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## Funeral Service Conducted Today For T. M. Crysel

Prominent Citizen of Wilkesboro Died Suddenly Sunday Afternoon

**LONG IN PUBLIC LIFE**  
Served As Chief Crier For 45 Years; Had Been County Treasurer

Thomas M. Crysel, one of the best known citizens in Wilkes county, who died suddenly while sitting in the yard of his home in Wilkesboro yesterday, was laid to rest today while hundreds of sorrowing friends and relatives paid final tribute to his useful life.

The last rites were conducted from the residence about noon with Rev. Seymour Taylor, Rev. J. H. Armbrust and Rev. W. E. Kinney in charge. The burial ceremony of the Masonic Order was used. Interment being made in the Presbyterian cemetery near the home of the deceased.

Mr. Crysel had been in poor health for the past two years but until the first of May had been able to attend to his duties as a justice of the peace and court crier. He became seriously ill and was taken to a Statesville hospital just prior to the May term of court. His condition improved, however, and for some time he had been going about as usual. He was sitting in the yard of his home yesterday afternoon and suddenly fell over dead. His death occurred at 1:35.

He was 72 years, 7 months and 13 days of age, being born November 26, 1860. He was the son of the late James and Elizabeth Rash Crysel.

Mr. Crysel was twice married. His first marriage was to Miss Nancy Elvira Eller. One daughter, Mrs. Charlie Morrison, survives from this union. His second marriage was to Miss Cora Lee Foster, who with three children, Mrs. J. L. Pegg, Mrs. Guy Lyon and Mr. Ed Crysel, survive. He is also survived by two brothers, George and Charlie Crysel.

Entering public while yet a young man, Mr. Crysel was prominent in politics and public affairs throughout a long and useful career.

He served as official court crier for Wilkes during a period of 45 years, the May term of court this year being the third court he missed in this long period. Illness forced his absence on each occasion, it is understood.

He affiliated with the Republican party which elected him as county treasurer for several terms. He was long active in the councils of the party and stood high with those who associated with him both in public and private life.

He had served as mayor of Wilkesboro and deputy sheriff and at the time of his death was one of the best known magistrates in the county.

In early life, Mr. Crysel joined the Union Methodist church. He later moved his membership to Wilkesboro and was a faithful attendant upon church services. He lived an exemplary life and his sincere attention to spiritual affairs was never doubted.

For many years he was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Wilkesboro and the burial was with Masonic honors.

## Hayes-Stout Reunion

Two Families Will Gather At Parlear Home Sunday

A reunion of the Hayes and Stout families will be held Sunday, July 16, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols, of Parlear, near the old home place of the late J. M. and Lottie Hayes Stout. A cordial invitation is extended to both the Hayes and Stout relations to attend.

A large table will be provided and all who attend are asked to take with them well filled baskets.

Due to the shortness of the time, personal invitations will not be mailed out and relatives are asked to consider this newspaper announcement as their invitation. For any information, those interested are asked to get in touch with Miss Rachel Nichols, of this city, or Mrs. W. H. Nichols, of Parlear. Those who plan to attend are requested to notify them as soon as convenient.

## Farm Peony Wins



Mrs. A. M. Brand, on his farm near Faribault, Minn., went in for peony raising. He developed some remarkable Hansa and blooms. He entered them in the Century of Progress world fair at Chicago... and his peony won the gold medal as best in the show.

## Former Resident of Wilkes Heard At Helper, Utah

Mrs. Sylvia Crouch, Formerly of Hays, Speaks At Big Celebration

**IS NATIONAL WORKER**  
National Miners' Union In Biggest Celebration In Its History

HELPER, Utah, July 5.—Seven thousand people participated in the National Miners' Union July 4th celebration in the Helper public park and listened to speeches by Charles Guynn, member of the National Executive Board of the Union, Charles Wetherbee, acting district secretary, Mrs. Sylvia Crouch, national representative of the Women's Auxiliary of the Union, and Josephine Krissman, of the Youth Section.

Mrs. Sylvia Crouch is a former resident of Hays, Wilkes county, North Carolina.

More than four thousand took part in the parade, which was the largest in the history of this county. Three thousand more citizens of Helper and Carbon county joined in the celebration at the park. Every mining camp in the county was represented.

## New Wheat Tax Law In Effect

Collector's Office Is Now Busy Informing Millers and Merchants

The office of the Collector of Internal Revenue is working under pressure to inform millers and merchants as to the processing and flour taxes on wheat and wheat products, according to a statement issued at Raleigh.

The tax became effective at midnight of July 8. Millers grinding wheat for the farmer for consumption by the farmer, his family or tenants, will require an affidavit of the farmer to that effect.

If farmer sells the flour, no exemption is allowed.

A wholesaler who is also a retailer, carrying on business at the same place must pay the tax on his entire processed wheat stocks as though the retail phase of the business did not exist.

If a retail merchant has such stocks stored elsewhere than his retail floor, the tax attaches to such stocks.

A flour tax is imposed on all processed wheat products in the hands of millers, wholesalers, bakers, hotels, restaurants, cafe's and caterers, as well as to stocks held by retailers in storage.

Retailers have until August 7th in which to dispose of all stocks on hand in his store at midnight, July 8th, but must keep a record of goods received from July 9th to August 7th, and make an inventory August 7th of stocks on hand at the close of business then.

Mr. J. A. Blevins, of Ronda has moved to Hays, N. C.

# Legion Post Opposes Pardon of Criminals

## Dry Organizer Here Friday To Assist In Laying Plans For Repeal Election Fight

**Says State Must Be Kept In Dry Column Nov. 7th**

George J. Burnett, County Organizer, of State Dry Forces Speaks

**MET AT COURTHOUSE**

Says Problem Is To Induce Voters To Cast Ballots On November 7

"Our slogan is for North Carolina to stay on the side of the eighteenth amendment if every other state in the union votes for repeal," George J. Burnett, county organizer for the United Dry Forces of North Carolina, declared Friday in an informal address at a meeting looking to the organization of the dry forces of Wilkes county.

"If North Carolina should vote for repeal, the next legislature will take it as a mandate to repeal the Turlington act," (North Carolina's dry legislation) Mr. Burnett said.

The meeting, the purpose of which was to perfect the skeleton organization for Wilkes county, was held at the courthouse Friday morning.

The United Dry Forces of North Carolina is the name of the new organization under which the drys of the state will battle for votes against repeal in the election which will be held November 7. Dr. William L. Poole, president emeritus of Wake Forest college, is president of the organization.

Two ballots will be voted upon in the November election, Mr. Burnett pointed out. One of these is to determine whether the people of the state want to hold a constitutional convention to consider the question of repealing the eighteenth amendment. The other is the selection of delegates to this convention if the convention should be called.

In other words, the drys have two chances, the organizer said. The dry forces should first seek to garner votes against calling a convention, thus saving the state the expense of same, he stated. But should the convention be called, it is the plan of the dry forces to have sufficient dry delegates to prevent repeal. The convention will be called if a majority of the voters of the state vote for the convention, but delegates to it will be elected on the basis of representation in the state legislature.

Sixteen states have already ratified the twenty-first amendment. (Continued on page four)

## One of Thousands



Of the thousands of students with whom she came in contact as assistant librarian at Columbia University, Miss Frances Eileen Yorn of New York fell in love with Dr. Toyzo W. Nakaral, Japanese instructor at Butler University, and they were wed.

## Local Elementary School Is Rated Highly By State

County Superintendent Advised of High Rating By Miss Devers

**SHE GIVES IT CLASS A-1**

The North Wilkesboro Elementary school was given a Class 1-A rating for the session just closed, according to a letter received a few days ago by County Superintendent C. B. Eller from Miss Nancy O. Devers, director of elementary school supervision of the state department of education.

This very gratifying information was made public the latter part of the week. Miss Devers said: "We are pleased to have the good report from the North Wilkesboro Elementary school, and are continuing this school in Class 1-A, which will be a small group this year."

The excellent rating is concrete evidence of the fact that the local schools rank with the best in this section of the state.

At the present time Wilkes county has only two standard elementary schools—namely, North Wilkesboro and Lincoln Heights.

## Vouchers Mailed Out To Teachers

All of Tax Reduction Fund Is Paid Out; Districts Are Delinquent

Vouchers for the balance of the tax reduction fund due teachers of the county were mailed out last week.

Prof. C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes county schools, stated that in some instances the vouchers did not pay all that is due the teachers. This was due to the fact that some school districts have not met the requirements in tax collections.

Under an act of the recent general assembly, the tax reduction fund was paid out by the state without the counties having matched the fund as was formerly required.

Teachers who did not receive their full pay are advised that payment of the remainder of their salaries cannot be made until local tax districts pay their taxes to meet this obligation.

## MR. HOUCK IMPROVED

Friends here of Mr. R. M. Houck will be gratified to learn that he is much improved following an operation performed at the hospital in Lenoir last week.

If Mr. Houck's condition continues to improve, he will be able to leave the hospital in about ten days, it is stated.

Mr. Houck is well known here where he resided for a number of years before going to Lenoir to make his home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hahn, of Hickory, visited Mrs. Hahn's sister, Mrs. N. B. Smith, of Wilkesboro, a few hours Sunday.

## Good News About Wilkes County

(Note—During the past few weeks Wilkes county has had considerable unfavorable publicity even to the extent of editorials in big city papers. It is reported that some papers carried articles stating that the homicide rate in Wilkes county (N. C. was higher than that of New York and Chicago, and advising tourists to miss this county. From time to time the writer will attempt to give favorable publicity about Wilkes with a challenge to these papers to publish and editorialize the good things).

On July Fourth there gathered in the county courthouse in Wilkesboro over one thousand citizens from all sections of the county. These people voluntarily came for the purpose of engaging in singing. Singing classes from all sections presented programs of songs that brought cheer to the hearts of the aged and inspiration to the young.

Not jazz nor ritzy songs were sung, but great hymns from the hymnology of our Holy Christian religion. The different classes were not in contest, but were there to sing the praises of our God. The writer was uplifted by the swelling volumes of song. One old man stated with tears in his eyes that he was carried back to the days of yore. A youth said that he was thrilled by that kind of singing. It is not claimed that there were any Ponzelles, Carusos, Schuman-Heinks, nor other great artists, but a group of good people from the mountain tops and valleys of this far-flung county to enjoy each other's company and the program of songs.

In that company were represented every type of people. The one-galloused man, the man in overalls, the farmer and worker, the lawyer, doctor, preacher, school teacher, Mothers and fathers, young men and maidens, wise and good people, babies and grandfathers, rich and poor, home-ly and pretty. Just a great crowd of Wilkes county people gathered spontaneously for a day together to sing, talk and fraternize.

No sheriff, deputies, policemen, detectives, nor any guardians of the law were necessary to keep order. The great crowd was peaceful, quiet, happy and glad.

Let the state papers and the big city dailies copy this and editorialize it. Watch for my next article.

**BOOSTER BILL.**

## Labor Representative To Deliver Address Here Wednesday Evening

Factory Employees and Woodworkers To Hear Advantages of Organization Discussed At Meeting Which Will Be Held At the Armory At 8:00 O'clock

A representative of the American Federation of Labor and two representatives of the government are expected here Wednesday evening, July 12, for a meeting which will be held at the armory at the fairgrounds, according to an announcement made today by George Stroud, local woodworker.

Factory employees and wood-

workers will hear the advantages of labor organizations discussed in detail by the labor representative. The public generally is invited to attend.

The meeting will be held at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, it was announced.

The names of the speakers were not available this morning, although definite arrangements have been completed for their appearance here.

## County Health Officer and Nurse To Give Vaccinations This Week

Visits Will Be Made To Twelve Different Points In County, Beginning Tomorrow; Vaccinations Offered For Smallpox, Typhoid and Diphtheria To All Persons

Dr. A. J. Eller and Mrs. Bertha Bell will begin tomorrow a series of visits to a number of places in the county for the purpose of giving vaccinations for smallpox, diphtheria and typhoid.

The schedule announced Saturday will carry them to twelve different places. Any person desiring vaccinations is asked to meet them at the most convenient point.

The vaccinations are offered without charge by the county health department and it is expected that quite a number are expected to meet them.

Following is the schedule:

Tuesday, July 12th  
Oakwoods school—9:30 a. m.  
Mountain Crest school—10:30  
E. C. Moore's house—11:00.  
Gilreath school—1:00 p. m.  
Thursday, July 13th  
Moravian Falls school—9:30 a. m.  
Pores Knob postoffice—10:30 a. m.  
Boomer school—1:00 p. m.  
Little Rock school—2:30 p. m.  
Friday, July 14th  
Union school—9:30 a. m.  
Millers Creek school—10:30 a. m.  
Pearson's store on No. 60—1:00 p. m.  
New Hope school—2:00 p. m.

## Brushy Mountain Citizens' Group To Meet Tuesday

County Chairman J. H. Armbrust Will Deliver Address At Mountain Crest

The Brushy Mountain Township unit of the Wilkes County Citizens Association will hold a meeting at Mountain Crest schoolhouse tomorrow (Tuesday) at 2 o'clock. An announcement to this effect was made by the township leaders Friday.

Rev. J. H. Armbrust, county chairman, will be present and deliver an address. All citizens interested in law enforcement are especially urged to attend.

Mr. J. R. Ray and daughter, Noy, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weatherly, of Durham, spent Sunday in the city with Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Lowe. Mr. Ray is the father of Mrs. Lowe.

## Pomona Grange To Meet Next Friday

Meeting Will Be Held At The Courthouse In Wilkesboro At 8 O'clock

A meeting of Wilkes Pomona Grange will be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Friday evening, July 14, at 8 o'clock, according to an announcement made Saturday.

This will be the regular meeting and local Granges are expected to be represented.

A special meeting of the Grange was held last Wednesday evening in Wilkesboro. W. Kerr Scott, of Haw River, who is state master, was present and addressed the Grange members and visitors.

Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mrs. A. H. Casey and Mrs. Casey's mother, Mrs. A. J. Eller, of Sandy Branch, were visitors in Sandy Branch Friday.

## Governor Asked Not To Act On Wilkes Appeals

Citizens of County Requested Not To Sign Petitions For Clemency

**POST MET ON FRIDAY**  
Opposed To Leniency For Ex-Service Men For Reason of Service

A resolution calling upon Governor Ehringhaus not to grant any pardons or paroles to any person or persons convicted of any crime in Wilkes county during his tenure of office unless new evidence pointing to the innocence of the convicted person or persons is discovered was passed by Wilkes County Post No. 125, American Legion, at its meeting here Friday evening.

The resolution placed the local post upon record as opposed to the idea that any person should ask for or obtain leniency in the courts because of having taken up arms in defense of his country.

Citizens of Wilkes county are asked to refuse to sign any and all petitions asking for the pardon or parole of convicted persons.

A copy of the resolution was forwarded to Governor Ehringhaus following the meeting.

Following is a copy of the resolution:

Whereas, on account of the breakdown of respect for law and constituted authority in Wilkes county, and;

Whereas, the lives and property of the citizens of said county are constantly endangered by the lawless element of the county, and;

Whereas, it is the belief of the membership of Wilkes County Post No. 125, American Legion, that it is the leniency of our courts of justice and the pardoning power invested in constituted authority, in turning loose this lawless element on our county before the completion of their sentence, that is causing the largest part of this situation, (Continued on page five)

## B. Y. P. U. Meeting Be Held July 24

Will Be Held At Pleasant Home Baptist Church; Splendid Program

The Brushy Mountain B. Y. P. U. Associational meeting will be held at Pleasant Home Baptist church Sunday, July 24, at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. John W. Cashion, associational president, announced today.

All B. Y. P. U. members and those interested in this work are urged to attend the meeting. The program promises to be of special interest to the young people.

## Hafer Chevrolet Co. Now Open

Formal Announcement Made Today; Located In Old Place On 'C' Street

Formal announcement was made today of the opening of the Hafer Chevrolet company in the Woodruff building on "C" street between Ninth and Tenth streets. U. L. Hafer, prominent business man of Taylorsville, who has had many years of experience in the automobile business, is proprietor of the new company. The Hafer Chevrolet company now holds the franchise as a Chevrolet dealer for this territory.

The Woodruff building which was formerly the home of the local Chevrolet dealer, has been completely renovated and put in shape for the new business. A complete line of parts and accessories has been placed in stock and all necessary equipment has been installed in the service department.

R. E. Church and J. M. Alexander, experienced automobile salesmen, will be connected with the company in the sales department. It was announced.

W. M. White will be in charge of the service department which, it is expected, will be the most complete ever offered local automobile owners. W. H. Gray (Continued on page five)