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LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

WANTS 3 PER CENT SALES TAX

Oklahoma City, Feb. 12.—Gov. E. W. Marland will insist upon a 3 per cent sales tax instead of the present one per cent levy, the funds to go for a permanent "provident fund" to take care of aged and infirm, he announced today.

"I see no other way of establishing a fund to take care of our future needs for old age pensions and unemployed," he said. "I believe it is the fairest way to take care of it."

NO GOLD DECISION YET

Washington, Feb. 12.—The Supreme court solemnly stole the show on Capitol Hill today by merely withholding its gold decision and furnishing Washington with another exhausting anticlimax.

It met, admitted a dozen attorneys to its bar, heard arguments and adjourned until tomorrow without a mention of gold or even an intimation that it was aware of the unusual tension which surrounded it.

SENATE PASSES DRIVERS' LICENSE BILL

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Without a dissenting vote, the senate today passed on second reading the statewide drivers' license bill as brought out by the roads committee and with only such amendments as were consented to by the proponents of the bill.

The bill, a roll call measure, will pass its formal third reading tomorrow and then will be sent to the house.

The senate heard what Senator Spence, of Moore, said in a speech on the floor today was "the insistent voice of the people that something be done to prevent automobile accidents."

LUKE LEA ATTENDS MOTHER'S FUNERAL

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 12.—Granted a temporary parole from North Carolina prison where he is serving sentence on a banking law violation conviction, Col Luke Lea attended his mother's funeral here today.

Service for Mrs. Ella C. Lea, who died in Washington Sunday at the age of 89, was held in Christ church, Episcopal, and burial in Mount Olivet cemetery followed. Lea, former Nashville publisher, was present at both the church and the cemetery.

STUDENTS STRIKE AT A. S. T. C.

Boone, Feb. 12.—Resentment at restrictions on meetings of men and women students flared into a student strike at Appalachian State Teachers college here today. Demanding that men and women be permitted to sit together at athletic contests and to mingle at social functions, a number of students left their classes at noon.

DOUGHTON MAN IS KILLED AT SAWMILL

James P. Holcomb Hit In the Face by Plank; Rites Today

James Preston Holcomb, 65, well known and prosperous farmer and sawmill operator of the Doughton community, received fatal injuries at a saw mill plant Tuesday afternoon when a plank struck him in the face below the eye, causing a fractured skull. He died at two o'clock Wednesday morning at the local hospital, where he was rushed for treatment.

The deceased was born in Yadkin county, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Holcomb.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Theo Thomas Holcomb and the following sons and daughters: Clarence M. Holcomb, Elkin; Forest Holcomb, Traphill; Mrs. F. G. Lyons, Cherry Lane; C. C. Holcomb, Mooresville; Mrs. Phoebe Parks, State Road; Mrs. Lee Simmons, Thurmond; Denver Holcomb, Roaring River; Linville and Edna Holcomb, and a foster daughter, Eunice Hol-

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GIANT DIRIGIBLE OF U.S. NAVY FALLS INTO SEA TUESDAY

U.S.S. Macon Goes Down Off Pacific Coast After Sending SOS

CAUSE NOT KNOWN

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—Disaster plunged the airship Macon into the ocean 110 miles south of here tonight and navy vessels, responding to frantic SOS calls, rushed through fog and rain to pick up Commander Herbert V. Wiley and 80 other survivors of the crew of 83.

An explosion was believed to have torn the Macon apart, navy men here believed. A wireless message told of a "bad casualty" in the air.

A red rocket shot into the darkness when the Macon struck the water 17 miles off Point Sur.

Curling spray foamed from bows of nearby navy ships as they sped to the rescue.

The thrilling message, "all survivors recovered," was assumed to mean all the Macon's crew had been saved.

The rescue of Commander Wiley, a survivor in the 1933 plunge of the airship Akron, fatal to 73 men, was announced in a message approximately three hours after the mishap.

Lieut. Commander Jesse L. Kenworth, Jr., executive officer of the airship, was rescued along with Wiley and nine others, the cruiser Concord reported. They were in the first of the rescuing lifeboats to reach the Concord.

The Macon was returning with surface craft from maneuvers off Southern California. Commander Wiley flashed his first SOS at 5:15 p. m. (8:15 p. m., eastern standard time) and so swiftly did the navy ships plow toward the disaster that the rescue was reported at 7:35 p. m.

"Bad casualty" said the first warning of the impending disaster, which added that the ship "was falling."

Then came the final SOS call saying: "Will abandon ship as soon as we land on the water somewhere 20 miles off Point Sur, probably 10 miles at sea."

PHYSICIANS HOLD MEETING TUESDAY

Surry-Yadkin Medical Society In Session At Hotel Elkin

The regular meeting of the Surry-Yadkin County Medical Society was held at the Hotel Elkin Tuesday, 6:30 P. M., Feb. 12th. Dr. S. F. Ravenel, well-known pediatrician of Greensboro, gave an address on "Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever." This was an illustrated lecture and Dr. Ravenel presented the subject in an unusually interesting and attractive manner. Following this presentation, the subject was discussed freely by those in attendance.

At the December meeting it was decided to hold a meeting of the Society every second month. The annual dues were increased so as to enable the Society to obtain speakers from outside the two counties.

Dr. Hackett Harding, now located at Brooks' Cross Roads, was admitted as a member, his name having been presented at the December meeting. Dr. J. L. Doughton of Sparta, was also received into the membership of the Society.

Though the attendance by the physicians in the two counties was fairly good, there is still a lot of room for improvement. It is hoped that a much larger number will be present at the next meeting which is to be held in Yadkinville, April 2, 1935.

Dr. F. C. Hubbard, of North Wilkesboro, and Dr. Sink, of Winston-Salem, were visitors at Tuesday's meeting.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. M. A. Royall, President of the Surry-Yadkin County Medical Society.

SCORES HOLDING COMPANIES

The charge of tax evasion practices was added Sunday night by the federal trade commission to the long list of, accusations it had already made against public utility holding companies. The commission said the holding companies had saved themselves millions of dollars in federal income taxes through the use of evasion devices.

Hauptmann's Fate Is In Their Hands



Above is pictured the jury of four women and eight men who now hold the fate of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, German carpenter charged with the murder of the Lindbergh baby. The case was given the jury Wednesday morning at 11:45 o'clock following the charge of Justice Thomas W. Trenchard.

MANY HAVE FAILED TO RECOVER MONEY

Approximately 950 Depositors Have Not Filed Claims

Although the Elkin National Bank has been closed since January 18, 1932, records show that approximately 950 depositors out of a total of approximately 4,198, have as yet failed to establish claim to money they had on deposit when the bank closed, regardless of the fact that W. H. Spradlin, receiver, advertised for claims over a period of 90 days.

Mr. Spradlin, in discussing the matter, stated that if he desired to take advantage of the situation, he could bar everyone who has not established claim as any of the claims not filed within the 90-day period may be disallowed. He also pointed out that the statute of limitations has run. However, he said, it is not the desire of the treasury department nor his own desire to take such advantage, and proper claims will still be recognized.

Each time a dividend has been paid—there have been four—cash was reserved sufficient to pay all unproven claims. This cash, Mr. Spradlin said, is doing no one any good and should be applied for. He further pointed out when final dividend is paid, claims not then proven will be disallowed and the cash reserved therefor will be distributed among those who proved claims.

Many notes are now being reduced to judgment, the receiver said, and from now on the receivership must begin issuing executions as all debts must be reduced to cash for distribution among depositors. Although he has been lenient as possible, from now until receivership is closed a different attitude will be found within the bank's offices, Mr. Spradlin said. Demands must be met and those who have not arranged their affairs after three years cannot reasonably expect further indulgence.

HOLD FUNERAL FOR J. H. STONESTREET

Final Rites Are Held From State Road Church

Funeral services for Joseph Hardin Stonestreet, 62, were held Tuesday from State Road Primitive Baptist church, in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Dunbar, assisted by Rev. Ray Smith, of Virginia. Mr. Stonestreet passed away February 5.

Rev. Dunbar, who had been intimately associated with the deceased during the past year, paid beautiful tribute to him as a devoted Christian, a true husband and father.

Pallbearers were: Bolger Moody, Grant Moody, Avery Swift, Huston Cockerham, John Syden and Ralph Beane.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mollie Hamby Stonestreet and the following sons and daughters: Otis and Gordon Stonestreet, Mooresville; Marvin, Adolphus, Alton and Doyle Stonestreet, State Road; Mrs. J. L. Parsons, Boomer; Mrs. A. J. Thompson, Dobson; Ruby, Velma and Josephine Stonestreet, State Road. One brother, F. D. Stonestreet, Mooresville; three sisters, Mrs. J. P. Harris, Elkin; Mrs. W. T. James, Robson, West Va., and Mrs. A. C. Cheeks, of State Road, and sixteen grandchildren also survive.

Hauptmann's Fate Now In Hands of the Jury; Verdict Is Expected Any Moment

Jury Given Case At 11:45 Wednesday Morning Following Charge of Justice Thomas W. Trenchard; Prosecutor Wilentz, In Closing Speech to Jury, Describes Defendant As Worst Criminal of All Time.

The fate of Bruno Richard Hauptmann is now in the hands of the jury of four women and eight men who for the past five weeks have listened to hundreds of thousands of words designed to place the guilt of the murder of the Lindbergh baby upon the shoulders of the German carpenter or else free him of all guilt.

The case was given the jury Wednesday morning at 11:45 o'clock following the one hour and forty-five minute charge of Justice Thomas W. Trenchard. A verdict may come at any moment.

Huge crowds, attracted by the greatest trial in the history of the nation, flocked into Flemington, N. J., Tuesday night and Wednesday morning as the trial neared an end. They await the verdict which will determine the fate of Hauptmann—which will clear up the murder of Baby Charles Lindbergh or else leave it cloaked in the mystery that has surrounded it since the curly headed baby boy was kidnapped from the nursery of the Lindbergh home.

EARLIER REPORT
Flemington, N. J., Feb. 12. — An angry demand for Bruno Richard Hauptmann's death sealed New Jersey's case against him today for the murder of baby Lindbergh.

His voiced raised in scorn and fury, Attorney General David T. Wilentz cried out in his all-day summation for a jury mandate which will put Hauptmann in the electric chair, but as he finished he was interrupted and the courtroom thrown into confusion by a spectator-clergyman's shout.

From his perch on a window-sill

E. B. SCOTT ENDS LIFE THURSDAY

Funeral Services Are Held From Jonesville Baptist Church

Funeral services for Edmund Benjamin Scott, 56, who ended his life early Thursday morning at the home of his son-in-law, Fred Pardue, of near Clingman, Wilkes county, were held Thursday afternoon from the Jonesville Baptist church. Interment was in the Jonesville cemetery.

Mr. Scott had eaten a hearty breakfast and gone to the barn to look after some horses. Ten minutes later his body was found suspended from a beam by a rope.

Stephen A. Rash, acting coroner of Wilkes county, who is supplying for Coroner I. M. Myers, who is ill, investigated the case and pronounced it suicide. Mr. Scott was believed to have taken his life because of ill health.

The deceased was a native of Shoals but had been living in this

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COMER GIVES FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT SCHOOLS OF COUNTY

Superintendent of Education In Talk Before Kiwanians

PRAISES TEACHERS

The main cause of the recent wreck of a Surry county school bus near Pilot Mountain in which many students were badly injured was attributed to the fact that due to poor pay many of the drivers of school busses are inexperienced school boys, John W. Comer, Surry county superintendent of education told the Elkin Kiwanis club Friday night.

Mr. Comer, as guest of the club, discussed the school situation in North Carolina, and gave many interesting facts and figures concerning the operation of the schools in both the state and county.

In discussing bus operation he stated that funds are limited and as a result only three cents a mile for hard surface routes and four cents for dirt road routes are allotted for bus drivers. Thus the numerous school boy drivers.

Mr. Comer also pointed out that the school program in North Carolina has been greatly hampered by the state's economic program and at the same time commended the teachers for the fine way in which they "carried on" under the handicap of poor pay. He stated further that Surry county, in his estimation, has as good a staff of teachers as any county in the state although some of them do not hold as high certificates as the teachers in some of the other counties.

It was pointed out that the state

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MEN'S BEAUTY SHOW TO BE STAGED HERE

Will Be Sponsored By American Legion Auxiliary Feb. 21

A major event, in which for one night only Elkin men will be entitled to spread on their wives' war paint—or if unmarried, war paint can be secured at the nearest drug store—and strut their stuff as the acme of femininity, will be staged at the Lyric Theatre February 21 by the American Legion Auxiliary, it was announced Tuesday.

Prizes for the handsomest "female" male will be awarded in three divisions—sports wear, evening and afternoon apparel.

In addition to the bevy of beauties to "tomp" the stage there will also be a number of surprise acts, the nature of which has not been announced due to the fact that that's what will make them a surprise.

The men's beauty show will be in connection with the motion picture "Happiness Ahead", which will be shown immediately preceding the stage presentation.

Plenty of real entertainment is promised everyone who attends.

Merchants of Elkin are expected to enter contestants representing their stores.

LENTZ RECOVERS 6 AUTOS IN JANUARY

Patrol Sergeant Made Total of 21 Arrests During Month

A total of six automobiles, valued at approximately \$3,100 were recovered during the month of January by Sergeant W. B. Lentz of the state highway patrol, Sergeant Lentz's report for the month shows.

The report further shows that the patrolman collected \$4,027.51 in license revenue. During the month he traveled 2,413 miles, had 163 faulty automobile lights repaired, and made a total of 21 arrests.

One of the cars recovered was the property of H. N. Wilkerson, of Durham, and was found abandoned in the vicinity of Traphill. Another car recovered was found near Cool Springs church, and had been stolen from Mrs. D. H. Williamson, of Mount Airy while its owner was attending the Mount Airy Roosevelt ball. Neither of these two cars were damaged other than that the Wilkerson car switch had been wired around.

KLONDIKE ICEBERG ON WAY BACK HOME

Expected In March; Mr. Pyron May Go to Panama to Meet Him

Ruohs Pyron, manager of Klondike Farm, has received a radiogram from the Byrd Expedition at Little America, stating that a special blanket and nose ring sent by Thurmond Chatham for Klondike Iceberg, famous Guernsey calf born while his mother was en route to the land of the South Pole, had been received, and that due to the gentleness and good humor of the calf the nose ring was not needed.

In another radiogram received from the expedition, Mr. Pyron was informed that the calf and the cows had been safely loaded aboard ship for the long trip back to America. Mr. Pyron stated that he would probably go to Panama to meet them. The expedition is expected back by the latter part of March.

It is hoped the expedition will dock at Washington and that President Roosevelt will meet it personally.

Klondike Iceberg, now an orphan due to the death of his mother, Klondike Nira, several months ago, is said to be the most famous calf in the world.

Statesville Merchants Elect Hadley As Head

C. O. Hadley of Statesville, formerly of this city, has been elected president of the Statesville Merchants' Association.

Mr. Hadley, known to scores of friends throughout this section as "Mutt", is a wide awake business man, and he has many friends here who will learn with interest that this additional honor has come to him.

Russia is meeting with considerable success in efforts to utilize the sun's rays for power and heat. Lenses and blackened boilers are used.