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ROBBED YESTERDAY

General A. Hill, Carrier of Star Mail Route Between Danbury and Walnut Cove, Gets Away With \$3,000.

CUT MAIL BAG OPEN

Team Is Turned Loose Just Before Reaching Meadows Postoffice and Carrier Takes To Woods—Reward Offered—Hill's Description.

General A. Hill, the carrier of the star mail route between Danbury and Walnut Cove, yesterday cut a hole in the first-class mail pouch which he was carrying and took from it packages containing \$3,000 in cash which were being sent by mail, and made his escape.

The money taken was in two packages. One of them contained \$2,000 and was being sent to the American National Bank, at Richmond, while the other contained \$1,000 and was being sent to the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., at Winston Salem. Both packages were sent by the Bank of Stokes County here and were insured for their full value with the Hartford Fire Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn., so that the bank will not sustain any loss.

The robbery was committed while the carrier was enroute from Danbury to Walnut Cove yesterday morning, as the money stolen was being sent from Danbury. When the mail arrived at Walnut Cove the postmaster failed to observe that a hole had been made in the sack and Hill was allowed to leave with the mail coming back to Danbury. When he was about half way home and almost in sight of Meadows postoffice he left his buggy and went into the woods, making his escape. The mail which he was bringing was undisturbed and was taken charge of when the team passed Meadows postoffice without a driver.

Hill has resided in Danbury for several years, having the contract for the carrying of both the Danbury-Walnut Cove and the Danbury-Madison mail routes. He was a hard-working man, and was considered honest and upright by everyone.

Sheriff W. C. Slate offers a reward of \$50.00 for Hill's arrest and delivery to him. It is reasonably certain that both the U. S. postoffice department and the Hartford Fire Insurance Co., with whom the money was insured, will each offer liberal rewards for his capture.

Hill's description is as follows: About 35 years of age, 5 feet and 9 inches in height, weight about 165 pounds, light colored hair and eyes, slight crapped mustache, and wore green hat when last seen.

Salary Of R. F. D. Carriers May Be Increased To \$1,200

The rural letter carriers will be pleased to learn that the prospect is excellent for an increase in their salary to the much-to-be desired \$1,200 per year they have long cherished. Several years ago Senator Simmons introduced a bill in the senate and Mr. Kitchin a measure in the house to get them \$1,200. They were then getting \$900. Thru the steady activities of these gentlemen the wages of the rural letter carriers have steadily risen. Rural letter carriers earn \$100 per month and they should have it.

DANBURY ROUTE ONE

New Residence Being Erected -- Two Parties Are Given--Other News Items.

Danbury Route 1, Feb. 2.—Mr. Jesse Bennett has recently moved from his father's place to Mabe & Son's place where he expects to put in a line of general merchandise. Mr. Bennett is expecting to get ready for business by spring.

Mr. Terry Smith is having a very comfortable home built on the opposite side of the river from where he now lives. Mr. Smith is one of our best farmers and now is showing the result of his success.

Mr. W. R. Fagg is expecting to have his new house complete by spring. On account of a very rough winter Mr. Fagg has been prevented from finishing it.

Miss Tilda Nelson gave a party to a large number of her friends a few nights ago. The party was given in honor of Misses Juda Ray and Annie Hylton, who is boarding there and teaching the Buck Island school. The party was favorably carried out and every one enjoyed it.

Miss Lillie Flinchum expects to visit friends and relatives in Virginia this week.

Mr. James Mabe happened to the misfortune of losing a very fine mule a few weeks since.

Messrs. John Sisk and Straph Whitten were visitors at W. R. Bennett's store last week. They report the sad illness of Mr. Harrison Taylor, who has lost his mind.

Mr. O. M. Bennett went to Meadows Saturday on business.

Mr. Gilmer Nelson, who has been sick for a few days, is improving.

Miss Juda Ray, the principal teacher of the Buck Island school, has been sick for a few days but is able to take charge of her duties again.

Mr. James Flinchum began work recently with Mr. W. A. Nelson with whom he will stay for the summer helping him with his farm work.

Miss Mattie Nelson gave to her large number of friends a party Saturday night. Messrs. D. C. and Charlie Nelson, John D., Reid and Eugene Fulp entertained the young people with their music. The party was given in honor of Misses Rosa and Trudie Simmons, who returned home Sunday.

Mr. W. R. Fagg has a very sick child. Dr. Morefield visited the child and reports that it is in a very bad condition.

We regret to learn that Mr. W. R. Bennett, who has been sick for some time, is not improving.

Messdames Robt. Oakley and Jesse Priddy were visitors at W. R. Bennett's Thursday.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Rufus P. Mabe, a baby boy.

Mr. Jesse Fagg has a very sick boy.

Today is said to be ground-hog day by the older people. It is a beautiful day and the animal saw his shadow. What does it mean?

Walnut Cove Route 3.

Walnut Cove Route 3, Feb. 2.—People in this section are busy preparing plant land and chopping wood.

Mr. Gilmer Barker, of Walnut Cove, called on Miss Mary Smith Sunday.

Little Robt. Conrad, who makes his home at Mr. F. T. James', was severely burned Sunday from falling in the fire.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith, who left Feb. 19, 1910, and went to Fortville, Ind., where he joined the U. S. Army, and has served his term, is expected home by his relatives soon.

Miss Ethel Mabe, who has been right sick, is much better, we are glad to note.

Misses Ruth and Nannie Mitchell and Messrs. James Allen and John, Chas. and Ben Mitchell visited at Dillard Saturday and Sunday.

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COUNTY FATHERS

Consider Several Bridge Matters and Other Business At Meeting Monday.

FOR NEW ROAD

Sheriff Instructed to Summon Jury To Lay Out Road Near Sheppard's Mill—Other Business.

The principal business before the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting here Monday was the consideration of bridge matters.

Quite a number of citizens of Snow Creek township were before the board and asked for a bridge across Snow Creek, about five miles east of Danbury. A part of those asking for the bridge wanted it placed at Phillips' plantation ford, while other wanted it at the ford near Sheppard's roller mill. The commissioners declined to take any action Monday, stating that they would consider it at some later meeting.

The present bridge across Town Fork creek at Germanton was ordered removed and placed across Neatman creek also near Germanton, and Mr. R. R. King was given the contract for the work.

The small wooden bridge across Snow creek, near Mr. J. W. Pitzer's, was ordered repaired, and Mr. Charlie Pitzer was given the contract.

A petition, signed by a good number of citizens, was presented to the commissioners asking that a new road be layed out near Sheppard's roller mill. The petition was granted and the Sheriff was ordered to summon a jury and lay out the road.

The paying of a few claims against the county was the only other business transacted by the commissioners Monday.

Sandy Ridge Route 1.

Sandy Ridge Route 1, Feb. 1.—We are having some rough weather at present.

The roads are in a deplorable condition now.

Messrs. J. H. Ward and Will Simmons, of Francisco, visited this section the past week.

Mr. Joshua Ivins and Miss Lemma Griffin, of near here, were united in wedlock last Sunday by Rev. J. A. Joyce.

Mr. S. R. Ward visited relatives at Winston and Mayodan recently.

Mrs. W. T. Ward and daughter, Miss Lillie, spent Wednesday night at Mr. J. G. Dunlap's.

Several of our farmers visited Winston the past week with tobacco.

Mr. A. J. Hawkins, of Madison, visited his father, Mr. John Hawkins, Sunday night.

Mrs. C. D. Duncan is quite sick at present.

There was a pound party given at Mr. Moir Hawkins' Saturday night.

There was a musical given at Mr. E. K. Vernon's Friday night.

Rev. O. P. Routh filled his regular appointment at Sandy Ridge M. E. church the fourth Sunday.

About March 1 the transcontinental telephone line will be ready for commercial use. The rates will be \$20.70 for three minutes and \$6.75 for each additional minute. If one wants to talk across the continent he can, but he will find in this case that talk is not cheap.

WALNUT COVE LETTER

Board of Trade Will Likely Meet Thursday Night To Reorganize.

NEW STORE OPENS

E. W. Fowler Buys Interest In Store of James & Co. Streets and Roads In Bad Condition—Other News.

Walnut Cove, February 2.—It is learned that the Board of Trade, which was instrumental in bringing new industries and being of much benefit in many ways two years ago, will hold another meeting possibly Thursday night of this week. Various matters will come before the new organization and with the proper support of the citizens and a plentiful amount of enthusiasm injected into the veins of the organization it will be of lasting benefit to the town and many things otherwise impossible will be accomplished. Every citizen who has an interest in the town or a spark of hope for the future should answer the call of the first meeting.

Mr. E. W. Fowler, of King, has purchased an interest in the store and bowling alley formerly owned and conducted by James & Co. The firm is now known as James and Fowler and will remain under the management of Mr. J. E. James.

Never before have the roads and streets been in such a condition, never has such a winter been experienced in this section. This is what two thirds of the folks say, and while the assertions are probably true to some extent we often wonder if it is a fact or whether everybody has just forgotten previous years and the roads of long ago.

Capt. R. L. Murphy tells us that the new fire escapes at the High School building were used for the first time last Wednesday when the pupils were drilled in the use of the escape. He stated that when the alarm was sounded considerable excitement prevailed but that the pupils soon became accustomed to filling down the narrow escape with little confusion.

Mr. J. Will East last week removed his family from their home on Summit street to his new home near the postoffice.

Mr. Oakley Grubbs, of Shepherdstown, W. Va., is spending a few days with his parents here.

The new hardware and implement store owned and conducted by The Joyce-Jones Co. is open and ready for business. Mr. J. R. Snider, of Winston-Salem, is manager of the concern and is being assisted by Mr. Carl Joyce, Mr. John H. Marshall, of Fulp, was a visitor here Saturday.

Mr. Marshall is one of those far seeing farmers who raises his corn and wheat at home, diversifies his crops and never has cause to worry about the low price of tobacco or the extortionate prices of Daisy Middlings.

Miss Ruth Bowers, of Winston-Salem, is spending several days here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Geo. H. Semple.

Mr. C. M. Miller, of Salisbury, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

It is learned that Mr. J. E. James has given the contract for a new storehouse to be erected on his lot adjoining Fulton-Davis.

Mr. Jno. A. Burton spent Thursday in Greensboro on business.

Messrs. A. W. Davis and O. J. Cates went to Danbury Monday attending a meeting of the county commissioners.

Elder J. A. Fagg spent Saturday and Sunday at Basset and other points in Virginia.

Miss Susan Gentry, of Mount Airy, is visiting relatives here this week.

The Gem Theatre has arranged for vaudeville performances in addition to the pictures this week.

Mr. A. H. Joyce, of Danbury, was here a short while Friday enroute to Winston-Salem.

Mr. J. Irving Bolt left last

BOYS GOT FOOLED.

Sat Up All Night Waiting For Booze But It Never Came --Other News of King.

King Route 1, Feb. 1.—The farmers are wearing long faces, as there has not been any plant land burned.

Mr. S. K. Anderson visited the Winston tobacco market last week and reports prices favorable.

Mr. Clade Boyles, son of Wade H. Boyles, is on the sick list.

There was an old time frolic at Mr. Jule Eaton's last Saturday night.

We suppose Mr. Wesley Eaton is going to marry, as he is swapping horses and hauling lumber to build a new residence.

Mr. C. H. Lunsford says the dogs are giving his sheep a lot of trouble, and he says he will kill any dog that bothers his sheep.

Mr. Baucom will preach at the Oak Grove school house the 3rd Sunday in this month.

If this bad weather continues the corn and fodder will be scarce by the 1st of April.

Those fellows who have been drinking so much booze got badly fooled a few nights ago. A mischievous boy told them that a colored man would be at a certain point on the road with a load of whiskey. So they sacked up their kegs and jugs and went to meet him, and when they arrived he was not there, so they built up a fire to await his arrival and waited until the next morning, and they decided that the lad was only playing a joke on them and at once resacked their vessels and waded the mud five miles back home.

Mr. J. H. Dorsett has sold his farm and will move to Rockingham county in the near future. SCRIBBLER.

AT PINNACLE.

County Farm Demonstrator Holt Visits School and Addresses the Pupils.

Pinnacle, Feb. 2. Mr. W. P. Holt, of the Department of Agriculture, who is canvassing the schools of Stokes in the interest of the Boys' Corn Club, visited the Pinnacle High School Thursday afternoon, Jan. 25. His subject was corn. In a plain, instructive and interesting manner he discussed this subject.

Beginning with the discovery of America he traced the history of corn down to the present. He noted some of the many uses to which this important cereal is being put. He reviewed the progress of the Boys' Corn Club, telling how it started in the Great Corn Belt only a few years ago and that now it is reaching out into all the Southern States. He then explained the organization and showed how it will help the community.

We hope that much good may result from Mr. Holt's work and feel that his visit to our school was beneficial especially to the boys who are interested in good farming. R. A. SULLIVAN.

Mr. R. R. King and other hunters here captured a large grey fox Monday, after a considerable chase.

week for Leesburg, Fla., where he joins his father who is spending the winter there.

Mr. D. S. Watkins will leave this week for Oklahoma in the interest of the Bohannon Tobacco Co. His headquarters for a while will be at McAlister.

GONE TO RALEIGH

To Oppose Bill Introduced By Representative Carroll For Meadows Township Citizens.

FOR MORE BRIDGES

Messrs. N. O. Petree, J. D. Humphreys and J. C. Wall Will Represent County Commissioners and Highway Commissioners

Mr. N. O. Petree, attorney for the county commissioners, Mr. J. D. Humphreys, attorney for the Meadows township highway commissioners, and Mr. J. C. Wall, chairman of the board of highway commissioners of Meadows township, left yesterday for Raleigh, where they went to oppose a bill recently introduced in the Legislature by Representative Carroll for Meadows township citizens.

It is learned that the bill referred to above, if enacted into law, will compel the county commissioners to build a certain bridge or bridges in Meadows township in addition to the ones recently built and will compel the highway commissioners of the township to construct the fills or approaches to the bridge or bridges.

The bill passed its final reading in the House Friday but it is learned that it is being held up in the Senate until a hearing can be had in the matter.

Proposed New Passenger Station For Greensboro

Greensboro, Jan. 27.—The Southern Railway company has submitted to the city government and the chamber of commerce a plan for improvements about the station here. The plan is to build a new passenger depot on the lot opposite the Hotel Clegg, now occupied by the old freight depot, close up Davie street and tunnel under Elm street. Property has already been bought at Pomona and the round house will be moved there. This will carry a large part of the shifting away from the city.

NEWS OF KING.

Grabs Manufacturing Co. Start To Work--Personal Items.

King, N. C., February 2.—Mr. Will R. Kiger, of Mt. Airy, spent Sunday with his parents here. Mr. Kiger is a former resident and business man of King and we are always glad to see him.

Mr. George King has returned from a business trip to Stoneville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Denny of Pilot Mountain spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. W. G. Linville, who holds a position with the Southern Railway Co., spent Sunday with his parents.

The Grabs Manufacturing Co. has started up again after being closed down for the installation of a new boiler.

The R. P. Reece Lumber Co. has closed down for a few days until they can intall some new machinery.

Mr. E. O. Caudle, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. J. W. Caudle, who resides here.

Mr. E. P. Newsum went to Winston-Salem on business today.

Rev. J. N. Newsum, of Roanoke, Va., lectured at Galatia church yesterday at eleven o'clock a. m.