in a lengthy investigation he conducted into all phases of the lynching during the past three months.

It will be the duty of the grand