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## Local Boy Faces Federal Charges For Robbing Valdese Postoffice

### FEDERAL AGENTS INVOLVE OTHERS

#### Local Case Creates Much Interest Among People In Valdese.

Marshall Oxentime, 16, was in the county jail awaiting hearing on a charge of robbing the United States mail at Valdese, while a warrant was issued Monday charging Jack Wilson with having stolen property in his possession.

Oxentime, son of Claude Oxentime, janitor at the Valdese postoffice, was arrested Saturday by Valdese Police Officer J. P. Stillwell who notified H. T. Orr, postoffice inspector who arrived Monday to continue an investigation.

The youth is alleged to have stolen a watch and a watchband and ring from the mail of J. E. Robinson, Valdese jeweler.

Wilson had been placed under \$100 bond as a material witness, but a warrant now charged him with a violation of the postal laws.

The formal charge against Oxentime accuses him of "taking by theft from the postoffice of Valdese, N. C., a parcel post package, addressed to J. E. Robinson, and convert to his own use the property thus obtained, in violation of Section 2347 Postal Laws and Regulations of 1932". He is alleged to have taken the watch February 6, and the watchband and ring about December 27.

Oxentime pleaded guilty and received hearing Tuesday after which he was taken to the Federal detention home at Charlotte.

The count against Wilson charges him with violation "by purchasing and having in his possession property stolen from the U. S. mails, to-wit: one ladies' wrist watch, knowing at the time said watch to have been stolen, in violation of Section 2311, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1932."

Wilson was taken into custody by Marshal Price Wednesday afternoon, and a hearing will be held before Commissioner Frankling at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. Wilson was brought before the commissioner and requested same to summon witnesses. He was released on a temporary bond in the sum of \$300.

## Waldensians Plan Celebration 18th Supper Will Be Served At 6:30 P. M. At Valdese School Dining Hall.

An elaborate program has been prepared for the annual Seventeenth of February celebration which will be held at the Valdese school dining hall Saturday night. The supper will begin at 6:30 o'clock.

Albert Garrou will act as toastmaster and Rev. Sylvan S. Poet, new pastor of the Waldensian Presbyterian church will deliver the main speech of the evening. Other speakers on the program will be Prof. J. B. Watts, of Davidson College and Rev. John Pons.

After the supper and speeches, J. Henry Pascal will supply the music for the "courenta", the native Waldensian dance.

This year will mark the forty-fifth time that the "Dix Sept Fevrier", as it is called will be observed in Valdese, it having been observed since the founding of Valdese in the year 1893.

The celebration commemorates the granting of religious freedom to the Waldensians in the Waldensian Valleys by King Charles Albert of Italy in the year 1848, after centuries that the hardy Waldensians had endured persecution in the Cottian Alps by the Roman Catholic church.

The supper is being served by the ladies of the Women's Auxiliary of the church and they ask those who have purchased tickets to please be on time, and for those who have not already done so to get them as soon as possible, for only a limited number will be served at the supper.

## H. S. Cagers Meet Drexel Tomorrow

### Locals Lose Double-Header To Nebo Cage Teams Tuesday.

Valdese high school cagers lost a double header to Nebo Tuesday night at the high school gym. The boys went down in 37 to 25 defeat while the girls lost 38 to 22.

Ray Simmons was high scorer for the visiting boys with a total of 16 points, while Satterwhite led the scoring for the local lads with eight points.

In the girls' game Nebo won 38 to 32, and Crowley led the visitors scoring with a total of 23 points. Killian led the scoring for the local sextet with 10 points.

The high school cage teams will play Pleasant Gardens Friday night and meet the Drexel cagers Saturday night at the local gym. Drexel has an almost perfect record so far this season and the keen rivalry between Valdese and Drexel promises a fine game Saturday night.

## North Morganton Is Host To M.Y.P.U.

The Methodist Young People of Burke county, met last Thursday night at North Morganton. A very interesting program was presented on "The Youth's Crusade" by members of the different leagues. Mrs. Connie Cope, District Director was in charge of the program.

The Harmony League of Hildebran won the banner for attendance, and the Glen Alpine Chapter received the Bible for efficiency.

After the program, North Morganton church league was host to the union members, and entertained them with Valentine Recreation and served delicious refreshments.

## BELK'S 89c SALE STARTS TOMORROW

A big 89 Cent Sale, which will last for three days will begin tomorrow at the Belk-Broome store here.

Mr. Sherrill, manager of the local store, assures the public to be on hand for this gigantic sale as there will be many exceptional values offered.

The sale will continue from Friday, February 17, to Monday, February 20.

## SCHRIEBER FAMILY MOVES TO HICKORY

Mr. and Mrs. David Schreiber and son who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Krieger were moved to Hickory. Mr. Schreiber has accepted a position with the Arnold Sample Shoe Co. of Hickory.

## DANCE AT GYM FEBRUARY 24TH

### Memorial Hall and Lions To Join To Sponsor Benefit Dance In Valdese

Charlie Randel's orchestra, featuring Barbara Lane, blues singer, and Gary Van Dyke, young lyric tenor, and ranked as one of the outstanding musical units in the East, have been secured to play for a benefit dance at the Valdese community center gymnasium Friday night, February 24, from 10 till.

Randel's orchestra comes South for a tour direct from a long engagement at the Raynor Ballroom in Boston where he followed Kay Kyzer, Duke Ellington, Richard Kimbler and Ben Bernie.

With a snappy 12-piece orchestra, Randel attracted nation-wide attention during the past summer when he was broadcasting over a nation-wide hookup with the CBS and Mutual Broadcasting system from Playland at Rye Beach, N. Y., where he broke the all-time house records for continuous engagement.

His first Southern engagement was at the Westwood Supper club in Richmond, and he has played at Murrays in New York, at the Ritz Ballroom in Bridgeport, Conn., and the Clayton Casino in Clayton, N. Y.

Randel's band has been rated as one of the finest in the East, and has followed Dean Hudson who has just been signed to play at the Argonne Trianon ballrooms in Chicago, and who played here for the married couples dance during Christmas week.

The proceeds of the dance, which is being sponsored by the Valdese Lions and the Francis Garrou Memorial Hall will be used to equip the community center's tennis courts.

An elaborate program has been prepared for the affair, and with the music of so fine an orchestra, the public is assured of a grand evening.

## 19 Tubercular Cases Are Found In County

Nineteen cases of tuberculosis in various stages were revealed in an adult tuberculosis clinic conducted in Burke county last week by Dr. L. B. Skeen of the State Sanatorium staff.

Results of the clinic were announced by Dr. W. D. Carter, health officer, who arranged the examination in co-operation with the State department.

A total of 151 patients were examined by Dr. Skeen, 19 of whom showed tuberculosis and three were suspicious cases.

Several of these victims of the disease will be admitted to the sanatorium for treatment, Dr. Carter said.

The health department expects to hold a clinic for children at an early date and will begin doing tuberculin tests in schools shortly in order to determine which children will need further examination.

It was pointed out by Dr. Carter that the skin test done on children is not a diagnostic procedure, and a positive reaction does not mean the child has active tuberculosis. A positive reaction only means that the child should be examined further.

## LOCAL BARBERS MEET TUESDAY

The Burke County Barbers association held a special meeting at the Valdese school house Tuesday night at which time they enjoyed a delightful supper and discussed topics of interest to their trade.

The new members who were taken in by the dramatic group are: Mrs. Margaret Suttle, Misses Elsie Pascal, Elizabeth Guigou and Rhynehardt and Kenneth Sherrill.

Walt Sala was elected vice-president to fill the place of Miss Ruth Brinkley and Ruth Martin was made secretary, taking the place of Madeline Dalmas.

The club laid plans for a play which they are starting work on and which the group is planning to produce soon.

## WILL EXHIBIT WASHING MACHINE AT FOSTER'S

J. E. Peterson, special representative of the Easy Washing Machine company, will be at Foster's, Inc., from Monday, February 20, through Saturday, February 25, to give factory demonstrations on the Easy washers and ironers.

## Get Out That Shovel, Mister, There's Work To Do!



Typical of the street scenes in Chicago and other cities in the north-central States blanketed with snow in the worst blizzard of the year is this one in Chicago. More than 35 deaths were recorded in several states in the wake of the blizzard and ice storms.

## BOY PREACHER IS HEARD HERE

### 10-Year Old Gastonia Preacher Conducts Services At Abee's Chapel

(Special to The News)

Sonny Boy Allen, 10-year old preacher from Gastonia, delivered the Sunday evening sermon at Abee's Chapel church, near Connelly Springs, last Sunday night at 7 o'clock.

Sonny Boy, who has been preaching ever since he was three years old, had a large audience who turned out to hear him preach. The boy began preaching at the age of three when he delivered his first sermon to an insurance man. It is claimed that the boy has been preaching ever since and has taken his texts for his sermons for the last three years from the Bible. Before then he would preach on anything that came to his mind or on what he was told.

An immense crowd which filled the church and left little room in the aisles was on hand to hear this boy wonder. The singing was led by Filmore Deal and four boys from Pleasant Grove church entertained with a number of songs.

There was also music and songs furnished by the Mull boys from Valdese. All who attended the services which were conducted by the youthful preacher were very well pleased.

Sunday school was well attended Sunday with 113 present and the collection was \$15.27. It was announced that this Sunday, Sunday school would be held at 1 p. m. and preaching will be held at 2:30 p. m. A sincere invitation is extended to all to attend.

## Dramatic Group Holds Meeting

The Old Colony Players, Valdese dramatic group, met at the home of Mrs. H. J. Pascal last week and underwent a re-organization meeting at which time several new members were taken in and officers were elected to serve in the places of those who had resigned from the club.

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## ATTENDS MEET IN RALEIGH

Oscar Harrison, of Valdese Dry Cleaners, was accompanied to Raleigh early this week by Max Gordon of Gordon Dry Cleaners in Marion, and J. R. Gilbert, of Gilbert Dry Cleaners in Rutherfordton, where they attended a hearing of the State Dry Cleaners Commission.

## Merchants Sales Suffer From Revenoor's Persecution of Moonshiners In Section

According to the most authentic reports available the revenoors and the weather have combined their forces to bring about the most serious financial crisis in the history of the mountain moonshiners in this section.

Long known to merchants and business men as "good pay" the moonshiners are in a bad way financially. A friend of ours who is a collector for a firm that sells their products for a little down and a little more each week, who for professional reasons we shall call Otto, told us a most pathetic tale recently.

Otto is a "good" man for his size but he is only sixty inches tall and weighs only about a hundred pounds but he is brave to say the least. He thinks nothing of invading the moonshiner district armed with nothing more than a contract giving him the right to repossess merchandise that has been purchased by a fellow who couldn't read the contract and had to get Otto to help him sign his name.

According to Otto he sold a young man a bicycle last October and in November he sold the same

## New Beauty Shop Receives Charter

### Caesarine Beauty Shop Plans Grand Opening of New Beauty Shop.

Word has been received from Raleigh that the Caesarine Beauty Salons, Inc., who will occupy one half of the new Hudson building which was completed last week on Main street just above Palmer's Clinic, has obtained its charter from Thad Eure, Secretary of State.

The new Hudson building will house Ivey's Restaurant on one side and the Caesarine Beauty shop on the other side. The building is one of the most modern and complete buildings in Valdese.

An elaborate opening has been planned and which will be announced in a few days. The staff of the beauty parlor will probably include Mrs. Caesarine Hudson, the owner who has been engaged in beauty work in Hickory for some time, and Mrs. Fred Hall, who was formerly connected with the Ideal Beauty Shop, and Miss Annette Pascal, who has accepted a position with the new concern.

The beauty shop has been granted a charter and announces that Mrs. Caesarine Ribet Hudson, Mrs. Dorothy Dysart and J. Ed Butler have subscribed \$500 of \$5,000 authorized capital.

## P.-T. A. OBSERVES FOUNDERS' DAY

### Group To Hold Banquet Tonight At Mt. View Dining Room

In honor of "Founders Day," the Valdese Parent-Teachers Association, presented a special program at their last regular meeting at the Valdese school auditorium, last Thursday afternoon, with Rev. Sylvan S. Poet, as speaker in behalf of Community Activities.

"Education," stated Rev. Poet, new pastor of the Waldensian church, "reaches its height when it is combined with religion." He spoke of the school system in Chicago, and of the deplorable conditions under which it is laboring, because due to politics, teachers are given positions on their political pull, instead of on merit.

The group heard a report on several committees, and plans were announced for a P.-T.A. banquet, which will be held at the Mountain View dining room tonight. The luncheon was reported to have served more than 350 lunches, in the first two weeks that it has been in operation.

In celebrating Founders Day, the group and a cake with forty two candles, which represented the forty-two years that the National organization has been in existence. The local P.-T.A. was founded ten years ago. Mrs. Melissa Grill was in charge of the Founders Day program.

A rendition of Joyce Kilmer's Poem, was given by Mrs. George Williams, who was accompanied on the piano by Miss Anita Ghigo.

Talks were presented on the various phases of P.-T.A. work by Mrs. Marie Griffin, and by L. P. Guigou, after which the group adjourned for refreshments.

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## Wrestling Matches Friday At Valdese

### Clintstock Meets Manacher In Main Event of Evening Friday.

With the successful staging of their first wrestling match at the Valdese community center a few weeks ago, the gym again presents a fine wrestling card this Friday night, February 17, at 8 o'clock in Valdese.

As a main bout they present Jim Clintstock who will tangle with Sammy Manacher from New York in a 90-minute bout with two falls out of three.

Both Manacher and Clintstock were on the opening card at the first wrestling matches a few weeks ago when Clintstock tangled with Gene Bowman and Manacher met the Australian Kangaroo, Alonzo Woods.

In the preliminary match of 60 minutes, Abe Kaplan is matched against Scotty Dawkins.

## Valdese Alleys Defeat Hickory

The Valdese Bowling alleys took two games from the Hickory bowlers in a regular Intercity league match Tuesday night at the Valdese Bowling alleys. The locals took the first game by 104 points, beating the visitors by 638 to 534. They lost the second game 563 to 536, and won the third match with a 557 to 496 score.

The Valdese boys seemed to be running in unusual luck and managed to run up a total of 1,731 for three sets.

Cole Savage led the scoring for the Valdese bowlers with 390 and was followed by John Church who rolled 351. Rhoney was high scorer for the Hickory bowlers with a 349 score.

In the other match of the league the community center duckpin men won their first game from the Lenoir bowlers at Lenoir and lost the two last games. Steve Perrou was high scorer for the Valdese lads.

## C. C. CAGERS BEAT NORTH WILKESBORO

The Valdese community center cagers took an easy victory from North Wilkesboro courtmen at the gym last Thursday-night by a 70 to 42 score. Ed Pitts led the scoring for the Valdese lads with a 15 point total, while Horton with 10 points led the visitors.

## COUNTY COURT DRAWS JURORS

### Several Valdese Men Placed On March Term Jury Staff For Burke County.

Jurors for the March term of Burke Superior court which opens March 13 have been drawn by the board of county commissioners. The jurors for the February session of court were selected last month.

First Week

T. E. Pruett, Route 3, Morganton; T. E. Sipe, Connelly Springs; C. M. Saulman, Morganton; W. M. Shuffler, Jonas Ridge; J. P. Pons, Valdese; J. O. Williams, Route 1, Morganton; E. A. Watkins, Route 2, Morganton; T. S. Grady, Randolph street, Morganton; Carson Hefner, East Union street, Morganton; W. E. Giles, Glen Alpine; Ivey Mace, Route 4, Morganton; J. C. Fisher, Route 1, Morganton; T. E. Franklin, Icard; Marvin Franklin, Jonas Ridge; Albert Dula, Perkinsville; E. A. Berry, Route 3, Morganton; W. M. Phillips, Route 1, Morganton; Fred R. Williams, Route 1, Morganton.

Second Week

J. L. Baker, Route 1, Morganton; C. A. Hensley, Route 3, Morganton; W. B. Bollinger, Drexel; F. L. Baker, Drexel; S. H. Mingus, Connelly Springs; C. M. Beard, Route 3, Morganton; Emile Jacquemin, Valdese; M. F. Ledbetter, Table Rock; I. H. Beck, Table Rock; C. V. Turner, Joy; J. H. LaFavers, Route 1, Morganton; H. L. Whitley, Table Rock; M. T. Duckworth, Route 1, Morganton; Harry Rhyme, Route 2, Morganton; John Curtis, Route 1, Morganton; John Moore, Route 2, Nebo; Horace Berry, R. F. D., Connelly Springs; Joe Hemphill.