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## Late News of State and Nation

**Going To Gallows**  
Dubaugh, Ill., Dec. 4.—Mario Heina, 26-year-old relief worker, was sentenced today to be hanged for the slaying murder of his 6-year-old nephew, David Peter Fox.

**Accident Victim**  
Raleigh, Dec. 3.—William C. Mangum, 65-year-old farmer of Wake, was the 43rd automobile victim for Wake during the present year. He was instantly killed about noon today, six miles from Raleigh, on the Cary highway.

**Elect Tar Heel**  
Indianapolis, Dec. 3.—A. J. Maxwell, of Raleigh, N. C., State commissioner of revenue, was elected president of the National Association of State tax administrators today and A. Stone of Jackson, Miss., vice president.

**Negro, 101, Marries**  
Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 3.—Edward W. Hooks, negro, who gave his age as 101 and said he was a Civil war veteran of the Union army, has taken 35-year-old Roberta Williams for his wife. They got the license yesterday.

**Rental Payment Totals**  
Raleigh, Dec. 3.—Rental and benefit payments totaling \$2,578,036.79 were distributed in July, August and September to North Carolina farmers co-operating in the crop adjustment program, Dean I. O. Schaub, of State college, announced today.

**Says Gas Painless**  
Raleigh, Dec. 3.—North Carolina's new lethal gas chamber operates perfectly and painlessly, two United States health service physicians decided here today after watching a dog put to death in the second demonstration of the device.

**Now Neutralizing Bill**  
Washington, Dec. 3.—Capitol Hill sources close to the Senate nominations committee reported today that the drafting of a new and more stringent neutrality bill already is under way, with its submission intended for early January.

**Killed By Automobile**  
Concord, Dec. 3.—Broadus Carter, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carter, who live just east of Concord, was killed Monday morning about 8 o'clock when struck by an automobile driven by Hubert D. Hahn, near Mount Pleasant. The child's neck was broken.

**Billy Sunday's Estate**  
Chicago, Dec. 3.—The Rev. William A. (Billy) Sunday built an estate of approximately \$50,000 in his 39 years of evangelism, it was disclosed today, when his will was filed for probate here. He left all to his widow, Mrs. Helen A. Sunday, who was appointed executrix.

**Four Die In Crash**  
Muskegee, Okla., Dec. 3.—Four unidentified negro children and an unidentified negro woman, all from the deaf, blind and orphan school for negroes at Taft, were killed when a truck in which they were en route to Muskegee for a Christmas parade was wrecked there. At least 35 were injured, some seriously.

**To Try For Record**  
Miami, Fla., Dec. 3.—Laura Magall, woman flyer, landed here late today and announced she was shooting for the Miami-Newark record. Best time for the distance is Eastern Air lines' five hours, 36 minutes, with one stop at Washington. Miss Magall, who flew south from Newark, left Raleigh this morning.

**Driver Sentenced**  
Winston-Salem, Dec. 3.—M. L. Clodfelter, 25, was sentenced in Forsyth superior court here today to serve from five to seven years in State's prison for manslaughter. The charges grew out of the death of Lewis McDowell, 11, who was struck by an automobile alleged to have been driven by the defendant.

**Predicted Own Death**  
Kankakee, Ill., Dec. 3.—Henry "Spot" Chamberlain, 79, who believed so strongly in his own predictions that he recently purchased a casket; was killed today when a descending elevator struck him on the head. Chamberlain amused his friends with prophecies on every question—especially forecasting weather, social events and sports results. Several years ago he told them he would be dead before 1935, and recently bought the casket when his heart began to trouble.

## North Wilkesboro Stores Ready For Holiday Trade

### Less Congestion Of Traffic Urged By Mayor McNeil

Highway Engineer Leper Appears Before Board To Enter Complaint

### ABOUT CONDITIONS On Tenth Street in North Wilkesboro; More Care in Parking Urged

Engineer Leper, of Elkin, head of the highway system in this immediate territory, appeared before the North Wilkesboro board of aldermen at their regular meeting on Tuesday night and asked that steps be taken to relieve the congestion of traffic on Tenth street. He stated that many complaints had been voiced concerning the congested condition of the street, over which a federal and a state highway are routed.

In discussing the matter yesterday Mayor R. T. McNeil made a plea for public cooperation for better traffic conditions and expressed a hope that it would not be necessary to invoke stringent regulations to relieve the condition. He asked the cooperation of all motorists who use the streets and particularly the co-operation of merchants who use trucks for delivery purposes.

The ordinance outlawing hog pens in certain zones in the city was passed in the board meeting Tuesday night and ordered to go into effect on March 1. The ordinance in full, giving the zone boundaries, is published elsewhere in this newspaper.

It was ordered that crushed stone be placed on D Street intersections with the new Reddies River bridge approach and another order relating to streets called for bids on the construction of a sidewalk in front of the new Phillips building on Tenth street. A. F. Phillips to pay half the cost.

A contract with the Carolina Motor Club to handle the sale of city automobile tags for 1936 was approved. City tags will be sold at the license bureau on the corner of Ninth and C streets along with the state tags.

It was ordered that salary for John Tevepaugh be increased to \$125 per month, effective December 1.

### Three Wilkes Girls On Debating Team Mars Hill College

Misses Lucile Hartley, Ethel Davis and Lillian Linney Are On Team

Three Wilkes girls, former students of Wilkesboro high school, are members of the intercollegiate debating team at Mars Hill College this year. They are Misses Lucile Hartley, Lillian Linney and Ethel Davis.

### Child Is Burned To Death Sunday

Two-Year-Old Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wrenn Johnson Dies of Burns

Mildred Sarah Johnson, two-year-old daughter of Wrenn and Isabelle Eillings Johnson, of Rock Creek township, died Tuesday morning from burns received Sunday when her clothing caught fire from a fire at the home of her parents.

In addition to the father and mother she is survived by two sisters, Jean and Ruth. Funeral and burial services were held at Liberty Grove Baptist church this morning with Rev. Hubert Bullis and A. B. Hayes in charge.

### In "Mercy Killing" News of the Week



NEW YORK . . . On the left is Dr. M. A. Warriner, 79, dean of Bridgeport, Conn., practicing physician who admits a "mercy killing" of an incurable "maniac" in 1887 . . . and his story is "doubted" . . . On the right is Mrs. Jeanette Binkowski, 32, of Detroit who is facing trial on a "mercy killing" charge of having shot her 5 year old son, sufferer from infantile paralysis and rickets.



### Asking Action In Construction of Guard Armories

One of Proposed Armories Would Be Located In This City

W. E. McDonald, secretary to Senator Robert R. Reynolds, announced in Washington that in view of the tremendous interest being manifested in North Carolina in behalf of the various WPA national guard armory projects, that he had been in conference with officials at the Works Progress administration in an effort to have an exemption made in favor of an increased percentage of skilled workers above the 10 per cent now being allowed. This is necessary before the state director can authorize work being commenced on these armory projects. The Works Progress administration is adhering to a general policy of only permitting 10 per cent of skilled labor to be used on any given project.

One of the proposed armories would be located in North Wilkesboro and the subject is of much local interest. The city has already agreed to furnish an adequate site on the fairgrounds and engineers have given it their approval. (Continued on page eight)

### Contracts On 2 Parkway Sectors Given Approval

Work To Begin At Once On Parkway as Far South as Highway No. 18

The state highway and public works commission has been notified that contracts have been approved and awarded for the construction of two sectors of the great scenic parkway and that work will begin in the next few days.

Work has been under way for some time on the first North Carolina link from the Virginia line to the intersection with the Sparta-Elkin highway. The second link will extend from that point to Airhollows Gap on the Blue Ridge and the third link will follow the summit of the Blue Ridge in Wilkes and Alleghany counties to the intersection with the North Wilkesboro-Sparta highway at Mulberry Gap. Contracts for the second and third links call for an expenditure of approximately \$800,000. Contract for the first link now under construction by Nello Teer, Durham contractor, in Alleghany county, was slightly under \$400,000.

As fast as right of way deeds can be prepared and filed contracts will be let on the remainder of the route from highway 18 along the summit of the Blue Ridge to Deep Gap and it is not expected that the December 15 deadline for PWA projects will apply to the parkway construction. Labor for the project in this part of North Carolina will be furnished through the re-employment office located in this city and which serves five counties. The parkway will furnish employment to several hundred men when work on the three first links get under way.

It is reported here that the National Park Service has been taking options of a large area of land on the Blue Ridge in Walnut Grove township, presumably for park development purposes. (Continued on page eight)

### Wilkes Hospital Building Erected

New and Modern Fireproof Building Will Be Ready For Occupancy Soon

Finishing touches are being made on the new and modern fireproof building for The Wilkes Hospital, and fixtures are being installed preparatory to its opening within a few weeks.

The beautiful thirty-room building has been under construction for some time by Foster & Allen, local contractors.

The new hospital edifice is being constructed along the most modern lines approved for hospitals.

### Dyson Having Trouble With His Feet; Tells of Experiences In Old Well

Held Out Tongue For Drops of Water in Old Abandoned Well From Which He Was Rescued Sunday; Says He Prayed Constantly For Deliverance

Robert Dyson, who was rescued from an old abandoned well in the Boomer community after nine days without food and water, is slowly regaining his strength at The Wilkes Hospital but some fear has been expressed that he may lose a foot, injured by exposure and frostbite. Dyson, who lost 30 pounds during his long stay in the well, has been able at times to tell something of the harrowing experiences he went through while awaiting rescue or a certain death.

"I prayed all the time I was in there," he told a representative of The Journal-Patriot who questioned him about what he did while in the well. "I got awful thirsty," he said, "and when it rained I held out my tongue and the drops of water tasted so good."

The first few days he spent in the prison into which he evidently stumbled after losing his way home, he busied himself by trying to get out by means of a pine stick with which he endeavored to dig toe holds into the sides of the well, only to find that he could not get nearer than eight or ten feet of the top and freedom.

Except for the trouble with his feet, it is felt that his condition is about as well as could be expected and he is taking nourishment regularly.

### Schoolmasters To Put On Basketball Tourney Again

Organization of School Heads Promote Athletics in the Schools

### SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Winners To Be Determined by Percentages in 14-Game Schedule

The Wilkes county schoolmasters' club, which has successfully sponsored athletic tournaments of various kinds in the high schools of the county during the past ten years, is sponsoring a basketball tournament again this year.

The eight county high schools, Wilkesboro, Millers Creek, Mount Pleasant, Ferguson, Mountain View, Roaring River, Ronda and Traphill, will be in the tournament with both boys' and girls' teams.

Each school will play double header tournament games on Thursday afternoons. The first half schedule will end on January 16 and the second round, made up of return games played in the first half, will end on (Continued on page eight)

### Lieut. Ritchie Commands Camp

Succeeds Captain Long, Who Was Taken To Fort Bragg For Treatment

Lieut. C. A. Ritchie, former member of the high school faculty and athletic director for the city schools, has been placed in command of the James C. C. Camp near Purlear.

### Election Cases Court Decision

Opinions of Higher Tribunal Filed With C. C. Hayes, Clerk Superior Court

Decisions of the North Carolina supreme court reversing Judges J. H. Clement and F. Donald Phillips in the noted Wilkesboro election cases have been filed with C. C. Hayes, clerk of Wilkes superior court.

Due to the fact that developments in the controversy have been followed with much interest, The Journal-Patriot is publishing the supreme court's decisions in full for what interest they may be to its readers. The decisions follow:

In the Supreme Court of North Carolina, Fall Term, 1935.

W. E. Harris, C. E. Lenderman, R. R. Reins, Joe R. Barber and L. B. Dula, composing the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Wilkesboro, North Carolina, vs. T. E. Miller, Registrar, Fred Henderson and William O. Johnson, Judges of the Town Election, R. M. Brame, Jr., Chairman, Joe M. Pearson and J. C. Grayson, composing The County Board of Elections for Wilkes County.

Appeal by the plaintiffs from Clement, J., at June Term, 1935, of Wilkes. Reversed.

This was an action brought by the plaintiffs, who were the mayor and aldermen of the Town of Wilkesboro, against the defendants, who were the registrar and judges of the Town Election and the members of the County Board of Elections of Wilkes County, to restrain and enjoin the use by the defendants, in the (Continued on page eight)

**Masonic Notice**  
North Wilkesboro Chapter No. 78 R. A. M. will meet Thursday evening, December 5th, 7:30 p. m. for election of officers. This is a very important meeting and all members are urged to be present.  
C. P. WALTER, High Priest.  
J. C. GRAYSON, Secretary.

### LARGE VOLUME HOLIDAY TRADE THROUGHOUT THE NATION IS PREDICTED

### "Grand Champion"



Ottawa, Can. . . . Leo Carroll, 14, (above), member of the Boys' Calf Club, broke all records in winning the Grand Championship in the open classes of the Winter Livestock Fair here with his 10-month old shorthorn heifer, Blywood Roan Lady 3. Two first awards and a cup were also won in class competition.

### Commissioners, Board Education Meet Monday

Routine Matters Disposed of By Two County Bodies For December

Wilkes county board of commissioners held a quiet session Monday to dispose of regular routine business for the preceding month.

All members, D. B. Swarincen, chairman, M. F. Absher and Ralph Duncan, were present for the meeting.

After auditing claims and receiving reports of the county officers the board adjourned to meet at a later date this month to consider some other business matters.

### Pie Supper At Union School Friday Night

A notice of change of date for the pie supper to be held at Union school at Cricket was given out this week. The pie supper, sponsored by the P.-T. A., will be held on Friday night, December 6, and proceeds will be used to purchase library books. The public is invited to attend.

### Carl Triplett Is Injured In Well

Boomer Resident Has Broken Collar Bone and Left Leg Is Broken

The superstitious are perhaps beginning to think that there is something unlucky about wells in the Boomer community. Carl Triplett, who was digging a well near Boomer Wednesday, suffered a broken left leg and a broken collar bone when dirt caved in a well he was digging.

Those who were helping him in the work rescued him from the pile of debris and brought him about noon to The Wilkes Hospital, where his injuries were found to be quite serious.

The accident happened to Mr. Triplett three days after Robert Dyson was rescued from an abandoned well in the same community on Sunday after nine days of thirst, hunger and exposure.

### North Wilkesboro Is Trading Mecca

Local Mercantile Establishments Well Stocked For Holiday Shopping

With only 16 shopping days until Christmas, North Wilkesboro merchants and business firms are well prepared for the holiday trade and to uphold the city's reputation as a trading center for the people of Wilkes and adjoining counties.

Predictions throughout the nation indicate a holiday trade 15 per cent greater than last year and the greatest since 1929.

Anticipating a large volume of holiday trade, North Wilkesboro merchants have prepared to meet the demands with the largest and most varied stocks in history, making it unnecessary for the most discriminating purchaser to buy his or her needs at a larger trading metropolis.

This is true in all lines of trade and commerce represented in North Wilkesboro, clothing, ready-to-wear, furniture, hardware, dry goods, notions, jewelry, Christmas toys and other lines of merchandise.

Inducements greater than ever before offered beckon the customer to trade in North Wilkesboro to the greatest advantage.

Christmas shoppers are urged to do their buying as early as possible, especially those presents to be mailed. The postoffice department is urging early mailing of Christmas mail in order that the mails may not be congested on the eve of the Christmas holidays.

The stores here have already taken on an attractive appearance suggestive of the Yuletide season. The decorations in the stores which have prepared for the Christmas season are more beautiful than ever before and a joyful spirit is pervading the city.

### 32 From Wilkes In A.S.T.C. Now

Enrollment at Appalachian State Teachers College Totals 926

Among the 926 students enrolled at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone for the winter term 32 are from Wilkes county. It was learned today from a report issued by the registrar of that institution.

Watauga has the largest number, 133, Ashe 41, Lincoln 39, Cleveland 35, Iredell and Wilkes 32 each. There are 870 North Carolina students from 64 counties and 56 students from 64 counties in other states. The senior class has a membership of 151.

Christmas holidays will begin on December 20 and work will be resumed on January 1.

### M. E. Parsonage In Wilkesboro Been Remodeled

The three congregations of the Wilkesboro Methodist charge, Roaring River, Union and Wilkesboro, have thoroughly remodeled the parsonage in Wilkesboro. All the rooms have been either papered or painted and many improvements have been made that will add to the comfort and attractiveness of the parsonage.

### Rev. A. B. Hayes Will Preach At Purlear On Sunday Morning

Rev. A. B. Hayes, well known Baptist minister, will preach Sunday morning, 11 a. m., at Purlear Baptist church. The public is invited to attend the service.