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LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

AMERICAN MISSIONARY IS ORDERED RELEASED

Addis Ababa, Feb. 11.—A shackled American missionary and his Canadian colleague, held prisoners in the southwestern war zone by a local Ethiopian chieftan, have been ordered released, it was disclosed today.

The men are the Rev. Harold Street, of Paxton, Ill., who was imprisoned with a dog chain fastened to his legs, and the Rev. John Trewin, of Toronto, who was not shackled.

Mrs. Street and her four children were held under guard at a mission station.

MUNITIONS FIRM FOUGHT PEACE MEETING

Washington, Feb. 11.—Evidence that a great European munitions firm sought American aid in scuttling the 1925 conference for the limitation of traffic in war materials was presented today before the Senate munitions committee.

From the files of the Colt's Patent Firearms Company, the committee produced a letter from Fabrique Nationale Des Armes de Guerre, of Belgium, urging it to "get busy in the high places" and seek delay in the appointment of the American delegations.

DISEASE FOLLOWS COLD WAVE

Chicago, Feb. 11.—A new menace—disease—joined winter's cavalcade in the Midwest today.

Dr. Frank Jirka, director of the state health department, warned the cold wave had reached the "pneumonia stage" in Illinois with 435 new cases reported for the last week.

Piercing cold held sway from the Continental Divide to the Atlantic coast but sunny skies favored the prairie states.

THREE BELOW AT MOUNT AIRY

Mount Airy, Feb. 11.—The mercury sank to 3 degrees below zero at the government weather bureau here this morning, the lowest temperature experienced in Mount Airy in the past six years.

A temperature reading lower than this during the month of February has not been recorded here since the winter of 1908 when a low of 4 degrees below zero was reached.

ROOSEVELT MOVING TO CURTAIL SPENDING

Washington, Feb. 11.—An assertion by President Roosevelt that he was moving to curtail government spending today coincided with a disclosure that federal fiscal experts were contemplating a plan for a composite farm relief tax bill which, if submitted as such, would seek to raise \$900,000,000.

SURRY JAIL IS NOW COMFORTABLE PLACE

Work of Remodeling Is Practically Complete; 30 Prisoners

Repairs which were in progress on the county jail during last fall were brought to a halt by the severe cold weather, but prior to the cessation of activities, most of the work was completed, and only the painting and a few minor details are now waiting more favorable weather.

Steam heat and running water have been installed and each cell block has its own lavatory and toilet facilities, making for more convenience and safety in caring for the prisoners, as well as for more sanitary conditions. When a Tribune reporter visited the jail Wednesday morning, one of the coldest days of the year, the building was very comfortable as to warmth and the prisoners were walking about in their shirt sleeves.

Thirty prisoners are now housed in the jail, all of which are awaiting trial, except two, at the court which is to convene next week. There are nineteen white men, seven white women and four negro prisoners.

When completed the newly reconstructed jail will have shower bath and many other modern conveniences, and will be one of the best equipped jails of this section of the state.

Would Tax Childless



CHICAGO . . . Prof. F. G. Dickenson (above), of the University of Illinois faculty, is advocating that taxes to meet old-age pensions be levied on bachelors, spinsters and childless married couples.

THURMOND CHATHAM HEADS CATTLE MEN

Is Named President Of N. C. Guernsey Breeders' Assn.

Thurmond Chatham, of Winston-Salem, owner of Klondike Farm, near Elkin, was elected president of the North Carolina Guernsey Breeders' association at a meeting held at Sedgewick Inn, Greensboro, last Friday. He succeeds H. H. Osborne, of Canton.

A. L. Brown, of Concord, was named vice-president and C. L. Rackley, of Asheville, secretary and treasurer.

Attendance at the meeting was law, due to the bad weather. A considerable portion of the time was taken up with a discussion of the state Guernsey sale to be held at Salisbury, May 7. This sale is expected to attract a large number of the better breeders, it was stated.

An appropriation of \$150 was made toward the calf club work being conducted among school boys in various sections of the state.

SURRY SCHOOLS TO OPEN NEXT MONDAY

Teachers Meeting Is Postponed to February 21

It was learned Wednesday from John Comer, county superintendent of schools, that all schools of the county will be closed until Monday on account of the snow and bad weather.

Mr. Comer also stated that he went to Winston-Salem Tuesday to confer with PWA authorities in regard to the Elkin colored school project, and also the projects for the Beulah, Pilot Mountain and Dobson school projects for white pupils. Authorities were said to have promised to do all that they could to get the projects put through.

The teachers meeting which was to have been held in the office of the county superintendent Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. has been postponed until a week later at the same hour, and is to be held on Friday February 21, at 2:30 p. m. All teachers, bus drivers and janitors are expected to be in attendance.

Mr. Comer further stated that the repair projects for the county through the PWA have run out, but that arrangements are being made to get new approvals on the above contracts.

Closing of Tobacco Market Is Postponed

In view of the fact that the past few days have been too cold to handle tobacco, the warehousemen and buying companies have postponed closing the Winston-Salem tobacco market until Friday, February 21. It is believed this additional time will give the tobacco growers ample time to prepare and market any tobacco which they may now have on hand.

Provided weather conditions are favorable, sales next week are expected to be fairly heavy in volume, and quality tobaccos are expected to bring the usual good prices.

Will Preach Here

Rev. Andrew D. Milstead, of Trinity church, in Statesville, will preach at the Galloway Memorial church in this city, Tuesday evening, February 18, at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

ELKIN MERCHANTS TO MEET TO MAKE PLANS FOR EVENT

To Stage Big Trade Days Here Within the Near Future

ARE TO PLANT TREE

At a meeting of the directors of the Elkin Merchants association held Tuesday night, plans were announced for a meeting of all Elkin merchants to be held in the Kiwanis room, Hotel Elkin, next Tuesday night, February 18, at 7:30 p. m.

The purpose of this meeting is to make plans for a town-wide trade event to be held here within the near future.

L. G. Meed, E. W. McDaniel, C. C. Myers and J. D. Brendle were named as a committee to see that every local merchant is present at the meeting. The same men were named as a membership committee for the association.

An advertising committee was also named by the Merchants association directors, comprising the following business men: A. L. Griffith, chairman; E. S. Spainhour, H. F. Laffoon, E. W. McDaniel, F. M. Norman and J. R. Poindexter. This committee will meet in the office of the Elk Printing company tonight at 7:30 o'clock to make plans for advertising the coming trade event.

It was also decided at the meeting of the directors to plant a tree on the lawn of the Elkin Methodist church to be used as a community Christmas tree each year. J. R. Poindexter, J. O. Bivins and C. N. Myers were named to meet with the church property committee and select a suitable place. The tree will be planted this month.

MRS. W. F. REECE IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Funeral Held Tuesday From Fall Creek Baptist Church

Mrs. Nevada Haynes Reece, 33, wife of Wiley F. Reece, died Monday at her home near Jonesville, following a ten days' illness from pneumonia. The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, of near Jonesville. She was a member of the Fall Creek Baptist church and highly esteemed in her community.

Surviving are her husband, one son and one daughter, Worth and Lorene Reece; her parents, five brothers, Harvey Haynes and Hays Haynes, of State Road; Pritchard Haynes, of Independence, Va.; Henry and Arthur Haynes, of Yadkin county and two sisters, Mrs. Clarence Shaffner and Miss Novella Haynes, of near Jonesville.

Funeral rites were conducted Tuesday afternoon from Fall Creek Baptist church in charge of Rev. Isom Vestal. Interment was in the church cemetery.

TO MAKE SURVEY OF YADKIN WATERSHED

Other News of CCC Camp Located Near Dobson

It was learned that J. T. McLaurin, soil surveyor of the soil conservation corp of the CCC camp, located near Dobson, has been transferred to Franklinton. Mr. McLaurin will occupy a like position at his new location, where he will take up his duties after attending a conference of soil surveyors which is being held at Spartanburg, S. C., throughout this week.

It was further learned that the Dobson camp will depend on the federal surveyors, who will be located in this section for their soil surveys in the future.

Soil surveys of the entire watershed of the Yadkin river are to be made by a corp of Federal surveyors, which is mapping out a complete survey of the section of the state drained by the Yadkin river. Plans are being made for the survey to be carried out over a period of three years or more the purpose of which is to check up on the silt deposits that are accumulating in the reservoirs of the power plants on the stream.

A Mr. Bass, whose initials could not be learned, is to be in charge of the survey, and he is to be assisted by a Mr. Peebles and a Mr. Mickle.

Veterans Swarm Offices for Bonus Blanks



ANYWHERE, U. S. A. . . . Above is pictured a scene, the like of which is reported to have prevailed throughout the United States at regional offices of the Veterans Administration, the day and week following the passing of the Baby Bond Bonus Bill by congress. The picture above was taken in New York where 5,000 veterans swarmed the offices for application blanks the first day.

YADKIN COUNTY MAN ENDS LIFE TUESDAY

James Bolin Found In Shack With Top of Head Blown Off

James Bolin, 71, was found in his one-room shack on the Huntsville road, Yadkin county, Tuesday morning with the top of his head blown off and a shotgun lying across his body. All indications point to a suicide theory, and Coroner Ralph Long, after viewing the body, deemed an inquest unnecessary.

When officers arrived at his home they found him lying across the bed with the entire top of his head blown off and his brains scattered over the floor and wall of the room.

The life of James Bolin reads like a nightmare. Born in Yadkin county 71 years ago last Thursday, he remained here until about 32 years old. While working in the woods with "Little" Ben Shore it is related that Shore lay down and went to sleep. While asleep Bolin slit his pocket with a knife and removed

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SURRY AT TOP IN WPA EFFICIENCY

Rated Best in District Based On Progress of Projects

Sixth district WPA authorities, driving for top-ranking efficiency status in the state, Tuesday were notified of a 13.28 per cent. increase in rating since January 25.

The substantial gain, reported by the state administration, gave the district a February 10 rating of 69.55, second highest in North Carolina.

Ratings are based on the progress of projects. Surry county, with a rating of 85.12, ranked at the top of the thirteen counties in the district. Winston-Salem led in the branch office standings.

The Winston-Salem branch was given an official rating for February 10 of 72.18 per cent, an increase of close to 20 per cent over January 25. Other branch ratings were reported:

Salisbury, 55.48 per cent, January 25, 68.43 February 10; North Wilkesboro, 55.76 per cent, in January, and 68.05 per cent, in February.

Reports are issued from the state offices at Raleigh every 15 days.

Surry County Court Is To Open Monday

The February term of the Surry county superior court will convene Monday morning at 10:00 a. m., with Judge Frank S. Hill, special district judge, on the bench.

Due to the congested condition of the criminal calendar most of the time will be devoted to the hearing of criminal cases, although one week of the time ordinarily would have been devoted to civil cases, and civil cases will only be heard by consent, it was learned Wednesday.

Deputy Collector To Be Here To Aid In Filing Returns

For the convenience of those of Elkin and this vicinity who are required to file federal income tax returns, a deputy collector of internal revenue will be at Hotel Elkin here Tuesday, February 25, to assist taxpayers in preparing their returns, it was learned Monday from C. H. Robertson, collector of internal revenue for this state. No charge will be made for this service.

Those whose net income is \$1,000 or over or gross income is \$5,000 or over if single (or if married and not living with husband or wife), are required to file a return. If married and living with husband or wife, those whose net income is \$2,500 or over or gross income is \$5,000 or over, are required to file a return.

TEMPERATURE HERE FALLS BELOW ZERO

Ten-Inch Snowfall Blankets Section Thursday Night

Although all thermometers hereabouts didn't agree to a degree, the mercury here Monday night did a nose dive that took the temperature down to zero and lower, a check-up disclosed Tuesday morning.

The check-up was not official, every individual who ventured out doing his or her own individual checking. However, everyone agreed it was c-o-l-d!

Reports from the Elkin Water department pump house was to the effect that the mercury there tumbled to four below zero. A report from the thermometer on the porch of Hotel Elkin put the temperature at two below. Various other reports ranged from zero to six below.

One report, coming out of Wilkes county, a few miles distance from Elkin, gave the temperature at 15 below zero, accompanied by a willingness of the reporter to swear to his statement.

The most severe snow storm of the winter, reaching blizzard proportions as a keen northeast wind whipped the whirling flakes in all directions, blanketed Elkin Thursday night to a depth of 10 inches.

It was the heaviest fall recorded here since the record snow of December, 1931.

The fine, icy flakes began falling about 5:30 p. m., and within a short time the ground began to grow white. By 7:30 o'clock the ground was covered to a depth of about an inch. Measurements shortly after 10 o'clock disclosed three and one-half inches with the storm growing worse. At midnight the snow was eight inches deep.

Driven by the wind, the flakes whipped in all directions, sifting in to cover porches and doorways. State highway forces got on the job shortly after 9 o'clock with plows in an effort to keep the highways open. The snow stopped falling early Friday morning. Due to difficulty of driving, traffic was light.

FINAL TABULATION OF AAA BENEFITS SHOW \$17,589,400

Surry Farmers Receive A Total of \$200,612.05 In 1935

YADKIN \$143,547.63

A final tabulation of AAA benefit payments shows that North Carolina farmers received a total of \$17,589,400.46 in 1935 for cooperating in the crop adjustment programs.

The money was disbursed as rentals on land retired from the cultivation of basic crops and as adjustment payments to the farmers who limited the production of these crops.

The payments in this State for 1935, according to figures announced by Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, were divided among the growers of various crops as follows:

Tobacco growers \$9,359,220.81, cotton growers \$6,717,981.05, peanut growers \$813,904.11, corn-hog producers \$634,489.68, and wheat growers \$63,804.81.

Although this includes all the checks distributed during the year, Dean Schaub stated, it does not include all the money due the growers for their part in the 1935 AAA programs, as some of the payments are still due.

Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, and other high government officials announced shortly after the Supreme Court voided the AAA, that some way would be found to complete all payments due farmers under crop adjustment contracts.

The total payments for all crops last year, divided by counties, shows that farmers in Surry county received \$200,612.05, Wilkes county \$19,157.41, Yadkin county \$143,547.63, and Alleghany county \$11,809.71.

SEE LINCOLN IN DIFFERENT LIGHT

Talmadge and Ickes Differ In Opinion About Emancipator

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 11.—Highly contrasting references to President Roosevelt marked the tributes tonight or two political foemen—Governor Eugene Talmadge, of Georgia, and Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes—to Abraham Lincoln on the eve of the emancipator's 127th birthday anniversary.

Speaking from the same platform, the Southern governor cited as the first to deliver a Lincoln eulogium in this city long his home, and the Roosevelt cabinet member joined in acknowledging the great services to his nation of the first Republican president.

But the Georgian, an outspoken critic of the new deal who has engaged in bitter controversies with Ickes, hit at the present administration in his one direct comparison between it and Lincoln's.

Speaking first at the mid-day luncheon club's annual commemoration of Springfield's most distinguished citizen, Talmadge said: "Would that we had a man like Abraham Lincoln in the White House today. If we did, he would never allow a brain trusters' creed to teach the doctrine that you can bondgoggle yourself back to prosperity."

Later the cabinet member from Chicago in a speech devoted almost entirely to an analogy between President Roosevelt's trials and those of the Civil War executive, discussed the constitutional issue and drew a close parallel between them.

"Certainly Lincoln did not regard the Constitution as an inflexible and immutable instrument," he said. "He went into the 1860 campaign with his mind firmly made up that, the Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding, something must be done about the institution of human slavery."

Mrs. Anna Shugart Is Named Enumerator

Mrs. Anna Shugart, of Elkin, has been named business census enumerator here by Sam I. Craft, supervisor for this district, it was learned Tuesday.

The business census, which will cover the year 1935, got under way January 20, and will be of a purely statistical nature.

All census employees are bound by a strict census oath not to reveal any information contained in business reports and the law makes any violation a criminal offense.