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Late News of State and Nation

Denies Charges
Raleigh, Aug. 2.—Edwin Gill, commissioner of paroles, today denied accusations of Frank N. Littlejohn, assistant police chief at Charlotte, that the North Carolina parole system was a "wholesale granting of paroles."

More Electric Lines
Raleigh, Aug. 2.—The Duke Power Company is considering the construction of 447.1 miles of rural extension lines in North Carolina. Stanley W. Wabers, chairman of the state utilities commission, announced Thursday.

Called For Assault
Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 2.—State police today announced George French, alias James Johnson, alias Jake Johnson, a Negro in jail here, is wanted in Rockingham county, North Carolina, on a charge of assaulting a white woman and burglar. The Negro was arrested here Wednesday.

Four Eight Operations
New York, Aug. 2.—Dared of an uncommon and bone disease after eight operations and 35 blood transfusions, 14-year-old Harold Pfleger prepared tonight to leave New York hospital for the home which he had given up hope of ever seeing again.

Says Woman Was Witch
Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 2.—Mrs. Matilda Waldman, a staid, matronly woman, walked into the delicatessen of her former friend, Mrs. Ida Rose Cooper today, and shot her dead because she believed she was a witch. Mrs. Waldman had complained to police that Mrs. Cooper had bewitched her with "fireballs" which for three years danced before her eyes, played about her bedroom and burned her husband's legs.

Wound Self Inflicted
Albany, Aug. 2.—Coroner R. M. Laffer today expressed belief the bullet which killed William Dry, 20-year-old farm youth turned bandit, came from Dry's own gun. An examination of the body of the youth, fatally shot yesterday in an attempted hold-up of the Home Builders association here, disclosed he was struck by two bullets, one in the right shoulder and one in the head.

Rabies Vaccine Is Being Distributed

Inspectors May Get Supply From Office of Health Department

Part of the supply of rabies vaccine for Wilkes county has arrived and is now ready for distribution to the township rabies inspectors by the county health officer.

The vaccine was ordered by the county several weeks ago from the state by O. F. Eller, register of deeds, but state authorities had some difficulty in obtaining an adequate supply of the serum. However, the order was partially filled and inspectors may get enough to begin vaccinating dogs and get the work under way at once.

Vaccination of all dogs against rabies is mandatory under an act passed by the last legislature and inspectors for the various townships were named recently to administer the vaccine.

The inspectors will make vaccination appointments in their townships and it will be the duty of every dog owner to see that his dog is given the vaccine. A minimum fine of \$10 is prescribed by law for failure to observe the law while the maximum fine is \$50 with imprisonment optional with the court.

A. S. CASSEL WILL CONDUCT SERVICES

A. S. Cassel, active worker in the Wilkes Evangelistic Club, will conduct services next Sunday at Millers Creek and Charity Methodist churches. Services will be held at Millers Creek at 11 a. m. and at Charity at 3:00 p. m. The public has a most cordial invitation to attend. Announcement of the services was made by Rev. J. C. Gentry, pastor.

WILKESBORO GRANGE MEETS TUESDAY NIGHT

Wilkesboro subordinate Grange will hold an important meeting at the courthouse tomorrow night, eight o'clock. Attendance of every member is particularly desired.

Judge Phillips Opens Criminal Court Session

Very Instructive Charge Delivered to Grand Jury in Wilkes Court Today TO CLEAR DOCKET

Only About 125 Cases Pending Trial at This Term; Few Important Cases

Declaring that "no man is so high that he should escape punishment from the law and that no man is so low that he should not have the law's protection," Judge Don Phillips delivered a most instructive charge to the grand jury in the opening of the August term of Wilkes court in Wilkesboro this morning.

Judge Phillips urged the grand jurors to diligently inquire into every bill of indictment in order that offenders might be brought to trial and that citizens should not be persecuted because of prejudices in various communities.

In his instructions in regard to inspection of county property he called attention to the fact that a number of prisoners recently broke out of the jail by carving a hole through the roof. He asked the grand jury to inspect the county bastille and if they found that the roof of the jail was inadequate to hold prisoners to make recommendations to that effect.

His charge was very comprehensive and covered the duties of the grand jury fully. He stated that that body is a most integral part of the courts and must function properly in order for the court to accomplish its purpose. George A. Crysel is grand jury foreman.

The term which began this morning is for two weeks and will be for trial of criminal cases. In contrast to Wilkes courts during the past ten years there are only about 125 cases pending trial, this estimate including what the grand jury can reasonably be expected to return as true bills. Solicitor John R. Jones stated that he was confident that the docket can be cleared.

It is interesting to note that the grand jury at the present term will have but very few bills charging the more felonious crimes and no one is expected to be put on trial for first degree murder, although there are three cases charging murder.

G. P. Dockery, Jr. Accidentally Shot

Elkin Youth, Grandson of Mrs. C. H. Somers, Dies of Rifle Wound in Head

G. P. Dockery, Jr., 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Dockery, of Elkin, accidentally discharged a .22 rifle into his head late Sunday afternoon, death occurring shortly afterwards. The victim of the accident with his parents had driven out to the Dockery farm near Zephyr to spend the afternoon. The fatality occurred while the boy with his cousins, were in a room of the home. He was examining his cousins' rifle when it accidentally discharged as he sat in his chair.

The victim was a son of one of Elkin's most prominent families. His mother before her marriage was Miss Hallie Somers, a daughter of Mrs. C. H. Somers, of Wilkesboro, and numerous friends of the family in this part of the state will be sorry to learn of the tragedy.

Funeral service will be held in Elkin Tuesday morning, ten o'clock.

Mt. Pisgah Church Has Good Revival

A most successful revival meeting closed at Mt. Pisgah Baptist church Sunday. Rev. L. B. Murray, pastor, was in charge and much interest was shown throughout the series of services. Twenty-four were added to the church by baptism and three by letter.

Miss Mable Scott and her guest, Miss Ione Galligher, of Chicago, left today for a week's stay at Myrtle Beach, S. C. Miss Galligher spent last week here with Miss Scott at the Wilkes Hotel.

J. ROGAN ROUSSEAU IS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. Rogan Rousseau, for many years a leader in Democratic politics in Wilkes county, was elected chairman of the county Democratic executive committee in a call meeting held at Hotel Wilkes on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Rousseau succeeds D. J. Brookshire, who was elected chairman in the spring of 1933 to succeed J. C. Reins,

who resigned when he was appointed postmaster at North Wilkesboro.

The meeting Saturday afternoon was attended by nineteen of the twenty-nine members representing the 29 precincts in the county. No business of public interest other than the election of a chairman was taken up.

Mr. Rousseau, who is deputy collector of revenue for the state in this district, has long

been prominent in local and state politics. At present he is a member of the state executive committee. For several years he was secretary of the county executive committee. His election Saturday as chairman was without opposition.

C. O. McNeill is secretary of the county Democratic executive committee, having been elected to that post when D. J. Brookshire, then secretary, was named chairman.

FOR CABINET? Frank Walker Stated To Succeed Postmaster General



Washington. . . . Despite that Frank C. Walker (above), wants to retire to private life when he finishes his work relief job, President Roosevelt is reported urging him to accept a cabinet post, that of Postmaster General Farley, who is shortly to resign and devote himself to the duties as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Rush Orders On Furniture For Postoffice Here

Congressman Lambeth Explains Delay in Opening of New Building in City

In response to a telegram by five local business men to Congressman Walter Lambeth asking him to investigate the delay in opening of the new postoffice building for North Wilkesboro the congressman stated that he had taken the matter up with the postoffice department and that the contractors who were to furnish the furniture had been wired to rush the order.

Delay in moving the postoffice from its present quarters on B street to the new building on C street is due, it is said, to delay in obtaining the proper furniture and fixtures. Although Postmaster J. C. Reins has been asked by the department to rent the needed furniture efforts to accomplish this have been unsuccessful and opening may not be until the contracted furniture arrives.

Following is a copy of the correspondence relating to the opening of the new building: Hon. Walter Lambeth, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

"Are you aware of the fact that we are being deprived of the use of our fine new post office, which has been completed over sixty days. We understand (Continued on page five)

Oxford Singing Class To Come Here Wednesday

Will Give Concert in Graded School Auditorium Wednesday Night, 8 o'Clock

Singing class of the Masonic orphanage at Oxford will visit North Wilkesboro Wednesday and render a concert in the graded school auditorium beginning at 8 o'clock. Proceeds from the admission charge will go for the benefit of the institution and wholehearted support on the part of citizens is earnestly solicited.

The class will arrive here in the orphanage bus and will be entertained in the homes of Masons during their stay in the city. The visit of the class is always an anticipated event by those who are interested in children and who wish to see an example of training given the orphans by this well known institution.

The program to be rendered here will be varied and will please the most discriminating, according to reports from cities in which the class has appeared this year. The following press comment is taken from the Greensboro Daily News:

"The Oxford Orphanage singing class, making its annual appearance here in Odell Memorial auditorium at Greensboro' College last night, captured the large audience and went away with resounding praise. Many of those who heard the concert said it was the most delightful to which they had ever listened. The material selected and the manner in which these well-trained children from the institution which the Masons maintain at Oxford played their parts made the program one of enjoyment from start to finish. There were songs by the entire class, readings, recitations, pageants and drills—a variety that could do nothing but please the audience of several hundred, made up of persons of all ages. And when those children got down to 'Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf,' Disney's popular piece, the audience simply had to sway to the tunes, which were sung in a way which many had never heard them sung before."

P. W. Eshelman Named Boy Scout Commissioner Here

P. W. Eshelman, president of Wilkes Hosiery Mills company and a leader in civic and community affairs, has been installed as Scout Commissioner for this district, succeeding H. V. Wagoner, who moved recently to Philadelphia.

Mr. Eshelman has already taken up his duties in that capacity and is devoting considerable attention to the work.

IS SENSATION Crime Student Works Wonders With Saint Paul Police



St. Paul. . . . Wallace Jamie, 27, (above), crime student at the University of Chicago, is the young man who brought about the shake-up of the police department here and was made Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety.

6 Prisoners Who Escaped Wilkes Jail Recaptured

Only Two of Eight Jailbreakers Are Still at Large as Court Convenes

Only two of the eight prisoners who broke out of Wilkes jail by carving a hole through the roof with pocket knives on July 26 are still at large, it was learned today from Sheriff W. B. Somers, who re-incarcerated Charlie Gross after he was taken yesterday at his home.

Gross was a federal prisoner, jailed on a charge of possession of liquor. Reubin Davis, colored man jailed on the charge of attempt to rape, voluntarily returned to jail one day last week, saying that he was not trying to get away but that he took advantage of the chance to escape to attend to some "business matters."

The two now at large are Don Sprinkle, wanted in connection with the holding up of Sherman Ellledge's filling station at Hays, and Kirby Nichols, who was serving a term at the county home, escaped and was later placed in jail.

Robert Walker, Watauga man wanted for endorsing government vouchers, Reece Jordan, Grayson Howell and Ansel Jones, jailed on larceny charges, were captured soon after they escaped.

Mr. J. O. Pennel and family have returned to their home in Columbus, Ga., after spending a few days with Mr. Pennell's sister, Mrs. J. M. Bumgarner, in Wilkesboro, and his mother, Mrs. W. T. Pennel, in Greensboro.

Legal Difficulty Over Parkway Right of Way Removed; Work Will Start In Next Few Days

Start of construction work on the first link of the great scenic parkway connecting Shenandoah and Smoky Mountains national parks has been virtually assured and the first dirt should be moved within a few weeks.

The great project has been held up for a short while due to a legal hitch in regard to rights-of-way.

While a case is pending in court in Virginia it was believed that North Carolina will have no difficulty in furnishing the right of way in this state. Charles Ross, attorney for the

state highway commission, has drawn up a contract with the federal government indemnifying it against all right of way claims and this contract is expected to meet the approval of Secretary Ickes and the state highway commission, whose mission in the project is to furnish the required lands on which to construct the elongated national park.

The right of way will range in width from 200 to 1,000 feet, depending upon the particular sections the scenic road will traverse.

The Federal bureau of roads

has already approved the low bid on the first twelve mile link from the North Carolina-Virginia line to a point near Roaring Gap. Nello Teer, Durham contractor who has constructed several mountain roads, including the Boone Trail, for the state, was low bidder and is reported ready to start work as soon as the word is given from the nation's capitol.

Plans are complete for the next section of the scenic road from near Roaring Gap to Air-bellows or perhaps Mulberry Gap on the Blue Ridge between Alleghany and Wilkes counties.

Thirty-Five Boys From Wilkes Are Enrolled in CCC Camp at Blanche

Fourth Enlistment Under Expansion Program Took Place in This City on Friday

RELIEF BURDEN LESS

Youths From Several Counties Gather Here For Examination and Enlistment

Youths from ten northwestern North Carolina counties were examined at the Armory here Friday by officers from Fort Bragg for enlistment in Civilian Conservation Camps. Included in the number were 35 from Wilkes county.

This was the fourth enlistment under a program of CCC expansion and is calculated to make relief for a large number of families unnecessary.

Those who passed the examination here Friday were assigned to the camp at Blanche, N. C. The Wilkes county youths were as follows:

Coy Absher, Arnie Anderson, Greeley Church, Monroe Griffin, Gilbert Hamby, Turner Hendrix, Aubrie Jolly, Wayne Minton, Lawrence Parsons, Reger V. Waters, Fred M. Wingler, Presley Adams, Willie Anderson, Conrad Carlton, Everette Church, Richard Tyson, Champ Hall, Ray Parsons, Allie Phillips, Woodrow Roberts, Thomas Russel, Arnold Spears, Bill Wyatt, Presley Ashley, Olin Blackburn, John Cartner, Howard Church, Harrison Hall, Joe Jones, Joe Spivey, George Yale, Howard Saults, Fred Church, Ernest Johnson and Russel Hamby.

Everett Garris, a veteran, was assigned to the V. C. Camp at Bakersville.

C. C. Boys Are Building Road

Road Now Being Constructed Will Connect Stony Fork and Elk Valleys

A corps of young men from the James C. C. camp near Pular are beginning a new road today.

The camp members will construct a road from Stony Fork to Elkin, connecting the two valleys by four miles of road over what is known in that section as the Lee Hendrix Mountain.

Before the days of automobiles there was a wagon road across the mountain, but this road has not been traveled except on foot for the last 15 years. The old abandoned road will be regraded. Travel between the two valleys, only four miles apart, is about 20 miles by automobile at present. Construction of the new road will mean a great convenience to the people, at the same time providing a fire trail through several thousand acres of virgin timber.

Another Project Approved
It is understood that when this road is completed they will start work on a road between the vicinity in which Green Wellborn lives to a point on the Boone Trail near the Wilkes-Watauga line. This also will serve many people and at the same time add facilities for fighting forest fire in the timberlands of that area.

Dr. J. H. McNeill Returns To City

Has Been Taking Course in Internal Medicine in Harvard Medical School

Dr. J. H. McNeill, prominent physician here, returned to this city August 1 and has resumed his practice in his offices located over Horton's Drug Store.

Dr. McNeill spent three months in special study of internal medicine in the medical school of Harvard University, a course which is considered of much value to a medical doctor. The course dealt in special study of diseases of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, stomach and the general practice of internal medicine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cobb and little son, Ralph, all of McLeansville, and Miss Elizabeth Cobb, of Cherryville, were guests Thursday and Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Soebwell.

WPA Labor Scale For Wilkes To Be \$22 to \$42 Month

School Authorities Probe Possibility of Fighting WPA Labor On Buildings

20 PER CENT MATERIALS

County May Have To Furnish Part of Skilled Labor On School Projects

Works Progress Administration, which will eventually place relief with jobs on school projects, has set the scale of pay in Wilkes county at from \$22 to \$42 monthly, it was learned Thursday by C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, and C. O. McNeill, chairman of the county board of education, while on a visit to the district WPA office in Winston-Salem.

The superintendent and board chairman discussed the possibility of getting school buildings and additions in Wilkes approved as WPA projects and learned that it may be possible to secure cost of such labor at the WPA may be able to furnish and 20 per cent of cost of materials.

The main difficulty foreseen is the fact that the WPA, which is confined principally to relief case labor, may not be able to furnish the class of labor necessary for the erection of public buildings.

However, a check of registrations at the re-employment office here, which will act as a referring agency for the WPA, revealed that there are a number of first and second class carpenters registered on relief and if they will accept the wages offered by WPA there should be little difficulty in securing the manual labor in construction work.

Since the WPA is to supplant relief the object of comparatively low wages is obvious. Jobs on works projects will be by no means lucrative and the object of the administration is to encourage people to accept work for individuals and in industry rather than on works program projects.

Relief Cases Registered
Practically all employables on relief are registered at the re-employment office here in anticipation of the beginning of work through the WPA. Attention is called to the fact that if one registered during the past two months that re-registration is not necessary at the present time.

Judge Finley To Hold Four Courts

Commissioned For Terms At Murphy, Albemarle, Hayesville and Salisbury

Governor Ehringhaus has issued commissions to Judge T. E. Finley to hold the following courts: Murphy, August 5th; Albemarle, September 2nd; Hayesville, September 23rd; and Salisbury October 14th. These are what is known as conflict courts. At various times the legislature has authorized courts in these districts that conflict with other regular courts where the judge holding the regular courts in the districts are engaged, and therefore other judges have to be assigned to hold these conflict courts.

Three Big Games For This Week

White Oak Coming Here Saturday; To Play Chatham Here on Sunday

North Wilkesboro (Home Chair) baseball aggregation will have its hands full this week with three games with two of the best semi-pro outfits in the state. On Wednesday the local players will journey about 30 miles down the Yadkin to play their old rivals known as the Chatham Blanketeers at Elkin and the return game will be here Sunday at 3:30 o'clock.

On Saturday afternoon White Oaks team from Greensboro will play here. White Oaks has a good team as shown by the results of Thursday and Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Soebwell.