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## DETECTIVES GET CRIMINALS IN LOUISBURG

### RYAN'S PHILADELPHIA "BIG MOB" MAKE COUP

Edward Howe, John Freeborn, James Greenor, Arrested

Taken Back To Philadelphia To Answer Charges Of Hold-Up, Robbery and Murder; Detectives With Local Officers Set Clever Trap; Had Been With Show Six Weeks; Not Suspected By Comrades

Detectives James Coyle, Max Berg and Eugene Brenizer, members of Captain James P. Ryan's "Big Mob," Philadelphia Detectives, visited Louisburg Tuesday and picked up Edward Howe, John Freeborn and James Greenor, all white, wanted in Philadelphia to answer charges of hold up, robbery and murder.

Detective Coyle informed the TIMES that several months ago there were twenty-eight or thirty hold up and robberies of gas stations, drug stores and other places in the city, which were traced to a certain gang led by Phillip Meehan, and they had been working on rounding it up and arresting those connected with it since. Before this they had arrested Meehan, who committed suicide in his cell room in jail, and Sylvester Prince, Loyd Mitchell and Thomas Sheedy. These are in jail in Philadelphia awaiting trial. It was in these arrests that the detectives received information that Howe, Freeborn and Greenor, were connected in the crimes, and a search for their whereabouts. They were located in Louisburg traveling with the World's Exposition Shows. The detectives arrived in Louisburg Monday evening and in company with Sheriff John P. Moore and Deputy Sheriff Fred Frazier, made their plans to trap and take into custody the suspects. The trap worked and the men were arrested about 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and brought to the Sheriff's office and then transferred to the County jail, where later on they were taken on their trip back to Philadelphia for trial.

It was understood that one of the detectives took a job as laborer with the shows about a week or more ago and remained, without detection until he received the information he wanted, and the arrests followed his disappearance and return about noon Tuesday with officers.

It was learned that Howe and Freeborn were with the Midget Show and Greenor was with the Esquire. It was learned they had been with these shows about six weeks and had impressed their associates as being especially fine young men, and had won the confidence and good will of their companions.

The detectives stated they had prison records and were members of a very bad gang in the Pennsylvania city.

The work of the Detectives in Louisburg was very cleverly planned and executed as no one had thought of such a happening until the coup was made and the trio brought to jail, which aroused much excitement among the many on the streets.

The Detectives expressed great appreciations for the excellent assistance rendered them by Sheriff Moore, Deputy Sheriff Frazier and Special Officer D. T. Holmes.

Mr. Max Gruber, Manager of the World's Exposition Shows, playing Franklin County Fair, expressed great satisfaction at the action of the officers in getting these men, if they are guilty, as he does not wish persons of this character in his organization. He was enthusiastic in his assistance to the officers.

### To Inspect Meat Markets

Mr. Linker, of the State Sanitary Department was in Louisburg the past week arranging to put on the State Meat Market inspection. He informed the TIMES he had been to see all the meat dealers and explained the law and told them what would be necessary for them to do to continue in the meat business. He explained the law would not be clamped down too tightly at first, but that everyone would be given a chance to comply and he was expecting the cooperation of the dealers and the public.

### Golden Belt Fair To Crown Queen

Plans are under way for another Queen of the Golden Belt Fair and voting will begin at once. It is thought that by Saturday night all who are to participate will have had an opportunity to get organized and ready for a group picture in Henderson on Sunday. The usual custom of presenting a prize to all the contenders for the crown, will be followed on the closing night, Friday, October 7, when the queen will be presented a beautiful diamond ring with a sizeable stone in the center and four smaller stones at the sides. Other prizes selected so far are a yellow gold Bulova wrist watch with bracelet to match; a fitted over-nite bag with removable inner case from H. C. Taylor's Hardware and Furniture Store, of our city; a gorgeous evening gown, and a fall dress.

The principle towns in the several counties will again be represented in the voting, and all the prizes will be selected from the different towns in the Golden Belt Fair area.

### Champion Rice Writer

E. L. Blystone "Bly the Rice Writer" of Ardara, Pa.

(ELSIE WOLF)

Broke old records and succeeded in writing 2,871 letters on a single grain of rice, winning second prize, a Rockne Six Sedan, offered in the National "Believe It or Not" contest. Blystone met with an accident on a railroad when he was 18 years old, breaking his hip, both pelvis bones, right arm and left ankle, and four fingers were amputated from his left hand. Doctors gave him only a few hours to live, but slightly more than a month later he walked from the hospital unassisted, and a year later he was playing baseball with an artificial hand of his own construction.

A few years ago Blystone broke the existing record of 400 letters held by a Hindu, by writing 1,200 letters on a rice grain. Soon thereafter he set another record of 1,615 on a single grain, of the record contained on page 34 of my now "Believe It or Not" Book. Now he has placed 2,871 letters by writing the word coin 707 times, his name and address and the year. The grain of rice, the pen and the magnifying glass with which it was made are on exhibition in the Believe It or Not Odditorium at the World's Fair. Featured by Ripley, June 22, 1932.

Blystone is at the Franklin County Fair this week.

### Court Ends

The regular September term of Franklin Superior Court came to an end with adjournment Saturday. Jury cases were completed Friday afternoon. No cases of special public interest were tried, the time being taken up in divorce actions and minor civil suits.

Judge Thompson made a most favorable impression upon our people who will be glad to see him make a return visit.

### PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Friday, Sept. 23rd:  
Last Times Today (Friday) — Bing Crosby in "Sing You Sinners."

Saturday — Double Feature—Ken Maynard in "Trailing Trouble" and Will Rogers in "Life Begins at 40." Also Chap. 9 "The Fighting Devil Dogs."

Sunday-Monday—Janet Gaynor, Robt. Montgomery and Franchot Tone in "Three Loves Has Nancy."

Tuesday—Jackie Moran, Marcia Mae Jones and Ralph Morgan in "Barefoot Boy."

Wednesday—The Mauch Twins, Billy and Bobby, in "Penrod's Double Trouble."

Thursday-Friday—Sonja Henie, Richard Greene, Joan Davis, Cesar Romero and Buddy Ebsen in "My Lucky Star."

### Louisburg Wins Tri-County Title

Louisburg captured the undisputed title to the Tri-County League Friday by defeating Wilton with the very decisive score of 14-6. The locals put on a scoring spree in the sixth inning, and before Posey, Wilton hurler, could get any relief, Louisburg had 12 runs to their credit. Fuller started the fireworks in the sixth with a single. Brantley doubled and McDaniel walked to fill the bases. Cameron got a double and Troutman a single. Lassiter, hitting for Lamm, reached base on an error and Barrington singled. Timberlake and Wimbrow were retired in order and then Fuller got his second hit of the inning. Brantley connected for his second hit, McDaniel reached base on an error, Cameron, Troutman, and Lassiter connected for hits to account for the final runs of the inning.

Barrington pitched very effective ball for the locals, allowing only seven hits, four of which came in the ninth inning. Dixon relieved Barrington in the ninth with one out. Posey, the visitors' hurler, was very effective until the sixth inning scoring spree of the locals. Joe Tippett relieved him with two out in the sixth.

Box Score:	Wilton	Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Meadows, lf	5	0	1	2	0	0	
Matthews, ss	5	0	0	1	2	1	
T. Brummit, c	4	1	0	5	1	0	
Bragg, cf	4	1	3	2	0	0	
J. Tippett 1b-p	4	1	1	11	0	0	
Fields, rf	4	0	0	1	0	2	
E. Tippett, 2b	3	1	0	2	3	0	
Blackley, 3b	4	2	1	0	1	1	
Posey, p-1b	4	0	1	0	7	0	

Totals	37	6	7	24	14	4
Louisburg	Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Timberlake, ss	6	1	3	1	2	1
Wimbrow, lf	5	1	1	3	0	1
Fuller, c	5	2	3	2	0	1
Matthews, c	0	0	0	2	0	1
Brantley, cf	5	2	2	4	1	0
McDaniel, 3b	4	2	1	1	1	1
Cameron, 2b	2	2	2	1	4	1
Wiggins 2b-1b	1	0	1	0	1	0
Troutman, 1b	4	2	2	11	0	1
Dixon, 1b-p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lamm, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Lassiter, rf	3	1	2	0	0	1
Barrington, p	5	1	1	1	6	1

Totals 43 14 18 27 15 8  
Score by innings:  
Wilton —001 00 1 004—6  
Louisburg —000 0012 20x—14  
Runs batted in: J. Tippett 2, Cameron 3, Troutman 4, Lassiter 1, Fuller 1, McDaniel 2. Two-base hits: Bragg, Brantley, Cameron, Lassiter 2. Home runs: J. Tippett, Stolen bases: T. Brummit, Timberlake 2, Wimbrow, Fuller, Cameron, Troutman. Double plays: Brantley to McDaniel. Left on bases: Wilton 4, Louisburg 8. Bases on balls: Posey 3, Barrington 1. Struck out: by Posey 4, Barrington 4. Umpires: Thomas and Allen. Time: 2:30.

### LOUISBURG SHUTS OUT CCC

Ed Richardson pitched two-hit ball for the locals here Sunday as Louisburg defeated Franklinton CCC boys 9-0. Richardson received good support and was never in trouble. Eleven of the CCC men were retired by the strike-out route. Red Wimbrow led the locals attack with two doubles and a homer. Troutman with a single and a homer and Brantley with a single and triple were also big guns in the 13-hit attack of the locals. Hobbs and Matthews were the only Franklinton boys to get hits off the fine pitching of Richardson.

Score by Innings:	R.	H.	E.
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Louisburg	001	030	05x—9 13 2

Batteries: CCC—Fields and Davis; Louisburg—Richardson and Matthews.

### ADDS JEWELRY

Raynor's Radio Shop, one of Louisburg's most progressive firms, has added a large line of jewelry and watches and diamonds to its already large and popular stock and invites you to see this line, where you will find it possible to purchase your needs in Louisburg. They have also secured the services of Mr. Dick Parrish, who will conduct a first class repair department and take care of your watch and jewelry repairing. See their advertisement in another column.

### BARBECUE SUPPER

The members of Ebenezer Methodist Church are announcing a barbecue supper to be held at Seven Oaks Dairy on Friday evening, September 30th, from 5 to 9 o'clock. The proceeds will be used for the church. All are invited to attend.

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### Ambusher Wounds Victim On Highway

Olvie Jeffreys, a Franklin County white man who amused himself Sunday night by ambushing himself at the side of a highway and, officers said, firing a shotgun at passing motorists, at least one of whom was wounded, was held in jail Monday after he had been tracked down by bloodhounds.

The "sniper" was captured Monday morning, asleep in a tobacco strip room about 200 yards from the scene of the shootings. A shotgun was found nearby. Sheriff John Moore said that Jeffreys denied the shooting, but that "we have a great deal of evidence which points to him as the guilty man." He added that he was puzzled by Jeffreys' apparent lack of motive, but surmised that "whiskey was the cause of it."

The wounded motorist, Elbert Harris, a Negro, was shot in the face as he rode by the ambush, but was not seriously wounded and is expected to recover.

Following the shooting, Sheriff Moore summoned W. R. Brooks, of Wilson, division superintendent of State prison camps and a pack of bloodhounds, which quickly tracked down Jeffreys. Brooks said that following his capture, Jeffreys at first denied and then admitted the shootings, saying he did it "just for fun."

Members of Sheriff Moore's force indicated that it was possible that another man was connected with the shootings, but there was no definite indication that another arrest is expected, although Sheriff Moore said "we still have some work to do on the case."

Sheriff Moore expressed the belief that Jeffreys may have been lying in wait for some specific person against whom he had a grudge.

Jeffreys was called for a hearing in Recorder's Court Tuesday but the case was continued.

### Shot In Face

Buck Collins, colored, was shot by an unknown person near his home about seven miles east of Louisburg on Tuesday about one o'clock. He was brought to Drs. Perry and Wheeler for treatment where it was found that while the wounds are painful they are not serious. The officers have not ascertained the assailant, although blood hounds were placed on the scene that evening.

Later, —Horace Collins, an adopted son, of Buck, who had raised him from a small child admitted shooting his foster-father, because he had reprimanded him for not cutting some logs right. He is being held by the officers.

### PATRONIZE THE BOY SCOUT BOOTH AT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR.

### CAROLINA-WAKE FOREST

Chapel Hill, Sept. 22.—For an early season contest the North Carolina-Wake Forest game here Saturday afternoon takes on extraordinary proportions. The contest is set for 2:30 o'clock.

The Tar Heels and Demon Deacons will be meeting for the 36th time and in a rivalry that dates back 50 years when these institutions introduced football to North Carolina. In that contest, played between sophomore classes of the two institutions, Wake Forest won 6-4.

In soundly thrashing Randolph-Macon 57-6 Wake Forest boosted high interest in Saturday's game. The rush for reserved seats since Saturday's game has reflected that interest.

With a starting lineup of eight sophomores and only three letter-men, Wake Forest demonstrated what many observers consider the best downfield blocking seen in this part of the country in years.

Although they kept the players at home "for good reasons," members of the Carolina coaching staff attended the game and sat there pop-eyed as the Baptists rolled up their amazing score.

Coach Wolf said today: "The team Wake Forest presented Saturday night is almost an entirely different outfit from last year's club, and we are in for a mighty tough battle Saturday unless I'm badly mistaken."

The sensational running of Wake Forest's sophomore backs, oftentimes behind four and five-man interference, brought glowing tributes from sports writers and fans. Marshall Edwards, Tony Gallovich, "Red" Mayberry, Melvin Layton and Jimmy Ringgold, all sophomore backs, turned in numerous long runs.

Everything summed up, the Baptists presented an empenable defense coupled with a speedy, tricky offense. The sophomores were masters of the situation at all times and many of them played better than their more experienced varsity lettermen.

### TOBACCO SELLING WELL

LOUISBURG STILL LEADS

Wet Weather Slows Up Sales But Prices Show Increases; All Pulling For Louisburg

Although the weather the first two days of this week have been very unfavorable tobacco sales on the local market have been very satisfactory. The prevailing opinion of the many growers visiting the market this week is that prices have ranged upward with stronger demand for all grades and a decided upturn on better grades.

The Louisburg Market is still holding its place at the top of the markets and is being given this credit by the many visitors here and elsewhere. The Merchants are pulling some exceptionally interesting features designed to make to the farmers advantage to come to Louisburg to sell and to buy. The Warehousemen are leaving nothing undone to see that all growers get every accommodation possible and the highest dollar for their tobacco in Louisburg. Get your next load ready and come to Louisburg.

### Miss Cora Cooke Dead

Miss Cora Cooke, one of Louisburg's oldest citizens, died at her apartment in Franklin Hotel at 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Miss Cooke was 82 years old and is survived by one brother, Mr. C. K. Cooke, of Louisburg. She was a devoted Christian woman, highly esteemed by all who knew her. She was a member of the Methodist Church and was always interested in its welfare.

Funeral services were held at the grave at Oakwood Cemetery, conducted by Rev. J. G. Phillips, her pastor, and was attended by many sorrowing friends. The flowers were especially pretty. The pallbearers were: P. R. White, S. M. Washington, J. E. Malone, A. W. Person, Dr. H. H. Johnson, and W. N. Fuller.

### AT CITADEL

Cadet D. L. Perry, of 304 North Main Street, Louisburg, is a member of the largest freshman class to enter The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, at Charleston, in the ninety-seven year history of the college. The class entering this year is made up of 450 young men from nearly thirty states.

### EUROPEAN SITUATION

The following is a summary of the European Situation contained in Wednesday dispatches:

Paris.—France and Britain informed Czechoslovakia that a plea for more time is unsatisfactory and presented 24-hour ultimatum of "unconditional acceptance" of Anglo-French plan to dismember that country, or face invasion by Germany. These authentic reports added that the two powers warned Czechoslovakia that Hitler has issued "marching orders" to be effective Thursday unless his demands are satisfied.

Prague.—Harried Cech cabinet in almost continuous session, spared desperately for time, hoping that a miracle would save the country from dismemberment. Official news agency announced that Prague "demanded" that France and Britain reconsider partition plan.

Berchtesgaden.—Hitler received diplomats of Hungary and Poland, who demanded that their nationals in Czechoslovakia be "freed" with the Sudeten Germans. Der Fuehrer left for Godesberg to receive Chamberlain on Thursday. Seidenberg, German - Czech Frontier.—Czech troops and Sudeten German "free corps" fought two open battles with blazing machine guns; German papers screamed, "Czechs Attack! Brutal Breach of Peace."

Udine, Italy.—Mussolini thundered warning to world that Italy is ready to go to war "immediately," if necessary, in address broadcast internationally.

Berlin.—High Nazis said Hitler is militantly opposed to Czechs' plea for "further conversations" and insisted upon immediate and unconditional surrender of Sudetenland.

London.—Chamberlain put pressure on Prague with one hand and fought mounting British opposition to "sell out" with other; refused opposition's demand that Parliament be summoned with explanation "that would make my task impossible"; announced will meet Hitler at Godesberg at 3 p. m. Thursday.

Warsaw.—Poles in formal note to pokers demanded their minority in Czechoslovakia be allowed to rejoin the Fatherland, taking with them rich coal area; Polish troops hurried to Czech border.

Budapest.—Hungarian premier returned from seeing Hitler with announcement Hungary determined on "victory" for 719,000 Hungarians resident in Czechoslovakia hinted that Chamberlain will be confronted with this demand at Godesberg; press described "brutalities" across heavily guarded Czech border.

### LATER EUROPEAN NEWS

Eger, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 22.—(Thursday)—Sudeten Germans last night took over power in sections of Czechoslovak territory close to the frontier. They disarmed gendarmes and customs officials and ripped up border posts.

Asch, the home of Konrad Henlein, the Sudeten German fuhrer, was completely in the hands of his followers.

The Sudeten vigilance corps stormed police and gendarmes headquarters shortly before midnight, disarming the Czechs.

All police and gendarmes on night service were being held under guard at their respective headquarters.

The vigilance corps likewise occupied the Czech customs houses, disarming the customs guards, who were taken into German territory.

Fearing that the Czechoslovak army might come down on them from the interior, the Henleinists blocked the roads leading from Eger to Asch.

Warsaw, Sept. 21.—Poland tonight made a formal demand upon Czechoslovakia for "surrender" of the Teschen Silesia area along the Czech-Polish border and warned that 1,600,000 troops are being held in readiness to back up the demand.

The government announced that the Polish minister in Prague, Dr. Casimir Papez, had handed a note to Foreign Minister Kamil Krofta demanding that the Polish minority of 82,000 in Czechoslovakia be given "the same solution as the German minority."

The demand was served shortly after the Czech cabinet, as an only alternative to a German invasion, capitulated to Fuhrer Adolf Hitler's ultimatum for surrender of the Sudeten German belt to the Reich.

Crowds in the streets of Warsaw and other Polish cities tonight demanded a united Polish-Hungarian march against the Czechs.

### STOVALL-MASSENGILL

Miss Elizabeth Margnette Massengill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Preston Massengill, of Sharpsburg, to Edward Stewart Stovall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hepburn McGhee Stovall, of Louisburg and Suffolk, Va., the wedding to take place in October.

### FAIR ATTRACTING MANY

The 24th Annual County Fair Goes Into History With Its Closing Saturday Night As The Largest And Best Attended One In It's History

Two days of continuous rain did not dampen the interest or the cooperation of the appreciative people in the county who, in spite of a pouring rain, brought what was probably the biggest display of farm products that will be shown in any county fair this year and the management of the Fair and all those interested in it are most grateful to the people in Franklin County who for twenty-four years, have made ours The Best known County Fair in the State and done more to popularize Louisburg and Franklin County than everything else that takes place in its borders. It is wonderful spirit of cooperation that makes our Fair possible.

There were six booths put on by the students of vocational agriculture which speak highly for the work being done by these students and their teachers. The booth winning first prize in this class was put on by the Bunn School, the second prize was won by Epsom School and the third by Gold Sand School. All of these booths were well arranged and show that these students are doing something well worth while. The WPA Sewing room had an exhibit showing the wonderful work being done by Mrs. J. B. Yarborough, supervisor of the sewing rooms, and the people working in same.

The students of the 6th grade of Harris School, taught by Miss Margaret Williams, had a most wonderful exhibit showing the Lost Colony in miniature. This exhibit was one of the most interesting ones and received many compliments which reflect credit to Miss Williams and the students of the 6th grade at Harris School.

The exhibits as a whole were meritorious and certainly show that the people in Franklin County know how to do things in the right way and that they are all interested and cooperating with the management of the Fair.

### GRUBER WORLD'S EXPOSITION SHOWS

The World's Exposition Shows opened its door last Tuesday night with, as Dr. Fleming states, the best and largest array of attractions ever to appear at that festival. There are no less than 16 tented attractions and 14 riding devices.

Among the attractions will be seen many that have appeared at some of our nationally known exhibitions. Also a few which have been imported from abroad, namely the French Casino from Paris and the Wall of Death from London. The former is a replica of original Casino de Paris which showed at the Paris Exposition of 1937. It features poses plastique and the Pence sisters, Wilhelmina and Lottie May are the features of that particular show. It generally glorifies the American girl. The Wall of Death was one of the many good shows at Wembley park one of London's well known playgrounds. It features Miss Dorothy Stone, who once gave a command performance before the former King Edward VIII, and also Del Crouch trick and fancy rider.

The Hall of Science, with the Monroe brothers, features many of the illusions of the late Howard Thurston, that master-mind of magic.

Look presents many strange and unusual freaks including some that were cartooned by Ripley.

Esquire is a show of a "somewhat different" nature, and will prove quite interesting.

The Rainbow Frolics features pretty dancing girls and funny comedians and is produced by Charles "Joy" Gramlich.

The Midget Village has capable performers and presents Virginia Campbell and also a midget mother and father and their ten months old baby.

The kiddies will enjoy the trained and educated monkeys in the monkey show who perform many monkey shines and generally amuses every one who pays them a visit.

Among the rides will be seen the Dipsy Doodle, a ride in which the rider can control an aeroplane shaped car which performs all the gyrations of a plane in flight.

At the head of the midway will be seen one of the largest bingo games ever to be seen in this part of the county and its display an imposing array of prizes for the winner and rumor has it that the winners are numerous.

This year's fair seems to offer a high class form of entertainment on the midway. All who visit it seem well pleased with its various entertaining offerings. Taken altogether it is well worth a visit.



Maronic, tackle.

Steve Maronic, University of North Carolina tackle and Co-Captain of the 1938 football team, who is slated to lead the forward wall in Carolina's battle with the Demon Deacons Saturday.

Carolina will also show many new men in its starting lineup Saturday. Playing for the first time as regulars will be Horace Palmer, end; Gates Kimball tackle; Charlie Slagle, guard; "Sweet" Jim Lallane, quarterback; George Radman, halfback, and Jack Kraynick or Tony Cernugle, fullback.

The other five Tar Heel starters are holdover regular from last season's outstanding team—Chuck Kline, end; Co-Captain Steve Maronic, tackle; Jim Woodson, guard; Bob Adam, center, and George Watson, halfback.