



Judge Clears The Way For Kimes Extradition

Fruent C. Kimes, George A. Garner Charged Here In Death Of Lawson

A Mississippi judge Thursday cleared the way for trial here in May of two men charged with causing the death of a Madison County storekeeper during a \$40,000 holdup in 1955.

The two are George A. Garner, 40, of Cairo, Ill., and Fruent C. Kimes, 38, of Blytheville, Ark. A third man, Charles P. (Rocky) Rothschild, former Cairo policeman, also is charged in the case but is serving a long robbery term in South Carolina and faces a life term in Georgia for murder. He probably will not be tried here, although he may be a witness.

Garner recently was returned to Marshall and is held without privilege of bond on charges of murder, burglary and armed robbery.

In Aberdeen, Miss., Thursday, Circuit Judge Raymond Jarvis denied Kimes a writ which would have freed him while he fought extradition to North Carolina.

The judge denied the writ of habeas corpus after hearing testimony from four North Carolina men linking him with the robbery of Carson Lawson, 63-year-old merchant here. Lawson, a victim of heart disease, died of a heart attack while his hands were bound during the robbery.

Mississippi's Gov. Ross Barnett ordered Kimes extradited, and Kimes had sought release on a habeas corpus writ.

Kimes was recently released from federal prison where he was serving a sentence for bank robbery at Aberdeen, Miss. He had been held in Aberdeen jail when a technicality reversed his conviction for bank robbery and a new trial was ordered by U. S. District Judge Claude Clayton.

Rather than prosecute again, the U.S. attorney dropped the bank robbery charges and North Carolina filed warrants asking that he

DRIVE WITH CARE THIS WEEK-END

The N. C. State Motor Club estimates that at least 15 persons will die in traffic accidents on N. C. highways during the Easter week-end.

Highway fatalities for the holiday period will be counted from 6 p. m., Friday through midnight Monday. The state's Easter toll last year added up to 12 killed and 335 injured in 594 accidents.

Of the 619 driver violations reported, the leading causes of accidents were speeding, failure to yield right of way, following too closely, driving under the influence of alcohol and driving on the wrong side of the road other than in passing.

North Carolina's highway deaths for the first three months of this year are running neck to neck with the pace set in 1960, when the traffic toll reached 1,220, second highest on record. It was exceeded only in 1941, when 1,289 persons were killed.

Thomas B. Watkins, president of the motor club, urged drivers to heed the rules of the road and exercise courtesy and caution in an all-out effort of cooperation in Gov. Sanford's new highway safety program to reduce the state's highway slaughter by at least 100 victims this year.

ALL COURTHOUSE OFFICES TO BE CLOSED MON.

It was announced this week that all offices in the Courthouse will be closed Monday to observe Easter. Other offices to be closed are the Welfare Department and the Madison County Health Department.

ATTORNEYS GAIN CONTINUANCE IN LIBEL SUITS

Superior Court Judge W. K. McLean Monday continued three libel suits against William E. Cobb, State Republican Chairman, until the June 28 civil term of Madison County Superior Court.

Suits of \$300,000 each against Cobb were filed by Zeno H. Ponder, Democratic registrar of Marshall precinct, and Frank E. Rummion, Republican, and Oren Rice, Democratic, judges in the same precinct. The suits are based on charges made by Cobb after Madison County votes were counted in a 1959 statewide bond election.

The suits were continued at the request of defense attorneys who said key witnesses were not able to attend this term of court.

ASC OFFICIAL URGES MORE FARM STORAGE

Don't be caught short of storage for your grain! "If you come into the harvest season without sufficient storage, you'll just as surely come out without sufficient cash return for your crop," says A. P. Hassell Jr., State Administrative officer for ASC.

Every time we examine the situation on grain in the state we realize the great need for additional farm storage. Hassell reports that even with available assistance from the Department of Agriculture and Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee made possible by newly elected feed grain legislation, the Nation's grain farmers must be prepared this year to store a good portion of their grain at harvest time.

Hassell concluded by reminding farmers that, in order for price supports to be fully effective, acceptable storage must be available — either on the farm or in nearby commercial facilities. He urged that farmers check immediately into their own storage situation and take necessary steps before it is too late.

JERRY ANDERSON IS PROMOTED

Jerry Anderson, editor of the *Carolina Farmer* from 1952-56, has been promoted to Special Assistant to the general manager of National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

Anderson left a post as director of NRECA's *Minuteman* program to assume his new duties directly under Clyde Ellis, national spokesman for the nation's 1,000 rural electric cooperatives.

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OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED BY OES HERE WED.

Miss Aldeen Waldrup is Worthy Matron; Large Crowd Attends

Miss Aldeen Waldrup was installed as worthy matron of Marshall Chapter No. 35, Order of the Eastern Star, at open installation ceremony Wednesday night in the Masonic Temple. Other officers installed were Clyde H. McClure, worthy patron; Mrs. Vaughn Lee Faulner, associate matron; Jack Othrie, associate patron; Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts, secretary; Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Sprinkle, treasurer; Mrs. Gwendolyn Peterson, associate conductor; F. Ray Folsby, chaplain; Mrs. Elba Metcalf, marshal; Mrs. Maude Eads, organist; Mrs. Loretta Robinson, Adah; Miss Ruth

Marshall Lions Club Agrees To Sponsor County Eye Clinic

Await Decision Of Hot Springs Lions To Cooperate

The Marshall Lions Club Monday night endorsed a plan to establish an eye clinic in the new health center here.

Outline of the proposed clinic was explained by Arnold J. Hyde of Asheville, field representative for the Blind, Mrs. Elba Keszney, medical worker with the commission, Mrs. Frances Ramsey, Madison County Superintendent of Public Welfare, and Miss Garnette Hutchins, County Health Nurse.

The clinic, to be known as Madison County Lions Eye Clinic, will operate with the commission furnishing a medical worker, a technician and an eye physician. The commission will also pay for hospitalization in all certified operations.

The welfare department will certify persons needing operations on the basis of need. The health department will screen all school children and set up appointments. Funds from the Lions Club, White Cane Drive and School Health fund will be used to buy glasses.

Hyde will lead a committee from the Marshall Lions Club which will attend a meeting of the Hot Springs Lions in the near future.

Working on its own last year the commission examined 400 persons, fitted 300 pairs of glasses and sponsored 18 operations.

Lion President, Delmar Payne, presided with 50 members and four visitors present.

FEED GRAIN PROGRAM OPEN YET TO FARMERS

The 1961 Feed Grain Program which the Congress and the President approved last week is yet open to farmers who wish to participate.

The first step which interested farmers must take in order to be eligible to take part in the program is to file a Feed Grain acreage report with the ASC office. According to Ralph W. Ramsey, ASC office manager, this acreage report is a report on the grain acreage and other land uses for the years of 1959 and 1960, which will be used in establishing the grain base on the farms which do file the report. Farmers filing

1861 Confederate Bill Shown Here

One of the oldest bills ever seen here was shown last Saturday by Byard Ray, of Marshall RFD 3.

It was a Confederate \$5 bill, dated February 17, 1861. Mr. Ray told this newspaper that it originally belonged to Mrs. Olan Ray, his daughter, Betty Ray was the second owner. She passed it on to her son, Robert Newton Sr., and he has given it to his son-in-law, Byard Ray.

Wonder if anyone has an older bill than this in Madison County?

After 23 Years:

Murder Of Asheville Man May Be Nearing Solution

4-H MEMBERS GET 100 PULLETS ON POULTRY CHAIN

Ten 4-H Club members in Madison County received 100 Parmenter Sex Link pullets on the 4-H Poultry Chain, March 24.

Farmers Federation has sponsored the Poultry Chain in Madison County since it started several years ago. Each year the sponsor has awarded prize money to each member on the chain at the time of the show and sale. A 25-pound bag of starter and grower ration is also furnished each member by the Farmers Federation.

Members on the chain this year are as follows: Jackie Holt, R-5, Marshall; Joan Johnson, Walnut; Jimmy Gossell, R-5, Marshall; Roger Rice, R-4, Marshall; Elton Shelton, R-3, Marshall; Richard Johnson, Hot Springs; Larry Plemmons, R-1, Hot Springs; J. O. Duck, R-2, Mars Hill; Oliver

EASTER SEALS CAMPAIGN ON

The 1961 Easter Seal campaign between all good citizens. Helping crippled children is one of the more rewarding things we can do in our efforts to help our fellowman.

In most states a volunteer organization enthusiastically conducts the Easter Seal sale each

TROUT SEASON TO OPEN SATURDAY, APRIL 1, - 7 A.M.

Mr. Raymond Ramsey, Madison County Game Warden, announced this week that the Trout Season would officially open Saturday morning, April 1, at 7:00 o'clock. After the opening day, fishing in our county streams will be open for around-the-clock fishing.

Raymond says that about 9,000 trout have been stocked so far in our county waters, with the prospect being that stocking will take place every three weeks during the season. Rainbow trout up to five pounds in weight have already been put in our mountain streams, Ramsey said.

MHC OFFERS SIX MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Six music scholarships, three each for freshmen and sophomores, will be offered for the first time this fall by Mars Hill College, Dr. Robert E. Hopkins, head of the music department, has announced.

The awards will pay all applied music fees at the Baptist junior college. This could vary from \$160 to \$235 per year depending upon the applied music courses which the scholarship holder

TOWN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 2

The mayor and board of aldermen officially set up machinery for the town election which will be held here on Tuesday, May 2. Weather permitting, the voting will be held on the lower floor of the City Hall, it was announced this week.

Grover Ponder was appointed registrar and Iverson Bradley and Liston B. Ramsey, judges.

It was announced that those wishing to file for office, which includes a mayor and three aldermen, may do so from now until April 15, which is the deadline for filing.

LARRY McELROY ADMITTED TO N. C. BAR MONDAY

Larry McElroy, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. McElroy, of Marshall, was admitted to the North Carolina Bar at the session of court here on Monday. The oath was administered by Joseph Huff, Marshall attorney, before Judge W. K. McLean.

McElroy was graduated from Marshall High School in 1952, and from the University of North Carolina Law School in 1959. At present, he is in the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Stewart, Georgia.

Sheriff Ponder And SBI Agent On Case Since 1953; First Break Saturday

On Jan. 24, 1938, the body of Charles Augustus Werhan, 26-year-old Asheville salesman, was discovered beside Walnut Creek Road some four miles north of here by Otto Reese, who lives in that section.

A shotgun wound was found in the left chest of the victim, but the gun and all other clues were missing. No motive for the slaying was established either.

The same day a wrecked car was found on U.S. 26-70 near the Madison-Buncombe county line. The car, Werhan's automobile in which he had been seen in Asheville the night before, was located by Willard Werhan, brother of the dead man, on his way to Madison County with a Buncombe deputy sheriff to identify the body.

Madison County Sheriff E. Y. Ponder said here this week that he and SBI agent Claude Davis have been digging into the background of the slaying since 1953 and Saturday got the first break on the case.

A man identified as Ezekiel Penland, formerly of 220 Broadway, Asheville, called a newspaper in Philadelphia, Pa., last Saturday and stated that he had murdered a man in Madison County in 1938, Ponder reported.

The newspaper immediately notified a sergeant on the Philadelphia homicide squad who arrested Penland, who has been working in that city, the sheriff said. Penland was arraigned before a judge in Philadelphia and reported that the murder took place in the following manner, according to Ponder:

Penland and Werhan had been

Firemen's Auxiliary Organized Here Last Friday Night

CON. WHITENER MET WITH PRES. ABOUT TEXTILES

Washington, D. C. — The special Textile Committee, composed of members of the United States House of Representatives under the chairmanship of Carl Vinson (D-Ga.), met with the Cabinet Textile Study Committee and with President John F. Kennedy at the White House on Monday.

Congressman Basil L. Whitener of the 11th District is the North Carolina member of the special committee.

At the morning meeting held in the office of the Secretary of Commerce Luther Hodges and committee members, each voiced their desire for immediate relief from foreign imports of textile products. This plea was made to Secretary Hodges and to the

Firemen's Meeting Is Postponed Here

Allen Duckett, Marshall fire chief, announced this week that the meeting of firemen, scheduled for Friday night, has been postponed until next week (Friday night, April 7). Due to pro-tem services at the Methodist Church and the arrival of the Baptist



THE OPERATION of a modern electric meat slicing machine fascinated Dr. Tram Khan, Cambodian public health official, on a visit to the kitchen at Mars Hill College. Mary Elizabeth Kenyon, college dietician, demonstrated the machine to Dr. Khan. Dr. Khan will be in Buncombe County for the next two weeks studying public health. He was in Madison County last week, and will be in this county Friday to observe the TB X-Ray Clinic at the Health Center.

Cambodian Public Health Official Visits Madison County

Fascinated By An Electric Meat Slicing Machine In MHC Kitchen

Public health and sanitation in Madison and Buncombe counties is currently undergoing the careful inspection of Dr. Tram Khan, deputy director of public health for the Department of Health of Cambodia. Dr. Khan began a two-month inspection and study here in the

United States last week with a look at the public health program in Madison County.

For the next two weeks he will study various aspects of the public health program in Buncombe before journeying to Louisiana. His tour is being financed by a grant from the International Cooperation Administration.

Guardian of health for five million people in his position, which

Officers Are Elected; Next Meeting To Be On April 11

Wives of members of Marshall's Volunteer Fire Department met in the Fellowship Hall of the Presbyterian Church Friday evening, March 24, 1961 and organized an Auxiliary. 13 firemen's wives were present in addition to seven members of the Weaverville Auxiliary. The ladies from Weaverville helped in the organization by reading the history and by laws of their organization and telling of the various activities and projects.

Fire Chief Allen Duckett presided at the opening and Mrs. Howard Reese, of Weaverville, gave the invocation.

Following the business session, refreshments were served by fireman Allen Duckett, Jim Stoty, James and Joe Penland and Robert Davis.

Officers elected for the Marshall Auxiliary are as follows: Mrs. Allen Duckett, president; Mrs. Clyde M. Roberts, vice president; Mrs. Edward Reese, secretary; Mrs. Gladys Cross, treasurer; Mrs. Olan Ray, reporter; and Mrs. Vera Shuman, chaplain. Those attending from Weaverville were Beulah Marshall West, Howard Reese, Jim West Jr., James Stoty, Carl Roberts, Clyde Stoty and the Davises.

These activities