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Gilbert Parks, Colored, Dies From Blow On Head With Axe

Sucker Sales, His Alleged Assailant, Is In County Bastile

Gilbert Parks, 25-year-old colored man of Roaring River Route 2, died at the Wilkes Hospital Saturday about 11:30 o'clock from injuries sustained Thursday afternoon when he was struck on the head with an axe said to have been wielded by Sucker Sales, another colored man of the same community.

Sales is alleged to have picked up the axe and struck Parks during a quarrel between the two men Thursday afternoon. Parks was knocked unconscious by the blow and died without regaining consciousness. He was brought to the hospital immediately after being injured.

Sales came to Wilkesboro Saturday evening and surrendered to Sheriff W. B. Somers and is in jail without privilege of bond. Previously the officers had been unable to locate him, it being thought that he was hiding out.

Gilbert Parks was the son of Hamp Parks, who survives him. He is also survived by his wife, Clara Walker Parks, and two brothers, Floyd and Lennie.

The funeral service was to be conducted from Union Grove church Monday (today) at 2 o'clock by Rev. J. W. Majors.

Reynolds Speaks At Lions Meeting

His Subject Was "History of Wilkes"; Committee Makes Report

An address by Henry Reynolds, popular local after-dinner speaker, was the high light of the semi-monthly meeting of the Lions club at Hotel Wilkes Thursday evening.

Mr. Reynolds spoke on the "History of Wilkes County." Going back to the early settlements in Wilkes, Mr. Reynolds touched upon the high spots in the county's history.

The program was in charge of E. A. Shook and H. V. Wagoner. The nominating committee which was composed of B. T. Henderson, Henry Moore and J. H. McNeill made its report. The annual election of officers will be held at the next meeting.

M. E. Auxiliaries To Meet In City

Meeting At Local Methodist Church Tomorrow Begins At 10 O'clock

Ladies from several towns in this section will gather here tomorrow (Tuesday) for a zone meeting of Methodist church auxiliaries. The meeting will begin at 10:30 o'clock.

The zone is composed of North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Sparta, Union and Moravian Falls.

The ladies are expected to bring lunch and the meeting will be in session until general business matters are attended to.

PUBLISHER DIES AT TAYLORSVILLE

Taylorsville, May 27.—John E. Hart, owner and editor of The Taylorsville Times, died at his home here at 5 o'clock this afternoon after a lingering illness with diabetes. He is survived by his widow and two sons, W. G. Hart, of Springfield, Mo., and H. H. Hart, of Bluefield, W. Va.

Springtime In The Brushies

(Parody on "Springtime in the Rockies," written and sung by Miss Ellen Robinson at the Kiwanis club luncheon.)

When it's springtime in the Brushies,
And the woods are all aflame
With azalea and laurel,
And flowers of ev'ry name;
Once again we come to revel
In the beauty of the hills,
When it's springtime in the
Brushies,

In the Brushies oh, so fair.

When it's summer in the Brushies,
And the cottages are filled
With those who love the mountains
And the glowing view from
there,
Of the lovely Yadkin valley,
And the beautiful Blue Ridge;
It's summer in the Brushies,
In the Brushies over there.

Prison for Boy



Despite a highly emotional trial a jury of twelve married men returned a verdict of murder in the second degree against Harry Murch, 16-year-old New York school boy for stabbing a 12-year-old playmate to death. The penalty is 20 years to life imprisonment.

Banquet Is Given For Gulf Dealers In This District

C. D. Coffey, Jr., Distributor, Is Host; Announcement Was Made

GAS NOW LUBRICATED

C. D. Coffey, Jr., local distributor of Gulf Refining company products, was host to Gulf dealers in this territory at a delightful banquet which was held at the C. D. Coffey & Sons warehouse Wednesday evening.

After the delightful dinner, Distributor Coffey told the dealers about the new Good Gulf gasoline. The gasoline, the dealers were told, has been treated with a special top cylinder lubricant that eliminates all possibility of sticking valves and other top cylinder lubricating troubles. The new lubricated gasoline will be sold to the public at the same price as the regular Good Gulf gasoline.

The dealers were all very enthusiastic about the new product and expect a big increase in their sales.

Dealers attending the meeting were:

- A. A. Greene, Deep Gap; J. A. Elledge, Parlear; C. L. Pearson, Parlear; Mitch Reeves, Cricket; D. E. Turner, Cricket; A. A. Bumgarner, North Wilkesboro; Hilton Johnson, North Wilkesboro; Glenn Eller, North Wilkesboro; H. C. Landon, Jr., North Wilkesboro; L. G. Caldwell, North Wilkesboro; W. W. Woodruff, Hays; J. W. Adams, North Wilkesboro; Archie D. Rhodes, North Wilkesboro; W. A. Groce, Wilkesboro; Ernest McLean, Moravian Falls; W. F. McNeil, Parlear; L. L. McNeil, Parlear; C. D. Kilby, North Wilkesboro; T. P. Elledge, Parlear; Ralph Caldwell, Boomer; Odell Whittington, Reddies River; I. R. Vannoy, Dayle; A. F. Kilby, North Wilkesboro; C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro.

Listers Are Now Completing Work

D. O. Cleary and S. L. Pardue Listing County and City Taxes

Rev. D. O. Cleary, North Wilkesboro township tax lister, and S. L. Pardue, city lister, are now completing their work of listing property for taxation. All those who have not yet listed their taxes are urged to do so at once.

As it has frequently been pointed out, no adjustments in property valuation will be allowed after the township books are closed. For this reason every taxpayer is urged to list now before the listers finish their work.

W. C. T. U. Will Meet On Thursday Afternoon

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. which was postponed last Thursday will be held the coming Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. R. E. Faw. All interested ladies are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gaither spent the week-end in Thomasville with Mrs. Gaither's parents, Sheriff and Mrs. G. V. Bodenheimer. On Saturday Mrs. Gaither attended the reunion of her class at Greensboro College, Greensboro.

Bryant Stone Gets 30-Day Reprieve

Seek To Continue Finals Of City Schools of City As An Urban Unit

Application To Be Made To State School Commission For Privilege

BOARDS MET IN CITY

County and City Boards In Accord Relating To Future of Schools

By unanimous action of both the Wilkes County board of education and the board of education of the North Wilkesboro public schools, application to set up the town of North Wilkesboro as a city administrative unit in the school system will be forwarded to the new State School Commission today.

A joint meeting of the two boards was held in the office of the North Wilkesboro Insurance Agency this morning. The meeting was called for the purpose of making recommendations to the State School Commission regarding the boundaries of the North Wilkesboro school district. Such a meeting was necessitated by the 1933 school law which abolished all special school districts.

Various members of both boards expressed themselves as being in favor of continuing North Wilkesboro as a city administrative unit. It has been operated under this plan since the legislative act of 1904 which created the North Wilkesboro charter school district.

Should the State School Commission give favorable consideration to the application, the North Wilkesboro school property will remain within the custody of the North Wilkesboro school board as will the making and carrying out of all policies relating to the operation of the schools.

Dr. A. J. Eller To Lecture Midwives

Law Requires Midwives To Attend Course; To Be Given Next Week

Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, will meet midwives of the county at central points in the county next week and give a course in midwifery. At each point the course will start at 9 a. m. and, except for lunch, continue until 4 p. m.

Midwives may select whatever place they wish to attend, but if they wish to continue to practice midwifery, they must attend one of the meetings. Dr. Eller said this morning. The law requires their attendance, he stated.

Following is the schedule: Wilkesboro schoolhouse, Monday, June 5.

Traphill schoolhouse, Tuesday, June 6.

Summit schoolhouse, Wednesday, June 7.

Roaring River schoolhouse, Thursday, June 8.

Ronda schoolhouse, Friday, June 9.

Visit Chicago With Only \$6

J. B. Forter and son, George, returned last week from Chicago, Ill., where they spent six weeks, looking over the World Fair grounds and had an enjoyable time all for \$6.

That is something of a record for being easy on the pocketbook. However, anyone planning to make the trip should hardly use this as a basis. They caught rides and did a very successful job of "buming," which is something of an art in itself.

YOUTH IS KILLED

Asheville, May 25.—Fred Hall, 21, was killed instantly when struck by lightning while lying in a hammock in the yard of his home here today.

The bolt struck a tree, coursed down it through the hammock and dug a hole in the ground beneath it.

Schools of City Schools Opened Sunday Morning

Sermon Delivered Yesterday By Rev. J. H. Armbrust; Gribbin Coming

CLASS NIGHT THURSDAY

Graduating Exercises To Be Held On Friday Evening, June 2nd

The baccalaureate sermon, opening the annual commencement of the North Wilkesboro schools, was delivered at the First Baptist church yesterday (Sunday) morning by Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pastor of the Methodist church.

"Measuring Life" was the subject of the sermon. Life is not measured by time, nor by possessions, nor by happiness, nor by attainments, but by growth, the members of the graduating class was told.

The local minister delivered a strong message to the large congregation which filled the church to capacity.

The organ prelude was rendered by Mrs. Lewis Nelson and the choir sang, "Lead On, Oh King Eternal." The scripture reading was by Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor of the First Baptist church.

The offertory was given by Mrs. Lewis Nelson and a vocal solo, "Holy City," was sung by Miss Grace Grissom.

The commencement sermon was then delivered. The benediction was spoken by Rev. C. W. Robinson, venerable pastor of the Presbyterian church.

The postlude was rendered by Mrs. Nelson.

The commencement exercises continue Thursday evening with class night exercises.

On Friday evening, the commencement address to the graduating class will be delivered by Dr. Robert Gribbin, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Winston-Salem. An excellent program has been arranged for the closing exercises which will be featured by the address and the presentation of diplomas to the graduating class.

People's Cash Store Is Now Open For Business

The People's Cash Store, North Wilkesboro's newest mercantile firm, is now open for business in the building adjoining Pearson Bros. on Tenth Street. The new store is owned and operated by W. M. Osborne, who has been engaged in the mercantile business in the county for several years.

A splendid line of clothing, shoes, etc. has been stocked. The new store is also handling a full line of staple and fancy groceries. Mr. Osborne invites a visit to his new store.

Memorial Service

All Boy Scouts are asked to meet in front of Hotel Wilkes tomorrow (Tuesday) evening at 7 o'clock for the Memorial Day Service which will be held in the city.

Second Games Will Be Played Saturday; All Teams Played

North Wilkesboro, Millers Creek, Wilkesboro and Clingman were the winners of the opening games of the Wilkes County Baseball League season Saturday.

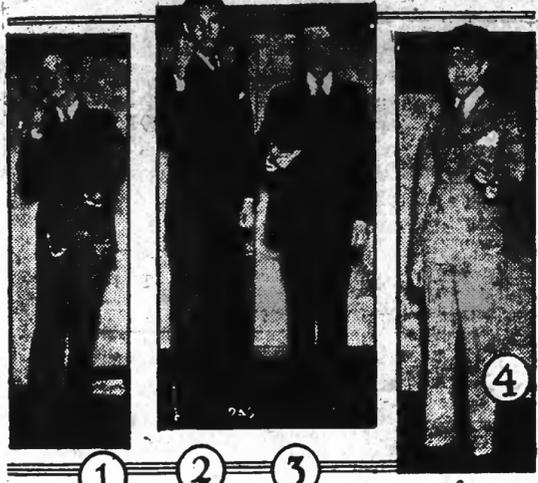
The season started off auspiciously with high class games in each instance despite rain-soaked turfs.

The North Wilkesboro Tornadoes defeated Moravian Falls at the fairgrounds 7 to 3. Coy Billings, who was on the mound for the local team, was in rare form and set the visitors down with four hits. Dickie Hix, Moravian Falls ace, also pitched brilliantly, but had weak support at times by the infield which was handicapped by the wet ground.

Rob Billings, Bill Mead and Russ Hayes starred for North Wilkesboro, while Lawrence Sritcher was the star both on the field and at bat for Moravian.

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Champion High School Orators of U. S.



Here are the four champion high school orators of the United States for 1933, crowned at the national meet at Wooster, O. No. 1, Caryl Arnold, Grand Rapids, Mich., (humorous); No. 2, Harold Stark, Granite City, Ill., (oratorical); No. 3, Gene Davis, Cicero, Ill., (original oratory); No. 4, Robert Dunham, Sioux Falls, S. D., (extempore).

P. M. Reid's Store At Spurgeon Was Entered and Robbed Friday Morning

Loaded Safe on Truck and Carted It About Half Mile Away

ROBBERS MAKE ESCAPE

P. M. Reid's store, one of the largest country stores in the county, which is located at Spurgeon postoffice, was broken into and looted by thieves early Friday.

Gaining entrance through a window, the thieves took a still unknown quantity of merchandise consisting of suits, shoes, hats, tobacco and many other items and then proceeded to ransack Spurgeon post office, which is located in the store building. Little, if any, money had been left in the post office department and the thieves, after going through the mail and papers, left them scattered about. No money order blanks were taken.

Finding no money in the open, the thieves loaded a 600-pound safe and carted it about a half-mile away and blew it open. However, it is stated that there was practically no money in the safe.

Superior Court Convened Today In Wilkesboro

Judge Michael Schenck Is Presiding; Is To Try Civil Cases Only

TO LAST FOR 2 WEEKS

A two weeks' term of superior court opened in Wilkesboro this morning. Judge Michael Schenck, one of the state's ablest superior court jurists, is on the bench.

Since this is a civil term, only a small crowd was on hand when court convened. Attendance is usually light at civil terms.

A number of important civil cases are on the calendar for trial.

C. N. Watson Dies

Was Uncle Of A. A. And W. K. Sturdivant, Of This City

News was received here Sunday of the death of E. N. Watson, prominent citizen of Kate City, Va., who passed away Saturday night following an illness of several weeks. Mr. Watson was an uncle of Messrs. W. K. and A. A. Sturdivant, of this city.

Mr. Watson until recently held a responsible position with the Virginia highway department, being in charge of road construction and maintenance in twelve counties.

The funeral was to be held this (Monday) afternoon at 2 p. m.

H. H. Morehouse Host To Kiwanis Club Directors

H. H. Morehouse was host to directors of the Kiwanis club at Hotel Wilkes Thursday evening. Dr. Fred C. Hubbard, president of the club, was in the chair and received reports from the chairmen of several committees.

Mr. T. M. Crysel, of Wilkesboro, former county official and one of the best known magistrates in the county, was taken to a Statesville hospital last week for treatment. His condition is regarded as serious.

Reprieve Sought By Judge Cowper

Wilkes Slayer Was To Be Executed On Friday of This Week

KILLED SON-IN-LAW

Was Convicted Upon Circumstantial Evidence of Strong Nature

Bryant Stone, Wilkes county white man under sentence of death for the slaying of his son-in-law, Wayne Norman, was granted a 30-day reprieve Saturday by Governor Ehringhaus.

Stone was to have been executed in the electric chair Friday of this week.

The reprieve was requested by Judge G. V. Cowper, who presided over the court last August at which Stone was convicted.

There were no eye witnesses to the slaying of Norman and Stone was convicted upon evidence which though circumstantial was of a strong nature.

During the expiration of the 30-day period, Governor Ehringhaus will seek to obtain all the circumstances in the case on which to base his decision on the appeal for a commutation of the death sentence.

Rural Carriers Meet Tomorrow

Will Be Held At Moravian Falls Schoolhouse; Is Annual Meeting

The Brushy Mountain Rural Letter Carriers' Association will hold its annual meeting in the Moravian Falls school auditorium tomorrow (Tuesday). Carriers from Wilkes, Iredell and Alexander will be in attendance, the three counties composing the association.

An excellent program will get under way at 10 a. m. The morning hour will be featured by an address by R. Don Laws, editor of the Yellow Jacket and well known lecturer.

Dinner will be served at 12:30 and in the afternoon there will be a business session, string music and a baseball game.

Budweiser Beer Is Now On Sale

Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Is Distributor In Local Territory

A shipment of Budweiser beer, made by the famous brewer, Anheuser Busch, was received Saturday by the Pepsi-Cola Bottling company and goes on sale in a number of the leading restaurants, stores and service stations of the county.

Budweiser, the most popular beer at the time beer was outlawed by the government and the famous brewer refused to place any beer which had not been properly aged on the market when the manufacture and sale of beer became legal in April. This is the first time Budweiser, "king of bottled beer," has been available in this section.

The Pepsi-Cola Bottling company announces that among the Budweiser dealers will be Foster's Nu-Way, Snappy Lunch, Beeches Place, Princess Cafe, Absher and Eller, Mitch Reeves' Service station, located near Cricket on the Boone Trail highway, Red Castevens' Service station at Traphill, R. D. Mathis' Store, Ronda.

Bottled beer is now on sale, and keg beer will be available in the near future.

The Pepsi-Cola Bottling company is distributor of Budweiser in Wilkes, Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga and Alexander counties.

Mrs. Albert Eller Buys Interest In Cafe Here

Mrs. Albert Eller has purchased the interest of Woodrow Absher in the Absher and Eller Cafe and in the future the cafe will be operated under the name of "Mrs. Eller's Cafe." The cafe is located next door to Tomlinson's Department Store.

Mrs. Eller and Mr. Absher operated the cafe for several weeks and it has enjoyed a splendid patronage. Mrs. Eller will continue to give a complete cafe service and invites the public to visit the cafe.

Service Station Opened To Public

Dick's Service Station No. 3 Had Fine Opening Friday and Saturday

Dick's Service Station No. 3, located "on top of the hill," was opened to the public Friday and Saturday, the opening being attended by hundreds of motorists from all sections of the county.

Attractive offers, coupled with a superior filling station service, combined to attract many visitors.

Mr. A. A. (Dick) Cashion, the proprietor, this morning expressed himself as well pleased with the reception accorded his new station and expressed his thanks to all those who paid the station a visit.

The new station handles Standard gasoline and other Standard products and Firestone Tires.

Mr. N. S. Forster, Jr., of this city, visited in Sparta and Elkin.