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Late News of State and Nation

Food Prices Drop
Washington, July 30.—A sharp drop in retail food prices was reported today by the labor department for the two weeks ended July 18.

League In Meeting
Geneva, July 30.—With peace in Africa and possibly the future of the League of Nations at stake, statesmen of many nations gathered tonight for tomorrow's extraordinary session of the League of Nations council.

Six Convicts Escape
Mount Airy, July 30.—Six negro convicts escaped from long-term prison camp, four miles north of Dobson, late yesterday morning. Three had been apprehended by officers today.

Five Liquor Stores
Wilmington, July 30.—Five liquor stores in New Hanover county will be opened not later than August 6, the board of alcohol beverage control announced today. Three of the stores will be in Wilmington, one each at Wrightsville and Carolina beaches.

Large Seizure Wine
Goldsboro, July 30.—Federal agents today seized 5,500 gallons of homemade wine from L. B. Dall, farmer of the Mount Olive community, but returned it to him when he convinced them that he had made unsuccessful efforts to obtain the required government permit.

Girl Is Drowned
Fayetteville, July 30.—Searchers this morning recovered the body of Miss Ella May Panther, 18, of Gastonia, who was drowned in Rockfish creek, near here, yesterday afternoon while swimming with a party of friends. Coroner W. C. Davis considered an inquest unnecessary.

Add To Forests
Washington, July 30.—Almost 30,000 acres of North Carolina timber lands today were added to the Nantahala and Cherokee national forests through a purchase made by the national forest service. The lands are in Chatham, Macon, Jackson, Graham, Clay and Swain counties.

Woman Is Drowned
Wilmington, July 30.—The body of Julia Burnell, 33, native of Cordele, Ga., missing since early Sunday morning, was found floating in the Cape Fear river here this morning. Coroner Asa W. Allan, who examined the body and investigated the case, said he was convinced the woman was a victim of accidental drowning.

Burglars In Elkin
Elkin, July 30.—Burglarizing gangs have found Elkin and vicinity fertile fields in recent days. Earl Monday morning the Snyder - Spahnour department store, one of Elkin's most important business establishments, was entered and robbed of a considerable amount of stock from the men's clothing department and the ladies' ready-to-wear department. Several tailored suits were included in the loot.

Injuries Are Fatal
Wilson, July 29.—Wright Narver, Elm City youth, died in a local hospital early this morning from injuries sustained Saturday afternoon when he fell from a railroad trestle which he was attempting to cross on his bicycle.

T. B. Clinic To Begin Aug. 19
Persons Needing Examination Should Make Appointment At Health Office

A tuberculosis clinic for free examination of tuberculosis suspects will be conducted in Wilkesboro for two weeks, beginning on Monday, August 19, it was announced today by Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer.

The clinic will be conducted jointly by the county and state health departments and it is expected that Dr. H. F. Easom, specialist from the state sanatorium, will make the examinations.

Those who wish to take advantage of the opportunity for examination should make appointment with the county health office. In order that all persons needing an examination and diagnosis may be accommodated it is very necessary that appointments be made in advance.

The clinic will be available for persons who have reason to believe they have contracted

Highway Patrol Will Give Drivers' Licenses

BIBLE READER

New York Man Reads Bible Through 57 Times



Yonkers, N. Y. . . . Dr. Wm. A. Woodward (above), printer and bookseller, is the all-time champion bible reader. During the last year he read the bible through six times for a grand total of 57 readings, finishing on his 73rd birthday. He started it as a hobby in 1872.

Key Positions In District Office WPA Are Filled

Two From District ERA Office Here Placed On Winston-Salem WPA Staff

Appointment of men to key positions in the district Works Progress Administration office in Winston-Salem have been announced by J. B. Roach, district administrator.

The office at Winston-Salem will serve a large district composed of many northwestern counties. The appointments by Roach are as follows:

H. Walker Powell, former Stokes - Forsyth Era district works supervisor, has been named WPA supervisor of the division of progress and planning.

P. L. Withers, of Winston-Salem, is appointed supervisor of the division of finance and reports.

Planning and analysis of progress service projects, under Mr. Powell, will be in charge of J. E. Ellerbe, Winston-Salem engineer.

I. A. Hines, of the Winston-Salem ERA district, will have charge of planning and analysis of construction and materials under the planning division supervisor.

Mr. Withers, likewise, will have two assistants.

T. Edwin Moore, of the Wilkes ERA district, will serve under him in charge of the finance.

Guy R. Norman, also of the Wilkes ERA staff, will have charge of reports and research.

Three other key staff appointments were announced by the administrator:

George L. Burke, of Spencer, will be supervisor of the division of labor relations and inventory.

B. C. Thompson, of Sparta, will be personnel officer.

D. M. Kreswell, of the Iredell ERA district, will be office manager.

Mr. Roach, whose assistant in the office is J. C. Cole, stated that his office has been permitted a personnel of 45 during August.

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Former Wilkes Man Being Held

George Marro, Prison Escapace, May Fight Extradition From Kentucky

Raleigh, July 30.—M. P. Alexander, fugitive officer for the North Carolina prison department, left for Middleboro, Ky., today to attempt to return George Marro, alias Jesse Reed, who escaped from prison in 1921 after serving one year of a 6-10 years' sentence for incest in Wilkes county.

Marro, who has been employed for the past nine years by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company, has indicated that he will fight extradition. Now the father of five children, he is in the Middleboro jail in default of \$5,000 bond.

Start Issuance Late In August

Patrol To Be Reorganized With Three Troops When Recruits In Training Are Added

Lieut. W. J. Croom, commanding officer of troop two of the state highway patrol, stated yesterday that the issuance of state driver's licenses will be supervised by the patrol.

Under the new set-up the state is divided into three sections with a patrol troop over each. When the new officers are added following the completion of their course of training at Raleigh, there will be 40 officers in each troop. These will include the commanding lieutenant, four sergeants, four corporals and 31 patrolmen.

Lieutenant Croom, who is assisting in the patrol training school at Raleigh, stated that no definite date has been set on which the issuance of the driver's licenses will begin, but that indications are it will get under way about the last of August. Licenses will be issued free to private drivers who secure them before November 1. After that time there will be a charge. Chauffeurs are required to have special driver's licenses for which an annual fee of two dollars is charged.

It was explained that the new state driver's licenses will not be issued to drivers who have been arrested during the past 12 months on a major traffic charge without examination for the applicant. A fee of one dollar is attached in such cases.

Start Work On Fairgrounds Here

Work of Placing Grounds In Shape to Get Under Way Soon; Attractions Engaged

Work of placing the fairgrounds here in shape for the tenth annual exposition of the Great Wilkes Fair to be held on September 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 will begin on August 15, it was learned today from W. A. McNeill, president and general manager of the fair association.

Several improvements are to be made on the fair property before the gala event opens this year. A new entrance will be constructed and turnstile meters will be installed to record the admissions to the grounds.

Meanwhile plans for the event are going forward at a rapid pace and all indications point to the most successful fair in the history of the association.

Premium List Out
The premiums lists have been published and many have been mailed out to former exhibitors. All who are interested in exhibiting anything for the fair and do not have a list are invited to call at the office of J. C. Wallace on C street for a copy and entry blanks.

The lists this year offers liberal cash premiums, which were substantially increased from what was offered last year.

Good Free Acts
The free act department of the fair is getting special attention this year and promises to be far better than anything previously offered. Some of the best acts obtainable have been booked for the event.

Automobile Races
Automobile races, which proved to be so thrilling on the last day of the 1934 fair, will be here again on Saturday of the fair this year. Saturday will be a red letter day for thrills with stock car collisions, motorcycles crashing through plate glass and other acts that have thrilled thousands at many of the largest fairs in the country.

Attend Furniture Show
Mr. and Mrs. Avery Whittington, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Kirkpatrick, of Taylorsville, spent Tuesday in High Point attending the furniture show and buying furniture for the Mark-Down Furniture store here and Smith's store in Taylorsville.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pound, of Charlotte, Sunday, a son.

IN JAM NOW

Girl Weds Chinese Student Already Married



Columbus, O. . . . K. M. James Lin (below), foster son of the President of China and a Chinese student at Ohio State U. here, and his bride, Viola Brown, American shop girl (above), are in a peck of trouble. Reports from home say Lin is already married.

Debt Adjustment Committee Will Meet August 8th

Blanks For Distressed Debtors May Be Obtained at County Agent's Office

Farm debt adjustment committee appointed by Governor Eiringhaus for Wilkes county will meet in the district ERA office in this city on Thursday, August 8, at ten a. m., it was learned today.

Any debtor who wants to aid of the debt conciliation commission may have his cases considered by obtaining an application blank, which are being given out by A. G. Hendree, county farm agent, at his office in the courthouse in Wilkesboro. After the form is filled with the information called for the applicant should carry it before the commission in the meeting on August 8.

The farm debt conciliation committee works as a go-between for the debtor and creditor in an effort to work out an arrangement satisfactory to both sides and is more especially for the farmer whose home is about to be foreclosed for debts or mortgages.

The Wilkes commission is composed of T. W. Ferguson, C. T. Doughton, R. W. Gwyn, Grady Miller, T. S. Bryan, J. M. German and C. A. Lowe.

Aderholdt Will Speak In Union Service Sunday

Will Be Held at Presbyterian Church Sunday Evening; Everybody Invited

Prof. V. V. Aderholdt, of Lenoir-Rhyne College, will be the speaker for the union service to be held at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening.

A series of union services are being held on Sunday evenings with congregations of the First Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches uniting. The first was held last Sunday at the Baptist church with Rufus Morrow as speaker.

Prof. Aderholdt will supply Sunday evening for Rev. H. K. King, Methodist pastor, who is studying for a few weeks in the University of Chicago summer school.

Auto Recovered

A Plymouth sedan belonging to Ivey Moore, who is attending the furniture show in High Point as a representative of the Home Chair company, was stolen from the streets of High Point Thursday.

The car was found in Burlington Tuesday and had been damaged very little. The radio had been taken from the car, however.

Relief Cases Are Registering Fast At Office of NRS

Around 80 Per Cent of Emphatics On Relief Are Applying For Jobs

REFERRING AGENCY

Re-employment Service to Act as Referring Agency to Works Progress Setup

Around 80 per cent of employable persons on relief rolls in Wilkes county have registered at the local re-employment office, it was learned this morning.

Registration of relief cases at the re-employment office is due mainly to the transition of relief setup into the works progress administration's plans for ending the dole by work-relief projects and persons heretofore cared for by the emergency relief administration are being notified that further government aid will be in the form of jobs and work projects.

The national re-employment offices will serve as a referring agency and therefore it is necessary for any person on relief to register in order to secure a job on a works relief project.

Although getting off to a somewhat belated start the works progress administration is rapidly taking form and is attracting wide attention. The following facts were released for publication today by national WPA headquarters.

The drive to employ the country's able workers on government jobs and to direct them into available private employment will not miss the country areas and small towns, Harry L. Hopkins, Works Progress Administrator, said today.

That there is urgent necessity to care for the Nation's rural and small town unemployed is shown by the fact that approximately 40 per cent of the 5,000,000 families on relief are to be found in the open country and towns under 5,000 in population, Mr. Hopkins said.

"The city used to be a giant magnet drawing unemployed labor from the country," Mr. Hopkins pointed out. "This is no longer true. For a while, after the beginning of the depression, the flow was reversed, going from city to country. Now even this movement has slowed down. Unemployed needy people are in both city and country."

"Work is largely the answer for both areas," he said.

This is borne out by the fact that, contrary to the general belief, a majority of the families on relief in the open country are those whose economic heads, whether men or women, are not farm operators. They comprise a group of workers who maintained themselves in the past by working at a great variety of trades and jobs.

"It is plain that the country and small town problem is not predominantly a farm-operator problem but essentially one of finding work for non agricultural workers, just as it is in the city," Mr. Hopkins declared.

"Plans are being made under the \$4,000,000,000 Works Program to take care of the rural unemployed who were on relief rolls as of May, 1935," he continued. "One of the main features of this program will be an extensive secondary road-building program. A substantial sum will be spent by the Works Progress Administration for this purpose."

About two-thirds of the roads in the United States are not State highways subject to Federal funds. It is these roads which will come under the Works Progress Administration.

WILL PLAY HICKORY HERE ON FRIDAY

North Wilkesboro baseball team (Home Chair) will play Hickory here Friday afternoon in the second game for the home team in the Charlotte Observer's semi-pro tourney.

The first game went to Hickory 9 to 5 but it is expected that the home team will play an even better game on its home grounds. One of the largest crowds of the season is expected to witness the contest. A strong team will be engaged for the Sunday afternoon game here, it was learned today.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron H. Pearson are spending a week at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

No Schools To Open Until August 28th

FOR LOTTERIES

Would Maintain Hospitals With Lottery Funds



New York . . . "People are beginning to see that we've been building hospitals in Europe . . . while this fall 100 hospitals in N. Y. state alone will close for lack of funds," says Mrs. Oliver Harriman, prominent social leader, (above), who is helping lead the fight for legalized national lotteries in the U. S.

Delay Is Due To Fear Of Paralysis

State Health Department Advises Strongly Against Early Opening of Schools

Although 12 schools in Wilkes county had planned to open today, there will be none opening until August 28, according to a statement this morning by C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools.

Action in holding up early opening of any of the schools was taken by county school authorities after they had been advised by the state board of health to delay opening of any schools until early fall.

Two school opening dates had been planned for the county. Any outlying school without transportation was to be allowed to open on August 1 and all central schools and others having interlocking transportation system were to open on August 28. This system of uniform dates for school openings was fixed for convenience and efficiency in reports, schedules and transportation facilities.

Although there have been no cases of infantile paralysis reported in Wilkes this year it was deemed best by school authorities to follow the advice of the health department and to cooperate in its efforts to prevent spread of the disease into this immediate section of the state.

Supt. Eller expressed the hope that all the schools may be able to start on August 28 if infantile paralysis continues on the decline throughout the state and if no cases are found in Wilkes.

Court To Start Monday Morning In Wilkesboro

Judge Don Phillips Will Preside Over Criminal Term; Average Docket For Trial

Judge Don Phillips, of Rockingham county, will preside over the August term of Wilkes superior court to convene at the county courthouse in Wilkesboro Monday.

The term is for two weeks and will be for trial of criminal cases. There will be around 125 cases docketed for trial, which is considered about an average docket when the court calendar is not congested. For the first time in many years court will convene without several hundred cases pending trial and with eight additional weeks of court yearly for Wilkes it is expected that the criminal docket can be kept at a comparatively low level.

There will be a grand jury for the term beginning Monday, although the number of bills facing that body will be somewhat small as compared with the crop in several court terms during the past five years.

Solicitor Jones warns all defendants and witnesses be on hand when the cases in which they are interested are called for trial. Failure to be at court may prove very costly neglect. Only by promptness and cooperation of all concerned can the business of the courts be carried on efficiently, is the general opinion expressed by court officials.

Club Leader Will Visit In County

L. R. Harrell, North Carolina 4-H club leader, will be in Wilkes county on Wednesday, August 7, for the purpose of observing progress being made by 4-H club members. It is expected that he will visit a number of the homes where 4-H club projects are under way and render any advice or assistance possible to the members in carrying on their work.

FORMAL OPENING OF BOWLING ALLEYS ON FRIDAY NIGHT HERE

Formal opening of the City Bowling Parlor in the Poindexter Building next door to the Rexall Store will be on Friday night at eight o'clock. George S. Walton, new manager, announced this week.

A special occasion is planned for the formal opening and Mayor R. T. McNeill will throw the first ball. Ladies are especially invited and will be allowed to bowl free. Flowers will be given to the ladies and grand prizes will be awarded for the highest score by ladies and the highest men's score. An added attraction will be a match between a team from Hickory and a group of North Wilkesboro's best bowlers. "Bowl for health's sake" is the slogan of the establishment.

TENNESSEE REFUSES TO REPEAL DRY LAW

Nashville, Tenn., July 29.—Observations of a prohibition leader that "numbers of beautiful young girls" drank bootleg liquor in Nashville "speakeasies" were seized upon by repealists today in a vigorous but unsuccessful effort to put through the Tennessee house of representatives a proposal to legalize liquor.

The House voted 40 to 41 to table the proposal, which was offered as an amendment to an old-age pension bill. The pension bill later was passed overwhelmingly. Repeal proponents said they would make another session attempt before the session ends Saturday.

Ransom Mastin Killed in W. Va.

Wilkes Resident Victim of Automobile in Mayberry, West Virginia

Ransom Mastin, a former resident of the Call section of Wilkes county, died in a hospital at Mayberry, W. Va., on July 21, after he was hit by an automobile there on the previous night.

Mr. Mastin was 55 years of age and was well known in his home community in this county, where he was a member of Fishing Creek Arbor church. He was a son of the late Mrs. Cynthia Mastin, who died two months ago. He leaves a wife, three children and three sisters.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, July 22, at Fishing Creek Arbor church with Revs. J. A. Foster, George Curry and Purvis Parks in charge.

AGED RESIDENT OF PORES KNOB DIES

John A. Smith, aged and respected citizen of his community, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. E. P. Lowe, at Pores Knob Tuesday evening at 7:30. He was 85 years of age and had been in ill health for several weeks.

Funeral service was held at Walnut Grove Baptist church this morning in the presence of a large crowd.

Among the surviving children who are well known in this section are Mrs. E. P. Lowe and Mrs. Margaret Kerley, of Pores Knob, and a brother, Lewis Smith, also of Pores Knob.