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## Darnell Is Reinstated As Night Police; Town Releases Chief Church

### VETERAN DAY MAN TO SERVE UNTIL LAST OF OCTOBER

Commissioners Agree To Serve Town Without Pay

### IS ECONOMY MOVE

As the result of requests on the part of local merchants, citizens, and the Elkin Kiwanis Club, the board of town commissioners Monday night rescinded its order of the September meeting in which Night Policeman Luke Darnell was dropped from the police force, and voted to keep Officer Darnell on in his present capacity.

However, the pruning knife was again unsheathed and Chief of Police W. G. Church was dropped from the police payroll, effective October 31, Dixie Graham, town tax collector, to act as day policeman when Chief Church's time expires.

The move on the part of the commissioners to do away with one police officer was made in the interest of economy, the commissioners seeking ways and means to hold the town tax rate to its last year's level of \$1.50.

At its September meeting, the commissioners voted to transfer Chief Church to the night shift. However, due to Officer Darnell's excellent record since acting as night policeman here, local business men and the Kiwanis club in petition and resolution requested the commissioners to reinstate him.

Chief Church, who has served as day policeman for many years, also bears an excellent record and many expressions of regret have been heard that he is to leave the police service for economy's sake.

In a further effort to cut down the town budget, the commissioners agreed to serve hereafter without pay. Heretofore the commissioners have received the sum of \$2.00 each for each meeting.

H. H. Barker appeared before the commissioners and suggested that local deputy sheriffs serve as police on a fee basis and that the problem of garbage disposal be let to the lowest bidders. Acting upon this suggestion, the commissioners voted to retain the present garbage force until November 10, and to obtain bids on the work before the next meeting.

The board also requested the Mayor to write Congressman Frank Hancock and petition him to use his influence with the postoffice department to move the present postoffice into the old Elkin National Bank building.

Advertising of town taxes, scheduled to begin next week, was postponed until the second week in November.

## BOONVILLE FAIR TO BE HELD 12 AND 13

Plans Are Almost Complete For Big Event; Many Features

The Boonville Fair committee announces that plans are almost completed for the Agricultural Fair to be held at Boonville Friday and Saturday, October 12th and 13th.

The fair exhibitors may make their entries Thursday afternoon and the fair management encourages this to be done so as to avoid the rush Friday morning. The judging of the exhibits will start at 10 a. m. Friday morning.

The Fair Premium Lists are being distributed throughout Yadkin county, and if you have not received one, you may by writing a card to J. R. Walker, secretary of the fair.

A new feature of the fair this year is a Field Day contest for the elementary schools of Yadkin county. This contest will be held Saturday afternoon. This will be in addition to the contests for the five high schools of Yadkin county. A basket ball will be given to the elementary

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## LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

### INSULL IS ON TRIAL

Chicago, Oct. 2.—Samuel Insull mustered the ebbing strength of an old man and trudged into federal court today to stand trial for the greatest industrial crash of modern times.

The 74-year-old fallen monarch, crumbling ruins of his \$2,000,000,000 utility empire scattered about him, walked in the shadow of his tarnished glory to the court room of Judge James H. Wilkerson where Alphonse (Scarface Al) Capone once stood to be banished from society for eleven years.

Insull, in whose ears rang the plaudits of the people only three years ago when men believed his touch to be that of a Midas, also faces banishment if he is found guilty.

### BANDITS ARE ACTIVE

Bandits, active on the Eastern Seaboard Tuesday, carried out a series of raids with banks and a powder company as their victims.

The most sensational raid was at Bridgeport, Conn., where robbers seized 10 tons of a high explosive known as "polmol" from the powder reservation of the Remington Arms Co.

The explosive, a powder formula for which is known to only three chemists, was powerful enough to do vast damage to a major city—such as Bridgeport—at a single blast. A vigorous jar might set it off.

### TWO SHIPS IN DISTRESS

New York, Oct. 2.—Two British freighters were in distress off Newfoundland tonight, according to SOS messages intercepted by Mackay radio.

The Aiderby, a 3,000-ton steel vessel which left Swansea, Wales, September 21, for Montreal, sent a call for help from a point about 500 miles off St. Johns. She is owned by the Roper Shipping Co. of West Hartlepool, England.

The other stricken ship was the Millpool, 2,700 tons, bound from Danzig to Montreal. Her position was estimated at about 700 miles off Newfoundland.

### MANY OPERATIONS SAID UNNECESSARY

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 2.—Choose your physician with the same care as you do your automobile—not for the necktie he wears—and there will be 75 per cent fewer needless operations, Dr. Hugh Cabbot told delegates and visitors at the Southwest Clinical Society today.

Dr. Cabot minced no words as he decried the prevalent practice of selecting doctors "because they look as if they just stepped out of a handbox, have a good bedside manner or just because they happen to be the nearest physician."

### SCHOOLS RECEIVE SELF-HELP ALLOTMENTS

Raleigh, Oct. 2.—Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, state relief administrator today released a list of 54 schools in the state receiving allotments for student self-help under the national relief program.

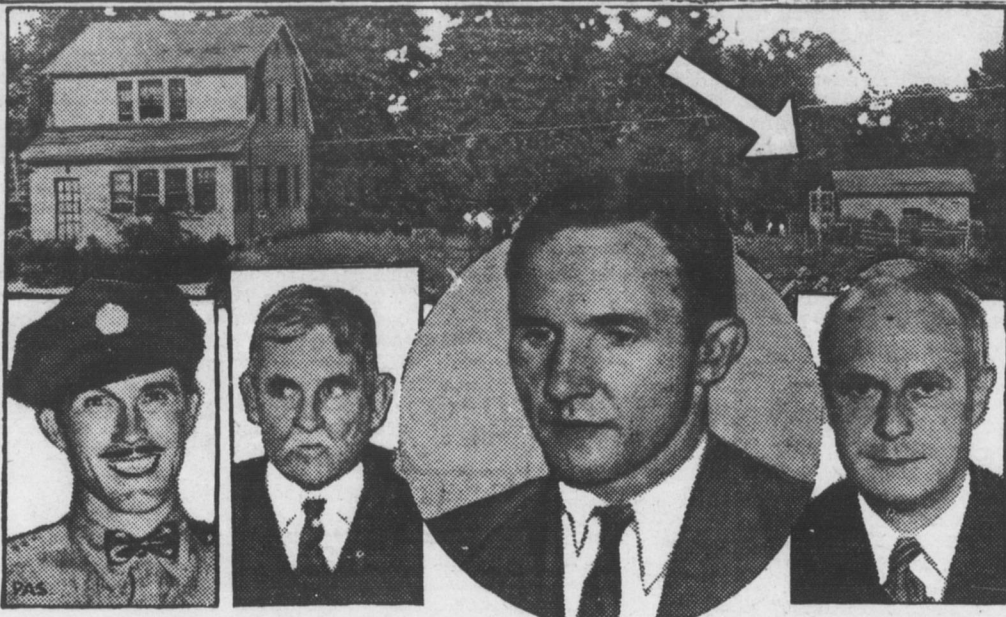
According to the figures, 2,455 students in the 54 institutions will be eligible for help, which will aggregate \$36,825 per month.

### 3 ARMY AVIATORS DIE IN CRASH

March Field, Riverside, Calif., Oct. 2.—Three army aviators crashed to their death in the Sierra Nevada mountains north of here today when their giant bombing plane lost a wing at an altitude of 4,000 feet.

A fourth member of the crew took to his parachute and landed uninjured.

## Principals and Scene in Uncovering of Lindbergh Ransom Money



NEW YORK . . . Above is presented a picture review of the uncovering of \$13,750 of the Lindbergh \$50,000 ransom money and the arrest of the German carpenter, Bruno Richard Hauptmann, in connection with the crime . . . Above, the Hauptmann home on the outskirts of New York City. Arrow points to garage where money was hid . . . Below, left to right: Walter Lyle, gasoline station manager who took Hauptmann's auto license number when tendered a \$10 gold certificate in payment for gasoline, later resulting in arrest of Hauptmann. (Second) Dr. John F. Condon, the famous "Jafsie" who aided Col. Lindbergh in turning over the \$50,000 ransom money. (Circle) Bruno R. Hauptmann. (Right) James M. Fawcett, New York attorney retained to represent Hauptmann by the carpenter's wife.

## MRS. CLYDE ELLER NAMED CASE WORKER

168 Unemployed Have Registered; Many Given Aid

Mrs. Clyde Eller has been appointed permanent case worker here to administer to the wants of the needy and unemployed, it was learned Wednesday from Miss Edith Neaves, secretary of the Elkin Merchants association, who for the past two weeks has been assisting Mrs. Dillon Simpson, of Mount Airy, in this work.

Mrs. Eller will begin the work immediately and Mrs. Simpson will remain here with her until she becomes acquainted with her new task, it was learned.

Since the establishment of a relief office here, a total of 168 persons who are unemployed have registered, 22 of whom live out of the county. Eight needy men have been given jobs, five at the school building and three on the local cemetery project.

Sixty homes have been visited and over \$160 has been spent for relief. Provided the school athletic field project goes through, it is hoped to give employment to a large number there. Information secured Wednesday was to the effect that prospects for approval of the project are encouraging.

## STATE ROAD MAN KILLED IN WRECK

Receives Fatal Injuries When Car Crashes Into Tree

Martin V. Smith, 84, elderly farmer of the State Road community, died at his home Friday night from injuries sustained in an automobile accident which occurred Thursday while on his way home from the Mount Airy tobacco market.

The accident occurred near Dobson when a defect in the steering assembly of the machine caused it to leave the road and crash into a tree. Internal injuries proved fatal.

The deceased is survived by his wife and several children. Funeral rites were held Sunday at State Road.

## 1935 Grange Convention To Be At N. Wilkesboro

The 1935 convention of the Grange of North Carolina will be held at North Wilkesboro, it was decided in the final session of the 1934 convention held in Lumberton last week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Grange is the outstanding rural fraternity and wields a great influence with a large membership. Around 500 delegates attended the convention at Lumberton last week.

Sales of Japanese silks in the United States have become reduced to such a point that the Japanese silk industry is endangered.

## Damon Cox Pleads Guilty To Second Degree Murder; Gets 20 Years In Prison

### KILLED WILKES BOY

Summon Special Venire To Try Second Murder Case

### ROYALL JURY HEAD

A murder case and several minor cases had been disposed of in Surry county superior court at Dobson Wednesday, and a second murder case was being prepared for trial before a jury selected from a special venire of 50 men.

Damon Cox, Surry youth, charged with murder of William Hall, son of W. B. Hall, Wilkes county deputy sheriff, entered a plea of guilty to second-degree murder Monday and was sentenced to from 20 to 25 years in state prison.

Young Hall was killed on the night of August 25 when he attempted to assist his father in making an arrest after a chase which led over the Wilkes line into Surry, about eight miles north of Elkin. Cox, who was wanted for drunkenness and raising a disturbance, shot Hall at close range, the shot taking effect in his abdomen and causing a wound which proved fatal a few hours later.

During the course of the trial evidence was presented showing Cox to have been extremely drunk at the time of the shooting.

The grand jury returned a true bill against Arthur Wright, charged with the murder of Frank Potts,

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## BELOVED MINISTER IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Columbus F. Fields Dies Following Protracted Decline In Health

Columbus Franklin Fields, 82, widely known and beloved Baptist minister, passed away at his home in the Cool Springs community Friday afternoon, following a protracted decline in health, which had confined him to his home for the past several months. Mr. Fields' condition had been critical for a week prior to his death, following an attack of angina pectoris.

The passing of Mr. Fields removes from this section one of the pioneer ministers and school teachers whose lives have been spent in moulding the lives of the young people in the suburban districts. Mr. Fields had spent his entire life in the community in which he died, but the results of teachings during his sixty years of ministry and public school teaching have gone into many different sections of the country. He

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## POLICE SEEKING AN UNKNOWN FRIEND OF BRUNO HAUPTMANN

Hauptmann Identified As Man Who Attempted To Buy Lumber

### OFFERED GOLD NOTE

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 2.—An unknown friend of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, who rushed to the aid of the Lindbergh kidnap suspect when he aroused a lumber yard man's suspicion with a \$10 gold note that may have been part of the ransom money, today became the quarry of a police manhunt.

Hauptmann has been "positively identified" from a photograph by William J. Reilly, the Bronx lumber yard superintendent, as the man who tendered the gold bank note last February in payment for a 40 cent wood panel. Col. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, state police head, revealed.

When Reilly began to scan the gold note carefully, Schwarzkopf reported, the German carpenter's companion hurriedly said, "never mind", and quickly proffered the exact change. Hauptmann, who said nothing, took back his banknote and the men left in haste, not to return as promised for delivery of the wood later in the day, Schwarzkopf related.

Isidore Fisch, as well as other known associates of Hauptmann, seemed to be eliminated as the German's companion of the lumber yard visit, for Schwarzkopf said Reilly has been unable to identify the second man among the photographs of Hauptmann's known friends and acquaintances.

## ELIAS SMITH, 71, DIES IN JONESVILLE

Was Native of Benham Section of Wilkes County

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Charity Methodist church, near Benham, for Elias Smith, 71, who passed away at his home in Jonesville Monday night. Mr. Smith had been ill for the past year and his condition became critical several days before his death.

The deceased was a native of the Benham community, Wilkes county, but had resided in Jonesville for the past twelve years and was a highly esteemed citizen. For a number of years prior to his decline in health he operated a transfer business.

Mr. Smith was twice married, first to Miss Alice West, of Wilkes county, who died several years ago, and later to Mrs. Fannie Elliot Smith, of Jonesville, who survives him, with the following sons and daughters by the first marriage: Mrs. Mary Lassiter, Elkin; J. H., J. F. and Jonah Smith, Mrs. Robert Burcham and Miss Ina Smith, of Winston-Salem, and Russell Smith, of Jonesville. Five grandchildren also survive.

The rites were in charge of Rev. E. W. Fox, pastor of the Methodist church in this city, and Rev. A. C. Correll, of Gastonia, a former Jonesville pastor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

## TO BEGIN COURSE IN ART OCT. 5TH

Professor Derendinger To Lecture Here On Ancient, Modern Art

Professor Ernst Derendinger, of Catawba College, will open his fall and winter art course, designed particularly for teachers, Friday, October 5, at 4 p. m., in the Elkin school building.

The art of Egypt will be the first considered in the opening lectures. The course will cover art both ancient and modern including art through the Italian Renaissance. Prof. Derendinger calls the course an "anthology of art."

In connection with his lectures he will use 3,000 art slides, the possession of Catawba College. These pictures cover a wide range of artistic studies.

Mr. Derendinger conducted a course for teachers last year, which was described as highly successful.

## S. J. ESKRIDGE, 42, DIES MONDAY NIGHT

Severe Intestinal Disorder Proves Fatal To Wallburg Man

Samuel Jones Eskridge, 42, of Wallburg, died Monday evening in Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital in this city, following a critical illness of only a few days, from a severe intestinal disorder.

The deceased was a native of Jonesville, and a son of Mrs. T. F. Eskridge and the late Mr. Eskridge, who preceded him in death only a few weeks ago. He had resided in Winston-Salem for a number of years and more recently on his farm at Wallburg.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Marge Finney Eskridge, four sons, Phillip, Frank, Jack and Albert, his mother, Mrs. T. F. Eskridge, of Jonesville; three brothers and one sister, Charles B. Eskridge, Charleston, S. C.; S. P. Eskridge, Ronda; A. C. Eskridge, Greensboro, and Miss Della Lou Eskridge, Jonesville.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Jonesville Baptist church in charge of Rev. D. G. Reece, of Jonesville, and Rev. E. H. Stockton, of Winston-Salem. Interment was in the family plot in the Jonesville cemetery.