

## Randolph Boy Commits Suicide At Union Home With Borrowed Shotgun

### Vester Sanders Discovered Dead

Resents Parental Authority About School Attendance At Union School

### Is Found Lying In Blood Puddle

Dr. W. L. Lambert, County Coroner, Investigates Case Thoroughly Wednesday

Disturbed over being forced to attend school against his will, Vester Sanders, 14 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sanders of Seagrave, R. F. D., committed suicide Tuesday afternoon by shooting himself with a shotgun. He was a pupil in the fourth grade at Union school.

Investigations of Coroner W. L. Lambert and Sheriff C. E. King disclosed that the boy had stayed out of school for two or three weeks despite his father's protests, and that Mr. Sanders had finally whipped his son and told him to be sure to go to school Tuesday morning. After Mr. Sanders went off to his work, Vester waited around for a while, according to witnesses, but evidently made up his mind to go to school. He set out to catch the school bus, but reached the point where it stopped in that neighborhood too late.

What he did for the rest of the morning is not known. When his father came home and found that he had not gone to school and was not around the house, he sent one of Vester's brothers to look for him.

At the house of a neighbor, a Mr. Williams, the brother found that Vester had borrowed a single barrel shotgun and two shells, saying that he wanted to shoot a squirrel he had seen. The Williams had no hesitation in lending the gun to the boy, as they knew him well. This was about 2 o'clock.

The brother continued the search, looking for Vester at the homes of all the neighbors with no success. Finally, about 6 o'clock he thought to go to a place where the family had formerly lived, the old W. B. Hogan home. There, in the barn, he found Vester, the side of his head blown off by the charge.

He hurried home to tell his parents, but in the meantime another party discovered the body and informed the county officials. Dr. Lambert and Sheriff King reached the scene about 7:30 in the evening. Dr. Lambert said that it was suicide. Power burns showed that the gun had been fired close to the boy's head, and the gun was by the body. Death appeared instantaneous.

Funeral was held today at Suggs Creek church in Montgomery county. In addition to his parents, there are six brothers and a sister surviving.

### Colder Weather Predicted Soon

Despite the fact that Christmas and the entire holiday season has been remarkably mild, a return to freezing weather was forecast for the beginning of the new year 1937. Many people contribute the cause of so many colds to the unnatural, balmy weather for mid-winter and think that colder weather will bring better health to many.

In New York the spring-like weather has brought many people out to Central Park, children skating with light wraps unbuttoned, men pitching horse-shoes in their shirt-sleeves and many people out for walks.

Warm weather has prevailed pretty generally throughout the United States, especially in the eastern section, but colder weather has started in several of the northern and northwestern sections already.

LOCAL MEN MOVE TO NEW OFFICES

Dr. B. M. Weston, who has occupied offices in the basement of the armory, and A. H. Kearns, proprietor of the Kearns Hatcheries in the same location, have announced that on January 1, they will remove to the premises formerly occupied by the Carolina Auto Supply company, next to the Hayworth Motor company, on South Fayetteville street.

Mr. Kearns will handle chicken feed in connection with his hatchery, and Dr. Weston will handle two good lines of dog food.

## Justin Miller Is Appointed To Tax Appeal Board

Former Dean Of Duke University Law School Receives Sought For Honor

### Was Only Vacancy

Held Post Of Chairman Of Committee On Crime In Department Of Justice

President Roosevelt announced Wednesday the appointment of Justin Miller, former dean of the law school at Duke University, to one of the most coveted posts in Washington, a position on the Board of Tax Appeals. Miller, at present chairman of Attorney General Cummings' committee on crime, will fill the unexpired term of Thomas J. McMahon, of Wisconsin, who resigned in November.

This position pays \$10,000 a year. Miller will continue the present term until June, 1938, with a good chance of reappointment then. Although Miller's residence in North Carolina was comparatively short, his appointment is considered as accredited to this state.

Miller a native Californian, is 48 years of age. At the time he became Dean of the Duke University Law School in 1930, he had already acquired a wide reputation in the law school world and was then dean of the school of law of the University of Southern California, having previously been connected with several universities.

He became connected with the Department of Justice in 1934, going to Washington on a leave of absence from the university while Judge J. Crawford Biggs was Solicitor General. His first assignment was to argue cases in the Supreme Court of the United States. He became permanently identified with the department in 1935 and was appointed chairman of the Attorney General's advisory committee on crime.

Prior to June of this year, North Carolina was represented on the Board of Tax Appeals, which has 15 members, by H. E. Seawell of Carthage, a Republican. When Mr. Seawell's term expired six months ago, strenuous, but unsuccessful efforts were made to have him replaced by a North Carolina Democrat, with Mills Kitchin, son of the late Representative Claude Kitchin, having the strongest political support of any of the aspirants.

When the present vacancy occurred, renewed efforts in behalf of Mr. Kitchin were put forth by Representative Robert L. Dougherty and others. Several members of congress defeated in the last election, including Blanton of Texas and Sisson of New York, were strongly urged for the place.

### Clyde Hoey Will Change Little Now

Personnel Of The State Departments To Be Little Changed Immediately

It is not now the plan of Clyde R. Hoey to make any very important changes in the personnel of state departments immediately upon taking his office as governor of North Carolina, according to statements from Shelby Wednesday.

"Very few appointments will be made when I first go in," said Mr. Hoey. The first to be announced, probably on inauguration day, will be his private secretary, a post expected to be filled by Robert L. Thompson of Raleigh, and the executive office staff, which undoubtedly will include Miss Mamie Turner, executive clerk for six administrations.

While he is considering a lost of immediate appointments, Mr. Hoey said today, "I don't intend to make any wholesale changes until I get in and get a chance to look around."

### MANY SMALL COUNTY SCHOOLS REOPENED MON.

Although most of the county schools are enjoying their second week of Christmas holidays some of the smaller schools began to hold classes again Monday, County Superintendent T. Fletcher Bulla stated, but the names of all those which have reopened are not available.

### PEARSON AUMAN SUFFERS STROKE OF PARALYSIS

The condition of Pearson Auman, prominent farmer of Seagrave, route, who suffered a stroke of paralysis Wednesday, is reported to be very serious. Mr. Auman is a brother of Mrs. Eneas Sykes of Asheboro.

## AT LAST RITES FOR BRISBANE



Admirers of his newspaper writings mingled with business associates and relatives to pay tribute to Arthur Brisbane, famous editor, at simple funeral rites in St. Bartholomew's church on Park avenue New York City. So great was the throng that many had to stand on the church steps during the services.

## A Greeting For 1937 For Old Friends And Those To Come

Many times we have thought and wishes for our friends that we cannot clothe in proper words—for lack of adequate words. Greetings have been spoken, written, wired all over the world. Some of them are beautiful expressions of feeling. The Courier will not attempt any flowery greeting for our friends, but we do want to mark the passing of the old year with a word to our many friends and loyal supporters.

The past year has been a shade more prosperous for many of us than for sometime, and a bit happier as well. For this we are thankful. Material things count in a big way, but most important of all are the friends made and retained. The Courier staff would, therefore, thank our friends—one and all—for loyal support and friendship during the past year and express the hope that our business friends and social friends of the past will continue and ripen with the passing of the years. New friends may come during 1937 and these will be welcome. So, for all—old and new—we wish a very happy, peaceful and prosperous new year.

A nice thought for the coming year is expressed by J. D. Templeton:

I am the New Year.  
I am the one unspoiled bit of Beauty in God's Universe.

### Ship Strike Hits Agriculture Also

Farming Interests And Many Industries In California Feel Tie-Up Effects

### Large Wage Loss

### Fruit Growers Have Lost Oriental Markets; Lumber Shortage Hits Building

The west coast shipping strike is hurting not only shipping interests but also industry and agriculture throughout California, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce figures. The total loss for California has been set at \$102,000,000, and for the entire Pacific coast at \$232,000,000.

The loss to ship owners is shown by the decline in export and import figures for November, the first full month that the strike was in effect. Every 1936 month prior to the strike showed an increase in both sets of figures over 1935, but November imports dropped to \$1,250,808, as compared with \$4,912,924 for 1935. Export figures sank to \$3,071,222 from the 1935 figure of \$7,324,514, according to the Collector of Customs.

In the Los Angeles area the direct wage loss to strikers is estimated at \$40,000 a day, with an early prospect of twice as much to be inflicted on workers not directly concerned in the strike. The local building industries, busier now than for years, face an early shortage of lumber and con-

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## Herbert Jackson Dies Suddenly At Home In Richmond

Born And Reared In Randolph County, Is Well Known To Many Citizens

### Widely Known Man

Son Of Well Known Woman Of Randolph And Grandson Of Governor Worth

Herbert Worth Jackson, 71, president of the Virginia Trust company, of Richmond, Virginia, and leader in many civic enterprises of that city, died suddenly at his home in Richmond Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Jackson was born in Asheboro, the son of the late Samuel S. Jackson and Mrs. Elvira Jackson Walker Moffitt, and spent his early boyhood days here. He had many friends and relatives in this county and is well remembered by the older residents. He was a grandson of former Governor Jonathan Worth.

Shortly after graduating from the University of North Carolina in 1886, Mr. Jackson and his mother, who was for many years a figure of importance in the life of Asheboro, moved to Raleigh. He established a reputation for sound and able financial abilities while serving in the office of the state treasurer and in 1909 was elected president of the Virginia Trust company. In Richmond he was noted as a leader in business and public affairs, and also gave much of his time to religious matters.

He is survived by his widow, who was before their marriage Miss Annie Phillips of Tarboro; two sons, Herbert Worth Jackson, Jr., and Samuel S. Jackson; and one daughter, Miss Evelyn S. Jackson, all of Richmond.

Funeral service will be held at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church in Raleigh. Burial will follow in the family plot in Raleigh.

The News and Observer says of the late Herbert Jackson:

Mr. Jackson was born in Asheboro, on February 15, 1865. He was the only son of Samuel Spencer Jackson and Elvira Worth. He was prepared for college at Bingham Military School at Mebane, and graduated at the University of North Carolina in 1886. The next year he and his mother, the late Mrs. Elvira Moffitt, moved to Raleigh, and Mr. Jackson accepted a position in the State Treasurer's office. They lived in Raleigh until 1909 when he was elected president of the Virginia Trust company, which position he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Jackson was married on October 22, 1890, to Miss Annie Hyman Phillips, daughter of the late Judge Frederick Phillips of Tarboro. He is survived by his wife and three children, Miss Evelyn Hyman Jackson, Herbert Worth Jackson, Jr., and Samuel Spencer Jackson, and a large circle of relatives in North Carolina. His father was descended from Samuel Spencer, who was an eminent judge and a leader in the debates in the Constitutional Convention at Hillsboro, and for whom his father was named. His mother, Elvira Worth, was a daughter of Gov. Jonathan Worth, of Randolph county.

Mr. Jackson was a leader in the organization of the Commercial and Farmers' Bank in Raleigh, and was an officer and a moving spirit in that institution until he accepted the position of president of the Virginia Trust Company.

It was not only as a sound banker, enjoying confidence in his judgment and in his integrity, that Mr. Jackson won high position. He touched life in many other fields, being at one time chairman of the board of directors of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad, and was director of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, the Johnson Publishing Company, the Tredegar Company, and other corporations.

His advice was sought by investors who trusted in his knowledge of banking and business and in his sincerity and remarkable sagacity. While a resident of Raleigh he was one of the most popular and useful citizens in the community.

### Hold Watch Night Program Tonight

The Young People's Division of the First Methodist Episcopal church will hold a Watch Night service from 9 o'clock until midnight this evening, Thursday, December 31, in the Young People's assembly room.

There will be an hour of entertainment, an hour and a half of recreation, during which refreshments will be served, and a half hour of devotions just before the old year goes out.

An invitation has been extended to all the young people of the several churches of the city to attend.

## Business Will Continue As Usual In Asheboro Friday, New Year's Day

### Wrong Simpson Gets Her Mail



Mrs. Richard H. Simpson, above, complains there are too many Mrs. Simpsons at Cames, Frances. Because of the similarity of their names, says Mrs. R. H., her mail is being delivered erroneously to Mrs. Wallis Simpson, friend of the Duke of Windsor, at the nearby Rogers' villa.

### Christmas Time Brings Visiting

Many People Return To Visit Friends And Relatives In The Community

### Marriage Occurs

W. D. Piper Is Transferred To Asheville; F. W. Graves Visits Brother

Franklinville, Dec. 30.—Misses Kathleen and Margaret and Hermon Gilliland and Mrs. T. N. Gilliland of Statesville spent the weekend at the home of E. B. Gilliland.

Sam Shakelford, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shakelford of near Reidsville were week-end guests at the home of Arthur Ellison, on the Cheek farm, south of Franklinville.

J. V. Denson, Conard and Herbert Ashburn of Winston-Salem, spent the Christmas holidays with home folks.

Mrs. Lena Gibson and daughter, Miss Margie, of Saluda, S. C., were guests the past week of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Riley.

J. P. Heath and daughter, Miss Susan, of High Point, Mrs. Lillian Wood ofandleman and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Laughlin of Raleigh were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Trogdon, Christmas week.

Marshall Lineberry of near Gray's Chapel and Miss Lois Mozelle Saunders of Franklinville, were married in Richmond, Va., Saturday afternoon. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Saunders. Mr. Lineberry holds a position with the Central Falls Manufacturing Company. They expect to make their home at Central Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ward spent (Continued from page 2)

### Lindbergh Case May Be Reopened

Discovery of \$21,650 in gold notes, which are said to check with the serial numbers of the bills given by Colonel Charles Lindbergh for the ransom of his kidnapped son, threatens to lead to a re-opening of the celebrated case which resulted in the conviction of Bruno Hauptmann and his execution in April, 1936. The money was found by a New Jersey state trooper Wednesday.

Although Lindbergh paid \$50,000, less than \$15,000 was ever recovered; and this was one fact which led many people, including New Jersey's Governor Hoffman, to believe that Hauptmann was not alone in his guilt. Hoffman is said to have been continuing his efforts to clear up doubtful points in the mystery, and Mrs. Hauptmann and a private detective have visited him frequently in recent weeks.

### Stores And Banks Friday, Jan. 1st

Postoffice Will Be Closed With No City Nor Route Delivery Service

### License Bureau Is A Busy Place

No Extension Of Time For License Purchase Makes Asheboro Office Busy

New Year's day will be celebrated in Asheboro with the continuation of business. Merchants and most business folk are busy at this season with inventory and plans for the new year. Stores will, however, be open for business on this day.

Banks will also remain open unlike the practice over Christmas when a double holiday was enjoyed. These county institutions were closed from Christmas eve until Monday following.

The postoffice will observe holiday on new year's day, as will the rural carriers and city carriers. Mail will be worked, however, and those having boxes will have the usual service as on Sundays.

Possibly the busiest place in Asheboro at the moment is the license bureau headquarters for the sale of state and city license plates. This place, located in the Hedrick building, has been quite a busy center for some days but on Thursday morning, the last day for the purchase of license plates, the line formed early and continued throughout the day, due to definite warning that 1936 license plates will not be allowed to be displayed after midnight of Thursday, December 31st. Several years ago the time limit for the purchase of license plates was extended once or twice, which made people feel that this was a precedent established. The state department has made this plain this year that there will be no extension.

As to the business outlook for the new year, merchants, manufacturers, business men of all types and grades, are optimistic. There is more money in circulation. There are more people at work and there is actually more prosperity. People are better dressed, better fed and happier than for several years and Asheboro business folk, along with others of the nation, look forward to a good year in 1937.

### Furniture Chain Head Leaves Post

George L. Stansbury, manager of the chain of Huntley-Stockton-Hill furniture stores which extend throughout the two Carolinas and of which the Asheboro store by that name is a unit, resigned his position Tuesday. He made his headquarters in Greensboro, coming there from West Virginia in 1908.

Mr. Stansbury was first head of the undertaking department of the Greensboro branch of Huntley-Stockton-Hill, from which he gradually rose to the district manager position about three years ago. In the course of the years he has held many positions of responsibility in public affairs, and the reason given by Mr. Stansbury for his resignation was to allow more time for looking after the affairs of Guilford county, as he has been chairman of the county board of commissioners for several years.

### First 1937 Baby Will Be Honored

The Courier's annual First Baby Contest has been announced in a previous issue of this newspaper and a detailed list of prizes which will be showered upon little Miss or Mr. 1937, given in a news story and a page advertisement by the business men of the town.

The only rules of the contest are that the birth be reported to this office by noon Monday, January 4th and signed either by the doctor in charge or a birth certificate, the names of the parents and the baby-if-named—as well as the exact hour of birth.

The business folk of Asheboro have for several years welcomed Randolph county's first baby in this fashion and are doing the same this year. Be sure to send in your birth report.

Summary sheets of results on farm management demonstrations in Transylvania county show a great improvement in pasture land this year due to the use of triple superphosphate.