

Opening Local Banks Expected Soon

Term of Superior Court Came To An End Last Friday

Long List of Cases Disposed of During the Closing Hours

SCHENCK WAS JURIST
Docket Cleared of Many Cases; Was In Session For Two Weeks

After being in session exactly ten days, superior court adjourned Friday morning. The term was presided over by Judge Michael Schenck, while Solicitor John R. Jones prosecuted the docket for the state.

An unusual number of cases were disposed of during the closing three days of the term.

Cases removed from the docket follow:

Dallas Moore and Eugene Houpe, murder, continued.

Loonie Winger, housebreaking, nol pros with leave.

Charlie Myers, dispensing poison, 16 months in state penitentiary.

W. H. (Harrison) Prevette, nol pros with leave.

Stanley Oakley, operating car while under influence of intoxicants, nol pros with leave.

E. F. Wagoner, assault with deadly weapon, nol pros.

John Kilby, larceny, 90 days on roads.

John Kilby, driving automobile while under influence of liquor, nol pros.

Jim Martin, assault with deadly weapon, 61 days on roads. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

Claude Elledge, housebreaking, two years on roads.

Bob Wyatt, violating prohibition law, nol pros with leave.

Charlie Osborne, possession of liquor, 61 days on roads.

Pat Shew, robbery, three years on roads.

Bill Gilreath and Ollie Wyatt, fornication and adultery, nol pros with leave.

Hubert Day, injury to property, 61 days on road.

Lindsay Johnson, violating prohibition law.

H. E. Elledge, trespass, action continued until civil action is disposed of.

Johnce Joines, drunkenness and assault with deadly weapon, 12 months on road. Judgment suspended for period of three years.

C. G. Durham, worthless check, not guilty.

Howard Winger, abandonment, 6 months suspended sentence.

Carl Ballard, Jack Ballard, Ina Ballard, Mozelle Ballard and Emma Ballard, keeping disorderly house, 12 months suspended sentence as to Jack Ballard; nol pros as to other defendants.

Foy Shepherd, operating car while under influence of liquor, fined \$50 and costs.

Philmor Forester, assault on female, 12 months suspended sentence and fine of \$50 and cost.

Marshall Hampton, assault with deadly weapon, 61 days on road.

W. E. Walker vs. Rosa Call Walker, divorce granted.

Lawrence Call, carrying concealed weapon, 61 days on road.

Robert Colbert, assault with deadly weapon, 61 days on road.

Charlie Taylor and Buel Taylor, assault with deadly weapon, 90 days on roads.

Chester Lowe, assault with deadly weapon, 61 days on road.

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Prisoners Taken To State Prison

Riley Moore, Millard Bell, Ralph Ladd and Robert Shepherd Taken

Four prisoners were taken to Raleigh Saturday by Chief Deputy Sheriff Old Wiles and Eugene Wingo. The four who are to serve terms in state prison are Riley Moore, Ralph Ladd, Millard Bell and Robert Shepherd.

Six other men who were sentenced to the state penitentiary will be taken to Raleigh tomorrow by Sheriff Somers. Among them are Joe Bauguess and William Conner, both of whom were convicted in homicide cases.

White House Housekeeper



Mrs. Henry Nesbit, neighbor of President Roosevelt's family at Hyde Park, N. Y., is the new housekeeper at the White House. Mrs. Nesbit successfully managed a co-op rative market at Springfield, Mrs., at one time.

KIWANIS CLUB TO MORGANTON

Meet With Other Clubs At Morganton Friday Night For Big Banquet

Members of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club motored over to Morganton Friday evening for an inter-club banquet with the clubs of Lenoir, Forest City, Hickory, Morganton, Ruthersford and Marion. Twenty representatives from the local club attended.

The meeting was presided over by Charles Kistler, president of the Morganton club, who called upon Kiwanian Burgess to deliver the address of welcome. The response on behalf of Kiwanis visitors was delivered by Henry Reynolds, of this city.

Past Governor Tom P. Pruitt introduced the principal speaker, District Governor Bill Montgomery, who spoke on the "Dawn of Confidence." There have been many discouraging features about this depression. Mr. Montgomery said, but confidence is replacing fear and Kiwanis is counted upon to play its part in building for the future.

The menu included North Wilkesboro turkey, North Carolina School for Deaf potatoes, rolls and cakes, Catawba cream and Charlotte mints.

To Give Minstrel At Wilkesboro On Tuesday Evening

Athletic Association Will Offer Humorous Program: Begins at 7:30 P. M.

A minstrel which promises to be one of unusual merit will be presented at Wilkesboro high school auditorium tomorrow (Tuesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. The cast has been well trained for the performance and an unusually interesting program is anticipated.

A very unique arrangement whereby a five-cent bar of candy will be given with each ticket has been made by the association. The admission charge will be 15 cents for children and 20 cents for adults. The five-cent bar of candy is offered as a treat for those who attend.

Much Gold Coming Out of Hoarding

Gold Certificates and Gold Currency Show Up Here At Local Banks

A substantial amount of gold certificates has been pouring into the local banks during the banking holiday when the banks were open only to make change and transact the necessary business.

President Roosevelt's call for gold to be brought out of hoarding has sent many people hurrying to town with their gold supply. Many of the old large-sized bills have made their appearance.

There is a penalty of \$10,000 or ten years in prison or both for hoarding. The warning which the President issued has brought millions of dollars into the open.

Representative Cowles Here For The Week-End

Representative Charles H. Cowles spent the week-end with his family in Wilkesboro. He left early this morning for Raleigh.

Audit of Clerk's Records Ordered By Judge Schenck

Commissioners Instructed To Have Complete Audit of Office Made

ORDER MADE FRIDAY

Clerk Stroud "Welcomes" Full Investigation; Requested Audit

An order instructing the board of county commissioners to have a complete audit made of the office of Clerk of Superior Court Wm. A. Stroud was made by Judge Michael Schenck in open court Friday.

Clerk Stroud in commenting upon the order this morning stated that he felt a complete investigation of the management of his office was due him in view of certain rumors which had been circulated. "I welcome the audit but was reluctant to request it in view of the expense which it will entail," Mr. Stroud said. "However for the information of the public which is entitled to know how public offices are managed, I am glad the court saw fit to order the audit."

The order of Judge Schenck follows:

"In the Superior Court, "March Term, 1933.

"North Carolina, Wilkes County.

"In Re: Matter of Audit of Office of the Clerk Superior Court.

"This cause coming on to be heard before the undersigned Judge and it having been made to appear to the Court that there have been circulated rumors and charges derogatory to the manner and way in which the Clerk's office is conducted; and the said Clerk, Wm. A. Stroud, having requested that the County Commissioners have an audit and report made upon the conditions of his office for his benefit, as well as for the information of the public:

"It is therefore ordered, considered and adjudged that the County Commissioners of Wilkes County are hereby directed and authorized to have a complete and full audit made of the office of the Clerk of Superior Court for Wilkes County, and the auditors are directed to present said audit at the June Term of Court, 1933.

"It is further ordered, considered and adjudged that the Solicitor of the Seventeenth Judicial District of North Carolina, before making his report shall be furnished with a copy of said order that the said solicitor is allowed until the June Term of the Superior Court of Wilkes County, 1933, to file his report as required by law.

"MICHAEL SCHENCK, "Judge Presiding."

President's Appointments Are Given Favorable Vote

Washington, March 15.—The senate today confirmed Henry L. Roosevelt as assistant secretary of the navy.

Roosevelt is a sixth cousin of the president.

The senate then confirmed Medical Director Percival S. Rossiter to be the navy's surgeon general, and Erory S. Land to be chief of the bureau of construction with the rank of rear admiral.

COACH J. F. MILLER TO SPEAK AT BANQUET IN WILKESBORO THURSDAY

Nine girls and sixteen boys earned their letter in basketball and football this year, at the Wilkesboro high school. Coach R. V. Day announced this morning and the letters will be awarded at a big banquet to be held at the school building Thursday evening.

Coach J. F. Miller, head of the department of physical education at State college, has been secured to deliver an address at the banquet. The athletic teams of State have made wonderful progress under the direction of Coach Miller and Coach Day considers himself fortunate in being able to secure him.

The dinner will be served at

ALBERT CHURCH KILLED DURING ELECTRIC STORM

Died Instantly Saturday Afternoon In the Yard of His Home

WIFE WAS SHOCKED

Is Thought To Have Died From Shock; Funeral Held Sunday

Albert Church was killed instantly Saturday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock at his home near Millers Creek when lightning struck near where he was standing. The absence of an abrasion on the body led to the belief that he was not electrocuted but died from the shock.

Mr. Church was shoveling dirt in the yard of his home and crumpled over dead when the lightning struck. Mrs. Church, who was standing in the door of the residence, was badly shocked. The electric storm was particularly severe in the Arbor Grove community.

The lightning burned wires on the fence near the residence and is said to have melted a coffee pot on the stove inside the house. Other slight damages were done by the lightning.

Mr. Church was 33 years of age. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Selma Nichols Church.

Funeral services were conducted from Arbor Grove Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. E. P. Greene, pastor, and Rev. Avery Church. An unusually large crowd attended. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Produce Dealers Paid Cash During Banking Holiday

Great Aid To Business As Produce Put Money In Circulation

North Wilkesboro produce dealers are to be rated as the greatest promoters of business during the banking holiday for in every instance they were ready to pay cash for produce.

The local dealers, it is believed, put more money into circulation during the past two weeks than any other group. The farmers were paid cash for their produce and business generally was aided by the contribution of the produce dealers.

Local dealers in produce have been able to pay cash in every instance, produce meaning cash to the farmer at a time when money was not available from the banks.

North Wilkesboro merchants are to be commended for their contribution to business during this period.

TO GIVE PROGRAM AT LITTLE ELKIN SCHOOL

Little Elkin school will close Friday, March 24, with a program by the children of the school. Principal Ted Lyon announces. On Saturday evening, high school students in the community will give a play, "Eyes of Love." No admission will be charged to either program.

Dr. Lingle Preached In City Yesterday

President of Davidson College Occupied Pulpit At Presbyterian

Dr. Walter L. Lingle, president of Davidson College, delivered an inspiring sermon at North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church yesterday (Sunday) morning. Dr. Lingle was heard by a large congregation.

The Davidson College president was accompanied here by Wilkes boys who are attending Davidson.

LONGWORTH FRIENDS HONOR HIS MEMORY

Washington, March 18.—The memory of the late Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, for many years speaker of the house, is to be sustained in the library of Congress through the creation of a new foundation there in aid of

Lake County Sheriff



Mrs. Lillian Holley, of Crown Point, Ind., has taken over the job of sheriff in Lake county, the office held by her husband, shot last month by a crazed man. She has 26 deputies on her staff.

DRY OFFICERS TAKE FOUR MEN

Two Statesville Men and Two Lenoir Men Are Taken With Liquor

Operating in the county Thursday and Friday, prohibition agents arrested four men, seized two automobiles and poured out 46 gallons of liquor.

Richard Horton and Council Jones, of Lenoir, were arrested on Thursday with 11 gallons on their car, it was reported by the officers. L. G. Trexler and C. S. Felts made the arrests. In default of bond of \$300 each for their appearance at the next term of federal court, they were placed in the county jail at Wilkesboro.

Wade Nicholson and Bristol Ayers, of Statesville, were arrested in the lower edge of the county early Friday morning by Agents Homer Smith, W. T. Kennedy and D. G. Ratledge. Thirty-five gallons of liquor was found on their car, the officers reported.

Bond of \$300 each was required by Commissioner J. W. Dula at the preliminary hearing. None of them was able to furnish the bond and they were carried to the county jail.

Auxiliary And Legion Sponsor Moving Picture

"Little Orphan Annie" To Be Shown At Orpheum Theatre This Week

"Little Orphan Annie," heralded as one of the greatest movie attractions of the year, will be shown at the Orpheum Theatre here Thursday and Friday of this week. The picture features Mitz Green and May Robson.

The showing of "Little Orphan Annie" will be sponsored by the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary and their part of the proceeds will be used in the construction of the new home for these organizations.

Millions read the Orphan Annie comic strip daily and thousands are finding it a pleasure to see Orphan Annie on the screen. Book tickets will not be good Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. R. S. Shoaf and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Greene, of this city, spent Sunday in Salisbury with Miss Annie Lee White.

Printing Of Paper Is Held Up For Bank News

The Journal-Patriot goes to press several hours late this issue, publication having been delayed in order that we might furnish our readers the latest possible developments in the bank situation here. Subscribers, we believe, are greatly interested in this news and will appreciate this special effort to serve them.

The Thursday issue of the paper will appear at the usual hour.

Senior Class Is Feted By Juniors

Amid St. Patrick Setting, Party Given At Hotel Wilkes Friday

DELIGHTFUL EVENING

In a brilliant St. Patrick setting, the Junior class of the North Wilkesboro high school entertained the Senior class at a St. Patrick's party at Hotel Wilkes on Friday evening. The guests, upon their arrival at eight o'clock were escorted to the ball room, which was attractively decorated in green and white, the accepted color scheme. Mementos for the happy occasion were shamrocks, symbolic of stout hearts and resounding laughter.

A varied program, full of fun, was engaged in throughout the evening. Six periods of progressive conversation started the round of merriment, followed by a St. Patrick contest. Winning prizes for their skill in the solution of the contest were Misses Mary Nelson and Malvina Williams.

At the end of the contest a dainty course of refreshments, carrying out the St. Patrick motif, was served. Miss Ophelia Sprinkle, president of the junior class, gave a toast to the seniors, to which Bob McNeil, president of the Senior class, responded. The toast to the school was given by Miss Dare Eller and response was made by Supt. W. D. Half-acre. Two vocal selections were rendered by John Kermit Blackburn.

A fortune telling skit, carried out by Frank McNeil and Jay Sprinkle, portraying the future of each member of the Senior class was read by an oracle, to the keen enjoyment of everyone present. The exhibition of tap dancing by Miss Gwendolyn Hubbard drew a hearty round of applause.

The feature number concluding the evening's entertainment was a play depicting the marriage of "Prosperity" and "Miss Good Times," attended by an imposing wedding party including "Optimism," "Confidence," "Joy of Living," "Enterprise," "Enthusiasm," "Perseverance," "Generosity" and "Recreation," which backed "Old Man Depression" definitely and permanently off the stage. The cast then rushed into the audience, showering everyone with balloons and confetti.

During the entire program appropriate music was rendered by Miss Myrtle Norris. Guests besides the senior class included the members of the high school faculty, and the two senior grade mothers, Mrs. C. C. Grisson and Mrs. R. H. Pearson. Miss Bill DeLaney and Mr. H. V. Overcash are sponsors for the junior class.

The state banking department is expected to announce a decision at once and the banks will in all probability open in a day or two.

McLean Is Freed In Accident Case

Claude McLean, driver of the E. E. Eller Produce company truck which on February 23 struck and killed George R. Evick, of Suffolk, Va., near Laurel, Md., was exonerated of all blame in connection with the accident at a coroner's inquest last Wednesday.

An investigation following the accident disclosed that Mr. McLean was not at fault. However, a small bond was required for his appearance at the inquest.

Mr. McLean and Ray Pierce occupied the local produce company's truck when Evick was killed.

Action Of State Officials Awaited By Local Banks

Developments Are Expected Today Or Tomorrow, It Is Stated

PEOPLE ARE PATIENT Confident Delay Is Serving Good Purpose; No Consolidation?

No definite information regarding the opening of the Bank of North Wilkesboro and the Deposit and Savings Bank was available this morning, (Tuesday) but word is momentarily expected from the state banking department.

Interviewed early this morning, J. B. Rodgers, of the auditing firm of J. B. Rodgers and Company, of Statesville, stated that he communicated with Guernsey P. Hood, commissioner of banks, shortly after midnight, but that no definite announcement could be made this morning.

Since the banks closed along with all others throughout the country two weeks ago yesterday, bank officials here have been anticipating an early opening. However, the idea of consolidation which was advanced by Commissioner Hood Saturday precipitated a series of conferences which kept bank officials busy during the week-end. Commissioner Hood expressed the opinion that one bank could serve the county more satisfactorily than two and steps looking to consolidation were taken Saturday when the J. B. Rodgers and Company auditing firm was employed to audit both banks.

Working feverishly during the week-end and throughout yesterday, Mr. Rodgers and his corp of assistants completed the audit late in the afternoon and last night made their report.

Although the banks will not be open today, there is every reason to believe an early decision will be made.

The Journal-Patriot, desiring to furnish subscribers with the latest news possible about the bank situation, delayed publication until early today (Tuesday) and kept in close touch with developments.

It is the consensus of opinion that the two banks will open separately rather than as one consolidated bank. While there was nothing definite on which to base this opinion, it was the prevailing belief locally.

The public, observing the move to effect a consolidation, has waited eagerly for news of developments. The people are confident that when the banks do open, they will be safer, stronger and better able to serve the community than ever before. It is the prevailing opinion that the delay in opening will serve a good purpose and will insure either two strong banks or one strong consolidated institution.

No fear regarding the soundness of the banks is felt. The people have the utmost faith in the banks and bank officials. This fact has been very obvious as The Journal-Patriot followed the series of conferences and other developments during the week-end.

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