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MAN IS FOUND DEAD AT HOME AT OAKWOODS

Cornelius (Neil) Canter Is Found Dead at Table Sunday Morning

VIOLENCE IMPROBABLE
Found By Father, C. A. Canter, When Latter Arose Early Yesterday

Cornelius (Neil) Canter, a resident of the Oakwoods community, was found dead at the dining table of the Canter home Sunday morning when his father, C. A. Canter, arose at his usual hour and went into the room. The body lay slumped against the table.

The father of the dead man who is about 35 years of age left his son sitting at the table eating when he retired Saturday night. Shortly after retiring Mr. Canter called to him, but getting no response he supposed that the younger man had already gone to bed and thought nothing of his failure to answer.

It was thought that he died soon after his father retired.

Cornelius Canter was born September 22, 1871 and would, therefore, have been 62 years of age had he lived until September 22 of this year.

Full play in connection with the death of Mr. Canter is thought improbable. He is reported to have had a considerable sum of money on his person yesterday morning and had there been any violence the money would probably have been missing as no other motive except robbery would have been likely.

Mr. Canter is survived by his father, C. A. Canter, with whom he made his home, and one sister, Mrs. J. M. Lowe, of this city. The funeral service was conducted at Mountain Park cemetery at 3 o'clock this afternoon with Rev. Eugene Olive in charge. Rev. J. H. Armbrust and Rev. C. W. Robinson were to be the assisting ministers.

Active pallbearers were Sheriff W. B. Somers, N. B. Smithy, J. C. Reins, J. W. Dula, T. J. Hargwood, T. M. Foster, J. R. Henderson and W. E. Smithy.

Honorary pallbearers were Attorney C. G. Gilreath, Ralph Duncan, Dr. F. H. Gilreath, Julius C. Hubbard, Hon. Charles H. Cowles and J. C. Wallace.

Clifford Wilson Meets With Lions

Field Worker Here Friday Evening For Meeting of Directors

Clifford Wilson, field worker of Lions International, attended a meeting of the directors of the North Wilkesboro Lions club Friday evening at the Princess cafe. Mr. Wilson discussed plans of the organization for the year.

Attending the directors' meeting were W. J. Bason, E. A. Shook, Henry Moore, Ivey Moore, B. T. Henderson and W. F. Absher.

Mr. Wilson spent Saturday here working with members of the club.

Kindergarten Is Closed In City

Taught During Year By Mrs. J. L. Clements; Fourteen Enrolled

The kindergarten class conducted by Mrs. J. L. Clements during the past winter closed a very successful year last week. Fourteen children were enrolled during the year and in many respects the year was considered the most successful since the kindergarten class was started. This completed the third year Mrs. Clements has conducted the class.

With three successful years completed, prospects are bright for a still larger class when the work is taken up again this fall.

Mary Lois Foster

Mary Lois Foster, eight-months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Foster, of Wilkesboro township, died Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The funeral was held at Arbor church Sunday.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the middle federal district, has recommended A. R. Vail, of Jefferson United States commissioner for Wilkes county for a term of three years from May 16.

City School Finals Came To End Friday; Gribbin Speaks

Speaks Here



Dr. Robert E. Gribbin, of Winston-Salem, who delivered literary address at commencement exercises here Friday evening.

SUMMER SCHOOL AT WILKESBORO

School For Students Who Failed Opened Today At School Building

A summer school for delinquent students started at Wilkesboro high school this morning. Students who failed in some of their high school courses will be permitted to repeat the course under approved teachers and will be given full credit for their work. Misses Grace Gilreath and Clara Ogilvie will be the teachers.

Instructions will also be available for students who failed in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades in the elementary department.

The pupils are being registered today and information furnished regarding the cost and type of work that will be required.

Many Registered Swimming Course

Being Conducted At Riverside Swimming Pool; 25 Learn To Swim

Approximately 125 persons registered for the swimming course which is being conducted by H. J. Adams and J. E. Klundt at the Riverside Swimming Pool. The course, sponsored by civic organizations of the city, is free, only a small charge being made by the owners of the swimming pool.

Twenty-five children have learned to swim, while many swimmers have improved. Instruction in life-saving has progressed splendidly, it is stated.

A swimming carnival will begin Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and it is expected to bring the course to an end.

New Residence

Mrs. J. R. Marlow Completes Fine New Residence

The attractive five-room residence on the lot of Mrs. J. R. Marlow at the corner of Fifth and "D" streets which has been under construction was completed a few days ago and is now ready for occupancy. Mrs. Marlow let contract for its construction some time ago.

In addition to the five rooms, there is a breakfast room. The residence has all conveniences and is very attractive.

Moves To Wilkes

L. E. Stacey, of Lenoir, who was formerly connected with the old C. C. Smoot and Sons tannery here in the capacity of chemist, moved into the A. R. Sherman residence in Wilkesboro last week.

Mr. Stacey is now connected with the Regional Agricultural Credit corporation whose headquarters are at Raleigh.

Mr. Stacey is well known in Wilkes and has many friends who welcome him and his family back to the Wilkesboro.

Mr. J. H. Whicker, Jr., a student at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, arrived last week to spend the summer with his parents, Attorney and Mrs. J. H. Whicker, Sr.

Splendid Address Features Closing Program; 47 Are Graduated

CLASS NIGHT THURSDAY

Enrollment During School Year Reached 10,69, Half-acre Announced

Speaking on the meaning of three words, Dr. Robert E. Gribbin, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Winston-Salem, delivered the annual literary address to the graduating class of North Wilkesboro high school Friday evening.

The three words which he called to the attention of the graduates were Curriculum, Diploma and Alumnae or Alumnus. Curriculum in a literal sense means race course, Dr. Gribbin said. He congratulated the graduates upon finishing one part of their race. Life is not just one thing, but is made up of many things, he declared, and he urged the graduates to keep a balance in their lives.

Diploma, literally speaking, means folded double, the speaker said. Just why it came into use as a certificate of graduation is not known, he said. But it means that a course has been finished. With a diploma "you go out to do more than represent your school; you are a representative of public school education," Dr. Gribbin told the class.

Alumnae or alumnus originally meant one who had been trained at public expense for public service. That meaning is still applicable, the speaker said. "When one gets an education he assumes a responsibility, he takes on an obligation that it will take him a (Continued on page eight)

Signs of Improvement In Business In State Noticed In Many Lines

Raleigh, June 3. — Definite signs that North Carolina is on the road to economic recovery and that better times are ahead are seen on all sides as the half-year mark of 1933 approaches.

Reports of healthy gains in state and federal tax collections, increases in automobile sales and the production of tobacco and textile products have greeted the month of June.

With the prospect of federal aid, signs of improvement of agriculture also are seen. Early crop reports are up to normal.

Prospects of a balanced budget in the operation of the state government for the 1933-34 fiscal year, beginning July 1, add to the signs of better times.

Tax Collections Double
State tax collections in May more than doubled receipts for the same month in 1932, totaling \$520,053.98 as compared with

Drawings Of Local Girl Score Again

Original Drawing By Beatrice Jennings Used By Author of "Tillie the Toiler"

For the second time within a few weeks the drawings of Miss Beatrice Jennings, local artist, have won for her wide publicity.

Russ Westover, creator of "Tillie the Toiler," used Miss Jennings' original drawing a few Sundays ago and repeated Sunday. Miss Jennings is probably one of the few amateur artists whose work has been used twice by Westover within such a short period.

Miss Jennings is the daughter of Attorney and Mrs. R. C. Jennings, of 803 "C" street, this city.

Go To Statesville

Officers Of Company "A" At Officers Meeting

Officers of the First Battalion of the 105th Engineers, North Carolina National Guard, held a meeting at Vance Hotel, Statesville, Friday evening for the purpose of discussing the summer training period at Camp Jackson and other matters of interest to the battalion and regiment.

Officers of Company "A", local company, going were Captain R. R. Reins and Lieutenants E. P. Robinson and W. G. Staley.

Mr. S. B. Richardson, of this city, spent the week-end at Hampton with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Richardson.

BILLINGS BOY IS KILLED BY SMALL BROTHER

Accident Took Place Saturday Afternoon In Traphill Section

SHOT THRU ABDOMEN

Seven-Year-Old Brother, Willard, Held Gun; Funeral Held Sunday

Wallace Billings, ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Romus Billings, of Traphill, was shot and killed by his seven-year-old brother, Willard, about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The load from the shotgun held by the small boy struck Wallace in the abdomen and death came almost instantly.

It is stated that the shooting was accidental.

Funeral services for the boy were conducted from Stony Ridge church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. L. E. Sparks and Rev. Mr. Dillard. A large crowd attended the service. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

The boy is survived by his parents and two brothers, Willard and Melder, and one sister, Thelma.

GILLIAM REUNION

The annual reunion of the Gilliam family will be held Sunday, June 11, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gilliam, of Ronda. The home is located five miles southwest of Elkin on the old Jonesville-Wilkesboro road.

Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Smithy, of Millers Creek, were visitors to Raleigh a few days ago.

To Work Here

Rev. Matthew Gilmore Will Help Rev. C. W. Robinson

Rev. Matthew Gilmore, a ministerial student at Union Theological seminary, Richmond, Va., arrived here Thursday to spend June, July and a part of August in the local field. During his stay here, the young minister will assist Rev. C. W. Robinson, venerable Presbyterian minister, and will occupy the pulpit on several occasions.

Rev. Mr. Gilmore is a young man of striking personality and is extended a cordial welcome to North Wilkesboro.

Mr. H. M. Scott and daughter, Mabel, of Albemarle, spent a few hours in the city Sunday.

Retention of County Health Nurse Discussed by Kiwanis

Federal Support Will Be Withdrawn After July 1, Kiwanians Are Told By P. W. Eshelman; Committee Appointed To Confer With Board of County Commissioners About the Matter

The question of whether the position of health nurse will be discontinued after July 1 when the federal government withdraws its support was brought to the attention of the Kiwanis club at the regular weekly luncheon Friday by P. W. Eshelman, president of the Wilkes Hosiery mills.

Under the present plan, the nurse's salary is paid by the federal government and the state. It is understood that state funds will still be available after federal support is withdrawn. The only plan that appears feasible if the nurse is to be kept is for the county to supplement the funds allowed by the state.

Kiwanians expressed themselves as favoring the retention of the nurse and appointed H. H. Morehouse, J. R. Finley and P. W. Eshelman as a committee to confer with the board of county commissioners in regard to the matter.

Mrs. Bertha Bell is county treasurer. (Continued on page eight)

Prof. Chelsie B. Eller Elected County Superintendent Today By County Board of Education

Clyde Anderson Fatally Cut By Royal Holland On Sunday

Died This Morning At Wilkes Hospital From Injuries Received In Affray; Royal Holland, 21, Surrendered To Sheriff Somers This Morning and Is Now In the County Jail

Clyde Anderson, 18, is dead and Royal Holland, 21, is in the county jail at Wilkesboro as the result of a cutting scrape which took place near the C. H. Holland mill four miles from Wilkesboro last night about 8 o'clock.

Anderson was cut on the arm, an artery being severed by the knife blow which was alleged to have been struck by Holland. He was brought to the Wilkes Hospital, but had lost considerable blood and gradually weakened. He died this (Monday) morning at 5 o'clock.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed at press time.

The two boys were said to have engaged in a quarrel, each striking blows when the Anderson youth was struck the fatal blow.

Holland came to Wilkesboro this morning and surrendered to Sheriff W. B. Somers. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Holland who reside on Wilkesboro, Route 2, near the scene of the affray.

Anderson, a neighbor boy, was the son of Mrs. Amelia Anderson.

Companion Says Glenn Walsh Shot Policeman J. R. Grayson

Last Rites For Officer Grayson Held On Friday

Funeral For Slain Policeman Attended By Large Concurrence of People

AT METHODIST CHURCH

Body Is Interred In Baptist Cemetery Here With Junior Ceremony

A very impressive funeral service, attended by a large concourse of people, for James R. Grayson, a member of the local police force who was slain by a man believed to be Glenn Walsh, of Summit, Wednesday evening, was conducted from the North Wilkesboro Methodist church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The last rites were in charge of Rev. J. H. Armbrust, assisted by Rev. C. W. Robinson, venerable pastor of the local Presbyterian church. After the service, the body was interred in the Baptist cemetery with the rites of the Junior Order. Officer Grayson having been a member of North Wilkesboro Council No. 51, Jr. O. U. A. M.

Beautiful floral offerings, carried by friends of the family, attested to the high regard in which Officer Grayson was held by acquaintances in this city and elsewhere.

James R. Grayson was born December 6, 1910, and was, therefore, 22 years, 6 months and 26 days of age.

Mr. Grayson was shot and fatally wounded about 9 o'clock Wednesday night when he attempted to arrest a man alleged to be carrying a concealed weapon. The man shot him through the abdomen and arm, two of five shots taking (Continued on page eight)

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IS NATIVE OF WILKES COUNTY

Selected From Large List of Candidates About 11 a. m. Today

SUCCEEDS C. C. WRIGHT

Graduate of North Carolina State College; Taught For Nine Years

Prof. Chelsie B. Eller, of Warsaw, was elected superintendent of the Wilkes county school system for the next biennium by unanimous vote of the board of education at the regular June meeting today. The election of Mr. Eller was announced about 11 o'clock.

Prof. Eller was selected from a list of nearly forty candidates, the list growing steadily during the past few days.

The new school superintendent who will take office on the first Monday in July is a native of Wilkes county and is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Eller, of Ready Branch. He was educated at North Carolina State College, graduating in the class of 1924.

Prof. Eller has had nine years of teaching and executive experience. After receiving his college degree, he taught for three years in the school at Warsaw and then transferred to Thomasville for one year. The following year he returned to Warsaw as principal of the high school there. During the recent term, although maintaining his residence at Warsaw, he was principal of Arapahoe high school, also located in Duplin county.

He is a young man of ability and possesses an attractive personality. His friends predict for him a successful term as head of the schools of Wilkes.

Prof. Eller succeeds Prof. C. C. Wright who this month completes thirty-four years as superintendent of Wilkes schools.

Prof. and Mrs. Eller will move here from Warsaw in the near future, it is stated.

The election of the superintendent was the principal matter to come before the board this morning. All members, C. O. McNeill, chairman, R. R. Church and D. F. Shepherd, were present.

The election of a superintendent of public welfare, slated to come up today, may not be reached this afternoon. This election will take place at a joint meeting between the board of education and the board of county commissioners.

Superior Court

Entered Second Week Of Term Of Two Weeks Today

Superior court for the trial of civil cases only entered upon the second week of a two-week term this morning.

Progress has been slow as is usual in hearing civil cases. Following is a list of cases disposed of up to Friday afternoon:

F. T. Alexander et al vs. Spencer T. Thorne, non-suited.

C. D. Coffey et al vs. Carrie McFain, administratrix, and P. E. Brown, judgment for \$269.00 with interest in favor of plaintiff.

C. D. Coffey, C. S. Coffey and C. D. Coffey, Jr., trading as C. D. Coffey & Sons, vs. H. B. Hain and Myrtle Hall, compromise settlement of \$600 for plaintiffs.

Caught At Still

Four Men Arrested Thursday In Traphill Section

Four men were taken into custody Thursday by federal prohibition agents when they were caught at a distillery place in the Traphill section. The still was not in operation, but the materials indicated they were getting ready to begin operation.

The four men were Harrison and Guy Billings, W. C. Brooks and Walter Parks. They were given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner J. W. Dale and filed bond of \$500 each for their appearance at the next term of federal court.

Agents H. C. Kibby, D. C. Dotson and R. E. Prevette made the arrests.