

### Church Fire Laid to Firebugs



Photo shows the pathetic ruins of the Episcopal Church of All Saints at Worcester, Mass., after it had been gutted by fire. The loss is estimated as \$225,000 and is partly covered by insurance. This was the eighth fire in the city in one week and police believe it to have been of incendiary origin. Police reserves have been called out to guard against a band of firebugs believed to be operating in Worcester and have orders to "shoot to kill" if their suspicions warrant it.

### Jenkins Would Have City Generate Its Own Electric Power

I see in The Star that the S. P. U. Co. has made an offer for the light plant of Shelby, and the mayor and board of aldermen have this under consideration. Before there is any action taken by the mayor and board of aldermen I would suggest to them, that they get some expert figures on what it would cost for the city of Shelby to produce their own current or power. This done, I believe they will find that it would be better for the city of Shelby to hold on to their plant and produce their own power, which I believe can be done for around half the price it is costing the city now. I am confident such a power plant would pay for itself in a very short time, then the city could reduce the rate to the consumers which should be the main object in view. I have seen some figures of com-

parison of unit cost with bought power and where the other plants produce their own power, the steam plants working cheaper from 30 to 64 per cent less per unit cost. If these private owned plants can make this saving, why cannot the city of Shelby do the same, and in a few years pay for the power plant out of the saving? Looks to me Shelby has a good investment in their light plant and better hold on with a bull-dog grip, for if we loose our hold good-bye Mr. Dog.

J. F. JENKINS.

### Farm Loan Officials Elected in Lincoln

Lincoln, Jan. 23.—The Lincoln National Farm Loan association held its annual meeting here this week at which time officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: J. F. Reinhardt, president; E. G. Keever, vice president; J. H. Burgin, M. S. Yoder, F. A. Shuford, and Edith Carpenter, directors; J. Robert McNeely was re-elected as secretary-treasurer.

## LOCAL and PERSONAL News

Mr. J. E. Nash left yesterday for New York City to buy spring merchandise for Nash, Inc. He will be away most of this week.

Mrs. J. D. Lineberger has returned home from Chattanooga where she and Mr. Lineberger went last week to attend the opening of a new S. & W. Cafeteria. Mr. Lineberger will return in a few days.

Miss Tinsalora Hoey left yesterday for Banner Elk to visit her sister, Mrs. Paul Chappel, who underwent an operation for appendicitis there Saturday night.

Mr. R. T. LeGrand is in New York City where he will spend most of this week on a business trip.

Mr. Max Graham who has been undergoing treatment at the Shelby hospital for the past three weeks was able to return to his home at Earl on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Underhill who are connected with the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morgantown, spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Miller, Jr.

Mr. Henry Lee Weathers, student at Duke university, will arrive at home on Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee B. Weathers.

Mrs. A. L. Shepard is visiting relatives in Columbia, S. C., and Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ceph Blanton spent the week-end with their daughter, Miss Margaret Blanton, near Red Springs.

Miss Sue Andrews and Miss Betty Henry spent the week-end here with his former's mother, Mrs. S. O. Andrews, on S. Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shuford and children, of Cliffside, spent the day here yesterday with Mrs. Shuford's mother, Mrs. W. L. Packard.

Friends of Mr. Evans Logan will be glad to know that he is better after being ill and confined to his home for several days.

Mrs. W. F. Mitchell and Dr. Tom Brice Mitchell went to Charlotte yesterday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mitchell and the former's new granddaughter at the Presbyterian hospital there.

Friends of Mrs. Herman Eskridge will be glad to know that she has returned to her home here after spending several weeks in the Rutherfordton hospital recovering from an operation.

Mrs. D. H. Shuford returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ceph Blanton here yesterday after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. P. E. Rollins, and Mr. Rollins at Hendersonville.

Miss Sara Burton Jenkins, who teaches in the city schools at Forest City, spent the week-end at home with her parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. F. Jenkins.

Mrs. Gus Kendrick has returned to his home here after undergoing a rather serious operation at the Presbyterian hospital in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Robinson and little son, Phillips, Jr., of Wadesboro, spent the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Wilkins.

Miss Burton Gettys leaves within the next few days for Mount Holly where she will spend several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mitchell.

Miss Martha Eskridge, student at Agnes Scott college, Decatur, Ga., is spending several days here with her mother, Mrs. Charles L. Eskridge, following mid term examinations.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Yates and daughter, Phyllis, and Mr. A. L. Shepard spent the day yesterday in Greenville, S. C., visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Scott.

Friends of Mrs. W. L. Dameron will be distressed to learn that she is quite ill at her home near Shelby.

Mrs. Ralph Royster and little son, Stephen, who have been spending the past month with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mattison, in Greenwood, S. C., returned home yesterday. Mr. Royster went to Greenwood for the week-end and they returned with him.

Mrs. J. W. Harbison and infant daughter, Mary Louise, were able to leave the hospital on Thursday and go to their home on N. Washington street.

Mr. Hugh Bettis has been quite ill and confined to his home for the past several days.

Mr. Walter Wall is spending this week with his parents in Greensboro.

Miss Nancy Bagwell spent the week-end with relatives at Spartanburg, S. C.

Miss Martha Jane Mull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carr Mull, had her tonsils removed at the Shelby hospital on Thursday and is now back at her home and getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Carroll, Mr. John A. Weaver and Miss Virginia Weaver spent the day yesterday in Hickory visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hord and Miss Mildred Weaver, the latter a student at Lehigh-Rhyne college.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mitchell announce the birth of a daughter at the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, on Saturday.

Mr. O. W. Deaton, with a party of friends from Gastonia, is spending several days this week on a hunting trip in Tennessee.

Miss Victoria Young, of the high school faculty, spent the week-end in Rock Hill with her parents.

Henry Quinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Quinn, suffered a serious broken arm on Saturday, the bone being broken in two places. He is still confined to his bed but his condition is somewhat improved.

New York.—Mayor Walker would like to appoint John Ringling, circus owner, to the park commission and thereby get Ringling's zoo in the bargain. But Ringling is a resident of Florida and that squelches the plan.

### Rutherford County On Cash Basis Now

Neighboring County Pays \$140,000 In Debt Principal, Interest.

Rutherfordton, Jan. 23.—Rutherford county, since December 1 has paid over \$140,000 in principal and interest on its obligations, according to records here in the county accountant's office. It is the first time in a number of years that Rutherford met all interest and principal obligations on January 1 without issuing short term notes. All floating debt against the county has been paid and Rutherford is now on a strictly cash basis. This was due to the promptness of the taxpayers meeting their obligations, also to the faithful work of the former county tax collector, M. J. Harrill, and his associates, also to the fact that the Seaboard railroad paid their 1930 taxes last month, which amounted to \$23,310.26, also to the fact that state highway commission paid the county back \$55,000 which was advanced several years ago to construct highway 20 to Chimney Rock.

### At The Theatres

"Beau Hunks" is only the first half of the Webb big party tonight and Tuesday. It's a feature picture comedy within itself; in fact, the second extra length comedy made by the popular laugh reeler, "The Woman From Monte Carlo" is the other feature that completes the double program. Lil Dagover, star in "The Woman From Monte Carlo," is a brand new gal to American audiences, but the conquering queen of Europe's capitals. Walter Huston charmer and gives another sterling characterization. Warren William figures prominently in the cast also. The story, specially chosen for Miss Dagover for her introduction to America, is quite modern and lively. All in all, the Webb has a program for family entertainment.

For more than a hundred years, "Frankenstein" has been considered "the strangest story ever told." Mrs. Mary B. Shelley, wife of the famous poet, wrote "Frankenstein" in competition with her husband and two of his writer-friends, to see who could write the most unusual story. Mrs. Shelley won the prize, and now her classic is bursting out on ten thousand screens throughout the United States, thrilling and chilling lovers of mystery plays. The title role is played by Colin Clive, impressive star of "Journey's End," the monster role is done by Boris Karloff, the new Lon Chaney of the screen, who wears every ounce of 48 pounds of physical make-up in his portrayal of the man made terror; Mae Clarke is the girl, with John Boles supporting. The master thriller is playing today and Tuesday at the Carolina theatre. Because of the gruesomeness of "Frankenstein," the Carolina management does not recommend the picture for small children.

### Methodists Retain Two Of Old Hymns

"Rock of Ages" And "Nearer My God To Thee" Given Place In New Hymnal.

Pittsburgh.—"Rock of Ages" and "Nearer My God to Thee" live on in the hymnal of the Methodist churches.

A commission culled age and exaggeration from the hymn book, but when the music and words of the old time favorites rolled from piano and human throat, they passed unchallenged.

The commission represent the Methodist Episcopal, the Methodist Protestant and the Methodist Episcopal church, south. The hymnal is being revised while other commissions consider a proposal to unite the three denominations.

Other old-time songs did not pass. They are, the commissioners say, the least known and favored of the hymns. They include "Church, Triumphant," "O Come With Me," and "O Perfect Love."

About 200 new hymns were welcomed to the new book. In all, approximately 200 hymns were removed. The old hymnal contained 714. The new will have 725.

### Spindale Theatre Defendant In Suit

Forest City.—According to a dispatch from Spartanburg, S. C., a \$2,000 suit has been entered against the Spindale Amusement company, who operate a chain of moving picture theatres in several cities, including The Criterion in Spartanburg. The suit is a result of a fire scare at the Spartanburg theatre on December 22, alleged to have been caused by faulty wiring. The suit was filed by Mrs. Celia Jeffords, of Spartanburg.

The complaint drawn up by Jennings L. Thompson, attorney for Mrs. Jeffords, alleges that Mrs. Jeffords had been in the theatre for some time December 22 when there "emitted from the side of the theatre sparks and flashes, smoke and noises from an electrical connection which had been allowed to remain defective and in a dangerous condition up to this time." It is also claimed that excited persons yelled "fire" and Mrs. Jeffords alleges that she was bruised both internally and externally in the rush for the exit.

### Niagara Has No Ice Below Falls

Niagara Falls.—This pussy willow weather has set a record here. For the first time in 24 years no ice has formed below the falls. The huge ice mountains usually is one of the chief lures that brings tourists. But there's no ice and consequently few visitors.

### Huey's Successor



To the sound of whacking police clubs and many fist fights, Oscar K. Allen, Governor Huey Long's candidate for Governor of Louisiana, received the Democratic nomination in State primary by an overwhelming vote. Allen, whose nomination is tantamount to election, is a former State Senator, now chairman of the Louisiana Highway Commission. Governor Long is United States Senator-elect.

### Eight-Month Term Possible In State

Equalization Board Will Pay Proportionate Share For Schools As Long As District Pay.

Raleigh.—The state board of equalization will pay its proportionate share for the extended school term just so long as districts meet their part of the cost, the board ruled at its meeting last week.

North Carolina pays the entire cost of the six months term at state standards, and provides a \$1,500,000 aid fund for the extended term of two months to give an eight-month school.

If districts meet their share of the cost of the two extra months the state board will make its allotment. If the districts can raise only enough money to pay their share for one month the state allotment then will be made on that basis.

Should districts find themselves not in position to meet any part of the cost of the six months term, the allotment will be withheld, the board ruled.

A standard for school bus specifications also was approved by the board.

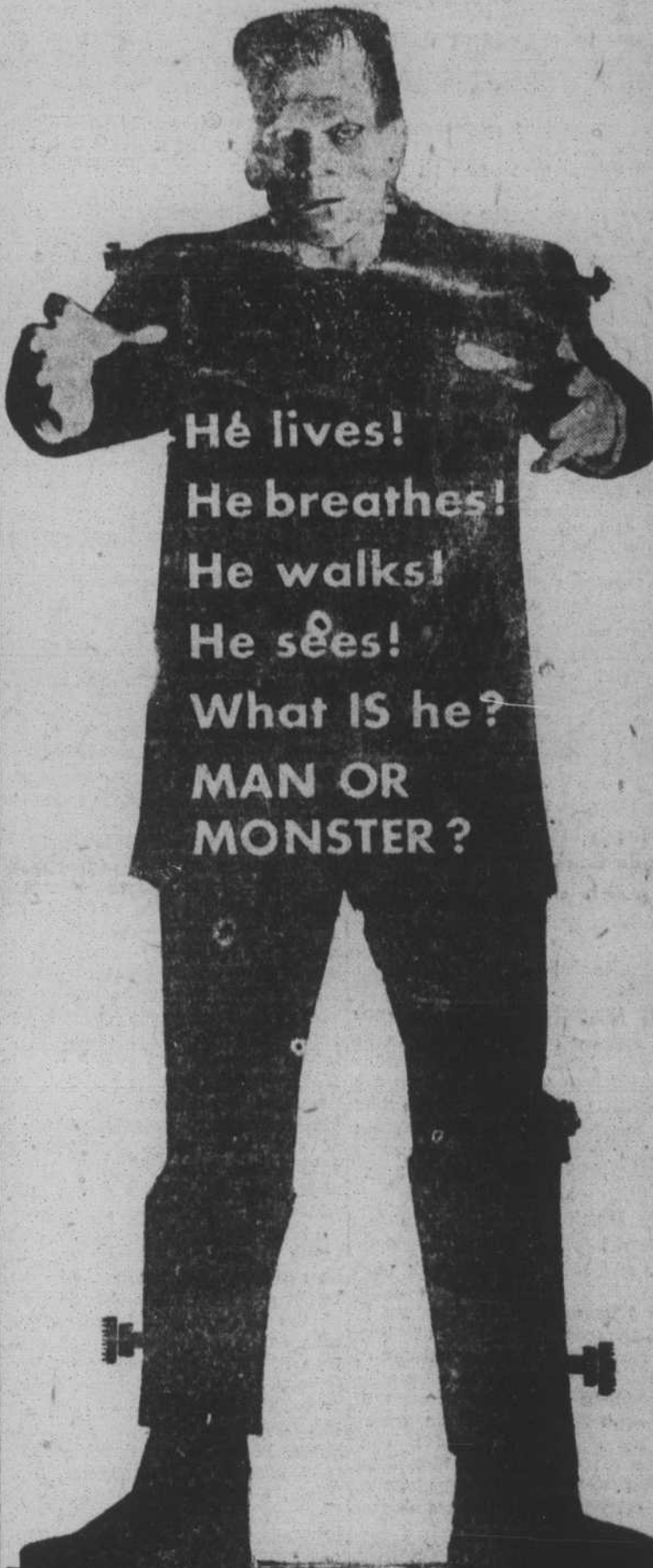
### Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Lozier W. Barrett and family wish to thank their friends for the many expressions of kindness and sympathy during the death and burial of their son—the late Max L. Barrett.

# LOOK OUT He's Here!

## WARNING

HERE comes the world's most famous shocker. Just a word of friendly warning: If you have a weak heart, and cannot stand excitement or gruesomeness, we advise you NOT to see this production. Take our word for it, it will thrill, it will shock, it may even horrify you. But if your nerves can stand electrifying drama, you will find it in "Frankenstein."



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