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## Everett Wiles Arrested Near Mt. Airy

### Road Location Hearing Held In Wilkesboro

Highway Chairman And Two Commissioners Hear Claims For Routes

### PROTEST RIVER ROUTE

Delegation Seeks Elkin-North Wilkesboro Road On Northern Route

More than 500 people gathered at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Thursday in the interest of the North Wilkesboro-Elkin highway, which is to be let for construction soon.

E. B. Jeffress, chairman, was accompanied here by two other members of the state highway commission, Sigmon and Miller, to hold a hearing on the proposed routes of the road.

The survey as it now stands and posted in the courthouse in Wilkesboro, follows the Yadkin River from Elkin to Roaring River. The section of the county immediately north of the river is protesting the route and asked that the road be built in the ridge section instead of along the Yadkin valley via Ronda and Roaring River.

The protestants were represented in the hearing by Attorney J. H. Whicker, who pointed out that the ridge route was six-tenths of a mile shorter, could be constructed at a cost of \$45,000 less than the river route and that it would serve 90 per cent more people. A number of citizens of that community spoke in behalf of a change in the survey and the Ronda and Roaring River committees were also represented.

Chairman Jeffress announced that five miles of the road along the river route between Elkin and Ronda would be let and that the people of the northern route would be taken care of by a road later.

### Home Coming Day At Union Church

Gathering Planned At Union Methodist Church Sunday, August 12

There will be an all-day home coming service at Union Methodist church on Sunday, August 12. People of that community anticipate a very enjoyable occasion and the public is invited to attend.

Following is the program as has been outlined for the day:

- Morning
- 9:45. Sunday school.
- 10:15 Address of Welcome, C. W. Mahaffey.
- Response, J. R. Henderson.
- 10:30 History of church.
- 10:45 Testimonial service.
- 11:15 Special music.
- 11:30 Sermon, Rev. T. J. Houck.
- 12:00 Dinner on the grounds.
- Afternoon
- 1:30 Reassemble, song by the congregation.
- 1:45 Talk by the pastor, Rev. Seymour Taylor.
- 2:18 Talk, Troy Culler.
- 2:30 Special music.
- 2:45 Address, G. B. Price.
- Benediction, C. P. Crysel.

### To Conduct Revival

Rev. Green Wingler and son, and David Cleary, of Kanawha, are visiting relatives and friends in the Vannoy community. Rev. Mr. Wingler is conducting a revival meeting at Vannoy.

### Raymond Cleary Is Back In Jail

Escaped About Four Months Ago; Arrested By Jailer Sheets Sunday

Raymond Cleary, one of the group who escaped from the Wilkes jail about four months ago, is again behind the bars. Cleary was arrested at the head of Mulberry creek at the home of Jeff Ballard Sunday afternoon by Jailer J. B. Sheets and J. H. Alexander.

Cleary was placed in jail about six months ago on a larceny charge.

### New Tammany Boss



New York . . . Within three days after 41 years old James Dooling (above), had been elected head of New York Tammany Hall he prevailed upon Al Smith to return to the Tiger fold, healing a breach more than 2 years old.

### Rev. J. W. Bryant Blows Head Off With A Shotgun

Well Known Minister Of Northern Elkin Committed Suicide Thursday

Elkin, Aug. 2.—Rev. J. Welborn Bryant, 63, widely-known Baptist minister of the old school, ended his life this morning at 7 o'clock in a room of his home two miles out of Elkin by firing a load from a shotgun into his forehead, blowing off the entire top of his head. His lifeless body was discovered by his wife and foster son upon their return from the barnyard where they had been feeding the poultry.

A coroner's inquest held this morning resulted in a suicide verdict. It was brought out at the inquest that the gun had been fired by means of a stick wedged against the window frame near his chair.

The tragedy is a shock to a multitude of friends of the widely-beloved veteran minister. He had served as pastor in rural communities since he was ordained to preach the gospel in 1904.

During his ministry he had served churches over a radius of 50 miles, filling as many as seven appointments a week. Because he was the only preacher in Western North Carolina who regularly rode a mule to fill his numerous regular appointments he had been featured in news stories all over the United States. He always carried an umbrella to protect him from the elements since suffering a sun-stroke 14 years ago. No pastor in this section was in such constant demand for funeral services and wedding ceremonies.

### G. L. Burnett Is Patrolman Here

Succeeds G. R. Duncan, Who Was Transferred To Work At Sylva

Sergeant G. L. Burnett, of the state highway patrol, is stationed in North Wilkesboro now. He took up his duties here Thursday.

He succeeds G. R. Duncan, who has been transferred to Sylva. The system now being carried out by the state highway patrol calls for an exchange of patrolmen at intervals of several months.

Sergeant Burnett is married. His family, wife and one child, will move to North Wilkesboro within the next few weeks.

### HOME CHAIR EASILY DEFEATS CCC TEAM

The Home Chair Company baseball team easily defeated the team representing the James CC Camp in a diamond contest at the fairgrounds Saturday afternoon. The final count was 11 to 2 in favor of Home Chair.

Crook and Davis hit for the circuit for Home Chair while other members of the team also hit the ball hard. Batteries for the game were as follows: Home Chair—Crook, Livingston, Pardue, Davis; CC Camp—Byrd, Joyce, Black, Williams.

Dr. W. A. Jenkins, R. G. Finley and W. D. Halfacre returned Thursday from Aquone, Macon fishing. They report a successful trip.

### Doughton Speaks On Taxation At Kiwanis Meeting

Tells How Ways And Means Committee Drafts Federal Tax Legislation

### INCOME TAX LARGEST Gives Three Requirements For System of Fair Taxes In Government

In an address before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club Friday, Representative "Farmer Bob" Doughton, chairman of the powerful ways and means committee in the national congress, outlined requirements of a just taxation.

Equitably imposed, honestly collected and wisely and economically expended, are the three principles mentioned by the famous national figure in his address here.

He cited figures to show how revenue from various sources fluctuates. The income tax, greatest yielder of all federal taxes declined from \$2,400,000,000 in 1928 to a comparatively meagre \$750,000,000 for 1933.

The second largest revenue producer pointed out by the speaker today was tobacco taxes, which does not fluctuate so much and which during the past year sent in to federal government tills \$402,000,000.

The third largest source of revenue is the tariffs with \$240,000,000 for the past year and which amount is only about 50 per cent of normal. He told about excise taxes, which are levied only in a time of emergency. During the past year such taxes yielded \$38,000,000 to the federal treasury.

Commenting on the system of finding revenue "Farmer Bob" told what satisfactory work it was for his committee in vacation time to be able to dig up \$417,000,000 in revenue that had previously escaped through loopholes in the previous laws.

He stated that as a citizen of North Carolina that he was interested in state taxation and that he suggested that a committee similar to his in the house of representatives get together between sessions of the legislature and work out a suitable scale of taxation and have it prepared without a swarm of lobbyists. This, he said, was the system used in Washington.

The latter part of his address was devoted to roads, and more especially the Scenic Parkway which will follow the Blue Ridge mountains in northern Wilkes, Alleghany and Ashe. He stated that this project was the greatest thing that had ever been proposed for this part of the country.

The program at the meeting Friday was given under the direction of J. B. McCoy, program chairman for the day.

Guests were Rev. John E. Marion, of Cullman, Alabama, guest of Rev. Eugene Olive; John T. Hoyle, guest of J. R. Finley; H. H. Morehouse, guest of Rev. C. W. Robinson. C. T. Doughton returned as a member of the club.

### COMPANY A LEAVES FOR ENCAMPMENT

Company A, 105th Engineers of the North Carolina National Guard left Saturday for the annual summer encampment at Camp Jackson, S. C.

Two weeks will be spent in military training and athletic activity before the return to North Wilkesboro on August 20.

## Yadkin County Jury Will Try Tilley's For the Murder Of Leoda Childress

The question of whether five members of the Tilley family will be convicted or acquitted of the murder of Leoda Childress on December 30 will be decided by a jury from Yadkin county.

When the case was called this morning in Wilkes superior court Judge John M. Oglesby ordered a special venire of 125 men summoned from Yadkin county to report tomorrow morning at 9:30.

The defendants are Mr. and

## No Decision Expected On Judgeship Primary Contest Before August 15

Hearing Held Thursday In Alexander County; Republican Voting And Fraudulent Absentees Charges; Attorneys To File Briefs August 10

Judging from present indications several days will elapse before the state board of elections will be ready to render a decision as to the victor in the seventeenth judicial district judgeship nomination contest.

Following a hearing here on Wednesday of last week and a hearing at Taylorsville Thursday into alleged irregularities in the run-off primary June 30, the state election board ordered attorneys for J. A. Rousseau and J. H. Burke, candidates, to file briefs with the state body not later than Friday, August 10.

No decision or statement will come from the state board until after the briefs are studied, it was indicated by the board.

### Statistics Presented

The board's session at Taylorsville, which opened at 10:30 o'clock Thursday morning, was largely taken up with the presentation of statistics of alleged voting irregularities in Alexander's 11 voting precincts. The only deviation from

this procedure was the occasional introduction of a witness who would corroborate and testify in greater detail to facts set forth in affidavits presented by counsel for the two candidates.

The contention was by the Wilkes candidate who alleged that over 600 Republicans supported Burke in the Alexander run-off primary. It was further alleged that 559 absentee votes were cast "by authority," or that the greater portion of the 648 absentee ballots were prepared and signed by persons other than the electors.

Attorneys for Rousseau filed affidavits with the board for the purpose of showing that Republican electors aided Burke in the Democratic contest and that Burke supporters secured absentee ballots on a large scale and voted them by the authority of a specially prepared authorization statement.

### Each Township Probed

Each township was taken up in turn and figures tending to sup-

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### Brother J. C. Grayson Is Elected Solicitor

J. Luke Grayson, prominent Mountain City, Tenn., attorney, was elected solicitor over two opponents in the election held in East Tennessee Thursday, August 2nd. Mr. Grayson is a brother to Mr. J. C. Grayson, of this city.

In the primary held several weeks ago Mr. Grayson was high man in the race. He polled much strength all over his district composed of Johnson, Carter, Washington and Unicoi counties, running particularly strong in his native county.

Mr. Grayson is a Republican, and his opponents were Raymond Campbell, son of Judge Campbell, of Elizabethton, and M. L. Chalkley, prominent attorney of Johnson City. His election is for an eight-year term, and it is the first time that Johnson county has furnished a solicitor for the district in over 100 years.

The newly-elected solicitor is well known in this city where he has visited on several occasions, and his friends here, as well as those of his brother, will be highly pleased to learn of his election.

### Salvation Army Meeting Closes

A three-weeks' meeting conducted by the Salvation Army in a tent on Ninth street came to a close Sunday night.

The evening services were well attended and considerable interest was shown in the meeting, which was conducted by Charles Cook, of Statesville. Those in charge of the meeting wish to express to the people of the city and community their appreciation for the kindness shown and for the cooperation from all who helped in the meeting in any way.

### 26 EARS OF CORN GROWN ON STALK

High Point, July 30.—Ben Ridge, who rides a motorcycle for the High Point police department, learned he was a farmer extraordinary today. He found in his garden, and has placed on public display, a stalk with 26 ears of corn on it.

### Wagon Trail Queen



Pocatello, Id. . . . The 100th Anniversary of the founding of Fort Hall on the Old Wagon Trail here is to be presided over this month by Queen Kerma Keller (above), college sophomore.

### E. B. Barkley, Pioneer Citizen, Succumbs Here

Was Former Mayor and Postmaster Here; Funeral Held This Morning

E. B. Barkley, pioneer citizen, former mayor and former postmaster of the town of North Wilkesboro, died at the Call Hotel Sunday morning. He had been seriously ill for several weeks.

Mr. Barkley had been making his home here since the advent of the railroad over 40 years ago. During these years he had fitted himself into the activities of the town and community and had become one of the best known citizens in Wilkes county.

The life of Mr. Barkley is best summed up by the following obituary, written by Henry Reynolds and read in the funeral service here this morning. "With the passing of Edward Brevard Barkley, the already small list of North Wilkesboro's pioneer citizens becomes one less. Outside of the few who were born on the plantations which were later to become the site of the towns, Mr. Barkley was among the first citizens. His coming was in connection with the railroad, which is usually taken to mark the town's beginning. In fact, his first appearance here was in the capacity of a pioneer citizen." (Continued on back page)

### Demonstrations Open To Public

Everybody Invited To Attend Canning Demonstrations In County

Announcement is made this week by Mrs. S. L. Homewood, demonstration agent for the county, and Mrs. G. G. Foster, relief director, that canning demonstrations now being conducted by the home demonstration agents are open to the general public as well as relief cases.

Mrs. Homewood was sent to Wilkes by state authorities to work primarily among relief cases but the demonstrations she is conducting are open for all.

The very latest methods in preserving food are being demonstrated by Mrs. Homewood. Food will be canned in the demonstrations where people take it to the place of her appointment.

The following appointments have been announced for this week:

- Tuesday, August 7th: 8:30 a. m., N. G. Stonestreet's, State Road; 1:30 p. m., Mrs. J. N. Gentry's Doughton.
- Wednesday, August 8th: 8:30 a. m., Ronda—place to be announced; 1:30 p. m., Mr. J. B. Rose's home, Benham.
- Thursday, August 9th: 8:30 a. m., Pleasant Home school; 1:30 p. m., Roaring River, place to be announced.
- Friday, August 10th: 8:30 a. m., Lincoln Heights school; 1:30 p. m., Miller school, Call.

## Wilkes Outlaw Is Now Facing Federal Charge

Arrest Made By Federal Officers At Tourist Cabin In Virginia Sunday

### CARRIED COUNTERFEIT Slayer of Wilkes Constable Carried Over \$1,000 In Bogus Bills

Mount Airy, Aug. 5.—Everett Wiles, 34, alias H. E. Pruette, outlaw wanted for murder in Wilkes county and by federal authorities for counterfeiting, was taken alive and without serious injury by local officers and one federal agent in a raid upon a tourist cabin at McGraw's tourist camp five miles north of this city and just across the Virginia line. The raid occurred about 4 o'clock this morning. Bass Absher, 29, Wiles' companion, was captured at the home of H. D. Gillespie, about two miles south of the camp on the Fancy Gap road, where he was spending the night with his wife. The officers seized \$1,010 in counterfeit \$10 and \$20 bills which were in Wiles' possession at the time, and the gangster's automobile which Absher had with him, contained moulds, ladles, drills, and other complete equipment for counterfeiting and bank robbery.

Wiles is wanted in Wilkes for killing Constable C. A. (Nath) Wyatt on March 25, 1932, in what is known as the "cutthroat ridge" section north of Hays.

A picked squad of officers surrounded the tourist cabin just at the foot of the Blue Ridge mountains where the outlaw was known to be spending the night, and R. E. Lawrence, Mount Airy police chief, and H. S. Boyd, Surry county chief deputy, covered the inmate from a window with a tear gas gun and an automatic shotgun. Lawrence commanded him to surrender, and when he reached for a gun under his pillow and started to shoot, fired two tear gas bombs into the cabin. Wiles was struck and slightly injured by one of the wads from the tear gas gun.

While he was covered from the window, L. O. Padgett, federal agent, M. C. O'Dell, deputy sheriff, and J. I. Snow, Mount Airy policeman, entered the room and took him prisoner. The officers had been warned to take no chances with Wiles, federal authorities describing him as one of the most dangerous outlaws wanted by the government at this time. He had been traced for two years by the federal agents, and he and Absher were represented as having possessed machine guns when they left Winston-Salem some time ago.

Absher was taken immediately afterward at the house on the Fancy Gap road. It was thought that the house, which was understood to have undergone repairs recently, was being prepared to serve as a base of operations for the counterfeiting gang. The automobile was found at the rear of the house and contained counterfeiting equipment and tools used for bank robbery and blowing heavy safes.

Wiles was found to have passed counterfeit money at Norvale Cragg, a summer resort 30 miles west of this city, last Monday. (Continued on page eight)

### Teachers Meet On August 28

Meeting For Teachers Now At Work In School Will Be Held 11th

C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, has announced that on Tuesday, August 28, a teachers' meeting will be held at the Wilkesboro school building. The meeting will begin at 10 a. m. and will be only for the teachers who are to begin work on the following day in the schools of the county.

On Saturday, August 11, at 10 a. m. a teachers' meeting will be held for the teachers who are already at work in the schools which began August 1.

Matters of grave importance to the school work during the ensuing term will be taken up and all teachers are required to attend.