

Last Blue Eagle



Washington . . . Miss Diana Rogovin (above), is the sole survivor of the staff of 5,000 NEA or Blue Eagle workers who ceased on the Supreme Court decision. She has been working on a book of the history of the NEA, now almost finished.

ALLEN TALKS ON COURT PROPOSAL

Explains Both Sides of Controversy at Meeting of Kiwanis Club

HEAR BAND PROPOSITION

A talk on President Roosevelt's proposal to increase the membership of the United States supreme court, by W. M. Allen, Elkin attorney, was the principal feature of the Elkin Kiwanis club meeting held at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening.

Mr. Allen explained the attitude taken by those on each side of the controversy that has arisen as a result of the President's proposal, explaining at the beginning that the Congress can pass any law it sees fit, and such acts remain laws unless declared unconstitutional by the supreme court, although that body never makes laws itself.

Those favoring the President's proposal do so because of a liberal precedent, a liberal congress and a liberal people, as evidenced by the vote in the last election, and claim the present membership of the nation's highest court is too old and behind the times to keep pace with the present needs of the country. They believe that supreme court justices should mingle with the people and learn what's going on instead of killing laws designed to aid the masses of the people.

On the other hand, the speaker pointed out, those opposed to Mr. Roosevelt's plan of court reform, state that the justices should not mingle or discuss the various laws which come before it, with the people; that they should keep an open mind and rule only on the constitutionality of any act and not let their own personal opinions, likes and dislikes, enter into it.

Mr. Allen stated, in the course of his talk, that the membership of the supreme court had been increased and decreased six times in the past. He stated it is his belief that the question of court reform will eventually be decided by a vote of the people.

FIVE ARE INJURED IN SUNDAY CRASH

Five persons were injured, one seriously, late Sunday afternoon, near Cherry Lane when a truck driven by Wiley Johnson, of Sparta, failed to make a curve, plunged from the highway and crashed into a pine thicket.

LATENEWS

from the
State and Nation

ESCAPED CONVICT IS CAPTURED

Morganton, March 9.—Ralph Page, 28, life-terminer who escaped with six other convicts in a wild flight from Caledonia prison farm February 15, was recaptured this afternoon in Burke county, five miles from Drexel, his home town.

Three officers, members of a searching party formed when it was reported that he came to the county during the night, found him asleep in a clump of pine trees a hundred yards from a rural road with one hand resting on an automatic pistol in his belt. He offered no resistance when aroused to confront three shotguns.

SURRY SCHOOLBOY FATALY INJURED

Mount Airy, March 9.—Robert Murray, Jr., 16, died in Martin Memorial Hospital here early this morning from injuries received when he was hit by a truck after stepping from a Bannertown school bus on the Winston-Salem highway two miles south of this city yesterday afternoon.

The youngster alighted from the bus on the right hand side as it stopped on the brow of Belton Hill at a road intersection and darted from behind directly into the path of an approaching truck. Both front and rear wheels of the vehicle passed over his body and he had been given little chance to live.

N. Y. DEFEATS RATIFICATION

Albany, N. Y., March 9.—Ratification of the federal child labor amendment by President Roosevelt's home state was overwhelmingly rejected today by the assembly after bitter debate that raged nearly four hours.

The final vote of 42 yeas to 102 noes split party lines wide open, 41 Democrats joining 61 Republicans in opposing the proposal despite repeated appeals by Democratic Gov. Herbert H. Lehman and the President.

EDITH MAXWELL LOSSES IN FIGHT

Wise, Va., March 9.—Edith Maxwell, twice convicted on charges of murdering her father, lost a new effort to escape a jury prescribed prison term late today when Judge Ezra T. Carter denied her motion for a third trial.

Her attorney, Charles Henry Smith, of Alexandria, immediately noted an appeal and was granted a period of 90 days to perfect the appeal. Miss Maxwell's \$15,000 bond was renewed.

JUDGES ALLOWED TO SUSPEND SENTENCES

Raleigh, March 9.—The House of Representatives enacted into law tonight a measure allowing judges of criminal courts in North Carolina to suspend the sentences of offenders, except in capital and life imprisonment cases.

The bill, introduced February 12 by Representative Ward of Craven was passed yesterday by the Senate and returned to the lower body for concurrence in amendments.

SURRY CHILD DIES AS RESULT OF BURN

Anna Chappell, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Chappell, of the Green Hill school community in the northern part of the county, was fatally burned Thursday when her clothing caught fire as she was standing before an open fireplace at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Chappell. Only a small brother and sister of the child were in the room at the time of the tragedy. She lived only a short time after she reached a Mount Airy hospital, where she was rushed for treatment. Her body was practically burned to a crisp from her face to her knees.

Funeral services were held from Mount Carmel church. The rites were in charge of Rev. Frank Weatherman of this city.

Survivors in addition to her parents, are a six-year-old sister, Hazel, and a two-year-old brother, Charles, and her grandmother.

Resigns Air Post



Washington . . . Refusing to resign for more than a year, Eugene L. Vidal (above), has now vacated the post of Director of the Bureau of Air Commerce because of criticism heaped upon the Bureau as result of recent airline crashes.

TYDINGS WONDERS WHY ALL THE FUSS

Gives Interview Concerning His Speech at Raleigh Victory Dinner

ICKES IS TO SPEAK

Washington, March 8.—Senator Millard Tydings, the Maryland Democrat who has created such a furore in North Carolina because of failing to praise President Roosevelt at a victory dinner in Raleigh last Wednesday night, defended his speech here today, and said if his opinions be treason "make the most of it."

Interviewed at the capitol, Senator Tydings said he was sorry if his speech gave offense to anyone but in that it had provoked discussion and thought he considered this all to the good.

Reminded that his speech was being criticized as not being in good taste because at a Victory Dinner, celebrating the re-election of President Roosevelt, as he had not seen fit to commend the President, Tydings said taste was a rather broad word and had wide meaning. Then after pausing for a moment, he replied: "I had rather be right than pleasant."

Secretary of Interior Harold Ickes will address a second Victory Dinner at Raleigh Friday night, which has been called in a spirit of indignation against Senator Tydings for his failure to praise the President and indirectly criticized him.

MRS. DARNELL DIES IN HOSPITAL HERE

Funeral Services Held Tuesday Afternoon From Cool Springs Church

VESTAL CONDUCTS RITES

Mrs. Mattie Alice Darnell, 79, widow of George Darnell, passed away at the local hospital Monday night, following a brief critical illness from abdominal complications. Mrs. Darnell was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wall of Wilkes county, and a member of Cool Springs Baptist church.

Surviving are two sons, Click and Roy Darnell, of Elkin; two brothers: A. H. Wall, Winston-Salem, and R. L. Wall, Elkin, and three sisters, Mrs. T. H. Eldson and Miss Laura Wall, Elkin, and Mrs. Scott Alexander, of Roaring River. Five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Cool Springs church. The rites were in charge of Rev. Isom Vestal and interment was in the church cemetery.

RIVERSIDE CAFE HAS SMALL BLAZE

A blaze which firemen attributed to a faulty flue Monday morning about 7 o'clock threatened destruction of the Riverside Cafe here on South Bridge street. When local firemen reached the scene, the flames were licking up the outside of the rear wall. Prompt action extinguished the blaze.

SAYS G. O. P. IS SEEKING REPEAL NOVEMBER VOTE

Farley Makes Talk in Chapel Hill Tuesday

3 SPEECHES IN STATE

Says Republicans, Beaten by Voters, Seeking Win in Congress Now

FAVORS F. D. R.'S PLAN

Chapel Hill, March 9.—Postmaster General James A. Farley charged the Republican party today with "seeking the repeal of the 1936 election" by opposing President Roosevelt's Supreme Court reorganization plan.

"The Republicans lost before the voters," the chairman of the Democratic national executive committee said. "Now they are trying to win in Congress."

Speaking under the auspices of the University of North Carolina Political Union, a non-partisan organization, Farley said the judicial plan was the only way out of the "blockade that has resulted from the present economic complexion of a majority of the Supreme Court."

Two thousand persons packed into the university's Memorial Auditorium and another 600 in the foyer heard the address, which also was broadcast over a nationwide radio hookup.

Farley said there was "no doubt in the world" that is the President's Supreme Court plan "could be put to a popular vote, the President would be sustained and those people of his own party who oppose his plan would find themselves as lonesome as did the others who cast their lot with the Liberty League last November."

FULTON CASS IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Passes Away Friday Night at Home of Francis Cass, His Brother

HAD PARALYSIS STROKE

Fulton Cass, 67, died Friday night at the home of his brother, Francis Cass, east of Elkin, where he was visiting. Mr. Cass, a native of this vicinity, went to Kansas many years ago and returned to North Carolina some time ago for an extended visit, following a serious impairment to his health. He had partially recovered from a stroke of paralysis when he developed a heart condition which hastened his passing.

Mr. Cass was married in Kansas and his immediate survivors there include his wife, Mrs. Darlie Mitchell Cass, five sons, Vance, Clark, Paul and Fred Cass, and one daughter, Miss Virgie Cass, all of Hoxie, Kansas. Survivors in his native state are two brothers, Francis Cass and Loyd Cass, both of near Elkin, and one sister, Mrs. L. C. Myers, of Union Grove, Iredell county. Another sister, Mrs. Laura J. Mullis, of Waterloo, Ind., also survives.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Friendship Baptist church and interment was in the church cemetery.

TWO INJURED BROUGHT HERE FOR TREATMENT

Max Key, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Key, of Cycle, was brought to Hugh Chatham Hospital here Sunday for treatment for a painful injury caused when a sharp stick with which he was playing was pushed through the roof of his mouth. He is making satisfactory recovery.

G. W. Brim, of Hamptonville, was also brought to the local hospital as a result of a badly mangled foot which was cut when he lost his balance and fell against a running wood saw.

OBSEQUIES HELD FOR MRS. SALLIE BRYAN

Obsequies were held Wednesday morning at Glade Valley Presbyterian church for Mrs. Sallie Bryan, 79, wife of Andrew J. Bryan, who succumbed to a heart attack after an extended illness at her home at Glade Valley. Surviving are her husband, two daughters, Mrs. E. B. Eldridge, wife of the superintendent of Glade Valley school, Mrs. Richard Gentry, and three sons, DeWitt, William and Howard Gentry, all of Glade Valley.

Twice A Mother At Thirteen



Birmingham, Ala. . . Although only 13 years old, Mrs. Mary Keller (above), wife of 26-year-old Truman Keller, Bessemer county farmer, is now the proud mother of two sons, one 21 months old and the other born recently. Mary was 11 years old when her first son was born and the second arrived as she was nearing her 13th birthday.

G. C. GLEE CLUB TO APPEAR HERE

Will Present Program in School Auditorium March 19, at 4:00 P. M.

NOW ON SPRING TOUR

The Greensboro College Glee Club, an outstanding organization of the college, under the direction of Walter Vassar, head of the voice department, will appear here March 19, at 4:00 p. m. at Elkin school auditorium.

The glee club, which has been received favorably throughout North Carolina, is noted for its excellence and superiority in singing. In the fall of the year, it appeared in concert at New Bern, before the annual North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; it also had appearances in Greenville, Snow Hill and Smithfield. Combined with the Meistersingers, the Greensboro male chorus, the glee club presented most successfully a Christmas cantata, "The Story of Christmas" (Matthews), last December 13, before a large and appreciative audience.

The club will begin its spring tour, which will last six days, Sunday, March 14 and will give concerts at the following places: Sunday afternoon, Hickory; Sunday night, Newton; March 15, Monday afternoon, Cherryville; Monday night, Kings Mountain; March 16, Tuesday afternoon, Rutherfordton; Tuesday night, Asheville; March 17, Wednesday afternoon, Marion; Wednesday night, Morganton; March 18, Thursday afternoon, Valdese; Thursday night, Lenoir; March 19, Friday afternoon, Elkin, and Friday night, Mount Airy. The club also expects to visit several of the high schools on the trip.

FUNERAL IS HELD FOR PEARL GRAY

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Pleasant Grove Baptist church for Pearl Gray, 13, of Baltimore, Md., who died on Thursday. The child, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gray, former residents of this section, died at Johns Hopkins hospital, following an operation for mastoids. The rites were in charge of Rev. Noah Jarvis and Rev. Mr. Williams, the latter of Ronda. Surviving in addition to the parents, are two sisters and two brothers, Audrey, Ina, Russell and Jackie. Mrs. Gray was formerly Miss Ina Pardue.

LEGION AND AUXILIARY MEETING ON MARCH 16

A joint meeting of the George Gray Post of the American Legion and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Legion will be held at Hotel Elkin Tuesday evening, March 16. The event will be in celebration of the birthday of organization of the Legion and all members and eligible members are invited to attend. An interesting program is being planned and an outside speaker has been invited to attend. The meeting will convene at 7:45.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP IS ORGANIZED HERE

A girl scout troop, with a membership of twelve, has recently been organized for girls in the Methodist church. Mrs. W. E. Newsome has been chosen as leader. It is hoped that members will soon have earned their tenderfoot badges.

DENIES INTENT TO PACK COURT; ASKS SWIFT ENACTMENT

President Roosevelt in Fireside Chat Tuesday

DELIVERS HEAVY BLOW

Would Save Constitution From Court and the Court From Itself

HE WANTS ACTION NOW

Washington, March 9.—President Roosevelt called for swift enactment of his court re-organization bill tonight to "save the Constitution from the (Supreme) Court and the court from itself."

In outspoken fashion, the Chief Executive asserted the high tribunal had "improperly set itself up" as a "super legislature," and had read into the Constitution "words and implications which are not there and which were never intended to be there."

At the same time, he disavowed any intent to "pack" the court with "spinless puppets who would disregard the law" and decide cases as he might wish them decided, and asserted the processes of constitutional amendment were too slow for the pressing problems of the day.

His address, a "Fireside Chat" delivered from the small oval room in the ground floor of the White House, was the second devoted to a fighting appeal for passage of his bill to permit the enlargement of the court unless justices over seventy retire.

Justice Demanded
"We must find a way to take an appeal from the Supreme Court to the Constitution itself," he said. "We want a Supreme Court which will do justice under the Constitution—not over it. In our courts we want a government of laws not of men."

"I want—as all Americans want—an independent judiciary as proposed by the framers of the Constitution. That means a Supreme Court that will enforce the Constitution as written, that will refuse to amend the Constitution by the arbitrary exercise of judicial power—amendment by judicial say-so. It does not mean a judiciary so independent it can deny the existence of facts universally recognized."

38TH CHILD BORN TO AGED FLORIDA NEGRO

Brooksville, Fla., March 7.—A thirty-eighth child—a girl—was born today to Ambrose Hilliard Douglas, 97-year-old Negro ex-slave, and Minnie, his thirteenth wife.

The child, apparently healthy and robust, was born without medical assistance. A layette was furnished by the city welfare board.

Douglas, oldest child now is 66. Dignified and still active, the aged Negro, who was born in slavery in North Carolina May 5, 1845, lives in a shack at the edge of town. He ekes out a living for the 12 children living with him by gathering Spanish moss and raising a few chickens, a goat and razor back hogs.

GOVERNOR TEACHES CLASS

Raleigh, March 7.—Governor Hoey again became the regular teacher of a Sunday school class today, and 600 men and women gathered in the auditorium of Edenton Street Methodist church here to hear him talk on "Life Here and Hereafter Through Christ."

A total of 2,976 languages are spoken throughout the world.

JOE GISH

IT'S SAFER 'T LET TH' FEET SLIP THAN TH' TONGUE