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ELKIN, N. C., THURSDAY

TODAY IS LAST DAY OF GRACE FOR 1931 AUTOMOBILE PLATES

Patrolman Lentz Says License Laws Will Be Enforced

NO TIME EXTENSION

No extension of time will be given after January 1 in which to buy 1932 automobile license tags and the law which says that all machines must be equipped with the new plates will be strictly enforced, it was learned Tuesday from Patrolman W. B. Lentz.

Those who disregard the law and insist upon operating their machines without the new tags will be subject to a fine, it was said, in addition to being made to store their cars.

Chief of Police W. G. Church said Tuesday that motorists of Elkin will also be required to equip with city tags by January 1 and, if they fail to do so after a warning, would be subject to a fine. J. G. Chipman, city tax collector, announced earlier that city tags must be secured and that the law was to be enforced to the word.

A tabulation made Tuesday disclosed that 55,502 licenses for 1932 had been issued by the Raleigh bureau and branch offices since the tags first went on sale December 15. This is an increase of 2,100 registrations to the same date in 1930.

Despite this fact, however, sale of the tags is lagging 386,000 behind the total registration for 1931. There were 442,300 automobiles registered in this state during 1931, the motor vehicle bureau reported.

ELKIN PEOPLE ARE IN SERIOUS WRECK

Hospital Claims Three As Cars Crash Together Head On

S. A. Foster, of Elkin, narrowly escaped injury and possible death, and three other persons were put in hospitals December 23 as the result of a collision between the coach driven by Foster and a coupe driven by a Mr. Daniels, of Jennings, at Turnersburg, on highway 26, between Elkin and Statesville.

As a result of the collision, which was head-on, Roger Pruitt, Elkin youth who was in the Foster car, was taken to Hugh Chatham hospital suffering from a fractured knee, a Charlotte boy who had been given a lift by Mr. Foster, was taken to Statesville hospital seriously injured and Charlie Crouse, 8-year-old foster son of Mr. Foster, is suffering from painful bruises and lacerations. Mr. Foster, although pinned beneath the machine, was practically unharmed.

The coupe driven by Mr. Daniels was occupied by his 10-year-old daughter, who sustained a fractured skull, and another little girl who sustained cuts and bruises.

The accident was attributed to a misunderstanding on the part of the operators of the machines. Foster is said to have raised his hand to wave to a friend in front of a store in Turnersburg, an act which the driver of the other machine interpreted as a signal for a turn.

S. M. ARNOLD HURT IN MOTOR ACCIDENT

Car Collides With That of E. S. Hendren, Surry Superintendent of Public Instruction

A collision between the automobiles of S. M. Arnold, prominent Elkin man, and E. S. Hendren, superintendent of public instruction, Monday night resulted in painful bruises and lacerations for Mr. Arnold and slight injuries for Mr. Hendren. The accident occurred near Fairview on the Elkin-Mount Airy highway.

The two machines were said to have crashed together on a curve, the impact turning the Hendren car over on its side and dragging it a considerable distance.

A party from Charlotte, arriving at the scene a few minutes after the wreck, immediately carried Mr. Arnold to the Hugh Chatham hospital here. Mr. Hendren was carried to his home.

Mrs. Mattie McDaniel and daughter Miss Agnes, of Winston-Salem, are the guests this week of Mrs. Sallie E. Marshall and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander at their home on Surry Avenue.

Cross Arm Company Will Begin Operation After January First

Last Photo



Jack (Legs) Diamond, notorious New York bootlegger and gangster, was slain a few hours after a Troy jury had freed him on kidnapping charges. This photograph was taken the day before he was shot.

HOLD WILKES YOUTH ON SERIOUS CHARGE

In Jail At Wilkesboro In Default Of Large Bond

Willard Brown, of the Sheppard's Cross Roads section of Wilkes county, is facing three serious charges following his arrest Sunday by Deputy Sheriff W. B. Hall. Charged with house-breaking, two instances of larceny, and destroying United States mail boxes, the young man is being held in jail at Wilkesboro in default of bond.

Due to the illness of Squire Durham, a preliminary hearing cannot be held until the magistrate is able to officiate. It is expected that Brown will have to face federal authorities as to the destroying mail box charge.

FARMER SUSTAINS FRACTURED SKULL

A. B. Key Fighting For Life In Hospital Here After Accident

A. B. Key, a farmer of the Rusk community was hovering between life and death in Hugh Chatham hospital late yesterday afternoon as the result of a badly fractured skull sustained when a large rock, accidentally knocked into the well where he was working, struck him on the head. Surgeons at the hospital were preparing to operate in an effort to save his life as The Tribune went to press.

Although details of the accident are meagre, it is thought that Mr. Key was being drawn up out of the well by his son, A. M. Key, and daughter-in-law, when the son accidentally kicked the huge boulder in.

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ROGUE TAKES AUTO BUT ABANDONS IT

Machine Belonging To F. A. Lineberry Found Parked In Jonesville After Search

An automobile belonging to Fred Lineberry, local man, was stolen here Tuesday night week by an unknown party, but was later recovered in Jonesville where it had been abandoned.

The car, which had been parked in the vicinity of McNeer's warehouse on Main street, was first missed during a search made by Patrolman W. B. Lentz for two Yadkin county youths who were later arrested at their homes on a larceny charge. It was at first thought that the two boys, in an effort to escape, had taken the car, but this theory was proven false when the machine was located a short time later.

No trace of the person, or persons, who removed the car has been found.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Harris, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. John Myers, of Cincinnati, Ohio, were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harris at their home on West Main street.

TO RUN FULL TIME

Enough Orders At Hand To Run Plant For Several Months

HAS NEW MANAGER

Idle for a number of months since being placed in the hands of receivers October 26 by an order signed by Superior Court Judge John M. Oglesby, who was at that time presiding over criminal court at Dobson, the Carolina Cross Arm company is expected to resume full-time operation after January 1, it was learned Tuesday from J. H. Beeson, one of the receivers.

E. R. Wilson, of Asheville, a man who is said to have had considerable experience in the lumber business and has also been engaged in the steel and contracting business, arrived in Elkin last week and has taken over the full management of the plant.

Mr. Beeson, who was named a receiver along with P. E. Brown, of Wilkesboro, and Earl Raiford, of Asheville, stated that several orders one of them of considerable extent are now waiting fulfillment, and that several months will be required to get these orders out. It is hoped that other orders may be received and that the plant may continue to run without interruption.

When the Carolina Cross Arm Co. went into the hands of receivers, Paul Gwyn, local insurance man, was named as temporary receiver. Later the present receivers were permanently appointed. Figures re-

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VICTIM OF GUNSHOT WOUND PASSES HERE

Was Buried At State Road Tuesday Afternoon At 2 O'clock

Funeral services for Lonnie Cheek, 26, of near State Road, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from State Road Primitive Baptist church. Interment was made in the cemetery there.

Mr. Cheek died Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock in Hugh Chatham hospital here as the result of an accidental gunshot wound which he sustained Christmas day while rabbit hunting. The young man was said to have been hunting with his brother when a rabbit was jumped which ran into a hollow log. Leaning his gun against the log, Cheek was attempting to probe the rabbit from the hole when he accidentally struck his gun, which discharged. The load entered his wrist, ripping his arm all the way to the shoulder. The arm was amputated Saturday.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Effie Cheek; three small children, Willie, Marvin and Della May; his mother, Mrs. Ollie Haynes Cheek; three brothers and four sisters, Columbus, Daniel and John West Cheek, Misses Marjorie and Viola Cheek, all of near State Road, Mrs. Marion Baker and Mrs. Finney, of Jonesville. His father, the late Columbus Cheek, was suffocated by gas fumes while engaged in drilling a well about a year ago.

BABY SHOW TO BE STAGED TOMORROW

Infants Between Ages of Six Months and Two Years To Compete At McNeer's Warehouse

A baby show and carnival is to be held at McNeer's showroom Friday evening at 7:30, proceeds to go to the L. B. Abernethy Sunday school class of the Methodist church.

Babies entered must be between the ages of six months and two years and should be entered not later than Friday morning at 9 o'clock. The number of babies must not exceed 25.

Prizes will be awarded on physical condition, beauty and personality. All children will be examined by Dr. H. L. Johnson, of Hugh Chatham hospital.

Those desiring to enter babies should call Miss Grace Masten at Sydner-Spainhour department store.

Mutilated

sentence of four months to the road suspended upon payment of \$25 and the costs.

Cromey Rhodes, charged with public drunkenness, was fined \$10 and the costs and given a suspended sentence of 30 days to the roads.

NEW HEADS TO TAKE OFFICE AT BANQUET

Kiwanis Club to Change Leaders At Banquet Friday Night

New officers for the year 1932, recently elected by the Elkin Kiwanis club will be formally inducted into office Friday night during a banquet at Hotel Elkin to which wives and sweethearts of the members have been invited.

A. O. Bryan, retiring president, will be succeeded by H. P. Graham. H. F. Laffoon will be the new vice-president, succeeding L. M. Nelson, now making his home in North Wilkesboro.

J. H. Beeson, who has acted as treasurer of the club for the past six years, will again succeed himself in that capacity, while J. G. Abernethy will fill the office of district trustee.

The new directors for the coming year who will take office Friday, are W. D. Holcomb, H. T. Brown, W. E. Sparger, W. L. Sherrill, E. S. Spainhour, George E. Royall and Tom Roth.

C. G. Armfield has been re-appointed to serve as secretary for the coming year.

Details of the program have not been announced.

BURY MRS. ROBERT MARTIN SATURDAY

Well Known Jonesville Woman Died Thursday Following Week's Illness; Was 87

Funeral services for Mrs. Nancy Jane Adams Martin, who died at her home in Jonesville last Thursday morning at 9:30 following a week's illness, were conducted from the home Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, the rites being concluded at the Baptist church. Rev. D. G. Reese, Rev. J. L. Martin and Rev. Wilborn Bryant, officiated.

Honorary pallbearers were F. A. Lineberry, W. F. Reese, William and A. L. Brown, J. D. Eller and C. F. Finney. Active pallbearers were R. E. Brown, A. D. Stout, Will Weatherman, S. G. Holcomb, Dan Holcomb, and C. L. Kerley. Grandchildren of the deceased acted as floral bearers.

Mrs. Martin was 87 years of age. She was married in 1882 to Robert Martin, there being nine children born to this union. Surviving are his husband, two daughters, Mrs. Pearl Pardus and Mrs. Mollie Brown, of Jonesville; five sons, E. L. C. B., D. L., and J. E. Martin, all of Jonesville and Walter Martin, of Charleston, W. Va.; one brother, Dave Adams, and 25 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

onstrated here last week by Patrolman W. B. Lentz.

As a result of this demonstration, Eliza Evans, Sid Driver, and Thad Davis, Yadkin county youths, were taxed the costs for chicken stealing in Recorder's court here Tuesday and in addition were placed under a suspended sentence of four months to the roads each, the sentence to be suspended for a period of two years. Evans was also taxed the costs for operating a car without proper lights.

Last Tuesday night a week ago, Patrolman Lentz was busy making life miserable for those without adequate lights near the C. and S. service station on E. Main street, when a Ford, occupied by the three boys came chugging along. Having no tail light upon their ancient flivver, they were stopped by Corporal Lentz who gave an illuminating talk upon the error of their ways.

Told to drive into the filling station.

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LOCAL YOUTH TAKES LEAVE FROM ROADS

Paul Hemrick Is Arrested After Lenthy Chase Sunday

Paul Hemrick, local youth who was sentenced to six months on the roads several weeks ago by Judge Harry H. Barker, following a verdict of guilty to a larceny charge, was captured Sunday in Yadkin county after having taken a short vacation from the chain gang. His arrest was made by Deputy Sheriff H. C. Hurt, of Elkin, assisted by Jonesville Policeman Wilmoth.

Hemrick was convicted of taking a number of fountain pens from Turner Drug Company. He had been in the custody of the law but a few weeks when he made his escape last week by taking the guard unawares while he was superintending the piling of some brush along the edges of the road upon which Hemrick's gang was working.

Immediately after his arrest Sunday he was carried to jail at Dobson to complete his six months' sentence.

Friends of Mr. John Park will learn with interest that he is recovering nicely from a serious attack of peritonitis, following an operation for ruptured appendix at the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital last week.

looked, Is Associated Charities Report

So far as is known, not one deserving but needy family was overlooked here Christmas by the associated charities empty stocking fund, thanks to the generosity of many citizens of the community.

A total of 69 families were cared for, the empty stocking fund providing baskets containing groceries, fresh fruits, and toys to the families where there were children, and the same provisions, minus toys and playthings to those homes which were childless.

Members of the Elkin troop of Boy Scouts were in charge of distributing the baskets, working practically all day Wednesday to complete their task.

A toy hospital, under the direction of Miss Hazel Browne, county home demonstration agent, repaired many toys contributed by local children and turned them over to the empty stocking fund. Members of the Elkin high school acted as the toy doctors. In addition to this work, Somers and the Graham and Click five and 10 cent stores contributed many playthings which were slightly soiled or shopworn.

Appreciation is expressed by associated charity officials to everyone, including those who contributed and those who did the actual work of filling the baskets and distributing them, who had a part in putting over the Christmas charity program this year.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wiseman spent the holidays in Kinston, the guests of Mrs. Wiseman's parents, Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Wilson.

Shorted Wires Cause Of Fire Alarm Monday

A bouncing rubber ball, a short circuit and some smoke Monday evening set Elkin's fire siren going at the top of its voice and sent Elkin's fire truck speeding to the home of Walter "Radio" Burgess, on Elk Spur street.

According to Mr. Burgess, his son tossed the ball into the air where it struck a light fixture and shorted the wires, causing the insulation to burn and smoke. Mrs. Burgess attempted to telephone her husband but was unable to reach him and the telephone operator hearing the word "smoke" and "house", notified the fire department, which went post haste to the scene. There was no damage.