

**KING REACHES AMERICAN SOIL**

Quebec, May 16 — Bearing the first reigning British monarch to visit the American continent, the Empress of Australia late tonight dropped anchor in the St. Lawrence River 18 miles below Quebec after an eventful crossing of the Atlantic.

Tomorrow morning King George VI and Queen Elizabeth will set foot on Canadian soil to begin a month of intensive traveling through the Dominion and the United States.

**FAILED TO LIST NOTES**

Winston-Salem, May 16 — Faced with a tax return subpoenaed from Raleigh, W. T. Wilson, former mayor, admitted from the Superior court witness stand today that he failed to list among intangibles approximately \$7,000 in notes he held in 1937 as Forsyth county public guardian.

"It was unintentional," Wilson protested. "I am sorry. But I must have become confused. I tried to report all."

**WOULD PURGE OLD OFFICERS**

Washington, May 16 — Asserting that army officers who are over age for their rank constituted the weakest link in the national defense, Secretary Woodring recommended today that Congress adopt legislation to weed them out of the service.

Testifying before the house military committee, Woodring declared that the possibility of the United States being called upon to defend the western hemisphere made it imperative that they be replaced by younger men.

**DEATH NOT DUE TO HEAD BLOW**

Sarasota, Fla., May 16 — Inquest testimony late today raised doubts a blow from the fist of meat cutter Kenneth Noworthy fatally injured Socialist Potter d'Orsay Palmer in a picnic brawl.

After witnesses had said Palmer was persistently quarrelsome at the stag affair last Thursday and Noworthy acknowledged striking the off-married Chicago heir, Assistant State Attorney W. M. Smiley told the jurors an autopsy had not borne out the report the playboy's death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage caused by a "terrific blow" on the head.

Smiley said the autopsy had disclosed neither hemorrhage nor skull fracture and further expert medical examination would be necessary to determine the cause of Palmer's death in a Sarasota hospital yesterday.

**K. BOYD COUCH DIES TUESDAY**

Passes Away at His Home Following a Long Period of Illness

**FUNERAL RITES TODAY**

King Boyd Couch, 40, died at his home Tuesday night about 8:30 o'clock, following a long period of illness. For many years Mr. Couch was a barber here before he was forced to retire on account of ill health. He was a minister of the Church of God and was a member of this church in Jonesville. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Couch.

He is survived by his wife and seven children: Mrs. Reece Nixon, Jesse, Ellen, Hattie Mae, Billy, Olive and Betty Lou Couch and two half-brothers, Joe and Jesse Couch.

Funeral services will be held this morning at 11 o'clock from the church of God in Jonesville. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill church cemetery.

**TO HOLD CRIPPLE CLINIC MAY 26th**

Dr. R. A. Moore, of Winston-Salem, will hold his regular cripple clinic at the Mount Airy offices of the Surry county health department Friday, May 26, from 9 until 12 noon. It has been announced by Dr. R. B. C. Franklin, Surry health officer.

**Is to Conduct Revival Here At M. E. Church**



Rev. Ralph E. Johnson, of Nashville, Tenn., who will have charge of a special series of evangelistic services at the Elkin Methodist church beginning next Sunday and continuing through June 4.

**REVIVAL IS TO START SUNDAY**

Rev. Ralph E. Johnson to Be in Charge of Services at Methodist Church

**IS MUCH SOUGHT AFTER**

Rev. Ralph E. Johnson, of Nashville, Tenn., a noted evangelist and singer and an outstanding leader in young peoples' services and special worker with children, will come to Elkin for a special series of services at the Elkin Methodist church beginning next Sunday and continuing through June 4. Rev. Mr. Johnson will be accompanied by his wife, who assists him in his work.

A former World War aviator, the evangelist travels in a modern trailer, in which he carries special motion picture equipment and musical instruments used in his services. He has just closed a meeting in the First Methodist Church, of Birmingham, Ala., and will come to Elkin from a meeting in Capitol Hill Methodist Church in Oklahoma City, Okla. His services have been especially sought for in college and university churches in the South and North.

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, senior bishop of the M. E. Church, South, thinks highly of Rev. Mr. Johnson, stating: "I regard R. E. Johnson as an outstanding man in the Southern M. E. Church, both as a song leader and worker with young people and children." Rev. P. W. Tucker, pastor of the Elkin Methodist Church, has announced that four services will be held daily on week days, and two services each Sunday, two of the week-day services to be for children and young people respectively. He extends a cordial invitation to everyone, regardless of denomination, to attend the revival.

**15-YEAR-OLD GIRL IS FOUND SUICIDE**

Statesville, May 16.—The body of Maggie Stevenson, 15, was found this morning hanging by a plow-line to a tree in the woods near her home. She had been missing since Sunday afternoon when her father refused to allow her to go with several boys because he said, he thought some of them were drinking.

He said there were no harsh words or anything that reasonably could have caused his daughter to take the matter so seriously.

A few hours later she was missing, and it was suspected that she had gone off with the boys. While the mother was in town this morning to ask the officers to follow that lead, the girl's body was found by her father. Evidently she had been hanging there since Sunday afternoon.

A coroner's jury rendered a verdict of suicide.

**INVESTIGATE PUTNAM STORY OF KIDNAPING**

Los Angeles, May 16—Detectives investigating George Palmer Putnam's story of abduction asked the district attorney's office today to summon the publisher and two of his associates before the county grand jury for questioning.

**DEMOCRACIES TO OFFER NEW RUSSIAN PLAN**

Decision Reported after Two-hour Meeting

**TO GUARANTEE SUPPORT**

Seek Joint Declaration of Determination to Resist Any Aggression

**TO AID SMALL NATIONS**

London, May 17—(Wednesday)—Informed sources said today Britain and France had decided to offer soviet Russia a guarantee of support if she were forced to fight any aggressor from the west in fulfilling guarantees to small countries on her border.

The decision was reported to have been made after a two-hour meeting of the foreign affairs committee of the cabinet. It represented a concession to Russian demands for reciprocal protection if she entered the British-led front.

It was understood from these reports that Britain planned first to ask an immediate joint declaration by France, Britain and Russia of determination to resist any aggression. Then the soviet would be asked to guarantee all bordering states against aggression, including Poland, Rumania, Estonia, Latvia and Finland.

If called on to fight as a result of these pledges, the soviet would be joined by Britain and France. Military staff talks to arrange each country's part in any war resulting from these pledges would be provided, it was reported.

Britain originally had proposed that Russia give pledges to Poland and Rumania similar to those given by Britain and France, with the proviso that Russia would not be obliged to fight except to support British and French forces after they already had taken the field.

Russia replied that without similar pacts for Latvia, Estonia and Finland, and an alliance of the three big powers, the arrangement would lack the vital element of reciprocity. She feared being drawn into war without British and French support if other small countries on her border were not given guarantees.

**Demonstration Clubs to Hold Meeting May 24**

The annual meeting of the Sixth District Federation of Home Demonstration clubs which is composed of Davie, Davidson, Forsyth, Surry, Stokes and Yadkin counties, will be held in the high school building in Mocksville, Wednesday, May 24.

Mrs. George Apperson, of Mocksville, president of the Sixth District, will preside. The welcome will be given by Mrs. M. G. Ervin. Mrs. W. E. Neill, president of North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration clubs, will bring greetings, also Mr. Carl Tatum, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners of Davie county. Miss Bess N. Rosa, of Greensboro Field, worker in Home Making and Parent Education, will deliver the address.

Mrs. Paul Brown, of Devotion, president of Surry County Federation, will give the report for this county. Mrs. Gaston Christian, of White Plains, is chairman of the Resolution Committee.

A large delegation from the county will attend the meeting.

**TRIO INDICTED IN YADKIN COUNTY**

Yadkinville, May 16—A Yadkin county grand jury today indicted three Yadkin county men on charges of irregularities in the last November general elections.

They are Thad Shore, J. S. Thomasson and W. D. Holcomb. Bills of presentment were drawn at the last term of court by a retiring grand jury.

Shore is charged with voting in both Yadkin and Surry counties, Thomasson with registering persons not present at the time of registration, and Holcomb with destroying ballots.

Under-courts may be either clear or muddy.

**Is Named Vice President of Burial Group**



Erroll Hayes, of Hayes & Speas, local funeral directors, was named vice president of the North Carolina Burial Association at the closing session of a two-day convention held at Raleigh last week. Another Surry man, Wade C. Moody, of Mount Airy, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

**YADKIN WOMAN DIES SUDDENLY**

Mrs. Cacy Ingoole Absher Passes Away Tuesday from Heart Attack

**rites on Wednesday**

Mrs. Cacy Ingoole Absher, 86, died suddenly Tuesday morning from a heart attack at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Ford, near Jonesville. Mrs. Absher had been in her usual health until she was fatally stricken.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ford, with whom she had been making her home, and four sons, R. S. Absher, Roaring River; W. L. Absher and C. A. Absher, of Dockery, and J. M. Absher, of North Wilkesboro. Forty-six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, one sister and three brothers also survive.

Funeral services were held at Mt. Pisgah Baptist church in Wilkes county Wednesday afternoon. Interment was in the church cemetery.

**NYA PROGRAM IS OF VALUE**

At Present Time 35 Youths Are Employed on Projects Within Surry County

**IS EXCELLENT TRAINING**

The National Youth Administration, begun in July, 1935, by executive order of President Roosevelt, has grown into a worthwhile educational and vocational training program in Surry county.

Getting off to a slow start at first due to lack of interest, the NYA, purpose of which is to provide employment for needy young people on useful projects which supply worthwhile vocational training, and to provide financial assistance through part-time work enabling needy young people to complete their education, at last began to get a start through the efforts of John W. Comer, superintendent of education, and members of the county board of education, and now has a long record of worthwhile accomplishment to its credit.

Through the NYA program, 82 youths have received valuable vocational training and work experience during the past year. At the present time, not including student aid, 35 youths are employed on projects within Surry county.

**B.T.U. TO PRESENT SPECIAL PROGRAM**

Sunday at the evening hour of worship at 8 o'clock at the First Baptist church a special program will be presented by the B.T.U.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

**SPARTA POLICE REFUSE TO TURN OVER PRISONER**

Elkin Officers Come Home Empty-handed

**MAY BE AFTER REWARD**

Charles Leinbach, Wanted on Three Charges, Is Held in Alleghany Jail

**CHARGED WITH THEFT**

Deputy Sheriff W. J. Snow and Chief of Police Dixie Graham, of Elkin, armed with three warrants for "Attorney" Charles Leinbach, self-styled Washington, D. C., lawyer, returned from Sparta Saturday empty handed after making a special trip there to bring Leinbach here to stand trial for forcible trespass and larceny.

The Washington man was arrested by Alleghany officers last week on a warrant sworn out before Magistrate J. L. Hall by Steve Allred, who alleges the man, posing as an attorney, entered his home and took valuable papers, including his honorable discharge from the army. However, before local police could go to Sparta and get Leinbach, they received two other warrants seeking his arrest, one from Lynchburg, Va., which charged theft of \$90.00, and another from Washington where he is wanted on a charge of car theft.

Apparently Alleghany officers had taken a deep affection for their prisoner, because, according to local officers, they refused to give him up, and the police came home without him. It is believed that Sheriff Bryant, of Alleghany, is of the opinion that a reward for the man must be floating around somewhere, and that this prompted his decision to hold on to him.

Deputy W. J. Snow said Wednesday that he would not make another trip to Sparta for the prisoner.

**Future Farmers Explore Caverns On Motor Trip**

Harrisonburg, Va., May 15 — Exploration of Massanutten Caverns, the sparkling "cave of jewels," near Harrisonburg in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, was voted the most interesting event as yet experienced by a group of 14 Future Farmers of America and two instructors from the Mountain Park high school of Mountain Park, N. C.

The young North Carolinians are traveling in three motor cars, with A. F. Kinzie, agriculture teacher of Mountain Park high school, in charge, assisted by A. J. Wagner.

Before reaching Massanutten Caverns the North Carolina F. F. A. boys had visited the agriculture departments of Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Va., and Bridgewater College at Bridgewater, Va.

After exploring the caverns they planned to motor over the Skyline Drive in the Shenandoah National Park and then on to Washington, D. C., for several days of sight-seeing before returning home to Mountain Park.

F. F. A. boys making the trip were Buford Nixon, Steve Dobbins, Homer Wallace, Wade Caloway, Tom Lewis, Glenn Wood, James Linville, C. Southard, Vernon Smith, Dollie Candle, John Bell, Clyde Royal, Dan Hamby and James Saylor.

**SOFT BALL TOURNAMENT BEGINS SECOND HALF**

The second half of the Chatham Manufacturing company soft ball tournament got under way Wednesday afternoon when the Hound Dogs, winners of the first half, which ended Monday, played the Cur Dogs at 3:30 o'clock. A second game, between the Lap Dogs and the Bull Dogs, was scheduled for 5:00 o'clock.

**COUNTY HOME EXODUS NOTED**

Raleigh, May 16.—W. C. Ezell, director of institutions and corrections for the board of welfare, reported today that 171 inmates of 55 county homes had found living quarters in private homes this year through the aid of old-age assistance grants. Transfers ranged from a single person in some counties to 28 that left the Mecklenburg county home, he said.

**Roosevelt Seeking Cause Of Stagnant Capital In Nation**

**Official**



R. C. Lewellyn, president of the Bank of Elkin, was elected vice president of the North Carolina Bankers Association at the annual meeting in Pinehurst last week. Mr. Lewellyn is also president of the Surry Loan and Trust Co., of Mount Airy.

**INVESTMENT IS BADLY NEEDED FOR PROSPERITY**

Must Bring Together Idle Men, Machines, Money

**SAYS PROBLEM URGENT**

States Views in Letter to Chairman of Committee Studying Monopoly

**ASKS FOR AN ANALYSIS**

Washington, May 16 — President Roosevelt today urged the joint committee studying monopoly to delve into the reasons for the existence of huge supplies of stagnant money and savings, stating that if the United States is to have sound prosperity, it must "bring together idle men, machines and money."

In a letter to Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D), Wyo., chairman of the committee, he said that he knows of "no more urgent" problems in the country than those involving nonworking money and savings, and lauded the group for its investigation of "savings and investment," which was initiated today.

He hoped that the new study would "assume the task of analyzing the financial machine in its relations to the creation of more needed wealth," and posed these questions for the investigators to answer:

"Is it (money stagnation) because our country is leaving an era of rapid expansion and entering an era of steadier growth, calling for relatively less investment of capital goods?"

"Is it because of lag, leak and friction in the operation of investment markets which pervert the normal flow of savings into nonproductive enterprise?"

"To the extent that intelligent utilization in men, machines and money is made possible, he said, 'we shall strengthen the structure of democratic economy.'"

**GROUP VISITS CHATHAM MILL**

Young Bankers from New York Are Royally Entertained by T.C.U. Club

**MAKE TOUR OF PLANT**

A group of 10 young men making up the Thorne-Loomis Expedition of 1939 of the Bankers Trust Co., of New York City, visited the Chatham Manufacturing company here Tuesday as a part of their tour of major textile industries of the South.

The recently organized T. C. U. Club took over entertainment of the visitors, which in addition to a tour of the plant, featured a soft ball game, a supper and smoker at the T. C. U. clubhouse.

The soft ball game featured the visitors against the Hound Dogs, winners of the first half of the Chatham soft ball tournament, and which was won by the Hound Dogs 18 to 1. The supper and smoker followed Tuesday evening.

The 10 young men making up the group were Ralph Anderson, Victor Anderson, Russell Billman, Erik Erikson, John Fenton, Walter Hughes, John Keat, Walter Leach, Jr., David Young and Edward Drake, leader.

Traveling in a spacious motorized coach, the group will take six weeks to complete their tour, the object of which is to acquaint themselves with all types of manufacturing.

**ANNOUNCEMENT MADE OF SALE OF BUILDING**

The large store building on East Main street occupied by the J. C. Penny Company has been sold to J. H. Doughton and George Dowdy, of Statesville, it has been announced through Reich & Hunt, local realtors.

**DAM HEARING IS UNDER WAY**

Suit Brought Against City of High Point by Citizens, Business Firms

**NAVIGABILITY IS ISSUE**

With preliminary hearings, agreements and motions presumably disposed of, the first witness took the stand at Winston-Salem Tuesday in Superior court in the case of J. W. McGuinn, as taxpayer, Duke Power company, Adams-Millis company and other taxpayers, against the city of High Point, in attempting to have declared illegal a projected \$6,500,000 power development of the city. Judge H. Hoyle Sink is presiding over the special hearing without a jury.

Indications that the state of North Carolina is extremely interested, even to the point of intervening in the suit, were seen when Attorney General Harry McMullan listened attentively throughout the proceedings. The attorney general reportedly plans to attend the further hearings in the case because of the state-federal issues which are looming.

The first portion of Tuesday's session, which opened at 2 o'clock, was taken up with a summarizing of issues and contentions in the case for the benefit of the court. Both sides are seeking judicial determination as to whether the city of High Point properly or improperly accepted a license from the federal power commission to build the electric plant.

One of the important contentions involved is whether the construction of a dam and power plant will affect the navigability of the Yadkin river on which the project is proposed to be built, or of the Pee Dee river, of which the Yadkin is a main tributary.

**Woman's Club to Sponsor Cooking School at Hotel**

The Elkin Woman's club is sponsoring a cooking school here Thursday and Friday afternoon, and extend a cordial invitation to the homemakers of Elkin, Jonesville and this entire section to attend.

The school, which will be in charge of Miss Addie Malone, widely known home economist, will consist of actual demonstrations in a modern kitchen. It will be staged both afternoons beginning at 3:00 o'clock in the Kiwanis room at Hotel Elkin.

Prizes will be on hand, which will be awarded to various ladies who attend, and many worthwhile home hints and recipes will be given. No admission charge of any kind will be made.