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FIVE TAKE JAILER'S KEYS AND ESCAPE COUNTY BASTILE

Prisoners Make Break Wednesday Morning—Jailer W. L. Walker Refuses to Talk.

Five prisoners attacked Jailer W. L. Walker at Rutherfordton Wednesday morning and took his keys and released themselves from the Rutherford county jail. As The Courier goes to press four of the men have been recaptured.

Those escaping were Linnie and Lonnie Flynn, Riley Hensley, George Beatty and Hop Valentine. Beatty is still at large. All are charged with robbery in some form and are being held for trial.

When called over the 'phone Wednesday morning Jailer Walker refused to give The Courier any details of the jail break, but stated that an interview had been given to the representative of another publication, and if The Courier desired the details they could be secured second-hand through that source. Sheriff McFarland could not be reached by 'phone as he was on a search for the fugitives.

According to the information received here Mr. Walker went to the prisoners' cells about nine o'clock Wednesday to take some water. After unlocking the door and placing the water inside, he was attacked by the prisoners and his keys taken from him, also a billet which he usually carried. The prisoners then unlocked the outside door and left. Four of them were captured within thirty minutes after the break. One is still at large, but his capture is momentarily expected.

TWO ARRESTED ON BURGLARY CHARGE

Shelby, March 23.—Joe Moore and C. L. McAfee, both white, were tried in County Court and held without bond for Superior Court on a charge of entering and robbing the home of Mrs. Kate Bridges near Boiling Springs Wednesday night.

Judge Maurice Weathers did not fix a bond because the evidence, he said, tended to show second degree burglary. Mrs. Bridges was not at home when the house was entered.

The flour, coffee, sugar and other articles stolen were found, it is said, in the house where the men lived, by Deputies Ben Cooper, Bob Kendrick and Gus Jolley.

DEPUTIES FIND FIFTY GALLON BARREL "HOME BREW"

Forest City, R-1, March 23.—We are wondering who will claim, or if it will be claimed, the latest find of deputies Robbins, Phillips and Allen. One day last week these parties found on the land of Mr. W. G. Harris, one mile from Harris, one fifty gallon barrel of "home brew". They tried as honest folks will, to find who this property belonged to, but had no success. If the rightful owners would put in the claim, we feel sure they could have secured free board and lodging for a while which would probably help out during these hard times. They report they destroyed their recent find, in the shape of a barrel and its contents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. White are visiting relatives at Sharon this week. Mr. A. G. Melton, Boiling Springs, failed to fill his fourth Sunday night engagement at Floyd's Creek Baptist church. It is thought that rough weather prevented Mr. Melton from coming. The public is invited to hear the Rev. Mr. W. B. Jenkins at the Floyd's Creek church, next Sunday morning, March 19th, at 11 o'clock. Mr. Jenkins is a former pastor of this church but is now of Woodruff, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Randall and family, of Alexander, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Gordon Toms and family.

Mr. Toy Summers and family spent last week-end with Mr. Joe Randall and family of Caroleen.

We have a big assortment of Easter toys, baskets, candies and gifts. See our offerings before you go. Courtney's Ten Cent Store.

First County Club In The United States



The above picture of the members of The Rutherford County Club was made at Cliffside, during the February meeting of the club. This is the first club of its kind to be organized in the United States. Organized in 1922, its county-wide program and potential possibilities of great benefit soon attracted county leaders from other communities. In 1930 there

was incorporated at Washington, D. C., The National County Clubs Association, which has for its purpose the organization of county clubs throughout the nation. The sponsors of The National County Clubs, Inc., conceived the idea of a national civic organization, like the Kiwanis or Lions, after observing the successful operation of the Rutherford County Club. Today there is a large number of county clubs functioning in counties of this and other states, all of which are modeled in nearly all respects after the Rutherford County Club.

The club now has a total of 110 members. Officers are: president, G. B. Howard, Spindale; vice-president, Prof. Clyde A. Erwin, Rutherford-

ton; secretary-treasurer, Clarence Griffin, Spindale; sergeant-at-arms, F. E. Patton, Rutherfordton. The board of directors are G. B. Howard, Spindale; Clyde A. Erwin, Rutherfordton; F. E. Patton, Rutherfordton; O. J. Holler, Union Mills; R. E. Price, Rutherfordton; Terry Moore, Forest City; J. C. Cowan, Jr., Rutherfordton.

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MILL CAPACITY TO BE ENLARGED

Ellenboro Manufacturing Company Will Install New Machinery at Early Date.

Ellenboro, March 23.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Ellenboro Manufacturing company, held at the plant here last Friday afternoon, it was decided to increase the capacity of the mill and install new machinery. About 95 percent of the stock was represented at this meeting. The proposed new machinery to be added will be twenty-eight new looms and dyeing machinery for the dye plant. Mechanics are now busy adjusting and repairing the old machinery.

The plant is manufacturing rayon bed spreads at present, which are in wide demand. The weaving department of the mill is now running full time.

The Ellenboro Manufacturing Company was organized by the Bell Brothers, of Charlotte, in 1925.

W. H. Bell, is president, W. A. Harrill, vice-president, W. M. Mathis secretary and treasurer, and J. H. Graham, superintendent. The directors are: W. H. Bell, B. F. Mathis, W. L. Mathis, W. A. Harrill, J. A. Mathis, E. E. Harrill, W. Z. Wright and M. L. Hamrick.

Two Boys Charged With Robbery

Spindale, March 23.—Chief of Police Yates Duncan arrested two young men Thursday morning and placed them in jail charged with entering the Southern depot here, also the Western Union office, the office building and Sparks and Parnell's store. The young men confessed to the robberies. They entered the Western Union telegraph office several weeks ago, carried out a safe and battered the combination with an axe, but were unable to open it. A short time later they entered the Southern Railway depot here and broke open a trunk and took several small items. Sparks and Parnell's store was entered about the same time and some groceries and other goods were taken.

Some of the goods which were taken by the young men were recovered when they were arrested Thursday.

Miss Mary Crowell who was operated on for antrum trouble last week in Lincolnton was well enough to return to her position in Shelby.

Legion To Sponsor Easter Egg Hunt

The Willis Towery Post of The American Legion will sponsor an egg hunt Easter Sunday for the children of the Forest City grammar grades and Forest City children. The local post will furnish the eggs for the hunt, which will take place in the woods surrounding the Boy Scout cabin, near the swimming pool, at two o'clock. All the children in Forest City are asked to assemble about two o'clock in the Wilkie development at the road leading to the Scout cabin, where the hunt will begin.

DEATH CLAIMS HENRIETTA WOMAN

Funeral Held For Mrs. Kansas McSwain Monday—Interment at Boiling Springs.

Henrietta, March 24.—Mrs. Kansas McSwain, aged 49, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur McGinnis, here Sunday afternoon after an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Henrietta Baptist church with her pastor, Rev. J. A. Brock, in charge. After the funeral service the body was taken to Boiling Springs for interment.

Mrs. McSwain is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Arthur McGinnis, three brothers J. R. McSwain, of Shelby; I. L. McSwain, of Hollis and B. B. McSwain, of Henrietta and three sisters, Mrs. Ellie Kistler, of Henrietta, Mrs. W. A. Karcher, of Henrietta and Mrs. W. R. Lovelace, of Forest City.

Mrs. McSwain was a faithful member of the Henrietta Baptist church, where she had held membership for a number of years.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Summie McSwain, Ollie McSwain, Oliver Blanton, Jake Green, Ambrose Green and Jap Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Harriss moved to Asheboro last week-end, where Mr. Harriss will enter business. Their handsome home here has been rented to Dr. C. H. Verner. Mr. Harriss was engaged in the banking business here for a number of years, and is a business man of fine judgment and a congenial gentleman. Their going away is a distinct loss to the social and business circles of town and county.

Egg dyes for Easter, only 5c package. Courtney's Ten Cent Store.

FUNERAL HELD FOR CAROLEEN WOMAN

Buren Spurlin, Aged 39, Passes at Caroleen Home.

Caroleen, March 23.—Funeral services for Mrs. Buren Spurlin, 39, were conducted at Oak Grove Methodist church, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Spurlin died at her home at Caroleen Friday night, from a lingering illness of several years. Before her marriage to Mr. Spurlin, she was Miss Flossie Bridges, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bridges, of Race Path, She is from a well known family of the county. She joined the Sandy Run church several years ago.

The funeral was in charge of the Rev. I. D. Harrill. Interment was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, who is the agent for the Seaboard Road, at Caroleen, four children, William, Joseph, Martha and James, two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Moore, of Tennessee, Mrs. Robert Jenkins of Caroleen, and three brothers, Troy Bridges, Seaboard employe at Hamlet, Worth Bridges, of Caroleen, and Claude Bridges, of South Carolina.

Baseball Team Defeats Ellenboro

The local highs opened the baseball season in auspicious style here Friday afternoon by defeating the Ellenboro team 10 to 0. The Ellenboro outfit looked good in spots but were no match for the heavy hitting Cool Springs lads who collected a total of fifteen hits for the afternoon, led by Padgett with four out of five and Hollifield with a homer and triple. Paul Hamrick also connected for a triple. The Forest City infield also handled the ball in a nice manner. Kirksey, starting pitcher allowed one hit during the seven innings he pitched, Moss who relieved him looked good. Forest City plays Cherryville here Friday. The Cherryville game should prove interesting since they recently beat Shelby.

FOREST CITY STUDENTS TO PRESENT OPERETTA

One hundred boys and girls of the Forest City grammar school, who are in the first, second and third grades, will give a primary operetta Friday, April 10. "The Little Garden" is the title. The proceeds of the play will be used for the primary school library and the orchestra for primary children.

Mooresboro Man Is Laid To Last Rest

Mooresboro, March 23.—Funeral services for Bate Bridges, 82, were held at Sandy Plains Baptist church Saturday afternoon in charge of the Rev. Z. D. Harrill. Mr. Bridges died at his home in Chase City, Va., Friday. He was born and reared near Sandy Plains church, and he moved away to Virginia several years ago. He had been in ill health for several years. His wife died several years ago. He has four married daughters living. A large crowd attended the funeral.

Asheville Loses To Locals 4-3

The local Highs won their second straight game here Tuesday by defeating Central High of Asheville, 4 to 3 in an interesting game, despite the weather. The Asheville nine fought gamely but lost due to their inability to connect with the offerings of Kirksey, who allowed five widely scattered hits and would have won easily except for a bobble afield. Forest City came from behind in the eighth inning to win the game on Paul Hamrick's double, scoring Dillshaw. R. Hamrick drove in the winning marker with a single to left. Cherryville Hi, conquerors of Shelby, plays here Friday.

STOLEN CAR QUICKLY RECOVERED

The handsome Buick car belonging to Mr. E. F. Dardine, manager of the Romina Theatre, was stolen Monday night from the storage room of the Hewitt Auto Works in this city. The automobile was stored in the basement and the thief gained entrance by forcing a Yale lock of the door with a piece of Ford axle, which was left on the floor. The theft was discovered early Tuesday morning, when the place of business was opened, and reported to the local police. Chief Price immediately sent out notices of the theft to nearby towns and in a few hours was notified that the car, undamaged, was found parked in the rear of a filling station in Shelby, and was later returned to the owner in this city.

This is the third of a series of robberies in or near the city in the past few weeks, when Dalton Bros. store and the Union Oil Co., were robbed.

Easter toys, candies and novelties at chain store prices. Buy now for Easter. Stahl's Ten Cent Stores.

SEVENTH OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE TO BE APRIL 17-18

J. C. Hames Heads Conference Organization—Sessions Will Be Held In Cliffside.

Rutherfordton, March 23.—At a meeting held in Superintendent Clyde Erwin's office here Thursday evening, it was decided to hold the annual Older Boys' Conference this year. Officers were elected as follows: M. L. Edwards, Rutherfordton, vice-president; R. L. Leary, Spindale, secretary; G. B. Howard, Spindale, treasurer; B. E. Roach, Cliffside, recording secretary; Prof. V. B. Cooper, Caroleen, chairman of athletics committee. The finance committee is composed of Prof. J. W. Eakes, of Forest City, chairman and B. D. Wilson, of Rutherfordton. Ivy Cowan, of Spindale, Charles Flack, of Forest City and G. C. Shuford, of Cliffside. Prof. Clyde A. Erwin is chairman of the publicity committee with the following members: R. E. Price, of The Rutherfordton News and Clarence Griffin, of The Forest City Courier.

The selection of a president and other committees, also time and place was deferred until Monday night, when a meeting was held in Forest City.

The report of the treasurer, Mr. G. B. Howard, showed that the total cost of the conference last year was less than \$100, and that a balance of approximately \$75 is at present in the treasury. It was decided to ask the communities of Rutherfordton, Spindale, Forest City and Cliffside for \$10.00 each toward defraying the cost of this year's conference.

Mr. E. E. Smart, of Bostic, president of the conference organization last year, presided at this meeting.

The meeting was well attended. The consensus of opinion was that the conference should be held this year, despite the prevalence of depressed business, as hundreds of boys in the rural communities are eagerly looking forward to this event. The conference has been rotating between the towns of the county, and according to the rotation plan Cliffside is due to get this year's conference.

At a meeting held in Forest City Monday evening it was decided to hold the Older Boys' Conference in Cliffside on April 17 and 18. At the same time J. C. Hames, of Cliffside, was elected president of the organization. Clarence Hughes was appointed chairman of the entertainment committee and Jay Laughridge was appointed chairman of the reception committee.

This year's conference will be held only from Friday afternoon to Saturday night, eliminating the Sunday program. All delegates will be expected to return to their homes each night, as no provision will be made for entertaining the boys in the homes over night.

Local Man With Herbert Hoover, Jr.

Mr. L. O. Padgett, of Charlotte, son of Mrs. W. M. Padgett, of Forest City, who is connected with the Charlotte branch of the secret service department of the United States Department of Justice, has received orders from Washington to go to Asheville and remain with Herbert Hoover, Jr. Mrs. Hoover, wife of the president, is expected to be in Asheville soon.

Rev. C. C. Matheny, pastor of the Alexander Baptist church, is recovering from an operation in the Charlotte Sanatorium, of Charlotte. Mr. Matheny went to Charlotte last Thursday and underwent an operation for the removal of a goitre the same day. According to latest reports he will be able to return to his home the latter part of this week.

Traffic in a Louisville street was held up for eight minutes, when motorman William A. Ellingsworth yawned and was unable to close his jaws.