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Bridge Over Reddies River May Be Built Soon

Watauga Railway May Be Operated Again

Wilkes Is Considered For C. C. Camp

Army Men Visit County To Look Over Camp Site

Boys in Camp Would Be Put To Work In Forests And On Roads, Trails

DECISION THIS WEEK

Only Hinge Anticipated Is Over Availability Of Suitable Site

Wilkes county has an excellent chance of landing one of the Civilian Conservation camps, it was learned last night from T. A. Finley, county forest warden.

Major S. M. Corbett and Major A. R. Ives, of the United States Army, and W. R. Belcher, of Asheville, F. H. Claridge, of Raleigh, and E. P. Simmons, of the state department of conservation and development, were here this week looking over the situation and inspecting sites.

Definite decision in the matter will not be made until the latter part of the week, it was stated.

Whether a desirable site is made available for the camp is apparently the only question. The government does not pay for the use of property for a site. However, certain advantages such as work on the property nearby and the buildings accrue to the owner of the property.

Two hundred men would be stationed at the camp should it be located in Wilkes. They would be put to work in the forests and in building fire trails, roads and making other improvements.

Belk's Big Sale To Begin Friday

Big July Sale To Feature Merchandise Purchased At Low Cost

Belk's annual July sale will begin Friday morning, July 14, at 8 o'clock, W. G. Gabriel, manager of the store, announced yesterday.

This big event is a clearance of odds and ends only as regular merchandise is being sold at least 25 per cent under the present market price. Mr. Gabriel said, "Anticipating an advance in the price of merchandise, some of our buyers have been kept on the markets, purchasing this merchandise which we are offering the buying public during this July event. We have been preparing for the sale for the past six months. These goods were purchased at the lowest figure at which they have been sold in thirty years and it will cost not less than 25 per cent more to replace every staple item in our store and in some instances as much as forty or fifty per cent."

Spainhour-Sydnor's Mark Down Sale Begins Friday

Spainhour-Sydnor's July Mark Down Sale will begin Friday morning, July 14, and a big array of real values are being offered during this special event.

Local Schools Face Possible Coal Shortage Coming Year

Lions Club Will Meet Hotel Wilkes, Tonight

Frank Eller and Henry Moore will have charge of the program at the semi-monthly meeting of the Lions Club at Hotel Wilkes this (Thursday) evening. A large attendance of members is expected.

Hope To Appoint School District Committees Soon

Dr. B. B. Dougherty Here For Short While Tuesday Afternoon

EN ROUTE TO RALEIGH Secured Facts Relative To School Districts Now In This County

School authorities are hopeful over prospects for the completion of the redistricting of Wilkes county this week, Prof. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, stated Tuesday afternoon following a visit by Dr. B. B. Dougherty, of Boone, who is a member of the state school commission.

Dr. Dougherty was en route to Raleigh on business.

It is possible that the districts which are being set up by the state department will be approved by the commission at its meeting this week. If this is done, the county board of education will then proceed to name district committees.

Dr. Dougherty while in the county Tuesday afternoon looked over the map of the county and studied existing districts. It is very probable that there will be few changes in the setup as to schools.

It was learned from Dr. Dougherty that one important change will be the creation of a few large districts which will be divided into sub-districts. For instance the Millers Creek district will include all the schools now feeding Millers Creek school and each elementary school in that territory will be a sub-district. The teachers will be allotted, not on the basis of the individual school, but upon the number of pupils in the large district. The district must allot those teachers in the most satisfactory way possible.

Brushy Mountain Citizens Organize

Township Unit Of Citizens Association Completed At Meeting Tuesday

Citizens of Brushy Mountain township perfected the township unit of the Wilkes County Citizens Association at a meeting at Mountain Crest schoolhouse Tuesday.

The meeting, which was attended by a large number of people, was presided over by A. G. Hendren, township chairman. Rev. J. H. Armbrust, county chairman, and R. C. Gwaltney, were among the speakers.

Local Union Of Brotherhood Of Carpenters and Joiners Organized

A local union of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners was organized last night with approximately 115 charter members.

Funds for a charter were raised at a meeting held at the armory. The organization was perfected after the meeting. Mr. R. C. Gwaltney, of Boone, was elected president.

Allotment of \$451 Made By State Is Seen As Very Inadequate

\$712.64 IS NECESSARY

Proposed Levy of Sixteen Cents Includes Amount For This Item

Notice was received from Raleigh on Saturday to the effect that North Wilkesboro schools had been allotted the sum of \$451, to purchase coal for next session of eight months. For the past two years of partial state operation of schools, the amount allotted from state funds has not been sufficient to heat the building for the state six months' term. During the 1931-32 session this allotment amounted to \$589.79 for the six months of partial state support. For the year just closed the local schools received only \$470 with which to buy fuel for the six months. For the past two years the average cost of coal for each year has been \$712.64, it is no difficult matter to see that for the past two years it has been necessary to supplement state funds to heat the buildings properly, local school authorities state.

Assuming that next winter will be on an average in temperature with the past two and assuming that coal will not advance in price, it will be necessary to supplement the \$451 state allotment with \$261.64 from local funds to keep the children warm.

Included in the proposed local levy of 16 cents for next year, there is a sufficient amount to supplement the item of fuel.

The 16 cents tax is proposed in place of the 60 cents levy now being paid for operating purposes by town taxpayers, an actual reduction of 44 cents in addition to 25 per cent reduction in assessed valuation for next year.

Eight More Wilkes Men to Go To C. C. Camps Next Friday

They Will Leave Here Tomorrow Morning; Have Not Been Selected Yet

Wilkes county has been allotted eight more places in President Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps and that number of Wilkes boys will leave here tomorrow (Friday) morning for two weeks of training at Camp Bragg.

Selection of the boys had not been made yesterday and it is understood that they will not be until early in the morning when those notified meet at the courthouse in Wilkesboro. From the number who come, eight will be chosen.

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.

Railway Bought By C. E. Jenkins For Local Firm

Is Possibility That Trains May Again Run To Darby And Grandin

NO DEFINITE STATEMENT

Workmen Now Engaged In Repairing Track To Run Cars To City

The Watauga and Yadkin River Railway, which ceased operations in 1918, has been purchased by C. E. Jenkins, of the Jenkins Hardware company, and may again be placed in operation, it was learned yesterday in an interview with Mr. Jenkins.

Asked if there was any possibility of rebuilding the track and starting operations in the near future, Mr. Jenkins replied in the affirmative. He said he was not prepared to say who would put it in operation, intimating that either his company or some other company would probably do so.

The present equipment of the Watauga and Yadkin River Railway consists of 32 miles of rails, 26 passenger, flat and box cars, three engines, one wrecking crane and other small supplies.

Ceasing operations in 1918 when the second disastrous flood struck the Yadkin Valley, the tracks have been left standing on the tracks near the Grier Mills.

The rails extend to Darby and Grandin and it is entirely with the realms of possibility that trains may again be started within the near future.

Men have already been put to work repairing the tracks over a mile stretch so that the cars and engines may be moved to the North-Wilkesboro side of the river.

Pending negotiations, Mr. Jenkins said no definite statement could be made regarding the probable disposition of the rails and equipment.

The Watauga and Yadkin River Railway was operated successfully for a number of years. It was built by northern capitalists and was abandoned after the flood. Until recently it had been involved in a series of litigation which prevented its sale.

Only Two Court Criers In Past 75 Or 80 Years

T. M. Crysel Served For 45 Years; Alec Whittington Was Before Him

Wilkes county has had only two court criers in the past 75 or 80 years, it was recalled Monday by J. G. Hackett, who is perhaps as familiar with the history of the county as any man in Wilkes.

T. M. Crysel, who served for 45 years as court crier, was preceded by Alec Whittington, who served between thirty and forty years.

Mr. Hackett recalled that on one occasion the presiding judge called upon Mr. Whittington to "call out" a man who lived six miles from Wilkesboro. In something like an hour, the man came riding in and the judge, who had great respect for Mr. Whittington's voice, warned the man against being tardy again and struck out the fine for his failure to respond immediately to the court's call.

Lyon Electric Company Joined By R. L. Cressman

Roy L. Cressman, of Thomasville, a graduate of the Coyne Electric School, of the Chicago School of Electrical Engineering and of the National Radio Institute, is now associated with the Guy W. Lyon Electric company, located in Wilkesboro. Mr. Lyon feels fortunate in securing the services of this experienced workman. The electric company will be glad to answer calls for any electrical job an electrical

Two Great Americans Help New York Repeal



Elihu Root (speaking), grand old man of the Republican party and an internationally known statesman, and Alfred E. Smith (sitting), famous in Democratic ranks, were united in a common cause as New York state ratified the prohibition repeal amendment, the convention unanimously voting repeal. Through popular choice Alfred E. Smith was made president of the convention. Mr. Root was received with wild acclaim.

Company 'A' To Entrain For Camp Jackson On Saturday

Local Company of National Guard Will Spend 15 Days Near Columbia, S. C.; Ralph R. Reins Is Captain of This Company; Full Roster Composed of 65 Men

Company "A", 105th Engineers of the North Carolina National Guard, will entrain here Saturday afternoon for Camp Jackson, located near Columbia, S. C., where they will spend 15 days.

The full roster of the local company, including officers and privates, is composed of 65 men, most of whom are expected to attend camp.

Company "A" will arrive at Camp Jackson early Sunday morning. The address of the guardsmen while in camp will be Company "A", 105th Engineers National Guard, Camp Jackson, S. C.

The roster of the company is as follows:

- Captain—R. R. Reins.
- First Lieutenant—Edmund P. Robinson.
- Second Lieutenant—William Staley.
- First Sergeant—Robert Goode.
- Staff Sergeant—Jasper Billings.
- Sergeants—Alvis Hadley, Tyre McNeill, Woodruff Wallace, Fred Wyatt, and James Hall.
- Corporals—Edgar Hayes, Lurie Hall, Dewey Stone and Lunie White.
- First Class Privates—Earl Anderson, Clate Brown, Turner Baugness, Jay Jones, Howard Johnson, Andrew Johnston, Thomas Morrison, Connie Lee, Claude Shew, Carmel Steefman, Claude Wallace, Claude Warren, John Wells, Wade Blackburn, Wiley Brooks, Paul Brewer, Marvin Baugness, Percy Baldwin, James Bumgarner, Edward Bumgarner, Cecil Byrd, Claude Caudill, Lawrence Craven, Raymond Davis, George Dillard, George Dancy, Charlie Elledge, Woodrow Guthrie, Paul Haynes, Roy Henderson, James Holbrook, Barney Harold, James Hayes, Tam Hutchison, Russell Jarvis, Ernest Marlow, James Martin, Ralph Miller, Elmore Myers, Numia Porter, Fred Rhoades, Joe Rhoades, James Raper, Cody Shatley, Clyde Shepherd, John Shew, William Swanson, John Wallace, Thurman Wiles, John Williams, Malcolm Wyatt.

Baptists and Methodists to Clash In Baseball Game This Afternoon

Contest Will Be Staged At Fairgrounds Beginning About 3:30; Jim Reins To Send Strong Team On Field To Oppose Sam Cassell's Fighting Methodists

Jim Reins, ball-headed mentor of the baseball team of the Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro, will send a strong team against Sam Cassell's Fighting Methodists this (Thursday) afternoon at the fairgrounds. The game will start about 3:30 o'clock.

Two master minds will direct the teams. The cagey Connie Mack will be seen flashing that inevitable score-card, while Eddie Collins will probably be seen at third base or even on the mound.

It has not yet been ascertained when S. V. Tomlinson, R. W. Gwyn and J. R. Eix will enter the game.

Whatever one has to say about Roosevelt's prosperity replacing Hoover's depression, there is likely to be no depression in errors. Baseballs are expected to be as few as the dollars in a man's pay envelope during the past few years. The pitchers are likely to be as wild as was the gambling on the stock market in 1929.

Sweet is expected to flow as freely as the new 3.2 beer and most of the boys are likely to feel like they had been on an all-night bender after the game is over.

Reports Say It Will Be Started In Near Future

Would Begin At Standard Service Station Near End of 'D' Street

TO HAVE SEVEN SPANS

Contract May Be Let At August Meeting of State Highway Commission

Prospects are bright for the early construction of a new bridge across Reddies River here, it was learned unofficially yesterday afternoon.

It was reported that the State Highway Commission has this project under consideration and that definite steps have been taken toward immediate construction of the bridge.

Contract for the bridge may be let at the August meeting of the commission, it was stated. The report, however, could not be confirmed yesterday.

It was said that the commission plans to build a seven-span bridge similar to the Yadkin bridge between the Wilkesboros which is now nearing completion. It would take a direct course from the end of "D" Street at the Standard Service Station and connect with the highway near the road leading to the Grier Cotton Mills.

If constructed the modern bridge would replace the present covered bridge, one of the few in the country of this type. The present bridge was washed away in the "flood" of 1916, but was rebuilt, much of the old lumber being used.

It has been frequently pointed out that the present bridge is inadequate for the traffic on the Boone Trail highway. It permits only one-way traffic and provides no safeguards for pedestrians.

If unofficial reports are correct, the Reddies River bridge will be started soon after the Yadkin bridge is completed.

Penney Company Stages Clearance

Lowest Prices In History Of Modern Merchandising Now In Effect

The July clearance event for the J. C. Penney company store here was announced today by W. H. Clark, manager.

In announcing the clearance sale, attention was called to the fact that many items have been marked down and that the entire stock of merchandise is selling below the cost of replacing the present stock.

The J. C. Penney store has an unusually large stock of desirable merchandise for this clearance. The stock of merchandise was purchased before the advance in prices and during the present every customer of the store will have an opportunity to buy without a price increase.

"We purchased the goods at a low price and we are not going to profiteer on it," Mr. Clark said. "We have decided to keep our prices down until this stock is exhausted."

Mr. Clark pointed out, however, that merchandise purchased now is considerably higher and that the low prices could not be expected to last longer than the duration of this clearance sale.

Schloss Brothers Man At Abshers This Week

J. J. Nahn, a representative of Schloss Brothers, is at Abshers this week showing the latest styles in fall and winter suits. He will be there the remainder of the week and an invitation is extended to visit the store and see the new styles.