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## Schoolmasters' Club Has First Meeting of Year

Traphill Principal To Head Organization For Ensuing School Year

### ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Club Will Again Sponsor Athletic Events In High Schools of the County

Wilkes County Schoolmasters' club held its first meeting of the present school year Thursday evening at the home of C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools.

After the meeting the school principals and their wives were entertained at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Eller and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. McNeill at the McNeill home. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hill, of Ronda; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Day, of Millers Creek; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Wright, of Traphill; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Spruill, of Mountain View; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cook, of Roaring River; T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro; and C. M. Dickson, of Ferguson. Attorney and Mrs. A. H. Casey were also guests for the occasion.

After the dinner party the principals gathered at the home of Supt. Eller for a business session of the Schoolmasters' club. President C. M. Cook presided and asked for the reading of the minutes of the last meeting held in April.

Election of officers resulted as follows: D. R. Wright, president; George H. Hill, vice president; T. E. Story, secretary-treasurer; R. V. Day, program chairman.

Program of athletics for the schools this year was discussed at length and the president named C. M. Cook as chairman of a committee to work out a plan for systematic athletics this year among the schools. Prof. Cook appointed T. E. Story and R. V. Day as the other members of the athletic committee and they will meet within the next few days to work out the athletic program. In the meantime they will appreciate suggestions from principals of other high schools.

## Interesting Meet For Kiwanis Club

Humorous Talk Delivered By Attorney B. T. Henderson on "Folks"

North Wilkesboro Kiwanians thoroughly enjoyed the program for the Friday noon meeting. A. A. Finley was in charge of the program and he presented Attorney Buford T. Henderson, who delivered a humorous address on the subject of "Folks."

Kiwanians were delighted at the reading of a telegram from J. M. German, at that time attending the State Grange convention. (Continued on page five)

## Work Progressing Rapidly On City Water Works Improvement Project

Elliot Building Company Has Employed 60 Men So Far On Water Works

The Elliot Building company, of Salisbury, holders of the contract for changing and improving the present water works system of North Wilkesboro, have used about sixty men during the past two weeks and have made considerable progress on the project.

This company is the holder of the general contract for the work with the exception of the erection of three tanks and towers, which are to be built by the R. D. Cole Manufacturing company, of Newnan, Ga. Representatives of this company have been here and are making preparation to begin work as soon as possible, it was learned today.

The work so far has been confined to the laying of water lines and installation of valves, which has necessitated cutting off the water in various sections of the city for short periods of time and the closing of portions of streets.

Plans for the project is being supervised by the national re-employment office and unemployed veterans and those who are being given preference in the work are being given preference in the work.

# 1935 Grange Convention To Be Held In This City

Principals and Scene in Uncovering of Lindbergh Ransom Money



NEW YORK . . . Above is presented a picture review of the uncovering of \$13,750 of the Lindbergh \$50,000 ransom money and the arrest of the German carpenter, Bruno Richard Hauptmann, in connection with the crime. . . . Above, the Hauptmann home on the outskirts of New York City. Arrow points to garage where money was hid. . . . Below, left to right; Walter Lyle, gasoline

station manager who took Hauptmann's auto license number when tendered a \$10 gold certificate in payment for gasoline, later resulting in arrest of Hauptmann. (Second) Dr. John F. Condon, the famous "Jafie" who aided Col. Lindbergh in turning over the \$50,000 ransom money. (Circle) Bruno R. Hauptmann. (Right) James M. Fawcett, New York attorney retained to represent Hauptmann by the carpenter's wife.

## 6 Wilkes People Carry Invitation

Grange Recommends Broad Program of Legislation In North Carolina

North Wilkesboro will be the scene of the 1935 convention of the Grange in North Carolina. It was decided in the final session of the 1934 convention held in Lumberton Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Invitation for the Grange to come to Wilkes county next year was carried to the state meeting by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. German, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cockerham, delegates from the Wilkes-Pomona Grange.

The Grange is the outstanding rural fraternity and wields a great influence with a large membership. Around 500 delegates gather for the annual convention of the state Grange.

Among the honors conferred on the Wilkes delegation in the convention last week was the appointment of T. W. Ferguson, of Ferguson, as a member of the board of directors of the mutual fire insurance company sponsored by the organization.

A spirited discussion on matters of state and national importance featured the closing session of the North Carolina State Grange. Reports from the committees on education and legislation particularly drew much fire from delegates, the Grange taking a prominent stand on vital issues.

On education, the following recommendations were adopted: placing salaries of teachers on a par with salaries of other people of the same ability and training, revision of high school curriculum to take care of vocational agriculture and home economics and asking appropriation for them to match the federal appropriation; teaching effects of alcohol; election of school committeemen by people of the district; asking that representatives of two major parties be included on governing board of state school commission, provision for adequate library facilities. Resolutions for free text books.

The legislative committee asked enactment of the principles (Continued on page eight)

## State Road Farmer Is Killed In Wreck

Martin V. Smith Fatally Hurt In Automobile Accident Near Dobson

Elkin, Sept. 29.—Martin V. Smith, 84, elderly farmer of the State Road community, succumbed last night at his home to injuries sustained on the previous day in an automobile mishap while en route from his farm, with his brother to Mount Airy to market a load of tobacco. The accident occurred near Dobson when a defect in the steering gear was thought to have caused the machine in which the two were traveling to leave the road, crash into a tree and send the elderly man through the wire guard beside the road. No fractures were apparent when medical aid was summoned immediately after the wreck, however, internal injuries resulted in his death last night.

The deceased is survived by his wife and several children. The funeral rites were held Sunday at State Road church.

## Junior Order Meeting Be On Tuesday Night

North Wilkesboro chapter of Jr. O. U. A. M. will meet Tuesday night at 7:30. Due to the fact that degree work will be carried out all members of the degree team are urged to be on hand. All members of the local council and any visiting Juniors are invited.

## Local Legion Post To Install Officers

October Meeting Will Be Held Thursday Night; District Commander Coming

American Legion Post No. 125, North Wilkesboro, will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p. m. Thursday night. The meeting is being held Thursday instead of Friday to avoid conflict with other affairs. The meeting Thursday night is of special interest and will be well attended, as new officers for the Post will be installed. In addition to the regular membership several visitors are expected. Dr. C. L. Sherrill, National Committeeman, will be in charge of installation ceremony. District Commander Neeley Kincaid will preside.

## MAN FOUND DEAD ON HIGHWAY 20

Gastonla, Sept. 28.—William A. Robinson, 20, of Belmont, was found dead on highway No. 20, near here, early today, and near him was Fred Hembree, 18, Belmont, unconscious. Officers expressed belief they had been struck by a hit-and-run motorist.

## Weapon Found In Hauptmann's Cell

New York, Sept. 28.—Sharpened to a knife-like edge, a metal spoon was found today in the cell of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, shortly after his counsel said a psychiatrist would examine the alleged Lindbergh ransom extortionist, presumably to determine the possibility of an insanity defense.

To prevent any attempt at suicide, or escape, Sheriff John Hanley of the Bronx doubled the guard outside Hauptmann's cell after finding the spoon.

Accompanying this spectacular development, a close friend of the German alien ex-convict, Hans Kloppenburg, was picked up and questioned by District Attorney Samuel Foley.

Kloppenburg's picture was in the Hauptmann album and he has been sought for several days.

Asked what he thought were Hauptmann's intentions with the spoon, Foley said:

"You may use your own imagination."

The spoon was stolen from the breakfast tray. It was broken into sections. The bowl had been whittled down to a keen edge, evidently by rubbing it against the steel slats of the cell.

Its absence from the tray noted in the kitchen sometime later, the prisoner was taken to another cell. Search was made at once. The sections were found in the drain of the toilet and wash basin.

About the same time, Attorney James Fawcett, Hauptmann's counsel, disclosed he had instructed a psychiatrist to examine the prisoner.

"I intend to call in a doctor and a psychiatrist Fawcett said, 'to look over my client as a part of our defense. The examination will be made tomorrow in the jail. I am going to be guided by their advice.'"

## Farmers Pleased With AAA Checks

Checks For Corn-Hog Crop Reduction Being Taken Out Rapidly

Farmers of Wilkes county who were fortunate enough to be able to sign contracts for reduction of corn and hog production are pleased with the benefit checks they are receiving from the Agricultural Adjustment administration department of the federal government.

Last week the Wilkes Production control association received checks ranging from \$6 to \$200 for the first payment to 117 farmers in the county. The total aggregated \$3,542.60, representing two-fifths of the entire payment. The next payment in November will be one-fifth and the final payment about the first of the year will be the remaining two-fifths.

Expenses of the Production Control association will be deducted from the final payment. Most of the 117 checks received last week have been called for by the recipients, who invariably were pleased with the payment for not growing too many hogs or too much corn.

## Civil Term Court Is Now Under Way

Judge John M. Oglesby Presiding; Many Cases Are Docketed For Trial

October term of Wilkes superior court for trial of civil actions began in Wilkesboro this morning with Judge John M. Oglesby presiding.

Cases numbering several hundreds are pending trial and only a comparatively small number can be disposed of at this term, which will continue for two weeks.

## Home Coming Day Friendship Church

Program Featured By Address By L. Bumgarner And Former Pastors

A large crowd of people from widely separated sections of Wilkes and many from distant points gathered at Friendship Methodist church near Millers Creek Sunday in observance of the annual home coming day at that place.

Sunday school was carried out at the usual hour and then followed an inspiring address by L. Bumgarner, of Wilkesboro, who used as his subject, "Whatsoever ye sowest that shall ye also reap."

At noon a picnic dinner with an abundance of good eats for the large crowd and then some to spare was spread near the church.

In the afternoon Rev. S. N. Bumgarner and Rev. David White, former pastors of the church, addressed the congregation.

It was decided that henceforth home coming day would be observed on the fourth Sunday in May. The following were appointed as a program committee for next year: Rev. E. P. Green, pastor, chairman, Rob. Brooks, Mrs. Fred Gathers, Mrs. N. M. Bumgarner, M. F. Bumgarner.

## Give Pastor Pounding

Epworth League of Arbor Grove Methodist church gave its pastor, Rev. E. P. Green, a pounding on Sunday night. Many useful gifts were presented by the members of the organization.

The peach is an ancient fruit and it seems singular that no mention is made of it in the Bible, for it is known to have been introduced into Italy as early as the time of Claudius, 50 B. C.

## \$1,000 Boy



Los Angeles . . . Mickey Rooney (above), with a Superior Court judge looking on, signed his name to a movie contract calling for \$1,000 per week to "just be a boy" on the screen.

## Quarter Price On Automobile Tags

License Plates Now Being Sold For Last Three Months of Year

Price of 1934 automobile and truck licenses was cut in half Saturday at the branch office of the Carolina Motor Club here along with all dealers in tags over the state.

This means that tags are now being purchased for the remainder of the year at one fourth of the yearly price.

So far this year the local office for dispensing tags has sold approximately 4,150 tags, J. C. McDiarmid, manager, stated Saturday morning. The approximate figures in classifications are 3-150 automobiles, 930 trucks and 70 trailers.

Licenses plates for new cars in this territory have far exceeded the sales of last year, Mr. McDiarmid stated.

## Singers Gather At Bethel Church

Four Choirs And Children's Classes Feature Successful Singing

The most successful session in the history of Stone Mountain Singing Association is the way the singing at Bethel church yesterday was described by J. A. Gilliam, chairman, and others attending.

There were four well trained singing classes who raised their harmonious voices in Gospel song: Bethel, Hay Meadow, Rock Creek and Harmony. There were classes made up of children from Hay Meadow, Harmony and a class led by Rev. Elbert Jennings, of Fairplains. Singing by the children was marked by evidences of training and singing ability. A quartet from Harmony added to the program for the day.

The population of the earth has more than doubled since 1800.

## Work Begins Today On Bridges and Culverts For First Section of No. 16

Democrats Attend District Meeting

Organization Leaders Of Eighth Congressional District Have Banquet In Troy

Members of the Democratic organizations in the several counties of the eighth congressional district met in Troy Friday evening for a banquet and organization meeting.

Democrats from Wilkes attending were J. K. Rousseau, D. J. Brookshire, J. G. Hackett, R. M. Brame, Jr., J. M. Pearson, C. O. McNeill, D. J. Carter, Attorney and Mrs. J. A. Rousseau and Julius Rousseau, Jr.

Congressman Walter Lambeth, who is opening his campaign for reelection, was toastmaster. Wallace Winbourne, state Democratic chairman, and other leaders of the party in the state, were honor guests and speakers for the occasion.

## DOZEN PEOPLE DIE AS TRAINS HIT ON TRACK

Warrington, England, Sept. 28.—About a dozen persons were killed and 40 were injured tonight in a collision between an express train from London and a slow local train.

The express train, bound for Lanchester town, crashed into the local train at Warrington junction.

## Lions To Sponsor Big Community Carnival In City

Will Begin Thursday, October 25, and Continue For Three Days

### PLANS BEING FORMED

Community Carnival Will Be Gala Event; Club Will Use Profits

A big community carnival, with the gaieties and amusements of a county fair, will be held in North Wilkesboro for three days, beginning October 25.

Plans for this gala occasion were discussed by the North Wilkesboro Lions club in regular meeting Thursday evening, at which time Spencer Richardson was appointed chairman of the community carnival committee.

Present plans call for holding the carnival in the Call building at the corner of Main and Ninth streets, where there will be myriads of entertaining devices and games, including the chuck-aluck wheel, bingo, musical concerts, fortune tellers, and what not.

No admission will be charged for entrance to the carnival but the club expects to make some profits because many of the prizes are going to be presented by public-spirited business firms. All profits from the carnival will be used in promoting some of the club's commendable activities.

The Lions' meeting Thursday evening was characterized by a good program under the direction of W. J. Eason and spirited interest in the discussion of plans for the carnival. Features of the program were vocal selections by Miss Ellen Robinson, accompanied at the piano by Miss Myrtle Norris.

## Welfare Office Needing Books

People Who Have Discarded School Books Asked To Donate To Charity

There is a distressing need among the people of the county for school books, according to a statement today by Charles McNeill, county welfare officer.

Mr. McNeill is asking that all families who have discarded school books to donate them to his office if they can conveniently do so. These books will be distributed to the teachers in the schools where need is the greatest and will be returned to his office after the school year closes.

Any kind of school readers or elementary school text books will be appreciated by the county welfare department and the people who wish to donate such books are assured that the books will be placed where the need is most apparent.

## Grannis Construction Co. has Crew On Job; Tear To Start Soon

Representatives of E. W. Grannis Construction Company, of Fayetteville, were in the city Saturday making arrangements to begin work on bridges and culverts on 5.63 miles of highway number 16 leading from Millers Creek toward Glendale Springs and Jefferson.

In a September letting by the state highway and public works commission E. W. Grannis Construction Company was awarded contract for structures for the sum of \$16,818.60. Contract for grading and gravel surfacing was let to Nello L. Teer, of Durham, for the sum of \$50,956.20. This firm is gathering equipment in preparation for beginning work in a short time.

Grannis Construction Company called on the National Re-employment Office here Saturday for 24 men to begin work today, all labor on Public Works Projects being furnished through that office, and the men reported this morning.

Due to the fact that the states that veterans are given preference in the work, practically all of the men reporting for work today are up of veterans.