

TRAINS FULL OF NEGRO TRAVELERS

Some Head North and Some South, All Happy

CHARLOTTE, Dec. 18.—(P)—The glamour of Harlem's hot spots and the nostalgia for a cabin in the cotton at hog killing time—

Each is a powerful lure at this time of year, and here at the gateway to the cotton fields the farm negro, Harlem-bound for the holidays, meets his city counterpart, going back home.

The southbound trains carry

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
Under and by virtue of the authority and power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by Chas. H. Wells and wife, Tonce Wells, to the undersigned trustee, said deed of trust being dated March 18, 1927 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C., in book No. 171 at page 227, securing an indebtedness there-in described, and default having been made in the payment of said indebtedness and being requested to sell said property, I will sell:

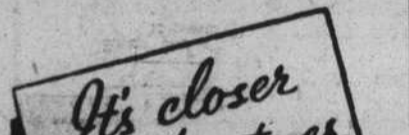
Monday, January 18, 1937 at 12 o'clock noon, or within legal hours at the court house door in Shelby, N. C. sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction the following described property:

Situated in the northeast square of the town of Shelby, N. C. and being lot No. 5 of the subdivision of the lands of T. E. McBrayer estate described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the north edge of Marietta street, southwest corner of lot No. 4, and runs thence north 117 feet to a stake, northwest corner of lot No. 3; thence west 65 feet to a stake in the northwest corner of lot No. 6; thence with line of lot No. 6 south 117 feet to a stake on the north edge of Marietta street, the southeast corner of lot No. 6; thence with Marietta street 65 feet to the beginning, and being that same lot which was conveyed to Chas. H. Wells and wife, Tonce Wells by J. A. Horn and wife by deed dated June 28, 1930, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C., in deed book 4-B at page 323.

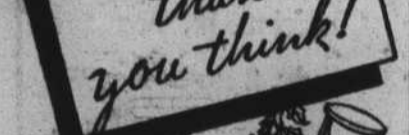
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coach after coach of harlemites—a part of the big migration of the 20's—all dressed up to impress the farm hands.

A big negro with a fur collar leans out of a train window at the station and yells joyously: "South 'Caina boum!"

And the answering chorus comes back from a crowd boarding a northbound train soon to join their friends and kin in Harlem for the holidays.

"Boy! Tell'm a heap o'howdy!" H. A. Debutts (cap D, cap B), the Southern railway's eastern lines general manager, said, such traffic is heaviest at this time of year, and this Christmas it's heavier than usual.

On some trains, he said, the pre-holiday travel has necessitated the addition of from four to six coaches.

And, he added it keeps the railroads on their toes. "We've never been able to figure out in advance what equipment to provide for this service," he said. "Some days the travel is light and the next day, without reasons known to us, the coaches will be crowded to capacity."

"It is probably the happiest, most enthusiastic group of customers we have: The Southbound passengers are joyously eager to get back among the homebodies, and the Northbound passengers are just as gay at the prospect of going to Harlem.

P. R. Albright, 70, Dies In Wilmington

WILMINGTON, Dec. 18.—(P)—P. R. Albright, vice president in charge of operations of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, died last night. A heart attack ended the life of the 70-year-old railroad executive shortly before midnight. He apparently was in good health until he was stricken.

Albright, first associated with the old Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad, came with the A. C. L. as assistant to the general manager in 1904.

He was later general manager. He became vice president in charge of operations in 1928.

He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. F. E. Little and Mrs. J. F. Robertson and seven grandchildren, all of Wilmington.

Albright was a native of Greensboro.

"Follow The Star" At New Hope Church

The Sunday School of New Hope Baptist church, Earl, will present a Christmas pageant entitled "Follow The Star" on Sunday night, December 20, 1936 at the Earl School building at 7:30.

This is a playlet which attempts to bring a picture of the birth of the Savior to the eyes of present day youth and make it a little more dear and better understood.

CALIFORNIA NEGRO COP COMES FOR PRISONER

RALEIGH, Dec. 18.—Miss Mamie Turner, executive clerk in the governor's office, delivered extradition papers from Governor Ehringhaus today to Ben Ayers, policeman of Los Angeles, Calif., who Miss Turner said was the first negro police officer she recalled coming here as a state agent in the 20 years she has been in the governor's office.

Ayers came to get Nathan McWharton, negro, who completed a three year term in state's prison today for highway robbery in Rutherford county. McWharton is charged with grand larceny in Los Angeles in 1935 while he was a fugitive escapee from this state.

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BULLETINS

INVESTIGATE FLOGGINGS
SOUTHPORT, Dec. 18.—(P)—A threatening letter, possible clue to the identity of a hand of night-riding self-styled "Christians"—brought a promise of thorough federal investigation today.

Postoffice Inspector E. J. Taylor, at Wilmington, said the letter sent by mail to Jarvin Inman, whose cousin reported being lashed by a masked band, was being forwarded to his headquarters at Washington for study.

KILL TWO NEGROES

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—(P)—Sherwood C. Larkin, deputy game warden for Louisiana conservation commission, told New Orleans police two negroes were killed and three others wounded in a gunfight between white and negro trappers today.

The clash occurred on the Demottuzin property, extensive trapping tract at 16-mile post, off the Gentilly highway in Orleans Parish.

Five white men came to New Orleans and surrendered to police.

NEW LINER CLUES

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 18.—(P)—Searchers, bombarded with "new clues," spread their hunt for a lost airliner and seven occupants today hundreds of miles over Utah's wide open spaces.

Twenty-five planes were enlisted in the expanded search for the western air express transport which disappeared early Tuesday between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City. Half a dozen other planes were offered.

HUNT GANG

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—(P)—Fearing futures bank forays, Donald F. Stiver, state police superintendent, today ordered Indiana state police to "use every means" to capture the fugitive members of the Al Brady gang.

He blamed the Brady gunmen for at least two slayings and a score or more of bank and jewelry store holdups in Indiana and Ohio within the past nine months.

Westfield Man Killed

DANBURY, Dec. 18.—(P)—Dennis Gibson, 20, of Westfield, was found dead under the wreckage of his car. Sheriff J. J. Taylor said the car overturned and listed the death as accidental.

Edith Maxwell To Appeal Once More

WISE, Va., Dec. 18.—(P)—Edith Maxwell, twice convicted of killing her 52-year-old father, will seek a third trial before Wise county jury. M. J. Fulton, defense counsel, said the motion for a new trial would be argued "sometime" before the March term of Wise county circuit court.

Deliberating one hour and 20 minutes yesterday the jury found Edith guilty and fixed her punishment at 20 years in the penitentiary.

The county school teacher was free under \$15,000 bond pending arguments on the motion for a new trial. Fulton said he planned to carry the case to the Virginia supreme court of appeals a second time if Judge E. T. Carter denies the motion.

License Numbers For Cars Named

RALEIGH, Dec. 18.—(P)—As usual, North Carolina's "No. 1" automobile license plates will be on the big automobile of Governor Hoye in 1937 and Governor Ehringhaus, who now rides in that car, will have plates No. 48 on his car after he becomes a private citizen again on January 7. Former Governor O. Max Gardner gets plates 49 and former Governor Cameron Morrison gets number 50.

Pastor Resigns

GAFFNEY, Dec. 18.—The Rev. W. N. Long, for four years pastor of the First Baptist church of Blacksburg, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Clinton.

Mr. Long's resignation, although reported to have caused much regret to the members of his church in Blacksburg, is believed to be in the light of a promotion for the Cherokee minister.

Ban Firecrackers

GAFFNEY, Dec. 18.—Ordinances prohibiting the discharge of fireworks or other explosives within the fire limits will be strictly enforced this Christmas season, it was announced yesterday by Chief of Police Henry H. Lockhart.

No fireworks, bombs, torpedoes, skyrockets, or other fireworks may be used within the prescribed zone, the chief declared.

Listed As Suicide

WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 18.—(P)—Coroner W. N. Dalton listed as suicide the death of Miss Edna Falls White, who was found shot at the home of an aunt.

Diphtheria Deaths Rise In Carolina

RALEIGH, Dec. 18.—(P)—Diphtheria claimed 44 lives in North Carolina last month, nearly twice as many as the 26 in November 1935.

The state board of health released the figures with another warning that children should be immunized against the disease, which has been raging in the state in recent weeks.

There were 2,882 deaths in the state last month from all causes, a rate of 10.3 per thousand population, with pneumonia causing 216, tuberculosis 133, cancer 159, and influenza 46.

The report listed 99 deaths in automobile accidents, 10 in automobile train collisions, 27 suicides and 29 homicides.

The birth rate for November was 20.4 per thousand population.

Hit, Run Driver Is Taxed With Costs

MORGANTON, Dec. 18.—Bruce Hildebrand, furniture company official, was taxed with the court costs when brought to trial in the death of Thomas M. Branch, carpenter, in a highway accident.

It was brought out that Hildebrand, who had been charged with manslaughter and hit and run driving, had paid \$5,000 to Branch's estate, and the court approved the adjustment, terming it a "righteous settlement."

Avery County Man Is Given Reprieve

RALEIGH, Dec. 18.—(P)—Reed Coffey, Avery county youth under sentence to die in the gas chamber today, received an eleventh-hour reprieve.

Governor Ehringhaus did not announce the length of the reprieve, but said it was granted to permit a further study of Coffey's case.

Coffey was convicted of the fatal shooting of Hardy Coffey, an uncle. He has steadfastly protested his innocence.

Won't Fire Gaffney

GAFFNEY, Dec. 18.—Trustees of the city schools meeting Monday night declined to accede to a request for the dismissal of Professor J. E. Gaffney, principal of the Grand Street School for colored children.

The request was presented by three local attorneys who were reported to have been employed by a disabled element of the colored patrons.

BUY YOUR GIFTS NOW

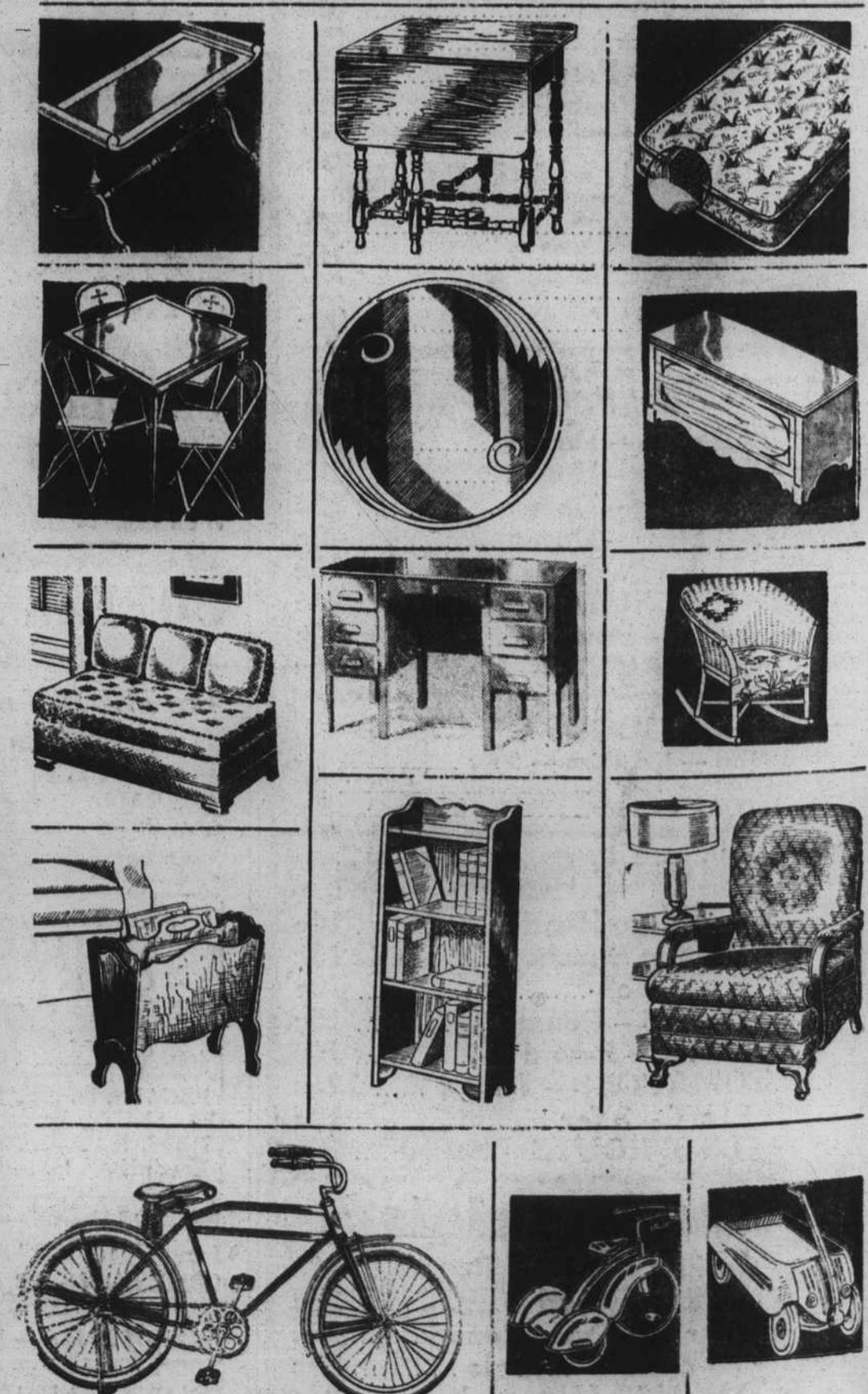
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