

Contract For 125,000 Packages Of Seeds For Use In Planting Gardens For Needy Families Made

Details Being Handled By Relief Agencies In The Counties

Raleigh, March 1.—Contracts for 125,000 packages of garden seeds for use in planting gardens for destitute families were awarded last week by the State Department of Purchase and Contract. These seeds will be paid for by the Governor's Office of Relief and in turn made available for those destitute families who have agreed to plant gardens so as to become self-supporting. The details of working out the plan are in charge of the county farm agents and the relief directors in the various counties.

Every possible assistance is being offered by the Governor's Office of Relief in carrying out the program which is designed to enable destitute families to produce all the food they consume. A planting calendar setting forth in detail the dates for planting gardens, the amount to be planted, and instructions for cultivating have already been broadcast throughout the State.

The State College Extension service has also published for widespread distribution a guide to community farm budgeting, a pamphlet which will be of material assistance to relief directors in starting community farms which will provide foodstuffs for those destitute families who do not live on farms.

NU-WAY SERVICE STATION ROBBED

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As he arose to his knees, Bell fell to the ground with a wound in his right shoulder. Ladd, who started to run, was shot in the right arm. Hayes returned to the service station and notified the police and Sheriff Somers. Before the officers arrived, however, the men had disappeared. Bell, it was learned, stopped at Red-Bird's Service Station and got the colored man to bring him to the Wilkes Hospital, where he was treated by the officers a short while later.

Ladd, who thought he was less seriously hurt, went to the home of McKinley Williams and chartered his car to carry him to his grandmother's. In the meantime, the officers had gone on below and were on their way back when they met the Williams car. Ladd was found in the rear seat. He had stuffed the gun-back behind the cushion and placed the pistol on the floor of the car. He still had the small change in his pockets.

Ladd was brought to the hospital for medical attention and it is understood that his condition is more serious than that of Bell. The bones of his right arm were badly shattered by the bullet and amputation may be necessary.

Both Bell and Ladd are under guard at the hospital. Fred Sheets having been assigned to duty there.

All the money with the exception of \$2.41, the pistol and most of the cigarettes were recovered.

Bell is the same young man who is alleged to have participated in the theft of J. E. Deans' automobile here recently and was at liberty under bond for his appearance at the March term of court. Sheriff Somers also held a warrant for him on a charge of shooting his father, Chas. Bell, since the automobile theft. He is said to have shot him through the window but did not seriously injure him.

Ladd escaped from the state penitentiary at Raleigh last week and when arrested yesterday morning had a clipping of the newspaper article telling of his escape in his pocket. Ralph Foust, who attempted to escape at the same time Ladd made his get-away, was killed by state prison guards.

Ladd was sent up at the March term of court last year for the theft of George Forester's automobile. He was given a two-year sentence which was later increased to three when he became wretchedly ill and broke a water pipe.

Both men have criminal records besides their latest escapades, it is stated.

The quick work of Mr. Hayes which evoked much praise from the populace thwarted one of the boldest attempts at robberies to be made in this city in years.

U. D. C. To Meet

The Wilkes County chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet Monday afternoon, March 6, at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. P. E. Brown and Mrs. Jim Neal as hostesses. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Brown in Wilkesboro.

Friendship Church Has Growing League

Campaign For New Members Being Waged; About 90 Members Enrolled

MILLERS CREEK, March 1.—The Friendship Epworth League is a growing one. We are staging a campaign at the present time to get new members. More enthusiasm is being shown in the work than has ever been displayed at Millers Creek before. About ninety persons are enrolled now and more are expected to join soon. We're not growing in number alone. Our programs have been good and are getting better. If you want to hear a really original and happy program come to Friendship M. E. church at Millers Creek each Sunday evening at 7:00. We shall be happy to have you! We would not forget to mention the stimulus for a great part of the interest taken by the pastor, Rev. E. P. Greene. He is a wide-awake man and has spent years in young peoples' work. We are proud of him. Come meet him. It would be worth your time.

C. H. COWLES SEEKS OPINION OF PEOPLE

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law, would only confer upon the County Commissioners the power to establish a Recorder's Court for the county, if, in their discretion, they should think best to give such a court a trial. The Commissioners would have the right to appoint a Judge and Solicitor, who would serve until the next general election when their successors would be elected by the people of the county, also to fix the salaries. Several superior court judges and several grand juries have recommended the establishment of a Recorder's Court in our county. Should the commissioners, after two years trial of a recorder's court, find it unsatisfactory they will have authority under the law to abolish the court.

"A large majority of the counties of the state have one or more Recorder's courts—some have three—and with few exceptions they are relieving the court dockets and are saving thousands of dollars every year for the tax payers of the county in which they operate.

"There is some very active and determined opposition to the Recorder's Court Bill on the part of a few of the citizens of the county, practically the same opposition that was successful in preventing a bill establishing a Recorder's Court in Wilkes county from passing the Senate in 1929, after passing the House of Representatives, and this opposition will follow the bill here to Raleigh and appear before the Committee and urge that the bill be not passed.

"The bill I have introduced does not establish a Recorder's Court, but merely confers the power to do so upon the Commissioners of our county, as before stated, thus giving our people a right to try out a court that has been found to be successful and satisfactory in a majority of the counties of the state.

"In order that the citizens and tax payers of Wilkes county may have a chance to express themselves either for or against the Recorder's Court Bill herein referred to, I suggest that every citizen in the county either write me a letter or postal card or sign a petition stating whether or not he or she is for the passage of House Bill No. 148, which, if passed, will give Wilkes county the privilege of a two years trial of a recorder's court, if our commissioners decide to establish the court and give it a fair trial. Those who may be against the court being established will have the right to appear before the commissioners and make their opposition known. Likewise, those who are for the court will have the privilege of making their plea to the commissioner for the establishment of the court.

"Please do not delay. Write a once.

"I have no interest in this matter other than to ascertain the wishes of the tax payers of the county and to serve them acceptably and to the very best of my ability.

"Faithfully yours,
"CHAS. H. COWLES,
Representative,
"Raleigh, N. C."

Junior Order To Meet Next Tuesday Evening

Degree work will feature the regular meeting of the local lodge of the Junior Order next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Each and every day brings in new goods. To say you'll find variety, style and assortment is the word. A perusal is invited. Our sales must keep up if low prices has any power.—The Goodwill Dept. Stores.

Officials Declare R. F. C. Will Continue To Aid Banks of U. S.

Washington.—Continued strong support for the United States banking structure is assured from the government-sponsored Reconstruction Finance Corporation, officials said today. Directors of the government lending agency have been in constant touch over the week-end with the banking situation in Maryland, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

Despite the circulation of what they consider "malicious" and "unfounded" rumors, Reconstruction Finance authorities said, they are continuing to make loans to needy banks.

Gardiner Cowles, a member of the corporation board, officially denied today that there had been any change in the lending policy of the organization. Terming his statement today as "shooting a mouse with a cannon," Cowles said it was necessary to clear up public misunderstanding of the affairs of the R. F. C. caused by the circulation of unfounded rumors. Activity at the R. F. C. offices over the week-end was entirely normal, although officials continued to keep in close touch with the general United States banking situation.

"We made loans to banks yesterday, we made loans to banks today and we will make loans tomorrow," Cowles said. "We will continue to go ahead."

He emphatically denied rumors that his organization was planning to restrict loans and claimed that they might have had their origin with persons trying to "rig" the stock market for their own personal gains.

"I cannot conceive," he continued, "why anybody starts these rumors. There is not the slightest foundation to them."

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has been reticent in discussing individual loans such as have been made over the past week, believing that these figures might be misconstrued and

SCHOOL CLUB HEARS ADDRESS

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ducted into office until April 30. This was due, he said, to the failure of the electors to meet and canvass the vote in time for the date which had been set. Washington was inaugurated in New York, then the seat of the government.

The first public inaugural to which the common people came was that of Andrew Jackson.

Switching from one highlight on the history of inaugurations, with bits of interesting information regarding the lives of the Presidents and wives of Presidents, the speaker carried his audience down to the present time. He touched briefly on the last resting places of the Presidents. He had been to the grave of practically every President. He had carried his camera along and made pictures which he exhibited to the audience.

Anyone qualified to administer an oath may administer the oath of office to the President, Mr. Reynolds explained, although this is usually the function of the Chief Justice of the Supreme court. Probably the most simple inaugural in the history of the country was that of Calvin Coolidge who was administered the oath in the dim light of a kerosene lamp by his father following the death of Warren G. Harding, the speaker said.

Turning to the wives of the Presidents, he reminded that Dolly Madison, one of the most gracious hostesses ever to preside at the White House, was a native of Guilford county, North Carolina.

Among the interesting sidelights he offered were:

Nine vice presidents have become President, three by election, six by succession following the death of the President.

Three Presidents died a natural death in office and three were assassinated.

Hoover is the only man born east of the Mississippi ever to become President.

James Buchanan was the only

inaugural, scattered over a few friends, from the room.

Prof. W. D. Halford motioned to instruct the speaker to write a letter of sympathy to Prof. E. R. Sprull, principal of Mountain View high school, who was absent on account of the death of his mother. This was carried unanimously.

A delightful closing was a solo, "Love's Old Song," sung by Miss Anna Holland. Miss Beatrice Holl was at the piano.

PLANS COMPLETE FOR INAUGURATION

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most carefully guarded. Secret service operative and vice, their zeal stimulated by recent attempt to assassinate President-elect at Miami, laid elaborate plans to eliminate any possibility of disorder.

To Make Short Speech Mr. Roosevelt plans to read no more than 15 minutes, probably eight minutes, for delivery of his inaugural address which will begin about 12:50 p. m., immediately after he has taken the oath. The new vice president, John N. Garner, of Texas, a short speech when he takes the oath of office in senate chamber at 12 noon. Both messages are expected to be the shortest on record for the occasion.

More time will be required, the parade than any other except the ball in the evening. The marchers will arrive at White House for the review about 2:30 p. m., and about a half hour will be required for the column to pass the President's enclosed stand.

In an auditorium, a few from the White House, detention will be put into place week for the inaugural which Mrs. Roosevelt and members of the new presidential family will attend in addition to nearly all of the Democratic errors of the nation.

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