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## ROWAN FARMERS SEEK U. S. LOANS

## Recovery Of School Bus Victim Is Doubtful

### 5 INJURED GIRLS ARE CRITICALLY ILL AT HOSPITAL

Mary Jones Most Seriously Injured; Received Serious Burns And Cuts When School Bus Burned.

### OFFICIALS PROBE CAUSE OF FIRE CHECK ALL BUSES

Tragedy Occurred At Dukeville School Wednesday As Bus Prepared To Leave For Boyden High.

The recovery of Miss Mary Jones, one of the sixteen high school students who were burned, cut and bruised, as they broke from windows and escaped from a flaming school bus that caught on fire as it was being filled with gasoline Wednesday morning at Dukeville, was regarded as doubtful, according to a report from the Salisbury hospital Thursday night.

The bus was preparing to leave for Salisbury from the school five miles from here.

Those most severely burned and injured were:

Mary Jones, 16, Geneva Leonard, 18, Mildred Leonard, 16, and Edith Knowles, 16. They sustained burns on their faces, arms, heads, and bodies. Pauline Long, the fifth pupil in the hospital, is suffering from a bad cut on the leg which was inflicted as she was being pulled out of the window of the flaming bus.

While the victims of the tragedy were described as doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances, their recovery was problematical and dependent upon the progress made within the next 48 hours.

Local school officials, together with officers, are making a thorough investigation of the tragedy.

The injured are pupils of the Boyden High school and were en route to the school when the accident occurred. The bus had driven around to the rear of the elementary school in Dukeville in order to fill up with gasoline and while the fuel was being put into the tank it became ignited. The tank under the drivers seat was soon a mass of flames, blocking exit by the front doors.

According to students, the rear door of the vehicle was nailed up and escape in that manner was impossible. Window glasses were broken with elbows and books and a mad exit effected. Practically every one of the 16 students in the bus received a minor bruise or burn.

A check-up on all county school buses has been ordered and is now in progress.

### GOOD MORNING

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S TEN RULES

1. Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day.
2. Never trouble another for what you can do yourself.
3. Never spend your money before you have it.
4. Never buy what you do not want because it is cheap; it will be dear to you.
5. Pride costs us more than hunger, thirst, and cold.
6. Never repent of having eaten too little.
7. Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly.
8. How much pain the evils that never happened have cost us.
9. Take things always by their smooth handle.
10. When angry, count ten before you speak; if very angry, a hundred.

I am but one,  
But I am one;  
I cannot do everything,  
But I can do something;  
What I can do I ought to do,  
And what I ought to do  
God helping me, I will do.

—Edward Everett Hale.

### WHY, TOMMY?

"Thanks very much," said the school teacher, as Tommy offered her some apples, "I will call around and thank your mother for these three nice apples."

"Teacher, please," pleaded little Tommy, "would you mind thanking her for six apples?"

### WORK!

Thank God for the might of it,  
The ardor, the urge, the delight of it—  
Work that springs from the heart's desire  
Setting the brain and the soul on fire—  
Oh, what is so good as the heat of it,  
And what is so glad as the beat of it,  
And what is so kind as the stern command,  
Challenging brain and heart and hand?  
—Angela Morgan.

Senator X—We ought to investigate the expenditures of these candidates.

Senator Z—How much did they spend?

Senator X—Fifty thousand dollars.

Senator Z—What will an investigating committee cost?

Senator X—About \$50,000.

Senator Z—That's not bad. We'll take the matter up.

Blinks—I lie awake all night and then drop off to sleep just before the alarm goes off.

Jinks—Why don't you set the alarm to go off 15 or 20 minutes after you go to bed?

### ALL ALONE

Manager of Hotel (where a newly married couple are staying): "And is there anything else I can do for you folks?" (The fifth time he asked this question).

Young Husband: "Yes, some honey-moon salad."

Manager: "May I ask what are the ingredients?"

Young Husband: "Just lettuce alone."

### CURLS

See, God?  
Here in this box . . .  
Please, God,  
I've been wondering  
If you could put them on again—  
Little ugly troublesome things—  
But they used to curl up  
And go to sleep on my neck  
Like tired kittens.

—Grace Sibley in The American Mercury.

### Four Years to Their Next Birthday



These twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parkas of Pittsburgh were born on February 29, 1932.

## Nine Candidates Toss Hats In Ring For County Offices

The 1932 political campaigns in Rowan county are finally getting underway. With several new announcements having been made during the past few days, the spring contests promise to be heated and interesting.

Nine candidates have definitely announced their candidacies. All are democrats.

Harry E. Isenhour, local insurance and real estate man, is a candidate for a place on the board of county commissioners. Mr. Isenhour has been actively identified with Rowan county politics the past several years and has taken an active part in various civic undertakings. Mr. Isenhour is a past president of the Salisbury Civitan club and is at the present time president of the National Lutheran Brotherhood of America.

Curtis A. Long, of Providence township, also recently announced his candidacy for the board of commissioner. Mr. Long ran two years ago but was defeated by only a few votes. Mr. Long is a farmer and business man of East Spencer and Providence township.

Others who have thrown their hats in the ring are as follows:  
Prosecuting attorney: W. V. Harris.  
Register of deeds: W. H. Crowder.  
House of representatives: K. W. Umberger.

County commissioners: Harry E. Isenhour, Curtis A. Long, Max L. Barker, C. L. Neel and C. M. Henderson.

State senate: E. W. G. Huffman. It is reported that practically all incumbents will seek renomination, and although announcements have not been forthcoming, these office holders are actively conducting their campaigns.

### SCHOOL CHILD KILLED

Davidson—Thomas N. Hobbs, 11, was instantly killed when struck by an automobile as he alighted from a school bus. Police said they believed the occurrence unavoidable.

## Who's Who In Rowan

OFFICERS OF WINONA COUNCIL NO. 18, J. O. U. A. M. SALISBURY.

- J. F. Fesperman, Jr. P. C.
- George R. Uzzell, Councilor.
- J. W. Rideoutte, Vice Councilor.
- W. T. Burke, Jr., Secretary.
- Robt. N. Clarke, Asst. Secy.
- E. M. Daniel, Treasurer.
- N. W. Earnhardt, Conductor.
- F. A. Daniel, Warden.
- J. Q. Adams, Inside Sent.
- Harry L. Plummer, Outside Sent.
- P. S. Carlton, Trustee 6 mo.
- George R. Uzzell, Trustee 12 mo.
- Robt. N. Clark, Trustee 18 mo.
- F. A. Daniel, Repr. S. C. 1 yr.
- U. Ray Miller, Repr. S. C. 2 yr.
- Robt. N. Clark, Repr. S. C. 3 yr.
- R. G. Stewart, Chaplain.

### Tallest Boy



Robert Wadlow of Alton, Ill., is only 14 years old but is 7 feet, 5 inches tall and weighs 301 pounds, due to improper functioning of the pineal gland at the base of the brain. Mentally he is normal for his age.

### BUS OVERTURNS

Statesville—Thirty-two children of the Oakdale school miraculously escaped serious or fatal injury on a cross-road when a passing motorist hit the left front wheel of the machine to overturn in an adjoining plowed field.

### PLANS FOR CROWD

Charlotte—Warren V. Hall, head of the arrangements committee preparing for the 1932 state Republican convention here, said plans have been completed for seating 2,980 delegates and alternates when the group meets April 14.

### Goes to Turkey



Brigadier General Charles H. Sherrill has been appointed United States Ambassador to Turkey, succeeding Joseph P. Grew, who goes to Japan.

### NORTH CAROLINA NEWS IN BRIEF

**BIG SUMS FOR LOANS**  
Raleigh—The growers agricultural credit corporation will have approximately \$2,500,000 available for loans to North Carolina farmers this season.

**MRS. SCOTT APPOINTED**  
Raleigh—Mrs. James L. Scott of Greensboro, has been appointed executive secretary of the Young Democratic clubs of America and will take up the work next week.

**BARBERS HAVE WAR**  
Kinston—A leading barbershop is selling shaves for a nickel and haircuts for a dime. The slash in prices came as a result of a "barbers' war."

**BLAMED FOR FIRES**  
Raleigh—The recent forest fire in the Linville gorge and probably several other fires in this state and South Carolina, were started by persons in the woods seeking shrubbery.

**\$800 STOLEN NEAR POLICE**  
Kinston—Yeggs went into a store near police headquarters here, broke open the safe and carried off \$800. Police have no clue to the identity of the robbers.

**ANTI-HOARDING DRIVE**  
Greensboro—This city is one of several in North Carolina co-operating in the nation-wide anti-hoarding drive which is being waged to replace money in the channels of business and industry.

**MAN DROWNS SELF IN PAN**  
High Point—Thomas R. Mackey, former brokerage clerk, down to three lumps of coal, 30 cents in money and a pipeful of smoking tobacco, drowned himself in a pan half filled with water.

**MERLE THORPE TO SPEAK**  
Raleigh—Merle Thorpe, noted economist and editor of Nation's Business, official organ of the United States Chamber of Commerce, will address the graduates of North Carolina State college in June.

**SNOW AT MITCHELL**  
Black Mountain—Sixteen inches of snow blankets the crest of Mt. Mitchell, highest peak east of the Mississippi, and sent the mercury sliding down to eight degrees below zero.

**DAMAGE FROM STORM**  
Manteo—Week-end storms paralyzed the shad industry of this section in mid-season when virtually every fisherman's net was swept away. The loss of equipment was estimated at over \$250,000 while the loss in uncaught fish would probably total another quarter million dollars.

**MRS. WIDENHOUSE IN COURT**  
Concord—Mrs. Mary Bennet Widenhouse, charged with shooting her husband, Donald Widenhouse, near Midland last Saturday morning, was released under \$2,000 bond after preliminary hearing in county court. The case will be tried at the April term of court.

**OFFERS \$400 REWARD**  
Concord—Cabarrus county commissioners have posted a reward of \$400 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of slayers of Jack Dees shot through a window of his home January 26, provided a similar sum is posted by the state. Sheriff R. C. Hoover offered to give \$200, thus making the reward \$1,000.

**DOUGHTON PRAISED**  
Shelby—A. J. Maxwell, candidate for governor of North Carolina, lauded Congressman R. L. Doughton for his opposition to the new federal general sales tax on "producers tax" bill levying a tax of 2 1-4 per cent on all manufactured goods in the United States.

### BLANKS FOR LOANS RECEIVED HERE BY THE COUNTY AGENT

Total of \$75,000,000 Already Allotted For Farm Purposes By Reconstruction Corporation.

### BUREAU SET UP IN CHARLOTTE TO HANDLE FUNDS

Distribution Of Money In Agricultural Communities Will Aid Return To Normal Conditions, It Is Hoped.

Application blanks for farm loans, made possible under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, have been received by County Agent W. G. Yeager.

Arrangements have been made, it is announced, by the reconstruction finance corporation, to furnish \$25,000,000 additional to the \$50,000,000 already provided, to be used for farm loan purposes.

The advisory committee to serve in the state under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will be comprised of the following men: John A. Campbell, Jr., Charlotte, will serve as manager of the loan committee in the state, and will be in charge of the Charlotte office. Reuben Robertson, Asheville, will be his chief assistant.

The papers and application blanks will be furnished to the farmers of this county by Mr. Yeager upon request. These consist of the crop mortgages, crop lien, loan voucher and the general application.

Farmers of Rowan county are expected to take advantage of this extension of credit and it is hoped by under this procedure the maximum of aid will be furnished the agricultural communities of the county, state and nation.

Additional funds may be added to those already allotted, it is stated.

### DRAPER MAN KILLED

Leaksville—Alfred Callahan, 35, of Draper, was shot to death and Jack Jarrett, 45, also of Draper, was critically wounded in a pistol battle between the two near Draper. The tragedy occurred at a woodcutting in the presence of a number of people.

### RELIEF ON COAST

New Bern—Food and medical supplies have been carried by the American Red Cross to hundreds left destitute on the coast of North Carolina by the storms of last week. Fishing equipment, boats and homes were all swept away or damaged by the high winds and stormy sea.

### POISONING TRIAL

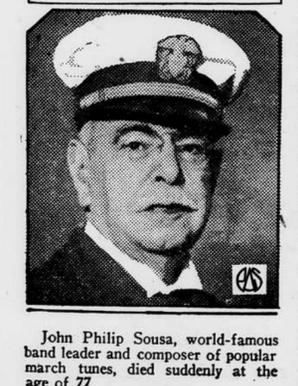
Lexington—The trial of Mrs. Lola Pickett, charged with the poison murder of her six-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, is set for March 23 in criminal court here.

## Lindbergh Baby Is Still Missing

The whereabouts of Charles Lindbergh, Jr., still remain a mystery. Police have been constantly on the alert for new clues, but all reports have turned out to be false.

Neither underworld go-betweens or the police have been able to make any definite report that has thrown any light on the case. Posters containing the picture and description of the missing child are being sent over the country in an effort to locate him.

### March King Passes



John Philip Sousa, world-famous band leader and composer of popular march tunes, died suddenly at the age of 77.