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## Our New Court Officials

On Tuesday of this week, the 20th judicial district set a new judge, a new solicitor, and refired an active judge to special court as-

The theyear record of Judge Felix E. Alley stands for itself, as he has made a name for hand eit and district while on the bench. He deserves the retirement which he asks, and while he will not stop work, we expect to see some more of his writings which have already become popular throughout the area.

June e Dan K. Moore, our former solicitor, and not hoor from Jackson county, is destimed to make an outstanding record for himself as judge. He is a man of many qualifications, and a person well fitted for the judgeship. His experience as a lawyer, as solicitor. civic leader, legislator, and churchman, gives him a good start towards success. He is a determined young man, known for fairness. keen intelligence and deliberativeness.

The new solicitor of this district. Baxter C. Jones, of Bryson City, knows Western North Cambina. He knows the people, their good and whater or bad traits there might be. He is a hard fighting lawyer, and a prosecutor who will seek punishment where it is due.

# Tax Sleuths Worth Their Hire

The Bureau of Internal Revenue has recently made a number of income tax studies that cover various businesses and professions. The Bureau has discovered, among other things, that some East Coast commercial fishermen have been manipulating their books and that many physicians and farmers, by keeping no books at all, have "forgotten" some of their income.

The Bureau now knows of several new schemes that are being used in the evasion of taxes. It is seeking to learn of others. The general knowledge thus developed should be of assistance in checking individual returns.

The fact is that persons whose income derives from sources other than payrolls often can, if they wish, fail to report all their income with little danger that the fraud will be discovered by a routine cheek. It requires a more detailed study than is routinely given to uncover such evasions.

The present campaign to learn the various patterns of such efforts is a good move. After that, results will depend on how many examiners there are to check returns. If the number is inadequate, the chance that a taxpayer can cheat the government for long will be lessened.

For that reason, the recent congressional cut in the appropriations for the bureau was highly doubtful economy. Since it is known that a properly trained bureau agent will earn for the Treasury many times his annual pay, there has been no saving here. There has been a loss.

When men are being regularly caught in their efforts to evade, fewer men feel tempted. Even some of those who thought they might "get by with it" have a change of heart and ask to make amended returns. The total gain for the Treasury can run into hundreds of millions.-The Milwaukee Journal.

We hope the current drop in commodity prices will be deep enough to head off some of the contemplated strikes in some major industries.

## A Good Program

Beginning Sunday, the Exchange Club of Canton will sponsor "Crime Prevention Week" in Haywood, while other clubs of the national organization carry on a similar program throughout the country.

The program is designed for young people. and will be presented to high school students throughout the county. Speakers will discuss the folly of crime, and law enforcement officers will hold open house to show the students just what the inside of jails and police stations look like. Officers will answer questions and take pains to explain their part in curbing crime.

The sponsors of this program are approaching it from an educational standpoint, and carrying the facts direct to young people for their consideration.

It is hard to tell just how much can be accomplished by such campaigns, but it is well to keep the public informed as to the cost of crime, and the ultimate result for those who persist in participating.

The officers of the Exchange Club and their national co-workers have started a fine program, and one which the entire county should enter and carry on to the final degree.

## Why Is Fuel Oil Short?

Will that oil in the tank hold out until the tank truck comes again? Which will win in tion of fuel oil reserves or the "rustle of .- Bits Of Human Interest News Picked Up By Membersspring"3 For some millions of people anxiety prompts another question; Why is fuel oil so short this winter?

The situation when stated in general terms the pet superstition have to a secret- mail is not hard to understand. Petroleum pro- rousciousness duction is at an all-time high. But consump- Every day a new one appears on tion is even higher. A month ago it was esti- the surface mated that the demand for fuel oil would run have been handed down through 3.3 per cent ahead of supply until the end of the ancestry. It a per on line it to the heating season. That means dipping into keep asteer at all the reache that reserve stocks at the rate of almost 7,000,000 hear, they would be a to stop themselve in rotton to and gallons per day. These reserves are distrib- store themselve in a uted all the way from big refinery tank to keep from common or "farms" to the small dealer's retired tank car. aster And that remains a set of the small dealer's retired tank car.

Some storage nearest the consumer is pret-token that have a telling ty slim. A process of progressive depletion a run of rood line. slices safety margins almost to zero. The mar-dollar bilt on the observe on gin in transportation is also thin. Tank car production, although increasing, has not caught up with the need. Too many tankers, Navy and others, were laid up, and it takes weeks to condition them for service.

In such a situation any interruption in the flow from well to consumer-whether by strikes, bad weather, or inability to shift CAN KICK BACK, G.O.P. short transportation around quickly-can cut FOUND IN 1884 down that slender margin into a frigid famine. Interruptions from all these causes have occurred. They have aggravated shortages reasons political beadquarters of Blaine, The Continental Liar from basically created by increased deman!

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## Anything For Attention

During a court trial in Mount Airy the other day, a woman on the witness stand offered to drink a half pint of liquor to prove to the court that it took more than that to

The woman was the principal witness in a case where two men faced serious charges. There's no telling to what extremes some

people will go for notoriety. Hardly ever see rabbit hunters out in deep

snow like Tuesday morning any more-guess

there's plenty of meat without the lowly What became of the rumors that Joe Stalin was dead or desperately ill? Unreliable like

most rumors, we suppose. The ABC stores in Asheville are certainly doing an enormous business-better than

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# Rambling 'Round

-Of The Mountaineer Staff-

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By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

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