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LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

NOT THERE FOR VISIT

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 31.—Carrying requisition papers for Col. Luke Lea and Luke Lea, Jr., Solicitor Zeb. V. Nettles, of Asheville, N. C., arrived in Nashville tonight and planned to seek an appointment tomorrow with Gov. Hill McAlister.

Asked if he expected to take the Leas back with him to North Carolina where they were convicted of violating the state banking laws, Nettles replied:

"I wouldn't want to come over here on a visit this time of the year."

JEFFRESS NOT IN FAVOR OF CUT

Raleigh, Jan. 31.—"Gentlemen, if you want to find a chairman at \$3,800 a year for the highway commission, it will be all right with me," E. B. Jeffress, now chairman of that commission, told the house salaries and fees committee which this morning reported favorably a bill cutting highway employees' salaries on a sliding scale offered by Douglass, of Wake.

Jeffress' present salary is \$6,000 per year.

ADVISES AGAINST KILOWATT LEVY

Raleigh, Jan. 31.—The Aluminum Company of America today advised the legislature against enactment of the Moore bill to levy a one mill per kilowatt hour tax on the production of all electricity.

Such a tax, the finance committee was told, would make profitable manufacture of aluminum impossible in North Carolina.

INTRODUCE 50-HOUR WEEK BILL

Washington, Jan. 31.—An ambitious legislative attempt to spread employment by compelling all industry and business to limit working time to five six-hour days a week, was put up to the house today, but its chances of reaching a vote this session were dim.

MORE POSTMASTERS APPOINTED

Washington, Jan. 31.—North Carolina postmasters appointed today were: Clayton, Van D. Duncan; Clinton, Malcolm J. Thornton; Ellenboro, Sidney A. Padgett; Murfreesboro, Cephus Futrell; Parkton, Alfred A. McDonald; Rocky Point, David J. Lewis.

WILL SHARE SEAT AT CABINET TABLE

Warm Springs, Ga., Jan. 31.—President-elect Roosevelt will ask his running mate, the outspoken John N. Garner, of Texas, to share a seat at the cabinet table as a part of his vice-presidential office.

ITALY WILL DISCUSS DEBTS

Rome, Jan. 31.—Italy agreed today to participate in a new examination of the war debts as quickly as possible after the inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt as President of the United States March 4.

Jonesville To Play A. S. T. C. Here Feb. 8

The freshman class of Appalachian State Teachers College will play Jonesville high school here Wednesday night, February 8, at 8 o'clock. The girls' team of the Jonesville school will also play the same night, their opponents having not yet been announced.

T. H. Eidson Opens New Tin Shop Here

T. H. Eidson, formerly in charge of the tin department of Surry Hardware company, has opened a tin shop in the building formerly occupied by the Cash & Carry store on East Main street.

The tin department of Surry Hardware Co. has been discontinued.

Miss Naomi Gilliam left Monday for Knoxville, Tenn., where she will enter the Knoxville General hospital to pursue a nurse's training course.

Sun-Back Gingham



Here is a summer sun style, as worn by Helen Krakeur of New York in a pre-season view at Palm Beach. It is a blue gingham sun back beach dress with knitted white hat.

MAKE PLANS FOR COMMUNITY FAIR

Date Of Event Is To Be Announced Later In Year

Elkin Community Fair directors in session Friday made plans for the second annual exhibition to be held here in the early fall. The exact date is to be decided later in the year.

So many good reports of the first fair have come to the attention of the board that it was held to be for the best interest of the community to make it an annual event. It is planned to hold to the general idea as carried out last year and make it strictly of community interest.

It is hoped by the promoters of the fair that the citizens of this section will make plans for exhibitions and space as early as possible in order to make the second fair of greater worth to Elkin's territory.

The officers of the fair are J. R. Poindexter, president; E. S. Spainhour, vice-president; J. H. Beeson, treasurer, and C. G. Armfield, secretary. The directors in addition to the above officers are J. W. Crawford, H. F. Laffoon, H. P. Graham and Ruohs Pyron.

TWO ARE CAPTURED AT STILL SATURDAY

Federal Officers Arrest Levi Absher and John Wagoner

Levi Absher and John Wagoner, Wilkes county men, are at liberty under bond of \$300 each awaiting trail at the May term of Federal

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PERCENTAGE OF DESTITUTION IN SURRY IS 17.8

Report Shows Average Of State Stands At 20 Per Cent

YADKIN RATED LOW

Percentage of destitution in Surry county during the month of December was 16.2, as compared with an estimated percentage of 17.8 for the month of January, figures just released from the Governor's office of relief at Raleigh, show.

The percentage of the state as a whole, based on nearly 125,000 families who actually received aid during December, was approximately 20 per cent, with a number of counties showing figures higher than the state average and 10 counties having a lower rate than 10 per cent.

Figures for Yadkin county disclose that only 5.7 per cent. of its population received aid in December with an estimate of 10.5 per cent. for January. Wilkes county, with 14.2 per cent. for December, and Alleghany, with 14.5, both showed a lower percentage than Surry.

It is interesting to note from the percentage figures that the rate of destitution is in no way based upon the general economic make-up of any county. The most interesting revelation is the fact that Stanley county, ranking second from the top with only 5.5 per cent. of destitution, adjoins Anson county with the highest rate of 54 per cent for December and an estimated 70.4 per cent for January.

It is shown by the report that a dozen counties in the northwestern section of the state, largely mountainous, have the smallest percentage of destitution.

BANK ROBBERY LOSS IS NEARLY \$900.00

Thieves In Their Haste At Dobson Leave Gold Watch

Said to have been robbed of amounts ranging from \$19,000 down, the loss by the Surry County Loan and Trust company's branch bank at Dobson, which was broken into early last Thursday morning, has been set at approximately \$900, it was learned here Saturday from Sheriff John D. Thompson.

The robbery was discovered about 7 o'clock Thursday morning when Worth Folger, janitor, entered to clean up. He immediately summoned Cashier R. C. Lewellyn, who found the scene a litter of valuable papers and bank records.

It first appeared that the robbers had taken every cent of cash contained in the vaults, which was said to have been around \$10,000, but a later check disclosed a far smaller figure.

The loss did not in any way affect the operation of the bank, as it was fully covered by insurance.

Investigation of the robbery by county officials disclosed that entrance was gained by breaking the lock on the front door, after which a rear door was opened to admit men with the necessary tools. The

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Sparger Gives News and Views of General Assembly

In an interview with Senator S. Gilmer Sparger of this district, Sunday at his home in Danbury, Mr. Sparger outlined a number of his views relative to matters that have been considered by the General Assembly and matters which will be considered within the near future.

The General Assembly has been in legislative session twenty-four days and although it probably appears to the average person that nothing has been accomplished, I am of the opinion that no General Assembly in the history of the State has laid as firm a foundation upon which to base its legislation. The personnel of both Houses realize the distressed condition of the people of the State of North Carolina and are seriously and earnestly directing their efforts to the balancing of the budget. Never before has there been a group of men under the dome of the Capital more interested in the welfare and

being of the dirt farmer and the small wage earner.

A more economical operation of every unit of Government in North Carolina is foremost in the minds of every member of both legislative bodies. This fact was clearly evident on the second day of the session when Senator Larry R. Moore sent forward a joint resolution asking for the appointment of a committee to study the re-organization of State Government. As a result of this resolution, a committee was appointed composed of the brainiest men in the Senate and the House of Representatives, and after 10 days of deliberation their recommendations were reported to the two houses. Accompanying their report was the introduction of thirteen bills, the substance of which was the elimination of all non-essential Bureaus and Commissions, the consolidation of

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Held in Cannon Extortion Plot



—Courtesy Charlotte Observer

The above photograph was made of Mr. and Mrs. Odell C. Boyles shortly after they were arrested in Atlanta a few weeks ago on a charge of attempting to extort money from Joseph F. Cannon, wealthy Concord towel manufacturer. A check-up has disclosed that Boyles is the same Odell Boyles who lived in Elkin as a boy and who is remembered here by many of the older citizens.

Odell C. Boyles, Held In Cannon Extortion Plot In Atlanta, Once Lived Here

To Lead Inaugural



General John J. Pershing as Grand-Marshal will lead the Inaugural parade at Washington on March 4 when President-elect Roosevelt is inducted into office, announces Admiral Cary T. Grayson, Chairman of the Inaugural Committee.

VETERAN CITIZEN OF YADKIN PASSES

Funeral Rites Are Held From Boonville Baptist Church

Alexander Steelman, 99, Yadkin county's oldest citizen passed away Tuesday morning at his home northwest of Boonville, following a brief illness from influenza. With the passing of Mr. Steelman the ranks of the veterans of the war between the states has again been thinned.

The deceased had spent his entire life in Yadkin county with the exception of four years which he served his country in the Civil War, first with the cavalry and later with Company C. 21st North Carolina Infantry.

The deceased was twice married, first to Miss Almedia Dobbins, who passed away in 1881, and later to Miss Sarah Elvira Angell who preceded him in death in 1919. He

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WAS BUT A YOUTH

Father Was Official of Old Cook Furniture Company

IN ATLANTA JAIL

Odell C. Boyles, arrested in Atlanta, Ga., the second week in January in connection with the threatened kidnapping of the son and granddaughter of Joseph Cannon, Sr., millionaire textile magnate of Concord, is the same Odell Boyles who used to live in Elkin, and is probably remembered by many Elkin citizens, a checkup has revealed.

According to information secured by The Tribune, Boyles' father was an official of the old Cook Furniture company, which at that time occupied the present site of Hotel Elkin.

As a youngster, Boyles attended grammar school here, and a number of local citizens remember attending school with him. He was said to have left Elkin when about 14 years old.

Boyles is being held in jail at Atlanta. His wife, the former "Sudie" Zachery, of Morganton, is at liberty under \$2,500 bond. It is said after leaving Elkin Boyles lived in Winston-Salem for a while and that he has served a prison sentence prior to the latest trouble in which he is now involved.

It is expected that the federal law passed after the Lindbergh tragedy against using the mails for kidnapping threats may be used in the preparation of charges against Boyles and his wife.

The former Elkin youth and his wife are alleged to have written Mr. Cannon a letter warning him to pay them \$20,000 under threat of having his son, Joe, or his granddaughter, Ann Cannon Smith, aged two, kidnapped. In the delivery of the money according to instructions contained in the letter, Boyles and his wife were trapped by police.

Boyles was employed as a parachute rigger at Candler field, Atlanta, when arrested. He confessed his guilt, but denied that his wife was in on the plot.

KIWANIANS PROTEST FURTHER STATE CUT IN EDUCATION FUND

School Budget Has Been Slashed Enough As It Is, Is Opinion

DRAW RESOLUTIONS

A comparison of salaries of state school teachers, as compared with that of other state employees, was discussed at the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis club at Hotel Elkin Friday night by Kiwanian Walter R. Schaff, superintendent of the Elkin school.

Mr. Schaff pointed out with facts and figures that the average salary of the state school teacher is lower than other state paid salaries and entered a protest against the further cut of teacher salaries by the present legislature.

Following his talk, the club voted to draw up resolutions protesting further cuts, which was accordingly done and sent to Surry county's representatives in the General Assembly, C. H. Hanes and Gilmer Sparger. The resolution was as follows:

"THAT, whereas, realizing that education is the best insurance policy of the State and of its future citizenship, and that North Carolina's great educational program could be destroyed easily by drastic curtailment of its present educational program:

"Now, therefore, the Elkin Kiwanis club hereby resolves, THAT: "It would be false economy to legislate any curtailment on the part of public school funds, and the club requests that Surry county's representatives in the General Assembly oppose any reduction of the salaries of teachers."

It was also voted during the meeting that the club send resolutions of sympathy to the town of

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WOULD GET OUT OF ELKIN CITY LIMITS

North Elkin Citizens to Present Bill to General Assembly

Contending that they are oppressed with a tax burden beyond the limit of endurance, yet at the same time are deprived of such city conveniences as water, sewerage, etc., and see no prospects of getting same within years to come, citizens of the section of the city known as North Elkin have secured legal talent, including Attorney J. Hayden Burke, of Taylorsville, and Attorney John H. Folger, of Mount Airy to draw up a bill to be forwarded to Surry county's representatives in the General Assembly asking that they be excluded from the city limits of Elkin.

The North Elkin section was annexed to the city a number of years ago, the corporate limits having been extended to include this territory through legislative action.

GWYN RECOVERING

Burlington, Jan. 31.—The condition of Lawrence Gwyn, airplane crash victim, was reported by Rainey hospital physicians today as "fine," the most encouraging report made since his admittance a month ago with both legs shattered below the knee.

Gwyn, a brother of Allen Gwyn, of Reidsville, state senator, attracted wide notice when he refused the advice of physicians to amputate his legs. He elected to "keep his legs if it meant his life."

Weatherman Says Mr. Groundhog Probably Won't See His Shadow

In an official interview with the weatherman shortly before press time late Wednesday afternoon it was learned that chances are exceedingly good here for Mr. Groundhog to venture forth from his home early Thursday morning without any danger whatsoever of seeing his shadow.

If such is the case, then an early spring is assured, but in case the rain clouds should blow away and let the sun peep down, Mr. Groundhog will see his shadow and retire into his domicile to await the passing of six more weeks of winter.

The weather forecast for Thursday was rain.