

Take Cigarettes Valued At \$1000 From Local Depot

No Clues Thus Far Are Available

Is Second Cigarette Robbery in 6 Months; Special Agents At Work.

A second bold depot robbery in Shelby within six months was revealed late Wednesday night when it was discovered that more than \$1,000 worth of cigarettes were missing from the warehouse at the Seaboard station.

The cigarettes were consigned to Webb Brothers wholesale company but had not been delivered.

No Clues

According to local police there are no clues as to the time or manner in which they were taken, but it is presumed that the theft was made sometime during the day and discovered Wednesday night. There was no evidence of forced locks or windows.

The cigarettes were in large packing cases and were likely carried away on a truck or in a car.

Special Agents

Carl Johnson and Mack Smith, special agents for the Seaboard railroad, are in the city making investigations. Neither of them would make a statement today. They prefer to study the case from a number of angles before doing so.

There is no indication however that there is any connection between the two robberies, the other which took place about three months ago at the Southern depot when an arrest was made soon after four boys were alleged to have taken some \$500 worth of cigarettes.

Late News

THE MARKETS Cotton, spot — 12 3/4 to 13 1/4 Cotton seed, ton, wagon — \$44.00

Fair And Colder Weather forecast for North Carolina: Generally fair, colder in west and north portions Friday; Saturday fair and colder.

Pickford Free

After more than a year of uncertainty as to a continued relationship with Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford, "America's sweetheart," was yesterday granted a divorce from her husband. The transaction was one of the shortest on record taking less than five minutes in a Los Angeles divorce court. The charge was "mental cruelty, desertion and neglect." Doug is in Switzerland and had a very short answer to the news. Their joint property rights are being settled.

May Veto Bonus

Fresh attempts to reach a compromise on the soldier's bonus question were developing in Washington today as result of a survey yesterday which revealed that 35 or more senators would uphold the president in his policy of non-payment. This is two more than the number needed to kill the measure. American Legion leaders refused a compromise and would make no comment on the survey.

Air Aces Meet

Aces of the air from every department of government aviation were gathered in Miami today for the second day of the seventh annual all-American air races and stunt flying contests. Yesterday was devoted to bomb dropping, speed events, and sky writing. A crowd of some 7,000 spectators witnessed the performances.

Block Revolt

A quick move on the part of President Roosevelt was taken yesterday to prevent a revolt in congress which would block his plans to have \$4,000,000,000 in a lump sum appropriation for relief work next year. It was learned that there has been evidence of objections to turning the whole sum over to the president and his administrative body without earmarking it and knowing to just what source the money would be applied.

School Bus overturns

A school bus containing 40 children left the highway near Mt. Airy yesterday, plunged down an embankment and injured nearly every one of the children. One was seriously injured, and a number of others are still in the hospital. Archie Barker, 17, was the driver and said he was blinded by the sun. He struck a wagon before wrecking the bus.

Trooper Watches Every Move As Hauptmann Is Tried



This interesting photo of the crowded courtroom at Flemington, N. J., shows Bruno Richard Hauptmann, on trial for the murder of the Lindbergh baby, leaning over for a chat with his wife. Observe the state trooper sitting between the two, watching every move.

John S. Hunt, 66 Dies Wednesday; Buried At Moriah

Prominent Farmer, Community Leader And Churchman Has Heart Failure.

Funeral services were held yesterday at Mt. Moriah Methodist church for John S. Hunt, prominent farmer, community and county leader of the Moriah section who died of heart trouble late Wednesday in the Shelby hospital. Mr. Hunt was 66 years of age and had been suffering with this ailment for a number of years.

The Rev. Clarence E. Ridge of Lexington and former pastor of Mr. Hunt conducted the services, assisted by the Rev. R. S. Troxler, present pastor.

Mr. Hunt was a prominent leader in church work in his community, was a member of the Moriah school board, and was a former member of the district highway commission.

Surviving Mr. Hunt besides his wife are seven sons and three daughters. The sons are O. S. Hunt, Shelby; Carme Hunt, Lincoln; Ammie Hunt, Thompson, Ga.; Adam Hunt, Asheville; Clem, J. P. and John Hunt, Jr., of Mt. Moriah. The daughters are Mrs. Noah Pruett, Casar; Mrs. John Wortman, route 5, Shelby and Miss Daphne Hunt, of Mt. Moriah.

A large crowd of upper Cleveland county folk was present to make a beautiful floral offering attesting the esteem in which he was held.

Plan 3 Act Play For South Shelby

A three act comedy, "Bound To Marry" will be presented Saturday night at 7:30 at the South Shelby school building. Giving the play will be a cast from the No. 3 high school. It is under the auspices of the young peoples division of the South LaFayette street Methodist church. The play has had several successful performances in the county. There will be a small admission charge.

Gastonia Moves To Keep Open Loray Mills, Offered For Sale

GASTONIA, Jan. 10.—George R. Urquhart, president of the Manville-Jencks corporation, Manville, R. I., is expected to arrive here soon to confer with the industrial committee of the Gastonia chamber of commerce and others in regard to working out a satisfactory solution of the present situation at the Loray mill, which is to be closed down within the next 90 days. Official word has been received from Providence, R. I., that Mr. Urquhart had announced that both the Loray mill and the High Shoals plant, also a Manville-Jencks property, would be placed in the hands of agents for sale as soon as operations have ceased.

Local business men, through the chamber of commerce and other agencies, will co-operate with officials of the corporation in any efforts to work out a solution under which the mills can resume normal operations.

Hoey-Doughton Conference Predicted In Washington

Clyde R. and The Farmer Will Decide Who'll Be Candidate For Governor—So They Say, But It's Guesswork

Clyde R. Hoey is in Washington. As he departed this week, political observers (which means everybody in Shelby, from the kindergarten to the Superior Court) winked at each other and prognosticated.

Farmers Get Checks For Cotton Parity

Approximately 1,200 Cleveland county farmers have received their cotton parity payments up to today. Alvin Probst, Bankhead administrator, said this morning. There are 3,000 checks for distribution all told, amounting to \$101,000.

Cotton growers are calling for their checks at the rate of 250 a day now, crowding the court house hallway in front of the county agent's office.

Checks are issued only when the grower has been notified, and when he brings his notice with him. No checks are mailed.

Cleveland Boxer Wed In Gaffney

Announcement is made today of the marriage of Miss Ruth Berger to "Kid" Hornbuckle which took place last night in Gaffney, S. C. Mrs. Hornbuckle is a daughter of Mrs. Martha Lattimore of this place and Mr. Hornbuckle is a son of J. W. Hornbuckle of Griffin, Georgia.

They will live in Shelby.

Gardner Is Named On 2 Committees

Ernest A. Gardner, Cleveland representative in the General Assembly has been named on the privileges and elections and on the rules committee in the state House of Representatives. Speaker Robert G. Johnson named these two committees on Wednesday.

Mrs. Eskridge Builds Station For Sinclair

Mrs. Chas. L. Eskridge purchased the Dudley lot, 100x130 feet at the corner of DeKalb and East Marion streets last week and is now having erected a modern filling station which has been leased by her son Charles R. Eskridge, Sinclair distributor, to the Sinclair Refining Co. as a retail outlet. Workmen are already excavating and placing material for construction. The station will be completed in about six weeks.

Big Building Gain Revealed In Report

T. P. Jenks, city building inspector, reveals a huge boom in Shelby building during December in his quarterly report just rendered. The figures for the past three months were: October, \$3,257, November \$3,650, and December \$12,105. The total for the quarter ending Dec. 31 is \$19,030.

Deadline Set On License Violators As Tag Sale Rises

January 14 Solicitor Horn Will Place Fine; Tag Sales 200 Ahead.

Monday, January 14, has been set as the deadline date for County Solicitor Cobby Horn to begin bearing down on all license law violators who appear before him after that date.

Up until last Saturday he had tried the cases of 15 arrests and had nolle prossed all of them. He has had no cases since that time. Neither have any been reported by magistrates in the city.

Set \$10 Fine Beginning on Monday Mr. Horn says that he will collect the full \$10 fine allowed by the law, as all car owners have had sufficient time to purchase tags or decide to leave untagged autos at home.

Auto tags giving Cleveland county motorists privilege to drive cars in 1935 are selling at the rate of about 75 per day now, although the rush has somewhat dropped off as nearly 5,000 of the approximately 7,000 autos in the county have been tagged.

Tags Sell Fast

To be exact, figures from the office of the Carolina Motor Inn, Carlos Hopper manager, reveal that to date 4,846 tags have been sold, which is exactly 200 plates ahead of the 4,646 figure of January 10 last year.

This information shows that tags have been bought with some kind of fury since the first of the year, as up to December 30 this year's license sales were behind those of 1934, notwithstanding the fact that sales began last year December and that the office was open on New Year's day and began this year on the 15th and the office was closed on the first day of the year.

Mr. Hopper said this morning that sales yesterday were 59, with 57 Wednesday, and 84 Tuesday. He expects it to drop off quite sharply soon.

Over the state the proportion is similar, but as a whole Cleveland is ahead in percentages of licenses bought.

Funeral For Miss Bridges Thursday

FOREST CITY, Jan. 10.—Funeral services for Miss Ada Bridges, who died at her home here Wednesday afternoon, were held at the late residence this afternoon. Miss Bridges had been a member of the Rutherford county school faculty for many years, more recently being in charge of the F. R. Nursery at the grammar school here. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bridges of Forest City. Surviving are one sister and five brothers.

Influenza Strikes At Boiling Springs

James Malcolm, dormitory medical aide at Boiling Springs Junior college, reported seven cases of influenza among the boys Wednesday night. None of the girl students was reported ill.

Ehringhaus Asks Increased Funds For State Schools

Governor Lays Plans Before Assembly

Would Repeal Absentee Law; Oppose Diversion Of Highway Funds.

Governor Ehringhaus last night told the North Carolina legislature the state must pay its school teachers more, it must balance its budget, and must repeal or amend the absentee ballot law. He opposed diversion of highway funds and upheld the sales tax, although he did not mention this by name.

In brief the governor told the legislators he recommended to them:

- 1. A substantial increase in appropriations for schools.
2. Increase of salaries of teachers as well as others.
3. Continuance of the study of needed changes in public school curricula.
4. Provision so that steps may be taken toward installation of a state system of school book rentals.
5. Increase appropriations for educational and other institutions.
6. Increase appropriations for highway building and maintenance.
7. Oppose diversion of highway funds.
8. Eliminate all toll bridges in the state.
9. Provision for greater safety on the highways, including a drivers' license law but not one for revenue only.
10. Increase the highway patrol personnel.
11. Drastically amend or repeal the absentee ballot law.
12. Consider separate party primary registrations.
13. Amend the law on presidential electors.
14. Ratify the child labor amending to the federal constitution.
15. Enact legislation relating to unemployment insurance.
16. Consider establishment of a state insurance fund.
17. Extend the benefits of workmen's compensation to teachers.
18. Extend workmen's compensation to cover occupational diseases.
19. Increase appropriations for charities and welfare.
20. Provide for state aid in supporting an employment service.
21. Submit constitutional amendments to liberalize the tax structure, work reforms in the judicial system, protect against excessive debt, and provide encouragement for home building and ownership.
22. Clarify tax foreclosure laws.
23. Provide supervisors for parole work.
24. See that justice is done the negro citizenship of the state.

Spanish War Vet Meeting Planned For January 14

Veterans of the Spanish-American war will meet in the county court house Monday night, January 14 for the purpose of installing new officers recently elected.

Comrade J. M. Mabry of the Charlotte post will be present and officiate at the ceremony. There are some 32 members of the Cleveland county group.

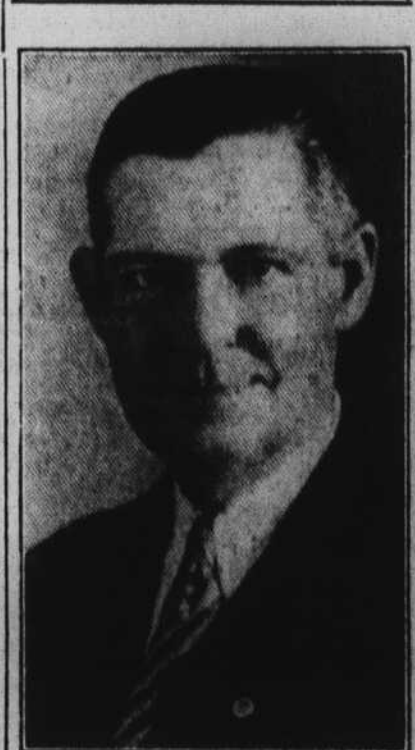
Retiring officers for the year are B. G. Logan, commander, C. P. Gofforth, adjutant, and S. B. Short, quartermaster. Those who will be inducted Monday night are C. C. Owens, commander, Zero Huffman and W. B. Metcalf senior and junior commanders respectively, Louis Forney, adjutant, S. B. Ehort was re-elected quartermaster.

Eye-Witnesses Tell How Sentell Killed Alleged 'Sweetheart'

Blanced With Fear On Reading Note From Him Morning Of Tragedy, Girl Testifies; Talked To Him Night Before

The man who took Florence Jones to the movies the night before she was murdered appeared late this morning as a prosecuting witness against Louis Sentell, on trial for his life, and testified that Sentell stopped Florence on the street that night to hold a conversation with her.

Inaugurated



C. R. Webb who was last night inaugurated president of the Kiwanis club for this year. Lee B. Weathers is vice president.

Expect Big Crowd At Shelby Dinner; Hoey Will Speak

More Than 150 To Be Served At Commerce Chamber Banquet Next Monday Night.

More than 150 people are expected to attend the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association banquet at the Hotel Charles Monday night at 7 o'clock, it was learned today at the organization offices in the Lineberger building.

Clyde R. Hoey will deliver the address of the evening. The entire program is being arranged as a home-town party with a local orchestra furnishing music both during the dinner and for the square dance which is to follow.

Lineberger To Preside. J. D. Lineberger, president of the organization, will be toastmaster and directors and officers for the ensuing year will be named during the meeting.

Members of the association, their families, employes and friends are invited to attend the affair. The only formality required is that the management must know at noon on Saturday as to the number each member plans to bring.

MASONIC DEGREE TEAM AT LAWNDALE, JAN. 16TH

The Union Masonic degree team will meet with the Lawndale lodge on Wednesday night, Jan. 16th and confer work. All members of this and other Masonic lodges are invited to be present.

County Farmers Present Farm Agent Shoffner With New Car

When County Agent Bob Shoffner went to his garage this morning upon his return by train from Raleigh last night, he opened the door to set out to work in his old car and found a bright, shiny new 1935 model Pontiac eight.

It was the gift of Cleveland county farmers, 100 or more, in appreciation of Mr. Shoffner's faithful work in the matter of cotton control, the distribution of checks, etc. The campaign for funds for a new car, originated among the farmers while Mr. Shoffner was away on a five-day trip to Raleigh to attend a meeting of farm agents. He knew nothing whatever of the surprise until the car had been bought from the local dealer, J. Lawrence Mackey, placed in his garage last night to await his return.

The new car is a coach model and one of the very first of the new 1935 series to be delivered here, the new model cars having just been put on display.

"I was speechless with delight when I saw that new car this morning," said Mr. Shoffner. "While I appreciate the gift and the value and usefulness of the car, what touched me most was the spirit that prompted it. I was overcome to think that my services have been appreciated by the farmers and that they should show their appreciation in such a substantial way." He added.

Mr. Shoffner rode to the office, found friends congratulating him along the way and at the court house where he plunged in to distributing parity checks, amounting to \$101,000.

"Wait a minute," Sentell commanded. "Florence, I want to see you."

Acc For Prosecution

The witness was Kelly Anderson, Cleveland Cloth Mill worker. His testimony was played like an ace in the hole by the prosecution, which has been seeking to show that Florence and Sentell were sweethearts, that they quarreled, and that he premeditated her murder.

Defense Attorney W. E. Brees of Brevard, striking shrewd blows in cross examination, has been trying to show that Sentell did not aim his gun at Florence alone, but at the group of four girls, one of whom, Emily Drake, was wounded when Florence was killed on Feb. 15. If the defense can prove this, Sentell cannot be convicted of first degree murder, as the state demands.

Court At Night

Beginning Thursday morning, the trial of the Byrum Hosiery Mill worker for the murder of the girl—later revealed as Mrs. William Drake—continued until 9:30 last night before audiences that packed the aisles and overflowed beyond the rail. A jury of 19 men was completed early Thursday afternoon.

The state's case, conducted by vigorous L. S. Spurling of Lenoir consists so far of damaging evidence presented by a series of eye-witnesses. The defense is expected to put Sentell on the stand, possibly this afternoon. The prosecution is expected to conclude examination today.

Eye Witnesses

The state marshalled its witnesses first to show how the alleged crime was committed, calling Arthur Benoy, who lived near the scene of the killing, Emily Drake, one of the four girls with Florence when she was killed, Francis Anderson, one of the quartet, and Mrs. Mary Page, the third girl. She was Miss Mary Anderson before her recent marriage.

Their story, except for minor variations, and unshaken materially by cross-examination, told how they left the Byrum Hosiery mill at noon on Feb. 15, how Sentell followed

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Pneumonia Fatal To W. T. Greene; Was 22 Years Old

Succumbing to a severe attack of pneumonia in the Shelby hospital early yesterday morning, funeral services were held at 3:00 this afternoon for Wilburn T. Greene, 22 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Greene of 1237 South LaFayette street.

The Rev. C. F. Price was in charge of the funeral services which were held from the home. Interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery in Kings Mountain. Mr. and Mrs. Greene formerly lived there.

Wilburn was employed with the Belmont mill until about 10 days ago when he was attacked with a severe cold which developed into pneumonia, resulting in his death.

He is survived by his parents and the following brothers and sisters, Brothers, Rhoeye, Loyd, Floyd and Earl Greene; sisters, Quillie, Margie, Greene, all of Shelby, and Mrs. Lona Hinman of Washington, D. C.

Re-employment Office To Open

C. M. Baber and E. W. Brockton, of the Gastonia National Re-employment service office, were here yesterday to arrange for office space for the establishment of a re-employment service in Shelby.

This will be a continuation of the work done last year under the direction of D. R. S. Frazier and Sam Lattimore.

The office will be a temporary one, established to provide workers for the FWA projects now under way here, and possibly to cooperate in obtaining labor for the post office building. Some 30 or 40 men will be given work. Mr. Baber will be in charge.