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\$1.00 IN THE STATE-\$1.50 OUT OF THE STATE

AUTOPSY FAILS TO GETTER IP

City and County Boards Vote To Acquire Airport Site Experts Fail To

D. J. Brookshire **Property Chosen** As Its Location

int Meeting of Boards Held Maday Afternoon In City Hall

RESOLUTIONS PASSED \$100,000 To Be Sought of

CWA To Provide Labor For the Project

The movement to secure an airport for North Wilkesboro and Wilkes county made considerable progress Monday when the board of city commissioners and the girl who at 17 stormed into according to information receivboard of county commissioners in grand opera ranks, now 27, made ed here. voted to jointly acquire a location for the proposed Civil Works Administration project.

All members of the county board, N. B. Smithey, chairman, Bids Received C. C. Hayes and M. F. Absher, were present for the meeting. J. C. Reins, mayor pro tem, I. E. Pearson and Ralph Duncan. members of the city board, attended. Mayor J. A. Rousseau and Commissioner S. V. Tomlinson were out of the city.

The board selected the property of D. J. Brookshire and the Parker heirs as the location of the proposed airport and authorised Mr. Smithey and Mr. Reins to negotiate a lease for sixty face on 11.68 miles of State road about three miles east of the Alleghany county line, were Wilkesboro.

option to lease the 185-acre tract was entered by Kiker and Yount, North Carolina to have post were also authorized to obtain an owned by Mr. Brookshire at an of Reidsville. annual rental of \$480 for five years and an option to purchase the federal bureau of roads in the property for \$8.000 at the expiration of the lease.

A resolution was passed to file application with the aeronautics branch of the Civil Works Administration for the sum of \$100,000 for the project. Much of this would be paid out for labor.

It has been pointed out that an airport project would not affect the CWA quota for other projects in any respect and that projects in any respect and that county, master of the North Carapproval of an additional eman that much additional employment for the county.

Many counties have taken adtheir projects already under way. When the airport was discusswhen the airport was discusspublic and anyone interested is W. A. Jenkins.

a few days ago. a committee cordially invited.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, presiding omposed of C. T. Doughton, cordially invited. heirman, N. B. Smithey, Ralph uncan, A. B. Johnston and Carl offey, was named to take the matter in hand and this committee has been working tirelessly to complete all details preliminary arthorities at Washington.

Unless funds for this type given within a short time.

F. C. Forester At Oil Dealers Meet

of by Mrs. Forester and their first meeting of the year. aughter, Miss Lina Forester.

ITS 100th ANNIVERSARY

Wake Forest, Jan. 5.—The 100th anniversary of the founding of Wake Forest college will observed in Wingate memorial anditorium here Tuesday evening, January 30, President Thurman D. Kitchin has announced.

P.-T. A. To Meet

The Parent-Teacher Association will meet in the city school anditorium this afternoon at 2:45 o'clock. An address by Dr. J. H. McNelll will feature the program. A meeting of the execuside immediately preceding the



Marion Talley, Kansas farm a joint session at the city hall a comeback from retirement on New Year Eve as soprano with a site here, the I'revette property the Chicago Grand Opera Com-

For Surface On Highway No. 18

villes Are Bidders; Is For 11.68 Miles

STARTS AT FAIRPLAINS

Bids for a bituminous sur-Hunting Creek-Statesville and extending in the direction of partment.

> The bids are forwarded Washington for approval before contracts are let.

Vannetta To Be

State Master of Grange To Speak To Pomona Grange In Wilkesboro

A. S. Vannetta, of Orange Wilkes Pomona Grange morrow evening at 7 o'clock.

Officers of the Pomona Grange

F. C. Tomlinson Sees

F. C. Tomlinson, of the Boone to enbmission of the project to Trail Motor company, local Pontiac and Buick dealers, attended of a Pontiac dealers meeting and project have been exhausted, it pre-showing of the 1934 model believed that approval will be Pontiac at Charlotte Tuesday. The new cars will be on display here in the near future.

Smith To Have Charge Of Lions Club Meeting

F. C. Forester, prominent lo-Dr. H. B. Smith, president of the Lions Club, will have charge Dr. H. B. Smith, president of meeting of the state committee of the regular dinner meeting Charlotte Tuesday. Mr. For-program tonight at Hotel Wilkes a. m. on January 2, "Thirty water was accompanied on the at 7 o'clock. This will be the Four," because he was the first

New Post Office Here Slated For **Early Erection**

Treasury Department Has Already Taken Steps Toward **Erecting Building**

LAMBETH URGES ACTION Government Already Owns Site; To Be Located On "C" Street

The new post office building for North Wilkesboro, which was authorized more than a year ago. is slated for early construction.

The government already owns located on "C" Street between Ninth and Tenth streets having been purchased before the public works program in which it was included had been halted by the transfer of funds to the Civilan Conservation work.

Plans for the building have already been completed and the supervising architect of the treasury department will advertise Kiker and Young, of Reids- for bids at an early date, it is reported.

Several weeks ago it vas announced that \$50,600 had been set aside for the erection of the building here, a reduction having been made from the orignal allotment to conform to the days with the owners. The select- Highway No. 18, beginning at the economy program which has been section of Highway No. 60 and

A new post office will also be opened Tuesday by the State erected at Pinehurst in the near Representatives of the boards Highway Commission at Raleigh, future. Pinehurst and North Wil-The bid was for \$43,814 and kesboro were the only towns in offices authorized by the public works administration.

Congressman Walter Lambeth has urged that the work be expidited, according to a news story in the Charlotte Observer vesterday. Both of these post offices are located in his district.

Here Tomorrow Institute To Be Held Wednesday

Rev. A. C. Gibbs To Preside Over District Meeting at Local Church

A Kingdom vantage of the opportunity pre-Wilkesboro school auditorium to-wilkesboro Methodist church Duncan, assistant cashier. Wednesday, January 17, it was The meeting is open to the learned late yesterday from Dr.

elder, will conduct the institute. will be installed at the meeting. The first session will begin at

New Pontiac-Eight Car district are expected to be repre-

Hold School in Tents

case of earthquakes.

New Baby Named '84' Espanola, Fla., Jan. 8 .- Mr. and Mrs. Georgia Bowers today christened their son, born at 5:09

baby born here in 1934.

WAKE FOREST TO NOTE Civic and Fraternal Leaders To Meet Tomorrow on 'Birthday Ball

a telegram yesterday afternoon asking him to aid the national committee in arranging for North give the ball provided it is de-Wilkesboro and Wilkes county to cided to sponsor the event. co-operate in the nation-wide The Warm Springs Foundation President Roosevelt.

ry L. Doherty, of New York, est office in the nation.

Mayor Rousseau announced that

The public generally is invited
to had called a meeting of civic to attend the meeting tomarrow

Mayor J. A. Rousseau received hall tomorrow morning at 10

movement on behalf of the is to be endowed as a national Warm Springs Foundation and center for the development of give a charity ball on the eve- methods of treatment of infantile ning of January 20, birthday of paralysis, an affliction which President Roosevelt suffered a Immediately after receipt of few years ago and from which he the telegram from Colonel Hen- recovered to ascend to the high-

Port little and Mr. Chyls and fraternal leaders of the Wil-morning and leaders of local dy-ma, of this city, were visi-kesboros and surrounding com-ic organisations are especially Winston-Balem Tuesday, munities to be held at the city urged to attend.

Baby Is Born In Auto Near Hays

the birth of a baby in an automobile, which the Associated Press considered of sufficient importance for its wires, has nothing on Wilkes county which was the home of

The New York story about

a similar event last week. Mr. and Mrs. base Richardson, of Offen, are the proud parents of a nine-pound son, Jack, who was born in an automobile in front of the home of Mr. and Mrse Jonah Myers at Hays about midnight last Wedneeday night.

En route to the Wilkes Hospital, it was decided to stop and get Mrs. Myers, a midwife, to accompany Mrs. Richardson to the hospital. When Mrs. Myers was being called," the baby was born.

Both mother and baby are doing nicely at the home Mr. and Mrs. Myers.

Eight Per Cent Dividend Is Paid By D. & S. Bank

All Old Officers Are Re-elected; Two Members Added To Board Directors

BANK HAD GOOD YEAR

An eight per cent dividend was declared by directors of the De- even from this city rushed to the posit & Savings Bank at their meeting following the annual stockholders meeting Wednesday fire was received, but had to afternoon last week. Checks have stand helplesely by as the buildalready been mailed to stock-holders, Mr. C. T. Doughton, cashier, stated yesterday.

The bank had a very successful year, Mr. Doughton stated in his annual report to the stockholders. Since the banking holiday in March, the bank has enjoyed a profitable business, the report said. '

The stockholders re-elected the two new members. The board as now constituted is composed of W. C. Pearson, N. B. Smithey, R. L. Doughton, J. T. Prevette, C. A. Lowe, George Forester, Ralph Duncan and C. O. McNeili.

All the old officers were reelected, these being as follows: Duncan, vice president; C. and their guests at a quarterly churches in the Mt. Airy Metho- Doughton, cashier; D. S. Hill, as-Many counties have taken admeeting of the organization in dist district will be held at North with sistant cashier; D. S. Hill, as-

J. L. Parker Is Taken By Death

Churches from all over the Prominent Merchant and Farmer Dies At His Home At Hunting Creek

Berkeley, Calif., Jan. 8-Tents well known Wilkes county fam- their contents that were destroyhoused 2,300 out of 12,700 ily, was claimed by death at his ed had an estmated value of from Berkeley children upon their re- home between Straw and Hunt- \$1,500 to \$2.000. turn to school today, because a ing Creek Monday at 6 p. m. He number of structures have been was 82 years of age and had ance was carried on the mill, it found to hold possible menace in been in failing health for some is understood, with no insurance

Mr. Parker was a well known highly esteemed in his commun-

Funeral services were conducted at the home yesterday morn- J. C. Grayson Accepts ing at 10 o'clock by Rev. W. E Linney, Baptist minister at Wilkesboro. Interment was made at Fishing Creek Arbor cemetery.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Nancy Parker, and the following children: Harrison Ps &er, of Illinois: Richard Parker, of Murphy; Lawson, of Hunting

WILKESBORO P.-T. A. TO MEET ON FRIDAY

The regular monthly meeting of Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Thursday afternoon. The change was decided upon because of a conflict with the basketball games today.

Mrs. W. V. Williams, of this che city. city, is spending a few days with the causes of death as thought father, Mr. Lowery Dula, of by certificates first with the

Big Fire Loss Is Suffered Tuesday At Millers Creek

Big Wilson Roller Mills and Store Building Are Burned To Ground

LOSS AROUND \$15,000.00

Hundreds Gather There as Structures Burn; Families Made Homeless

Fire of undetermined origin lestroyed the Wilson roller mills and an old store building occupied by three families at Millers Creek Tuesday evening, doing an estimated damage of \$15,000.

The fire was discovered in the upper section of the four-story mill building about 6:45 o'clock and although it had not gained much headway, fire fighters were hampered in their efforts to extinguish it by the long flights of stairs up which they had to carry water in buckets. Their efforts proved futile as one after another vere forced down by the smoke.

The old two-story store building and garage and storage buildings in close proximity to the mill caught fire as the mill building was eaten up by the flames and immediately became a roaring in-

Hundreds of people living in the Millers Creek community and scene after seeing the flames shoot into the sky or word of the ings were destroyed.

Three families were made homeless by the destruction of the old store building owned by J. W. Nichols, but all of them managed to save their household furnishings and personal effects. Warned of the danger as soon as it was learned that the mill could not be saved, the families immediately vacated the building and old board of directors and added began moving out their furniture. Living in the store building at the time were the families of Tom Eller, formerly of this city, Iredell McNeill and Ted McGlam-

The roller mill was owned by A. L. Wilson, formerly of Har-Mr. Wilson was across the mission at the hearing and will Solicitor John R. Jones conmony. Mr. Wilson was across the mission at the hearing and will Solicitor John R. Jones conmony. highway at the service station of hear the facts in the case. The R. L. Doughton, president; J. T. Mr. Tom Nichols when the fire hearing will be held in the fedPrevette, vice president; Ralph

Mr. Tom Nichols when the fire hearing will be held in the fedwas discovered. His assistant, O. Loral hadding at Winston-Salem home of Mr. and Mrs. Tilley, but G. Sells, of Harmony, was operating the mill at the time.

The mill building, equipment and stock had an estimated value of more than \$13,000. It was reported that 7,000 pounds of flour, 1,000 pounds each of meal, crushed corn and rye chop were

Three gasoiine engines, an old Model-T Ford and an old Essex touring car were burned in the garage and storage annex to the old store building. The store J. L. Parker, a member of a building and annex together with

Only a small amount of insuron the store building.

The fire caused much excitefarmer and merchant and was ment in the community and hundreds gathered during the eve-

Position At Forester's next several weeks.

Mr. J. C. Grayson has accepted installed last Friday. a position with Forester's Nu-Way Service Station. He will take Are of the clerical work connect- Gap, was a business visitor in the ed with the business. ed with the business.

Endurance Champions

Above, Mrs. Frances Marsails and Miss Helen Richey, below, are the two women flyers who established a new endurance flight record at Miami by remaining in the air more than 8 days. 5 hours and 5 minutes

Hearing Will Be Held on Railway **Application Soon**

Examiner Davis To Conduct Hearing At Winston-Salem January 19

WHICKER IS ATTORNEY

A hearing on the application way company for authority to acquire the properties of the Watauga and Yadkin River railroad have been unnatural even in the and to rehabilitate and operate case of suicide in view of the trains over the road will be held apron, heavy dress and the slip in Winston-Salem on Friday, January 19.

J. H. Whicker, attorney the local railway company, ceived notice of the date of the hearing from George B. McGinty, secretary to the Interstate Commerce Commission, this week.

Examiner Davis will represent the Interstate Commerce Com-cide. eral building at at 10 a. m.

Approval of the application by Examiner Davis will be one of the final details in connection with the plans of the local company to rebuild the road to Darby.

Olive Will Give Kiwanis Program

He Will Announce Sponsors of Programs For the Next Several Weeks

day, will have charge of the in connection with the killing. club's luncheon program tomor-

During the program tomor-

New officers of the club

Mr. Press Hampton, of Windy

City Had 117 Births And 47 Deaths In 1933, Vital Statistics Reveal her to give on the hidden in the instant

births and 47 deaths in 1983, ac- Heart diseases. cording to information just re- Nephritis eased by W. A. Bullis, registrar Paralysis of Wilkestoro Parent-Teacher of vital statistics. The number Peritonitis Association will be held Friday of vital statistics. The number Peritonitis afternoon at 3:15 instead of births include ains atill births. Fullis pointed out that the Meninghtis. Mr. Bullis pointed out that the number of the deaths included Ulcer of stomach many out-of-town residents whose deaths were registered here because death occurred in

North Wilkesboro had 117 | Pneumonia

Agree As To the **Author of Note**

Virtue of Girl Is Established Beyond Doubt; Humdreds Attend

BULLET COURSE TEXCED Solicitor Jones To Contin Investigations Into Strange Death

An autopsy performed yester-An autops, and day shed little light the Oda Childress, whose lifeless body was found on December 30, in the home of her foster-parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tilled, near Benham between Elkin Ron-

Little information of importance was obtained from the examination except to trace the course of the bullet which took the life of the 20-year-old girl. The .22 caliber bullet penetrated the heart and lodged under the skin on the back.

The examination established the girl's virtue beyond doubt and refuted the rumore Miss Childress might have committed suicide because she did not wish to be the mother of an illegitimate child. Dr. G. T. Mitchell, who assisted Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, and Mrs. Bertha Bell, county health nurse, stated positively last night that the girl had not been un-

Benham church cematery was the scene of a large gathering yesterday morning when the body was exhumed. The autopsy was performed, however, behind locked doors inside the church.

Dr. Mitchell stated that the course of the bullet indicated that the gun had been held at of the Wilkes & Western Rail right angles to the body. There were no powder burns on the body, although that would not worn by the girl at the time of her death, Dr. Mitchell said.

Asked to express an opinion. Dr. Mitchell, who was the only member of those performing the autopsy that could be reached by telephone last night, stated that evidence disclosed did not preclude the possibility of sui-

little light was shed upon the tragedy. Coroner Stephen A. Rash, of Millers Creek, and the coroner's jury heard the evidence.

Coroner Rash said he did not believe that the girl committed sulcide.

The hearing was continued until January 24 when further information will be given the jury if additional evidence is obtained. W. A. Shulenberger, Jr., of

Charlotte, brought here as a handwriting expert, said his report on specimens of hardwrit-ing, including the note purported to have been left by the girl, Rev. Eugene Olive, whose ap- stated that the note was not writpointment as program chairman ten by Andrew Smoot, suspected of the Kiwanis Club by the club suitor of the girl. Smoot is held president, R. G. Finley, last Fri- in the county jail at Willesboro

W. M. Pardue, of Wilkesboro, who attempted to obtain finger During the program tomor-row, Rev. Mr. Olive will an-of the crime, said those he was nounce program sponsors for the able to obtain were not those of smoot. Several people bridge the gun found near the and for this reason, no fingerprints were obtained from it.

Solicitor Jones stated this morning that the coroners jury arrived at the conclusion that the girl did not write the note wi told of robbers invading the Tiley home and atta

on that Smeet with onsiders the roduction of