

Summit News

SUMMIT, Jan. 6.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Church spent Saturday night in the home of Mrs. Church's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mikeal.

Champion's Bride-To-Be



CHICAGO.—A new photo of Miss Dorothy Hard, bride-to-be of Wm. Lawson Little, snapper golf king of England and the United States.

Invalidation of Farm Plans Brings Demand For Change In Constitution

Washington, Jan. 6.—A direct attack upon the Supreme court's decision invalidating the AAA, and a qualified move to press for a constitutional amendment tonight came from Democratic congressional quarters.

Senator Bankhead, Democrat Alabama, an agricultural leader, asserted that "as a lawyer I think that the Supreme court opinion is totally unsound." He added, he would proceed on the assumption that the Bankhead cotton control act, which also is before the court, likewise would be declared invalid.

Senator Costigan, Democrat Colorado, declared simultaneously that "unless convinced that other early action will more definitely serve the public good" he would demand an early hearing on the constitutional amendment he prepared last year soon after the highest court had held the NRA unconstitutional.

"The constitution," Costigan said, contingently, "should be promptly, adequately and effectively amended to permit the nation to obtain the objectives of national action when states are not able to do so effectively."

His amendment as now drawn right to regulate "industry, business, trade, and commerce, to prevent unfair methods and practices therein," and to fix hours, minimum wages and conditions of labor.

The statements by Costigan and Bankhead coincided with expressions of gloom by Republican opponents of the AAA, who saw the Democrats now in the same predicament as themselves of having to find a substitute farm program.

Lindbergh Host?



LONDON.—(AP) Lindbergh and Mrs. Lindbergh will be host to Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh and their son, as his second home at Capri, Italy, during his stay at home brought the Lindberghs here.

Ford Dealers Hear 1936 Sales Plan

Belief that business will show marked improvement in the new year was expressed by Carolina Ford dealers as they met at the Charlotte hotel in Charlotte Monday and Tuesday to discuss plans for a coming sales campaign and to learn details of the Universal Credit company's new finance plan.

This meeting was attended by 220 dealers. A. F. Kilby represented the Yadkin Valley Motor Company, local Ford dealer.

Dealers were guests of the Ford Motor company at luncheon and heard talks by W. C. Patterson, manager of the Charlotte branch of the Ford Motor company, N. A. Oliver, assistant manager, and M. P. Carey, credit manager. Policies and plans of the company for the late winter and spring selling campaign were outlined.

Representatives said that the new plan of the credit company for financing purchases is expected to have strong influence in increasing sales in this territory.

Constitution Now Main Issue, Gen. Johnson Says

Chicago, Jan. 6.—General Hugh Johnson, whose NRA was knocked out in an earlier ruling, said today the Supreme Court's invalidation of the AAA might compel the Roosevelt administration into the 1936 campaign on a single issue—the Constitution.

"If this decision makes any form of farm relief by the Federal government unconstitutional," said the former chief of the NRA, "it means the administration will be driven to a single issue, the Constitution. It leaves them no alternative but to campaign on that issue."

Asphalt is not a modern building material. It was used in ancient Babylon.

About 100,000 of London's population lives underground.

Dellaplane and Roaring River Route 2 News

ROARING RIVER Route 2, Jan. 6.—The snow of December 29, reported as six inches over the county, was slightly deeper in this locality. The snow of five years ago, December 17, 1930, was about 17 inches here; and that of the morning of March 1, 1927, was about 14 or 15 here, 17 in Greensboro, and 20 in Durham, the two biggest snows of a quarter of a century.

Besides being the coldest weather for 18 years, during the two snows of the Christmas and New Year season, there was about the most ice in streams of Wilkes there had been in 18 years. It will be recalled that in the winter of 1917-1918 there were 17 snows; and the bridge washed away by a flood of 1916 not having been replaced, the substitute carrier on Route 2 walked across the ice on the Yadkin for six weeks or two months and distributed the mail. The ice this year would not have been safe to carry mail over, or for wholesale skating, but on several branches would bear up one person.

The beautiful day Sunday encouraged people to begin the year bright by attending services at Antioch, or the Roaring River Methodist church, but the mud and water was too deep for pedestrians.

Mr. Luther P. Staley is reported to have killed some hogs this winter weighing over 700 pounds.

Mr. Joe Love and Mansfield Parks, colored, put a partition in a large room of Mr. Love's house last week and made other interior improvements.

It is said that chickens can no longer endure as much cold as in the old days when they roosted in big cedar and apple trees, before the advent of many tight poultry houses and brooder stoves. But a recalcitrant pullet of Mrs. Laura Linney's insisted on roosting on top of the barn in the snow the night of Sunday, December 29, without apparent damage except to drive her owners frantic. And about all the chickens of Mrs. B. L. Johnson are said to have staid up in trees from the falling of the snow on Sunday, 29th, until the afternoon of Tuesday, 31st, the coldest day in 18 years, without food or water until they were scared down Tuesday afternoon to be driven into a well-equipped poultry house.

A deer is said to be at large in this locality and has been glimpsed or tracked by several hunters. Described as partially tanned and only about as tall as an extra large German police dog, it is probably one strayed from a park or reservation.

Mrs. Laura Linney, Miss Ruth Linney, and others suffering from chilblains and frozen extremities are improving.

Quantities of potatoes, box flowers, and canned fruit were lost during the bitter cold, though it was possible to save them by careful wrapping up in the house, even without cellars and pits.

During the intensely frigid days the suffering of animals was even more distressing than that of humans. The cold animals had to endure in the long ago, however, seems incredible. In old volumes of the "Report of the Bureau of Animal Industry" in the 1870's, which belonged to the late James F. Mastin, it is agonizing to read of how great droves of cattle, particularly in the western states, had to live all winter in the open, in the most intense cold, and tried to shelter in valleys, where even trees were scarce, and sometimes under a temporary protection which was only a roof, supported by poles. The cattle were said to have been in poor flesh, too. It seems that we have grown more humane toward animals, but probably no cattle now could stand the horrible exposure of 60 years ago.

Today, "Old Christmas," the first time superstition will allow you to take up ashes since "New Christmas," and reminiscent of picturesque Tudor customs and Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," was dark enough for "Twelfth Night"—or a total eclipse!

Today and Tomorrow

LINDY and us I have read hundreds of editorial comments on the departure for England of Col. Lindbergh and his wife and baby son, Jon. All are in agreement that it is a national disgrace that America's foremost young man should be driven to seek refuge in a foreign country, because the lax enforcement of the laws of his native land gives him good ground to fear that the lives of his wife and child are in danger in this country.

None of the comments I have seen, however, puts the finger on the spot where the blame for this condition lies. Some demand more and better laws, some stricter enforcement. It seems to me that the root of the whole matter is in the American people themselves.

We don't really care whether laws are enforced or not. If we did, they would be enforced. The people of the United States have it in their power to stamp out organized crime whenever they want to. That we haven't done it is good evidence that we don't care.

FEAR nation-full As a people, we seem to be in the grip of fear, to an extent unknown in our American history.

A special grand jury investigating "racketeering" in New York City reported the other day that hundreds of business men had refused to give evidence because they were afraid of reprisals by organized crooks. And it is not only criminals of whom we are afraid.

Dr. James Thomas, president of Clarkson College, told a teachers' convention the other day that America's worst trouble is that we are scared of everything.

"We are afraid our officials will not govern us, that our economists cannot feed us, that our preachers cannot save us," he said, "and, being scared, we listen with eager ears to the intelligentsia telling us that the first interest of business men is to bring periodic collapses, that our farmers are failures, that we who work are oppressed."

What America needs most, right now, is a "shot in the arm" of a potent extract of the old-fashioned self-reliant courage of our forefathers.

OURSELVES change It is human nature to blame all our troubles upon somebody else. It's "the system" that is wrong, whenever we find ourselves in a tight place. We don't stop to think that perhaps some of our difficulties are our own fault.

Senator Norris remarked the other day that the thing that needed changing most was not our form of government or our economic structure, but ourselves.

To do that, to correct our own outlook on life and events, calls for a great deal more effort than most of us are willing to give. It is so much easier to throw all the responsibility upon some malignant external influence, and proceed to denounce the unnamed "they" who have got us into this mess.

Nothing could be more wholesome in its effect upon the nation than for everybody to take a day off from his pursuit of dollars or pleasure and try to find out what's wrong with himself.

THINKING straight Nothing is more difficult than straight thinking. That goes for the trained intellect as well as for the average citizen. One of the ablest editorial writers I know said not long ago that he never felt sure that he was thinking straight unless he could shut himself up alone for two or three days on a stretch and look at the subject in hand from every possible angle. "And even then," he said, "I have to watch my own emotional reactions."

Our emotions—likes and hates, fears and hopes, prejudices and personal affections, desires and ambitions—keep most of us from thinking straight. We are the playthings of our emotions, and the most successful leaders of public opinion are those who know that and understand how to stir people's feelings up. They have it all over the ones who try to make us think.

ANGER action I don't know which human emotion is the most powerful, but I believe that the most effective way to stir a crowd into action is to get them angry at something or somebody.

It looks to me as if the most useful public service that could be performed right now would be to get everybody so angry at crooks and racketeers and the politicians who protect them that the public officers would be forced to clean up.

All that most public servants want to be assured of is that there is a united public sentiment behind them. Then they will do their duty. Once make it clear that we are sick and tired of being left at the mercy of criminals, and that we intend to make it hot for those who protect them, and America could be made as safe a place to live in as is England.

House Group Votes For Bonus

Washington, Jan. 6.—Without a single voice raised in opposition, the House ways and means committee voted today for cash payment of the bonus to 3,000,000 war veterans.

Sitting in secret session until after dark, the committee approved a bill supported by leading veteran organizations and once-warring House blocs. Plans were drawn for a speedy House vote. Only minor changes were made in the measure, which would:

Give former soldiers full maturity value of their adjusted compensation certificates.

Allow those desiring to hold their certificates and cancel unpaid interest.

Set up no definite method of raising the money for payment, estimated by supporters of the bill at \$1,000,000,000 immediately upon enactment.

The word "Alphabet" consists of but two letters. The Greek letter A (Alpha) and the Greek letter B (Beta).

N. W. A. A. Will Begin Season

With Game at High School Gymnasium Monday Night; Good Game Promised

The North Wilkesboro Athletic association basketball team will open the 1936 season in the high school auditorium here on Monday night, January 13, at 7:30.

The local team is made up principally of those players who were members of the team in 1935 and who experienced a most successful season in a series of games last year.

Their opponents in the game to be played on Monday night will be the Coca-Cola Spirals, a strong all-star team from Statesville. Many other good games that promise to be exciting are planned for the next two months.

Considerable interest is being shown in the reorganization of the local all-star team and the athletic association. It is expected that the game will be well attended.

PROCEDURE IN LOWER COURTS IS ATTACKED

New York, Jan. 7.—Assailing the "assertion of supreme authority" by the judiciary, Donald R. Richberg tonight called on lawyers to urge that congress prevent lower federal courts from passing on the constitutionality of laws.

Making his first public address since retiring as NRA administrator, Richberg told the bar association of New York:

"Regardless of the conceded character and ability of the judges, it is, to put it bluntly, a travesty upon representative, popular government to empower one man, serving as the judge of an inferior court, to annul, even temporarily, a law which has been enacted by a body of 531 men, constituting the supreme legislative assembly of the nation, and approved by the chief executive who is elected by all the people."

Asking the "more conservative members of the bar" to recognize that there is "something seriously wrong with the present procedure," Richberg said: "Unless they advance a reasonable program to meet a reasonable and growing complaint, that forces can be expected to check an inevitable demand for sweeping amendments that will either expand unwisely the powers of the federal legislature or contract unwisely the powers of the supreme court itself?"

Fire That Killed 2 Laid To Overheated Furnace

Washington, Jan. 6.—An overheated furnace was blamed today for the fire in an apartment house here yesterday which cost the lives of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Bernard who suffocated in their fourth-floor studio apartment.

Speedy comic strip by Yadkin Valley Motor Co. featuring a character named Speedy and a car.

Table listing used car values for various models and years, including 1933 Ford, 1931 Ford, 1931 Chevrolet, etc.

Advertisement for Yadkin Valley Motor Co. featuring the slogan 'ALWAYS A HEAD' and contact information.

Large advertisement for Zenith Farm Radio, highlighting 'FREE POWER FROM THE AIR' and '50c A YEAR OPERATING POWER COST'.

Advertisement for Church Hardware Co. with the headline 'THANK YOU!' and details about hardware and services.

Large advertisement for Ford, announcing '\$25-A-MONTH TIME PAYMENTS' and 'New UCC 6% Finance Plan'.