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## LATE NEWS OF STATE AND NATION

**Guilford Wealthiest County**  
Guilford county, with a taxable wealth of \$154,768,342, is for the second consecutive year the richest county in North Carolina.

**Two Killed In Wreck**  
Wadesboro, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Besse Reynolds, 26, died here today of injuries received last night in an automobile wreck which killed her three-year-old daughter, Joyce.

**Employment Increases**  
New York, Dec. 7.—The national industrial conference board tonight reported unemployment in October at 9,604,000—a decline of 345,000 from September and of 40,000 from October, 1933.

**Steel Prices Up**  
Pittsburgh, Dec. 7.—The price of scrap steel, which generally follows the rate of steel production, today jumped to \$13.50 for No. 1 heavy melting, with one prominent dealer quoting \$14.

**Labor With Moffet**  
Washington, Dec. 7.—Organized labor tonight threw its support behind Federal Housing Administrator James Moffet in his battle with other new dealers to stimulate a building revival through the use of private capital instead of federal dollars.

**Big Christmas Business**  
Washington, Dec. 7.—A bigger early December demand for cash today foretold a better Christmas shopping business than last year. Money circulation increased \$29,000,000 in the first week of the holiday month. The increase in the same period a year ago was only \$15,000,000.

**Wreck Kills Two**  
Rocky Mount, Dec. 7.—J. D. White, 30, manager of a Robersonville store, died in a local hospital early today, the second victim of an automobile-truck collision near Robersonville late Thursday evening. J. H. Whitefield, 17, high school boy, was almost instantly killed in the accident.

**Reynolds Has Operation**  
Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator Reynolds, of North Carolina, who Monday underwent an adenoid operation at Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore, is expected to return to his office here next week. Reynolds has announced he intends to remain in Washington until Congress convenes.

**Says Wealthy Selfish**  
New York, Dec. 7.—Within one of New York's most exclusive clubs, Secretary Wallace tonight assailed the wealthy class of "chaotic, ignorant pursuit of self interest." He said the proposals for national policy that come from the rich contained in the main "nothing more profound than such catch phrases as balance the budget" and "return to the gold standard."

**Hopkins Was Winner**  
Washington, Dec. 7.—Secretary Ickes disclosed today that both public and personal finances came in for consideration while he visited President Roosevelt in Georgia the past few days. On the latter, at least, he did not fare so well. He conceded he had played a little poker. "Harry Hopkins (the relief administrator) can finance his relief program himself now," he said.

## Wilkes Farmers Among Winners

**Wilkes County White Corn Takes Prizes at International Grain Show**

Wilkes County White Corn scored again last week by winning five prizes at the International Hay and Grain Show in Chicago.

Among the prize winners for the fifth United States region were R. Don Nichols and two sons, Quentin and Kermit Nichols, of Purlear, and Robert Hayes, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hayes, of Millers Creek.

The International is the largest grain exposition in the world and being among the winners is quite a distinction for the exhibitor and the product entered.

## Farmers Will Vote This Week On Cotton and Tobacco Crop Control

### Vote On Cotton Question Friday

All Cotton Farmers Urged to Cast Ballot at C. L. Comer & Company's Store

The Bankhead referendum Friday, December 14, will determine the future of the cotton adjustment program, says Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College.

If the growers vote for the Act to continue through 1935, he says, production can be kept within reasonable bounds and prices maintained at a fair level.

Wilkes County cotton farmers may cast their votes at C. L. Comer's store on Friday, December 14, between the hours of nine a. m. and four p. m. There is only one day for voting in the cotton referendum.

If the act is voted down, growers who did not sign contracts will likely push production well above the amount required by the market and prices will again tumble below the cost of production, the dean warns.

All contracts will be continued in effect next year. If the Bankhead act remains in force, Schaub said, the 73,000 growers who signed up will be protected from the potential expansion of the 40,000 growers who did not sign.

Since the reduction in acreage and production required under the contracts will not be so drastic next year, Schaub pointed out, the allotments under the Bankhead act will be larger.

In 1935, the contract reductions will be only 25 per cent of the base average, as compared with a 40 per cent reduction in 1934. This will actually mean an

### Highsmith Will Address Teachers

Meeting To Be Held At Wilkesboro School Building Saturday, Dec. 15

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, director of the division of high school inspection of the state department of education, will address the Wilkes County Teachers' association in meeting at the Wilkesboro school building on Saturday, December 15, beginning at 10 o'clock.

Announcement of the meeting was made today by Prof. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of public instruction. Attendance of all teachers in the county is required.

## Will Hold Mass Meeting Friday Night To Discuss Re-employment Service

City and County Officials and Civic Leaders Are Asked To Be Present

On Friday night, December 14, eight o'clock, a mass meeting will be held at the city hall here to discuss the matter of continuance of the National Re-employment Service.

During the past year the local office has placed on jobs of various kinds more than 2,000 men and women, during which time the office has been maintained by the federal government as a temporary organization. Under the new setup, if the service is continued as a permanent institution, the federal government will pay half and the state will be asked to furnish the remainder of the cost.

All members of the county board of commissioners, the city board of aldermen, and officials of the Kiwanis Club, The Lions Club, The Wilkes Post, the American Legion, and other civic organizations are urged to be present and the general public is also invited.

The department of labor, it is understood, is much in favor of retaining the service. One of the particular benefits cited is the localizing of labor on Public Works Projects. It is pointed out that the construction of the Great Scenic Parkway through Alleghany, Wilkes, Ashe and Watauga counties will call for a tremendous amount of PWA labor and that the office here will be needed in order to secure employment for the people of these counties.

### IS CAPTURED



Mrs. Helen Gillis, wife of the late "Baby Face" Nelson and classed as "public enemy number 1" after her husband's sudden demise before a fullside of shots from the guns of federal officers, was taken last week by agents of the department of justice. She had accompanied her husband on many of his exploits.

## Love Dies From Injuries Received In Affray Tuesday

Dock Anderson, Alleged Attacker, Held in Jail on Murder Charge

James Love, Windy Gap resident, died in a Statesville hospital Saturday morning from injuries received when he was alleged to have been hit on the head with a chair in the hands of Dock Anderson at the Anderson home on Tuesday night.

Anderson was arrested soon after the affray and placed in jail at Wilkesboro. This is his second time to be in jail for murder. Several years ago he was convicted for the killing of a man by the name of Longbottom and sentenced to the penitentiary when he was found guilty of second degree murder. Funeral service for Love was held Sunday afternoon, 3:30 at Mt. Sinai Church. He is survived by the following brothers and sisters: (Lus Love, Mrs. H. M. Anderson, Mrs. Noah Honeycutt, Mrs. John Stuart, Mrs. N. E. Love and Mrs. John Shatley.

Miss Elizabeth Faw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Faw, of this city, was a member of the cast of "A Wedding," a play given in Greensboro Friday night by students of Greensboro College. The play was well presented, according to press reports.

## L. B. Mathis Recovers Car; Griggs In Jail

L. B. Mathis, who resides on Route 2, Roaring River, recovered his automobile early Saturday morning. The car was stolen Wednesday night about 8 o'clock while parked in front of the home of Mrs. M. W. Mathis, eight miles east of the city.

When recovered by Mr. Mathis the car was being driven by Odell Griggs who was placed in jail to await preliminary hearing.

The machine had not been damaged but had been driven around 600 miles since being stolen from Mr. Mathis.

## Tobacco Election To Be Wednesday

Three Polling Places Named For Tobacco Farmers of Wilkes County

The Kerr-Smith referendum in regard to continuance of the tobacco control act in 1935 will be held in Wilkes county, Wednesday, December 12, according to A. G. Hendren, county agent.

The polling places and those in charge of the voting are as follows: Dennyville schoolhouse, H. B. Roberts; Little Mountain schoolhouse, M. A. Cockerham; Oak Ridge schoolhouse, Rev. L. B. Murray.

All polling places in the county will be open for receiving ballots on this date, Mr. Hendren said. In addition, the polling place at his office in the courthouse will be kept open until December 13 in order to give all growers sufficient time to vote.

The referendum must close by December 20, according to E. Y. Floyd, of State College, director of the tobacco program in North Carolina.

## "Deestrick Skule" Entertains Crowd

Cast And Audience Thoroughly Enjoyed Presentation At Wilkesboro School

Presentation of a play entitled "The Deestrick Skule" at Wilkesboro on Friday night under the auspices of the athletic association was a most enjoyable affair for both the members of the cast and the audience.

The play was given by school patrons, members of the faculty and teachers from other high schools in the county. Prof. Charles Elledge, of Mt. Pleasant, was good in the role of schoolmasters and the other members of the cast did exceptionally well.

Following the play the cast was served refreshments in the home economics department of the school by the school faculty.

## December 24-31 School Holidays

Schools of County Will Observe Uniform Number of Christmas Holidays

Schools of Wilkes county will observe the week of December 24 to December 31 as holidays, it was announced this week by Prof. C. B. Eller, county superintendent. New Year's Day will not be observed as a holiday by the school system in the county.

The school system is operating as nearly on a systematic schedule this year as possible with all the schools ending months of work on uniform dates. For this reason all the schools operating under county supervision will observe the same number of days off for the holiday season.

## Bottlers Association Officials Are Guests Of W. A. McNeill Here

James Oliver, secretary of the National Bottlers Association, and C. D. Cecil, secretary of the code authority for bottled beverages, were guests of W. A. McNeill, of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, here during the week-end.

They accompanied Mr. McNeill home from Durham, where they attended the state bottlers' convention on Thursday and Friday.

## 3 of One Family Die In Chair For Barnes' Murder

Father, Son and Son-in-Law Electrocuted at State Prison on Friday Morning

ELDER GREEN FIRST

Trio Die Nervily for Death of Taylorsville Bank Cashier in July, 1933

Raleigh, Dec. 7.—Smiling cheerily and showing no signs of nervousness, three men—a father, his son and his son-in-law—died in the electric chair at state prison here today.

They were Bascom Green, 44, textile worker; Lester Green, 24, his son, also a mill operative, and Robert Edward Black, 26 an engineer. All were from High Point.

They died because they killed T. C. Barnes, bank cashier, in an attempted bank robbery at Taylorsville July 19, 1933.

Mike Stefanoff, who was with them in the hold-up, was electrocuted last May.

Jim Green, negro who had been sentenced to die today for criminal assault on a white woman, was granted a reprieve by Governor Ehringhaus yesterday. His electrocution is scheduled for January 11.

It took three shots of electricity to kill the elder Green, three for his son, and two for Black. Bascom Green walked into the little death chamber at 10:32 a. m.

"I'm all right," he said, waving his hands to the newspapermen and official witnesses. "Meet me in heaven. I feel I am going there today."

He swaggered toward the chair and sat down unaided. The current was applied at 10:36. It stayed on for one minute and 36 seconds. The second shock lasted one minute and 11 seconds.

## Two Men Arrested By Revenue Agents

Bill and Cecil Bumgarner Jailed For Transportation of Six Gallons of Liquor

Bill and Cecil Bumgarner, giving their residence as Boone, were arrested and placed in jail Thursday night by Federal Revenue Agents Leonard Roupe, J. C. Fortner and L. T. Jones, on charges of transporting liquor on which federal taxes had not been paid.

The young men were carrying six gallons of liquor in their car when they were apprehended by the officers. Their car was confiscated. Preliminary hearing was held before Commissioner J. W. Dula and bond was fixed at \$500 each.

## Clay and Calvin Welborn Arrested on Charge Robbing Ronda Man of \$1,200

Christmas Trees For White House Pass Through City

Two towering balsam trees passed through North Wilkesboro Sunday en route to Washington, D. C., where they are to be planted on the White House lawn as living Christmas trees.

The trees were taken from the forests high in the mountains of Avery County and were being hauled by truck to the capital. C. W. Stewart, C. R. Isaacs, Corbett Johnson and Luther Clark, in charge of the caravan, said they expected to reach Washington today.

## District Relief Office Setup Delayed Pending Selection of Personnel

County Offices To Continue For Few More Days

Regular Jail Visitors



Flemington, N. J. . . . Mrs. Bruno R. Hauptmann and her young son (above) still remain this town's most interesting characters as they make their weekly trip to the county jail to visit the father who is held for trial in the Lindbergh case which starts early in January.

## James Jarvis, 65, Ends Life With Shotgun Charge

Coroner Pronounces Death a Suicide; Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon

James Jarvis, well known resident of Lovelace township, ended his life Friday afternoon about one o'clock when he fired a load from a 12-gauge shotgun into the left side of his chest.

Coroner Iredell M. Myers investigated the death and pronounced it suicide. According to facts related to the coroner, Mr. Jarvis was in an upstairs room when his son, McKinley, heard the report of the gun and rushed into the room, where his father lay dying.

Mr. Jarvis was a respected farmer in his community but during the past several months he had suffered ill health and the opinion was voiced that his mind had been unbalanced for some time.

He was 65 years of age, a son of the late Chambers and

## Carl Redding's Home Looted of Big Sum in Cash On November 19th

Clay and Calvin Welborn were arrested in Miami, Florida, Saturday on charges of entering the home of Carl Redding at Ronda on November 19 and stealing \$1,200 in cash.

Redding, it is reported, is a tobacco farmer, and during the depression suffered heavily in bank failures, which is considered the cause for his placing his savings in a fruit jar and keeping the money in his home.

Although no publicity had been given the investigation, Wilkes officers and others had been gathering evidence that led to the arrest of the two Welborns.

Mr. Redding went to Greensboro, where W. P. Whitley, identification expert, had fingerprints and a record of the Welborns. Circulars were prepared and sent to police headquarters in several cities and on Saturday word came from Miami that the two men had been arrested.

Sheriff Somers stated this morning that arrangements are being made to send after the two men and bring them to Wilkesboro to face trial on the robbery charge. Particulars of the arrest in Miami have not been learned.

**Guilford Man Killed**  
Shube Walden, 61-year-old Guilford county farmer, was fatally injured when struck by a hit-and-run driver on the old Randleman road, between 6:30 and 7 o'clock Saturday night.

## County Offices To Continue For Few More Days

North Wilkesboro Will Be Location of ERA Office For Six Counties

ARE SEEKING ECONOMY

New organization of relief administration in Northwestern North Carolina with a district office in North Wilkesboro for six counties has been delayed for several days pending selection of personnel by state relief authorities and working out other details of the new organization.

At present each county is served by a relief administrator and assistants with an office force and this system will continue for a few days. Under the new setup the counties of the state will be divided into 33 districts instead of the 104 that now exists. The consolidation move was to have gone into effect on December 7 but it was found that the new organization could not get under way with such short notice and much time has been given to the selection of the administrator and the other major offices for each district.

The district office in North Wilkesboro will be located on the second floor of the Bank of North Wilkesboro building and will serve Wilkes, Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany, Surry and Yadkin counties. Each county will have an adequate number of case workers but will not have an office force and clerical help.

The district personnel will be composed of a district administrator, case work supervisor, disbursing officer, rural rehabilitation supervisor and statistician. This staff will also serve as a planning board for each county.

The consolidation move is the first important change in relief administration since the advent of the Emergency Relief Administration. It has a double aim to reduce administration costs and at the same time raise the standard of efficiency by providing for more case workers to investigate families on the relief rolls.

## Fathers' Night For Wilkesboro P. T. A.

Will Be Observed Thursday Night at School Building; Good Program Planned

Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association will observe Fathers' Night with an appropriate program in the school auditorium Thursday night at 7:30.

A Christmas program of much interest to all will be given, consisting of musical number and other features. Following the program an informal reception will be held.

It is earnestly desired that all members of the association, and especially the fathers, attend the meeting. Other interested patrons are also invited to be present.

## Stolen Car Found

A 1934 model Ford sedan belonging to John E. Justice, stolen from the streets of this city on Thanksgiving Day, was found one day last week in the Windy Gap section of this county.

## Schoolmasters To Meet Friday, 5:30

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith Will Address Teachers at Wilkesboro School Building

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of the state department of education, will address the Wilkes County Schoolmasters Club in a dinner meeting to be held on Friday evening, December 14, at 5:30, in the home economics rooms of the Wilkesboro school building.

All high school principals, teachers and coaches who can attend are asked to notify Prof. T. E. Story at the Wilkesboro school not later than Thursday afternoon. Price for plates will be 50 cents each.

## CITY TAKES ON YULETIDE APPEARANCE; ONLY 12 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

With only twelve shopping days before Christmas North Wilkesboro has taken on a yuletide appearance and the spirit of the holiday season begins to permeate the city and community.

Work is now going on in preparing the street decorations, which will be more attractive this year than for any previous holiday season in North Wilkesboro. On the whole the city will have a beautiful and welcoming appearance to the people of Northwestern North Carolina who come here to supply their

needs. As a Mecca for Christmas shoppers North Wilkesboro does not have its equal in any other town in the state with a population of under 5,000 people. The mercantile firms have anticipated the biggest holiday trade in several years and have stocked their stores completely in order that all needs and demands, great or small, can be filled in "The Key to the Blue Ridge," without prolonged and expensive trips to the larger cities of Piedmont North Carolina. Probably

at no other time in recent years have North Wilkesboro merchants been better able to serve the counties of Northwestern North Carolina than they can during the present holiday season.

The Christmas shopping season is now open in North Wilkesboro and the merchants have beautifully decorated their establishments to present to the visitors an attractive atmosphere that gives one the feeling that "Christmas is A'comin'" and that relatives and friends should be made happy with gifts this yuletide season.