

LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

APPEALS FOR CRITICISM

Washington, Feb. 20.—An appeal for criticism of NRA, by letter or in personal appearance, was made to the country tonight by Hugh S. Johnson in a speech prefacing general hearings beginning next week in which operation of codes is to be studied as a basis for remaking administration policy.

The recovery administrator attached just one condition: NRA will not, he said, receive "unsupported personal assaults" and it will take "academic conjectures not backed by facts" only for what they are worth.

TERRIBLE STORM STRIKES

Washington, Feb. 20.—The worst winter weather in years clamped down over the northeastern seaboard Monday night, crippled ships on the Atlantic, left several hundred thousand New Yorkers without transportation for hours, tied up the railroads throughout New England, delayed the air mail, and caused deaths and intense suffering.

VOTE ON BONUS ISSUE ASSURED

Washington, Feb. 20.—A vote on the soldiers bonus issue in the house was assured today despite President Roosevelt's announced intention of vetoing the bill if passed.

The vote became a certainty when a petition was signed by 145 members of the house to call from the ways and means committee the Patman bill for payment of the \$2,000,000,000 bonus.

HIGHWAY SLAUGHTER IMPROVING SOME

Raleigh, Feb. 20.—North Carolina's highway slaughter showed signs of slight abatement for January, according to the figures given out today by the state highway patrol, but even with the powerful help that Governor Ehringhaus gave in December, the banner murder month, the deaths were 67.

ADMITS PART IN KIDNAPPING

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Walter A. (Buck) Henrichsen, former \$90 a week beer truck driver for Roger Touhy's gang, broke down on the witness stand today and admitted he helped to collect \$70,000 ransom last July 12 for the release of John Factor.

MT. PARK SCHOOL IS ABANDONED

Haymore Estate Is To Pay Off Obligations of Institution

Final dissolution of Mountain Park Institute and abandonment of any further operation of the school was accomplished a short time ago by an agreement entered into by the trustee of the school, the executors of the R. L. Haymore will and Rev. J. H. Fulghum, president of the school. Under the terms of this agreement the school relinquishes all rights to the endowment fund of \$100,000 as set up by Mr. Haymore and transfers to the executors of the Haymore will all real and personal property of the school. In the agreement the executors of the estate assume all of the indebtedness of the school incurred during the past few years and agree to discharge same as early as possible in order that creditors of the school will suffer no loss.

It is estimated that the school owes about \$35,000 which includes several months' salaries to teachers of the school and more than \$3,000 to Mr. Fulghum. Financial difficulties had been encountered for the past several years and repeated efforts had been made to secure the necessary financial aid in order to conduct the school the necessary period of ten years in order to receive the endowment from the Haymore estate.

The property consists of 70 acres of land on which is situated two wooden dormitories and one large brick school building which was erected about five years ago at a cost

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Officers Find Second Garage Thought To Be Unit of Outlaw Gang

THREE ARE IN JAIL

Band of Thieves Round- ed Up By Patrolmen And Federal Men

CARS RECOVERED

A second garage, located somewhere in the Mitchell's River section of Surry county was discovered Tuesday to have been a link in the chain of crime forged by an alleged outlaw band that had extended its activities through the northwestern section of North Carolina, and whose alleged leader, Ransom Brooks, 30, and two of his aides, Ves Douglas, 27, and Odell Holbrook, 18, are being held in Forsyth county jail to explain many car thefts and robberies.

The presence of a motor and other automobile equipment indicated that the garage had been used in which to store stolen cars and change their appearance, it was learned.

Round up of the gang was begun last week by Captain Charles Farmer, chief of the highway patrol; L. P. Harris, of the state auto theft department; several officers of the federal Department of Justice and five highway patrolmen. To date three men have been arrested and a number of automobiles and parts of automobiles recovered. Each of the three men are held in default of heavy bond.

Upon searching the home of Brooks following his arrest, officers found a complete set of keys for the Alleghany county jail. Other items found included watches, auto tools and parts, tires, jewelry, a cash register and typewriter.

Douglas is charged with changing the appearance of cars stolen by the gang and a number of motors and other car parts were found in his garage that are suspected to have been taken from stolen machines. The same type of work is suspected to have taken place in the garage discovered Tuesday morning.

Citizens of the Bull Head section of Alleghany county are reported to have asked an investigation by members of the state highway patrol after the gang had been suspected of having a part in several robberies. Citizens of the section say that the gang has virtually ruled the neighborhood of their activities for some time and strangers were not allowed to come into their stronghold. It is alleged that their plan of operation was to stop cars, rob the occupants of all valuables and then take the cars and leave the motorists stranded.

Brooks, when arrested, was driving a car said to have been made up of the parts of several machines. He was carrying a revolver, and two shotguns and two rifles were found in his car.

STATE ROAD WOMAN DIES MONDAY A. M.

Death Comes After A Week's Illness From Pneumonia

Mrs. Sophia Willey Haynes, 72, died Monday morning at her home at State Road from a week's illness from pneumonia and complications. She was the widow of Isom Lowery Hanes, who preceded her in death about five years ago. The deceased was a highly respected woman in her community, where she had spent her entire adult life. She is survived by one daughter and two sons, Mrs. R. J. Carter, W. L. Hanes and G. W. Hanes, all of State Road. Three sisters, Mrs. Emmaline Cockerham, State Road; Mrs. Jane Hanes, State Road; and Mrs. Lena Dockery, Elkin; and one brother, H. B. Willey of Zephyr. Eleven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Mt. Pleasant Baptist church in charge of Rev. W. J. Bryant and Rev. J. L. Powers, and interment was in the church cemetery.

Walter R. Schaff of the Elkin school and R. B. Blackwelder of the North Elkin school attended a meeting of the Surry County Schoolmasters' Club in Dobson Wednesday evening.

"Scandalous"



Brig.-Gen. William Mitchell, retired, told the Senate Committee that Uncle Sam has been the victim of profiteers in Army airplane contracts, spending \$187,000,000 per year on military aviation and today having about 300 planes whereas we should have 2,000.

TO CUT 252 FROM SURRY CWA FORCE

Workers Are To Be Pared From Govern- ment Payroll

Of the 845 persons now employed in Surry county on CWA projects a total of 252 must be cut off Friday, orders from the state CWA administrator at Raleigh instructed Tuesday.

It will be left up to county officials as to who will be discharged. It is thought that those needing work less will be the ones to be cut from the CWA payroll.

Inasmuch as the CWA activities are to end in May, the paring of ranks this far in advance is being done rather than to discharge the entire force at one time. It is hoped that farms and industry will be able to absorb the majority of those who are forced from their government jobs.

Harry Hopkins, head of the federal emergency relief administration at Washington, has said that CWA workers would be taken care of, "but precisely how we don't know at the moment." He stated that he expected the increase of employment on public buildings, the continued pick-up of business, and farm employment will have absorbed a great percentage of the unemployed by midsummer.

NIGHT SCHOOL IS OPEN FOR SEASON

Those Desiring to En- roll Should Do So At Once

The community night school which is sponsored annually by the Elkin Woman's Club, with classes at Elkin and Jenkinstown, began Monday evening in the local school and Tuesday morning at Jenkinstown with a total enrollment of 26 pupils. Classes are to be held in the local school building on Monday and Thursday evenings of each week and at Jenkinstown on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

It is requested that anyone desiring the benefits of the school enroll themselves as early as possible in order to avail themselves of the full opportunities of the work for the year. Any person in the community is eligible for enrollment.

Mrs. Clyde Walker, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Whitaker, chairman of the night school work for the past several years, is in charge of the schools.

Play to Be Given at North Elkin School

A play will be presented on Saturday evening, February 24, by the seventh grade of the North Elkin school. The play is entitled "Truth Takes a Holiday," a comedy-drama in three acts. There will be a small admission of five and ten cents and the proceeds will be used in securing books for the school library. The public is cordially invited to attend.

JONESVILLE MAN ENDS OWN LIFE MONDAY MORNING

John C. Davis Sends Bullet Through His Brain

WAS WAR VETERAN

John Claude Davis, 37, died by his own hand at his home in Jonesville Monday morning about 4:30, after firing a bullet from a .32 calibre revolver through his brain. Davis, who had been in a highly nervous state for the past three weeks from excessive dissipation, was being attended by neighbors who stayed with him through the night. Frank Pruner was with him at the time of his death and shortly before the fatal shot, had administered to his needs. Mr. Pruner fell asleep and was awakened by the report of the shot, which sent the bullet through the brain of Davis and into the wall of the home. Death was instantaneous.

Davis, who was a World War veteran, was severely shell shocked during the war and at various times had been a patient in government hospitals. Because of his injury he received a regular compensation and was aided by the government in completing an electrical course and was employed by Harris-Burgiss Electric company of this city.

The deceased was a son of the late Richard Wilson Davis and Mrs. Annie Maxwell Davis and is survived by four children: John 13, Annie Laura 12, Mary Ruth 10, Clara Eugenia 8, and one sister, Mrs. Andrew Hayes, of North Elkin. His wife, Mrs. Viola Burcham Davis, preceded him in death about three years ago.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from Grassy Creek Methodist church by Rev. R. H. Kennington and Rev. E. L. Hinson and interment was in the church cemetery.

ASSOCIATION HOLDS BANQUET AT HOTEL

Merchants Meeting Is Featured by Talk by Harry Courtney

A talk by Harry Courtney, of Lenoir, featured the Elkin Merchants association banquet at Hotel Elkin Tuesday night, in which the speaker pointed out the advantages of a merchants organization in every town and stressed the need for more associations throughout the state.

The attendance at the banquet was practically 100 per cent. Following the meal, the business meeting was called to order by President L. G. Mead, who expressed his appreciation for the large number of merchants and business men present, after which he turned the meeting over to A. O. Bryan, who acted as master of ceremonies.

Mr. Courtney was presented by Mr. Bryan. In his talk he stated that in 1928 there was a total of 28,000 stores in North Carolina as against 20,000 at the present time. Shrinkage in the number of stores was caused by the depression, he stated. Of the 20,000 stores now in business, only 5,000 are members of the state merchants association, he pointed out.

A report of the activities of the local association since its recent organization was made by Miss Edith Neaves, secretary.

A musical program was staged during the banquet by Mrs. Walter R. Schaff, who rendered two solos, accompanied at the piano by Miss Neaves.

L. C. Underhill, G. C. Courtney, and E. B. Crawford, of Lenoir, the latter president of the Lenoir Merchants association, were guests of the local association.

To Hold Rally

There will be a rally at the Junior Order hall Friday evening at 7:30 in observance of George Washington's birthday. A surprise speaker, selected by a secret committee will address the meeting. All members of the order are cordially invited to attend.

URNS STATE'S EVIDENCE

Isaac Costner, young Tennessee bad man, deserted his mates of the Touhy gang Monday at Chicago, and in a plaintive drawl accused them from the witness stand of kidnapping John Factor, the millionaire speculator, for \$70,000.

Elkin Merchants Plan Big Trade Event Here Latter Part Next Week

Prosecuting Greens



Solicitor John R. Jones, of North Wilkesboro, who is asking for a verdict of murder in the case of Bascom and Lester Green, now on trial at Taylorsville for the attempted robbery of a Taylorsville bank in which the cashier, T. C. Barnes, was killed.

GREENS ON TRIAL FOR BANK HOLD-UP

T. C. Barnes, Cashier, Was Killed In At- tempted Robbery

Taylorsville, Feb. 21.—Bascom Green and his 24-year-old son, Lester, will go on trial here today for the slaying of a bank cashier during an attempted hold-up of the Merchants and Farmers bank July 28.

One hundred men were called from lower Iredell county today for possible jury duty in trying the two men who pleaded not guilty when arraigned Monday.

T. C. Barnes, cashier of the bank, was fatally wounded and Solon Little, assistant cashier, wounded when four men entered the bank but fled without loot. Little recovered by Barnes died several days after he was shot.

R. E. Black, of High Point, and Mike Stevenoff, of North Wilkesboro were arrested as two of the bandits and convicted of murder. They were sentenced to die but appealed. The appeals are pending.

Bascom Green, 47, and his son are natives of Tennessee but recently lived at High Point. They were captured in Morristown, Tenn., last week. They waived extradition and were brought here.

No announcement was made by Solicitor John R. Jones regarding whether Black or Stevenoff would be brought here to testify.

WILLIAM P. HEMRIC IS BURIED TUESDAY

Yadkin County Youth Had Been In Ill Health Months

William Paul Hemric, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hemric, died at the home of his parents near Jonesville Monday afternoon, following a brief illness. His health had been very poor for several months prior to his passing. When his health permitted he was a regular attendant at church and Sunday school and a few months ago made a profession of faith.

He is survived by his parents, two sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock from the home of her sister, Mrs. M. A. Biggs, in Elkin, where a brief funeral service was held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Interment was in the family plot in Hollywood cemetery. The rites were in charge of Rev. A. E. Holton, Bishop Kenneth Pfohl, of Winston-Salem, Rev. E. W. Fox of Elkin and Rev. C. W. Robinson, of North Wilkesboro.

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98-CENT EVENT TO TAKE PLACE MARCH 2 AND 3; CONTESTS

Prizes Will Be Given To Winners of Various Events

BIG AUCTION SALE

Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3, will be 98c Days in Elkin stores and the biggest merchandising event in the history of the town.

Sponsored by the newly organized Elkin Merchants association, the event is to feature remarkable values in all stores participating; an auction sale where goods may be purchased at the buyer's own price; and contests include a mule race and horn blowing contest open to everyone who desires to enter.

In order to fully advertise the event motorcades will make good will tours of Elkin's trade territory on the two days prior to the beginning of the event on March 2. In addition, 5,000 extra copies of The Tribune, bearing the advertising messages of the stores participating, will be printed and circulated. In order to get this special edition into the hands of its readers in advance of the event, The Tribune will go to press Tuesday of next week.

The object of 98c Days is not only to draw new shoppers of the surrounding communities to Elkin, but to acquaint them with the numerous and diversified places of business which are to be found here, and to impress upon them that at all times they will be welcome in Elkin stores regardless of whether they come to shop or to pass the time of day.

Those who wish to enter the mule race should see A. O. Bryan at the Double Eagle Service company, or call direct at the office of the Merchants association in the Greenwood building. Those wishing to enter the horn blowing contest should see Foley M. Norman at the Basketeria or call at the association office.

Further and more complete details of 98c Days will be found in next week's issue of The Tribune, as well as advertisements of the sensational values to be offered in Elkin stores on the two days of the event.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. RUSSELL C. JOHNSON

Former Elkin Woman Dies Monday At Winston-Salem

Mrs. Margaret Click Johnson, 39, wife of Russell C. Johnson of Winston-Salem, died suddenly at her home in Winston-Salem Monday evening at 7:15, from an acute heart attack. Mrs. Johnson had not been well during the morning, but her condition improved during the afternoon and her passing was a distinct shock to relatives and friends.

The deceased was born in Elkin March 25, 1894, a daughter of the late A. Graham and Nannie Click and was educated at the local school and later attended Greensboro College at Greensboro and Hollins College at Salem, Va. She was a member of one of the most prominent families of Northwestern North Carolina.

Since her marriage to Mr. Johnson in 1917 she had resided in Winston-Salem. She is survived by her husband; four children: Nan Elizabeth, Carolyn Spough, Russell C., Jr., and Graham Click Johnson; one sister, Mrs. M. A. Biggs, of Elkin, and two brothers, Dr. E. G. Click and Harold Click of Elkin.

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