

## Body Of Virginian Found Monday On Ronda Roadbank

### C. J. Jones Apparently Fell Off Bank Of Highway 268 Late Saturday

Body of C. J. Jones, dead for two days, was found Monday afternoon on the bank of highway 268 in Ronda.

Jones, a resident of Bristol, Va., who had been visiting relatives of West Jefferson and more recently at Elkin, was seen walking along the highway in Ronda Saturday evening about six o'clock.

On Monday afternoon a girl walking along the highway a few yards east of Higgins' store saw the dead body off the lower bank of the road, partially concealed by weeds and bushes.

Coroner I. M. Myers was called and after investigating all available reports pronounced the man's death due to natural causes, probably heart attack.

The coroner stated that there was no indication of foul play, the only marks on the body being scratches apparently caused by the fall. He had not been hit by a car or truck as was first surmised, because there was no indication that he has received any substantial blow. He was carrying a grip-type suitcase, with the handle still in his hand, and there was a small amount of money on the body.

Condition of the body indicated that he had been dead since late Saturday, Coroner Myers said. The body was lying down from the bank only a few feet from the much traveled pavement.

The body was taken late Monday to West Jefferson, where a brother was to make funeral arrangements. Officers here said Jones' wife was now a resident of Bristol, Va., which was listed as his home address.

## Travis Will Be Speaker Friday At Ladies Night

Gus Travis, famed columnist and humorist, will be the principal speaker at the ladies night banquet of Knights of Pythias and Dokies to be held Friday night, seven o'clock, at the V. F. W. clubhouse at North Wilkesboro.

Appearance of the Charlotte Observer columnist assures that all who attend will be well entertained. Arrangements have been made for an excellent dinner and all program features are designed to be highly entertaining. Advance sales have been brisk, assuring a large attendance for the event.

## Vacation School At Presbyterian

The Vacation Church School of the First Presbyterian Church begins Monday morning, June 12, at 9:00 o'clock and closes at 11:30. Children ages four through fourteen are cordially invited to attend. The unit of study for the whole school is based on the life and works of Jesus. The Kindergarten Department under the leadership of Mrs. Leonard Brooks, superintendent, Mrs. John Buchan and Mrs. J. W. Steele, will study a course, "Jesus, Our Friend." Miss Muriel Coykendall will be superintendent of the Primary Department with Mrs. John Cashion and Miss Jean Summers helping. The theme for this group is "Stories of Jesus." "We Would See Jesus" is the course for the Junior Department with Mrs. R. N. Wooten Superintendent and Misses Mary Elmore Finley and Isabella Gibbs helping. The Pioneer Department will follow this theme "Jesus Christ, Hero of History." Mrs. L. H. Snyder will serve as superintendent with Mrs. L. S. Spainhour assisting.

Creative activities, singing, Bible study, stories, handwork, recreation and other activities will contribute to the accomplishment of each day's purpose which ultimately is the spiritual enrichment of each young person's life. Give your children this opportunity by sending them to Vacation Church school every day.

A steering committee for the school is composed of Mrs. Gordon Brown, Assistant Director, Mr. Sam Vickery, Church School Superintendent, and Miss Ruth King Wood, Director of Religious Education.

The United States Coast Guard was created Jan. 28, 1915.

## SMITH CALLS 2ND PRIMARY

### Honor Graduates

Raleigh — Willis Smith decided yesterday to put the issue of conservation vs. liberalism to North Carolina's Democratic voters again.

The conservative Raleigh lawyer announced he was calling for a runoff primary with liberal Senator Frank P. Graham for the Democratic senatorial nomination. The vote will be held June 24.

Smith thus ended 11 days of speculation on his intentions following a record-breaking vote May 27 in which Graham led him in a field of four by 53,383 votes.

Graham, short and wiry, has identified himself with liberalism on both the State, national and international scene and is considered a supporter of President Truman's Administration, although disagreeing with some parts of the President's fair deal program.

Smith, head of one of the State's wealthiest law firms, has taken many pokes at the national Administration.

Graham, 63, was named to the Senate 14 months ago by Governor Scott to fill the vacancy created by the death of J. Melville Broughton. This year's election is for the four-year remainder of Broughton's term.

Graham Lacked Majority  
Smith won the right to ask the State Board of Elections for a runoff because Graham failed—by about 5,600 votes—to win a majority of the ballots cast. A clear majority would have given Graham the nomination.

Although he told a reporter earlier that he had "almost decided" Tuesday not to run again, Smith soon after tossed his hat back into the hot senatorial campaign with a statement issued by his State campaign manager, Charles P. Green.

The 62-year-old senatorial candidate asserted that he was acceding to "urgent demands that I continue the fight for what I conceive to be truly progressive and representative government."

Calling on his backers for support, Smith continued: "If we are to succeed, we must have the active help of every citizen who believe in the constitutional democracy of Thomas Jefferson with freedom from social, economic and political control and dictation. We need volunteer workers in our campaign headquarters here in Raleigh and in every county. We need spontaneous activity in every precinct, for it is well known that we do not have an organization of professional politicians and we are at a disadvantage from a financial standpoint."

## Highway Postoffice Has Fire On No. 18

According to reports reaching this city, the highway postoffice which runs daily from Greensboro by way of North Wilkesboro, Laurel Springs and West Jefferson to Boone, was badly damaged by fire this morning near Laurel Springs.

The vehicle caught fire about one mile north of the Wilkes-Alleghany county line on highway 18 about eight a. m. today. It was not learned here whether or not any mail was destroyed.

Lightest honey found in the U. S. probably is that made from fire-wheat in the northwest.

## HOOVER COMMISSION MEMBER TO ADDRESS CIVIC CLUBS IN DINNER MEETING JUNE 22nd

### James Bumgarner Medical Graduate

James I. Bumgarner, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. A. Bumgarner, of the Millers Creek community, on Monday received his M. D. degree from Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College at the college commencement at Wake Forest.

Dr. Bumgarner, whose wife and four sons live in Winston-Salem, will intern at the Baptist hospital. Later he plans additional study in surgery.

He is the second son of Rev. and Mrs. Bumgarner to become a doctor. Dr. John R. Bumgarner, who practiced here before the war and served in the Philippine area where he was for many months a prisoner of war, is now affiliated with a Veterans Hospital near Asheville.

Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner attended the Wake Forest commencement exercises.

## Ararat Expedition President To Speak

Many who have read of the expedition to Mt. Ararat in eastern Turkey last summer, will be interested and want to hear the man who led the 88 man expedition up the Mount Ararat ranges in search for Noah's ark. Dr. A. J. Smith, of Greensboro, N. C. will give his illustrated lecture, "On The Mountains Of Ararat" next Sunday night, June 11th at 8 o'clock in the Wilkesboro Gospel Tabernacle, of which the Rev. A. L. Edmiston is the present pastor. Dr. Smith will show moving pictures and tell of his thrilling experiences of his exploration trips on the ranges and mountains of Ararat. Attend and take your friends. The Tabernacle is located on the Ferguson road just outside of Wilkesboro.

## Rev. Hardin Brown Suicide On Monday At Home At Austin

### 64-Year-Old Minister Hangs Self In Barn, Ill Health Is Blamed

Funeral service was held Wednesday, 11 a. m. at Austin Baptist church for Rev. Daniel Hardin Brown, 64-year-old Baptist minister who hanged himself Monday afternoon in a barn at his home at Austin. Rev. Charlie Miles, Rev. Howard Royal and Rev. L. E. Sparks conducted the last rites.

Coroner I. M. Myers investigated the death and pronounced it suicide. The body was found hanging from a barn joist shortly after he stepped from his home Tuesday afternoon.

Ill health was ascribed as cause of the suicide. Born in Alleghany county January 30, 1886, Rev. Mr. Brown was a son of the late Andrew J. and Sallie Roberts Brown. He was ordained as a Baptist minister 22 years ago and preached in many churches in eastern Wilkes, where he was highly respected.

Rev. Mr. Brown was preceded in death by his wife two years ago. Surviving are one son and one daughter, Wilmer Brown and Mrs. Grace McGrady, both of the Traphill community.

## Thomas E. Cain Died Early Today

Thomas Edgar Cain, 59, died shortly after midnight this morning at his home near Moravian Falls. He had been in ill health for several months and critically ill for the past two weeks.

Born June 16, 1890, Mr. Cain was a son of the late Anderson and Martha Henderson Cain. For 23 years Mr. Cain was a barber in North Wilkesboro and for several years was manager of City Barber shop here. In later years he operated a barber shop at his home. He was highly successful in his trade and was widely and favorably known in this part of the state.

Surviving Mr. Cain are his wife, Mrs. Margaret Cain, two sons, Charlie and Ray Cain, and one daughter, Mrs. Layton Joiner, of Wilkesboro.

Funeral service will be held Saturday, two p. m., at Cub Creek Baptist church, of which he was a member, and burial will be in Moravian Falls cemetery. Rev. Clate Brown and Rev. Herman Johnson will conduct the last rites.

Joseph L. Miller, former member of the Hoover Commission on Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, will come to North Wilkesboro on June 22nd and speak on the "Hoover Report."

Mr. Miller will speak under the sponsorship of the Junior Chamber of Commerce at a supper meeting to be held at the VFW Hall at 7 o'clock on Thursday, June 22nd. The supper will be provided by the VFW Auxiliary.

All the civic clubs of the two Wilkesboros and the members of the Jaycees of surrounding communities are being invited to come and learn more of this plan, which is so vital for the efficient running of an ever-enlarging government. Any citizens interested in hearing this authority on the Commission should contact Wayne Foster, Roland Potter or George Childers before June 15th and make reservations.

Vacation Bible school will be held at Pleasant Home Church, Wilkesboro, R. F. D. No. 1, Monday through Friday June 12 through 16, from 9 to 11:30 o'clock a. m. daily. Preparation day will be Friday June 9, at 9:00 until 11:00 a. m.

Boys and girls beginners, primaries, juniors and intermediates are invited to attend this school. Mrs. Rachel W. Bishop is principal.

## LIBERTY BELL REPLICA HERE

A replica of the Liberty Bell, which proclaimed American independence at Independence Hall in Philadelphia in 1776 was shown in North Wilkesboro Wednesday morning in connection with the Independence Campaign for sale of U. S. Savings bonds.

Mounted on a red, white and blue Ford truck supplied by Ford Motor company for the Liberty Bell caravan, the 2,080-pound bell made in exact likeness of the original created much interest here.

The bell arrived at 9:30 and was shown on Ninth street until noon. At 11:30 an impressive program was carried out.

W. D. Halfacre, chairman of the bond sales campaign in Wilkes, presided and presented R. T. McNiel, North Wilkesboro mayor, who welcomed the crowd and explained the purpose of the event.

Chairman Halfacre then explained the bond campaign, pointing out that citizens may gain independence by regular and liberal purchases of savings bonds. The quota for E bonds in the campaign which opened May 15 and will close July 4 is \$40,000 for Wilkes county, of which \$17,200 has already been sold.

People of Wilkes county since 1940, Mr. Halfacre said, have purchased six million dollars in bonds, of which four million dollars worth remain in the hands of Wilkes people and have not been cashed.

Postmaster Maurice E. Walsh gave "The Heritage of the Liberty Bell," an interesting history of this famous symbol of American Independence.

Allison James, state director of the bond campaign, was a surprise visitor here and spoke briefly. He highly complimented the record of Wilkes in bond purchases since 1940, pointing out that Wilkes had never failed to oversubscribe a bond quota.

Driver of the truck was D. Flake White, of Statesville, judged driver of the year in North Carolina because of his long record of 22 years driving without accident.

Mr. White's young grandson, Danny Howard, of North Wilkesboro, dressed as Uncle Sam, rang the bell, which has the same tones as the original Liberty Bell.

Another impressive feature on the program was excerpts from the Declaration of Independence, given by Jim Moore, North Wilkesboro high school graduate this year.

Following the program the bell remained on the street for some time and many had the privilege of ringing the bell, which will be presented to the state of North Carolina and will be placed in the state museum July 4.

## Farm Bureau Meet At Pleasant Ridge

George Farthing, district representative of the Farm Bureau, will be at Pleasant Ridge school Friday night, June 9, eight o'clock. All farmers and others interested are cordially invited to the meeting. Mr. Farthing will explain advantages of Farm Bureau organization and all who attend will find the meeting very interesting and educational.

## Rummage Sale

Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church and the Senior Woman's Club will conduct a rummage sale Saturday, nine o'clock, at Richard Owens' home on Odell street.

## SUPERVISED RECREATION WITH FACILITIES FOR ALL AGES IS AVAILABLE AT SMOOT PARK

Recreation facilities for all ages are now available at Smoot Park in North Wilkesboro, which during the past few weeks has been developed into an ideal recreation location.

This year the town of North Wilkesboro provided funds for developing the park, purchased several years ago, into a recreation area and is providing recreation supervisors. Tom Boyette, athletic coach and city recreation director, is assisted by Lott Mayberry. One of the supervisors will be on duty at the park from nine until 12 each morning and each afternoon from two until 8:30.

Facilities are immediately available for volleyball, badminton, horse shoe pitching, softball, base-

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## Tentative Rate Of \$1.85 Is Set For N. Wilkesboro

### City Council In June Meeting Tracts Number Of Matters Of Interest

Board of commissioners of North Wilkesboro in meeting with Mayor R. T. McNiel and Clerk W. P. Kelly Tuesday night tentatively adopted a tax rate of \$1.85 on each \$100 assessed valuation for the coming year, which is the same tax rate that has been in effect for the past year.

The board also authorized prepayment of taxes at the tentative rate. The law allows a discount of two per cent on taxes paid on or before July 1.

Commissioners present for the meeting were G. R. Andrews, Max Foster and C. J. Swofford.

Special privilege license tax ordinance for the coming year is adopted. The ordinance, which is effective for the fiscal year to begin July 1, will contain substantially the same rates as were applied for the past year.

It was ordered that expenses of issuing the Wilkes General Hospital bonds be paid from the general funds. These expenses include attorneys' fees, printing, advertising and other costs and totaled \$814.94.

A street paving petition was accepted asking paving of F street from 10th to 13th streets. A petition asking paving of Mast to Odell street to Fourth, Fourth from Mast to L, L from Fourth to 3rd, Third from L to M, and M from Third to Second, was accepted on condition that additional signers be obtained.

It was ordered that the section of sidewalk in front of Key Grocery on Hinshaw street be built with Claude Key paying half the cost. It was also ordered that a sewer line be laid to T. S. Kenery's property with Mr. Kenery paying the cost of pipe.

Appropriation for the Wilkes library for the coming year was set at \$1,000, which represents an increase of \$480 over the city's library appropriation last year.

The council adopted the street paving assessment roll for property owners on streets which have been paved and this ordinance will be published later. Also ordered published were the tentative budget and tax levy and the special privilege license tax.

## 19 Examined At Cancer Center

On Tuesday, June 6th the Wilkes-Alleghany County Center held its weekly clinic; 19 appeared for examination, 11 white women, 7 white men, 1 colored man.

Nineteen examinations were completed, and 18 patients were referred to their personal physicians for medical attention.

The Center is staffed by members of the Wilkes-Alleghany County Medical Society.

Eight priorities were given to those who arrived too late for examination.

There were several from out of town. 1 came from Collettsville, 3 from Sugar Grove, 1 from Lenoir, and 1 from Piney Creek.

Examinations are free to all women 35 or over, all men 40 or over, and to anyone with a symptom or a "danger signal," regardless of age.

The Clinics are held every Tuesday morning in the Wilkes County Court House. Registration is from 9:00 to 10:00 a. m., there will be no Clinic on Tuesday, July 4th.

Frequently there are more applications for examination than can be accommodated. Therefore, in order that those who live at a distance may be sure of an examination and thus not make a trip in vain, priorities will be sent, on request, to Cancer Center Clerk, Wilkesboro, N. C. and indicate two dates on which you could come for examination.

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