

## HIGHWAY ROBBERS ARE TAKEN HERE

Joe Hall, 23, of Burningtown, Macon county, and Oran Farley, 21, of Austin, Ind., were taken from the bus headed to Asheville from Bryson City, in Sylva, this morning and placed under arrest, charged with highway robbery in Macon county.

Yesterday about 1 o'clock, Berney Ray, well-known Macon citizen, who operates a country store in the Burningtown section, was held up, robbed of money and merchandise, and left tied to a tree.

Sheriff John J. Maney, Chief of Police J. A. Turpin and Highway Patrolman G. R. Duncan, in company with Sheriff Slagle, Macon, arrested Farley and Hall, when the early morning bus today stopped on the Main Street in Sylva. Both men were armed, and from them was recovered some \$50 in money, 2 watches and other merchandise. Their suitcase, it has been stated, were checked on ahead on another bus, and officers expressed the opinion that when they are obtained and opened by officers of the law, they will be found to contain other merchandise, and additional amounts of money believed to be a part of the loot from the sensational day-light hold-up in Macon.

Sheriff Slagle took his two prisoners to Franklin immediately after the arrest here, and from there he took them to Burningtown, where it is stated, Mr. Ray positively identified Farley as one of the men that robbed him and left him tied to the tree. Hall is a Macon county youth, it is said. Farley's home is believed to be in Austin, Ind.

The two are being held in Macon county jail at Franklin awaiting trial at the next term of superior court, which will be held in Franklin next month.

## BIG RIDGE NEWS

The farmers of this section are making great progress in harvesting their fall crops. We are delighted in the beautiful weather that we have had for the past week, and only hope that it continues throughout the busy season.

The Hamburg cabbage have not proven to be as profitable this year. Nevertheless, there has been a large amount put on the market.

Our Sunday School is progressing nicely. The young people of the community have become much interested in the Sunday School and B. T. U. work.

We are very much pleased to have with us on last Sunday afternoon the B. T. U. of Tuckasee. They entertained us with a very interesting and impressive program.

We were delighted to see the fine talent in this organization, and give them a hearty welcome to come again.

Miss Margaret Bryson of Brevard, has been spending a couple of weeks as a guest of her cousin, Miss Grace Bryson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Pruett have moved to Cashier's, where Mr. Pruett is principal of the school.

Mrs. H. D. Fowler is recuperating from a brief illness.

Mr. J. C. Bryson had the misfortune of running his truck into another (parked) truck and doing considerable damage to his radiator; but no other damage done.

Mrs. J. C. Bryson and Alma Fullbright spent last Monday with Mrs. W. M. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cannon and their daughter Elizabeth, of Webster, spent the week end with Mrs. John Davis.

Mrs. Emory Brown of Greenville, S. C. has been spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Cordell Towns, who have been making their home here for the past year, are moving to Seneca, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Guthrie of Sylva were week end guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Norris, after being entertained for several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pherron Bryson, have returned to their home in the Eastern part of the State.

## BENEFIT SUPPER AT BETA

There will be a miscellaneous supper at the Beta Graded School, tomorrow, Friday night, Oct. 26. Music, cake walk, and other features will be given. The proceeds will be used to purchase library books.

## Becomes a King



BELGRADE, Yugoslavia. Above is the last picture of Peter II, as a care-free boy of 11 years, seeing London sights. The photo was taken 18 days before he became the boy King of Yugoslavia through the assassination of his father, King Alexander, while on an official mission in France.

## Young Democrats To Have Barbecue

The Young People's Democratic Club of Qualla will hold a barbecue and speaking at the Qualla school house, next Thursday evening, November 1, to which the public is invited.

The club is planning the meeting as a rally in the interest of the Democratic ticket. The barbecue dinner will be ready for eating to begin at 5:30. Following the dinner there will be speaking by prominent democrats, and music by the Qualla string band.

The club met last night, elected its officers, and planned the barbecue. Officers elected were: Horace B. Hyatt, President; Mrs. H. B. Martin, Vice-President, and W. G. Stallcup, Secretary-Treasurer.

## C. T. ROANE IS DEAD

Friends here were grieved to learn of the sudden death, in Asheville, Sunday, of C. T. Roane.

Funeral and interment were at Bryson City, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Roane had many friends here, whom he had made during the time that he was in the government service as a prohibition agent, during the Wilson administration; and while he lived here, until three years ago as proprietor of the Poinsett Grill. At the time of his death, Mr. Roane was prominent in Western North Carolina over a long period of years. He served as sheriff of Macon county, and in other official capacities.

## W. A. ENLOE CHAPTER ELECTS OFFICERS

The W. A. Enloe Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, meeting at the home of Mrs. C. Z. Candler, on last Thursday afternoon, elected officers for the coming year, choosing Mrs. S. W. Enloe as president; Mrs. David M. Hall, vice-president; Miss Margaret Moore, secretary; Mrs. John H. Morris treasurer; Mrs. A. D. Parker, registrar; Mrs. Fred L. Hooper, historian; and Mrs. Flora J. Watkins, chaplain. A feature of the program was a talk by Rev. S. H. Hilliard, on "Reminiscences of the War Between the States."

## WOMEN WORK FOR HOSPITAL

For three years the women's missionary societies, clubs and other organizations of the county have been contributing canned goods, vegetables, and other articles of food, as well as paying for papering, painting, articles for the comfort and pleasure of the patients of the hospital. Each month during these years, one of the organizations of the county has done the mending of linens, made articles for the operating room, baked cakes or rendered such other service as was needed, without the exception of a single month during the three years. The Baptist Missionary society of Webster is doing the mending for the month of October.

## HOLD WILD RITES AT WEBSTER

Funeral services of J. J. Wild, who died suddenly last Thursday morning, at his home on Cullowhee road, were held Friday afternoon at the Webster Methodist church, of which Mr. Wild had been a faithful member for many years, by the pastor, Rev. V. R. Masters, assisted by Rev. W. N. Cook, pastor of the Webster Baptist church. Interment was in the Webster cemetery.

Active pall bearers were D. M. Tallent, Oren Tallent, Ed Wild, Claude Cowan, Roy Cowan, Dan Cowan, Paul Cowan and Charlie Wild, all nephews of Mr. Wild.

Honorary pall bearers were John Wilson, T. B. Cowan, L. D. Cowan, John A. Parfies, Mack Ashe, Ben Sloan, Dr. C. Z. Candler, Dr. W. P. McGuire, Ernest Wilson, J. J. Maney, Prof. Hutchinson, Dr. Grover Wilkes, Prof. Robert L. Madison, Dr. Wm. Madison, Dr. Nichols, E. L. McKee, Geo. McConnell, Byrd Fullbright, O. B. Coward, Don Cowan, R. F. Jarrett, C. C. Mason, Frank H. Brown, I. L. Council, Dr. D. D. Hooper, E. H. Stillwell, J. B. Emsley, E. P. Stillwell, W. R. Sherrill, W. C. Reed, M. Buchanan, J. N. Wilson and Dan Tompkins.

## View Point School Burned To Ground

View Point school house was completely destroyed by fire of undetermined origin, early last night.

The school, one of three teachers, in Green's Creek township, was located in Webster District. The teachers are Mrs. O. V. Cagle, Miss Hixie Ashe, and Miss Allie Wilson.

The building and nearly all its contents, including desks and library books, were a total loss.

Arrangements have been made whereby the school is being held in the Baptist church, near the site of the burned building.

The building was erected in 1900, and is estimated to be worth \$2000.

The last time it was insured, the amount carried was \$1000; but the insurance expired in September, and had not been renewed. There was no insurance at the time it was burned.

## VETTORI TO SING IN CANTON

Madame Elda Vettori, dramatic soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will appear in the High School in Canton, in a concert, Friday, November 2, under sponsorship of the Woman's Club. Madame Vettori is a singer of the first magnitude and her appearance in concerts evokes the greatest interest. She has a most engaging personality, and is most gracious. Her stage presence, poise, beauty and general appearance immediately puts her audience in a receptive mood.

Many persons from Sylva, Waynesville and Asheville will motor to hear Madame Vettori.

companionist. She is most prominently Mrs. Margaret Smathers Jones of Asheville is Madame Vettori's accompanied in musical circles of this section.

## LAYMEN WILL HOLD SERVICE

In the absence of the preacher in charge, Rev. T. R. Wolfe, who is attending the annual conference in Greensboro, the laymen will be in charge of the service at the Methodist church at eleven o'clock, Sunday morning. It is the intention of those in charge to make the service one in which the financial side of the church will be discussed, and the stewards will lay before the membership plans for financing that will make the task of raising the necessary money to meet the obligations of the church easier and less burdensome this year than last.

The preacher went to conference with all salaries paid in full, and all assessments for benevolences met; but the stewards want to begin the new conference year with a better basis to work from, and hope that as large a percentage of the membership of the church as is possible will be present Sunday morning.

## QUALLA.

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)  
Rev. T. R. Wolfe, of Sylva, delivered an interesting message at the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon. Three.  
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## New Budget Head



WASHINGTON. . . Daniel W. Bell (above), is now acting Director of the Federal Budget, on appointment by President Roosevelt following the resignation of Lewis Douglas of Arizona.

## W. C. T. C. TO HAVE HOME-COMING DAY

Cullowhee.—Saturday, the 27th, is home-coming day at Western Carolina Teachers College. There are many reservations already in and others coming in every day. It promises to be the biggest day, so far as the Alumni are concerned, that Cullowhee has ever had.

A program has been arranged as follows: Morning, registration in Joyce; open house in dormitories, in charge of House Government; 10:30, address, Clyd. Erwin, of Rutherfordton; social hour in parlors of Moore. Afternoon, 12:30, lunch in College dining room; short business session; 2:30, football game, Milligan vs. Western Carolina Teachers College. Evening, At Home, faculty and students, in parlors of Moore.

There will be a track meet, in the morning, sponsored by the school, in charge of Coach Poindexter.

## CHAS. E. LAIL PASSES

Charles E. Lail died suddenly as he sat at his dinner table with his family Sunday.

Mr. Lail made his home in Sylva for several years, until he moved to his farm at Cullowhee, a few months ago. Prior to coming to Sylva he lived in Swain county, for a number of years, but was a native of Burke county. During his residence in Sylva and Jackson county, he made a large number of friends here.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church in Sylva, Tuesday afternoon, Rev. I. K. Stafford and Rev. W. C. Reed officiating. Interment was in the Keener cemetery, where his body was laid to rest with the Masonic burial service.

Surviving Mr. Lail are his widow, one adopted son, Otis Lail, four brothers, one sister, and a large number of friends.

## BALSAM

(By Mrs. D. T. Knight.)

Mrs. Jennie Blanton passed away Sunday night, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Mathis. She attended the revival at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church Sunday night and took an active part in same. Monday morning when she was called to breakfast, the family learned that she was dead. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Ben Cook and interment was in the McKay cemetery, Tuesday afternoon. She is survived by one son and four daughters.

Mrs. Lizzie Smith's little two year old boy was accidentally badly scalded on one entire side of his body, Monday. He was rushed to the Sylva hospital, where medical aid was given and is doing as well as could be expected.

Our school was closed Monday afternoon, in honor of the death of Dr. A. T. Allen, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Mrs. E. O. Queen spent last week end in Brevard, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Banks Nicholson.

Gov. Ehringhaus has appointed Mr. George T. Knight magistrate at this place.

Mr. Jim Fisher and family, who moved to Fletcher, last Spring, have returned to their home here.

Mr. Guy Jones, who has been working in Detroit, is now at home, on a vacation. He expects to return to Detroit soon.

Mrs. W. S. Christy is spending this week in Franklin, with her son, Mr. Henry Christy.

## No Additional Republicans Will Be In Next Congress

### TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

SILVER. . . and trade boom  
The Chinese Government has protested to the United States Government against the policy of buying silver, which has forced the price of the metal up in the world market to nearly 60 cents an ounce. China has levied an export tax on silver, so much was being drawn out of that country. Regular readers of this column will remember that I pointed out, more than three years ago, that an increase in the price of silver to its pre-war average would make it impossible for China and other silver-money countries to compete unfairly with the gold-standard nations in international trade. The silver policy adopted at Washington has had just that effect. As an amateur economist, I want to register another guess about international money. It will not be very long now before France de-values the franc again, and the other gold-standard nations will follow suit. Then a complete equalization of the values of the currencies of all nations will be possible and international trade will begin to boom again all over the world. PRODUCTION. . . distribution.

One good result of the depression and the consequent efforts of thousands of intelligent thinkers to find out what caused it and how to prevent another one, is that we have learned for the first time, a lot of facts that nobody knew about our economic system.

When we have all the facts maybe somebody can do something about it, though it does take a long time for facts to become generally known. A lot of loose talk has been heard in the past few years about "over-production." Men have been disciplined for denying that America was producing more goods than we could consume. But now it has been ascertained, with what seems to me convincing definiteness, that in almost every line of industry, the equipment for production is far below what would be needed if everybody were supplied with all the goods he needs.

The problem is one of distribution, and that is not going to be solved in a day. But I think we are coming out of the depression with a great deal more accurate knowledge on this and many other economic problems.

WAR. . . doubtful  
Maybe, by the time this appears in print, the nations of Europe will be flying at each other's throats, but I doubt it. Do not believe that the assassination of King Alexander of Yugoslavia will precipitate a war. That is not to say, however, that no European country wants something that it can only get by going to war.

I was in Italy a couple of years ago. Everywhere I saw and heard evidence that Mussolini's government wants to control the eastern coast of the Adriatic, which is Yugoslavia. Also, I heard much talk about Italy's desire to regain the whole Riviera, as far west as Marseilles, from France. Italy wants to control the sea routes of the Mediterranean and is jealous of any other nation that might have a motive in shutting her off from her supplies of fuel oil, coal and the products of her African colonies.

If Europe had recovered financially from the last war, the present situation would look more war-like to me. I don't think any nation, except possibly France, could finance a war at this time; nor do I believe that any of them wants to fight.

PEACE. . . resolutions  
I have to smile, though somewhat sadly, at the numerous peace movements among well-meaning persons who haven't the remotest notion of the causes of war. Ladies' sewing circles adopting resolutions against war will never bring peace.

I counted up a while ago the major wars fought in the world since the United States declared its independence. They totaled more than thirty. Our nation was only involved in seven of them. But let some able propagandist convince the people of the United States that some other nation is treading on our toes, or threatening to deprive us of some of our rights on the seas, and see how quickly the young men of America will rush to enlist for war!

I do not expect to live to see the last threat to the peace of the world.  
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Washington, Oct. 24.—The outlook for any important increase in the number of Republicans in the next Congress grows dimmer as election approaches. The most experienced observers here now do not look for as many as fifty additional Congressmen, and a good many of those will probably be of extreme radical tendencies. It is quite thinkable that the President's principal trouble with the next Congress will be to keep it from taking the bit in its teeth and running away with legislation far beyond the most radical ideas which Mr. Roosevelt has been accused of harboring.

Some of the wisest onlookers in Washington have expressed surprise that the Republican party has not developed a single issue of national importance on which to conduct its Congressional campaigns. The one issue on which the party might have been everybody to take a stand is that of Federal Relief. There are pretty plain hints of scandalous revelations to come in the administration of relief of all sorts; but regardless of that almost everybody agrees that it can not continue indefinitely, and that the way in which the amount of Federal money poured into the states has been used by many Congress candidates as an argument why they should be reelected is little short of scandalous.

Political administration of relief is a novelty in American affairs. Heretofore, in previous depressions, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the Community Chests, municipalities, counties and—rarely—state governments have seen to it that enough food and shelter to maintain life were provided for the unfortunate out of work. There are no statistics of the number of unemployed in the major depressions, of which there were at least three between the Civil War and the World War, but the question is being raised whether the proportion of those who needed to be helped was not as great, compared to the total population and wealth of the nation, as it is now.

There is a decided feeling here that most of the Republican candidates and leaders have deliberately pussy-footed this issue, feeling that the mass of the voters would be resentful of any suggestion that the helping hand of Uncle Sam should be withdrawn. After the Congressional elections, perhaps, more will be heard on this subject. It is one which is giving a great many thoughtful men in both parties, in the Administration and out of it, a great deal of concern.

Mr. William R. Hearst, newspaper publisher who supported Mr. Roosevelt for the Presidency but has since been emphatic in opposition through his powerful chain of dailies, spent a night at the White House last week. He expressed the opinion that business conditions are improving, and that things will look brighter by next Spring. But he, too, was sharp in his warning that the Government cannot much longer continue to spend the people's money wholesale; that it cannot, indeed, get the money to spend by any process short of monetary inflation.

There was quite a flurry over the coincidence of Senator Bulkeley's statement, after a visit to the White House that the dollar might be further devalued, and the call on the President on the same day of Professor Warren of Cornell, who is supposed to be responsible for some of the more radical of the Administration's monetary policies. Mr. Roosevelt took pains to make it clear that he was not contemplating any inflationary moves at this time. But he delivered quite an impressive lecture on his intention to raise commodity prices still further. It turns out that the price level of 1926, which has been assumed to be the goal at which the Administration was aiming, is not that, precisely. The effort is to be the establishment of the parity between farm prices and manufactured commodity prices which existed before the war.

Just how this is to be brought about the President did not explain. He thought relative prices of many commodities were out of line, which leads to the belief that a material reduction in some prices will be countenanced and encouraged from Washington.

Lower prices, many manufacturers and distributors have been pointing out, will mean more sales and consequently a larger volume of business and increased employment. In some quarters the President's remarks are

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