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Normal Banking Operations Resumed

Cycle Man Kills Self In Kitchen As Wife Looks On

W. D. Shore Is Suicide Vic-
tim; Used Shotgun To
End His Life

TOOK PLACE ON FRIDAY
Cause of Act Is Unknown to
Family; Funeral Held
Yesterday

Funeral services were conducted Sunday at 11 o'clock from Union church for W. D. Shore, young farmer of Cycle, who committed suicide at his home Friday afternoon. Rev. N. T. Jarvis was in charge of the service which was attended by a large concourse of people.

Mr. Shore shot himself in the head with a 12-gauge, double barreled shotgun about 4 o'clock Friday afternoon in the kitchen of his home as his wife looked on. He placed the muzzle of the gun against his left temple and using his right hand to hold the gun, pulled the trigger with his left hand.

No cause for his rash act was known. He is said to have had no financial or family troubles and apparently had been in the best of health. However, for two or three days he seemed to lose his usual jovial mood and it was thought that he became mentally unbalanced.

At the time of the shooting, Mrs. Shore was pleading with him not to shoot himself as he had told her he was going to do. She is said to have struggled with him and before losing her hold obtained a promise that he would not harm himself. However, she had just stepped away when he fired the shot.

He was 28 years old on March 24. Besides his wife, Mrs. Minnie Shore, he is survived by two daughters, Kathleen and Fay, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shore, three sisters, Mrs. Pauline Roberts, Misses Ruth and Evelyn Shore and two brothers, Harry and Paul Shore, all of Cycle.

Spelling Bee At Kiwanis Meeting

Rev. J. H. Armbrust Pinch
Hits For J. R. Hix At Fri-
day's Luncheon

Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pinch hitting for J. R. Hix, staged an old-time spelling bee at Friday's luncheon of the Kiwanis Club.

The luncheon was held at Hotel Wilkes and was well attended. Genlo Cardwell served as secretary in the place of Secretary T. E. Story who accompanied his debating team to Elkin for the triangular debating contest.

H. H. Morehouse and John E. Justice were captains of the two spelling teams. Edward Finley, most proficient in the art of spelling for the day, brought victory for Mr. Justice's team and received a stick of chewing gum as the prize.

Rev. Mr. Armbrust, versatile entertainer, proved himself an artist at telling jokes.

Masons Will Hold Meeting Tomorrow

North Wilkesboro Lodge To
Meet At 7:30 P. M., In
Local Lodge Hall

In compliance with an order issued by Herbert C. Alexander, grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, North Wilkesboro Lodge No. 407, A. F. & A. M., will meet tomorrow (Tuesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock at the local lodge hall to join in the state-wide movement.

T. C. Caudill, master, and W. H. H. Waugh, secretary, are very anxious that all Masons attend the meeting. Members of the local lodge have been notified personally with the hope that there will be a large attendance.

Members Of Evangelistic Club Go To Mt. Pleasant

Five members of the Wilkes Evangelistic Club conducted the 11 o'clock service at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church Sunday morning. The club president, W. G. Gabriel, led the service and was assisted by Dewey Minton, Tom Hawkins, Z. O. Eller and W. B. Zayner.

Dons Walsh Toga



Senator John E. E. Erickson, of Montana, retiring as governor of that state to be named to fill out the unexpired term of the late Thomas J. Walsh, has had his appointment protested, but bids fair to be seated.

FEDERAL COURT BEGINS MAY 15

Jurors Have Not Yet Been
Drawn; Many Cases To
Be Heard During Term

HAYES WILL PRESIDE

Federal court for the trial of persons charged with violating federal laws will convene a Wilkesboro on May 15.

Jurors for the term have not yet been drawn, according to Deputy Clerk L. Bumgarner, but the jury list will be prepared within the next few days, he stated. This division is composed of Wilkes, Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Greensboro, will preside and District Attorney J. R. McCrary and his assistants will prosecute the docket.

Legion, Auxiliary Plan Planting Day

To Beautify Grounds About
New Building On Friday;
Shrubbery Needed

With the completion of the American Legion and Auxiliary Hut only a few days off, members of these groups are planning a "Planting Day" Friday, April 7.

The two organizations are justly proud of their new building and they will greatly appreciate any shrubs that people interested in beautifying the grounds wish to give.

"If you have anything to give," an official of the Auxiliary stated Saturday morning, "just phone Mrs. J. E. Turner, 351, who will be glad to call for any shrubs Friday morning."

Contract For Home Let To Kenerly And Pearson

Contact for the erection of a handsome brick bungalow on the corner of Sixth and F streets was let a few days ago by Mrs. J. F. Johnson to Kenerly and Pearson, local building contractors.

Grading has already been completed and rapid progress has been made toward early completion of the residence.

Operetta Will Be Presented At City School Auditorium Friday

On Friday evening at 7:45 in the school auditorium the children of the elementary grades will present the operetta, "Pandora." The proceeds of this entertainment are to be used to purchase song books and other equipment much needed by the music department of the school.

The operetta, "Pandora," is based upon the ancient Greek myth, Pandora, a beautiful little girl, is sent by the gods as a playmate for Epimetheus. Quick-silver happens by the home of Epimetheus and asks permission to leave a strange box which he says is by no means to be opened. While Epimetheus is away Pandora opens the box, thereby letting into the world a host of evil sprites, such as hate, spite, worry, sickness, naughtiness and lies. Two good sprites, love and hope, finally make good their escape to do what they can to relieve the world of the sorrow caused by the evil sprites.

Standard Products Handled By Dick's Service Stations

Change To Standard Was Ef-
fectuated Saturday At All
Stations

HAS THREE STATIONS
Standard Products Include
Standard and Esso, Esso-
lube and Atlas Tires

Dick's Service Stations, effective Saturday, April 1, are handling a full line of Standard products.

A. A. (Dick) Cashion, proprietor of the stations, stated this morning that "we are always anxious to give our customers the very best products money can buy and we believe the products of the Standard Oil company meet the highest standards."

With the change to Standard completed, Dick's Service Stations have the complete line of Standard products which include Standard gasoline, Esso gasoline, Esso-lube, the only five-star motor oil, and Atlas tires.

Mr. Cashion has two stations in the city and a new one on top of the hill is now being erected.

Mr. Cashion is greatly pleased with Standard products and states that he is confident his patrons and friends will approve the change. "Our stations are always pleased to serve the public and try to give the very best obtainable in the way of products," he said.

Prisoners Happy Over Radio Gift

P. M. Williams' Donation To
County Jail Welcomed
By the Inmates

Wilkes county prisoners are happy over the gift of a handsome cabinet radio by Pat M. Williams, popular traveling salesman, who not only donated the radio, but personally installed it in the county jail.

The gift was much appreciated. Jailer J. B. Sheets stated, and the prisoners are very grateful to Mr. Williams.

The radio was installed several days ago and the inmates of the jail are enjoying listening to the programs over the air.

Mountain View Wins Triangular Debates

Double Victory Entitled
Teams To Go To Finals
At Chapel Hill

HAYS, April 1. — Debating teams of Mountain View high school won both sides of the query in the triangular contest Friday afternoon and thus won the right to represent the triangle in the finals at Chapel Hill.

The Mountain View affirmative team, composed of Conrad Handy and Von Caudill, won over Traphill's negative at Mt. Pleasant, while the negative team, composed of Hessie Wiles and Fae Miles, took the debate with Mt. Pleasant at Traphill.

Misses Breta Poe Scroggs and Lucile Scroggs, of Moravian Falls, spent the week-end in Greensboro with friends.

A COMMENDABLE SERVICE (AN EDITORIAL)

The confidence reposed in the stockholders and officials of the Deposit and Savings Bank and the Bank of North Wilkesboro during the period which the banks were closed was merited, for no group of stockholders and officials have been more loyal to their customers than these.

Every person acquainted with the facts knows that both local institutions were in sound financial condition, were safe and liquid before the banking holiday was declared. But the fear and lack of confidence in some sections of the state and nation caused the state banking department to set up a new banking standard—a standard which means that if all depositors were to demand their money within thirty days, the banks must have ample assets to realize the necessary money within that short period. Stockholders and officials of the local institutions and business men of the county gladly co-operated to attain that standard and while the banks were strong before the holiday, they are now stronger and safer than ever before.

Time was required to complete the audit of the banks. Each item had to be checked and investigated. The public, never losing confidence, watched developments with interest and showed their faith by making large deposits in each bank on opening day.

Attainment of the new standard represented a sacrifice to stockholders of the institutions. But with the loyalty that has marked their long service to Wilkes, the men who operate these banks thought not of the sacrifice, but in terms of service to those who have always shown their faith in them.

There is not one among those familiar with events of the past few weeks who is not appreciative of the loyalty and devotion of our bankers to the interest of the public. The Journal-Patriot joins in this expression of gratitude and adds this word of appreciation to those spoken by the hundreds of bank customers.

Bank stockholders and other business men who put their shoulder to the wheel to bring about a happy ending to the banking holiday deserve the deepest gratitude of the public.

RECORDER'S COURT MEASURE IS KILLED BY SENATE COMMITTEE

IMPORTANT—READ

Children are killed by diph-
theria, "the strangler."

They can be protected easily
by vaccination.

All children between the
ages of six months and ten
years need protection.

Parents, see your physician
NOW.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF HEALTH

Unfavorable Report Given Thursday Afternoon; Is Death of Measure

For the second time in four years, Representative Charles H. Cowles carried his bill to place Wilkes county under the provisions of the general recorder's court act through the house, only to lose in the senate.

The senate's sub-committee on courts and judicial districts Thursday afternoon reported the bill unfavorably, putting an end to the legislation at this session of the general assembly unless some senator brings it to the floor on the minority report.

Representative Cowles introduced a similar measure in 1929 and the house committee gave it an unfavorable report. Undaunted, Mr. Cowles took his fight to the floor of that body and made such a stirring appeal that it carried. It was later killed in the senate.

The house committee ten days ago reported the bill favorably, the house passed it, but once again it struck a snag which meant extinction at this session. Sentiment was pretty well divided in the county, many people wanting to give the court a trial, while others vigorously opposed it.

Messrs. John Cothren and son, J. A. Cothren, Amos Brooks, D. Ellis and DeWitt Billings, of Lomax, were visitors in the city Friday.

DRY OFFICERS CAPTURE FOUR

Eight Gallons of Liquor
Found On Car; "Watch"
Man Is Caught

Four men were arrested and eight gallons of liquor confiscated in raids made Thursday by prohibition agents in the county.

Cleve Marley was caught in the Lewis Fork section Thursday afternoon in a raid made by Agents H. C. Kilby and D. C. Dettor, who were assisted by Deputy Marshal H. H. Jennings, M. S. Phillips and T. M. Setzer. Marley, it was stated, was a "watch" man and fired a warning shot to operators of a still, which was later destroyed, who escaped. Before he could get away himself, however, the officers placed him under arrest. After a hearing before Commissioner J. W. Dula, he was released under bond of \$500.

Agents J. L. Moore and N. S. Cooper caught Boss Absher, Doc Absher and Coy Pruitt with eight gallons of liquor on their car in the Lomax section. Pruitt was released until the next term of court under bond of \$500, while the others, unable to furnish bond, were committed to jail at Wilkesboro.

Arrest of the trio was made Thursday night.

Couple Married Friday At County Courthouse

Miss Jessie Ada Steele, of Boomer, and Mr. Lawrence Watts, of Taylorsville, were married in the office of the register of deeds at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Friday afternoon. Miss Gail Bumgarner, justice of the peace, officiated.

Bank of North Wilkesboro Open For Business; Flood of Deposits Greeted Opening Day Saturday

Texas Beauty Scores



Miss Susan Sheppard, daughter of U. S. Senator Morris Sheppard, of Texas, and a junior at Duke University, Durham, N. C., has been elected to head the beauty section of the 1935 Chanticleer, the student year book.

TREXLER DIES IN CAR WRECK

C. S. Felts In Car With Him
Injured; Chasing Big
Bootlegger

WAS EFFICIENT AGENT

Prohibition Investigator Levi G. Trexler was instantly killed late Friday afternoon when the government automobile which he was driving in pursuit of a whiskey car overturned on state highway No. 770, about half-way between Leaksville and Stoneville. His companion, Investigator C. S. Felts, was injured, but his condition is reported not to be serious.

The accident occurred about 4:45 o'clock as the government car failed to make a sharp curve on the topsoil highway. Investigator Felts told Deputy Prohibition Administrator J. L. Osteen. The machine turned over once and righted itself, according to the injured officer, and Mr. Trexler's head was crushed in the framing of the Studebaker roadster's top.

Pursued Car About An Hour
It was reported that the government car had been pursuing the whiskey car, a Ford, for about an hour when the accident occurred as the machines traveled in the direction of Leaksville. The Ford, with 50 gallons of whiskey, was found abandoned about half a mile from the scene of the wreck a short time later, but the driver escaped.

The accident was witnessed by a boy as he stood in the yard in front of his home, and members of the family summoned an ambulance which carried Investigator Felts to the Leaksville hospital. It was said that the government car was right on the liquor car when the machine was overturned.

Although the identity of the driver of the whiskey car was not definitely established, Deputy Administrator Osteen, of Greensboro, stated that Investigator Felts recalled that Mr. Trexler said during the pursuit that the rum runner was Frank Hubbard, a notorious character, who (Continued on page four)

Deposit & Savings Bank Opened Ten Days Ago With Large Deposits

CONFIDENCE IS NOTED

Both Banks Are Operating
Without Restrictions; New
Directors Named

Normal banking service was restored here Saturday when the Bank of North Wilkesboro opened, the Deposit and Savings Bank, the only other banking institution in the county, having opened ten days previous.

A flood of deposits greeted the opening of the Bank of North Wilkesboro. All day Saturday, customers of the bank kept the bank force busy receiving deposits.

Bank officials stated Saturday evening that the deposits were much larger than was anticipated.

With normal banking facilities restored, a new spirit of confidence was in evidence and the people freely expressed their faith in the local banks.

The Deposit and Savings Bank which opened March 22 has continued to receive heavy deposits. There have been no withdrawals except for legitimate business purposes.

While both the Deposit and Savings Bank and the Bank of North Wilkesboro were solvent and in excellent condition when the banking holiday was declared, the complete audits made by the state banking department and resultant steps assure the public that both are stronger and safer than ever before.

The opening of the Bank of North Wilkesboro places Wilkes in the fortunate group of counties which have all their banking houses open without any restrictions whatever.

The audit of the Bank of North Wilkesboro was completed by J. B. Rodgers and company, auditing firm, Friday evening. Mr. Rodgers communicated with Gurney P. Hood, state bank commissioner, who immediately issued license for the re-opening.

At a meeting of the stockholders Friday afternoon the following officers were re-elected: J. R. Hix, president; S. V. Tomlinson and A. A. Finley, vice presidents; R. W. Gwyn, cashier; A. W. Horton, Miss Essie Erwin and W. W. Starr, assistant cashiers. Directors are: E. M. Blackburn, R. W. Gwyn, S. V. Tomlinson, Ralph Dupcan, John E. Justice; R. G. Finley; A. B. Johnston, J. R. Hix and A. A. Finley.

Negative Teams Win In Triangle

Triangle Will Not Be Represented
in Finals At
Chapel Hill

All negative teams won Friday afternoon and the Wilkesboro-Elkin-Mt. Airy triangle will not be represented in the finals at Chapel Hill this year.

Arguing the question of whether North Carolina ought to adopt the sales tax as a feature of its state system of revenue, the youthful debaters representing the three schools fought to a tie when neither affirmative could win.

The affirmative team of Elkin, composed of Alex Chatham and Irvin Wade, met Mt. Airy's negative, composed of Doris Cockerham and James Randleman, in the Wilkesboro high school auditorium. The Mt. Airy team won a two to one decision. Judges were Rev. Avery Church, Willard G. Cole and Prof. T. G. Perry.

Wilkesboro's affirmative, Martin Beach and Neil Hartley, lost a two to one decision to Elkin's negative at Mt. Airy. Miss Grace Gilreath accompanied them to the Granite city.

Sam Ogilvie and Lucile Hartley, who composed the Wilkesboro negative team, won the decision unanimously from Mt. Airy's affirmative at Elkin. Prof. T. E. Story accompanied the team there.

Baseball Practice At Wilkesboro High School Started; Play Friday

Baseball practice began at Wilkesboro high school last week and the boys are rapidly rounding into form.

Coach R. V. Day is giving considerable attention to his squad. Competition is strong for the various positions. Particularly is this true for the place on the mound.

Four youngsters are seeking the call to mound duty in the opening game with Fred Sloop seemingly having the inside track. Pless Carson, Slater Prevette and James Wallace are others trying out for the mound.

Morris Davis has the position behind the bat clinched and will receive the twirling this season. Van Wiles will play first base, Robert Church will be at second, Hazel Kennington at short stop and Thomas Dula at third. Only an injury will cause a switch in this lineup.

Ed Robertson and Charles Hatcher are candidates for the right field berth. Lawrence Phillips and Archie Yates are being given a chance at center field, while the left field berth will be filled by either Bob Jones or Sam Ogilvie.