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R. H. BECK TRIAL HELD TUESDAY

State Highway Patrol Lieutenant Given Two Fines on Two Counts.

Rutherfordton, Nov. 24.—A large crowd attended the trial of Lieut. R. H. Beck here Tuesday in the recorder's court in the Courthouse. Two of the charges against Beck were not pressed, or withdrawn. The warrant signed by C. Lee Biggerstaff town clerk, was recalled while the one signed by Chief S. E. Waldrop was never served on Beck, at the request of certain officials.

On the charge of parking too close to a fireplug here on the night of the 11th Beck was fined \$10 and cost and on the assault charge \$35 and cost. Both these warrants were signed by Geo. Hodge.

The charges against Patrolmen Geo. Allison, of Shelby, and H. R. Frymoyer, of Hendersonville, were withdrawn and the patrolmen are on duty. It was an error about Patrolman H. G. Singleton, who has been in a Charlotte hospital for some time suffering from injuries received in the late summer from an accident. This was partly caused by the refusal of Beck to give the correct names on Nov. 12.

Lieut. Beck thru his attorney, C. O. Ridings, entered a plea of nolo contendere in the charge brought by Geo. Hodge.

Only two witnesses went on the stand, Geo. Hodge, acting officer here on Nov. 11, who told about Beck parking too close to the fireplug and assaulting him three hours later on the streets here. He further stated that since Beck had been to him and made due apologies which he accepted and that he had no ill feeling against Beck.

A. L. Morris on the stand told about hearing Beck curse on the night of November 11.

W. C. McRorie, attorney, stated that he was employed by the town of Rutherfordton and C. Lee Biggerstaff and drew some warrants against Beck. He commended the fine spirit of Beck and his clients in the matter.

Attorney Ridings made a plea for the court not to fine Beck who had agreed to pay all expenses in connection with the whole affair and had made due apologies to one and all concerned. Beck agreed to pay the fee of the prosecuting attorney, Stenographer's fee in the hearing here the night of Nov. 16, witnesses and all other costs. Attorney Ridings made the point that when an officer violates the law he is criticized more severely than a private citizen.

Attorney McRorie replied that "More is expected of an officer than a private citizen, as an officer should set the example for good behavior."

Recorder Fred McBrayer read the letter in open court of Biggerstaff to State Highway Chairman, E. B. Jeffers written Saturday in which he stated that Beck had made due apologies to him and that he would use his influence to help recall the warrants then against Beck and that he had no ill feeling against Beck or the Patrolmen in the matter.

Recorder McBrayer stated in court that he could not understand the actions of Beck here on Nov. 11th and 12th as he had been in his court as a witness several times and had always conducted himself like a gentleman.

Beck came here Saturday and stayed thru Monday and made due apologies to Biggerstaff, Hodge, town officials and all concerned and stated that he had no ill feelings towards anyone in the matter and that he did not know himself why he acted as he did. He regretted the whole affair. Capt. Chas D. Farmer of the State Highway Patrol and Chas Ross, General Counsel for the State Highway Commission attended the trial but took no active part in it.

Capt. Farmer stated after the trial that he had no comment to make in the matter yet. Beck refused to make any statement after the trial was over.

Attorneys for Beck urged Recorder McBrayer to not fine Beck, but he refused.

Mr. Chas Ford, of Wake Forest, will spend Thanksgiving here with his mother, Mrs. Chas. A. Ford.

THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE SERVICE METHODIST CHURCH

A Thanksgiving and praise service will be held at the Main Street Methodist church at 7:30 Wednesday night. Among the features of the service will be two papers. One "Origin of Thanksgiving" will be read by Mrs. G. C. McDaniel, and another "The Significance of Thanksgiving" will be read by Mrs. A. C. McDaniel. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

FRANCES BARTLES CLAIMED BY DEATH

Funeral and Burial Held at Round Hill Church Last Wednesday Afternoon.

Union Mills, Nov. 24.—Funeral services and burial were held last Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock for Frances Bartles, at Round Hill church. She died Tuesday morning at the Rutherford hospital of blood poison. She had a tooth extracted Nov. 7th and suffered much pain until death relieved her.

The deceased was fifteen years of age and the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Bartles. Kindness and cheerfulness were characteristics of her young life, and made for her many friends. She will be missed in the home, community and the Union Mills Consolidated school at which place she was an excellent student.

The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Grogan and was assisted by Revs. D. J. Hunt, R. T. Baker, C. C. Matheny and Dr. E. B. Dillard. Prof. W. E. Sweatt also had a part in the services.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. Fred Hill, Gower Morgan, Johnny Johnson, Millard Reid, Earnest Buchanan and Bonson Lovelace.

The many beautiful flowers, tokens of love and sympathy, were carried by her schoolmates, Misses Nancy and Elizabeth Holler, Clair Bell Craig, Ruth Morehead, Gertie Graybeal, Virginia Briscoe, Lucile Allen, Alta Flack, Nell and Ruth Miller, Dorothy Johnson and Kate Jones.

After the coffin had been placed upon the bier, the choir rendered with tender expression, "Nearer My God to Thee," and Miss Pauline Lawson sang sweetly, "Where We'll Never Grow Old," with Mrs. Jack Koone, accompanist. Favorite hymns of the deceased were sung by the choir, also the "Old Rugged Cross," was sung by four school girls.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Bartles, eight brothers and six sisters. Messrs. Tom, Jonas, Ralph, Palmer, Walter, and Frank, all of Union Mills; Curtis, of Erwin, Tenn.; and half-brother, J. C. Bartles, of Newport News, Va.; Misses Nettie, of Asheville; Alice of Danville, Va.; Mattie, of Gray Stone Park, N. J.; Mrs. Nell Hamner of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Mary Duckworth, of Morganton, and half-sister, Mrs. Artie Johnson, of Greenville, Tenn.

MR. IVY COWAN STATE SECRETARY OF WALTONIANS

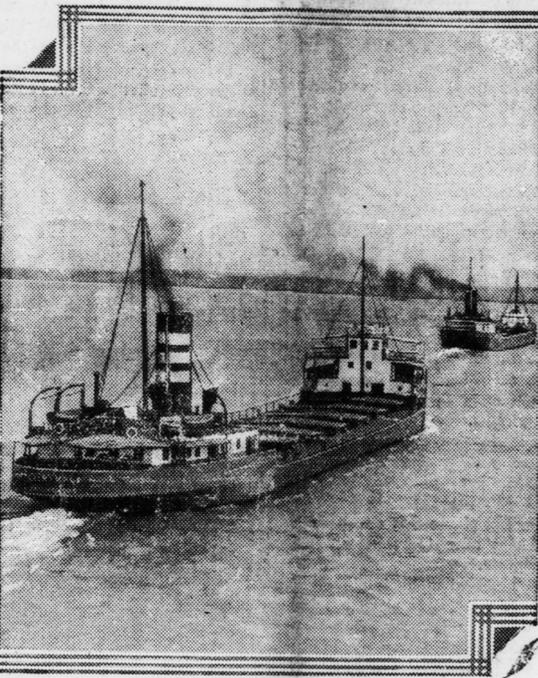
Spindale, Nov. 23.—Mr. David Lindsay, state president of the Waltonian Council, last week announced the various committees of the Izaak Walton League organization over the state. Among the appointments was that of Mr. Ivy Cowan, of Spindale, who becomes the new State Secretary for the Waltonian Council.

ANOTHER GRADE A DAIRY ANNOUNCED

The dairy of Mr. Frank Roberson was graded last week and given a Grade A rating. This gives Forest City six Grade A dairies supplying the city with milk. These six dairies supply 229 gallons of milk daily, against 31 gallons sold by Grade D dairies.

Attention is called to the fact that all must use the graded caps on all sweet milk, A or D, or the grade furnished, according to the standard of milk ordinance, or be subject to a fine.

+ Do You Know? +



THAT these strange looking boats are the type that ply the Great Lakes in the grain trade? They are known as "whale backs" because of their length and the way in which they lie low in the water. Practically all the grain carried from the head of the lakes to the big eastern elevators is transported in this type of vessel.

SMALL BOY BREAKS FOOT.

Ivan Fagan, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fagan, had the misfortune to break the small bone in the instep of his foot last Friday. He was playing, and lifted the iron cover from a man-hole. In some manner the cover fell on his foot, breaking the bone. He was given medical attention, and is now at the home of his parents, where he is resting nicely.

W. M. S. MEETING.

The W. M. S. of the First Baptist church will observe next week as the week of prayer for worldwide missions. The first meeting will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the choir room. Mrs. A. H. McDaniel and Mrs. R. L. Reinhardt, leader, Thursday afternoon, Mrs. R. K. Hollifield and Mrs. Fred Hamrick, leaders, Friday afternoon, Mrs. W. L. Stallings, leader. The Lottie Moon Christian offering will be made at these meetings.

CAR BURNED SUNDAY.

Spindale, Nov. 23.—A new sport model Chevrolet coupe, belonging to Mr. Luther Sherrill, local post office clerk, was burned Sunday night near Oakland. Mr. Sherrill was returning home after a visit to relatives in the Oakland community, and while driving along fire flamed up from the neighborhood of the battery box. By the time he stopped the car the fire had ignited the upholstery. The car was a complete loss.

Mrs. T. B. Lovelace and Miss Suddie Young spent Friday in Asheville.

BOILING SPRINGS COLLEGE TRUSTEES MEET

The executive committee of the board of trustees, of Boiling Springs Junior college, met at Shelby, Nov. 17, in order to give out a statement of appreciation to the churches of the Sandy Run and the Kings Mountain Baptist associations for their loyalty to the college. Reports have come from many churches that they have definitely placed the college in their budget for the coming year, and that many others are planning to do the same. The outlook is bright because more churches have taken a definite stand for the college than at any time for many previous years. The executive committee takes this opportunity of expressing appreciation for this loyalty from the churches and to assure them that the outlook is bright for new students with the beginning of the next semester which starts January 14, 1932.

BAZAAR VERY SUCCESSFUL

The bazaar held by the ladies of the Methodist church last Friday and Saturday was quite a success. The response from all the ladies who donated articles and food was greatly appreciated. Particular mention must be made of the kindness and helpfulness of the merchants who contributed so largely to the success of the undertaking. The sum realized from the bazaar amounted to over one hundred dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Ridings and daughter spent Sunday with relatives in Polk county.

A WORD ABOUT COURIER LEGAL ADVERTISING

During the past few weeks it has several times been called to the attention of The Courier that someone in Rutherfordton is advising clients who have legal advertising for publication to place same in Rutherfordton.

The Courier wishes to call attention to the fact that the state laws permit legal advertising to be published "in a newspaper in the county". Regardless of which section of the county the newspaper has its office, its columns may be used for legal advertising, under existing laws. Several of The Courier's staunchest friends have been led into believing that insertion of administrator's notices, etc., were illegal unless published in a county-seat newspaper despite the fact that such publication in The Courier would have bet-

ter served their purpose, and gave them a wider circulation in the territory concerned by such notice.

The law makes no distinction between county-seat and non-county-seat publications. Courier friends and advertisers are advised that any legal advertising they may desire to insert in this newspaper will be gladly received, and when published will fulfill all the requirements of the law as fully as though it had been published in a county-seat weekly.

A glance through this newspaper is sufficient proof that it is used freely by a number of attorneys and others in placing legal advertising. Attention is invited to the county delinquent tax list.

Our county officials will please bear us out in this statement, and see that The Courier is not discriminated against.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

The ninth annual sunrise "Thanksgiving" service will be held at the First Baptist church Thursday morning at 7:00 o'clock. There is always a large crowd in attendance on this, which has come to be known as the sweetest, most helpful service of the whole year. No sermon is delivered but there are songs, prayers and testimonies of Thanksgiving. Everybody is cordially invited.

Thursday night at 7:30 that great layman, Mr. George J. Burnett of Memphis, Tenn., who is one of the most interesting speakers in the Southern Baptist convention, will deliver an address. Every member of the church is urged to hear this great message. Public cordially invited. Time of service, sunrise Thursday morning and 7:30 Thursday night.

ATTEMPT TO ROB MOORESBORO BANK

Yeggs Fail To Crack Safe In Union Trust Co., Last Week.

Mooresboro, Nov. 23.—A daring attempt was made to crack the safe and rob the Union Trust Company's branch bank at Mooresboro, some time last Thursday morning before daylight.

The yeggs burned their way into the bank vault but were not able to get into the safe before they were frightened away or became afraid to crack the safe due to the heat caused by the acetylene torches used in burning through the vault.

It is the belief of Sheriff Irvin Allen and officers that the attempted bank robbery was staged by professionals or directed by an expert yegg.

Entrance into the bank building was made by the rear door. After entering the yeggs used a large acetylene tank and torches to burn through the heavy vault to reach the safe. An attempt was then made to burn into the vault. This failing it seems as if it was planned to use nitroglycerine to blow open the safe.

Apparently the heat from the acetylene torches was so intense that it was dangerous to use the nitroglycerine and also too hot in the building to be comfortable. The Mooresboro Creamery had been broken into and three cream cans taken therefrom for the purpose of carrying water to pour on the hot vault and safe.

When Sheriff Allen was called there about 8 o'clock Thursday morning the vault and safe were still hot from the acetylene process. This indicated that the attempted safe-cracking took place not long before daylight.

In making their getaway the yeggs left a big acetylene tank in the building. A cap and other articles were also abandoned in the hurried getaway, which was made. It is believed, when someone came by and frightened the thieves.

The trip to and from the bank had been made in an automobile, but when officers were called the tracks were not clear enough to give any beneficial clue.

One presumption is that at least one of the party must have known something of "the lay of the land" as shown by the stealing of the creamery cans for carrying water to cool off the heated safe.

The big loser in the bank robbery early Thursday morning at Mooresboro was the postal department. The safe crackers failed to get in the main safe of the bank but took approximately \$315 in stamps and silver from the vault. The stamps belonged to the Mooresboro post office, which is near the bank, and were kept there for safety.

TUBERCULOSIS SEAL SALE OPENS HERE FRIDAY

The tuberculosis seal sale opens here Friday. The sale of seals this year will be conducted locally by the Woman's Club, under the direction of Mrs. A. W. Falvey, as chairman.

FAMILY WELFARE ASSOCIATION DRIVE DEC. 3-4

Association Completes Plans For Winter's Work—Ask Donation of Clothing, Food, Fuel and Money.

The officers of the Family Welfare Association met Monday evening at 7:30 in the city hall to complete arrangements for a drive for funds, clothing, food, coal and wood to be used in giving aid to the needy of our city.

Each chairman and vice-chairman will select their workers to assist them in making the drive which will be made on December third and fourth, Thursday and Friday. When any of these ladies call at your home please have your gifts ready for them, so they won't have to return for them. Please have garments clean when you give them as we cannot handle soiled clothes. If you are leaving home for the day, place your gifts on the porch with "Family Welfare" written on it so they may collect as they go along. Any kind of canned goods will be acceptable, also will be glad to have any gifts in the way of bed blankets, sheets, pillow cases or comforts. If any one has any wood they will give please notify Mr. J. E. Caldwell at the city hall, and if you can't bring it to town, the Welfare Association will send a truck for it.

We want the public to know that if they give to the Welfare Association that they are asked not to help any one begging from door to door or on the streets, but send them to the city hall to Mr. Caldwell and he will have their case thoroughly investigated, before giving aid. We also want to remind each one that this money is to be spent only on the needy in Forest City and not on those passing through, just beating their way through the country.

The Family Welfare Association last year aided forty-seven families, consisting of two hundred persons. We gave aid 124 times to these forty-seven families. We distributed over one thousand garments, also distributed food, coal and wood and medicine. The physicians of the town gave their services every time they were called on to do so by Mrs. Alcock, who had charge of the work last year. Every case was investigated before aid was given. We received in actual money \$234.49, and disbursed \$234.49.

If the churches, lodges and clubs of the city will co-operate by donating so much each month to the Welfare Association and let all relief work be done by this organization, it will do away with duplication, which was found so prevalent last year, where some families received aid from as many as four sources and others received no aid, except from the Welfare Association.

Please have your donations ready on Thursday and Friday, December third and fourth.

MRS. A. V. BENNETT DIES AT BOONE, N. C.

Mrs. A. V. Bennett, of Boone, aged 85, died Monday morning at 3 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Winkler. Mrs. Bennett was ill only for a short time, suffering from heart trouble, which proved fatal. She was a devout christian and had been a member of the Methodist church since early childhood. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. L. Winkler, of Boone, and Mrs. E. C. Rowland, of Alexandria, Va. Mrs. Bennett was the grandmother of Mrs. S. J. Asbury, Jr., of Forest City. The funeral service was held in the Methodist church, Tuesday morning at 10:30.

STORES CLOSED THURSDAY.

All stores in Forest City, except the drug stores, will be closed Thursday (today) for Thanksgiving. The banks and postoffice will also close for the day.