

Power Cut Saves North Carolina \$2,000,000.00

Telephone And Gas Charges To Be Probed Next

Reductions Expected To Be Effect- ed By First Of Year; Last Agreement Is Made

Tidewater Company Accepts Slashes Estimated To Save Customers \$25,000

Consumers of electric power in North Carolina will save \$2,000,000 annually as a result of agreements with the "big four" producers and distributors...

The last of the agreements was completed when officials of the Tidewater Power company accepted reductions expected to save its customers \$25,000 annually.

Investigation of rates charged by telephone and gas companies is next on the commission's program initiated last summer for the announced purpose of reducing utilities costs in line with present values.

James Lyons

James Lyons, 79, one of Salisbury's best citizens, died at his home on North Main Street December 12.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the First Presbyterian church, Rev. Marshall Woodson, officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were Ed. Heilig, John Carroll, H. P. Brandis, S. W. Harry, A. E. Davis and Leroy A. Smith.

Three sons and two daughters survive the sons being Fred Lyons, of Balboa, Panama Canal zone; Emmett Lyons, of Norfolk, Va., and E. P. Lyons, of Salisbury.

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Wike Heads Police Chief Of Kings Mt.

Mr. R. A. Wike, chief of police of China Grove for two years, Thursday took over the duties as Chief of Police of the town of Kings Mountain, according to information received yesterday by The Watchman.

Mr. Wike is one of the most fearless and competent officers who ever donned a badge and leaves this county with the best wishes of his many friends.

He came to China Grove as chief of police in May, 1929, and served in this capacity for two years when the town administration of China Grove underwent a change in municipal government.

He also served as deputy sheriff under the late Sheriff Locke McKenzie. He came to Rowan from Alexander county where he served as deputy sheriff for eight years.

As chief of police of Kings Mountain, Mr. Wike will have two men under him to assist in policing that thriving little city.

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Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt



A most recent informal picture of Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, wife of the President-elect, who on March 4, 1933 becomes the "First Lady" of the land.

What Not To Send As Christmas Gifts

With Gift Selection Multiplied, Problem Is Not What But What Not To Give

Not so long ago that our Oldest Citizen would have difficulty in remembering it the matter of gift-giving was comparatively easy.

It's all changed today. Since the arrival of movies, Aunt Martha has come to long for one of those new-fangled tea-wagons; Grandfather much prefers a "B" battery eliminator.

DON'T send Aunt Martha a cocktail shaker—unless it is accompanied by a shiek to shake it.

DON'T send Grandfather a football—he has enough to kick about already.

DON'T send Mother a smoking jacket. She is smoking too many cigarettes as it is.

Remove All Tags DON'T send Mrs. John the pickle dish that Mrs. Crabb sent you—unless you first remove the card that came with it.

DON'T attempt to select a pair of knickers for Junior. Choosing his own may be the only outlet he has for expressing his taste in art.

DON'T send Daughter a hair ribbon—although it may be the only outward distinguishing mark of her sex.

Now that we've reduced the number of possible gifts to 4-763,298—we feel that we've practically solved your gift problems.

GOT \$4000 FOR "GRAND HOTEL"

St. Louis.—Vicki Baum, German author of "Grand Hotel," said in an interview here, her earnings from the novel, play and movie have totaled but \$23,000.

The German author said she was so bound by contracts and percentages to various agents that she has to "work hard to make a living."

Taxpayers Are Paying Early Records Show

Rowan county taxpayers, despite the depression, are paying their taxes better this year than last, according to J. E. Haynes, county auditor.

When the county auditor turned over the 1932 tax books to Sheriff Krider on December 12 he had collected \$137,628.57.

Both the valuation and the county tax rate are lower than they were a year ago, the difference amounting on the present rate to about \$43,000.

Valuations are lower because of the shrinkage of values while the present rate is 55 cents as compared to 57 cents on each \$100 a year ago.

The uncollected taxes for 1932 which were turned over to Sheriff Krider amounted to \$310,608.30. The amount which was collected by the county auditor was done, according to Mr. Haynes, without any additional help and without any extra cost to the county.

Christmas

Winson-Salem Journal.

Crowds parade the downtown shopping district. Stores are filled with eager customers. Christmas is upon us once again, another milestone in the varied journeys that we take as we press on to varied goals.

The years no longer loaf in their passing as they did when we were children. They speed by now and leave their marks upon us. So busy are our hands and heads in the eternal task of finding means to provide food and warmth and shelter, that time has become a mill-race that sweeps us on to the end of our course.

The grind of business wearies our brains. The disappointments make

Libby Seeks Smith's Money For Baby Yet to be Born

Settlement of the estate of Smith Reynolds, which may make the unborn child of Libby Holman Reynolds heir to as much as \$18,000,000 has been started.

Benet Polikoff, Winston-Salem attorney, announced negotiations looking toward a final settlement of the estate of young Reynolds, 20-year-old husband of the former Broadway torch singer, were under way.

Polikoff has been counsel for Mrs. Reynolds since she was indicted for murder in connection with her husband's mysterious death last July 6.

The attorney refused to disclose what would be sought in the settlement but said a final agreement would not be reached until February so that lawyers may be able to act "after the baby comes."

Disclosure that she was to become a mother was made by Mrs. Reynolds shortly after her husband had been found mortally wounded in a bedroom of the palatial Reynolds estate at Reynolda.

E. P. Brooks, a prisoner at the Durham county workhouse, was fatally stabbed by Jim Tucker, a negro convict. Tucker is held for murder.

TO WHOM SHALL WE GIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?

As we are planning to give Christmas presents, it may be well to recall the words of the Founder of Christmas with preference to similar activities.

"When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbors; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompense be made thee.

"But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:

It will not hurt us at all to give presents to our friends and kinsfolk who are prosperous or well-to-do, but let's not forget the needy when he crieth, the poor also, and him that hath no helper.

Seniors Present Play At Boyden High Tonight

"All of a Sudden Pegg," a three act comedy, will be presented by the senior class at the Boyden high school tonight at 8 o'clock.

FIGHTS OFF ROBBER, COUNTS \$7 PROFIT

Milwaukee.—Charles Sneedieger rather enjoys getting robbed. It's profitable.

A burglar entered his home and snatched \$15 from a dresser. Sneedieger leaped from his bed and grappled with the intruder.

4-H Canning Champion



Miss Waneta Guthrie, 18, of Fulton, Kansas, won highest honors and the National 4-H Club Canning championship in the International Show at Chicago. A scholarship was a part of the award.

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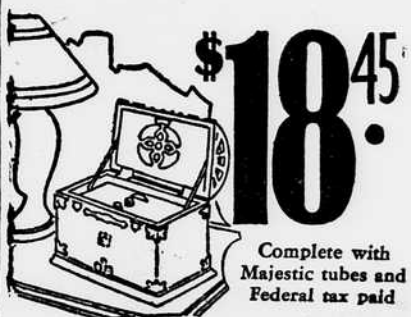
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Brewers Get Going Full Blast As Bars Are Let Down

Three important developments presaged the early open selling of beer—legal or illegal. If Congress does not act, beer will be sold anyway in many places, with authorities winking at the sale.

In Detroit Judge W. McKay Skillman gave a dry law violator a suspended sentence, and said he would do the same to all such defendants brought before him.

Governor-elect Comstock of Michigan declares that "if legally possible" he will set free the 297 persons now in prison for dry law violations.

Speakeasies turned overnight into open beer saloons. Police smiled upon the beer trucks in Loop. The barley business became brisk on the Board of Trade.

The federal prohibition office prepared to discharge some more agents. Gangster-brewers announced they were going into the beer business.