

The negro who is alleged to have attacked and killed an aged South Carolina woman was captured Sunday.

Indications are that the open-air meeting being conducted at the 1st Baptist church will draw record congregations. Dr. L. R. Scarborough is doing the preaching.

City officers yesterday made a raid on Lovers Lane and found several pints of rum hidden about the well-known trysting ground. One defendant was charged with being drunk while en route to the revival.

A twin distillery with ice to aid in the cooling was captured Saturday above Grover by county officers.

An entertaining story of an attempted capture of the Morganton negro comes from Bostic and Forest City.

How many income tax payers were there in this county in 1925? The Star carries that information in a news item today.

A monument to the heroes of the battle of Kings Mountain is to be unveiled in the mountain section where they assembled.

Bus companies in this state are staging a war against the proposal of the Seaboard to operate a bus line from the Rutherfordton terminal.

Blackberries are plentiful in the county, but with numerous rains the grass is about to get ahead of the cotton in several sections.

THIS COUNTY HAS 280 INCOME TAX PAYERS, REPORTED

Washington.—North Carolina has not reached the point where the income for taxation of any citizen amounts to \$1,000,000.

She had three who made returns on incomes of from \$500,000 to \$750,000; two on \$400,000 to \$500,000; two on \$250,000 to \$300,000; ten \$200,000 to \$250,000; and seven on \$150,000 to \$200,000; 17 on \$100,000 to \$150,000, in 1925, according to estimates given out today.

The largest number of Tar Heels pay on from \$1,000 to \$2,000. The total number of returns for 1925 was 38,740, of these 23,297 were non-taxable and 15,443 taxable.

North Carolina's number of income tax returns jumped from 2,297 in 1916 to 68,191 in 1926, and are now going down as the levies are reduced.

Mecklenburg county led in 1925 with 4,470 with 4,225 coming from Charlotte, 10 from Cornelius and 190 miscellaneous.

Buncombe comes next with 3,210, then Guilford, 3,190; Wake, 2,450; Forsyth, 2,275 and so on.

Asheville made 2,860 and various other Buncombe communities 350, Iredell had 500; Rowan, 945; Cabarrus, 500; Gaston 980; Union 280; Burke 160; Catawba, 550; Haywood 170; Lincoln, 190, Cleveland 280; Rutherford 205; and Stanley 220.

Rains Shoving Up Grass With Cotton

Warm Days of Last Week Together With Rains Beneficial To Crops.

Cleveland county farmers enjoyed a mixed week last week—plenty of rain and a bit of sunshine, both helpful to the cotton crop but likewise beneficial to the grass.

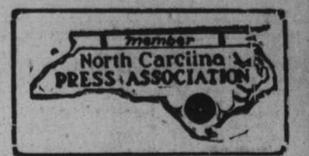
Crops are generally in a good condition owing to the rains of the month and all the farmers have been needing a few real warm days with the rain, came and the cotton began to move up by inches.

However, continued rains have kept many farmers from ploughing grass is about weeks and the cotton farmers had the crop well in hand prior to the last rains. In other sections where the cotton is late more trouble is being experienced with grass.

1,000 PIPERS OF COWLAND TO PLAY FOR PHONOGRAPH

Dundoon, Scotland.—Scotchmen the world over are longing for the sound of the bagpipes in future will simply turn on the phonograph.

The Cowland Highland gathering has completed arrangements to play phonograph records taken of the playing of the massed bands of a thousand piper at the coming Cowland games, and duplicates of these will be sent to all Caledonian and Highland societies throughout the world.



COUNTY BOOTLEG "COOLED BY ICE" OFFICERS LEARN

Officers Capture Twin Plants With Brandy Being Cooled By Ice. North Of Grover.

Cleveland county bootleggers and moonshine makers may claim a "first" of their own some of these days. According to county officers here local bootlegging may now advertise a product "cooled by ice."

Saturday morning Deputy Sheriffs Charlie Shepherd, and Greel Ware and Policeman Hendricks, of Kings Mountain, captured two big copper plants right together in the Long Branch section north of Grover.

Man Is Taken The capture also included about 10 gallons of the still product, described by officers as brandy. A young fellow, Herbert Allen was brought in by officers for his alleged connection with the twin plants and gave bond until a hearing will be held.

Near the two plants, which were located together, the officers found a cake of ice melting away, its work for the night apparently being ended. It was surmised by the officers that the ice had been used to cool the booze thus speeding up the manufacture. Apparently more ice was purchased than was needed for the Friday night run and this cake was left.

The two stills, nicely made, were of copper and about 50 gallons capacity each. The capture was the first of a twin distillery in the county in some time and introduced something new in the ice cooling system.

About the court house it is predicted that soon the bootleggers may be using popular models of electric refrigeration for cooling down their bootleg.

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MORGANTON NEGRO NOT CAUGHT YET

Like Searching "For Needle in Haystack" in Mountain Undergrowth.

A message from Morganton shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon stated that Broadus Miller, negro wanted there for a fatal attack a week ago tomorrow on a young Morganton girl, has not been captured.

About Morganton it was believed today that the best clue was in the Collettsville section, but officers and others in the search there stated that looking for the negro in the rhododendron and mountain undergrowth was like "looking for a needle in a haystack."

Numerous reports of the negro in that section have been received in Morganton. The Collettsville section is in the extreme north of Burke near the Caldwell line and is sparsely settled. Opinion is that if the negro is hiding there he could keep out of sight for weeks as berries are ripe and the region is a practical wilderness to hide in.

Lovers' Lane Scene Of Booze Capture

City Officers Round Up Numerous Liquor Cases for Disposal Of by Recorder.

Lovers Lane, well known Shelby trysting spot for years, and the open air revival featured in the liquor cases heard before Recorder Mull this morning.

Sunday afternoon city officers made a swooping raid on the shady recesses of Lovers Lane and while there found about half dozen pints of booze hid about and several men were also taken into custody. The officers told on the stand of seeing a taxi approach, one of the passengers unloading and securing a pint. Two of the men apprehended were customers, it was said, and another the salesman. Others present were not connected with the booze. Lee Beatty, truck driver, said to be the possessor of the liquor, was given 12 months sentence by Judge Mull, but entered an appeal to Superior court.

Another defendant, according to evidence, was picked up on a drunk charge as he was trying to wend his way to the revival. He told the court that he had not taken a drink since morning, but officers testified that his feet were not working well. For attempting to stroll to church when he couldn't stroll with any sureness of stride he was fined \$10 and cost.

The White House in the Black Hills



The state game lodge in the Black Hills of South Dakota, where President Coolidge will spend his vacation, is shown above. The lodge, while having all modern conveniences, has a rustic setting and furnishings which make it unique as a presidential dwelling. The lodge is near Rapid City, once a rendezvous for the daring men of the old west.

Unveil Monument Honoring Mountain Men Who Fought At Kings Mountain With Cols. Shelby And Cleveland

Raleigh.—To the hill folk who defeated the British forces at King's Mountain and thereby turned the tide of the Revolution in favor of the colonies, there will be an enduring monument of stone and bronze. The memorial will be unveiled at Gillespie Gap, between Little Switzerland and Spruce Pine, Monday the Fourth of July.

Prominent personages will participate in the program. Former Governor Cameron Morrison will deliver the principal address and an old fashioned basket picnic will follow. In the afternoon the business and professional women of Raleigh will have an informal reception and house warming at their club house in Little Switzerland, with Associate Justice Heriot Clarkson, former Governor Morrison, Mrs. Morrison and officers of the club receiving.

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top of the mountain, under Colonel Patrick Ferguson, were killed and captured and their leader slain on October 7, 1780. The American volunteer patriots, under Colonel William Campbell, Benjamin Cleveland, Isaac Shelby, John Sevier, Joseph McDowell, Edward Lacey, James Williams, Samuel Hammond and Joseph Winston, Frederick Hambricht and other daring leaders in the war for American independence surrounded and went up the mountain and thus defeated the British and Tories. With the defeat at Kings Mountain began the downfall of British rule in America.

"The only regiment intact in the Carolinas, east of Kings Mountain, at the time was the 'Marion Brigade,' famous in song and story, commanded by General Francis Marion. In the war with the Cherokee Indians in 1761, 30 men under the command of Marion, were sent to dislodge the Indians at Etchoe Pass so the main army could go through. Twenty-one men under Marion were killed by the first fire of the Indians. Marion was unhurt. The heroism of the early patriots should never be forgotten. The conduct of Marion and his men at Etchoe pass almost equaled the heroism of Leonidas and his brave band of Spartans at the Pass of Thermopylae.

"The highway leading to Marion is named in his honor—Etchoe Pass. It was the North and South Carolina and Tennessee troops (30 division) in the World war that broke the Hindenburg line.

"Erected by the North Carolina Historical commission and Heriot Clarkson, W. C. Niven and Reid Queen, committee."

Divorces Growing Faster In This State Than Marriages, Court Records Reveal

Charlotte.—Divorces are increasing at a faster percentage rate in North Carolina than marriages, according to figures received here at the office of the clerk of the Mecklenburg Superior court. The figures were compiled, along with those covering other states, by the United States department of commerce.

In the compilation for 1925 the number of marriages in the state was 23,337, compared with 23,190 for the preceding year. The gain was 147 marriages, less than one and one-half per cent, one an average, and the main per cent was six-tenths of one per cent.

Divorce figures for the state show 15,776 for 1925, compared with 14,688 for 1924, a gain for 1925 of 1,088 divorces, a percentage gain of seven and four-tenths.

Thus it is seen that while marriage during the year was gaining less than one per cent, divorce was gaining more than seven per cent. In exact figures, the gain in divorce on a percentage basis, was twelve times as great as increase in marriages.

Some states actually show a decrease in number of marriages, in the comparison between 1924 and 1925. In Georgia where marriage became, according to figures, more unpopular than in any other state, there were 2,008 less marriages in 1925 than in 1924, and the percentage decrease was 13.5. Utah led the states in gain in divorces, with 22.9 per cent increase. Nevada, with the city of Reno, supposedly to be a paradise for those seeking divorce, had an increase of only four and three tenths per cent.

Before giving advice a wise man prepares to dodge the consequences. It spoils a favor if you are asked to return it.

A loan widow is one who has money out on interest.

BUS COMPANIES FIGHT SEABOARD MOTOR LINE PLAN

Oppose Seaboard's Request To Operate Motor Bus Lines From Rutherfordton.

Raleigh.—Hearing on the petition of the Seaboard Air Line railway for a franchise to operate a bus line between Rutherfordton and Bat Cave was postponed by the State corporation commission Friday when commercial motor bus companies claimed that they had not been allowed enough time in which to prepare a case in opposition to the petition.

The commission set June 29 as the date for resuming the hearing.

Bus operators have organized to wage a vigorous fight on the Seaboard's petition, fearing that it is the opening move on the part of the railroads to compete for passenger traffic by the operation of busses. The Seaboard desires to use the bus to extend its passenger service, connecting the western terminus of its Wilmington-Rutherfordton rail line with the mountain community of Bat Cave.

A bitter fight is in the offing and it is likely that regardless of the decision handed down by the State corporation commission, there will be an appeal to the Supreme court. The Seaboard had planned to put on an additional train and Pullman service through Charlotte and Shelby to Rutherfordton where the bus line would take the passengers to Bat Cave, Marion, Blowing Rock and Asheville, and this train was to have been inaugurated yesterday, but the train service was not started, pending the outcome of the hearing in Raleigh. It is estimated by the Seaboard that unless the corporation commission allows it to inaugurate this bus service, the Pullman service will not be started.

It is understood that a subsidiary corporation has been organized by the Seaboard to inaugurate and operate bus lines in many Southern states through which the railroad extends.

The Blue Ridge Trail Co., which operates the bus service between Charlotte and Asheville via Shelby and Chimney Rock has the backing of other bus line operators in opposing the franchise. The bus line contends that it was the pioneer in passenger service through the Chimney Rock section and has maintained a regular schedule for the past four years, making all the detours before the road was paved. It further contends that it should therefore be protected in the matter of passenger travel, thus bringing up a question similar to that over which the Piedmont and Northern and the steam railroads in this section are wrangling.

The outcome of the hearing tomorrow in Raleigh will be watched with interest by the people of Shelby.

Gardner To Head Big Baptist Drive

Shelby Man Accepts Chairmanship of Campaign to Raise \$1,500,000.

Raleigh.—Announcement was made last week by Rev. Dr. Charles E. Maddy, general secretary of the Baptist state convention, that O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, had accepted the chairmanship of the large statewide committee, now being formed, for the purpose of celebrating in 1930 one hundred years of organized Baptist work in North Carolina.

The main objective of the movement is to raise \$1,500,000 through a state-wide effort for the purpose of strengthening the seven educational institutions owned and controlled by the Baptist state convention.

At the regular semi-annual meeting of the general board of the Baptist state convention held at Meredith college June 8, Dr. Charles E. Maddy, Raleigh, was made the general director of the campaign, with M. A. Huggins, Raleigh, secretary of the education department of the board, and Mrs. W. N. Jones, Raleigh, president of the state W. N. U. convention as associate directors.

Secretary Maddy says that the Baptist people of the state are delighted that Mr. Gardner will head the state-wide committee and thus sponsor the movement. And equally pleased are they, Dr. Maddy says, with the announcement that Judge Johnson J. Hayes of Wilkesboro and Greensboro, R. N. Simms, Raleigh and R. C. Lawrence, Lumberton, will serve as vice chairman of the general committee.

HOW THEY GONA KNOW POMISCUOUS TOOTING?

Greensboro.—Honk! honk! honk! Irate citizens, nettled by promiscuous horn-blowing, were remembered by the 1927 legislature.

This was pointed out here by C. W. Roberts, vice-president of the Carolina Motor club.

Calling attention to section 43 of the Uniform Motor Vehicle code, Roberts pointed out that the law provides that every motor vehicle must be equipped with a horn of good working order and that "it shall be unlawful for any person at any time to use a horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning, or to make any unnecessary or unreasonable loud or harsh sound by means of a horn or other warning device."

NEGRO SLAYER OF AGED YORK WOMAN CAPTURED SUNDAY

Youth Admits Attack and Rushed To Pen. Captured in Kings Mountain Region.

York, June 26.—After a tireless all-night search in which the Kings Mountain region was combed for the fugitive by all the available officers of western York county and hundreds of citizens, McKinley Thomason, 18-year-old negro, who yesterday assaulted and killed Mrs. T. J. Thomason, 78, by slashing her throat, was captured early this morning, at the home of his uncle, about three miles from the scene of the crime.

He was brought to the York county jail, from which he was hurried to the state penitentiary in Columbia and on the way there he made a full confession of his guilt to the officers who had him in charge.

This confession, sworn to and signed by him in Columbia in the presence of Sheriff Fred E. Quinn, State Detective Rogers, and other officers, said that he criminally assaulted Mrs. Thomason and then cut her throat with a pocket knife. No mention was made of any money motive in connection with the affair.

He first found out, according to his statement that Mr. Thomason was away, learning this from negroes on the farm. He then went to the home and asked for a match, which Mrs. Thomason gave him. He next asked for some pears and when she replied that there were none about the premises he followed her into the house and attacked her.

After the crime he said he went to the home of his uncle, Gary Good, at whose house he was captured, where he hoed cotton all the afternoon.

Soon after the departure of the party for the penitentiary, hundreds of people began pouring in from the country, some of them wrought up and in an ugly mood, but upon learning that the negro had been removed from the jail and was well on the way to Columbia they soon returned to their homes.

That the sheriff's quick work in taking the prisoner away likely saved trouble here, was the opinion freely expressed on the streets today.

Thomason is the great grandson of a notorious York county negro, Giles Good, who was taken from the York jail and lynched, along with four other negroes, 40 years ago for killing a small white boy in Bullocks creek township. The linking of these two crimes a subject of general discussion of yesterday added to the feeling and tenseness.

The funeral and interment of Mrs. Thomason took place today at Kings Mountain Methodist church. About 500 people were present.

She is survived by her husband and four sons, William and Horace Thomason of York county and Filbert Thomason and Thomas Thomason of North Carolina.

Blackberry Pickers Finding Much Work

The blackberry crop this year is said to be one of the largest in years.

Out most any road one travels from Shelby now blackberry pickers are in evidence. Farmers from various sections of the county say that they have more berries than in some time, the rains of recent months helping the berry crop considerably, whereas the drought of last summer lessened the crop.

2,500 Hear Scarborough On Prepare To Meet God

Great Revival Off On Good Start. Victory Through Prayer Is Subject Of Morning Sermon.

Negro Sought Was Pal Of One Killed By Red Row Woman

Officers Say Broadus Miller, Who Attacked Morganton Girl, Was Pal of Gaines.

Broadus Miller, a negro being sought for the brutal attack and murder of a Morganton girl, once lived and worked in Shelby, it was stated here over the week-end. Miller, it is said, was a pal of Walter Gaines, negro man killed by Euzelia Jones in Red Row some months ago. Gaines it will be remembered was buried by city workmen, no one claiming his body. Officers say, however, that Miller at the time came forward and tried to help locate the slain negro's family—in fact Miller, it is said, did put former Chief Hamrick in communication with Gaines' brother.

The negro, reports have it, worked on the erection of the Gulf oil plant while here and was in Shelby for only a short period. This information coming to light has renewed the belief with some that Miller may be hiding somewhere in this county, having made the acquaintance of numerous negro people during the weeks he was here.

Hobo In Exciting Experience About Search For Negro

Freight Train Speeded up From Bostic to Spartanburg To Keep Suspected Murderer On.

The search last week all over this section for Broadus Miller, negro alleged to have fatally attacked a young Morganton girl Tuesday, brought quite a bit of humor to the Bostic and Forest City section of Rutherford county on down to South Carolina and into Spartanburg.

A freight train ran at full speed from the Bostic yards, in Rutherford, to Spartanburg, S. C., to keep a man thought to be the negro from jumping off and when Spartanburg was reached the much-sought negro turned out to be a white youth on a hobo trip.

As the story goes—related here by Merton Beam, former Star employe now working on a Forest City paper—watchers at the Bostic C. C. and O. yards yesterday afternoon saw a man they thought to be a negro jump on a freight train as it pulled out of the yards. The man, as happens in such cases, looked to them like the wanted negro and they telephoned the operator at Forest City to have the officers there surround the train and catch him. The operator after receiving the message sought the officers but couldn't find any for a few minutes. All the time the train was speeding nearer. Then the operator happened to think of another plan and he wrote out an order which given to the coming train ordered the crew to keep the train going at full speed until notified—the idea being to have officers on hand at Chesnee to catch the negro. For some reason a posse wasn't ready at Chesnee and the train kept grinding the rail to Spartanburg. In that city the man was finally routed out from under the side of a coal car, but he played "rabbit" and tried to make a getaway, officers shooting him in the leg, or winging him, so to speak.

After picking up the wounded man and carrying him to the hospital where he was washed up he turned out to be a white man from Charlotte out on a lark of a hobo trip.

Continuing he said "Tell me what a man desires and I will tell you the kind of man he is. Desires determine a man's character. If he most desires a lustful, sinful life, his character is sinful and bad. Therefore if it is the sincere desire of the people of Shelby to have a revival which will save the lost and reconsecrate the souls of Christian people, it will come about through earnest prayer. God says in his text that He will honor our desires. It is a great privilege to speak to God on friendly terms. Any child, however, humble can interview Him and it is God's greatest delight to listen and give blessings. In Pentecostal times they prayed ten days, preached one and baptised 5,000. Times have changed and we lay more emphasis on preaching and less on prayer. In this modern way of evangelists' campaigns we preach ten days, pray one and baptise hardly any."

In closing he urged that all Christian people join in with a season of prayer during the meeting—believing prayer that is spoken of in the 11th chapter of Mark.

Letter Carriers To Gather In Raleigh

Raleigh.—(INS)—The program of the annual convention of North Carolina Rural Letter carriers, which meets here July 5 and 6, was announced by W. B. Duncan, Raleigh postmaster.

One of the principal convention speakers will be Carl H. Howard, president of the National association of Rural Letter carriers. Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, will be another speaker.

Delegates to the national convention, which will be held at Oklahomo City, Okla., on August 18-20, will be named, and new state officers will be elected.

One Couple Gets License In Week

June brides were in a minority in Cleveland county last week, there being only one.

Register A. F. Newton out after breaking last year's marriage record in the county says that the only license he issued up to Saturday to: W. W. Demmond, of Stubbs, and Mamie Sipe, of Cherryville.