

LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

COMPLETE EVIDENCE IN MOBSTER TRIAL

Asheville, May 15.—Evidence was completed today in the trial of Basil (the Owl) Banghart and Ludwig (Dutch) Schmidt, Chicago Touhy gangsters, on charges of participating in the \$105,000 mail truck robbery at Charlotte last November 15.

Eighteen witnesses were cross-examined by the district attorney and defense counsel after the trial opened at 9:30 in federal court here, and two arguments to the jury were completed before court adjourned for the day.

Neither of the defendants, who pleaded "not guilty" when they were arraigned, took the stand to testify. Both sat stolidly through the proceedings, only occasionally making a comment.

MAY PURCHASE TOLL BRIDGES

Raleigh, May 15.—A move toward state purchase of three privately owned toll bridges in eastern North Carolina was taken by the highway and public works commission today when it adopted a resolution authorizing negotiations be started to bring about such a step.

The resolution was offered at the request of Governor Ehringhaus.

The structures mentioned in the resolution were the Wrightsville Beach-Wilmington causeway, the causeway and bridge extending from Morehead City to Atlantic Beach, and the bridge extending from Point Harbor across Currituck sound to Dare county near Kitty Hawk.

SEVEN LOST IN SEA CRASH

Nantucket, Mass., May 15.—Struck a terrific broadside blow by the S. S. Olympic of the White Star line in a fog-enshrouded crash that took the lives of seven of her crew, the Nantucket lightship today went to the Atlantic's bottom.

Three bodies of the lightship's crew were found by the Olympic's life-boats but four others were missing. The four survivors were taken on board the liner which continued on to New York after a three-hour search for others.

REVISE CIVIL WORKS PROGRAM

Washington, May 15.—A revised and renamed civil works program as one of the main props of the federal government's relief structure for the coming winter was discerned today in President Roosevelt's request to Congress for \$1,322,000,000.

The President asked that Congress appropriate that sum to him "under fairly broad powers" to make flexible the distribution of the money for five general purposes, two of them definitely a part of his recovery plan.

CONGRESS MAY END JUNE 5

Washington, May 15.—A series of war councils at the White House today signalled the opening of the big push for adjournment.

June 5 was fixed by Democratic leaders as the date for ending the session and thought was given to trimming some of the presidentially approved bills off the calendar to attain that objective. Among these were the Wagner labor bill and unemployment insurance legislation.

Schaff Delivers Literary Address

Speaking to an attentive audience of nearly four hundred people, Walter R. Schaff, superintendent of Elkin public schools, delivered the literary address at the finals of Roaring River high school last Wednesday night.

Superintendent Schaff built his address around the theme of "Education of the Right Sort". Throughout his address he placed emphasis upon the fact education is the main-spring of all intelligent action and that it is the great channel through which the people of the earth will be able to extricate themselves. "Education of the right sort is nothing short of common sense converted into wise action," he concluded.

KIDNAPERS SENT TO PRISON FOR LIFE AFTER CONFESSION

Snatchers of Gettle Sen- tenced Within 24 Hours After Arrest

WOMEN NOT TRIED

Los Angeles, May 15.—William F. Gettle's kidnapers were sentenced to life terms in San Quentin prison tonight a scant 24 hours after the oil millionaire was freed by a police raid from the house where he was held prisoner five days.

The trio was told bluntly that they must plead guilty to a charge of kidnaping by extortion or stand trial under the California law that provides the death penalty where a kidnaping victim suffers bodily injury. Grimly, they chose the former.

Gettle, who suffered bruises when he was seized at his luxurious Arcadia country home last Wednesday midnight to be held for \$60,000 ransom, heard Judge Charles Fricke sentence the prisoners—James F. Kirk, Larry Kerrigan and Roy Williams.

The kidnapers probably will be started to prison tomorrow. They will be eligible for parole. The cases of Loretta Woddy and Joan Burke, the women arrested with them, are yet to be decided.

The threat of "the shadow of the noose looming about your ears," as expressed by Buron Fitts, district attorney, soon made the men decide their course. Kerrigan at first expressed a desire to see his attorney, but soon agreed, with Williams and Kirk, puff-faced fellow who reputedly was the brain of the gang. The three men had confessed early today.

"It is the opinion of the court," said Judge Fricke, "it was the intention of the state legislature that the death penalty or straight life sentence should apply only in cases where the kidnapers used violence beyond that necessary in carrying out their plans."

The men said no word when the sentence was passed and their faces were expressionless.

BROOKS IS SENT TO PEN FOR SIX YEARS

Second Member Of Gang, Ves Douglas, Is Given 12 Months

Ransome Brooks, arrested some months ago as the alleged leader of a band of outlaws and automobile thieves operating in Alleghany county, was sentenced last Wednesday afternoon to six to eight years in the penitentiary by P. A. McElroy, presiding over Alleghany superior court at Sparta. Brooks entered a plea of guilty to highway robbery with firearms; two charges of impersonating an officer and one case of assault.

Ves Douglas, another supposed member of the Bullhead mountain gang was given 12 months on the state roads for breaking and entering a store at Sparta and stealing a large quantity of sugar and some cash. He also faced charges of highway robbery with firearms.

Douglas was operator of a garage in Surry county at the headwaters of Mitchell's river. It is believed that stolen cars were taken to his garage and rebuilt.

Members of the state highway patrol, federal and county officers cooperated in the arrest of the men after complaints were filed by Alleghany county citizens.

Yadkinville And Boonville Banks Licensed Saturday

Two Yadkin county banks which have been operated under restrictions since March 4, 1933, Saturday were licensed by Gurney P. Hood, state banking commissioner. The two institutions, The Bank of Yadkin, at Yadkinville, and the Commercial and Savings Bank of Boonville, opened Monday without restriction.

W. A. Hall is president, and E. H. Barnard cashier of the Yadkinville bank. Capital is listed at \$20,000 and deposits at \$138,305.

F. W. Day is president, and J. W. Shore cashier of the Boonville institution. Capital is listed at \$20,000 and deposits at \$32,998.

Dillinger's Girl



ST. PAUL . . . Photo shows Evelyn Frechette, half-breed Indian sweetheart of outlaw John Dillinger, as she was led into court to face a federal indictment charging she harbored the notorious criminal. She had pleaded not guilty at an earlier arraignment.

SATURDAY, MAY 26 IS POPPY DAY HERE

Little Red Flowers To Be Sold On Streets By Auxiliary

One thousand poppies have been bought by the Woman's Auxiliary of the George Gray Post of the American Legion for poppy day, which will be observed May 26. Each citizen is requested to contribute to this movement by wearing a poppy on this day. The funds derived from the poppy sale constitute the largest source of revenue for rehabilitation and child welfare work of the Legion and Auxiliary. The dimes, quarters and dollars paid for these little flowers enable these organizations to carry out a constructive program of aid to the disabled veterans and the dependent families of veterans, throughout the year. Poppy Day is the one day that the public is privileged to contribute toward this great work.

The sale of poppies is conducted entirely by volunteer workers and every penny received goes directly into relief for disabled men and their families. The bulk of the money remains in the community where it is raised to carry on relief work throughout the year. The purpose of the sale is to place the symbol of heroic sacrifice above the heart of every true American, giving at the same time an opportunity to serve the war's living victims.

Woman's Auxiliaries Plan Welfare Survey

A plan for a state-wide child survey is being planned by the Woman's Auxiliaries of the American Legion. Each county will have a paid worker who will canvass the county for maimed and crippled children and for needy families of World War veterans. It is expected that the appointment for this county will be made at an early date by the county welfare administrator.

This survey is being made in conjunction with an extensive program of rehabilitation work that is being planned by the Legion Auxiliaries.

Local Kiwanis Meeting Not Held Friday Night

In view of the fact that there was a division meeting of Kiwanis at Sedgewick, near Greensboro, last Friday night at which a number of Elkin Kiwanians were present, the regular local meeting of the club was not held. The club will meet Friday at Hotel Elkin as usual.

Saturday Will Be the Last Day To Register

Saturday will be the last day in which to register for the June 2 primary, it was pointed out Wednesday by C. A. McNeill, who is registrar for Elkin township.

The books, he said, will be at McNeill's warehouse all day Saturday. Those who will find it inconvenient to register on that day may do so today or tomorrow by calling at Mr. McNeill's office at the Elkin Bottling Co., on South Bridge street.

Yadkin County Man Is Killed Saturday By Frightened Mules

Knocked down and trampled upon by a pair of frightened mules, Sanford Vanhoy, 52, of Jonesville, Route 1, died in Hugh Chatham hospital here Saturday night at 9:45 o'clock from internal hemorrhage.

The accident occurred Saturday morning. In addition to internal injuries, the victim also sustained several fractured ribs.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 o'clock from the Boonville Baptist church. Surviving are the wife of the deceased and eight children.

RUNAWAY ROADSTER HITS PASSING CAR

Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson Badly Injured In Ac- cident Here

Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson, of Elkin route 1, was seriously injured Saturday night on Bridge street when the car in which she was riding was struck by a runaway roadster. In front of the filling station operated by Red Transou.

The accident occurred when the roadster was cranked while in gear. With no one at the controls it ran into the street and crashed into the Hudson machine, which was passing.

Mrs. Hudson was not thought to be seriously hurt at the time, but later complications resulted in her being carried to Hugh Chatham hospital Tuesday night for treatment and observation. Internal injuries are feared.

SUMMER SCHOOLS TO BEGIN ON JUNE 13

Three Units Of Uni- versity Will Be Un- der One Head

For the first time the summer sessions of the three units of the Greater University of North Carolina are to be coordinated under one director with associate directors in each of the three institutions. The director is Dr. W. C. Jackson, Chapel Hill. Associate directors are as follows: Prof. N. W. Walker, Chapel Hill; Prof. T. E. Brown, Raleigh, and Dr. John H. Cooke, Greensboro.

There will be a summer session at each unit for six weeks, beginning on June 13 and closing July 24. The second summer session will be held only at Chapel Hill and will begin July 25.

Different types of work will be emphasized at the different units. At chapel Hill the emphasis will be on secondary education and graduate work; at State College, Raleigh, the emphasis will be on agriculture and related sciences and the Woman's College, Greensboro, will emphasize work for elementary teachers, commercial teachers and home economics. By specializing a higher standard of work will be obtained at a lower cost.

Beginning June 25 there will be an institute of education held at all three units. The leading educators of America will take part on those programs. Among them are Drs. W. C. Bagley, George H. Counts, Wm. H. Kilpatrick, Lois Massman and Wm. Rensner of Columbia University; Dr. Sydney B. Hall, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Virginia and Dr. Edward H. Reeder of Vermont, who will be a member of the faculty of elementary education at Woman's College.

Bodenheimer's Term As Postmaster Here Ends

Although C. N. Bodenheimer's commission as postmaster here expired Monday, no information has been received as to his successor, although there are six candidates for the job in the field.

Mr. Bodenheimer has served as postmaster for the past 12 years.

Kermit H. York

Kermit Howard York, 23, of Benham, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Martin York, died suddenly at his home Thursday. The deceased suffered an attack of infantile paralysis in infancy, from which he never recovered.

Funeral services were held Friday from Pleasant Ridge church and interment was in the church cemetery.

Wrote Best Editorial



ATLANTIC, Iowa . . . Shown above is the most recent photo of Editor E. P. Chase of the News-Telegraph here, who has been awarded the Pulitzer Prize for having written the best editorial of 1933.

JONESVILLE FINALS TO END WEDNESDAY

Professor Dixon To De- liver Commencement Sermon Sunday

The commencement sermon for the Jonesville school will be delivered Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the school building, by Prof. Z. H. Dixon, venerable superintendent of the Jonesville school.

The class day exercises will be held Monday afternoon at 3:30.

Rev. W. E. Fox, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church will deliver the commencement address to the Senior class at the graduating exercises Tuesday evening, May 22, at 8 o'clock.

The final program will be the senior class play, "Professor Pepp", which will be presented by members of the class on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

LITTLE RICHMOND CITIZEN IS DEAD

Had Been A Patient At Charlotte Hospital For Several Weeks

Vance Burch, 74, prominent citizen of the Little Richmond community, died at his home Saturday morning following a long period of declining health. He had been a patient at a Charlotte hospital for several weeks and was removed to his home less than a week ago. His passing removes one of the most influential and substantial citizens of the community.

The deceased was a son of the late Jesse W. and Rachel Reece Burch and was a native of that section. In earlier years he and his brother were engaged in the mercantile and milling business. He was a Master Mason and for a number of years served as master of his lodge.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Little Richmond Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. T. S. Draughn. The Masonic Fraternity was in charge of the rites at the grave. Interment was in the family plot in the church cemetery.

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Alleghany County Youth Is Arrested For Starting Fires

White Platt Waddell, 20-year-old son of an Alleghany county farmer awaited a court hearing on a charge of starting forest fires in the wooded sections beyond Sparta, a heavy downpour of rain Tuesday afternoon did much to extinguish the fires which have swept the Blue Ridge mountains north of here during the past two weeks.

Waddell was arrested several days ago and placed in the Sparta jail. He was released on bond a short time afterward. The young man is not charged with setting the original fires which devastated hundreds of thousands of acres of timberland, but is charged with setting fires after armies of firefighters had labored for days to conquer the original blaze.

EIGHTEEN SENIORS GRADUATE TUESDAY FROM LOCAL SCHOOL

Commencement Exer- cises Were of High Order

FINE SENIOR PLAY

Commencement exercises of the Elkin public schools which began last Friday night and closed Tuesday night were of a high order and enjoyed by large and appreciative audiences.

The finals began with the presentation of certificates of promotion to high school to thirty pupils by French Graham, member of the county board of education. Joe Gwyn Bivins made the highest score on the test given by the State.

Saturday night witnessed, what the public considers, the best commencement play, "Eyes of Love", ever given in the local school. Margaret Greenwood and Irwin Wade played the leading roles. All members of the cast were seniors.

The baccalaureate service was ably conducted by Rev. E. W. Fox, pastor of the First Methodist church, of Elkin. He was assisted by Rev. Eph Whisenhunt, pastor of the local Baptist church. Rev. Mr. Fox brought the seniors an inspiring message on the theme of "Success".

Colorful in character was the senior class day program which was given Monday night. William R. Wellborn, Jr., delivered the salutatory and Irwin Wade the valedictory. These students have the honor of attaining highest marks in scholarship. Anne Harris and Peyton Smith were the mascots.

On Tuesday night Dr. Howard R. Omwake, President of Catawba College, Salisbury, delivered an able literary address on the subject of "Benefits of Education". Rev. Eph Whisenhunt led the invocation. Dr. M. A. Royall, Mayor of Elkin, was honor guest of the seniors. Dr. R. B. Harrell, chairman of the board of education, presented diplomas to eighteen seniors and commended them for their achievements. Superintendent Walter R. Schaff presented Kiwanis medals to Beatrice Burcham and Charles Neaves, winners in the declaimer's and reader's contest held some weeks ago, and the American Legion auxiliary's prize of five dollars in gold to Barney Rhodes for the "most general improvement" in high school for the past year. Superintendent Schaff then spoke impressively to the parents of the seniors and said a final word of commendation and encouragement to the seniors.

The members of the graduating class are as follows:

Margaret Barker, Russell Burcham, Rufus Crater, Alonzo Dillon, Herbert Graham, Jr., Margaret Greenwood, Moir Hall, Nancy Hanks, Eva Howard, Pauline Johnson, Mary Etta Laffoon, Kathleen Reece, Graham Shumate, Virginia Vestal, Irwin Wade, William Wellborn, Jr., Paul Wolfe and Henry Woodruff.

Commencement Marshals were: Margaret Abernethy, Chief; Alexander Smith, Lucille Cox, Clyde Cothren, Nancy Click, Mary Belle Davis.

WOLTZ IS NAMED HANCOCK MANAGER

Congressman Is Cam- paigning For Nomi- nation

H. O. Woltz, prominent Mount Airy attorney, has been named manager of Congressman Frank Hancock's campaign in Surry county to secure the Democratic nomination in the primary to be held Saturday, June 2. Mr. Hancock, in his fight for re-election to congress is opposed by Mrs. Lily M. Mebane, prominent welfare worker and civic leader of Spray. E. C. Bivins, also of Mount Airy, was named as Mrs. Mebane's county manager several weeks ago.

The Hancock-Mebane contest will offer the sole attraction for Surry voters June 2, since Surry is excepted from the state primary law which requires local officials to secure nomination by primary instead of convention, as is the custom in this county. Fred Folger, prominent Mount Airy attorney and a leader in the Democratic organization, is the only candidate filing for the nomination for the state senate in the Surry-Stokes district. His nomination is thus assured.

Meanwhile workers for both Hancock and Mrs. Mebane are actively campaigning the county soliciting support for their respective candidates.