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STRANGE DEATH OF MISS ODA CHILDRESS STILL UNSOLVED

Native of Wilkes Being Mentioned For Governorship

Story in Greensboro Daily News Shows Robert H. McNeill For Office

WASHINGTON ATTORNEY He is Son of Late Rev. and Mrs. Milton McNeill, of Wilkesboro

Robert H. McNeill, prominent Washington attorney and a native of Wilkes county, may make the race for governor of North Carolina on the Republican ticket in 1936, according to the Washington bureau of the Greensboro Daily News.

Mr. McNeill issued a lengthy statement Sunday in which he made several suggestions for the future guidance of the Republican party in the state. He is persuaded that the party should do some very serious planning for the future. A greater liberalism is advocated.

A son of the late Rev. and Mrs. Milton McNeill, of Wilkesboro, Mr. McNeill entered upon the practice of law in the nation's capital a number of years ago and enjoys almost a national reputation. He is a frequent visitor to North Carolina, having appeared in numerous war risk insurance cases in the federal courts.

The Daily News Washington correspondent declares that Mr. McNeill may return to the state for the gubernatorial race if the advice of his friends prevails.

Mr. McNeill's statement follows: "The Republican party must be reorganized. Its foundations must be strengthened. It has departed too far from the principles of Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt. It must come back, or it cannot survive.

For 34 years, since before I was 21 years of age, in each national campaign I have been on the stump or in the field as an organizer for the national tickets nominated by Republican conventions. Every tradition which I have held sacred from a political standpoint has caused me to be devoted to the fine history and record of accomplishments of the Republican party.

"Although a southern man I have always looked upon Abraham Lincoln as a friend of the average citizen, of the common man, and I have been gratified that in the south this conception of his character and statesmanship has been generally accepted by all parties and classes. He declared in his address and mes-

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First Quarterly Conference Soon

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, New Presiding Elder, Coming To Wilkesboro Sunday

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, new presiding elder of the Mt. Airy district, will make his first appearance in Wilkes in this capacity Sunday evening when he conducts the first quarterly conference for the Wilkesboro charge at Wilkesboro Methodist church. The quarterly conference service will be held at 7 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Gibbs will deliver a sermon immediately preceding the business session of the conference.

Rev. Seymour Taylor, pastor of the Wilkesboro charge, requests that the officials of the churches on the charge be present. The public is cordially invited to hear the new presiding elder.

Church Hearing

Hearing To Determine Compensation To Be Held Saturday

A member of the industrial commission will conduct a hearing in the afternoon of Saturday, Jan. 6, in the case of Robert Church, fatally injured last summer while in the employ of the Standard Oil company, industry operating at 7 o'clock. The hearing is to determine the amount of compensation to which Robert Church, father of the dead youth, is en-

UNEMPLOYED WHO REGISTERED AT RE-EMPLOYMENT OFFICE BEFORE DEC. 1 ARE ASKED TO RE-REGISTER

Manager R. L. Wooten Announces That He Has Been Directed To Bring List Up-to-Date By Re-registering Those On List Over a Month

R. L. Wooten, manager of the local office of the National Re-employment Service, stated Tuesday that he had been directed by Capue M. Waynick, state director, to complete a re-registration of all applicants for jobs who registered at the office here prior to December 1.

Mr. Wooten is, therefore, requesting all persons who registered before the first of December, excepting those who are now employed on CWA projects, to re-register at the local office as early as convenient.

The re-registration was decided upon in order to determine the extent of unemployment. Many of those who registered in November have already secured employment in private industry and are no longer in need of CWA jobs. Those who have found work need not re-register, Mr. Wooten said.

The purpose of this request is to bring the list at the local office up-to-date and thus keep a close check upon business conditions locally.

Routine Business Session Is Held By County Board

Provisions of Senate Bill 180 Rejected; Surry Woman Admitted to T.B. Hospital

At a routine business session Monday, Wilkes county's board of commissioners rejected the provisions of Senate Bill 180 which provides for installment payments of delinquent taxes for years prior to 1932. The rejection leaves the county without change in its policy with reference to the collection of the back taxes.

The board admitted Mrs. Gar Wood, of Surry county, to the T. B. Hospital because Surry county has no hospital of this kind. Mrs. James Gray, of Winston-Salem, will pay \$15 per month to defray part of the expenses of keeping the Surry woman in the hospital.

After transacting the usual routine business such as allowing claims, releases, etc., the board adjourned until next Monday.

Loan Association To Meet Tuesday

Annual Meeting Of Stockholders Will Be Held At City Hall At 10 A. M.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Moravian National Farm Loan Association will be held in the city hall here Tuesday morning, January 9, at 10 o'clock.

Announcement of the meeting was made this week by F. D. Hackett, secretary-treasurer. All stockholders are asked to be present in person if possible.

American Legion Post To Meet Friday Night

Wilkes County Post No. 125, American Legion, will hold its regular monthly meeting Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Legion-Auxiliary Club House, E. D. Dancy, adjutant, announced Tuesday. Mr. Dancy urges all members to attend.

Holbrook-Brady

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Holbrook, of Ashers, announce the marriage of their daughter, Blanche, to Robert Brady, of Kings Park, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Brady will make their home at Kings Park, N. Y.

Deposits In Local Banks Guaranteed To All Depositors

Bank of North Wilkesboro and Deposit & Savings Bank Both Qualify

INSURANCE IN EFFECT Banks Now Provide Even Greater Safety; System Generously Praised

The Bank of North Wilkesboro and the Deposit and Savings Bank, long recognized as two of the soundest banking institutions in this section, qualified easily for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation membership and effective Tuesday when the banks opened after the New Year holiday, their deposits receive the great protection offered by this semi-governmental agency.

Every deposit is guaranteed up to \$2,500, this amount being the limit prescribed in the act of the last Congress.

"As members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the banks now offer an added protection to their depositors that the public, we are confident, will appreciate," one banker stated yesterday afternoon.

Banks were required to meet a high test of safety in order to qualify as members. The deposit insurance corporation guarantees deposits in the banks up to the specified amount and eliminates all danger of loss through failure of any member bank. The new protection is believed to have removed the danger of heavy withdrawals resulting from fear such as the banks experienced in the early part of last year.

Practically All Federal Reserve Banks Members

Washington, Jan. 2.—At the close of an historic first day of government guaranteed bank deposits, Walter J. Cummings, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, said with satisfaction that only one federal reserve member bank had refused to become a part of the system.

All the others and more than 7,000 state non-member banks were under the protection of the insurance plan, which until July 1 guarantees all accounts of \$2,500 or less and which thereafter will cover deposits of an even larger amount.

The author of the legislation providing for the temporary insurance plan between now and July—Senator Vandenberg of Michigan—today heaped praise upon the deposit corporation and the Reconstruction corporation for a "superb piece of work" in getting the system functioning on the appointed day.

Through the system inaugurated today, he said, safety for 97 per cent of the nation's depositors has been provided, and "any remote excuse" for hoarding removed.

"This spells maximum fiscal and social service and minimum hazard," he added. "Personally I should be glad to see this temporary formula and this \$2,500 limit substituted for the permanent formula which otherwise becomes effective in July, if our experience during the next few months vindicates our expectations.

"Such a substitution might give us the greatest factors of safety and permanence and universal acceptance of the new system which I believe to be the greatest advance ever made in American banking. The savings of America now are safe. There no longer is any remote excuse for hoarding. General banking no longer should be menaced by postal savings competition. The credit situation should be permanently improved."

Finley Garage Property To Be Sold January 10

The J. T. Finley garage property will be sold at public auction on next Wednesday, January 10, at 1:30 p. m. The property is located on "C" Street between the I. H. McNeill Grocery Store and the Hiner Chevrolet company and is directly opposite the site for the new post office. It has a frontage of 15 feet on "C" Street and is 150 feet deep. Very reasonable terms have been arranged.

Discovery of Note In Apron Worn By Slain Girl When She Was Shot Adds To Mystery

Entire Quota Of Men Now At Work On CWA Projects

13 Additional Men Are Approved For Sanitation Work In County

778 MEN NOW EMPLOYED

Wilkes county's quota has been filled and all of the 778 men allotted are now at work on CWA projects in the county, it was learned yesterday from Mrs. G. G. Foster, civil works administrator for Wilkes.

Mrs. Foster said an additional allotment of 13 men had been granted for sanitation projects in the county. The sanitation work is going forward at a very satisfactory pace.

Waller Wynn, of Chapel Hill, has succeeded Columbus Andrews as supervisor of the CWA in this district. Mr. Andrews was transferred to the Tennessee Valley Authority. The new supervisor is making his headquarters here.

Mrs. Foster announced yesterday that Albert M. McGee had been named temporary supervisor of CWA projects in Wilkes. Mr. McGee has been helping the administrator with her work for some time.

Officers Installed By Juniors Tuesday

Officers of North Wilkesboro Council No. 51, T. O. U. A. M., elected at a recent meeting, were installed Tuesday evening with impressive ceremonies.

After the officers had been installed, some excellent degree work was put on by the Council's crack degree team.

Legion Auxiliary To Meet Monday

The January meeting of the local unit of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Monday evening, January 8, at 7:45 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. Hinshaw and Mrs. Nell Hendon as joint hostesses. All members are requested to attend.

C. M. Tevepaugh Performs New Year's Day Marriage

One Wilkes couple at least displayed faith in the New Year Monday by marching to the altar and being united in marriage by Magistrate C. M. Tevepaugh. Raymond Petty, and Miss Clyde Brinegar, both of Laurel Springs, were the contracting couple, the marriage taking place New Year's Day at 7 p. m. at Mr. Tevepaugh's residence.

Citizens Of Reddies River And Mulberry Townships Seek Bridge

A bridge across Reddies River several miles north of the city and the completion of the road connecting State Highway No. 18 with Highways Nos. 16 and 60 is sought by citizens of Mulberry and Reddies River townships.

Petitions bearing the signatures of 40 citizens of the two communities on both the east and west side of Reddies River were presented to the board of county commissioners Monday. Action was deferred until the next meeting of the board.

It is pointed out in the petition that the bridge and a short section of road would provide a direct route between the two great arteries of travel. People living on one side of the river carry on the other side, because there is no bridge or ford that can be crossed by wagon or with an automobile.

Marriage License Business Picks Up During 1933

The marriage license business was decidedly better at the office of the register of deeds for Wilkes county in 1933 than in 1932. The increase was exactly 64, 217 couples getting license to wed in 1933 compared with 153 couples in 1932.

The comparison is interesting as an economic observation, but the increase is attributed largely to the loosening of the marriage laws by the last General Assembly. The majority of the licenses was issued during the last six months of the year after the less stringent laws came into effect.

The new laws have kept at home much of the marriage license business which has been going to Tennessee, Virginia and South Carolina for the past several years.

Mrs. S. H. Davis Passes In City

Mother Of Dr. E. M. Hutchens; Funeral Held At Residence Tuesday

Mrs. Sarah Hutchens Davis, mother of Dr. E. M. Hutchens, of this city, was "eclipsed" by death at the home of Dr. Hutchens Monday morning at 4:50 o'clock. She had been in poor health for some time.

Mrs. Davis was a native of Yadkin county, a daughter of the late Hugh and Annie Sprinkle Carter. She was twice married, her first marriage being to James L. Hutchens, who died many years ago. Dr. Hutchens, for many years one of the city's best known physicians, is the only surviving child from this union.

Two daughters, Mrs. Mary Matthews and Mrs. Flora Davis, preceded her to the grave. She was later married to Michael Davis who died a number of years ago.

Since the death of her daughters about 17 years ago, Mrs. Davis had made her home here with her son.

She was a member of New Home Methodist church in Yadkin county and lived a faithful Christian life.

Impressive funeral services were conducted from the residence Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. J. H. Armbrust, of Hickory, a former pastor of the local Methodist church, Rev. Eugene Olive, First Baptist church pastor, and Rev. C. W. Robinson, pastor of the local Presbyterian church. Interment was made in the Baptist cemetery.

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Suicide Theory Is Advanced As Note Is Studied

Sheriff Somers Holds Suicide Theory After Going Into Case

Officers were continuing their investigation today into the strange death of Miss Oda Childress, whose bullet-pierced body was found in the home of her foster-parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tilley, near Boham Saturday afternoon; but appeared to be nearer a solution of the crime than when they first started on the case.

Discovery of a note Monday afternoon in the apron worn by the girl at the time she was slain only added to the mystery which surrounds her death. The note was found when the apron was being handled preparatory to laying it away.

Sheriff W. B. Somers this morning expressed serious doubt that the girl had died in defense of the Tilley property and said his investigations indicated that she had concocted the story of robbers to conceal her suicide.

The contents of the note were such as to almost absolve the four men who had been arrested of any blame in connection with the mysterious death. In the note, the girl declared that she did not know any of the four men she asserted had given her just 20 minutes in which to surrender \$500 of Mr. and Mrs. Tilley's money.

Expressing a preference to die rather than give up the money, the girl said she had hidden the money and papers in the "C". Immediately after discovery of the note, the \$510 and other valuable papers thought stolen were found in the cellar of the tobacco barn nearby, a place used frequently by Mr. and Mrs. Tilley as a hiding place for their valuables.

The text of the note follows: "Mrs. Tilley there are some men here, one negro and three white men. Said they was going to have 500 dollars of your money and have given me 20 minutes to set it in. I don't know any of them, never seen them before. I thought they was bird hunters. I took your things to the 'C'."

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Install Kiwanis Officers Friday

R. G. Finley Is To Take Office As President; New Directors

New officers of the Kiwanis Club will be installed at the regular weekly luncheon tomorrow at Hotel Wilkes.

R. G. Finley will take over the presidency from the hands of Dr. Fred C. Hubbard. Other officers to be installed are J. E. McCoy, vice president, and J. E. McCoy, secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors for the year will be composed of the officers who are ex-officio members, Past President F. C. Hubbard, Dr. J. E. McCoy, E. W. Hubbard, W. E. Jones, Cecil Goodwell and J. R. Finley.

Reins Recommended For Postmaster Here

J. C. Reins, prominent local business man and member of the Democratic party, is recommended by the Congressional committee for postmaster here.