

TWIN STILLS FOUND BY SUNDAY RAIDERS

TWO MEN CAUGHT OPERATING BLOCKADE PLANTS.

Sheriff Case and Assistants, of Henderson County, Waded Green River When Thermometer Registered 36.

In his effort to rid Henderson county of the moonshine liquor menace Sheriff M. Allard Case yesterday called in Prof. Slattery, of Fruitland institute, and in a pre-Christmas hunt for illicit distilling plants, found the first twin still outfit ever discovered in the county. Two complete distilling plants, equipped with real copper stills and all first class paraphernalia, and located within 20 feet of each other were found nestled in the ivies on Ball mountain, 12 miles from Hendersonville, the county seat.

Fires were under both stills which were red hot and the officers reported that while on their way up the mountain several shots were fired so that they could easily be understood as a signal and in all probability served to warn the operators of the officers' approach. At any rate no men were found at the Sunday twin still outfit, and the sheriff, school teacher and Fossemen J. L. Whitacker, Deputy J. M. Garrens and Constable Walter C. Gage, proceeded to destroy the plants. The officers poured out more than 4,500 gallons of beer and several gallons of low wines were found, but no liquor was located near the stills. Sheriff Case conducted the Sunday raid following some interesting experiences with the blockaders during the week. On Wednesday the sheriff, assisted by deputies T. V. Lyda and W. W. Owens, captured an 80-gallon still and outfit located on Green river near the narrows. This raid was also carried out during the day.

The sheriff and his raiding party, in order slip up on the blockaders, waded the river, which was not a pleasant undertaking at this season of the year. The thermometer stood at 36. However, they were rewarded for their unusual feat and thus captured Jessie Pace and Gathler Laughler, but not until they had a footrace through the undergrowth and laurels. Mrs. Bryson captured the still and succeeded in outrunning the officers, according to Sheriff Case, who says that he unquestionably recognized Bryson.

This still was constructed of sheet iron with a copper cap and worm and was of about 80 gallon capacity. Around 3,000 gallons of beer were destroyed. Sheriff Case stated last night that school teachers, business men, ministers and many laymen have notified him that they would render every assistance possible in clearing Henderson county of all blockading, and render every aid in carrying out the law enforcement and prohibition movement.

STREET CAR SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT JUNE 1, 1919.

ZILICO AND RETURN—6:00, 8:15, 8:30 a. m.
SILVERSIDE PARK—6:15 and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
DEPOT VIA SOUTHSIDE AVENUE—5:15 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 1:15 p. m. then every 7 1/2 minutes until 3:45 p. m., then every 15 minutes until 11:30 p. m.
DEPOT VIA FRENCH BROAD AVENUE—4 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
MANOR—4 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
CHARLOTTE STREET TERMINUS—4 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.; 11:30 car runs through; returning leaves end of car line at 12.
PATTON AVENUE—4 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
EAST STREET—4 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
GRACE, VIA MERRIMON AVENUE—4 a. m. then every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
BILTMORE—4 a. m. and then every 15 minutes until 11 p. m., last car.
DEPOT AND WEST ASHEVILLE VIA SOUTHSIDE AVENUE—5:30 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 a. m.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE DIFFERS IN THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS.

Car leaves Square for Manor 4 and 4:15 a. m., arrives Square 6:15 and 6:30, then every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.
 Cars leave Square for Depot via Southside avenue 5:30, 6:45, 8:00, 8:15, 8:30, 7:30, 8:30 and 8:30 a. m. Cars leave Square for Depot via French Broad avenue 6:15, 8:30, 8:45, 7:15, 7:45 and 8:15.
 Car for Depot leaves Square 8:45 a. m., both Southside and French Broad.
 First car leaves the Square for Charlotte street at 8 a. m., and every 30 minutes until 8:30, next 8:45.
 First car leaves the Square for West Asheville 6:15, 7, next 8:30.
 First car leaves Square for Biltmore 4:30 a. m., and every 30 minutes until 9 o'clock.
 First car leaves Square for Grace 6:30 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 9 p. m.
 With the above exceptions Sunday schedules commence at 9 a. m. and continue same as week days.
 On evening when entertainments are in progress at the Auditorium the last trip on all lines will be from entertainment Square at regular time and holding over at Auditorium.

REPAIRING GROCERY COMPANY BUILDING

Asheville Wholesale Grocery Company Will Add Story to Building Recently Heavily Damaged By Fire.

The Asheville Wholesale Grocery company which recently suffered a loss by fire of between \$75,000 and \$100,000, and which concern only suspended business for around ten days is now operating from five different places where they have goods stored. This arrangement is a little inconvenient but orders are filled promptly, said Manager H. L. Johnson yesterday, who announced that he would not return to California this winter but would remain here and superintend the work of remodeling the building impaired by the recent fire. An additional story will be added to the present structure. The walls of the building near the depot were not injured, and under the plan Mr. Johnson now has improved elevators, fireproof shutters, and many new features will be constructed. The office will be in the front of the building in the same location except will be larger than the old office space. Around \$5,000 will be spent in putting the building back in shape, and goods are already arriving, said Mr. Johnson, who also stated that the insurance had been collected and that the business was now in good condition and is not embarrassed financially or otherwise.

SPECIAL MEETINGS FOR BIG CHURCH MOVEMENT

Women of First Presbyterian Church Church to Hold Meetings on Progressive Program This Afternoon.

The delegates to the recent Knoxville convention of the Presbyterian progressive program brought an earnest appeal to the women of the First Presbyterian church here to make prayers for the progressive program.

In response to the appeal short prayer services in homes in various sections of the city have been planned and will last for several weeks. The first of these meetings will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Rev. Dr. R. F. Campbell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, stated yesterday that it was not necessary to urge those who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth to respond to this call to prayer, and that they will make whatever sacrifice may be necessary and will consider it an honor and a joy to have a part in the awakening of the sleeping church of Christ.

He also said those kept at home by real duties, are asked to spend the same time in private devotions, since the services will be limited to half an hour. It is important for every one to be prompt.

Following is a list of the places where the meetings will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock: Mrs. Reuben Robertson, Grove park; Mrs. T. S. Morrison, 87 Pearson drive; Mrs. W. A. Ward, Pearson drive; Mrs. J. W. Huston, corner Flint and West Chestnut streets; Mrs. A. W. Calloway, 274 Merrimon avenue; Mrs. E. W. Nash, 76 Liberty street; Mrs. Ed Brown, 125 Furman avenue; Mrs. Lacy Whitlow, 35 Bennett street; and Mrs. Robert Johnston, 44 Grove street.

MAY APPOINT CO. HOME AGENT TODAY

A joint meeting of the county commissioners and county board of education will be held at the county court house to take up the question with Miss Rankin, of Greensboro, of securing her services as a home demonstration agent for the county. Mrs. Rachel Hanneman, who has been in charge of this work for some time, recently tendered her resignation and the county officials have been in communication with Miss Rankin regarding the work.

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MONEY AND FOOD STILL NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS

Police Christmas Basket Fund Growing, But Not Yet Full—To Be Distributed Wednesday.

Contributions are still badly needed for the police Christmas relief fund, and those who are interested in this form of charity for Christmas, are urged to send donations to Mrs. Reuben Robertson, at her home in Grove park, or the chief of police at the central station on Pack square. The police have set their goal at 500 baskets this year, and every effort will be made to raise sufficient food and clothing to fill this number. Mrs. Robertson is chairman of the woman's auxiliary committee, assisting the police in securing the funds for filling the baskets. The baskets will be delivered Wednesday, Christmas eve, the workers using the police patrol for this purpose. A long list of families in need of food and clothing in the city has been secured by the police committee in charge of this work, and it is believed that not a single family will be overlooked. Comparisons have been made with the lists to be used by the other charitable organizations in the city, to see that the committees do not overlap the work. Money, food which is not perishable, clothing and toys can be used by the committee, and food, clothing and toys can be left at the central police station, where they will be gladly accepted, while money donations should be given to Mrs. Robertson or the chief of police, or desk sergeant at the station.

TO SELL PUMPKINS AT POLICE STATION

Will Be Auction Off for the Christmas Basket Fund.

Two very large pumpkins will be auctioned off this morning at 9 o'clock at police headquarters for the benefit of the Christmas basket fund for the poor of the city. The pumpkins are of the "Candy Roadster" variety, and were given to the police department by A. L. Reed, who lives on the Swannanoa road, about a mile from Biltmore, for the benefit of the Christmas basket fund, and it has been decided to auction them off. The largest of the pumpkins weighs 60 pounds and the other one 42 pounds. It is expected there will be a large number at the auction of the pumpkins this morning and no doubt a very nice fund will be raised from the sale of them.

ROBT. D. M'COMBE, OF MURPHY, DIED HERE

Had Been Connected With Railroads for Number of Years—Well Known in Western North Carolina.

Robert D. McCombe, of Murphy, died yesterday morning at the home of his father-in-law, Capt. W. C. Bryson, 102 Blanton street. The deceased was formerly engaged in the railroad service and until his health failed, which was three years ago, was connected in the clerical department of the Suncrest Lumber company, at Suncrest, N. C. Mr. McCombe traveled in Colorado and New Mexico for his health for several months and returned to Western North Carolina about three months ago. He had a number of friends in the state and elsewhere who will regret to hear of his death. The deceased is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McCombe, three sisters, Julia, Mary Joe, and Clara McCombe, and two brothers, Wilburn and Dillard McCombe, all of Murphy. Funeral services will take place at the home of Capt. Bryson, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. J. O. Ervin. Interment will follow at West Asheville cemetery.

VALUABLE PROPERTY EFFECTED BY ORDER

Property Under Will of Late Captain Faff Goes to Mrs. Malloy, His Daughter.

A Supreme court decision effecting the title to approximately \$100,000 worth of real estate in this city was handed down Saturday in Raleigh when the court sustained a recent judgment entered by Judge T. B. Finley, of the Buncombe superior court, in the case of Malloy against Acheson. The decision interprets the will of the late Captain Faff so that Mrs. T. F. Malloy is possessor in fee simple of certain property here, instead of having only a life estate in the property as had previously been the impression in legal circles for a number of years. It is understood that the sale of some of the property could not be made because of the clouded title, however, this Supreme court decision makes it plain that Mrs. Malloy may sell the property if she so desires. Not only land now held by Mrs. Malloy is effected but a considerable amount of real estate now in the hands of other individuals is effected by the recent Supreme court decision, which disrupted the accepted idea so long adhered to here. Attorneys Martin, Rollins and Wright prepared and won the case.

TO ERECT BUILDING ON PATTON AVENUE

STORE AND OFFICE BUILDING OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE.

C. H. Honess Buys Property Next to T. P. Young's Store and Will Have Structure Erected.

Asheville is to have another large store and office building on Patton avenue, C. H. Honess having purchased from Henry Berger, the lot adjoining the building now occupied by T. P. Young, yesterday announced that he would start the erection of the new building at an early date, to cost around \$10,000. The location of this property is very desirable, being just opposite the federal building on Patton avenue, and it is highly probable that the location will be selected by many professional men as convenient office space. Mr. Honess said last night that he contemplated making the building three stories at first, however the architects now planning the structure are taking into consideration the advisability of making the first walls of sufficient thickness to stand several more stories, in case such a course is decided upon. The first floor will be a store space, and the other floors will be fitted up into offices and suites of offices. Questioned as to whether he would move into the new building when it is completed Mr. Honess said that he had not as yet considered that matter in that it would be several months before the new building would be ready for occupancy. Details of the plans of the structure are now being worked out and as yet Mr. Honess has not definitely decided upon the material, and several other things in reference to the building, but after the tentative plans are completed that he would decide whether or not they would be best and that he would make a definite announcement concerning the size of the new building, and other details.

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