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Late News of State and Nation

Plane Crash Kills 11
Tatfield, Kent, England, Dec. 10.—A Belgian airliner, its wings coated with ice, crashed in a valley today and 11 persons were killed in one of the worst civil air disasters ever to occur in Great Britain.

Inflation Advocated
Washington.—Billions of dollars worth of idle gold and silver stocks in the Treasury should be put to work paying the soldiers' bonus and easing farm debts, Senator Elmer Thomas (D-Okla.) said today in a pre-congressional statement.

May Rebuild Triple A
Chicago, Dec. 10.—A prediction the AAA would be rebuilt within the framework of the Constitution if the Supreme Court finds its present structure unconstitutional evoked applause today from delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation's annual convention.

Accident Fatal
Raleigh, Dec. 10.—James Edward Armstrong, foreman of the Raleigh Gas Company, was injured fatally today at the company's plant when he fell 25 feet from the roof of plant, where he was repairing concrete tile, to the cement floor.

Pet Dies, Kills Self
Sacramento, Calif., Dec. 10.—Homer Lee, 14, was found shot to death in his room a shotgun at his side. Nearby lay the body of his pet, a black and white bulldog which had died of old age.

50 REA Jobs Approved
Washington, Dec. 10.—Fifty resettlement projects costing approximately \$50,000,000 were disclosed today by Administrator Rexford G. Tugwell to have received the approval of Comptroller-General J. R. McCarl.

John D. Takes Rides
Rayton Beach, Fla., Dec. 10.—Return of "summer weather" to the Halifax country, winter home of John D. Rockefeller, was marked today by resumption of automobile rides by the 96-year-old millionaire philanthropist.

Find Treasure Buried
Clinton, Conn., Dec. 10.—Two bags containing old coins having an estimated face value of \$1,000 and a real value believed much higher were found in the home of Albert Marquard by workmen installing a new furnace.

Cashier Robbed
East Orange, N. J., Dec. 10.—Miss Eva Stoffanelli, cashier for the Metropolitan Life Insurance company's office in Central avenue, was knocked down by two negroes and robbed of \$2,469 in cash, \$2,152.30 in checks and \$35.50 in bank coupons today.

Speed Up WPA Pay
Raleigh, Dec. 10.—Steps to eliminate "red tape" and speed up payment of works progress administration employees were taken here today. Complaints of delay in issuing pay checks have come from practically every district of the state. George W. Coan Jr., administrator, said, and stopping of relief work last week brought the attention of the state offices more forcibly to the situation than ever before.

Minister Suing Church
Elder J. C. Dunbar, of Mount Airy, well known among members of the Primitive Baptist churches, instituted suit in Surry county superior court for damages of \$25,000, naming J. W. Creed, Arthur Taylor, B. J. Badgett, G. J. Key, G. T. Jones, Hoyett Badgett and Press Stone as defendants, alleging that the defendants conspired to have him excluded from the church and have his preaching credentials revoked, subsequently succeeding in their conspiracy.

Representative Of FHA Coming

J. Marion Bolick Will Be in Office of Attorney W. H. McElwee Monday

Of interest to many people in Wilkes county is the announcement that J. Marion Bolick, field representative of the Federal Housing Administration, will be in North Wilkesboro on Monday, December 16, to assist home owners in applying for Federal Housing loans. Mr. Bolick will maintain headquarters in the law office of Attorney W. H. McElwee and any who are interested in seeing him or in securing a Federal Housing loan are requested to see him on that date.

Negro Being Brought Back To Wilkes For Trial On the Charge of Throwing Jim Cheek Into Vat of Boiling Slop



"The Mad Trapper"
EDMONTON, Alberta, Can. . . . George F. Dalziel, 27 (above), is Canada's first subarctic trapper of the air, using an airplane in covering his trap lines. "The Mad Trapper of Arctic" just landed here with \$5,000 worth of pelts.

Wm. C. Pearson Dies Suddenly In Wilkesboro

Widely Known Contractor Succumbs to Apoplectic Stroke Tuesday Night

William C. Pearson, for many years a prominent figure in Wilkes county, suffered a fatal apoplectic stroke at his home in Wilkesboro about ten o'clock Tuesday night. He had been in apparently good health and was suddenly stricken.

He was a member of one of Wilkes county's most prominent and best known families, being a son of the late William Asa Pearson and Mrs. Elizabeth Smithley Pearson. Many friends and acquaintances throughout this part of the state are saddened at the news of his passing.

For several years he was engaged in the building trade, being associated with the late John Kenerly in the contracting firm of Kenerly and Pearson, contractors. He also devoted considerable attention to farming, he being owner of a Brushy Mountain apple orchard.

New Sales Manager At Gaddy Motor Co.

L. L. Carpenter, of Durham, Succeeds Joe Wellborn At Local Firm

Mr. W. F. Gaddy, proprietor of the Gaddy Motor Co., announces the appointment of Mr. L. L. Carpenter, of Durham, as sales manager to succeed Mr. Joe Wellborn. Mr. Wellborn resigned his position in order to take a dealership. Mr. Carpenter comes to the local automobile firm with splendid recommendations. He has been engaged in the automobile business for twelve years, recently having been associated with the H. & H. Motor Co., at Durham. He is well qualified to fill the position to which he has been appointed, and Mr. Gaddy feels fortunate in securing his services. Mr. Carpenter was active in civic and social affairs in Durham, being a member of the Rotary Club. He has a wife and one small child, who will come to this city in the near future to reside.

Clemson Fletcher Is Taken In Ohio

Deputy Sheriff H. C. Kilby Goes To Circleville, Ohio, To Bring Him Back

H. C. Kilby, Wilkes deputy sheriff, has gone to Circleville, Ohio, to bring to Wilkesboro Clemson Fletcher, negro charged with throwing Jim Cheek into a vat of boiling slop at a still in the Traphill vicinity about a year ago.

The negro, who wears a number 13 shoe and has a frame of corresponding proportions, is alleged to not only have thrown Cheek into the hot slop but to have held him there until he was almost scalded to death. His burns finally healed but it is reported that he was permanently disabled by the injuries received. For several weeks after the incident occurred little hope was held for his recovery.

Sheriff W. B. Somers received a message from the police department at Circleville stating that they had Fletcher in custody and requisition papers from the state of Ohio have been prepared. The dispatches from the Ohio police stated that Fletcher is a dangerous character and advised ample precautions in returning him to this state.

His capture ends a year's search and was effected through means of a \$50 reward notice that was circulated throughout the country.

The negro will face trial in Wilkes superior court on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

This is the second still sloop case in Wilkes county during recent years. In the first case a Blowing Rock man was sentenced in Federal court to three years in Atlanta prison for throwing M. S. Phillips into a hot vat and nearly causing his death at a still in the Ferguson community only a few months before the altercation in the Traphill vicinity. Mr. Phillips was aiding federal officers to raid a still and arrest a number of moonshiners.

"Old Officials" Get Town Books

Mayor Harris and 'Old Board' Now Wilkesboro Governing Officials

Mayor W. E. Harris and Commissioners R. R. Reins, C. E. Lenderman, Joe R. Barber and L. B. Dula, known as the "old board" during the lengthy and lively litigation over the Wilkesboro election on May 7, are again the governing officials of the town of Wilkesboro.

On Tuesday afternoon Judge F. Donald Phillips, now presiding over courts in the 17th judicial district, signed a judgment at Yadkinville returning funds, records, etc., of the town back into the hands of the "old board."

Mayor Harris and the board actively resumed their offices yesterday morning and P. L. Lenderman, chief of police for many years, has resumed his work. O. F. Eblevin is town clerk and treasurer.

The judgment returning the funds and books to the "old board" resulted from two decisions of the state supreme court reversing Judge J. H. Clements for ordering the illegal ballots cast on May 7 canvassed, and reversing and remanding Judge Phillips in ordering the books and funds turned over to what was termed the "new board."

Will Present Play

"The Magi's Gift," a colorful operetta of the Christmas season, will be presented by the North Wilkesboro junior high school in the high school auditorium on Thursday evening of next week. A small admission fee will be charged. All are invited to attend.

Special Junior Meeting

A special meeting of the North Wilkesboro Junior Order council will be held on Tuesday night. There will be degree work and nomination of officers. Every member is especially urged to attend the meeting, the last one to be held before the holidays.

AUTO PLATES GO ON SALE ON SATURDAY

Time Moved Up From Monday, December 16, to Saturday, December 14

RATES ARE REDUCED On License Plates For Passenger Cars; No Change in Truck Rates

Automobile and truck license tags for 1936 will go on sale Saturday, December 14, instead of Monday, December 16, it was learned here yesterday from J. C. McDiarmid, in charge of the license bureau located on the corner of Ninth and C streets.

It was made public here early this week that 1936 license tags would go on sale Monday but the date was changed in Raleigh and moved up to Saturday.

The law allows the new tags to be used by December 15 and since the 15th will be Sunday this year authorities deemed it advisable to place the tags on sale Saturday.

The 1936 tags, which are substantially reduced in price from the charges last year for automobiles will have chrome letters and figures on a black background.

Attention is called to the fact that the license charge reduction of from 55 to 40 cents per hundredweight does not apply to anything but passenger cars and that truck and commercial car rates will be the same as last year.

All automobile and truck owners are urged to buy 1936 tags at the earliest possible date in order to avoid the rush of last minute buyers during the latter days of the month. Expiration date of the 1935 tags will be midnight, December 31.

Issuance of 1935 tags in North Carolina set a new record for the state in a single year, there being more than 517,000 issued to motorists to date.

Red Cross Drive Quite Successful

Total Membership of 847 Dollars Reported to Date; Others Expected to Join

The annual Red Cross roll call in Wilkes county this year has been more successful than in prior years, despite the fact that the work of securing members was a week late in getting under way.

Rev. Eugene Olive, roll call chairman, stated yesterday that the membership so far totaled 847 with additional memberships expected from a number of school teachers.

The Red Cross membership received a boost when the management and employees, 550 in number, of the Wilkes Hosiery Mills enrolled one hundred per cent at the beginning of the roll call.

In a teachers meeting held in Wilkesboro Tuesday afternoon, it was reported that teachers of Mountain View central school and Pleasant Hill had enrolled one hundred per cent and many individual memberships were also handed in. The canvass in some other schools which are expected to enroll unanimously had not been completed yesterday.

R. R. Clark Dies In Statesville

News Commentator Stricken at 71 After Doing His Daily Work

Statesville, Dec. 10.—R. R. Clark, widely known newspaperman and editorial writer, died suddenly this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at his home on North Center street.

He was in his usual health today and had just completed his editorial work for tomorrow's paper when he suffered an attack of angina pectoris. He was 71 years old and had been active in newspaper work for nearly six decades.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES
Vesper services at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Sunday afternoon, December 15, at 4:30 p. m. Rev. B. M. Lacey, Rector, in charge.

Christmas Shopping In Full Sway as Holidays Draw Near



A Bad, Bad Indian Hits Broadway
NEW YORK . . . A bad Indian, a real bad Indian, hit Broadway this week, a giant some nine or ten building stories high. He had a rubber skin and was full of helium gas and was escorted by a great throng of strong-armed men holding tow ropes. When a particularly brisk breeze caught the red-skin at one corner, he almost got out of control but was finally subdued and continued to feature a toyland parade of a department store here.

Stores Prepared To Fill Demands

Local Establishments Greet Holiday Shoppers With Yuletide Appearance

With only ten shopping days remaining before Christmas, a lively interest in Santa Claus is being revived and the Yuletide spirit is beginning to prevail.

Christmas shopping is expected to boost retail trade tremendously and the streets of North Wilkesboro are already alive with shoppers who are eager to make early gift selections and avoid the rush of last minute shoppers.

The postoffice is beginning to notice an increase in the volume of mail, affected by those who are taking Uncle Sam's warning to mail early and avoid possible delay and congestion during the last days before Christmas.

In anticipation of the holiday trade, North Wilkesboro stores have stocked heavily with the season's newest merchandise and in quantity buying have effected savings for the buyer.

Particular attention has been given to carrying stocks of merchandise in sufficient variety to fill all demands from people in the ever-increasing trading area of North Wilkesboro.

The mercantile establishments have decorated beautifully with decorations that are reminders that the holiday season is here and that the human race is once more on the threshold of the anniversary of the Prince of Peace.

Clifton Wheatley's Home Is Destroyed

Resident Of Hays Community Loses Home And Contents

The residence of Clifton Wheatley, together with all its contents, was completely destroyed by fire recently, the damage running into several hundred dollars.

Mr. Wheatley has many friends in the community who were sorry to learn of his loss.

Schoolmasters To Meet Friday, 6:00

Wilkes County Schoolmasters' club will meet in its regular December meeting on Friday evening, six o'clock, at the Wilkesboro school building.

Prof. W. L. Ingold, superintendent of Taylorsville schools, will address the schoolmasters as the feature of an interesting program that has been arranged. Dinner will be served by the home economics classes of Wilkesboro high school.

Local Girls In Play At Greensboro College

Misses Jane Whicker, daughter of Attorney and Mrs. J. H. Whicker and Adeline Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones, both students at Greensboro college, will appear in the Christmas cantata "When the Christ Child Came" (Clokey) which is to be given by the Greensboro college glee club combined with the Meistersingers, Greensboro male chorus, on Sunday night Dec. 15, in Odell Memorial auditorium. Miss Jane Whicker is secretary of the Greensboro college glee club.

Vesper Services At First Baptist

Begin on Sunday Evening; Young Peoples' Meetings Wednesday Nights

Beginning Sunday evening, December 15, vesper services from five to six o'clock will be held at the First Baptist church instead of at 7:40. Announcement of the vesper services through the winter months was made this week by Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor.

During that period the vesper services are held at five o'clock on Sunday evenings, the regular young people's department will hold their meetings on Wednesday nights.

Federal Officers Arrest 2 Men in Distillery Raid

Dallas Bishop and Ward Hester Taken Monday In Boomer Section

Dallas Bishop and Ward Hester, young men of the Boomer community, were arrested yesterday by federal alcohol tax unit investigators in a distillery raid in that vicinity.

In a preliminary hearing before J. W. Dula, United States commissioner, probable cause was found and bonds in the sum of \$500 each for appearance at the May, 1936, term of federal court were filed.

The federal officers making the raid were J. C. Fortner, L. L. Kirksey, C. S. Felts and J. T. Jones, accompanied by W. B. Sparks, deputy sheriff.

An average size moonshine still and considerable quantities of materials for the manufacture of illicit liquor were destroyed in the raid.

County Teachers Meeting Tuesday

Held in Wilkesboro School Building; Miss Devers Addresses Group

With teachers from the central schools and representatives of many of the smaller schools present, a county teachers meeting was held in the Wilkesboro school building Tuesday afternoon.

The main feature of the program was an address by Miss Nancy Devers, of Raleigh, representative of the state department of education, on the subject of "Health." She gave a comprehensive discussion of health in the schools and during the past few days she has followed up her address to the teachers by making personal visits to a number of the larger school units.

Various forms for making reports and other materials were distributed by C. B. Eller, county superintendent, who presided over the meeting.

Rev. Eugene Olive, chairman of the Red Cross roll call for this county, was present and enrolled many of the teachers as members for the ensuing year. W. D. Half-acre, superintendent of North Wilkesboro city schools, talked briefly about the Junior Red Cross in the schools and a number of teachers expressed interest in Junior Red Cross organization.

Quarterly Conference

First quarterly conference of the Wilkesboro Methodist church will be held at Union church on Sunday afternoon, three o'clock. Rev. A. C. Gable, presiding elder, will preach, and all members of the three churches, Union, Boardman and Wilkesboro, are asked to be present.

Health Report Shows County in Good Condition

No Epidemics of Communicable Diseases This Year

Report of Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, for the past month discloses that the county is in good shape, speaking from the health standpoint, and that there are no epidemics of communicable diseases to hinder the schools.

Since the beginning of winter weather there have been no new cases of diphtheria reported, Dr. Eller stated, and again urged that parents take precautions to see that their children are vaccinated against the disease to prevent its spread. There were a few isolated cases of diphtheria during the fall months.

So far there have been no cases of whooping cough but scarlet fever has been nearing epidemic proportions in one community. No measles have been reported so far this year and very few children have been forced to stay out of school on account of colds or flu.

Reports from the school indicate that absences due to sickness have not been as frequent as usual. The health officer asks people to take every reasonable precaution to prevent spread of any communicable disease this year.

Jay Anderson To Give Recital

Many North Wilkesboro people will be interested in the announcement that Jay Anderson, local youth attending Wake Forest College, will render an organ recital at the Wake Forest Baptist church Sunday evening, seven o'clock.

Wilkesboro Methodist Ladies To Give Oyster And Chicken Supper

Ladies of the Wilkesboro Methodist church will serve an oyster and chicken supper at the Wonder Cafe in Wilkesboro this evening. Profits to be applied on work of renovating the Methodist parsonage.

It is asked that tickets be turned in and a quilt will be given to some one attending.

Masonic Notice

The North Wilkesboro Masonic lodge will elect officers in a meeting to be held Friday night at the lodge hall here. Every member is urged to be present.

Pic Supper

Everybody is invited to attend a pic supper to be given at Union school at 6:00, on Saturday, December 21. Strong meals will supplement the sale of pies as a part of the program.