

The most marked price decreases were reported in Cleveland, New Orleans, Providence and Cleveland, while increases were recorded in Richmond and Denver.

Raleigh, Dec. 13.—There'll be

a pound of candy for each of North Carolina's approximately 10,000 prisoners Christmas day. For some years, the state has given candy to prisoners, and this Christmas will be no exception. Stores to Remain The division of purchase and contract has bought 10.500 pounds of sweets. The candy was made in Elizabeth City and cost eight and a quarter cents a pound.

wife, Mrs. Rhea Gable, probably yould file suit for divorce as soon s courts legally interpret their property settlement that was effected three years ago. The property settlement is scheduled to be heard tomorrow. Under terms nine o'clock through Saturday. of the settlement, it was understood, Gable has paid Mrs. Gable, \$286,000.

MOTHER GETS LIFE Spattle, Dec. 13.-Mary Elea

Bor Smith, 73-year-old mother whose silence for 10 years shielded her son from murder charges, interrupted her trial with a guilty plea today and was given life imprisonment for the 1928 slaying of James Eugene Bassett. Decasto Earl Mayer, 44, the son and co-defendant, strangled himself to death Sunday in the county hearty welcome to every visitor jail. He left a note to "Dearest during the holiday season Mother' that he was weary of

Mother" that he was weary of Life, but Prosecutor B. Gray Warallows. did it to cheat



to four years by the constitutional amendment passed the November election.

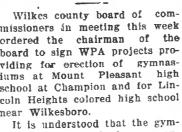
**Open on Evenings** December 19 to 24

of Holiday Shoppers

Beginning on Monday. December 19, North Wilkesboro stores will remain open evenings until December 24, it was decided in a recent meeting of the Merch-This move on the part of the

merchants will be a great convenience to holiday shoppers, many of whom will not find time to do their shopping during regular hours.

Open evenings will be of special importance to those regularly employed and who live a considerable distance from the city. With stocks complete and amid an atmosphere of Yuletide goodwill, North Wilkesboro extends a



nasiums will be of frame construction and that the communities will put up the sponsor's share of the cost of each. The order passed by the commissioners stipulated that the buildings would be at no cost to the county but it is necessary for a governmental unit to sponsor a project in order to get WPA ap-

proval. Mrs. Ruby Pendley, of this city, vho has been working in High Point in a recreational project during the past several months. was appointed a case worker for the county welfare department. her duties to begin as soon as Bonds Taken At A Play on Friday at Puts 209 To Work her duties to begin as soon as COSTLY DIVORCE Hollywood. Dec. 13.—Clark Gable said tonight his estranged Will Be Open Until Nine o'Clock for Convenience

few years ago in preparation for the job. Blaine Sparks was appointed constable of Traphill township

and C. H. Dancy was named constable for Rock Creek township in place of Sol Byrd, who was elected but declined to serve. The full membership of the board, M. F. Absher, chairman.

den, were present for the revess meeting Tuesday.



pany to Start First Bus **On Monday Morning** 

ways to outlying communities will has ever been accorded on its Club, Junior and Senior Woman's way include the North Wilkeshe instituted on Monday. Decemobligations. ber 19. The announcement of the beginning of city and community sewer and street construction WPA Workmen Assigned to bus service was made today by and matured on January 1, 1939, officials of Wilkes Transportation beasing five per cent interest. four and it is hoped that the aucompany, a local corporation The bonds were refunded to ditorium will be filled for the gin soon in Sparta. which was organized a few equalize yearly payments on the performance. months ago and which obtained city's debt, which now stands at work on construction of a com-the Wilkesboros, westward on been greatly reduced during the list Class Mail munity house in Trogdon's Methods of Methods and the Milkesboros and the second during the list Class Mail Me | 421 to Millers Creek, southward past ten years, in spite of bonds on highways 16 and 18 to Mo- issued two years ago to finance by ravian Falls, eastward over 421 the city's part of the cost in a ment officials as a victory for the North Wilkesboro Woman's through Cairo, and northward Public Works project to enlarge clubs through the town of North over highway 18 to Fairplains. and improve the water system. The company plans to use three! The city has never defaulted buses. However, the service will on payment of principal and in 738.84, of which the sponsor's begin with one bus and continue terest when due and its obliga with a temporary schedule until tions are in demaud, as shown

### years in the house, in the Democratic primaries. Carter Glass of Virginia, center, oldest senator, will celebrate his eighty-first birthday January 4. Rep. Joseph Martin Jr., right, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, is almost assured of election to the leadership of the minority in the congressional session. He will succeed Bertrand Snell of New York, who did not seek re-election. North Wilkesboro Collins Festival N.C.S.E.S. Office

Lindley G. Beckworth, left, 25-year-old Texan, will be the youngest house member in recent years when

congress convenes in January. A former school teacher, he unseated Rep. Morgan Sanders, veteran of 18

Low Interest Rate School Building During November Refunding Bonds Will Bear Final Program Promises To Office Here Continued Good Be Most Entertaining In Interest Rate of 2 3-4 Series Of Four And 3 Per Cent

Town of North Willesbore re- Climaring four weekly events rate of interest averaging less by four civic organizations in this record during the month of Nothan three per cent, it was city will be given Friday night, vember by placing 127 in private learned today from I. H. McNeill, December 16, 7:30 o'clock in the industry and 82 on public jobs. North Wilkesboro school audi-Jr., city clerk. The firm of Lowis and Hall, of torium.

The program will consist of a Greensboro and Wachovia Bank broadway comedy entitled 'Mary's ice was able to find jobs for Trust Co., of Winston-Salem, bought the entire issue, which Other Husband', and written by many of the applicants, G. Larry E. Johnson. It is described Gentry, manager, said today. was offered to refund bonds to as a farce comedy reaching a new mature on January 1.

Half of the bonds, maturing in high in fun. The Collins festival has given 1945 and 1946, were taken at three per cent while the remain- a program for the past three Fri- of Public Works jobs are under ing \$24,000 maturing in 1947 and day nights under sponsorship of way or will be under way soon

Bus service within the Wilkes- 1948 were taken at 2 3-4 per the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis in the five counties served by the boros and on four leading high- cent, lowest interest rate the city club, North Wilkesboro Lions office here. The jobs now under

construction of a city hall for North Wilkesboro.

The firm of Abee-Eckerd, ef Icard, was low bidder for construction of the building, a Public Works project, for the sum of \$28.212.

Jenkins Hardware company, of this city, was low bidder on Plumbing and heating, the firms bid for both being \$2,873.77.

Total for the contracts for construction, plumbing and heating was \$31,085.77.

The building will be finianced by a PWA grant of 45 per cent of the cost, the remaining 55 per cent to be paid by the city of North Wilkesboro.

Application for a PWA grant of 45 per cent of the cost was ap proved some time ago.

Six bids were opened by the board of commissioners this morning at ten o'clock. The board recessed and let contract this afternoon. C. C. Benton, of Wilson, consulting architect, and H. K. Setzer, of Morganton, resident engineer inspector were present with the city fathers when the were awarded.

It is expected that work will hegin within the next few days.

The building, to be located on portion of Eighth street fronting B street between Tomlinson's Department store building and will! Wilkes Plumbing company, contain three floors.

The ground floor will house the police department, city jail and water department.

On the street floor will be the ity clerk's office, public library and fire department. The top floor will contain the courtroom and conference rooms.

### TEST FARM STATUTE

Washington, Dec. 13 .- A group of Georgia and Florida tobacco growers, attacking the constitutionality of marketing provisions of the 1938 agricultural adjustment act, appealed today to the Supreme court. They appealed from a decision of a Georgia federal court which at the time had been hailed by agriculture departhe new farm program and affecting all its marketing provisions. The growers sought to enjoin warehousemen from paying t over to the government as a penalty one-half the purchase price of tobacco marketed in excoss of quotas fixed under the act.

# "The Toy Shop" At

Students of the elementary grades of Wilkeeboro school, under direction of Miss Dorothy entitled "The Toy Shop" at Wilkesboro school on Friday night, building is to be completed with-December 16, beginning at 7:45. In four months. In addition to the operetta the school chorus.

### Second Break Into

For the second time within one Wilkesboro. month, the North Wilkesboro school building was entered on fuesday night, Paul S. Cragan, superintendent. reported today. Entrance to the building was and through a window on the t story but several feet above round and over the shrubbery. The lock to the superintendent's office was broken but there were signs of little disturbace within the office. A few ts in change which had been fied in a desk drawer were missing.

to the identity of the gality party The North Carolina senator was found.

Work Under Way Construction of Stone Building in Park

munity house in Trogdon's morial park in this city.

The project is sponsored Wilkesboro and the total cost of the building is estimated at \$7,-i share is \$3,562.00.

The building will be beautiful in design and will be of rock veneer construction, the dimensions heing 50 by 42 feet.

The basement will contain Scout room and boiler room and Wilkesboro School the street floor will consist of an Creek on Monday morning at assembly hall, committee room 6:15 a. m. and that day's sche- ness." and kitchen.

P. G. Smithey is supervisor of 11 o'clock Monday night. the project and 20 men are engaged in making the excavation sale of weekly community tick-Lashmit, will present an operetta preliminary to actual constructets, designed for the especial tion work. Mr. Smithey said the benefit of rural people who are

The building is located near als said, entitles the customer to program will include singing of the city water tank and fronts on make an unlimited number of Christmas carols by the high Trogdon street. The building plot trips between the designated is a part of the land donated by points.

Mrs. C. F. Sherrill and developed into a park by the Woman's club in memory of her brother, the School Building late W. F. Trogdon, often referred to as the founder of North

> The park, in which much development work was accomplished during the past year, was formally opened to the public several weeks ago.

Washington, Dec. 14.---C. B. Dean, unsuccessful candidate to schedule of fares will be ansucceed Representative Walter Lambeth, of the eighth North Carolina district was today appointed by Senator Josiah W Bailey as his assistant in the work of the special Senate com-

mittee to investigate labor con-No the which promise to lead ditions in the merchants marine. chairman of the committee.

the other buses are ready for use. by the low rate of interest on Regular city type buses with all the refunding bonds which have modern conveniences will be just been sold.

used, company officials said. The first run on the city bus "Why don't you advertise?" service will begin at Millers "Look here! I know my busi "Stre! But how about letting

dule will end at Millers Creek at other people know it?" The company will feature the

employed in North Wilkesboro. A weekly ticket, company offici-

Sample fares have been announced as follows: Millers Creek one way 15c, round trip 25c. weekly \$1.50; Moravian Falls one way 15c. round trip 25c. weekly \$1.50; Wilkesboro, Cricket, Fairplains, Cairo 10c one way, weekly \$1.00; any scheduled point within city limits of North Wilkesboro 5c.

A complete schedule for all communities served and complete nounced later.

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Where is my wondering boy to night?

No more the parents wonder. They know he's out in the family CAT Hitting it up like thunder.

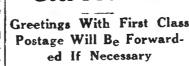
The \$48,000 in bonds refunded

Too Restricted

YOUNGEST REFUGEE

were issued in 1909 for water, ly in the profits. The program Friday night will

**Gets Preference** 



Postmaster J. C. Reins today urged people to post holiday mail early in order to be sure that it will reach its destination on in the history of North Wilkes- to read, write and solve simple time.

He also called attention te comment relative to printed ation and will meet its first ma-Christmas greetings as contained in the November supplement to the Postal Guide as follows:

velopes at the third-class rate of the first practice game of the postage, are disposed of as waste each year because they are unde- lers Creek, the N. W. A. A. team

liverable as addressed, due to removal of the addressee or other cause. Such greetings are not entitled to the free forwarding privilege accorded those mailed North Carolina and any teams T. Nichols: in sealed envelopes at the firstclass rate and, consequently, the write Frank McNeill. box 366.

know that the greetings were not received by the addressees. This Dr. J. G. Bentley would not occur if the greetings were mailed sealed at the firstclass rate.

masters urge mailers to send moved from Bristol, Tenn., to their holiday greetings at the the old Bentley home at Pores first-class rate, explaining that Knob, which has been renovated most all of my Bible, thanks to when so sent the greetings may and remodeled.

ted, therefore having a personal been established in a former highly appreciated by the recipicaunting factory near Brages. It enfa; that such greetings are disthe Class

River clubs and the Boy Scouts, the boro-Roaring highway 268, water and sewer four organizations sharing equalconstruction at Blowing Rock, and construction of a science be the most entertaining of the building at A. S. T. C. in Boone. A water and sewer job will be

**Record of Placements;** 

Jobs Under Way

The North Wilkesboro branch

The number of private place

Registrations during the month

Mr. Gentry said that a number

totaled 479.

ments was not so great as during

the harvest season but the serv-

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office of the N. C. State Hanlor-ment service continued lis good

The employment office here will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday noon, December 23, and reopen on Tuesday morning. December 27. Those who report for unemployment insurance on Saturdays and Mondays will

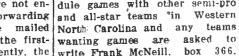
please report on Tuesday. December 27

### All-Stars To Play Elkin On Friday

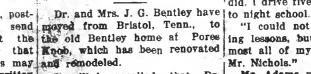
the best all star basketball teams boro is being assembled by the North Wilkesboro Athletic associ- time.

jor test of the season on Friday night of this week against the fast Elkin team at the North Wilkesboro school gymnasium. A number of former college stars have joined the group and season was played against Mil-

winning 51 to 25. The team here desires to sche-



North Wilkesboro. **Returns** To Wilkes



It will be recalled that Dr. practiced since that time.

Not every girl who ornaments the parlor is worth very much in of hair rooted limit

## Learn To Read In **Moonlight School**

Students in Adult Classes Serious About Business of **Belated** Learning

Adult schools conducted in several Wilkes communities by unemployed teachers given work by the WPA have proved the truth of the old adage that one "never gets too old to learn."

These teachers report that people who are nearing the allotted three score and ten have entered What promised to be one of into the studies with such determination that they have learned arithmetic problems for the first

> Among these students there is no playing "hookey," no student strikes and they never give their teachers any insubordination trouble. They are, collectively, a group determined to make the most of the second opportunity to learn to read and write, having spurned the first during their youth

This is evidence by the following text of a letter written by dule games with other semi-pro Lewis Adams, of Reddies River and all-star teams 'in Western | township, for his teacher, James.

"To members of the moonlight school:

"I did not try to learn as I should in my school days, and I am glad to have another chance. "Mr. J. T. Nichols asked me to join his class and I am glad I

did. I drive five miles every week,

"I could not read before taking lessons, but now I can read Mr. Nichols."

Mr. Adams not only can read. Bentley practiced medicine in but he has learned to write in a Wilkes before going to Bristol most legible hand which would appeal which is, of course, more about 30 years ago, where he has he a credit to many educated pea-Die.

> Not every "prodi "gray maiter."

The youngest refugee in the hage camp at Svepravice, Czechesleva-

seems very happy. The camp

senders in many cases never

In view of the foregoing, post-

be sealed and contain . written messages not otherwise permit-

patched and delivered first, given directory service, and, if neces-(Continued on page sight) the hitches.

Printed Christmas Greetings Large numbers of Christmas greetings, mailed in unsealed en-