

Up-To-Date Jesse James Swoops Down On Oklahoma Town

Beggs, Okla., May 18.—Paying a return visit to his home town Matthew Kimes, notorious outlaw, and his gang today robbed two banks here of nearly \$18,000 and shot their way out, leaving the town marshal dead and a woman, who apparently frustrated the robbery of a third bank, probably fatally wounded.

Officials of both looted banks said the leader of the bandits undoubtedly was Kimes, elusive young desperado whose sensational exploits have been a modern parallel to the careers of Jesse James and Al Jennings.

Dashing into the little town this morning in three motor cars, the nine members of the gang divided

into groups and drove up to the three banks. Two of the banks, the Farmers' National and the First National, were invaded immediately.

"Throw up your hands," came the command almost simultaneously at the two banks, and employes and others in both institutions complied. Both bandit groups then began a systematic search for money. Mrs. Charles Campbell, a shopper, left her children in an automobile and ran into a pool hall crying an alarm. M. C. McAnnally, Marshal, went immediately to the Farmers' National bank, arriving just as the robbers emerged.

McAnnally opened fire on the racing figures, and a hail of bullets answered him, one piercing his breast and killing him instantly. Mrs. Campbell was struck in the head by a bullet and believed to have been fatally wounded.

The three bandits, who had parked their car in front of the American State bank, fled when the shooting started without attempting to rob the institution.

Attracted by the shots, townspeople poured into the street. The men hastily gathered up all available firearms loaded into motor cars and took up pursuit. Within an hour one of the bandits cars had been found abandoned eight miles west of Beggs, near the ranch on which Kimes spent his boyhood.

The country into which the outlaws fled is rugged and heavily timbered affording many ideal hiding places.

Courtesy

A man armed with courtesy is a conqueror.

Courtesy costs nothing; but it is the greatest selling proposition in the world.

Courtesy recalls the customer and invites a new one discourtesy drives away those you have and keeps away others.

Wisdom is always courteous; discourtesy is the earmark of stupidity.

Discourtesy is no mark of superiority. The real aristocrat is the most courteous to those whom fate has placed in less walks of life than those he treads thus we have a paradox which is a great truth—a real democrat is the only real aristocrat.

We all like money, but there is not one of us that does not know there are things more precious than money.

One's self respect is one of them. The discourteous man insults the self-respect of others and makes enemies of them while he is making a fool of himself.

Courtesy precedes friendship. Courtesy is the mantle of love; the ornament of charity, kingliness in manhood, and the crown of womanhood.

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TRUETT TO LEAD BAPTIST FORCES

Dallas Pastor Is Unanimous Choice of Southern Convention for President This Year

PROGRESS IS REPORTED

Promotional Work of Convention Continued With Slight Revision in Personnel—Large Objective Set

Dr. George W. Truett of Dallas, one of the best known Baptists in the world, was the unanimous choice of the Southern Baptist Convention for president at the recent session at Louisville, and he entered upon his new relationship by challenging the people and churches of his denomination to a deeper spirituality and a fuller consecration to the task of extending God's kingdom in the world.

Despite the fact that the floods in the Mississippi Valley curtailed the year's collections somewhat and the civil war in China halted the operations of the Foreign Mission Board



DR. GEO. W. TRUETT New President Southern Baptist Convention

there during much of the year, reports that were gratifying to a large degree were presented by the various agencies and institutions of the Convention.

Missionaries Do Effective Work

The Foreign Mission Board reported 531 American missionaries and 2,444 native helpers in its employ. A total of 12,035 baptisms were had on the foreign fields during the year. Today the Board reports 1,215 churches with 140,488 members and 1,518 Sunday schools with 76,991 pupils on the foreign fields, along with 3,247 preaching stations other than churches, and nine hospitals in which 49,585 patients were treated during the year. The Foreign Mission Board believes order will be restored in China soon and that larger mission opportunities than have ever existed before will soon be presented there.

By the Home Mission Board 923 missionaries were employed during the year. These reported 36,233 additions to the churches, the organization of 168 new churches and 406 new Sunday schools, and the building or repair of 378 houses of worship.

From its current receipts of \$1,806,416.27, the Sunday School Board was able to put \$444,028.41 into general denominational work, while its Educational Department reported 103,145 teacher training awards given to Sunday school workers, and the Architectural Department gave assistance to 1,476 churches in planning their buildings.

Aid in the sum of \$156,252.07 was given to aged or disabled preachers, or dependent members of their families by the Relief and Annuity Board, the total number of beneficiaries carried by the Board now being 1,145.

The promotional work of the Convention for the support of its missionary, educational and benevolent interests was continued, though under the direction of a somewhat different and enlarged personnel. Members of the new executive committee will represent the several states on the promotional body; the state and general secretaries are retained as before, while the editors of the several Baptist state papers are added to this group this year. The total financial objective set by the several states for 1927 is \$8,096,666, and if this amount is realized in distributable cash it will not approximately \$3,887,000 for the various objects of the Southern Baptist Convention, the remainder going to the various state enterprises of the denomination. Every effort will be put forth to attain this total objective.

Expenses Will Be Controlled

In an effort to bring the fiscal affairs of the Convention into better shape, the Convention voted to establish the policy of budget control, whereby each board and agency of the Convention will be required to bring its expenditures each year within its cash receipts, thus preventing the accumulation of debts.

Indicating the progress in the several churches during the past associational year, the report of the Statistical Department shows 26,803 white Southern Baptist churches with a total of 3,768,263 members; 21,777 Sunday schools with 2,724,267 pupils; 19,775 B. Y. P. U.'s with 498,424 members; 21,640 W. M. U. organizations which made contributions in the sum of \$4,145,889.53; local church property with a valuation of \$184,719,897, and total contributions for the year to all objects in the sum of \$60,104,842.21.

Peach Crop Indications Are For About Half Of Last Year

Raleigh, May 18.—Indications at present point to a 38 per cent peach crop as compared at this time a year ago to a 70 per cent crop. Frank Parker, crop statistician, said today. This means, he said, that the 1927 peach crop will be about one-third less than it was last year.

Frosty weather during March and April played havoc with the peach blooms in the noted sandhills section and resulted in the blasting of the prediction a month ago that the 1927 peach crop would be a bumper one.

About 1,700 carloads of peaches are expected to comprise the 1927 crop, he said. Last year about 2,300 equivalent carloads of the fruit were shipped to northern markets.

Odd Accidents

- I saw a cow slip through the fence. I saw a horse fly in the store. I saw a board walk up the street. A stone step by the door. I saw a mill race up the road. A morning break the gloom; I saw a night fall on the lawn. A clock run in the room. I saw a peanut stand up high. A sardine box in town. I saw a bed spring at the gate. And ink stand on the ground.

Trinity Episcopal Church

REV. A. H. MARSHALL, Minister Morning prayer and sermon the second, fourth and fifth Sundays of each month at 11:00 A. M. Sunday School at 10:00 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon the first and third Sundays at 7:30 P. M. Holy Communion the second Sunday.

Notice

To V. C. Chemical Co: You will take notice that at a tax sale held by C. H. Haynes, Sheriff of Surry County, on Monday, April 4th, 1927 at the court house door in Dobson, Surry County, N. C., I purchased three lots in Elkin township, and town of Elkin, at the said sale, same being sold to satisfy taxes against said lands or lots for the year 1925, amounting to \$10.88, together with cost of sale.

You will further take notice that unless same is redeemed within 12 months from date of sale I will apply to the Sheriff for deed to the said lots. This April 26th, 1927. J. S. MABERY, Purchaser.

Personal and Crop News of Westfield

Westfield, May 22.—Mrs. Carl Hunter has recovered and is at home from Dr. Lawrence's Hospital, Winston-Salem.

Bean beetles are making their appearance. A large crowd heard the County Agent Thursday night at the school auditorium instructing how to destroy the beetles and getting other useful advice.

Considerable tobacco has been planted and about the usual crop of corn. About half a crop of fruit here, more cherries than anything else.

Prof. Hauser visited his old boarding place Sunday. He knows where to get something to eat when hungry.

Mr. Cook the contractor is making rapid progress on our new Baptist Church. Our people would like to see their old pastor walking around looking a little over the job. The presence of Rev. C. C. Haynes seems to enthuse them, brings to mind some of his soul stirring sermons and makes them interested in the early completion of the church, when they may again be favored with

some of his able sermons. Dr. Tom Smith is making some society calls and doing some light office practice, to even know he is in Westfield helps lots of people.

There was a large attendance at the Friends Church Sunday, the Staley preacher exchanged with the regular pastor.

The closing exercises of the high school here were very creditable indeed a good number graduated, but I haven't a list of the names.

Our new mail carrier from Winston to Mount Airy is making a fine record for being on time.

Chickens and eggs have never been more plentiful the latter 17c, 2-lb. chickens 33c per lb., hens 18c per lb.

Mr. L. L. Lowe is building a store, filling station and garage on East Broadway.

Prof. H. C. Carroll and little daughter Bertie Ellen, of King spent Sunday with Mrs. R. V. Marshall.

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