

## 200 MILLION IN AAA TAXES MUST BE RETURNED

## Officers Spread Net For Bank Robbers

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Seen In Polkville  
May Be In CountyRob And Kill In  
Newcastle, Tenn.

Identifying Checks Are  
Thrown Out In Rutherford  
County.

A net of police officers and armed deputies was being spread here at noon today for five desperate men who are alleged to have robbed a bank in Newcastle, Tenn., killed a sheriff and got away with several thousand dollars.

Detailed descriptions were lacking, but officers reported that the five men were driving a Ford V-8 coach with a Georgia license and that four of the men were well-dressed. The fifth man was dressed in overalls and was suspected to be kidnapped.

Local officers got into the case yesterday when they were notified by Rutherford officers that the suspected car with the desperadoes were in it and were headed for Cleveland county. The five men stopped at a Polkville filling station and passed a \$20 bill, inquiring the way to Lincoln.

The bank in Newcastle was robbed some time Saturday night and in the chase by officers there the sheriff was killed. Evidence that the party seen here were the same ones was found in a large bundle of cashiers checks which the party threw out when Rutherford officers, Speed and Honeycutt were following on motorcycles.

Faint suggestions that the robbers may be from Rutherford county were admitted by police here, and that investigations of a family there are being made. There is a \$1,300 reward for the robbers in Newcastle.

## Late Bulletins

## Start Road Work

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 13.—(P)—The South Carolina supreme court authorized a temporary state highway board to proceed with a \$5,761,000 road and grade crossing construction program today.

## Desperado Arrested

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 13.—(P)—Authorities here were notified that a man they believed to be Dwight Bead, wanted in North Carolina, Georgia and Minnesota, was under arrest in Orlando, Florida.

Bead is wanted for a series of robberies and for shooting of a policeman, according to reports.

Morning Cotton  
LETTER

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—There is evidently a growing belief that some form of indirect production control is in the making and that present prices are quite reasonable. Europe has been showing more disposition to buy and domestic trade fixations have been somewhat broader. Further rulings respecting the Bankhead act and disposition of taxes are expected today by the supreme court. It appears to us that when the court cases affecting cotton have been settled and with general business improving prices should show some higher.—E. A. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS  
Cotton, spot ——— 11½ to 12½  
Cotton seed, wagon, ton — \$31.00  
Cotton seed, car lot, ton — \$34.00

New York cotton at 2:30: Jan. 11.90, Mar. 11.10, May 10.82, July 10.50, Sept. 10.12, Dec. 10.06.

## Faces Probe



When the Senate Munitions Committee began hearings on a neutrality bill, it trained its guns on J. P. Morgan and his World War loans. Morgan denied that the United States entered the war because of financial interests. He blamed German insults and injuries.

Mrs. Eli Street,  
Gold Star Mother  
Is Buried At Zoar

Funeral Services Are Held Today At  
2 O'clock With Many  
Present.

Mrs. Eli Street, 78 year old Gold Star mother and one of the most respected and loved women of the Zoar community died at her home at 7:45 Sunday morning after an illness of about two weeks.

Funeral services for Mrs. Street were held at the Zoar Baptist church this afternoon at 2:30 with her pastor, Rev. Rush Padgett in charge, being assisted by Rev. D. G. Washburn and Rev. J. W. Suttle. A large crowd was present with an unusually large floral contribution. Before marriage to Eli Street nearly a half century ago, Mrs. Street was Miss Sara Frances McIntyre of this county. She joined the Baptist church early in girlhood and was one of its most loyal and faithful members until the time of her death. Her husband preceded her to the grave two years ago. A son was killed in the late World war.

Surviving are four daughters and two sons. They are Mrs. J. S. Bell, Mrs. D. J. Glascoe, Mrs. C. P. Gardner, and J. E. Street of this county; Will Street of Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. Robert Oats of Bear Wallow. Also, a sister Mrs. Mary Jane Hughes, 28 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Cotton Mills In For Grief And  
No Refunds On Processing Tax

Will the cotton mills in Cleveland county be benefitted by refunds on the processing tax since the adverse decision by the U. S. supreme court on the constitutionality of the Triple A is a question raised in the minds of many?

Leading cotton manufacturers of this section say they will not profit by refunds or if they do have any money coming back to them, the price adjustments that will have to be made all down the line from the government, through the mill which was the collecting agency, the converter, jobber and retailer will be one long round of troubles, involving arbitrations and perhaps litigation.

Farm-To-Market  
Roads, And Other  
WPA Work In LineCommissioners Visit  
In Mecklenburg

Farm-to-market roads, colored school buildings and the county agricultural building all are in line for Cleveland county under WPA, but will be somewhat delayed on account of a labor shortage for the time being, it was learned today.

A trip to WPA district office during the week-end by Commissioners J. L. Herndon and Joe E. Blanton and County Auditor Troy McKinney certified this information.

Get Releases.  
V. W. Breeze went with the party to get a number of releases signed which will allow contractors to use more non-relief labor on the WPA work which will begin this week on the rural school projects.

While in Charlotte the commissioners made a special study of the tax listing system of Mecklenburg county and will this year adopt some of the more efficient but less expensive methods. Many complaints were passed on the Mecklenburg system for the day it covers each township, city or town completely and maps each piece of property. It is thought that there is much property in Cleveland which is not listed for taxes.

However, Mecklenburg spends nearly \$30,000 to collect \$1,112,000 and Cleveland spends only \$3,000 to collect nearly \$200,000.

Stay In 2 Weeks  
With Mumps Rules  
Board of Health

Mumps have hit the city and county again and is making its regular rounds, causing some confusion in the schools because some of the parents don't want their children to have it, and other parents don't want their children to miss school.

Dr. H. C. Thompson, county physician said this morning that mumps is not a reportable disease and is not quarantinable according to the laws of the State Board of Health.

However, the disease has been quarantined by the Cleveland county board of health and the ruling of this board is that "children with mumps shall not attend school until two weeks after the first swelling is noticed." Members of the board include the mayor, chairman of the county board of commissioners, the superintendent of education, two physicians appointed by the Medical society and Dr. Thompson.

Other children in the family may go on to school and to other places, as infection is not likely to be made from clothes.

Dr. Thompson said mumps is not considered dangerous, but a patient should be quiet for the two weeks period.

## Captured

LEXINGTON, Jan. 13.—(P)—Gilbert Ridenhour of Concord was captured near Welcome today leaving only two of six prisoners who battered a hole in Davie county jail to escape last night. Ridenhour had

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## Bonus Leaders And Vets Confer



When senators and war veterans meet in Washington these days the bonus is a surefire topic. Above, discussing the bonus, are, seated left to right, Senators Bennett Champ Clark (Dem., Mo.), James F. Byrnes (Dem., S. C.), and Frederick Steiwer (Rep., Ore.). Standing, left to right: Ray Murphy, commander of the American Legion; James Van Zandt, head of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and M. A. Harlan, of the Disabled American Veterans.

Conservation 'See-Saw' Ends  
And CCC Camp Stays Here

Supporters were confident that the old-fashioned game of "see-saw" had finally come to a halt and that Cleveland will have a CCC camp after all.

A telegram Saturday from Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle assured farm leaders that on the failure of Huntersville to accept the colored unit from Shelby, it will be retained here.

Work is expected to go ahead according to schedule.

Lieutenant Vestal had received no

further instructions from the army division under which it is working, but was expected to do so before the moving date, Thursday of this week.

County agent John S. Wilkins said today that he was delighted at the information, and said he will build his farm program more definitely with conservation work in mind.

The county commissioners said it will mean much to Cleveland in terracing, forestry projects, and modern engineering in other erosion work.

Rehabilitation Description  
Shows Aid To 'Down and Out'Drive Hampered  
By Desert Heat,  
Rains And Fever

Fascist invaders of Ethiopia, their campaigns hampered by varying weather on two main frontiers, were reported pushing aerial attacks today on the southwest-rivory valley settlements.

Troop movements in the north had been hindered by early rains which have turned Italian-constructed roads into mudholes or washed them away, while lack of water in the terrific heat of the desert in the south, together with malarial fevers have complicated the invaders drives.

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Mrs. Ross Alexander  
Dies In Charlotte

Mrs. Ross Alexander, 38, of Charlotte, died at 11 o'clock Saturday night at St. Peters hospital in that city. Funeral services were held today at 1:30 at Hovis Chapel. Interment will be in Statesville.

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Flour And Meat  
Coming Down As  
Result Of Ruling  
No Cut In Meat Since  
Decision

Flour Price Is Cut 60 Cents Per  
Hundred; Fat Back 1c Per  
Pound.

Flour and meat are cheaper by reason of the Supreme court's decision on the AAA ruling it unconstitutional to collect a tax from consumers and apply the revenue to groups of producers.

A check-up this morning in Shelby reveals that flour immediately went down 60 cents per hundred when the tax was invalidated. Fat-back was quoted one cent a pound lower today on the Shelby market and hams 4.95 cents per pound cheaper.

From the peak price of last year, fat meat is said to be off six cents per pound. The processing tax on live hogs was \$2.25 per hundred. Prices varied on the various cuts, the average, increase by reason of the tax being approximately 3.25 cents per pound.

Millers have been selling flour to retailers since July, guaranteeing a refund of \$1.25 per barrel on flour bought since that time if the act were held unconstitutional.

In the matter of flour, millers and retailers are in a dilemma as to whether they will get any refund on the processing tax on wheat. As a matter of fact, the consumer paid the tax and any refunds on wheat products already sold rightly belongs to the consumer. But can and will consumers go to the retailers and

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William Jenkins  
Dies Last Night;  
Was First Illness

Eighty-Four Year Old Farmer Succumbs To Attack of Pneumonia.

After living 84 years without having a serious illness, William Jenkins, oldest resident and respected farmer of the Rehobeth-Sandy Plains area died at his home last night. The cause of his death was double pneumonia and a number of other troubles.

He had been ill only a week and was in his normal state of health and was able to do small tasks until that time.

Funeral services for Mr. Jenkins will be held Tuesday at 2 o'clock at the Rehobeth Methodist church with Rev. J. Van Harrison, pastor in charge, assisted by others Mr. Jenkins was the oldest member of the Rehobeth church and has been a member of that denomination since early boyhood.

Mr. Jenkins was a native of Lincoln county, but in young manhood moved to Cleveland county where 55 years ago he was married to Miss Jane Wolfe, who survives with eight children. The children are Mrs. E. J. Cartwright of Gilkey; Mrs. C. T. Melton of Hopewell; Mrs. Hubert Wilson of Lawndale; George Jenkins of Ellenboro; Frank Jenkins of Shelby; Mrs. Will Jenkins and Mrs. Walter Crotts of Rehobeth; Lawton Jenkins of Hopewell. There are 32 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

In addition to giving the origin, background and purpose of the Rehabilitation Administration, the booklet gives a rather thorough explanation and resettlement which are

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Learning To Play  
Latest WPA Work

Learning how to play will be the purpose of a new WPA project definitely scheduled to come to Cleveland county within the next few weeks.

This type of work has already been started in several of the neighboring counties and Mrs. Ronnie Sheffield was in the city Saturday conferring with several of the leaders and laying the ground work.

Little was learned about the play and recreation project except that it will be open to everyone to study arts, crafts, drama, outdoor games and other forms of recreation. Teachers will be paid through the WPA.

Mrs. Sheffield is expected back in the county in a few days to make complete arrangements.

## State Leader



Loy Crowder, above of Polkville, who has just been named president of the Tarheel Farmers for having the best record in vocational agriculture in the state.

Polkville Youth  
Is New President  
Of Tarheel Body

Loy Crowder, 16-Year-Old Lad Has Best 4-Year Record In State.

Loy Crowder, 16 year old senior at the Polkville high school reached the zenith of his pre-college career today when it was announced that he has just been named president of the Tarheel Farmers, state-wide vocational organization, for having the best record of any lad in the state for four years work.

This announcement and compliment to the farm leadership of Cleveland students come only a few weeks after his teacher, E. L. Dillingham, was named "master teacher" of the state vocational departments.

To Kansas City

The award was made on the basis of his record for the past four years, all the records of leading students from nearly 100 counties being voted on by the hundreds of students and teachers in North Carolina. He will preside at the annual convention of the vocational students at State college next June and will represent North Carolina in the Future Farmers of America meeting next fall at Kansas City.

Along with the presidential honor came a gold medal, and rank of Carolina Farmer, going to students who make a minimum of \$300 profit on their vocational projects; average 85 per cent or more on all subjects and are apt in other extra curricular activities.

Young Crowder is an honor roll student, has won the district contest in speaking two different times.

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Rudyard Kipling  
Is Seriously Ill

LONDON, Jan. 13.—(P)—Rudyard Kipling, Britain's famous bard, became seriously ill today and underwent an emergency operation for a gastric disorder. The poet observed his 70th birthday two weeks ago today.

The first hospital announcement said "An urgent operation was performed" and a later bulletin said, "Kipling is doing as well as could be expected and his condition is satisfactory."

Dared 'oil' Chute Jump Almost  
Electrocuted At King's Mountain

received.

A large crowd of Saturday shoppers and townspeople saw the daring jumper come sailing toward the earth and held their breath when they saw him fall to guide his support away from the wires because of a treacherous breeze. He slid between the high voltage wires, took the shock and thought he was out of danger when the wind began to blow again.

The parachute began filling and then to lift him nearer the wires and as it was his clothes were badly burned and his arms and one leg somewhat paralyzed from the shock

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High Court Rules  
Impounded Money  
Is Due TaxpayersRefuse To Pass On  
TVA, Bankhead

Unanimous Decision Of Supreme Court Jurists Settles Process Tax Fate.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The Supreme Court ruled today that \$200,000,000 from processing taxes impounded by the courts must be returned to the tax payers, refused to pass on the validity of the Bankhead cotton act at this time and adjourned without ruling on the constitutional validity of the TVA.

The tax division did not go into whether processors had to prove they had not passed the tax on to consumers before they could recover, a main point at issue. It was handed down in the case brought by Louisiana rice millers, the result had no immediate bearing on the prospects for suits by processors to recover the \$1,200,000 taxes already collected under the defunct AAA. This question remains to be fought out in the lower courts. The decision was unanimous. The 9 justices agreed also that the review on the Bankhead case, which was allowed only a 6-3 vote had been "improvidently granted."

Another case involving this law, filed by Governor Talmadge of Georgia, will give the court another opportunity to rule on it. In the rice millers' opinion, read by Justice Roberts, the court held the changes made by the new AAA law, enacted at the last session, did not "cure the infirmities of the original act," which it held unconstitutional last week. The exaction still lacked

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Seek To Avoid  
Date With Death  
In Bruno's Case

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 13.—(P)—Bruno Hauptmann's legal staff, suddenly augmented by two Washington attorneys and bolstered by possible new evidence, swung vigorously today into a last pitched fight against his Friday night date with death.

Retention of Attorneys Nugent D odds and Neil Burkishaw was accepted as an indication that a new move was contemplated in the U. S. Supreme Court. B. M. Finnegan, a Chicago lawyer, flew here to tell Governor Hoffman a story of three men who, possessed \$22,000 of the Lindbergh ransom money.

He said he got the information from a prisoner in a Chicago jail who said he paid \$2,000 toward purchasing ransom bills at 40c on the dollar but did not get the money because he could not raise the rest of the price before his own arrest on a worthless check charge.

New Feature By  
Mrs. Drum Begins  
In The Star Today

A new feature begins in The Star today, entitled "Small Talk," written by Mrs. Renn Drum. It will concern women and children, what they are doing, saying and wearing in and around Shelby.

Mrs. Drum, social editor of The Star has much of that writing style and color which made the column entitled "Around Our Town" written by her late husband so popular while city editor of The Star.

Women and children will enjoy what Mrs. Drum hears and sees. Yes, and the male readers of The Star will enjoy her column, too. Look for it today on page seven.