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Late News of State and Nation

Believed Suicide
Wilson, March 20.—Harvey B. Davis, of Wilson county, was found dead of gunshot wounds near here today. He was believed to have committed suicide.

Treasurer Has Surplus
Washington, March 30.—The treasury closed its books on three quarters of the fiscal year today, \$2,193,000,000 in the hole, but gratified at a surplus for March, the first in years.

Germany Arming Fast
Berlin, March 30.—Germany's military regeneration gained momentum today as the cabinet empowered the army to obtain land for maneuvers, garrisons and other military purposes.

Goodman Appointed
Raleigh, March 28.—John W. Goodman, district farm agent at State college, has been named to succeed Charles A. Sheffield as assistant director of the agricultural extension service.

Planning Board Meet
Raleigh, March 31.—The state planning board will meet here tomorrow with its chairman, Capus M. Waynick, to review and consolidate more than 700 PWA projects, aggregating approximately \$300,000,000.

Sentence Commuted
Raleigh, March 29.—Dwight Beard, young man of Lenoir who has lived in the shadow of the electric chair since his conviction in Burke county of murder last April, yesterday received a commutation of his sentence from death to life imprisonment.

Fatally Wounded
Marion, March 31.—Paul Godfrey, 21, ex-convict of the west Marion section, was fatally wounded in an altercation with Arlan Wyatt, 23, farmer of the Woodlawn section, nine miles north of Marion, late this afternoon.

Parachute Man Killed
Flint, Mich., March 31.—Floyd Davis, 22-year-old parachute jumper, fell 6,000 feet to his death at the city airport here today when one of his two parachutes fouled in a small glider wing he had fastened to his back.

Carbon Monoxide Death
Snow Hill, March 29.—J. P. Mewborn, 17-year-old N. C. State College student, was found dead in an automobile at the home of his parents, Mrs. Kiker Mewborn, near here today. Death was attributed to carbon monoxide gas poisoning.

Would Ban Heart Balm
Austin, Tex., March 29.—The anti-heart balm agitation reached Texas today. Referring to heart balm as "legalized blackmail," Representative Helen Moore—housewife and only woman legislator—introduced a bill to bar suits for breach of promise and alienation of affections.

Sacrifices Life
Chicago, March 31.—An 81-year-old grandfather sacrificed his life to save his five-year-old grandson last night. Seeing the youngster wander into the path of an automobile, Carl Rick made a frantic dive, pushed William Rick, Jr., out of harm's way but was himself fatally crushed.

Kills With An Axe
Raleigh, March 29.—Charlie Green, Duplin county convict, was brought to central state prison here today to await possible murder charges in connection with the death last night of a fellow prisoner, Joe Horne, 25, of Davidson county. Green allegedly struck Horne with an axe yesterday as they were working side by side under guard in Duplin county.

Negro Gets Long Term
Durham, March 28.—James Currie, negro, was sentenced to 25 to 30 years imprisonment today in connection with the shooting last December of Claiborne Bland, 16, a white newspaper carrier. Currie pleaded guilty, claiming to have been intoxicated at the time of the shooting. The bullet lodged in Claiborne's spinal column and physicians feared he will be an invalid for life.

West Central B. Y. P. U. Convention Will Be Held Here Friday and Saturday

Not Lindbergh
Story That Lindbergh Baby Is Alive Branded False



Detroit . . . "Johnny Doe" (above), deserted in a Detroit theatre two years ago, is the little fellow that theory associated with being the Lindbergh baby and which brought Mrs. Bruno Hauptmann here last week. Authorities discredit the connection.

Bill To Repeal Tax Settlement Measure Put In

Chatham Senator Introduces Bill To Repeal Law Passed At This Session

On Thursday night Senator W. P. Horton, of Chatham county, introduced a measure in the senate calling for repeal of house bill 423, which was passed by both houses of the legislature several weeks ago.

House bill 423 introduced by Representative J. S. Bryan, of Wilkes, and passed by both house and senate, validated tax settlements between the commissioners and sheriff of Wilkes county for the year 1928 to 1934, inclusive, and validated the payment of fees prescribed in the settlements.

The repeal bill introduced Thursday night by Senator Horton was sent to the judiciary committee, and a hearing will be held Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock.

One-Fourth Off Auto Tag Prices

Three-quarter Rate Goes On Today; More Cars Expected To Be Used

The price of automobile and truck licenses plates drops one-fourth today, the first day of April, according to information obtained from J. C. McDiarmid, manager of the North Wilkesboro branch license bureau.

Tags reaching the three-quarter price mark is expected to put many cars on the highways—cars which have not been in use since the expiration of the 1934 licenses on December 31.

Jail Population Sinks To Only 1

Doors Of County Jail Opened Wednesday And All Cells Cleaned And Aired

Wilkes county's jail population shrank to a new low Tuesday and Wednesday when one lone man was the only occupant of the county jail.

Chess Shepherd, sentenced to work at the county home by Judge Harding in the last term of court, was the lone inmate prisoner and the jail would have been empty had he not taken french leave from the county home and was recaptured.

Since a fence with a padlock has been placed about the jail, Deputy Sheriff H. C. Kilby, acting jailor, took advantage of the lack of prisoners to air out the cells, unlock the jail doors and let the bastille air out while Shepherd was kept downstairs.

600 Delegates To Attend Convention

Will Be Held At First Baptist Church In This City; Program Outlined

Convention of the West Central North Carolina region of the Baptist Young Peoples' Union will be held at the First Baptist church in North Wilkesboro on Friday and Saturday, April 5 and 6.

The opening session will be Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:30. A night session will be held Friday night and on Saturday morning a sunrise service will be held on what is known here as "Finley Hill" just north of the city. Another session will be held at the church Saturday morning and the convention will close on Saturday afternoon.

The west central region is made up of about 20 counties and if the B. Y. P. U.'s are well represented there will be around 600 delegates in attendance at the convention.

On the program will be such Baptist leaders as Miss Winnie Rickett, state B. Y. P. U. secretary, and Miss Mable Starnes, state field worker.

The regional officers are Bob Councilman, of Morganton, president, Mrs. Helen Cashion, of Wilkesboro, secretary, and Miss Dorothy Crutchfield, of Albemarle, junior-intermediate leader.

The convention is expected to be one of the most interesting and inspiring in recent years and local Baptist leaders are making preparations to entertain the large number of delegates expected.

Don A. Walser Speaks To Club

Division Lieutenant Governor Makes Constructive Address At Kiwanis Meet

Don A. Walser, of Lexington, lieutenant governor of Kiwanis division 3, made his official visit to the North Wilkesboro club Friday and delivered a most enthusiastic address before the club in the luncheon meeting.

The program was in charge of S. V. Tomlinson and there was a good attendance of club members and one guest, John E. Justice, who was a guest of J. R. Finley. Announcement of the inter-club meeting at Harmony on April 12 was made and a number of local Kiwanians stated their intention to attend. The three clubs which will take part in the meeting are Statesville, Elkin and North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Walser used the theme of "The Underprivileged Child" in his address, this being a subject in which every active Kiwanis club is vitally interested.

He told of the splendid work the Lexington Club is doing for unfortunate children and stated that he is urging Kiwanis Clubs everywhere to lay particular stress on activities along this line. "The spirit of the 20th century," he said, "is to live by the golden rule and to contribute more to civilization than you take."

His address was listened to with rapt interest.

Wilkes Teachers Attend Convention

Of North Carolina Education Association Held In Winston-Salem Last Week

Prof. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, principals of the eight central schools in the county, Supt. W. D. Half-acre, of the city schools, and a number of teachers from all parts of the county attended the 1935 convention of the North Carolina Education Association held in Winston-Salem the latter part of the week.

The convention opened Thursday night and closed on Saturday morning. On the program were a number of noted authorities on education. Before adjournment Saturday the body went on record as favoring a federal equalization fund for education.

Unified Program Is Endorsed By The Orchardists

Fruit Growers Will Seek More Co-operation, Especially in Market Problems TO INCREASE VOLUME

Program Adopted Is Comprehensive Summary of Fruit Growing Industry

At a recent meeting of the Brushy Mountain Fruit Growers Association a cooperative and comprehensive program was introduced for the industry by H. R. Niswonger, horticulturist of the extension service.

This program met with the approval of the association and was endorsed by that group, composed of the major orchardists in this part of the state. The program in full for this year follows:

According to the 1930 U. S. census there are around 2,000,000 bearing apple trees in commercial orchards. The N. C. crop reporting service estimates the average production from 1931 to 1933, inclusive, as 245,000 barrels and in 1934 the commercial

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Auto License Costs Lowered; Salaries Go Up

Apparent That Legislature Will Agree On Small Reduction On Auto Tags

The senate on Friday passed a measure providing for a decrease of 10 cents per hundredweight on price of automobile tags.

The present price is 55 cents for each hundred pounds of automobile and the new law would make it 45 cents with a minimum price of \$8 instead of the present \$12.50.

The bill will now go before the house, and observers at Raleigh are confident that the house will approve the measure, since it is known that a large block of members favor reduction below that figure.

The appropriations bill, which has passed the house and will go before the senate this week, calls for a total expenditure of around \$65,000,000, one of its provisions being a 20 to 25 per cent increase in salaries of all state employees, including school teachers.

A bill to prevent dumping rubbish or garbage within 300 yards of a highway was passed but not until 35 counties had been excluded from its provisions by amendments.

The Men's Shop Will Open Here

W. C. Marlow To Open Store On Corner of B and Ninth Streets in Few Days

The Men's Shop, newest addition to North Wilkesboro's business firms, will open soon on the corner of B and Ninth streets, former location of the Economy Auto Supply.

W. C. (Bill) Marlow, popular young man of this city, will be owner and manager of the new firm, which will deal exclusively in men's wearing apparel.

Mr. Marlow returned a few days ago from New York City, where he made extensive purchases in anticipation of the opening. A complete stock of men's apparel, all new and fresh from the factories and markets, will be carried. He stated today that he will carry quality lines of clothing but at the lowest prices possible consistent with quality. A cash policy will be adhered to.

Suits, hats, shoes, shirts, ties, socks, belts, suspenders, underwear and other items for men will be carried in all the latest styles, according to a statement by Mr. Marlow today.

The store building has been attractively and conveniently furnished and fixtures have been installed. Announcement of the store opening will appear in this newspaper in a few days.

Miss Marjorie Faw, student at Guilford College, was here last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Faw, for the spring holidays.

Extra Term Wilkes Court Under New Law Will Convene In Wilkesboro on April 22nd; Will Be a Mixed Term

Great American Game Gets Under Way
Here Are Pictured Two Universal Stars in Baseball, Who Will Attract the Attention of Fans This Year.



New York.—Another baseball season gets under way. The 1935 pennant war swings into action in leagues all over the land, within the next two weeks. On the left is Babe Ruth, mighty batsman. On the right, Jerome "Dizzy" Dean, great pitching star. Their every meeting, as the Boston Braves play the St. Louis Cardinals, will be noted by millions of baseball fans, everywhere.

Illustrated Lecture On Soil Erosion Given Before Crowd Thursday Night

Two Men From Anson County Project Show How Damages of Soil Are Arrested

Two representatives of the soil erosion service who are now connected with the federal project in Anson county gave an illustrated lecture to a representative crowd of Wilkes people at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Thursday night.

J. M. German, master of the Wilkes Pomona Grange, sponsor of the meeting, presided. E. S. Vanatta, state master of the Grange, was to have been present but could not attend.

The lecture, illustrated with moving picture slides, was very interesting and vividly portrayed the work of the soil erosion service. The opinion was expressed that the meeting will prove of inestimable benefit in arousing the people to a sense of responsibility in retaining the soil through erosion control methods.

Singing Held At Harmony Church

Classes From Eight Churches Present; Next Session At Arbor Grove

Singing classes from eight churches gathered at Harmony Baptist church five miles west of this city Sunday to take part in one of the most successful singing conventions in the history of the Blue Ridge Singing Association.

A crowd which more than filled the church gathered to take part in the singing and to hear gospel songs by the classes. The following churches were represented by choirs: Harmony, Arbor Grove, Mount Pleasant, White oak, Stony Fork, West Jefferson, Arbor Grove and Mount Vernon.

The next session of the association, which will be on Sunday, June 30, will be held at Arbor Grove Methodist church near Millers Creek.

Rabies Epidemic

Elkin, March 31.—With no abatement in the epidemic of rabies which has been prevalent for many weeks in Surry county, health authorities are urging citizens to observe every precaution looking to the protection of people and livestock against animals which may have been exposed to the infection. More than 40 persons in the county have resorted to the Pasteur treatment during the epidemic which has raged for two months.

Presiding Judge Not Determined

Law Providing Six Courts Each Year Passed Legislature Last Week

Wilkes county's first term of court provided in a measure introduced and passed in both houses of the legislature several days ago will convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, April 22.

The April court will be for two weeks and will be for the trial of both criminal and civil actions, although it is expected that the criminal docket will occupy one week and civil the other in the term this month.

Due to the congested dockets of the courts in the county the Wilkes Bar Association recommended that additional terms of court be provided for the county and the new law prescribes a two-weeks term in April and another in November, in addition to the regular terms in March, June, August and October. However, grand juries will serve only at the March and August terms as heretofore.

Although a great many cases were removed from the criminal docket by trial and nol pros at the March term, there are over 200 still pending. Solicitor John R. Jones has stated his determination to clear the docket as nearly as possible during the April term.

Judge W. F. Harding is now presiding over courts in this, the 17th judicial district, but it was learned here that he has been named to preside over a special term elsewhere. No announcement has been made from official sources in regard to who will be the judge and it may be that Judge T. B. Finley, of this city, emergency jurist, will be designated to preside.

Let Contract For Wilkesboro Street

Sometime This Week; Will Be of Asphalt Construction Through Town

The state highway and public works commission will let contract this week for asphalt surface on the remainder of Wilkesboro's main street, it was learned unofficially here this week.

One part of the project has already been constructed, that being from the Midway Service Station to a point just west of the courthouse.

Contract will be let this week for asphalt surface on the street from the end of the present asphalt surface to the West End Service Station.

The asphalt surface on top of the worn-out concrete makes a most satisfactory thoroughfare and the general public will be pleased to learn that the street is to be completed.

Methodist Hosts Gather Thursday At Winston-Salem

Bishop Kern Leads Great Evangelistic Meet; Many Will Go From Here

The Southern Methodist Church is now in the midst of twelve great regional conferences on evangelism. At the first one, held last week at Jackson, Miss., it was estimated that a thousand people were turned away from the night service. A special train brought two hundred and fifty preachers and laymen from a neighboring city.

Bishop Paul B. Kern, of Greensboro, will lead the Regional Conference for this area on Thursday of this week at Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem. A motorcade is being organized to go from the North Wilkesboro Methodist church. Every member who can furnish a car is requested to telephone the pastor, and all who would like to attend are also asked to let the pastor know as soon as possible so that places may be provided for all.

The program for the conference will be as follows: (Continued on page five)