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CURB REPORTER

Hobnobbed with Western North Carolina Bankers on Saturday at the George Vanderbilt in Asheville. Enjoyed lobbying in the lobby. Bank Examiner John Allen of Raleigh wearing spats, as usual, said he saw his first trolley and elevator in Charleston, S. C. John G. Landrum, senior, said a fellow from Tryon saw his first elevator in Spartanburg and became so excited that he turned to his mother and exclaimed, "They put the man in a cage and he disappeared." Tryon was well represented at the meeting by approximately 20 people, and the chief speaker, our own Jim Perkins, said he felt like Al Capone with a personal body guard. Prominent bankers were present from all over this section, Tennessee, South Carolina and even New York. When they took a look at Lefty Flynn, Charlie Lynch, Julian Hester, Will Ward, Ralph Erskine, H. B. Kelly and a dozen other good sized fellows, they got a body guard impression. And Jim says: "Now you just start something." The meeting was one of food, fellowship, and fun—a bankers holiday. Tryon's banker Julian B. Hester, was chairman and before his time came to introduce the speaker of the evening, his speech was stolen by Gurney P. Hood, commissioner of banks, who told about coming from Raleigh to hear Mr. J. H. Perkins. He had taken

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W. B. "Bill" Weigel Writes from Africa

Mombasa, Kenya, Africa.

November 9th, 1938.

Dear Seth:

I sail for New York on December 1st, therefore, please discontinue sending the Bulletin to above address.

During the conferences between Chamberlain and Hitler the English on the Seychelles vainly expected to receive news that war had been declared. The fact that English ships were held in port made the situation grave and after the settlement of the Sudetan question when ships resumed their schedules many on the islands left for the African coast.

Upon arrival at Mombassa, I find the English much disturbed over the possibility that Hitler will now demand the return of lost colonies. "East Africa must remain English", is seen on placards displayed in shops at Mombassa and a Tanganyika League has been established to protest against any disposition on the part of the English government to return Tanganyika to Germany. If such should happen I fear civil warfare in East Africa might follow.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

W. B. Weigel.

Kiwanis Tuesday

Tryon Kiwanis club will meet on Tuesday at 1 p. m., at Hotel Tryon.