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LATE NEWS OF STATE AND NATION

Many Violent Deaths
Danville, Va., Dec. 4.—The records in the office of Dr. J. E. Taylor, city coroner, today showed that 20 violent deaths have occurred in Danville during the past eight weeks.

Killed By Sawmill
Albemarle, Dec. 4.—A. G. Murray, 51-year-old farmer and saw mill man of Oakboro, route 1, met instant death about 10 o'clock this morning when he fell into a circular saw being operated near his home.

Negro Magistrates
Durham, Dec. 3.—For the first time in the history of the state two negroes today took the oath of office as magistrates of Durham county. They were Louis H. Austin, editor of a negro weekly paper, and Frederick Watkins.

Flood Damage Great
Raleigh, Dec. 4.—Flood waters now sweeping into southeastern North Carolina have already caused damage estimated at "well over \$100,000" to state property, including highways and bridges, it was estimated here today.

Killed In Wreck
Statesville, Dec. 3.—Lee Rhyme, 24, who received a fracture of skull Saturday afternoon when his car crashed into the side of Alex Cooper's grocery truck here, died at the Davis hospital today. He never regained consciousness.

To Die In Chair
Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 3.—Standing alone in a court room, with no member of his family present, Edward Allen Edwards today heard a judge sentence him to die in the electric chair for slaying his sweetheart, so he could marry another girl.

Doctor Begins Sentence
Raleigh, Dec. 3.—Doctors James A. and J. W. Dukuld, practitioners of Vanceboro and Dover in Craven county, reported today to United States Marshal Ford Worthy and tonight left for the federal prison to spend an indeterminate sentence for alleged violation of the Harrison narcotic act.

Five Negroes Killed
Rocky Mount, Dec. 3.—Five negroes were almost instantly killed and two others were in a hospital in a serious condition here tonight after a north-bound Atlantic Coast Line passenger train crashed into a stalled automobile at Battleboro, eight miles north of this city, late last night.

Flies 9 Miles Up
Bartlesville, Okla., Dec. 3.—Confident he set a new airplane altitude record of some 48,000 feet today, Wiley Post announced tonight he would defy the stratosphere's howling gales and 70 degrees below zero cold again within "two or three days" in an attempt to fly 10,000 feet higher still.

97 Engineer Dies
Spencer, Dec. 4.—William A. Kissiah, veteran Southern railway engineer, died at his home here today, ending a career that had embraced service at the throttle of the famous "old 97," the Crescent Limited, and every special over the Southern lines since the days of McKinley. He was 71 years old, and had a record of 49 years of railroading.

Woman Is Captured
Chicago, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Helen Gillis, first unofficial woman public enemy, was a federal prisoner tonight. The tiny widow of the notorious George (Baby Face) Nelson was seized here last Thursday, federal authorities announced, a little more than 24 hours after the shattered body of her husband had been found on a muddy prairie near Miles Center last Wednesday—the posthumous victim of Agents Samuel P. Cowley and Herman E. Hollis, who sacrificed their lives in a game effort to capture him.

Messrs. Charles Hulcher and Cashion had as their guests over the week-end Messrs. Dunbar Malloy, Jose Vasquez, and Ed Morgan, students of the Presbyterian Junior College at Maxton, N. C. Both Mr. Hulcher and Mr. Cashion are also students of the college.

Greens and Black Face Chair Friday For Killing Barnes



Commander ...
New York ... Com. Evangeline C. Booth, for more than 30 years in charge of America's Salvation Army, photographed as she sailed for London where she takes office as General of the Salvation Army of the World.

D. J. Carter Will Head Farm Census In Eighth District

Headquarters For 8th Congressional District To Be In Lexington

D. J. Carter, of this city, was named by the census bureau in Washington Tuesday to head the taking of the farm census in the eighth congressional district. E. P. Presson, of Monroe, was named as assistant supervisor. Headquarters for this district will be maintained at Lexington, from which the enumerators in the 14 counties of the census district will do their work. The census will start on January 2 with approximately 100 enumerators in the district at work. Wilkes County will have sixteen enumerators. The farm census is taken every ten years, coming between the regular decennial census of the entire population of the country. Its purpose is to gather comprehensive data on the rural population and agricultural industry.

W. L. McGahey, Beaufort county agent, is working to stamp out the small outbreaks of hog cholera and swine plague which hit that section lately.

Wilkes Poet and Mrs. McDiarmid On Program Literary, Historical Meet

James Larkin Pearson One of Principal Speakers at Opening Session

James Larkin Pearson, of Boomer, "Poet Laureate of North Carolina," was a principal speaker on the opening program of the annual convention of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association.

The convention opened in Raleigh Tuesday and closed last night. Dr. Frank Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, is head of the association and delivered the opening address on the subject of "Benjamin Franklin and the South." Mr. Pearson followed the president in Tuesday's program with an address on "The Soul of Poetry."

A highlight of yesterday morning's session was the reading of a paper entitled "North Carolina's Claim to the Whistling Mother," by Mrs. James C. McDiarmid of North Wilkesboro. Mrs. McDiarmid is considered quite an authority on this subject and her paper proved to be of much interest to the assembly.

Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman, editor of the Richmond News-Leader, was a principal speaker last night, discussing "Robert E. Lee's Association With North ..."

No Clemency Is Expected

Doomed Men Apparently Given Up Hopes For Commutation of Sentence

TRIPLE ELECTROCUTION

Unless Governor Ehringhaus commutes one or more death sentences between now and tomorrow morning three white men will die in the electric chair at the North Carolina state prison.

B. G. and Lester Green and R. E. Black, High Point men, have apparently given up hopes for commutation and calmly face their doom tomorrow for the killing of Cashier T. C. Barnes in an attempted holdup of the bank in Taylorsville.

Although it is still possible that executive clemency will be extended to one or more of the doomed men their hopes are now at a low ebb since the hearing last week. Although a part of the jurors have requested mercy for Lester Green, the judge at the trial has remained non-committal and Solicitor John R. Jones has publicly stated his unalterable stand against leniency for either of the three.

If clemency is not extended and reprieves are not granted the electric chair will blot out three lives on the same day for the second time within a month and the second time in the history of electrocution in North Carolina. Three negroes were electrocuted three weeks ago for the killing of a service station operator in Sampson county.

Mike Stefanoff, alien member of the robbery conspiracy of four, has already paid with his life. The Greens, Black and Stefanoff were at one time all residents of High Point but Stefanoff had moved to Wilkes County and was making his home about four miles northeast of North Wilkesboro when the Greens and Black came to his home and planned the bank robbery.

Black was an employee of the city of High Point until shortly before the Taylorsville killing. It has been reported that he was fired because of insubordination.

Raleigh, Dec. 4.—R. E. Black, of High Point, slated to die in the electric chair Friday with his father-in-law, Bascom Green, and his brother-in-law, Lester Green, Monday wrote a final letter from his cell on death row to his 15-months old son, born while he was on trial for murder.

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Seventeen Men Taken to Prison At Chillicothe

Marvin Warren Begins Three-Year Sentence For Tampering With Money

MANY LIQUOR CASES

Robert E. Snow to Serve 3 Years For Forging Check Endorsement

Deputy Marshals John H. Stephenson and Lawrence M. Huffman returned Monday morning from Chillicothe, O., where they delivered into the custody of federal prison officials 17 men who were sentenced by Judge Johnson J. Hayes at the regular term of court in Wilkesboro which ended last Saturday, these prisoners being as follows:

Robert E. Snow, forgery of indorsement on government check, 18 months; Roosevelt Norman, liquor, one year and one day; Taft Benton, liquor, one year and one day; Mitchell Pruitt, liquor, one year and one day; Ira Billings, liquor, one year and one day; Hal Teague, liquor, two sentences of 36 months each, these, however, running concurrently; Ralph Teague, liquor, one year and one day; Glen Hamby, liquor, one year and one day; Everett Norman, liquor, one year and one day; Marvin Warren, raising \$1 bill to \$10, three years; Frank Dyson, liquor, one year and one day; William Grinton, negro, liquor, one year and one day; Lee Grinton, negro, liquor, one year and one day; Odell Jones, violation of postal laws, one year and one day; Leonard Pennell, liquor, 18 months; Lana Woods, alias Lainey Woods, violation of Dyer motor vehicle theft act, 18 months; Clay Church, liquor, one year and one day.

The cases involving liquor in this connection relate to alleged infraction of the internal revenue laws as they pertain to liquor. In one of these actions Hal Teague testified that it was he who threw Special Deputy M. S. Phillips, of Ferguson, into a vat containing hot lard at a still in Wilkes county last spring, inflicting serious injuries, from which, however, the deputy appears subsequently to have recovered.

Tuesday morning Deputy Marshal C. P. Vanstory left for Washington, taking with him Estle Love, 16, who is being placed in the National Training school there for two years because of his violation of the Dyer motor vehicle theft act. Love was convicted at Wilkesboro last week.

Swaringen Is Chairman of County Board

Organization and Routine Matters Keep New Board Busy For Two Days

D. B. Swaringen, of Traphill, was named chairman of the county board of commissioners after the members were sworn in for the new term on Monday morning.

Following the organization of the board, now composed of D. B. Swaringen, M. F. Absher and Ralph Duncan, entered into the business of swearing in other county officers and recording their bonds. Bonds for all officers were filled with the commissioners as prescribed by law. The board was swamped with routine matters and swearing in township officers, making it necessary that a two-day session be held. The board will hold a recess session some time this month to take up any unfinished business.

Quarterly Conference

First quarterly conference of the Moravian Falls Methodist charge will be held at Beulah church at Moravian Falls on Wednesday, December 12, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

The meeting will open at eleven o'clock and the forenoon session will be devoted to a worship service led by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, the presiding elder. At noon there will be dinner on the grounds and business of the conference will be taken up in the afternoon. All official members of the churches on the charge are asked to attend.

Board of Education Submits Plan to Secure Three School Buildings for Cost of Materials

Strike "Black Gold" in Poor House Grounds



Marietta, O. ... John Hupp, 69, and J. W. Yerlan, 61, (above), trudged "over the hill" to the Washington County Infirmary, 3 years ago. They were both veterans of the oil derrick rigs and they "allowed there was oil in them grounds" after they had looked about a bit. Superintendent L. A. Hall listened to their story, loaned them funds ... and they "struck" a 30 barrel-a-day well. Now the Pauper Oil Company has been organized and another well will be sunk if the first well continues to flow.

Federal Statisticians See Prospects For Best Holiday Trade Since 1930

Washington, Dec. 3.—Government statisticians concluded today, on the basis of official and private figures, that business would enjoy the best Christmas trade since 1930.

The conclusion was cheered by John Dickinson, assistant secretary of commerce, who declared he saw in the improved retail trade the basis for "sound recovery."

In making their predictions of greater spending this yuletide, officials relied on federal statistics showing increased farm income, higher factory pay rolls, increased government emergency expenditures for job-creating projects, more stable bank conditions and on what they interpreted as a more confident, optimistic frame of mind on the part of the people.

"The prospects for a big Christmas trade," Dickinson said, "show very clearly the state of mind—a satisfied and optimistic state of mind."

"All of the evidence indicates the people are in a greater spending mood, but not for reckless spending such as we

Health Office Report Shows Number Of Contagious Diseases on Decline

Urge People To Buy Seals For Christmas

Three-Fourths Of Funds Derived From Seals Will Be Used In Wilkes County

People of the county are being urged to buy Christmas seals to be used on Christmas mail and gift packages.

The sale of seals is being conducted by the Woman's Clubs of the Wilkesboros and the purpose is to raise funds with which to carry on the fight against tuberculosis. Three fourths of the funds will be used in Wilkes County.

Junior Woman's Club To Sponsor Food Sale

The members of the Junior Woman's club of North Wilkesboro, will sponsor a food sale at the Wilkes Drug Store, Saturday morning, December 8, beginning at 10 o'clock and continuing until 12:30. The following foods will be on sale, dressed chickens, apple sauce cake, coconut cake, chicken salad, divinity fudge, chess pies, butterscotch pie, and brown bread. Homemade rolls ready for baking can be secured by calling Mrs. Frank P. Eller, phone 494. Anyone desiring a special order of food other than mentioned above may also call Mrs. Eller.

ERA To Furnish Cost of Labor On the Project

Mulberry Township, Mountain View and Millers Creek Districts Considered

SAVING IS ESTIMATED Board of Education Says Plan Would Save County Over \$25,000; Tells Need

Wilkes County board of education in joint session with the board of county commissioners this week submitted a proposal whereby three central school districts in the county may have adequate buildings at a saving to the county of over \$25,000.

The proposed plan calls for a modern ten-room structure for Mulberry township, repairing and remodeling the Mountain View school property, and the erection of an auditorium and four classrooms at Millers Creek.

The board of education recommended that the commissioners cooperate in securing from the State Literary Building Fund a loan or loans for the purpose of materials to be used in the projects and informed them that labor could be furnished by the Emergency Relief Administration.

On estimates submitted by Foster and Allen, local contractors, the cost of labor for the three projects would be \$25,593.40 and the cost of materials \$16,994.58, which would be the sum the county would need to secure from the building fund.

The mulberry township school building, according to the estimates, would cost \$154,554, of which Wilkes County's part would be \$7,592.54 for materials. The other buildings asked for in the proposal are repairs and remodeling at Mountain View, and an auditorium and four classrooms at Millers Creek. It is proposed that the abandoned school buildings known as Bell View and Gordon could be used in this structure. The total estimated cost of the three buildings.

Dock Anderson Is Jailed For Assault

Dink Love In Serious Condition From Being Hit On Head With Chair

Dock Anderson, Windy Gap resident and an ex-convict, is again in jail at Wilkesboro, this time for assault on Dink Love at the Anderson home on Tuesday night.

Deputy Sheriff W. B. Somers and Jailor J. B. Sheets went to his home Tuesday night and brought him to Wilkesboro, where he is being held pending the outcome of Love's injuries. Love was hit on the head by a chair in a drunken brawl, according to reports of the officers. Anderson was so intoxicated, according to the officers, that he could not give a coherent account of the affray but stated that he hit Love after his wife had ordered him from the home. He also told the officers that he struck at another man when he hit Love.

Love suffered a concussion of the brain and was still unconscious yesterday when he was carried from his home to a Statesville hospital. It was stated that his condition was critical and that his chances for recovery are slight.

Anderson is remembered as one of a party convicted of second degree murder in connection with the killing of a man by the name of Longbottom about ten years ago. He was paroled from state prison after serving a part of his sentence.

Berean Class To Elect Officers Sunday Morning

The Berean class of the First Baptist Sunday school will elect officers for the coming year on Sunday morning at the regular Sunday school hour. All members of the class are urged to be present.