

## Grand Jury Has Busy Session In Superior Court

### Report Of Gilbert Foster, Chairman, Lists Results Of Inspections

Grand Jury in the current term of Wilkes Superior county held a busy session, according to report filed to the court by Gilbert Foster, foreman.

The jury examined 203 bills of indictment, returned 184 true bills, nine not true, nine continued and made one presentment.

The grand jury inspected county properties and in most instances made favorable reports.

The report stated that the county home for aged and infirm is caring for 22 inmates. The heating plant there is in bad shape and needs repairs, the report stated.

The Wilkes Tuberculosis hospital was reported to be in A-1 condition.

Condition of school buses was reported as "fair", and it was recommended that additional garage space be provided.

Condition of the courthouse was reported as "fair," but it was recommended that the basement be cleaned up. The state highway prison camp was inspected and rated as A-1 condition. The report stated that there were 83 prisoners.

The Wilkes jail had 28 inmates at the time of inspection. Recommendations were made for minor repairs and it was also recommended that cells be kept in more sanitary condition and that better beds be provided in the colored cells.

## C. R. Mathis, 64, Funeral On Friday

Charlie Robert Mathis, 64, died at ten a. m. Wednesday at his home in New Castle township.

Funeral service will be held Friday, two p. m., at Pleasant Grove Baptist church with Rev. Avery Colch and Rev. R. R. Crater conducting the last rites.

Born February 17, 1886, Mr. Mathis was a son of the late Bert and Elsie Walker Mathis. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lillie Mathis; three sons, Robert, Eugene and C. B. Mathis, all of Roaring River; and four daughters, Miss Gladys Mathis of Roaring River, Miss Ella Mathis of Wilkesboro, Mrs. Lottie Myers and Mrs. Susan Eller, both of Ronda.

## Myers Elected Head Of FA Association

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 13 — An association of veterans of World War II service with Battery A of the 269th Field Artillery Battalion was formed here Saturday. Granville G. Myers of Asheville, N. C., was elected president.

The South Carolina and North Carolina veterans chose William H. Wood of Edgefield, vice president, Gresham P. Poole of Columbia, secretary, Marion Polk of Irmo, treasurer and Frederick D. Gray of Columbia, historian.

They will meet again in July, 1952, at Greensboro, N. C.

Mr. Myers is formerly of North Wilkesboro and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cager G. Myers of this city.

## Grows Big Squash

The giant squash on display at The Journal-Patriot office was grown by J. A. Hendren, who resides east of Wilkesboro. The squash, which tips the scales at 16 1/2 pounds, was grown from seed obtained from California. It is two feet in length and eight inches in diameter.

## James J. Wellborn Last Rites Friday

Funeral services will be held Friday, 2:30 p. m., at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church for James Jordan Wellborn, Sr., 70, who died Tuesday at his home near Wilkesboro. Rev. Isaac Watts will conduct the last rites.

Mr. Wellborn was born September 17, 1879, a son of the late James and Martha Russell Wellborn. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Cora Wellborn, of Wilkesboro; two sons, James Wellborn, Jr., of Wilkesboro route two, and Earl Wellborn of Dallas, Texas; one daughter, Mrs. Ruby Walsh of North Wilkesboro route one, and five grandchildren.

No community, no country, can rise above the level of the land that supports it.

## SUPERFORTS HIT COMMUNIST CITIES



STICKS OF LETHAL "CALLING CARDS" are dropped over the North Korean city of Konan (top) by a formation of U. S. B-29 Superforts during a giant raid on a Communist industrial plant, Striking over Wonsan (bottom), bombs from a B-29 hit "pay dirt" as an oil refinery shoots flames 3,000 feet high. (U. S. Defense Department Photos from International)

## Girl, Age 13, Is Victim Of Gunshot Wound August 17

### Coroner Says Shot Was Accidental At Home Near Wilkesboro

Miss Annie Joines, 13-year-old daughter of Mrs. James Porter, was killed Wednesday morning by a self-inflicted bullet wound at the home of her mother and stepfather on the Dave Hall farm three miles west of Wilkesboro.

Wilkes Coroner I. M. Myers said the girl was found lying in the house with a sawed-off 22-calibre rifle on the floor. No one was with the girl at the time and it was not determined how the wound was inflicted.

Coroner I. M. Myers ruled the death due to accident.

The bullet entered the girl's abdomen in the center just below her waist line. She was breathing when found by her mother but died by the time they could get her to the hospital here. Coroner Myers said powder burns indicated that the muzzle of the gun was near her body when the shot was fired.

Surviving the accident victim are her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. James Porter, and one brother, Tony Joines, of Statesville.

Funeral service will be held Friday, four p. m., at Carson's chapel near Taylorsville.

## Watauga Sheriff Is Taken By Death

Boone, Sheriff C. M. Watson of Boone and Deep Gap died Monday. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. at Laurel Springs Baptist church.

Survivors are five sons, Lloyd, Claude, Allie and Guy of Deep Gap, and Clarence of Sugar Grove. Sheriff Watson was elected sheriff of Watauga county in 1942 by the Republican party and re-elected in 1946 and has served this county continuously since then until his recent illness.

## FOOD SALE

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the First Methodist church will sponsor a Food Sale on Saturday at Belk's Store from nine until twelve o'clock in the morning. The proceeds will be used on the building fund.

## Dinner At Ferguson

A dinner will be served Friday night, beginning at seven o'clock, at Ferguson school for benefit of the gymnasium fund. The dinner, which will be served to adults for one dollar and to children for 50 cents, will be sponsored by the Ferguson Home Demonstration club.

## New Manager Crest, Brookshire Is Now Head Crest District

J. B. Brookshire, who has been manager of Crest Store here for the past few years, has received a well deserved promotion in the Crest Stores organization.

Mr. Brookshire, a native of the Moravian Falls community of Wilkes county, is now supervisor of a district of five stores, with headquarters at Albemarle.

D. A. Starnes, manager of Crest store at Boone for the past one and one-half years, is the new manager of the Crest store in North Wilkesboro. At Boone Mr. Starnes was active in civic work and was a member of the Lions club. He is also a member of the Hickory camera club. During World War II Mr. Starnes was a first lieutenant in the army air corps. He and his wife and two children are residing in Forest Hills.

## Mountain Valley To Begin Revival 20th

Rev. Woodrow Wishon, pastor of the Pleasant View Church of State Road, will be guests minister in the revival service to begin Sunday night, Aug. 20, at Mountain Valley church. The church and the pastor, Rev. W. B. Luffman, cordially invite all to attend the services, which will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. throughout the week.

## Somers Reunion To Be Held On Sunday

Reunion of the Somers family will be held Sunday, August 20, at Union church in Somers township.

A picnic dinner and other interesting program features have been planned for the occasion. All members of this influential northwestern North Carolina family friends are invited to attend and enjoy the day together.

## Meadames Russell G. Hodges, J. B. Carter, C. Don Coffey, Jr., and Dan Carter went to Blowing Rock Saturday afternoon for the annual tea given by Mrs. Charles A. Cannon at her summer home there in honor of the North Carolina Society for the Preservation of Antiquities, Mrs. Cannon is president of the Society. They also remained over for the lecture given that evening at the Mayview Manor by Miss Cora A. Harris when she showed a collection of colored slides of shrubbery and gardens. Mrs. Ed F. Gardner, who was in Blowing Rock attending meetings in the interest of the State Garden club, was also present for the tea.

## SUPPORT THE CANCER FUND

## Many Cases Are Tried In August Term Of Court

### Judge Armstrong Presided; Many Traffic Cases On The Docket

Wilkes superior court adjourned Wednesday afternoon after being in session ten days and trying many of the more than 200 cases on the August term criminal docket.

Judge Frank Armstrong, of Troy, presided, and Solicitor Avalon E. Hall prosecuted the docket.

Following are listed cases in which judgments were rendered: Rufus Transou, drunkenness, 30 days suspended on payment of costs.

Clyde Hawkins, non-support, prayer for judgment continued.

Glenn David Ross, driving while intoxicated and reckless driving, not guilty.

Joe H. Mauldin and Delmar Stanley, larceny of auto, one year each to serve at end of sentences now being served and imposed in other courts.

Lake Zion Cooper, speeding, 60 days suspended on payment of \$25 fine and costs.

David Draper, reckless driving six months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Wallace Harvey Adams, reckless driving, not guilty.

Howard Pruitt, operating car while intoxicated, not guilty.

Lonnie Bottoms, violation prohibition law, eight months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Kenneth Bruce Lyall, reckless driving, eight months suspended on payment \$75 fine and costs.

Conley Presnell, operating car while intoxicated, eight months suspended on payment \$150 and costs; no driver license, six months suspended on payment \$25 and costs.

Lonnie Wagoner, reckless driving, three months suspended on payment \$25 fine and costs.

James Gray Owens, reckless driving, 90 days suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Claude James Miller, speeding four months suspended on payment \$25 fine and costs.

Wiley Smitley, operating car while intoxicated, 90 days on roads.

Roy Leonard Woodruff, larceny, 90 days on roads; operating car while intoxicated, eight months suspended.

Horace Byrd, violation prohibition law, 90 days on roads; reckless driving, six months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Myrtle McManus, assault with deadly weapon, six months suspended.

Bristol J. McDaniel, speeding, 90 days suspended on payment \$25 fine and costs.

Philo Brown, violation prohibition law, 90 days suspended on payment \$25 fine and costs.

Frank Craven, reckless driving, four months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Robert Monroe Jones, operating car while intoxicated, eight months suspended on payment \$150 fine and costs.

Freddie Briscoe Smitley, reckless driving, six months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Levi Absber, operating car while intoxicated and no driver license, six months in jail.

Clarence Ray Edwards, forgery, one to three years in state prison. Account of remainder of cases tried will appear in this newspaper Monday.

## RADFORD FRIDAY ELKIN ON SUNDAY

North Wilkesboro Flashers will entertain Radford Rockets in Memorial Park here Friday night, eight o'clock, as the Flashers fight for a playoff standing.

North Wilkesboro plays in Galax tonight and in Elkin Saturday night.

Elkin will play the Flashers here Sunday afternoon, 2:30.

With the batting power now on the club, North Wilkesboro has an excellent opportunity to climb above Bassett and Radford if weather condition permit playing all the games and if North Wilkesboro pitching comes through with reasonable effectiveness.

If baseball fans want baseball here they are urged to attend in large numbers for remainder of the season and to use their influence to get new fans into the park.

## U. S. PLANES BLAST KOREAN PLANT



SMOKE RISES SKYWARD from a factory in North Korea after a series of direct hits from rockets and bombs of United States carrier-based fighters and bombers. (Defense Department Photo from International)

## Miss Bethune Is Claimed By Death; Last Rites Today

Funeral service was held in Columbus, Ga., today, three p. m., for Miss Lula Bethune, 72, who died Tuesday while visiting her sister, Mrs. J. O. Pennell, Sr., near Wilkesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Pennell, formerly residents of Wilkes, and Miss Bethune resided together in Columbus but spent summers at the Pennell home near Wilkesboro. Miss Bethune had been ill only a short time.

Surviving Miss Bethune are her sister, Mrs. Pennell, four nephews, Joseph Pennell, Jr., of Redwood City, California, Sam, Frank and Will Pennell, of Columbus, Ga., and one niece, Mrs. Frank Barnes, of Phoenix City, Ala.

## Mrs. Lee Bossi Rites On Friday

Mrs. Helen Irvin Bossi, 27, wife of Lee Bossi, of Wilkesboro, died Tuesday night in George Washington hospital in Washington, D. C. She had been ill for the past several months and a patient there for the past few days.

Surviving Mrs. Bossi are her husband, three children, Patricia, Frances and Lee Paul Bossi; father, J. T. Irvin, and stepmother, Mrs. Irvin, all of Wilkesboro; two brothers, Vern Irvin of Wilkesboro and Bill Irvin of Middletown, Mo.; three sisters, Mrs. Robert Barge of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Mildred Damschroder of Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Claude Bentley of Moravian Falls.

Funeral service will be held Friday, 11 a. m., at the First Methodist church in North Wilkesboro and burial will be in Mount Lawn Memorial Park.

There's no short cut or easy way to do a soil conservation job. Only a complete farm soil and water conservation program will do the job, the SCS point out.

## Farm And Home Project Date Is Will Be Sept. 20

### Chamber Of Commerce Directors Here Have Interesting Meeting

Directors of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce in August meeting here moved the date of the Farm and Home Improvement Project to be carried out under sponsorship of the chamber's General Agriculture committee from September 12 until September 20, to allow more time for preparation.

The project calls for completely renovating the farm and home of Wesley Poplin, located near Roaring River, in one day's time as a demonstration of what can be done with modern methods, materials and implements. The committee reports to the directors that plans for the gigantic demonstration are proceeding with good cooperation from the many dealers and others to participate.

The directors authorized publication of a special newspaper article listing accomplishments of the chamber for the first half of the year and listing members of the chamber who provide the budget of operation.

Preliminary reports were received on plans for Farmers' Day here October 12.

Postmaster Maurice Walsh reported that efforts are being made to obtain an afternoon receipts of mail here from Winston-Salem.

Tom Jenrette, chamber manager, reported that the Industrial Development committee had since March contacted 108 firms in efforts to secure additional industries. Some favorable leads have been obtained and the committee is continuing these efforts.

## Revival Services At Chestnut Grove

Revival meeting will begin Sunday, August 20, at Chestnut Grove Baptist church. The pastor, Rev. A. C. Pruitt, will be assisted by Rev. J. T. Hendrix, of Hays. The public has a cordial invitation to all services.

## Revival Services At Roaring River

Revival services will begin at Roaring River Baptist Church on Sunday, August 27, with services each evening through the week at 7:45 p. m. Rev. Fred R. Poplin, pastor of the First Baptist, Jonesville, will do the preaching.

## Local Girl Winner

Diane Rousseau, Ruth Pearson and Andora Ingle participated as riders in a horse show held Thursday at Bristol, Tenn. The horse show climaxed three weeks camp which the girls attended. Diane Rousseau took second place in intermediate riding events.

Mrs. Carlyle Ingle, Mrs. Clyde Pearson and Mrs. Archie Rousseau, mothers of the girls, attended the horse show.

Chief harvest of the land is man himself.

## Edsel Minton Is Held For Murder Of Felts Curtis

### Charged With Killing Curtis Near This City On December 17, 1949

Edsel Minton, 23, resident of the Pads Road community west of this city, has been arrested and charged with the murder of Felts Curtis December 17, 1949. Wilkes Sheriff C. G. Poindexter said this afternoon.

Minton was taken late Tuesday by deputies of Sheriff Poindexter and jailed without privilege of bond, pending a hearing on the murder charge.

Sheriff Poindexter said the arrest of Minton was the result of almost continuous work on the case since the death of Curtis. Sheriff Poindexter and deputies were aided by agents of the State Bureau of Investigation.

Curtis was found dead early on the morning of December 17. His body was lying a few feet from his car, which was a few yards off highway 421 on the Suncrest Orchard road four miles west of North Wilkesboro. Curtis' death was due to a gunshot wound.

## LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Adams and Mr. Adams' mother, Mrs. Vickery A. Adams, of Wilkesboro, route one, Mr. Ernest Faw, of the same address, Mrs. Bill Hayes and Mrs. Ruth Young, Halls Mills, visited recently for several days with the Adams' relatives in West Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. James DeWese, at Anawalt, and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shumate, at Baileyville.

Miss Carol Richardson, who had been employed this summer at the Northwestern Bank, went to her home at Sparta, Tuesday where she will be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Richardson, for a few weeks before resuming her studies at Mary Hill College. Her sister, Miss Irene Richardson, who also works at the bank, went home with her for a month's vacation.

Messrs. Cecil Adamson and Tom Eshelman went to New York City Tuesday to attend the funeral services of Mrs. James D. Mavor held there Wednesday. Mrs. Mavor, whose death was quite sudden, was the wife of Mr. Mavor, president of the New York Hanes Hosiery Office, which is the selling office for the Wilkes Hosiery Mills. They made the trip by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morris, of Wake Forest, arrived here today to make their home for the present with Mrs. Morris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus B. Church. Mr. Morris, who graduated from Wake Forest College this spring, is to be assistant coach and teacher in the Millers Creek high school for the coming school year. He was employed in Raleigh during the summer months.

Rev. and Mrs. T. Sloan Guy, Jr., and two children, Linda and Thomas Sloan Guy, III, of Wadesboro, were guests here from Saturday until Monday in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus B. Church and Mrs. Tal Barnes. Rev. Mr. Guy, who preached at the First Baptist church Sunday morning and for the union services held at the First Methodist church Sunday evening, and his family had been vacationing in Western North Carolina and points in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Osborne and children, Danny and Nancy Delores, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Marion F. Church and daughter, June, and Mrs. Frank Church spent a very interesting weekend in Great Smoky Mountains National Park. They visited points of interest in the park and spent a night in the park camp grounds. They made pictures of wild bears at close range and enjoyed other activities. They also visited Cherokee, Mt. Mitchell, Linville Caverns and Blowing Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ziliak returned to their home here Saturday following a two weeks visit at Daytona, Beach, Fla., White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, and other points in Virginia and West Virginia. They were in Florida for a week and had with them while there their son, Michael, who went from there with his uncle and aunt, and Mrs. T. L. Davies, of Washington, D. C., for a trip through Indiana and Michigan. Michael, who is now in Washington with the Davies, is expected to return home this week-end and will be met in Roanoke, Va., by Mr. and Mrs. Ziliak and Miss Lols Scroggs.