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LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

STATE

RALEIGH, Dec. 26—Although no figures are available as far back as 1918, it is estimated that by 1932 local government debt in North Carolina had increased more than four times to the sum of over \$362,000,000. Without elaborating upon the cause of this debt and the purposes for which it was incurred—a large part was due to operating deficits—it is obvious that economic expansion and development as a whole for the enhancement of taxable wealth in many communities did not keep pace with such tremendous increase in local government debt.

NATIONAL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26—Al Jolson, the mammy singer, was divorced today by his third wife, Ruby Keeler, who said he "called me stupid" and "would keep me awake all night calling me names." Natively attired in a tan camel hair sports suit, tan sweater and tan felt hat, the former stage and film dancer told a superior judge in some detail the reasons he called Al cruel in her divorce complaint.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 26—Discovery of the way cellulose develops was disclosed today to the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Cellulose, taken from trees and plants, is used in a billion-dollar industry to make hundreds of articles ranging from rayon to explosives. How plants manufacture this major part of their structure has been one of science's great mysteries. The discovery is a step toward artificial creation of this great raw material by machines and chemical reactions.

INTERNATIONAL

COLON, Panama, Dec. 26—While the Nazi freighter *Dueseldorf* headed out to sea to-night under a British prize crew, German Consul Walter Schmidt said he had protested the vessel's clearance on the grounds that Cristobal was a neutral port. Asserting he acted both as German consul and in the name of the North German Lloyd line, of which he is the agent, Smith told the Associated Press: "I was under the impression that the ship was in neutral waters and relied upon the international ruling which forbids conveying a prize of war through such waters."

LONDON, Dec. 26—Australia's contribution to the British empire's war effort took tangible form in the mother country today with the landing of a trained air squadron in England. Arrival of the tanned airmen, little more than a week after a division of Canadian active service troops debarked at an English port, was regarded as a demonstration of empire solidarity. Under command of Wing Commander L. V. Lachal, the Australian contingent is made up of pilots, gunners and observers and had a ground staff of mechanics ready to take over their duties with the Royal Air Force immediately.

BERLIN, Dec. 26—Adolf Hitler, playing Santa Claus to his western front troops, returned briefly to French soil Christmas eve, 21 years after he last left it, a gassed and temporarily blinded world war corporal. An authoritative account of the excursion said he entered France at a section which now is a no-man's-land and continued on to Spieren heights, between Saarbrücken and Forbach. There he spent "some time" in a sector occupied by French troops until a few weeks ago when French troops withdrew under German pressure to their own side of the border.

Boonville Couple Married 50 Years



Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Spencer, of Boonville, who December 17 celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their home there.—(Photo courtesy of Journal and Sentinel.)

Enjoys Ripple in Sunny California

The Yadkin Ripple
Yadkinville, N. C.

Gentlemen:
Enclosed find one dollar for my subscription to the Ripple for another year.
We enjoy reading it very much and look forward each week to reading the news from Yadkin county.
Sincerely yours,
CARRIE HUFF HAUSER
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Pardues Celebrate 50th Anniversary Christmas Day

Mr. and Mrs. David B. Pardue, of near Yadkinville, celebrated Christmas and their Golden Wedding together last Monday when scores of relatives, friends and neighbors gathered at their home to pay their respects to the aged couple who have worked side by side for 50 years, some of them years of hardships but mostly years of pleasure. Their marriage took place on Christmas day, 1889, when Mr. Pardue led Miss Caille Caudle to the altar, after gaining the consent of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Caudle, who then lived near Union Cross.

Coming first on the list of those present Monday were the 11 living children of Mr. and Mrs. Pardue, their 25 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The children were Mrs. S. W. Brown and Mrs. Julius M. Miller, Boonville; Mrs. R. O. Holcomb, of Winston-Salem; Charlie, Eugene, Cliff, Jesse and Robert Pardue, and Mrs. L. A. Casstevens, of Yadkinville; and Misses Laura and Zetta Pardue, of the home.

Coming from a distance to attend the wedding celebration was Mr. Pardue's sister, Mrs. Carrie Reece, wife of Winfield Reece, who came with her daughter, Mrs. Ina Mae Alexander, and husband, Bert Alexander, and their young son, 1,100 miles from Clemons, Iowa. Another sister, Mrs. Cora Adams, came from Winston-Salem, together with her son, Lyman Adams, and daughter, Miss Veta Adams. Another sister, Mrs. Ossie Hobson, of near Deep Creek Friends church, was present. Also Mrs. Rosa Dobbins, of Yadkinville, a sister of Mrs. Pardue, and Mr. Dobbins were visitors Sunday afternoon.

Christmas decorations were featured in the home and dining room where a large table was loaded with good things to eat. Before dinner was served, picnic style, Rev. Charles H. Hutchens spoke very feelingly of his association with the family, of how they had weathered the storms of life together and were now enjoying the peace and quiet of their home, surrounded by their children and good neighbors. The choir of Pilot View Friends church sang some appropriate selections, accompanied by Miss Della Williams at the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Pardue received a large number of presents from their children, neighbors and friends. Mr. Pardue received a large easy chair and he gave Mrs. Pardue a gold wedding ring to

BOONVILLE MAN FATALLY HURT

Barney A. Childress Instantly Killed; Companion Is Seriously Injured

FUNERAL HELD MONDAY

Barney A. Childress, 60, of near Boonville, was killed instantly Saturday afternoon in an automobile mishap on the new Boonville-Crutchfield highway. Foy Shugart of Boonville, driver of the car, was seriously injured and is in Hugh Chatham Hospital. Max Woodruff, also a passenger in the car, was only slightly injured.

The accident happened where the paved highway ends on the Crutchfield end of the highway and the beginning of the dirt road. The body of Childress was badly broken and crushed. He was a well known and respected farmer.

Mr. Childress was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Winston Childress and was a member of Charity Baptist church. He was married to Miss Annie Brown 38 years ago.

Surviving are the widow; 10 children, Claude Childress of Winston-Salem; Maude, Treva, Irene, Vernie and Everett Childress, Mrs. Theodore Parker and Mrs. Ruby Hall of Boonville, Clyde Childress, Mrs. Frank Driver, of Yadkinville; three brothers, Henry and Early Childress of Winston-Salem, and Steve Childress of Rockford; and three sisters, Mrs. Vestal Hutchins of Yadkinville, Mrs. Mollie Hutchins of East Bend and Mrs. Amelia Stinson of Trinity.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 11 o'clock at Charity Baptist church, where he was a member, with Rev. E. A. Stinson in charge. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Beloved Lady Dies At East Bend

Funeral rites for Mrs. Mary Jane Kirk, 72, of East Bend, were held at East Bend Friends church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with Rev. C. H. Hutchens in charge. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Kirk was born in Davie county but had resided in East Bend for a half a century. She was a member of the Friends church and a beloved lady. Her husband, Frank P. Kirk, died in 1927.

Surviving are one daughter, Miss Eula Kirk, of East Bend; six sons, Claude, Clarence and Clyde Kirk, of East Bend; Charlie Kirk, of Winston-Salem; John Kirk, of Union, Iowa; and Carl Kirk, of Atlanta, Ga.; six grandchildren; one brother, Charles L. Wooten, of Lyford, Texas; and one sister, Mrs. J. Lee Norman, of East Bend; one half sister, Mrs. J. Frank Hendricks and one half brother, T. A. Banzant both of Mocksville.

Pallbearers were C. G. Hobson, A. E. Harroll, Bob Joyner, R. E. Smitherman, Walter Tomlinson and J. W. Matthews.

take the place of the one he didn't have when they married. Their friends hope this good couple will live to enjoy many more anniversaries. Both enjoy splendid health at present.

AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM HAS NEW CLAUSES

Minimum Payment in Conservation Program Is Increased

PROGRAM IS DISCUSSED

Two new clauses have been added to the 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program which makes it possible for any farm owner in North Carolina to earn a minimum payment of \$50.00, according to the County Agent's office here.

First: Any farm on which a maximum payment to earn is less than \$20.00, it is automatically increased to \$20.00. It will be necessary that he perform enough practices to earn this additional payment.

Second: Any farm owner can also earn in addition to his cotton, tobacco, wheat and soil building payment a payment of \$30.00 for planting trees on four acres of eroded cropland. It is not necessary to plant four acres to receive any payment but a payment of \$7.50 per acre will be made up to four acres planted.

It is recommended that around 1200 tree seedlings be set per acre. These seedlings can be secured from the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development through the County Agent's office at \$2.00 per thousand delivered for the following species: Loblolly Pine, Long Leaf Pine, Short Leaf Pine, Black Locust, Yellow Poplar, and Red Cedar. Black Walnut seedlings can be secured at \$10.00 per thousand delivered and White Pine seedlings at \$3.00 per thousand delivered. This will allow the farmer a payment of \$5.10 to meet the cost of necessary labor in setting the trees, which will start growing into additional income for the farm. The Department will not fill any orders for less than one hundred of any one species.

The above seedlings are furnished only to be used as forest plantings and erosion control. They cannot be used for ornamental planting and must not be resold.

Orders for seedlings should be placed as early as possible as they will be filled in order of receipt until the supply is demolishing. All orders must be placed by February 25, 1940.

Application blanks for nursery stock can be secured at the County Agent's Office in Yadkinville.

"Forest plantings will be a monument to your work. Let's build now." This is a statement of R. W. Graeber, State College Extension Forester.

A number of idle acres of land in Yadkin County which is not bringing in any income can be set in forest trees that will bring in additional income to the farmer and also stop soil erosion on these plots.

The Pot Grows Larger

The Yadkinville theatre offers \$60.00 as the main attraction this week for its "money night," held on Thursdays.

Starting three weeks ago, the prize of \$20.00 has carried over each week when persons whose names were drawn failed to appear at the drawing.

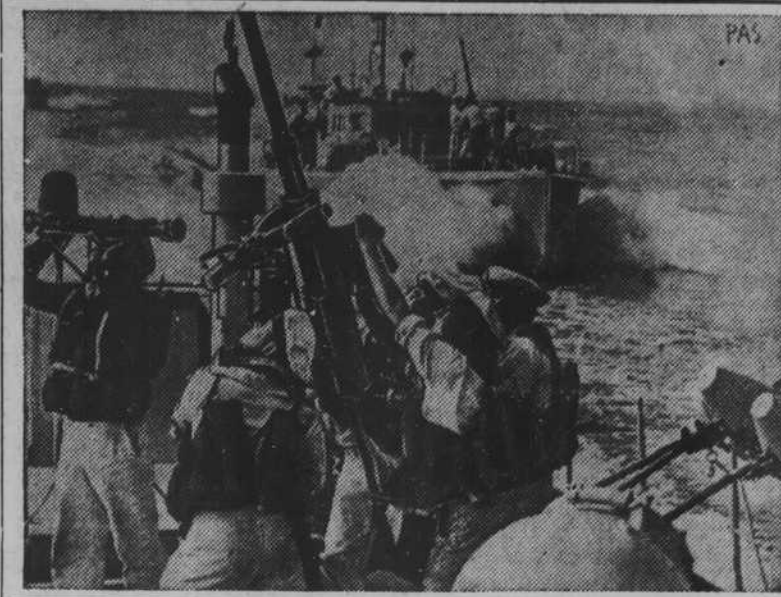
Yadkin Ladies to See Brother's Four White Horses Lead Famous Rose Bowl Parade New Year's

Mrs. Hiram Taylor, of Enon, East Bend, Route 2, and her sister, Mrs. C. E. Kelly, native of Yadkin, now of Winston-Salem, will witness an eye-fel on New Year's day when they see four of their brother's fine white horses lead the great Pasadena (Calif.) Rose Bowl Parade in the Tournament of Roses which precedes the football classic of the year between Southern California and the University of Tennessee.

Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Kelly are daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sid Matthews, well known man of another generation who

Red Forces Lose 4,000 Men As Finns Force Retreat Of Fifty Miles In Cold Northern Areas

GERMANS PRACTICE Sailors aboard clearing boats of the German fleet are shown practicing with their anti-aircraft guns. These vessels resemble the famed mosquito boats of the British navy. Photo passed by the German censor.



FALLING TREE KILLS HUNTER

C. J. Vestal, of Courtney, Slips and Falls While Running Out of Way

WAS HUNTING OPOSSUM

C. J. Vestal, of Courtney, was instantly killed Saturday morning two miles east of Boonville, when a tree fell on him as he was running from it. He slipped and fell and was unable to get up in time to avoid being hit.

Vestal, accompanied by his brother-in-law, Robert Durham, and a brother, Johnnie Vestal, were hunting opossums. An opossum climbed a tree and they were cutting the tree to catch it. The tree fell across his body, breaking his neck and back, killing him instantly.

Vestal was born in Yadkin county, a son of William and Wilma Collins Vestal. He was connected with J. H. Craver & Son, handle makers, at Courtney.

He was married in 1930 to Miss Gladys Carter of Winston-Salem. He is survived by his widow and mother; four brothers, Edgar and Robbie Vestal of Winston-Salem; Albert Vestal of Jonesville; six sisters, Mrs. Grady Durham of High Point; Mrs. Collie Durham of High Point; Mrs. John Collins, and Mrs. Ila Wall of Winston-Salem; Misses Della and Pearl Vestal, of Boonville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at Courtney Baptist church, in charge of Rev. R. L. West, the pastor. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Main Objection

Blonde (anxiously)—And what is your main objection to embarking on the sea of matrimony?

Bachelor—The squalls.

Rev. J. P. Davis Likes New Work; Also His Ripple

The following letter has been received from Rev. J. P. Davis, former pastor of Boonville, Jonesville Baptist churches, but now located at Leaksville, N. C.

"Find inclosed \$1.00 for the Ripple, and change my address to Leaksville, N. C. I am liking my new work fine.

With best wishes to you and hoping that you will have a pleasant Christmas season, I am,

Sincerely,
REV. J. P. DAVIS

EAST BEND

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hobson of Richmond Hill, were the guests of Mrs. Roscoe Kirkman, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Todd and family visited relatives in Yadkinville this week.

Mrs. J. G. Huff and daughter, Miss Laura Huff, and Gates Huff of Sanford, were the guests of Mr. Charles Huff this week.

Mr. Carl Kirk of Atlanta, Ga., came here to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Jennie Kirk. Mrs. Kirk was buried Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Martin are spending a few days with Mr. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Martin. Mr. Martin holds a position with the United States government in the western part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindon Williams and children of Maryville, Tenn., are spending the holidays with Mr. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pearson Williams.

Mr. Hale Tomlinson and son, Ralph, of Morehead, Kentucky, are guests of Mrs. Will Tomlinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smitherman and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smitherman of Winston-Salem, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Smitherman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Nicholson and daughter, of Jamestown, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Webster and family of Winston-Salem; Mr. John Nicholson of Walnut Cove, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nicholson and little son of Lumberton, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Nicholson Monday.

Miss Kate Nicholson will leave January 2 for George Peabody College at Nashville, Tennessee, where she will take a special course in public health work. Miss Nicholson is a registered nurse. She was formerly rural nurse for the Northern half of Stokes county, but for the past 15

Good Driver

She (cooly)—Can you drive with one hand?

He (expectantly)—You bet I can.

She—Then have an apple.

COUNTER DRIVE IS EXPECTED AS TROOPS ARRIVE

Best Men Rushed into Campaign for New Attack

FINNS HARRY RETREAT

Make Repeated Surprise Attacks as Russians Withdraw in Confusion

SUPPLIES ARE RUSHED

Copenhagen, Dec. 27—(Wednesday)—The Russians have been forced to retreat upward of 50 miles in some places in northern Finland, and are estimated to have lost 4,000 men in fighting in the extreme north in the last three days, dispatches from Finnish army headquarters said today.

The Russians were reported preparing to counterattack in the north, however, with some of their best troops, among them veterans of the Polish campaign.

General Wallenius, commander of the Finnish northern forces, was quoted as saying he expected the red army drive to come in the vicinity of Salla, near Finland's "waistline," and said his information indicated the Russians had massed 300,000 men on the eastern front from Lake Ladoga in the south to the Arctic ocean.

(Oslo dispatches said Norwegian observers near the frontier of the Finnish Lapland had noticed large quantities of Russian war materials arriving and that a new Russian offensive was expected from Hovengarvi, 60 miles south of the Arctic, despite widespread blizzards and sub-zero temperatures.)

At Finnish headquarters it was estimated 4,000 Russians lost their lives in the last three days as they completed their hurried retreat from the southernmost point of their advance, 80 miles south of the ocean.

The Finns had made ceaseless attacks on the retreating Russians in this far northern sector, it was reported, and subjected them to many surprise attacks.

Finnish headquarters believed the Russian withdrawal there was about over, however, and that the time had come to expect a counterassault with fresh men and materials hurried northward to cope with the unexpected resistance despite severe weather in the bleak country.

Claude A. Houck Dies in Winston

Claude A. Houck, 52, well known in this section, died at a Winston-Salem hospital Tuesday afternoon after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Houck was well known here, he having married Miss Lucy Hamlin, daughter of the late Frank Hamlin, once Yadkin sheriff, and sister of Mrs. John D. Holcomb, of Yadkinville. For 24 years he was station agent at Rockford and since then at Clemons.

He was a son of Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Houck, of Ashe county. Survivors include the widow, who is now assistant to the pastor of Winston Methodist church, Winston-Salem, one daughter, four sons and two brothers, and the parents.

The burial will be at Baldwin, Ashe county, Thursday afternoon, with Rev. G. Ray Jordan and Rev. H. D. Jessup in charge.

BIRTHS

The following births are announced: To Mr. and Mrs. John McKnight, a boy, Dec. 22; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Chipman, a boy, Dec. 12; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Steelman, a daughter, Dec. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Nance, a daughter, Dec. 19; Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Miller, a boy, Dec. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hobson, a daughter, Dec. 15.