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NRA Consumers' Drive Now On

Stone Confesses To Killing Norman

Wilkes Man Tells Gill He Shot and Killed Son-in-Law

Blames Killing On Liquor and Pleads For Commutation of Sentence

NO ACTION IS TAKEN Date For His Execution Is Set For September 8; Truth May Help

Raleigh, Aug. 30.—Bryant Stone, Wilkes county killer who had poems written about him for his capacity to love, today told Judge E. M. Gill, pardon commissioner, that he killed Wayne Norman, son-in-law of Stone, last fall in Wilkes.

The courts have found no error in the trial that landed Stone within 10 days of the electric chair. There had been an evident feud ever since Norman ran off with Stone's girl and married her. She stood by her husband and testified against her father. Trial Judge G. V. Cowper, who sentenced the middle aged mountaineer, has doubt enough of all the murderous elements to recommend clemency for the fellow. Stone denied that he slew his son-in-law. But today he caved in and told Judge Gill that the killing was done with liquor as the chief aid in carrying out the plan.

Warden Honeycutt, whose long experience with prisoners has never made the prison official dogmatic as to guilt or innocence, nevertheless doubted Stone's story. The prisoner said he did not know who killed his son-in-law. This morning when Parole Commissioner Gill visited the prison the warden told Stone that his story did not sound right. Stone then made it rational "I did it," he said, and he put the big part of it on the liquor they drank.

Mrs. Norman and her mother came to Raleigh weeks ago in behalf of Stone. The daughter swore to the truth of her court-house story, but she begged for the father's life. She relied upon the dying statement of her husband who said her father had shot him. The elder man hid in the smokehouse and fired through cracks. It lacked little of being assassination.

Stone is set to die September 8. He has had one reprieve of 30 days to allow an investigation. The inquiry has not helped more than his confession. There may be something that will entitle the little fellow to life imprisonment.

Teachers Meet Next Tuesday

Meeting Will Be Preliminary To Opening of Schools Wednesday

A meeting of all the school teachers of Wilkes county, preliminary to the opening of the schools September 5, will be held in Wilkesboro high school auditorium next Tuesday.

C. B. Eller, superintendent of the Wilkes school system, stated Tuesday that the meeting will be called to order at 10 a. m. and requested that all be present at that hour.

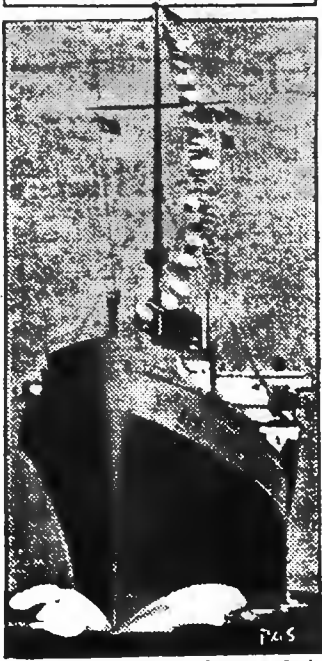
Important matters relative to the operation of the schools will come up and attendance of all teachers is mandatory.

Woman's Club Meets Today Members of the Wilkesboro Woman's Club will enjoy a picnic at the Isaak Walton League Camp grounds this afternoon. They will meet there at 5:30 o'clock.

Murray To Preach At Mt. Pleasant Saturday

Rev. L. B. Murray, well known Baptist minister, will preach at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him.

Sets Atlantic Crossing



Above is the new Queen of the Seas, the Italian liner Rex, which set a new Atlantic crossing, Gibraltar to New York, in 4 days, 13 hours and 58 minutes. She averaged 28.92 knots per hour, equal to 33 1-3 land miles per hour. The former record was 4 days, 15 hours, 56 minutes, by the German line Bremen.

FAIR PREMIUM LISTS GO OUT

W. A. Rousseau Engaged in Sending Out Catalogues To Large Number

Premium lists for the Great Wilkes Fair, which will be held here September 19-20-21-22, were mailed out to a large number of people Tuesday and yesterday by W. A. Rousseau, secretary of the Great Wilkes Fair Association.

The catalogue of premiums contains 44 pages and in addition to listing the premiums, generously offered by the merchants and business men of the city, a number of advertisements of business firms of this section are carried.

S. B. Smithey To Teach At U. N. C.

Millers Creek Principal Last Year Moves To Chapel Hill

Prof. S. B. Smithey, who was principal of Millers Creek high school last year, has accepted a position as instructor in the University of North Carolina and moved his family to Chapel Hill yesterday.

Announcement that Mr. Smithey has secured work at the University will be of interest to his many friends throughout the county. They regret that he is leaving the local educational field, but wish him much success in his new work.

Mr. Smithey will also take a post graduate course toward his Ph.D. degree while at the University.

Supper At Moravian A special supper will be given at Moravian Falls schoolhouse tonight at 7:30 o'clock by members of the baseball clubs there. Everybody who wishes to obtain a delightful supper at small cost is urged to attend.

Brushy Mountain Association Goes On Record In Favor of Prohibition

The sixtieth annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association was held with the Mount Zion Baptist church Friday and Saturday. Mr. J. L. Hemphill was reelected moderator, and Mrs. Floyd Jennings was made Clerk and Treasurer, succeeding J. F. Jordan, resigned.

A note of optimism pervaded the sessions of the Association. Reports were received from all but two of the twenty-eight churches, one of which is reported to be disbanded. These reports indicate progress along many lines, in spite of the trying year just closed.

Among those in attendance upon all the meetings of the Association was the aged and greatly beloved W. C. Meadows, who has missed but four sessions in sixty-four years. His presence and his timely, kindly remarks on various topics were a benediction to

Attorney J. A. Rousseau Is Being Prominently Mentioned as Logical Candidate For Judgeship In 1933

Ashe People Are Anxious For Some Action On No. 16

They Understand That Wilkes Is Not Sympathetic Toward This Project

THEY ARE SURPRISED Say Ashe Dollars To Go Elsewhere If Road Is Not Improved Soon

Ashe county citizens are anxious for immediate action on Highway No. 16 between Millers Creek and Glendale Springs, according to a statement forwarded The Journal-Patriot by Ira T. Johnston, prominent Jefferson attorney.

"I am greatly surprised," he declares, "to hear that the authorities in Wilkes county are giving preference to a proposed highway to Elkin and other projects."

It is believed that Ashe citizens misunderstand the views of Wilkes people. It is the understanding here that local authorities are asking that No. 16 be given attention before any other road is built or improved in Wilkes.

However, Mr. Johnston's statement is to the point and cites reasons why Wilkes should be vitally interested in this project. Mr. Johnston's statement follows:

"Hon. E. B. Jeffress, Chairman of the State Highway Commission, has made definite promise that Route 16 from Millers Creek to Glendale Springs will be improved out of the present allotment of Federal Funds. However, it begins to look as if this promise may not be carried out and if it is not carried out, it will be because of the indifference or opposition of the citizens of the Wilkesboros and Wilkes County. Since all the unimproved part of this road is in Wilkes county, it is natural that the State Highway Commission should respect the wishes of Wilkes county."

"I am greatly surprised to hear that the authorities in Wilkes county are giving preference to a proposed highway from North Wilkesboro to Elkin and other projects. They prefer to build highways paralleling with other highways and let Ashe county citizens continue to travel when they have an occasion to visit Wilkes county over the bumps and through the dust which abound in one continual stretch from Millers Creek to Glendale Springs."

"Our Ashe county people are great friends of the people of Wilkes and have spent many a dollar in Wilkes County and contributed in no small degree to the progress and development of the City of North Wilkesboro. Would you blame, them very much should they decide to spend

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Former Wilkes Man Gets Law License

Eugene Church, Winston-Salem policeman, was one of the 121 who passed the state bar examination on August 21 and has been granted license to practice law. A news story relative to Mr. Church's achievement was carried in Sunday's issue of The Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel.

It seems that Mr. Church, not having time to take a law course, had spent his evenings, or whenever he was off duty, studying law books. In this way he had acquired the knowledge which enabled him to pass the bar.

Mr. Church is a former resident of Wilkes. He is the son of Mr. Bynum Church, of Wilkesboro, Route 1.

LOCAL P.-T. A. TO MEET TODAY

Special Called Meeting To Be Held At School Auditorium At 3:30

A special called meeting of the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the elementary school auditorium this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The meeting has been called for the purpose of laying plans for the year and all parents and interested citizens are cordially invited to attend.

The local schools will begin on the morning of September 11, Superintendent W. D. Halfacre announced a few days ago.

Raymond Pardue Scalded To Death

Dies In Explosion At W. E. Sale Cannery In Little Elkin Community

Raymond Delaney Pardue, almost 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Pardue of the Little Elkin community, was fatally scalded by steam in an explosion while firing a boiler at the W. E. Sale cannery, three miles west of Elkin, early yesterday morning. He died at Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, Elkin, about noon.

George Poplin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Poplin of Ronda, also an employe of the cannery, was painfully burned and bruised in the explosion.

Young Pardue, late in reaching his post, is said to have fired the boiler too rapidly for the pop off valve to take care of the excess steam. When the boiler gave away directly over the fire box, the steam covered Pardue's body, scalding it horribly before he was hurled 20 feet away by the force. Others at the plant sustained lighter burns.

Pardue and Poplin were carried to the hospital at Elkin, the former's condition being beyond medical aid.

The victim was the eldest child of the family, and a nephew of W. E. Sale, proprietor of the cannery. Surviving are his parents, two sisters and a brother.

Funeral rites will be conducted today at 2 o'clock at Little Elkin Baptist church.

Revival Begins

Rev. G. W. Sebastian Preaching At Gordon Church

A revival meeting began at Gordon Baptist church on cotton mill hill last night. Rev. G. W. Sebastian, well known Baptist minister, is conducting the series of services and the public is invited to attend.

Local Attorney Is Urged By Friends To Offer Himself

He Has Taken Matter Under Consideration, He States In Interview

QUALIFIED FOR PLACE Has Judicial Temperament and Thorough Knowledge of Law, Friends Say

Although the time for naming a candidate for judge in this judicial district is still several months away, the name of Julius A. Rousseau, well known attorney of this city, is being prominently mentioned in this connection.

Judge T. B. Finley, resident jurist in this district, will complete his second eight-year term next year and is not expected to be a candidate to succeed himself. It is reported that he will retire at the expiration of his term and this leaves the field open for speculation as to a possible successor.

The rumor that Mr. Rousseau is considering the request of his friends to offer himself as a candidate for the judgeship has been enthusiastically received by the legal profession and the public generally.

According to statements made by members of the district bar association at the recent organization meeting, Mr. Rousseau will have strong backing from his associates at the bar if he decides to become a candidate. Unsolicited pledges of support came from attorneys in the various counties of the district, it was reported.

Mr. Rousseau, his friends assert, is eminently qualified both by experience and knowledge of the law to occupy a place on the Superior court bench. Although a young man in years, a point which his friends say is strongly in his favor, the local attorney has been practicing law for nineteen years, having received his license in 1914.

Receiving his law degree from the University of North Carolina in that year, Mr. Rousseau passed the state bar examination and immediately entered into the practice of his chosen profession. Within a few years he had developed one of the largest law practices, both civil and criminal, in this section of the state.

Mr. Rousseau's friends point to the fact that he has appeared consistently in practically every important case to come up in the courts of Wilkes for the past twelve or fifteen years. Particularly in recent years, the record shows that he has not only practiced in Wilkes, but has been called to adjoining counties to appear in important litigation.

The local attorney as mayor of North Wilkesboro for the past two years has performed his duties as judge of the mayor's

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North Wilkesboro Is Responding Almost 100 Per Cent In Appeal For Support of the Blue Eagle

Incomplete Reports Indicate That Nearly Every Individual Is Signing Consumers' Pledge; House-To-House Canvass Will Be Completed Within Short Time

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING, HELD MONDAY EVENING

Responsibility of Employers and Consumers Is Cited By J. C. Reins, Chairman of the North Wilkesboro NRA Committee, In Statement Relative to the Drive

North Wilkesboro is responding to the appeal for support of the Blue Eagle almost one hundred per cent, it was learned last night in a check of incomplete reports from Colonel W. R. Absher's volunteer army which is making the NRA consumers' house-to-house canvass.

The captains and their lieutenants are now busily engaged in completing the canvass, getting consumers to sign the pledge to support NRA members.

It was estimated by workers that better than 99 1/2 per cent of those interviewed had signed the pledge and are lined up in the drive.

Other steps in the NRA program will be taken by the North Wilkesboro NRA committee as soon as the house-to-house canvass is completed, but this is the first objective.

Prompt approval of the committee recommended by J. C. Reins, chairman of the North Wilkesboro NRA Club, E. M. Blackburn and R. E. Walters, was given Monday evening at a meeting at the city hall.

Miss Nell Rousseau was substituted as lieutenant general in place of Mrs. E. G. Finley at the request of Mrs. Finley. W. G. Gabriel, J. R. Finley and N. B. Smithey and an officer of the U. D. C. chapter and the D. A. R. chapter were added to the advisory board.

Those who attended the meeting were enthusiastic in their support of the NRA movement and all of those appointed pledged themselves to carry on the house-to-house canvass requested by General Hugh S. Johnson, national administrator of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

The meeting Monday evening was presided over by J. C. Reins, chairman.

North Wilkesboro's Part In Program By J. C. REINS Chairman NRA Committee

The NRA plan is designed to put five million men back on pay rolls of the nation in a short time.

When this is done, 20,000,000 people (assuming four to each wage earner's family) will suddenly be placed in position to buy the normal necessities of life. That means that the total trade volume of the nation will, upon the complete acceptance of this plan, be lifted by from 10 to 20 per cent.

North Wilkesboro will have a definite share in this increased prosperity to the extent that it participates in the plan, so there is a responsibility on every citizen here to co-operate to the utmost to make this gigantic national plan a complete success. Every employer and every consumer has a definite responsibility to assume.

The Employers' Responsibility NRA calls upon every employer to shorten hours of labor, so as to make room for more employees.

Each industry will before long adopt its own code which will fix the increased labor obligations to be assumed by all firms associated with that particular industry. Until that time all employers are asked to sign the President's agreement and to meet the hours and wages established in that agreement. This agreement is sometimes referred to as the blanket code.

The success of NRA therefore calls for the co-operation of every employer.

It is to the employers' self-interest to do this. Why? Because more people working, with bigger pay rolls, will increase the market for his goods. Every dollar spent by an employer now for increased pay roll will return many fold as business flows from a consuming public, once more able to buy to supply its unfulfilled needs.

So every employer should sign the President's agreement at once.

The Consumers' Responsibility

Every individual, man and woman, who buys anything, owes it to himself and his community and to the nation, to buy only from those employers who have taken the increased burden of increasing pay rolls to bring back prosperity. This is to the self-interest of the consumer because no citizen can fail to share in this added prosperity. It will reflect itself in increased values for everything he owns. It will make his present position more secure by revising the process of deflation. So every consumer should sign the consumer's pledge, which commits him to do his part in this great national economic experiment. The duty of every citizen of North Wilkesboro is therefore plain. The President has said:

"On the basis of this simple principle of everybody doing things to

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Wheat Reduction Campaign To Be Discussed With Farmers Saturday

Four meetings for the purpose of ascertaining the extent of the co-operation which Wilkes farmers expect to give in the national wheat reduction campaign will be held in the county Saturday, County Farm Agent A. G. Hendren, announced Tuesday.

The four meetings will be held at Boomer, Wilkesboro, Somers schoolhouse and at Pleasant Home schoolhouse in Edwards township.

District Agent O. F. McCrary will come here and discuss the campaign with the farmers, Mr. Hendren said.

All farmers interested in the proposal to cut the wheat crop acreage this year are asked to attend one of these meetings.

The schedule follows: Boomer schoolhouse at 9 a. m.; court-house in Wilkesboro at 11 a. m.; Somers schoolhouse at 2 p. m.; and Pleasant Home schoolhouse in Edwards township at 4 p. m.

Fine Card At C. C. Camp Tonight

Boxing Exhibition Is Offered Free Near Purlear This Evening

Followers of pugilism will have an opportunity to see an excellent boxing exhibition at the James Civilian Conservation camp near Purlear this evening at 8 o'clock.

The card includes twelve bouts between members of the C. C. army. Wrestling matches will also be offered.

The bouts will be out charge by district camp.