

MOTORCADE OF KENTUCKIANS TO COME TO CITY

Several Hundred in Party to Make Trip — Pass Through Forest City on Return Journey

Several hundred Kentuckians in a motorcade to start at Danville, Ky., the first week of April, will travel to Charleston, S. C., over the Chicago-Charleston airline highway, passing through Forest City on the return journey, according to information received here last week from Mayor W. O. McIntyre, of Danville.

Mayor McIntyre and his secretary, Thurston Kirby, left Danville last week on a preliminary trip over the highway to complete arrangements for the tour.

The Kentuckians are to celebrate in this way the formal opening of this highway, which connects the Great Lakes with the sea. There will be several distinguished Kentuckians in the party, including William Jennings Price, former minister to Panama; Dr. C. J. Truck, president of Centre College; Newton Bright, commissioner of agriculture of Kentucky and head of the Kentucky State Fair and horse show. Among others there will be forty of central Kentucky's most prominent club-women.

The trip will be made over the old Wilderness Road, or Boone Trail, in Kentucky, through the Gateway of Cumberland Gap at Middleboro, the land of the sky, the Piedmont country, via Columbia to Charleston. The motorcade will go via Greenville and return via Charlotte, including a visit to Kings Mountain, where Isaac Shelby, Kentucky's first governor, gained heroic fame. Lexington and Louisville automobile clubs will send their managers. T. Bush Hill, of Middleboro, an orator, has been delegated to represent the Kentucky progress commission.

HARDWARE STORE OPENS HERE SOON

Southern Hardware, Inc., To Open in Buck Store Building April 1st

The Southern Hardware, Incorporated, will open a store here about April 1, in the old Buck Store building, next to Peoples Drug Co., according to an announcement made Tuesday by Mr. J. E. Ridings, who will be manager.

Carpenter are busy renovating the building, adding shelves and rearranging the interior to suit the purposes of the new business.

This particular concern will operate stores in West Asheville and Enka, and is capitalized at \$100,000, with Mr. W. B. Gamble, of South Carolina, J. E. Ridings, of Forest City and D. L. Moyde, of Asheville as incorporators.

The above concern is affiliated with the Southern Hardware, Incorporated, a company which operates a large number of stores in North and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama.

Mr. J. E. Ridings, who will be manager of the local store, is a brother of attorney C. O. Ridings. He is a native of Polk county and has had fourteen years successful experience in the mercantile business. He is a young man of integrity and ability and his venture into business here is sure to prove profitable and of benefit to himself and a large concourse of customers who will patronize this new institution.

SPINDALE STREET TO BE PAVED SOON

Spindale, March 19.—Spindale Street, one of the town's principal thoroughfares, will be paved at an early date. This was decided upon at a meeting of the town council held Monday night. Spindale street extends from the railroad crossing, in front of the Spindale House, to the incorporation limits 1 1/2 miles east.

KIWANIANS HEAR DR. E. B. JENKINS

Pastor of First Baptist Church, Rutherfordton, Speaks to Local Club

The Kiwanis Club had a very interesting and instructive meeting Monday evening, at its hall over Blanton's Cafe.

Dr. W. A. Ayers had charge of the program for the occasion. A feature of the meeting was several delightful musical numbers rendered by Miss Katherine Goggans, Miss Ann Lawrence and Mr. A. M. Glickman.

Dr. E. B. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist church, of Rutherfordton, was a visitor, and was called upon for an address. He spoke interestingly on the subject of "The Value of the Church to the Community." His talk was based upon his experiences during the past several years of travel.

Dr. Jenkins has visited many nations in Europe, Asia and Africa within the past several years, as well as having traveled extensively on the North American continent. His wide experience has given him a rich background, and he handled his subject in a masterful manner.

The Club will hold its regular monthly directors' meeting at the city hall on Thursday (tonight) at 7 o'clock.

BOSTON STORE OPENS MARCH 28

Will Handle Medium Priced Ready-to-Wear for Men, Women and Children

The Boston Store, Forest City's newest enterprise, will open here March 28. This new store is being opened in the old Harrill wholesale Company's stand, near the Romina theatre. The manager, Mr. E. M. Goldklang, states that he will handle a complete line of ready-to-wear for men, women and children, which will be sold at a medium price.

Mr. Goldklang is here this week stocking the building and making preparations for his formal opening next Thursday. Watch next week's issue of The Courier for full announcements.

Mr. Goldklang comes to Forest City from Bishopville, S. C., where he has been engaged in the mercantile business for a number of years, and is an experienced merchant.

HARRILL FAMILY REUNION SUNDAY

Memorial Service For Late Martin J. Harrill Held at Old Home Place

The memorial birthday dinner given Sunday in honor of Mr. Martin J. Harrill, at the home of Mrs. Charles Ford, was well attended. So successful was the occasion that it has been definitely decided to make it an annual event.

The dinner was given as a memorial to the late Martin J. Harrill, on occasion of his 104th anniversary. Mr. Harrill, who was born in 1825, was one of the county's outstanding men. His descendants gathered Sunday at the old home place, on the old Bostic road to celebrate his memory. Forty-eight relatives and friends of the family were present.

The basket dinner was spread on the lawn and was greatly enjoyed by all who were privileged to attend. After the dinner interesting talks were made by Rev. W. A. Ayers, of Forest City; L. C. Lowrance, Charles Z. Plack and B. Arp Lowrance, of Charlotte. Several vocal selections were rendered by the Grahantown colored quartette.

Among the out of town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harrill, of Rock Hill; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harrill, of Raleigh; Mrs. T. W. Barrett, Mrs. S. E. Wylie and Mrs. W. H. Ferguson, of Chester; Mrs. J. P. Simmons and daughter, Miss Mae, of Spindale; James Kanipe, of Lattimore and B. Arp Lowrance, of Charlotte.

Outstanding Achievements of 1929 Legislature

Raleigh, March 20.—The North Carolina General Assembly of 1929 was formally adjourned Tuesday, after being in session sixty-nine days. The Courier published a resume of the local bills passed at this session in last week's paper. The outstanding bills of state-wide importance passed at this session are summarized as follows:

School Aid Law—Provides \$6,500,000 equalizing fund, allotted \$5-250,000 to six months' term, and \$1,250,000 for aid of eight months' term special districts, for each year of the biennium. This is double the equalizing fund appropriated at the 1927 session. The act also prescribes administrative changes intended to promote economy in the schools. A 30-cent participating level is established.

County Highway Aid Law—Increasing gasoline tax from four cents a gallon to five, and creates a county highway aid fund of approximately \$3,000,000 a year to be allocated to the 100 counties of the state on a population-area basis, on condition that the counties reduce their ad valorem taxes for roads by an amount equal to their quota; also establishes a \$5,000,000 equalizing fund to be disbursed by the State Highway commission without regard to county or district lines.

Maintenance Appropriation Act—Authorizes expenditures of \$38,000,000 for operation of state government and institutions during two-year period beginning July 1.

Permanent Improvements Appropriation Act—Authorizes bond issue of \$1,972,000 for buildings at State Educational and Charitable institutions.

Revenue Act—Provides for increased franchise taxes on railroads and power companies, the rates being doubled, and various other increases, principally in business license rates. License tax on soft drink bottlers doubled.

Australian Ballot Law—Requires secret voting in all primaries and elections, but allows "markers" to be designated to assist illiterate voters.

Workmen's Compensation—Provides for compensation based upon 60 per cent of average weekly wage of injured employee, with minimum of \$7 a week and maximum of \$18 a week, with limitation of \$6,000 for compensation for death or permanent disability; sets up industrial commission of three members to be appointed by the governor to administer provisions.

Executive Counsel Act—Abolishes position of pardon commissioner, and creates instead office of executive counsel to governor, with salary of \$6,500 a year, who will perform duties of pardon commissioner and such other functions as may be assigned to him by chief executive.

Senatorial Vacancies—Authorizes governor to name successor in event either of United States senators dies or resigns before expiration of term, successor to serve until next General election.

Sterilization of Mental Defectives—Lays down method by which sterilization of mental defectives in public institutions may be ordered, and also conditions upon which same operation may be ordered for defectives not in institutions.

Highway Patrol Act—Establishes force of 36 patrolmen and one chief, to be appointed by and serve under the State Highway commission, with principal duty protection of the highway against too heavily loaded trucks, and other abuses.

Aviation Code—Series of five acts setting forth regulations for the operation of aircraft in the state.

Constitutional Amendments—Submitting to voters questions of adding two Associate Justices to Supreme Court, thus increasing personnel to seven; separation of solicitor and judicial districts; and of authorizing General Assembly to classify property for taxation with view to taxing so-called intangibles.

Marriage Banns—Requires that five days' notice be given before application for marriage license is granted, but applies only to minors.

Bar Examination—Restricts privilege of standing State Bar examination to natives of state and to bonafide students of law in state institutions.

Appointment of Revenue Commissioner—Makes office of Commissioner of Revenue filled by appointment of the governor, instead of by election by the voters.

Automobile Licenses—Act requires each automobile to display two license plates.

Robbery Penalty—Maximum penalty for robbery with fire-arms set at 30 years imprisonment instead of five years.

Divorce—Statutes amended to make five years of involuntary separation, as when husband or wife is in prison, grounds for divorce.

Alcohol and Narcotics—Public schools required to teach evil effects on human system of alcohol and narcotics.

Salaries—Attorney General's pay raised to \$7,500 from \$4,000 with stipulation that incumbent give full time to duties; act passed limiting pay of any official or employee of State Highway commission to maximum of \$10,000 a year. Frank Price received \$15,000 as chairman of commission prior to his resignation. Governor's salary increased to \$10,000 a year, effective in 1932.

Prison Industries—Act passed directs state prison to set up plant for manufacture of automobile license plates.

FARMER, OF NEAR BOSTIC, BOUND AND ROBBED SUNDAY

Large Sum of Money Taken From Mr. Terry Philbeck by Three Men Sunday Night

Bostic, R-2, March 18.—Mr. Terry Philbeck, one of the community's best known citizens, was robbed of a large sum of money last Sunday night at his home. Mr. Philbeck lives near Salem church, in the Washburn community, three miles east of Bostic.

Philbeck, a bachelor, who lives alone, was awakened during the night when the men entered his house, he said. They bound his hands and feet with a rope, and while he looked on, broke up a trunk and removed \$500, the savings of a lifetime.

They escaped with the money, and he has no idea of their identity. The man managed to drag him-

self into the kitchen and with a butcher knife cut the cords that bound his feet. He then went to a neighbor's and got the rope cut, with which his hands were tied.

The matter was reported to officers and an investigation has been made, without results. The men were entire strangers to Mr. Philbeck, and he states that he had never seen them before that time. No clues have been unearthed that would indicate in the slightest who the men are, or where they are from.

OPERETTA SUCCESSFUL

The teachers of the primary grades of the grammar school, deserve much credit and praise on the operetta, "Fairies Are Really Truly," given by their grades on Tuesday night at the grammar school.

The costumes were beautiful and the children showed fine training.

MINSTREL-REVUE AT SPINDALE ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Entertainment to be Staged For Benefit Basketball Club—Other News of Late Interest

Spindale, March 18.—A minstrel-revue will be given in the Spindale House Saturday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, for the benefit of the basketball team. The entertainment will consist of orchestra selections, vocal music, string band music, readings, and skits. Mr. C. Z. Goforth will participate in the program, also the Whitaker Sisters, McGinnis Brothers, Spindale Quartette, Forester orchestra and others. An excellent program of entertainment has been arranged and will be well worth the time of all who attend.

Beginning last Saturday, at 12:30 o'clock, a bus line was inaugurated to Rutherfordton. The bus will be operated every Saturday from 12:30 to 9:30 p. m., on hourly schedule. The main office building at Spindale is the starting point and the Central Hotel is the starting point in Rutherfordton. The fare is only ten cents each way.

This will give the people of Rutherfordton and Spindale better connections and more intimate touch with each other at a small cost. The merchants of Rutherfordton will cash any mill checks. This bus line will enable the people of Spindale to come to Rutherfordton cheaper than they can drive their own cars and return home before bed time.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Howard, a son, Frank Mitchell Howard.

Born, Tuesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Garland Johnson, a son.

MURDER PLOTTER PLEADS GUILTY

New Jersey Man Who Wanted Wife Killed to be Sentenced March 25th

William S. Joyce, alias Walter E. Morris, of Woodbury, N. J., pled guilty in federal court at Trenton, N. J., last Thursday to a charge of sending "indecent" letters to James P. Waters, of Forest City. Joyce, who wrote to Waters offering him \$300 to go to Woodbury to kill his wife, was arrested after a trap had been set for him by Chief of the local police department, Chas. R. Price, assisted by Postoffice Inspector W. S. Brown, of Bridgeton, N. J.

This case, which was the most unusual local men have ever figured in, had its beginning in February, 1928, when Joe P. Waters, of this city, received a letter from a man residing in Woodbury, N. J., and signed Walter E. Morris, stating that Mr. Waters had been recommended to him as a "thug" or paid killer and that he had some one he wanted out of the way, and wanting to know how much Waters would charge to go to New Jersey to do the "job." The letter was turned over to Chief Price by Waters, who framed an answer, signing Waters' name to it.

Price then got in touch with post-office inspector J. G. Evans, of Asheville, who advised him to keep up his correspondence with Morris, turning a copy of all his letters written to, and received from Morris over to the postoffice inspector general at Washington, D. C. They were then turned over to the postoffice inspector of the district in which Morris lived, W. S. Brown, of Bridgeton, N. J.

About this time Inspector Brown sent Price instructions to close the deal with Morris and enclosed in his letter were a special delivery stamp and a registered stamp that were to be placed on the letter from Price closing the deal.

When Morris called at the post-office for the letter it was necessary for him to sign for it and to be identified. One of the clerks identified him as he had rented a box at Paulsboro, N. J., under the name of Morris for over four years. When traced to his home it was found that he lived in Woodbury, N. J., and that

TAR HEEL FARMERS TO GIVE FATHERS BANQUET MARCH 26

Cool Springs Chapter Prepares Interesting Program For Annual Father-Son Banquet

The Cool Springs Chapter of Young Tar Heel Farmers will entertain their fathers at a father-and-son banquet in the High School cafeteria on Tuesday evening, March 26. This entertainment is one of 135 father and son banquets which are being given by the students of vocational agriculture in as many North Carolina High Schools this school year. Thirty-five boys and their fathers, the county board of education and county superintendent, the Cool Springs Township board, Superintendent J. W. Eakes, Chas. Chas. C. Erwin, D. H. Sutton, Roy H. Thomas, state director of agricultural education, and J. M. Osteen, district supervisor will attend the banquet.

The home economics students, under the direction of Miss Johnnie King, will prepare and serve the banquet. Albert Blanton, president of the local chapter of Young Tar Heel Farmers, will preside and act as toastmaster. The principal address will be delivered by Roy H. Thomas. The following program has been prepared.

Welcome, Albert Blanton.
Toast: To Our Fathers, Forest Hunt.

Response: To Our Sons, J. W. Matheny.

Toast: To the County Board of Education, Glen McKeithan.

Response to the Young Tar Heel Farmers, A Member of Board.

Toast: To The Local Board, Norris Wells.

Response: To The Cool Springs Chapter, A Member of Board.

Introduction of J. M. Osteen, J. W. Eakes.

Address, J. M. Osteen.
Introduction of Roy H. Thomas, Clyde Erwin.

Address, Roy H. Thomas.

SCOUT FINANCE DAY MARCH 29

Canvass of County for Boy Scout Funds Will be Made Friday Week

Spindale, March 20.—A meeting of the Rutherford County executive committee, Boy Scouts of America, met in the Spindale House Tuesday evening and outlined plans for the annual canvass for the county's quota. Friday, March 29, is designated as Boy Scout Finance day, and an effort will be made to collect the county's quota of \$1650.00 on that date. Mr. R. E. Price, chairman of the county finance committee, will be in charge of the drive. Each town of the county will be allotted a proportionate sum to be raised. Each town and community will be canvassed by a special finance committee from that particular community.

Each community in the county will be canvassed simultaneously, and an effort will be made to visit each parent of a Boy Scout, the business houses and mills in soliciting funds. A complete committee for each locality will be announced next week.

CIVICS CLASS VISITS THE COURIER OFFICE

Miss Ruth Moore's eighth grade civics class, of Cool Springs high school, visited The Courier office Tuesday morning and learned how to run a newspaper. The class, consisting of twenty-five or more students, was greatly interested in watching the operation of the linotype, presses and folder. The actual operation of printing a newspaper was observed, and each member received an insight into the many operations necessary to produce a newspaper.

His name was William Joyce. He was arrested July 13, 1928.

Joyce, whose trial was held last week at Trenton, N. J., pled guilty to the charges.