

# Interesting News Items Reported From Raleigh

Raleigh, N. C.—Civil Works Administration funds expended in North Carolina during the life of that organization, November 30 to March 28, reached the grand total of \$9,962,468.70 for labor, only \$54,234.91 of which was spent on State administration, leaving \$9,638,234.69 which went to the 100 counties, an average of \$96,332.55 to each county, Mrs. Annie L. O'Berry, administrator, reports.

This fund went to pay wages of unemployed and about \$3,000,000 more went to purchase supplies and equipment for projects in the various cities, towns and counties. Since the CWA has ended, other forms of work relief are being arranged.

Gulford topped the list with \$563,489.58; Forsyth and Winston-Salem received \$374,575.60; Buncombe and Asheville got \$388,351.45, and Durham \$186,381.67.

Watauga County received \$52,658.23 as compared with the average of \$96,332.55 for each of the one hundred counties of the State, Mrs. O'Berry reported.

**Crates, Etc., Not Subject to Tax**  
Sales of barrels, baskets, crates and other packing cases and containers, when made to producers and growers, and contractors engaged in growing and producing, will be classed as sales for resale and not subject to the retail general sales tax of three per cent, Commissioner of Revenue Maxwell holds in a ruling just issued. When such packing cases or containers are sold for consumption by the producer or grower and not resold, they are taxable as retail sales, the three per cent sales tax, the revenue official said.

**Schools to Receive Federal Aid**  
Dr. A. T. Allen, State superintendent of public instruction, has been advised by Senator J. W. Bailey in Washington that National Recovery Administrator Harry Hopkins had approved a grant of \$500,000 for North Carolina teachers. In advance of receipt of conditions, Dr. Allen said this fund would go to completing the salaries of teachers for the full eight months, as none of it can be used to supplement the salaries that have been paid during the year. This amount is expected to bring the fund up to the amount needed to finish paying the teachers, that much of a shortage appearing in the allotments.

**Marriage Licenses Increase**  
More than twice as many marriage licenses were issued in North Carolina during the last half of 1933 than in the same period in 1932, or 13,998 as against 6,458, as reflected in the cold and unimpassioned, each record of Commissioner of Revenue A. T. Maxwell, whose office collected three for each license issued, or \$18,373 for the last half of 1933 and \$41,994 for the last half of 1932.

While lifting of the economic restraint is given some credit for the huge increase, lifting of the restraint on issuance of licenses is given the major part of the credit. The social legislation enacted a decade ago, requiring the bride and groom to undergo certain physical and mental examinations, including venereal diseases for the groom only, was attacked in the 1923 session of the General Assembly, especially by border county representatives, until that law was repealed, along with the requirement for notice of intention to marry if either of the contracting parties was under 21 years of age.

Watauga County showed 22 licenses before and 75 after the modification of the license laws for the two six months periods.

**State May Maintain All Streets**  
The North Carolina Municipal League, organization of city and town officials, will ask the next General Assembly to maintain all streets, designated as State highways, through towns of less than 2,500 population and prorate to all larger towns and cities 10 per cent of the gross revenue from gasoline and automobile license taxes; remove the restrictions on licenses in municipalities and remove the gasoline tax on gasoline used for strictly municipal purposes.

Resolutions were adopted embodying these features, in spite of the fact that Governor Ehringhaus ap-

## Cannon Leaving Court



WASHINGTON . . . Photo above shows Bishop James Cannon, Jr., of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, as he left the District Supreme Court where he appeared for trial for alleged conspiracy, having to do with the Presidential campaign between Alfred Smith and Herbert Hoover.

peared before the league convention in Raleigh last week and told them he was for the State maintaining the streets designated as State highways had proposed it in his campaign for Governor—but that the State is not ready to take over this additional burden now. He reminded that for every benefit given, the State must tax its citizens to furnish it, and expressed the belief that the time is not ripe for the State to take over the added cost.

## Col. Olds in Hospital

With a body weakened by the 83 years of active life in North Carolina, for many years as a newspaper man and for several decades as collector for the Hall of History, with a mind that occasionally wanders as he shows school children the sights in Raleigh, but with spirit undaunted, Col. Fred A. Olds was last week admitted to city hospital as a patient. He was tricked into going, just as he thought, for the night. The nurses hid his clothes, but they had to produce them the next morning, when he threatened to leave in his bedclothes. Then, when an orderly sought to bar his exit, he, in his characteristic way, threatened to "sock him in the snoot" if he didn't make way and let him out. But his physician finally arrived and prevailed upon him to remain, telling him he was likely to have a serious attack and other trouble if he didn't remain and rest. Although spiritually chafing at the restraint, he is still at the hospital. His friends are disturbed about his condition.

## Grand Lodge Holds Meeting

The North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons held its annual meeting in Raleigh last week, the Raleigh civic clubs honoring the attendants with a joint luncheon. Roy F. Ebbs, Asheville, cashier of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company branch, was elected grand master to succeed Peter T. Wilson, Winston-Salem.

## Euling Eliminates Candidates

All candidates who filed notices of candidacy so they reached the office of the State Board of Elections after 6 o'clock Saturday, April 14th, and all notices not signed by the candidates themselves, were eliminated from consideration in the coming primary, June 2, in action taken by the board at its meeting Saturday.

## Eliminated Candidates

The main result is that W. L. Ward, Worthville, Republican, whose notice was signed by Republican Chairman W. C. Meekins, will not be a candidate against Calvin Z. Zimmerman, Raleigh, Republican, for the nomination for Utilities Commissioner, and so there will be no State-wide Republican contest and no State-wide requirement for Republican judges at the polls on primary day. This does not apply where there are local or

district Republican primary contests, but so far these are few and, essentially, Democrats will officiate at a Democratic primary June 2.

This decision also eliminates W. H. McElwee, North Wilkesboro, Democrat, from running for solicitor in the 17th district, in which John R. Jones, Republican, incumbent and candidate, has Republican opposition; and Grant Bauguess, Jefferson Republican, from running for 11th district solicitor. Their notices arrived in Raleigh Sunday, a day late.

Eliminated also are Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson, Winston-Salem, Republican, candidate for Congress in the Fifth District, and E. D. Dickens, Halifax, Republican candidate for Congress in the Second District; also L. L. Moffatt, Troy, Republican candidate for solicitor in the 15th district. Mrs. Patterson's notice was signed for her by the first District Republican chairman, and State Chairman Meekins signed for the two men. Protest was filed with the board by Utilities Commissioner Stanley Winborne against the dual filing for his job—just to make a State-wide Republican contest to give Republican judges at every polling place. No protests were filed against the other would-be candidates.

The board heard a protest by U. S. Page, Bladen County Democrat, against the "crookedness" of election officials. Because others to the controversy would not be present Saturday, the board decided to meet at Elizabethtown Monday, April 30th, at 11 o'clock to hear Mr. Page and the others interested. Page, a former Dunn police chief, contends that they counted him out when he ran for the State Senate two years ago, and claims to have plenty of evidence of corruption of Bladen election officials. He turned several affidavits over to Attorney General Brummitt.

## Caldwell County Was Once Noted for Its Rich Deposits of Gold

(Lenoir News-Topic)  
Caldwell County, North Carolina, has the richest undeveloped gold deposits on the North American continent, said the Lenoir News of April 24, 1914. On two of the tributaries of Lower Creek, four miles southwest of Lenoir, over \$100,000 in gold has been taken from its branches. Nine miles west of Lenoir on the Littlejohn property the alluvial deposits have been washed several times for gold and the surface on the hills has been hauled on a sled to the branches to be washed. One pit drift yielded \$1,700 in gold on a surface not larger than a wash basin.

About 15 years ago a man prospecting struck a rich shoot and took out \$6,000 in four days, the largest nugget having weighed 119 pennyweights, 18 grains. He hid the place and it has never been found. Mr. Geo. W. Jackson, a practical miner, commenced to open up the property last summer and in prospect work from October 1 to December 6 got \$132 for every dollar he expended in labor.

On the tributaries of John's River, farther west, gold has been worked from all its branches in the Piney section. Before the war hundreds of negro slaves were worked in the alluvial deposits in a very crude way. Since the war it has been worked over, giving good returns to the poor white, with only a rocker or ton. One nugget weighing over 28 pounds was picked up in John's River township a few miles from Collettsville on the C. & N. W. Railway (see U. S. records).

Until the discovery of gold in California in 1849, Western North Carolina produced over three-fourths of all the gold mined in the U. S. Now it only wants development to locate and open up the rich veins and lodes to make it the best paying mining section in the United States.

## VILAS NEWS

Messrs. Bagle and Marvin Cole spent Sunday at Banner's Elk. Last week Messrs. Oscar Brown and Vaughn Mast left for Cleveland, Ohio, seeking employment. Master Sanford Brown from the CCC camp at the Globe, spent the week-end with his parents. Mrs. James Harmon, of Bristol, Tenn., is spending a few days with her son, Mr. O. J. Harmon.

The following visitors were at the home of Mr. J. H. Brinkley for the week-end: Mr. and Mrs. Claude Isaacs of Heaton, and Mr. Russ Brinkley, Miss Melvin Brinkley and Mrs. Rosedna Franth of Elk Park. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hicks recently moved from Granite Falls into Floy Smith's residence. Little Mary Ruth Warren is spending the week with Junnie Greene in Boone.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith have moved to the Mary Smith farm. Mrs. Jennie Jenkins spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith.

**HAVING A GARDEN**  
I wasn't going to have a garden, It's too much work, you see. But when the soil's no longer hard, and The birds are in the tree.

I can't sit in idle leisure And see the old tools rust; I somehow get the greatest pleasure From diggin' in the dust.

I like to feel the soft earth Beneath my feet, so warm; Instead of just a garden plot I wish I had a farm!

—Selected.

## A. S. T. C. HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

Ninety-Seven Students from Six Different States Named. Twenty-One Wataugans on List. Complete Roll by Counties.

Ninety-seven students, from six different states made honor grades at Appalachian State Teachers College for the winter quarter, according to announcement made Saturday by Dean J. D. Rankin. The list of honor students, by counties, follows:

Alleghany, Clarice Thompson; Anson, Virginia Lindsey; Ashe, Swanson Edwards, Carmon Stuart; Avery, Braskell, Charles Stuckey; Buncombe, Eugene Byrd, Helen Ledbetter; Burke, Frances Mull; Cabarrus, Leroy Sossamon; Caldwell, Clarence Braswell, Hugh Dobbins, Mary Helen Hester, Mrs. Vonnie Hoover, Mack Moore; Caswell, James Fowlkes, Bertha Wilson; Catawba, Margaret Barringer, Sally Burns; Cleveland, Lillian Crow, Nan Ellis, Dorothy Patterson.

Davidson, Sara Berrier, Inez Everhardt, Rebecca Faw, Mary Lipe; Edgecombe, Louise Abrams; Forsyth, Helen Barber, Alberta Croft, Novella Dixon, Irene Fulk, Beckie Holton, Jaunita Lawson; Gaston, Henry Shannon, Stacy Starr, B. C. Taylor; Harnett, Ada Burt; Henderson, Ruth; Lenoir, Arledge, Almeria Russ, Elizabeth Shipman; Iredell, Lois Barber, John Sims; Lincoln, Altona Beam, Steve Coon, Robert Killian, Thomas Wilson; Madison, Texie Briggs and Eula Buckner.

McDowell, Conley Bost, Lillie Pyatt; Mecklenburg, Nora Lee Abernethy; Orange, Harley King; Richmond, L. J. Gann; Rockingham, Irene Floyd, Garnet Robertson; Rowan, Mary Dally Little, Sampson, Alfred Cromartie, Lula Marjorie McLamb; Scotland, Lloy McCoy; Stokes, Ethel Jessup; Surry, Dorothy Watson, Mary Williams; Union, Allie Austin, Ossie Pritchard.

Watauga, Clint Adams, Mary Laura Calender, Ollie Jean Coffey, Beatrice Culler, Homer Eggers, Freida Farthing, Loy Farthing, Ralph Hagaman, Joe Hardin, Katharine Harwell, Muriel Hodgson, Mazie Jean Jones, Dale Kelley, Mrs. Beulah Lyerly, Banner Miller, Mary Moretz, Winton Rankin, George Sawyer, Karl Sawyer, Ray Stike, Mrs. J. T. C. Wright. Wilkes, Colet Dyer, Paul Gregory, Homer Huffman, Dorothy Stewart; Yadkin, John Triplett, W. T. VanHoy, Marvin Ward.

Other States: Florida, Norma Nelle Bullard; Illinois, Claud Smith; Maryland, W. H. Graybeard; Virginia, Tho-

mas Wood; West Virginia, Jesse Houck.

## AGED PATRIARCH IS ONLY AFRAID OF THE DEVIL

Zion, Ill.—Wilbur Glenn (Two-Gun) Voliva, 64-year-old patriarch of Zion, looked his enemies in the eye Thursday night and announced he was afraid of Satan only.

"I'm going to lick my enemies here to a frazzle and then go out to prepare the world for the coming of Satan and the end of the world," Voliva said.

"I have divine information," he an-

nounced, "that Satan plans to take over the world—probably in September—and I plan soon to start a tour of revival meetings against the forces of evil."

The militant head of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church said he would kill a few men—in self-defense, of course, if he had to, to maintain his absolute control of Zion.

Pictures you will want to keep. Delightful series of exotic paintings, in colors, by Edmund Dulac, in the American Weekly, the magazine which comes with the Baltimore Sunday American. Buy your copy from your favorite newsboy or news dealer.



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