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Tobacco Market Report
Winston-Salem, Nov. 19.—The Winston-Salem market sold 941,448 pounds of tobacco for \$181,482.79, an average price of \$19.28 a hundred.

Ex-Slave, 105, Dead
Lenoir, Nov. 19.—Alex Vaught, negro, reputed to have been 105 years old last April, died near here today after an extended illness. A former slave in eastern Tennessee, he had no known relatives and was never married.

Killed At Crossing
Rocky Mount, Nov. 19.—Death came to J. H. Taylor, 53, grist mill operator and formerly with the Atlantic Coast Line here, when a southbound freight struck his car on a crossing here today.

President's Vacation
Washington, Nov. 19.—President Roosevelt plans to depart tomorrow night for his annual Thanksgiving visit to his home at Warm Springs, Ga. While there, the chief executive said today he hoped to push the 1937 budget toward completion.

Accidentally Killed
Morganton, Nov. 18.—Joe A. Bernard, 47, was found shot to death near his home at Valdese today, and a coroner's jury attributed death to accidental means. He was shot through the heart with a shotgun with which he was hunting a quarter of a mile from his home.

Age 29, 11 Children
Rutherfordton, Nov. 19.—Another son has just been born to Rev. Robert Early, minister living near here, and his wife—making the couple parents of 11 children, 10 of whom are living. Early is 29 years old. He was married when he was 16.

Infested With Twins
Mayodan, Nov. 19.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Tucker, twins, a boy and girl, Monday, November 11. Mrs. Tucker is a sister of Mrs. Alouzo Atwood, who gave birth to two sets of twins in 10 months. They also have another sister, Mrs. George Perdue, who gave birth to twins four months ago. They all reside in Mayodan.

Bank Robbed of \$2,500
Ahoskie, Nov. 19.—Bank of Hartselleville, 12 miles northeast of Ahoskie, was robbed early this morning of approximately \$2,500 in cash and valuable papers. Entrance was made through the rear window, and a torch used to cut the vault door. No trace of the robbers has been found.

Mrs. T. R. Roosevelt Ill
Glen Cove, N. Y., Nov. 19.—As her children kept vigil near her hospital bedside, some improvement was noted tonight in the condition of Mrs. Edith Kermit Roosevelt, widow of President Theodore Roosevelt, who suffered a grave heart attack yesterday in the course of convalescence from a fractured hip.

Jailed For Death
Kinston, Nov. 19.—Ed Stanley about 80, Jones county farmer, was found dead from a shotgun wound at his home near Trenton today. His wife and son were arrested and jailed here. Officers said Mrs. Stanley, 55, and Herbert Stanley, 57, confessed that the latter shot the axed man in the neck.

Woman Loses License
Raleigh, Nov. 19.—The highway safety division of the state department of revenue today announced the first revocation of a woman's driver's license under the 1935 act. The license revoked was that issued to Leona Jefferson, near Pinetown, in Beaufort county, division officials said. The official court notification showed she was convicted of "driving drunk."

Morgan's Outlook Gloomy
New York, Nov. 19.—Attacking the administration's taxation program, J. P. Morgan, the financier, predicted tonight upon his arrival from Europe that all private fortunes would be wiped out in the United States within 30 years unless taxes and governmental expenditures were cut.

More Cigarettes
Washington, Nov. 19.—That the cigarette industry is sharing in the general improvement experienced by business was indicated today by figures made public by the bureau of internal revenue, both as to the number of cigarettes withdrawn from warehouses for the trade during October, and by the amount of tax paid. Last month 12,710,877, 10 cigarettes were made available to the consumer, an increase of nearly two billion over the same period last year.

Wilkesboro Cases Are Reversed By Supreme Tribunal

High Court Reverses Two Decisions By Judges Clement and Phillips

MUCH LITIGATION
"Old Board" and Mayor Harris Win Suits Before Supreme Court

The supreme court of North Carolina handed down decisions yesterday that nullified the purported election in the town of Wilkesboro on May 7 and in so doing said in effect that the "old board" and mayor are the governing officials with rights to office. The decisions reversed both Judges J. H. Clement and F. Donald Phillips. Judge Clement had ordered the illegal ballots counted and results of the election certified. A decision by Judge Phillips ordered the books, funds and records of the town turned over to the "new board." He was both reversed and remanded.

The Wilkesboro election case has a long and interesting history of litigation which began on the day before the election date and ended in the supreme court's decisions. The decisions by the high tribunal means that W. E. Harris is mayor. C. E. Lenderman, Joe R. Barber, L. B. Dula and Ralph R. Reims, heretofore referred to as the "old board and mayor" are the governing officials of the town.

The litigation over the election began when a restraining order was issued on the evening before the election restraining T. S. Miller, registrar, and the other election officials from using any ticket other than the one bearing the signature of O. F. Blevins, town clerk, and classed as illegal a ticket bearing the signature of R. M. Brame, Jr., chairman of the county board of elections.

On the day of the election a hearing was held on the order signed by Judge F. A. Daniels, then holding court in Wilkesboro, and the restraining order was made permanent. Notice of appeal was filed. Notwithstanding the restraining order, T. S. Miller, registrar, allowed 57 of the illegal ballots to be cast in less than one hour of voting and the polls were closed by him for the day about the noon hour.

Mr. Miller was then cited for contempt of court and the ballots cast were ordered impounded by Judge Daniels, who signed another order setting the matter to be heard before Judge J. H. Clement in the June term of court. Judge Clement ordered the ballots cast to be canvassed and certified, notwithstanding the fact that Judge Daniels had ruled that they were illegal and that the "new board" had filed notice of appeal, although the appeal was never perfected.

When the ballots were counted it was found that the "new board" had a majority of votes cast and they issued a writ of mandamus asking the "old board" to turn over records, funds, etc., to the "new board." The writ was issued by Judge F. Donald (Continued on page eight)

Wilkes Corn Goes To Chicago Show

Wilkes Variety In Competition For Honors In International Show

Four Wilkes county farmers have started exhibits of corn to Chicago to compete in the grain show department of the International Livestock Exposition, it was learned today.

Samples of Wilkes County White, a variety of corn having its origin in the Purlear community, will be exhibited in the general classes by R. Don and Ted R. Nichols and in the 4-H club department by Quentin and Kermit Nichols.

Exhibits by Quentin Nichols have won the sweepstakes in the North Carolina state fair for two consecutive years and they are hoping for success in Chicago this year. The international show will be held there early in December and products from North Carolina will compete with exhibits from all states south of the Mason-Dixon line.

Spangler's G. O. P. Job



CHICAGO... Harrison E. Spangler (above), of Iowa, the strong man of the Western division of the National Republican party, is now directing the G.O.P. work from new headquarters opened here.

To Place Women Relief Eligibles In Sewing Rooms

Over 155 Now At Work In Wilkes County; Work Progressing in District

More than 150 women are now employed in Wilkes county in sewing rooms provided by the works progress administration, according to information today from Miss Ila Holman, in charge of the women's division of WPA in five counties, Wilkes, Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga and Alexander. A total of 360 women are now at work in the five-county district.

In keeping with the drive by the WPA to put all relief eligibles to work immediately, Miss Holman stated that she hoped that all women eligibles on relief rolls could be placed on jobs by Monday. This division of the drive to furnish work to relief families is considered of great importance, due to the fact that there are a large number of families without men able to work and in this manner the WPA can more fully carry out its purpose.

There are eleven sewing rooms in Wilkes county located in the following communities: Maple Springs, Congo, North Wilkesboro, Cycle, Lovelace, Brushy Mountain, Moravian Falls, Roaring River route 2, Hays, North Wilkesboro and Cairo, colored.

Three other sewing rooms will be established Monday in order that facilities may be provided for all eligibles to be placed on jobs.

Those employed, except for a small number of the more highly skilled, are being paid the minimum wage provided in WPA wage scales.

Mother And Her Three Children Burned To Death
Idaho Falls, Idaho, Nov. 20.—Mrs. Henry C. Beesley and her three young children were burned fatally today in a fire that destroyed their farm home near Roberts, Idaho.

Beesley said he filled the fuel tank on a gasoline-powered washing machine and left to attend to his chores. A short while later he saw flames sweeping the house. Investigating officers expressed belief the gasoline exploded.

Over 700 Placed On WPA Projects In Wilkes County

County-wide Road Project Now Under Way In Several Communities

ELIGIBLES ARE PLACED
Less Than 200 Men On Eligible Relief Lists Yet To Be Given Jobs

With over 700 men of relief families employed on WPA projects in Wilkes county to date, there remain less than 200 to be placed in order to provide jobs for all classed as eligible by the relief administration. The county-wide road project, calling for improvement on a number of the county's most important secondary roads, got under way yesterday, providing jobs for a large number of men from relief families.

The Elkville-Darby road, road from John Eller's to route 60, from Champion to route 60, from Oakwoods to Wilkesboro, Hays to Traphill, and work on roads in the Gilreath, Lomax, Austin and Hunting Creek communities is under way.

The relief cases certified as eligible for work and who have not been given jobs are being placed as fast as arrangements can be made and work started on approved projects.

Orders to begin work are expected from the district office soon on some other general projects which have been approved. Reports from the office here indicate that practically all of those assigned to jobs so far have shown a remarkable willingness to work and that there is little difficulty experienced on that score.

Using 2 Shifts On Highway 16

Contractor Making Rapid Progress in Construction of New Highway

With more than 100 men working in two six-hour shifts, T. M. Strider and Company, Nashville contractors, are making rapid progress in the construction of highway 16 between Wilbar and the Wilkes-Ashe line at a point only a few miles from Glendale Springs.

A diesel shovel and modern accessory equipment is used in shaping the mountain grade, which engineers consider one of the best across the Blue Ridge in western North Carolina.

By using two shifts the contractors are enabled to spread employment among a greater number of people and at the same time speed the work on the road. Actual work began about a month ago and it was estimated that a year would be necessary for the work but if construction forges ahead as it has progressed in the past week the required time will be considerably lessened.

Box Supper At Parker School Friday Night
A box supper will be held at Parker school on Friday night, November 23. The public is cordially invited. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school.

Mrs. H. Taft, of West Jefferson, is spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pardue in Wilkesboro.

Local Red Cross Organization Working On Annual Roll Call

1935 Red Cross Poster Invites Your Membership



Health Department Appreciates Red Cross Work In the County

Expect Big Singing At Courthouse On Thanksgiving Day
Singing Classes From All Parts Of County To Gather For All Day Program

Singing classes from many churches and communities in Wilkes county will gather at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, to engage in a program of singing sacred music. L. Bumgarner, of Wilkesboro, is chairman of the organization and extends a cordial invitation to all singing classes, quartets and others who render sacred music to be present and take part in the program for the day. The singing will open at ten a. m.

Several Marriages
Seven licenses to wed were issued during the past week by Old Wilkes, register of deeds. The couples were: Eugene Stroud, Ronda, and Dorothy Lowe, Roaring River; Roby Broynhill, North Wilkesboro, and Ella Sue Lovette, Millers Creek; H. E. Wingler and Stella Dancy, Hays; Lona and Otto Roten, Daylo; Gwyn Nichols, Purlear, and Minnie Faye McGlamery, Millers Creek; Reece Billings and Halle Billings, Roaring River; Perry Putman and Mollie Rash, Oakwoods.

Mart Oberly, state highway engineer, reported "lost" a bridge at Knobtown, Mo. Thieves who dismantled and removed the structure, were caught.

Red Cross Funds Aid Helpless and Distressed Back to Health in Wilkes
In order to better acquaint the people of Wilkes county with the work of the American Red Cross in their own midst, The Journal-Patriot is reproducing letters to the chapter chairman from Dr. A. J. Eller, Wilkes county's health officer, and Mrs. Bertha Bell, county nurse:

Dr. Eller's Letter
Messrs. J. H. Whicker, chairman, J. B. Williams, treasurer, Wilkes County Chapter Red Cross "Gentlemen: "The Red Cross is a wonderful charitable organization. Its wonderful acts of charity reaches out to the helpless and distressed in all the county. "It has been of special help in furnishing yeast for our charitable Pellegra patients. "I especially advise all persons to join the Red Cross, and thereby help in the relief of the suffering indigent and helpless. "Respectfully submitted, "A. J. ELLER, M. D. "Health Officer."

Mrs. Bell's Letter
Messrs. J. H. Whicker, chairman, J. B. Williams, treasurer, Wilkes County Chapter Red Cross "Gentlemen: "The Red Cross has helped me wonderfully in providing means for some of my T. B. Patients in getting treated so as to get well of the dreaded disease. "We have had help for some babies in getting cod liver oil, where it could not be purchased otherwise. "I have not asked for any worthy causes of Mr. Whicker or Mr. Williams without their help, so please join the Red Cross and help with this wonderful work. "Respectfully submitted, "BERTHA BELL, R. N. "County Public Health Nurse."

These letters and many other facts can be given to show that the Red Cross has helped the helpless in Wilkes county and that the Red Cross deserves the support of the people who are able to join during the present roll call.

Wants Daniels Recalled
Boston, Nov. 19.—U. S. Representative Hamilton Fish, Jr., Republican of New York, declared today he would demand the recall of Ambassador Josephus Daniels from Mexico when Congress convenes in January. Fish, ranking Republican on the House foreign affairs committee, criticized the administration's non-intervention policy in Mexico.

Following is the organization for Wilkes county: Attorney J. H. Whicker, chapter chairman; Rev. Eugene Olive, roll call chairman; Mrs. Palmer Horton, household-canvas chairman; Mrs. Dudley Hill, materials chairman; P. W. Eshelman, industrial canvass chairman; J. B. McCoy, special gifts chairman; W. D. Halfacre, publicity chairman; C. B. Eller, county schools; T. E. Story, Wilkesboro schools; W. D. Halfacre, North Wilkesboro schools; Wm. A. Stroud, canvasser for business district in Wilkesboro. The Kiwanis Club will have charge of the business district canvass in North Wilkesboro, which will be made Friday afternoon immediately after the Kiwanis luncheon meeting at noon. The Red Cross has been very active in disaster relief during the past year and it is hoped that it will be favored with a large membership this year in order that it may be able to meet all distress calls. The Kiwanis Club will have charge of the business district canvass in North Wilkesboro, which will be made Friday afternoon immediately after the Kiwanis luncheon meeting at noon. The Red Cross has been very active in disaster relief during the past year and it is hoped that it will be favored with a large membership this year in order that it may be able to meet all distress calls. The Kiwanis Club will have charge of the business district canvass in North Wilkesboro, which will be made Friday afternoon immediately after the Kiwanis luncheon meeting at noon. The Red Cross has been very active in disaster relief during the past year and it is hoped that it will be favored with a large membership this year in order that it may be able to meet all distress calls.

WHEN WILL ROGERS WEPT

By RUPERT HUGHES (Famous Author)
It was my good luck to hear Will Rogers make some of his most uproariously funny speeches. As a toastmaster I called on him several times and more than once in such circumstances that there was no chance for preparation and his remarks could only have been extemporized. They never failed to be side-splitting. But the occasion that haunts me unforgettably was a luncheon at which Will Rogers was present, along with five or six publishers of Los Angeles newspapers, at the Milton H. Berry Institute where victims of infantile paralysis, broken backs, and other disasters are "reeducated" and so trained that they can rise from their beds or wheel chairs and walk. Few sights are so touching as the joy these victims take in the slow and often meagre return of lost powers. The beholder does not know whether to laugh or cry. His heart aches with sympathy and with delight in equal measure. On this occasion, when we moved among those whom Milton Berry refuses to call "patients" and insists on calling "students," we all tried to seem cheerful and to give forth cheer. But we were a melancholy lot. Will Rogers, however, had some uproarious remark for each of them whether a child, a stalwart youth, a pretty girl, an elderly man or woman. They hung on his words, smiling before he spoke and breaking into roars of laughter at his words. And he laughed with them. It was wonderful to see anyone bringing such priceless laughter to the victims of such cruel misfortunes, but I could not help wondering how anybody could be so boisterously gay with such people, and show never a sign of being touched by their sufferings. Later I learned that after he had kept them all roaring and writhing with laughter for a long time, he asked Milton Berry where the washroom was, and slipped away. Milton Berry opened the door to hand him a towel and found Will leaning against the wall, his head against his arm. He was sobbing like a child. Milton Berry closed the door softly unnoticed, and when Will came out he went back to tell the "students" goodbye. He was laughing as hilariously as before and he left them in stitches. Berry never told Will that he had looked in upon him weeping. It would doubtless have convinced him that he was not alone. (Continued on page four)

Prison Sentences In Federal Court

Meted Out By Judge Hayes; Civil Cases To Be Tried During Second Week

Judge Johnson J. Hayes has meted out prison terms and fines to more than 30 defendants in federal court and when court adjourned yesterday afternoon there remained 55 cases on the criminal docket, which the court hopes to clear this week in order to devote next week to trial of civil actions.

Although there are some few cases charging violation of the narcotic laws, auto theft act, white slave act and violation of the postal laws, the majority of the criminal cases charge violation of the federal liquor laws.

Following is a list of cases in which judgements were rendered during the first three days of court:

Hamp Parks, colored man convicted of defrauding through the mails, was sentenced to three years in the Atlanta prison. It was brought out that he had ordered merchandise under a number of aliases.

Frank M. Bell, young man recently arrested in Wilkesboro by federal agents on charge of violating the automobile theft act, was given a fine of \$100 and sentenced for three years to the Chillicothe reformatory or any other institution that may be recommended by the attorney general.

Clyde Staley, \$100 fine and year and a day in Chillicothe reformatory. Tallie Anderson, \$100 fine and year and a day in Chillicothe reformatory. Presley Curry, \$100 fine and a day in Chillicothe reformatory. Rouben Williams, \$100 fine and a day in Chillicothe reformatory. (Continued on page four)