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Postal Men State They
Are In The Dark As To
Robbery of Mail TruckDRIVER OF TRUCK
IS SUBJECTED TO
EXAMINATION HERERalph Colvard, Held For
Investigation, To Be
Released

MAIL UNTOUCHED

Following two days of investigation here of the robbery Monday of the Elkin-Sparta star route mail truck operated by Dewey T. Mathis, postal inspectors stated late Wednesday afternoon that they were no nearer to a solution of the case than when they first reached the scene.

This statement was made following a four-hour cross examination of Mathis Wednesday afternoon, and a prior questioning of Ralph Colvard, of Jonesville, Tuesday night. Colvard, who was placed in jail and held for further investigation, was to be released, Dixie Graham, local chief of police, stated just before The Tribune went to press late Wednesday afternoon.

Mathis was detained for questioning shortly after noon Wednesday. The examination by the postal men ending about 5 p. m.

The robbery, according to Mathis, occurred near Cherrylane. He claimed that three men, occupying a car equipped with Virginia license tags, held his truck up at pistol point and relieved him of a large amount of money which had been placed in his custody by McDaniel's Department Store here for deposit in the Bank of Sparta.

One of the men remained in the car, Mathis was quoted as saying, while the other two proceeded with the actual robbery. Other than the bank deposit, the amount of which has not been authoritatively stated, and Mathis' personal money, nothing else was bothered, the robbers not molesting the mail.

Switch keys of the mail truck were seized, Mathis said, and the robbers sped away toward Elkin.

Following the robbery, Mathis was said to have notified Sparta, and the sheriff of Alleghany hurried to the scene and took the mail on in to the Sparta postoffice. County officials and police of surrounding towns and counties were notified immediately to be on the lookout.

Colvard, it is understood, was with Mathis at the time of the robbery. The hold-up was staged in a densely wooded spot at the approach of a curve.

McDaniel's Department Store sustained no loss as a result of the theft, as Mathis is an agent of the bank and is bonded to protect the sum involved.

Rumors current here Wednesday to the effect that three men, answering the description of those said to have staged the hold-up, were arrested in Bristol, Va., Tuesday, were not confirmed.

GHOSTS TO RULE
HERE HALLOWE'ENMain Street Will Again
Be Roped Off Graham States

As is a yearly custom, West Main street here, from the square to Turner Drug Co., will be roped off next Thursday night for the exclusive use of festive spirits who wish to celebrate Halloween, it was learned Tuesday from Dixie Graham, chief of police.

As a usual rule, the street is blocked each year about seven o'clock in the evening and the ghosts and goblins allowed to rule supreme until about nine or nine-thirty o'clock. Traffic is detoured by way of Church and Market streets.

Chief Graham pointed out that those wishing to celebrate will be allowed full sway provided they behave in an orderly manner. However, anyone becoming disorderly, or in any other way acting in an unbecoming manner, will be faced with arrest.

Virginia Dairy Queen



RICHMOND, Va. . . . Miss Rebecca Rice of Fairfax County (above), was the queen selected to rule over the Fifth Annual Piedmont Dairy Festival and its feature pageant.

LATE NEWS
from the
State and NationBURGISS TALKS ON
LIQUOR EVIL

Winston-Salem, Oct. 22. — If half of the million church members would stop drinking and use their influence against liquor, there would be no problem of repeal or non-enforcement in North Carolina, Cale K. Burgiss, Raleigh "Dry" leader, told the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association tonight.

Mr. Burgiss spoke on "Temperance" at the East Fourth Street Baptist church to a capacity audience. He was introduced by V. H. Harrell, following his presentation of a "Report on Temperance."

PRESIDENT ON WAY
TO CHARLESTON

En Route With President Roosevelt, Oct. 22.—Finding calmer seas after a couple of rough days, President Roosevelt headed into Charleston, S. C., harbor tonight for a quiet anchorage before departing tomorrow.

His ship, the cruiser Houston, turned toward land at nine o'clock this morning and speeded up to 21 knots as the weather cleared and the high seas receded somewhat. Traveling through the gulf stream for most of the day, President Roosevelt and his party found the ride calmer.

26,000 REPORTED
KILLED TO DATE

London, Oct. 23. (Wednesday)—Twenty thousand Ethiopians and 6,000 Italians have been killed or wounded so far in the Italo-Ethiopian war, the News Chronicle's correspondent at Addis Ababa estimated today.

In addition, he said, between 200 and 300 women and children have been killed or wounded.

Two-thirds of the Italian casualties have occurred among native soldiers. Ras Siyoum's Ethiopian forces on the northern front have suffered the heaviest casualties.

WPA TO TRACK
DOWN GRAFTERS

Washington, Oct. 22.—WPA set out today with a squad of its own sleuths—known here as "W-Men"—in an effort to track down work-relief grafters.

"Our job is to keep graft out of the program and we are going to do it," said Dallas Dort, head of the works-progress administration division of investigation in announcing the appointment of 50 "special field agents."

These new federal agents, working out of Washington and 13 regional offices, will operate both independently and in co-operation with other government agencies, notably the secret service.

BIDS ON 20 MILES
SCENIC HIGHWAY TO
BE OPENED TODAYEntire Stretch of Road
Is In North Carolina

TO SPEND \$4,500,000

Raleigh.—North Carolina's last trip to Washington for highway funds may have been worth \$500,000, perhaps more, for today, at Roanoke, Va., the bids for nearly 20 miles of road, all on North Carolina's end, leading into the Great Smoky Mountains park will be opened.

The recent trip of Chairman Capus M. Waynick, of the state highway and public works commission, to Washington resulted in assurance of the construction which is to be offered in bids this week. There was great rejoicing when Secretary Ickes directed the spending of about \$4,500,000 of the \$6,000,000 available in North Carolina. No park news in many a day has carried quite so much jubilation as this given out today. The North Carolina delegation in Congress did a huge turn for the state.

Chairman Waynick announced the procedure today thus:

"The bureau of public roads has advertised for bids on two new sections of the parkway in North Carolina. The bids will be opened at Roanoke, Va., October 24.

"These projects continue the parkway from the Virginia end toward Blowing Rock. The first project was let to contract and the work started on it September 19th. This project was for 12 miles from the Virginia line to North Carolina route 26. The next 7.76 miles will constitute the second project to be let October 24, and will extend from route 26 to Air Bellos Gap in Alleghany county. The third project also to be let October 24, will extend from the end of the second project a distance of 10.58 miles to route 18 in Alleghany county.

"This progress on the undertaking is directly traceable to the success of the efforts of Representative Doughton and others to have restored the parkway allocation which had been diverted to relief work before the passage of the \$4,000,000,000 bill. Secretary Ickes has directed that \$4,500,000 of the \$6,000,000 appropriation be spent in North Carolina in the furtherance of this work and these two projects are the first substantial fruits of that order."

THREE INJURED IN
BOONVILLE WRECKMiss Viola Norman Suffers
Cut Throat, Broken
Leg In Crash

Three Yadkin county people, two men and a girl, were admitted to Hugh Chatham hospital here about 11:30 Sunday night following an automobile accident at Boonville in which the last light car in which they were riding got out from under control and after careening back and forth across the highway, crashed into a house.

Joe Smitherman, of East Bend, said to be the driver, and William R. Matthews, also of East Bend, were not badly injured. Miss Viola Norman, of Boonville, sustained serious injuries, suffering a badly cut throat, a broken leg, loss of several teeth and minor cuts and bruises.

First reports here of the accident were to the effect that the wrecked car was racing with another car of similar make when the accident occurred. Later reports stated that this was not so—that the car failed to make a curve. It was traveling at such speed, however, that the house it struck was said to have been moved several inches off its foundation.

The two men have been released from the hospital.

Hayes & Speas Have
New Funeral Coach

In keeping with their policy of serving this section with the very best possible, Hayes & Speas, local funeral directors, have recently added to their equipment a new funeral coach, said to be the very newest and most modern to be obtained.

The coach is a Henney Nu-Three-Way Progress model, which loads from either side as well as from the rear. It may also be converted into an ambulance and is powered by an eight-cylinder Oldsmobile motor.

The \$20,000,000 Home of U. S. Supreme Court



WASHINGTON. . . . A view of the imposing twenty million dollar home of the United States Supreme Court, the Corinthian marble temple erected by the government to house the Justices. At its formal opening this week it was dedicated to the philosophy of equal justice under law.

YADKIN COUNTY MAN
IS KILLED BY AUTOJ. Frank Dinkins Dies In
Local Hospital After
Being Hit

Yadkinville, Oct. 22.—(Special)—J. Frank Dinkins, 55, died in the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin Thursday night from injuries sustained Wednesday night when he was allegedly run over by an automobile driven by Carl Peppers, 20. It is said that Dinkins was in the road and was struck by the car. He received internal injuries which caused his death, according to hospital attaches. The accident occurred near Holler's store, between Courtney and Huntsville, about nine o'clock Wednesday night.

Carl Peoples owner and driver of the car was accompanied by Homer Melton. They stopped to render aid to the hit man and a Mr. Sheek, of Lewisville passed by, picking up Dinkins and Melton, bringing them to Yadkinville where he was placed in an ambulance for the trip to Elkin. Melton accompanied him to the hospital. Peoples, it is said, turned around and started home, but wrecked his car before reaching home.

Peoples and Melton were arrested, charged with assault and driving intoxicated. Both were given a lengthy hearing before Magistrate I. S. Groce Tuesday afternoon and were bound over to superior court under bonds of \$1,000 each, which were furnished. Peoples has been in jail since he was first arrested.

Dinkins was born in Yadkin county, near Shacktown, and had spent his life in the county. He was married to Miss Lillie Wishon 24 years ago and they have one child, Mrs. Adeline Boggs, Yadkinville, Route 2. Besides the daughter and widow, four brothers survive, they being John, Harrison and Samuel Dinkins, of Yadkinville, and Mate Dinkins of Zeigler, Iowa. Two sisters, Mrs. Mary Bollin, of Yadkinville, and Mrs. Rachel Russell, of Hanestown.

The funeral was held Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock at Shacktown church and was in charge of Rev. James Groce. Interment was in the church cemetery.

STORM DEATH
TOLL UNCERTAIN

Havana, Oct. 22. — Restored communication lines from Eastern Cuba, hit by a tropical hurricane, tonight brought news of a death toll of from one to four and damage less extensive than had at first been feared.

The Belen Observatory reported however, that the storm still was in Oriente province, northwest of Santiago, at 7:30 p. m. Apparently it was making little or no headway.

A report, not fully confirmed, reached Santiago that three persons were drowned at Calmanera, Oriente province. One woman previously was killed at Santiago. Twenty-nine persons were reported injured.

Mr. and Mrs. George Royall, Mrs. E. C. Grier and Richard Franklin spent Monday in Raleigh, where they attended the installation services for the state officers of the American Legion and Auxiliary. Mr. Royall is commander of the thirteenth district of the state.

TEACHERS FETED BY
ELKIN KIWANIS CLUBEnjoyable Program Is
Staged By Elkin
School Faculty

Faculties of the Elkin and North Elkin schools were the guests Friday at Hotel Elkin of the Elkin Kiwanis Club. Members of the Elkin school faculty were in charge of the program.

During the course of the meeting a resolution was adopted by the club asking the state highway commission to let the contract for the road from the top of the mountain to Sparta, at once. It was pointed out that the present road is entirely inadequate and that an improved road is badly needed. In this connection H. P. Graham and Dr. R. B. Harrell, representing the club, and Alex Chatham, were nominated to go to Raleigh to use their influence to get the road completed.

The program as staged by the Elkin teachers was highly successful and enjoyed. It included several songs by a sextette composed of Miss Norma Cawthon, Miss Josephine Paul and Mesdames Fletcher Harris, Fred Harris, D. C. Martin and Mark McAdams. Miss Ola Angell accompanied at the piano.

One of the highlights of the program was an interesting talk about the schools of Japan by Miss Alice Dixon, Miss Dixon, who is widely traveled, spent several years in Japan and is thoroughly acquainted with their system of education.

In the course of her talk, she stated that at the time she was there Japan had fewer illiterates than any other nation, and that although high in education they were short on religion. School children, who attend school 10 months of the year, wear uniforms, she said. Comparing the cost of Japanese school books with American school books, the speaker pointed out that the Japanese books range in price from five to 12 cents in American money.

A number of songs were sung by the club, including two favorites of the late Will Rogers: "Old Faithful," and "At Home On the Range."

J. Mark McAdams, superintendent of the Elkin school, and R. B. Blackwelder, principal of North Elkin school, expressed appreciation on the part of the teachers for the banquet. Ed Carter, member of the Eustis, Florida, Kiwanis club, and L. S. Weaver, of the Jonesville school, were also guests of the club.

P. O. S. of A. Host To
Wives and Children

The local Camp, P. O. S. of A., was host to wives and children of members of the order here Monday night at a meeting held in the Junior Order hall on North Bridge street.

A talk of welcome was made by S. O. Maguire. Refreshments and string music were also on tap.

Player Injured

Sam Gray, a member of the local high school football squad, sustained torn ligaments in his knee on the practice field Monday afternoon. The young man is confined to his room and will probably be unable to be out for two weeks.

STATE DEPARTMENT
REJECTS PLANS FOR
SCHOOL BLDG. HEREMust Be Reorganized;
Were Approved By
PWA Officials

BOOKS AVAILABLE

John Comer, county superintendent of schools, stated Wednesday morning that he and John Franklin carried the plans for the new school building, which is to be located on Elk Spur street, to the PWA officials at Chapel Hill and that they were approved by them, but when the plans were presented to the State School Planning and Insurance department at Raleigh, they were rejected with the statement that the present plans will have to be re-organized. The county commissioners have authorized that the plans be made to comply with the above requirements.

Mr. Comer also stated that all text books for the county schools are available at his office. Books may be bought at that office, but those to be rented must be secured from the principals of the various schools.

The monthly meeting of the principals and athletic coaches of the schools was held at Dobson Wednesday night.

COURT DISPOSES OF
ONLY A FEW CASESMrs. Etta Hooker Is
Awarded Damages As
Result of Wreck

The Civil Court of Surry county which was held last week disposed of few other than the Stanley deed case, in which H. C. Stanley sought to break the deed of W. E. Stanley and wife. Approximately 300 acres of land were involved in the action, and the court saw fit to uphold the deed. The above case consumed most of the entire week.

The nature of the cases in the two weeks of court were such that new cases accumulated faster than they were being tried, and the docket was jammed more at the end of court than at the beginning.

In the suit of Mrs. Etta Hooker against W. R. Cox in which she sought damages for injuries sustained in an automobile wreck, the court granted her a judgment of \$5,000 against the defendant. He took an appeal to the supreme court.

Divorces granted were as follows: Elizabeth Gore Kelso vs. William T. Kelso; Sallie V. Kellum vs. Dave Kellum; Etta Bean vs. F. R. Bean; Kate S. Scott vs. Carliss Scott.

RUSSELL DRAUGHAN
DIES MONDAY NIGHTMulberry Community
Man Suffers Stroke
of Paralysis

Russell Draughan, 83, died at his home in the Mulberry community Monday night, following a stroke of paralysis suffered two weeks ago. The deceased was a highly respected citizen and a member of the Mulberry Baptist church.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha Jane Draughan, two daughters, Mrs. W. H. H. Walls, Elkin, and Mrs. J. T. Haynes, Yadkin county; four sons; George Draughan, Mount Airy; Joe Draughan, Yadkin county; Willie Draughan, Wilkes county, and Crawley Draughan, Salem Fork. 40 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock from Mulberry Baptist church and interment was in the church cemetery.

Royall Sworn In As
District Commander

George E. Royall, of Elkin, named as district commander of this American Legion district, which includes Winston-Salem, Mount Airy, etc., in addition to Elkin, was sworn in to office Monday at Raleigh at induction ceremonies which also saw the installation of all other state officers.

It is considered a signal honor to hold the post Mr. Royall fills, and the local post feels honored that one of its members was selected for the job.