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BURY MURDER VICTIM

UP AND DOWN
The Avenue
WITH THE EDITOR

In case you do not see it on this page, turn inside for story on Associated Charities Drive which starts next Wednesday. There is no better cause in this or any other city. Be prepared to do all you can to help those not so fortunate as yourself.

Theatre manager Lyle Wilson returned from Charlotte last night where he bought and booked new pictures for the local theatres. Some of the headliners coming soon are "Stage Mother", "Foot-light Parade", "Lady For A Day", "Night Flight", "Saturday's Millions", Jean Harlow in "Bomb Shell" and Mae West in "I'm No Angel."

The Roanoke Rapids Woman's Club has signed a contract with a company to produce the play "See You Later" at an early date. The place, time and other details are not yet available.

L. G. Harrison, of Rocky Mount, will soon open a Men's Clothing Store in the building nextdoor to Rosemary Drug Co. J. B. Exum, Rocky Mount merchant who has been in the men's clothing business in that city for 15-years, will be associated with Mr. Harrison in this interest, and the store will open as soon as remodelling operations are completed, perhaps the first of next week.

The High School Parent-Teachers Association will meet Thursday afternoon, October 26th at 3:30 p. m. in the High School auditorium. All members are urged to be present.

Solicitor W. H. S. Burgwyn, after going over the type-written evidence taken down in the investigation of the Cullom mystery murder, commended Coroner Billy Williams for the thorough and efficient manner in which he has conducted the investigation and inquest.

Reverend C. R. Jenkins, of Littleton, will fill the pulpit of the Roanoke Rapids Presbyterian Church this Sunday morning. Mr. Bradley will preach Sunday evening.

The State School Commission, meeting last week, approved the budgets of the seven city administrative school units which voted to supplement the State funds appropriated for schools. These seven units are the only ones out of probably 50 which voted supple-

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Matthews Fighting

Mrs. Charles Lindbergh



Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, wife of the noted Lone Eagle, who is now enroute home with her flying husband after hopping the Atlantic, prizes this picture, taken as they landed and she was received by Soviet officials at Leningrad Russia.

ELECTION ON REPEAL NOV. 7TH

No new registration is necessary to vote in the repeal election on November 7th. The old registration books for county and State elections will be used.

However, the books will be kept open one day, Saturday, October 21st.

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Proclamation By Mayor Jenkins

A child has been bitten by a mad dog, whose head shows positive signs of hydrophobia. It has also been reported to me that several dogs had been fighting with the mad dog.

In the interest of public safety and welfare, I hereby order all owners and keepers of dogs to tie up or keep penned up all dogs in the city of Roanoke Rapids for a period of one month from October 19th, 1933, to November 19th, 1933.

Police officers have orders to capture or kill all stray and suspicious-looking dogs within the above period.

This the 19th day of October, 1933.

KELLY JENKINS,
Mayor of Roanoke Rapids.

IN-LAWS HELP HIM IN FIGHT

Lawyer Held In California On State Warrant Fights Extradition.

E. A. Matthews, absconding lawyer from Roanoke Rapids, now held in Los Angeles, California, is fighting extradition from that State and, if brought back to Halifax County, may have legal assistance from his wife's relatives.

Arrested in Honolulu, Matthews was put on a boat and brought to this country. He was arrested as he landed at Los Angeles and placed in jail. His bond was set at \$2,000. It is not known here if he filled bond or if he yet remains in jail.

The hearing has been set for October 30th, in Los Angeles and it is said Matthews will fight extradition.

Solicitor Burgwyn could not be reached today but other Halifax officials say there is some question as to how much of a fight will be made to bring Matthews from California, due to the expense.

The report is that Governor Ehringhaus says the State will not stand the expense and the county says it cannot afford it either. Another report is that the Governor is willing for the State to foot the bill only in case of Matthews' conviction.

Matthews faces a Halifax County indictment charging him specifically with embezzlement of \$3,800.00. However, if brought back it is thought several other indictments will be returned.

An unexpected angle developed this week when Halifax County officials were contacted by attorneys in Boise, Idaho, who are representing Matthews. It seems that relatives of Mrs. Matthews who live in Idaho have hired attorneys to handle his case.

The Welfare Department of the Woman's Club will meet on Monday afternoon at 3:30 with Mrs. Bohannon Weathers, Chairman of the Department. A cordial invitation is extended to any one interested in this work to be present at the meeting of the department.

Romie Floyd and Miss Victoria Cook, of Garysburg, were married at Emporia, Va., Saturday, October 14, by the Justice of Peace, Sol Wrenn.

Ignores Robbers' Guns



The bank robbers at Brookline, Mass., had sawed-off shotguns leveled at all when Miss Mary Buckley, (above) dropped to the floor, crawled along behind the counter, reached an alarm signal . . . and frustrated a daring robbery.

METHODIST REVIVAL

Revival services will begin at the First Methodist Church next Sunday, Oct. 22. Rev. E. H. McWhorter, of Weldon Methodist Church, will preach each morning at 10:30 and each evening at 7:30.

Mr. McWhorter is a strong gospel preacher. He has had an interesting career as a minister, having served churches on both the Atlantic and the Pacific coasts as well as in the state of Alabama, his home state.

The public is cordially invited to hear him, with the assurance that his messages will be most helpful. The singing will be a feature of the meeting to be enjoyed by all.

Retailers Will Re-Organize Here

All merchants and retailers in Roanoke Rapids are urged to attend the meeting which will be held Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 25th, at 3 o'clock when the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association will meet for reorganization.

The meeting will be held at W. C. Williams Building and new officers will be elected and plans laid for connecting the local organization with the State Retail Merchants Association.

Other important problems confronting the retail merchants will be discussed and it is hoped to have an official representative from every retail store in the city.

RETURN UNKNOWN VERDICT

Murderers of Marvel Cullom Still At Large; Information Keeps Coming In

Funeral services for Marvel Cullom, 19-year-old girl found slain Sunday morning, October 8, were held this Tuesday afternoon at Williams Funeral Home.

The night before, the Coroner's jury had rendered a verdict of murder at the hands of party or parties unknown. A week of investigating, hearing more than one hundred testify, and running down every available clue, had failed to pin the murder on any one person or set of persons.

More than 100 persons attended the funeral services Tuesday and heard Reverend V. H. Grantham say, "This girl has sinned, but she is not alone responsible." He took as his text the first chapter of James, the 15th verse.

Branding the murderers as "brutal," Mr. Grantham said they were yet unknown but their sins would find them out. He called upon home, church and school to combine to stamp out the recurrence of the conditions leading up to such a crime and all other crime and sinfulness.

The deceased is survived by her parents, three sisters and two brothers. Her father, Jesse Cullom, now lives in Canada and was not here for the funeral. He has one of the sisters with him. Those living at home with the mother are Bernice, Jesse and Ray. The other sister lives in Kinston.

John Matthews, Sr., of this city is a grandfather of the deceased and an uncle on her father's side is Dean of Ministry at Wake Forest.

Coroner's Verdict

The Coroner's jury returned the following verdict Monday night: Marvel Cullom came to her death by being severely beaten on head, body and limbs, there being three gashes on her head ranging from 1 1-2 to 2 1-2 inches in length, left side of head and neck bruised black, right hand bruised black, numerous bruises or arms and body, throat cut with three wounds, one severing both jugular veins and both carotid arteries, one four inches long from clavicle to larynx, one 3 1-2 inches long across the left side of neck, wounds inflicted by party or parties unknown, sufficient evidence not having been found.

Solicitor Questions

Solicitor W. H. S. Burgwyn sat in on the final session of the Coroner's jury and questioned several witnesses. He went over all the testimony which had been taken in the case and is a matter of

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