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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

Saturday School
Raleigh, Feb. 25.—The state school commission reported today that many superintendents of school units are suggesting Saturday sessions to make up some of the time lost due to bad weather and impassable roads.

Woman Is Suicide
Whiteville, Feb. 25.—Mrs. Wesley Harrelson, 21, member of a prominent Columbus family this afternoon ended her life with a shot gun at her home, one mile from Cerro Gordo. She had been in ill health for several weeks.

Officer Cracks Skull
Kannapolis, Feb. 25.—Walter L. Tash, Kannapolis policeman, is a patient in a Charlotte hospital as the result of a fall Sunday night. His skull was fractured when he had struck the tiled floor of a cafe.

Three Die In Auto Crash
Demming, N. M., Feb. 25.—Roger W. Toll, superintendent of Yellowstone park, and two others were killed seven miles east of here today when the automobile they were driving crashed head-on with another.

Carries \$6,000 Gold
Toronto, Feb. 25.—Hyman Herman, 38, of Toronto, was carrying \$6,000 worth of melted gold in a canvas vest worn underneath a tightly-laced pair of corsets when he was arrested tonight. He was charged with having gold ore illegally.

CCC Member Shain
Los Angeles, Feb. 25.—A Civilian Conservation Corps enrollee killed a companion today, and seriously injured another at a camp in Monrovia canyon. Sheriff's deputies started a search for a camp musician, apparently temporarily insane.

Married In Jail
Asheville, Feb. 25.—"Curley" Nichols will be married tomorrow in the Buncombe county jail on the eve of his departure for Raleigh to begin serving 38 to 40 years for his part in the Mars Hill bank robbery, he and Nevada Hazel Gilton Nichols, 24, of Bristol, Tenn., declared tonight.

Sentenced For Robbery
Danville, Va., Feb. 26.—William Snead, of Spray, N. C., was sentenced to five years in prison in federal court yesterday afternoon for postoffice robbery after it had been disclosed that he had served terms in the North Carolina penitentiary.

Jones to Jones to Jones
McAllister, Okla.—It's Jones to Jones to Jones in Pittsburg county financial affairs. County Judge William Jones computes the earnings of his court, which are collected by Court Clerk Clay C. Jones and handed for safekeeping to County Treasurer Dan Jones.

Lived With Iron Lung
Oakland, Calif., Feb. 24.—Raymond Rambo, 19, infantile paralysis victim who lived 695 days under an "iron lung" respirator, died tonight from a digestive disorder. Hospital authorities said they knew of no one else who had lived so long through use of a respirator.

Small Baby Growing
Oakland, Calif., Feb. 25.—Nancy Lee Vogt, who weighed about a pound at birth 23 days ago, tipped the scales at two pounds, 5 1/2 ounces today. "I'm thrilled," exclaimed the mother, Mrs. Paul Vogt. The mite's diet has been increased to 5 1/2 teaspoons of mother's milk every two hours, fed through a tube.

Defends Witnesses
Trenton, N. J., Feb. 25.—Attorney General David T. Wilentz rushed to the defense tonight of state witnesses, whose testimony against Bruno Richard Hauptmann has been attacked by Governor Harold G. Hoffman, with the announcement he will not tolerate their "persecution."

Smoker Blamed For Fires
Raleigh, Feb. 25.—There were 136 forest fires in 56 North Carolina counties organized for fire protection during January, the conservation department reported today, but they burned over 3,177 acres with damage set at \$4,315. Smokers were charged with causing 44 of the blazes and all were listed as preventable as none came from lightning.

Suggests Statute
Waco, Feb. 25.—Judge F. E. Wiles of Wayneville, president of the current civil liberties committee, suggested a statute in the North Carolina Legislature to enact a statute in the course to be taken to prevent persons charged with crimes.

Making Progress On Construction School Building

Good Weather Facilitates Work on Building At Mountain View

WILL BE MODERN PLANT Will Have 15 Rooms and Spacious Auditorium; Cost \$25,000

Construction of a modern school building at Mountain View, perhaps the most important Works Progress administration project in Wilkes county, is progressing more rapidly following the let up in the weather.

For some time severe winter weather greatly hampered the work but it was learned today that the workmen have practically completed the framework of the structure and have laid the sub floor. Some storm sheeting has also been put in place.

The building, erected along lines approved by the state department of education, will contain 15 rooms and a spacious auditorium.

Cost of the project will be slightly less than the \$25,000 maximum prescribed by WPA projects. Labor and a portion of the cost of materials is being paid by the WPA while the county is supplementing with the remainder of the materials needed and such labor as the Works Progress administration does not have available for the project.

When the building is completed Mountain View, the largest rural school in the county, will be well equipped with building facilities. Through an ERA project one of the buildings formerly a part of the old Mountain View College property was salvaged and placed in good condition.

Until the building is completed, however, the school will be without auditorium facilities, the old auditorium having been condemned about a year ago on account of fire hazards.

C. C. C. Members Are Making Road

To Connect Mt. Zion Community With Boone Trail Highway Harley

Members of the branch Civilian Conservation camp located near Purler are engaged in the construction of a road between Mt. Zion and Harley.

When Camp James was disbanded in January authorities were prevailed upon to establish a branch of the Morganton camp at the Camp James site to complete some projects then under way, the Mt. Zion-Harley road being the most important.

The road will serve as an outlet for many people in the Mt. Zion community to the Boone Trail highway. Heretofore they have found it necessary to travel many miles to get to the highway and the road now under construction will reduce the distance by half.

About fifty men are kept at the branch camp with Lieut. Terry in charge. T. A. Finley, of this city, who was in charge of the branch camp for several weeks, resigned on February 15.

Mrs. Clarence Call left Tuesday for an extended visit in Florida.

Saturday Is Last Day For Aiding Veterans in Bonus Applications

Dance On Friday Night For Benefit Of Baseball Team

People of North Wilkesboro and vicinity are invited to a dance to be held at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse Friday night, February 28, eight till one o'clock.

There will be plenty of good music, round and square dancing to round out a program of entertainment for the night. Script will be 50 cents with ladies free and profits from the occasion will go toward financing the baseball club here this year.

Marriage Licenses
Licenses to wed were issued during the past week by Old Wiles, register of deeds, to three couples: Thurman Myers and Lilly Shoemaker, Union Grove; F. E. Morton and Mattie Ellis, both of Independence, Va.; Royal Holland, West Jefferson, and Celia Lowe, Wilkesboro.

Social Security Check



Washington . . . A check for \$274.00, signed by Guy F. Allen (above), of the Treasury Department, is the first social security payment under the new Federal law. It went to Pennsylvania for social security payments throughout the state.

To Explain NYA In Meeting Here On Friday Night

Offers Help to High School and College Students; to Name Committee

A meeting of people interested in the National Youth administration aiding high school and college students in Wilkes county will be held at Hotel Wilkes on Friday evening, February 28, beginning at 7:30.

L. W. Teague, field representative of the NYA in North Carolina, asked T. E. Story, head of the Wilkesboro district schools, to act as chairman to call the meeting, at which time an advisory committee will be named to handle youth aid problems in the county.

Many representative citizens of the county have been asked to attend and any others who may be interested in learning more about the administration of the youth aid fund are also invited.

A representative of the National Youth administration will be present to explain its aims and purposes. It has been pointed out that as yet many people in this section know very little about the NYA and the meeting Friday night is for the purpose of gaining a wider knowledge of what the NYA offers to deserving youth.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMillan Dies

Buried Sunday Afternoon In Greenwood Cemetery; Died On Friday Night

Mary Sue McMillan, age 2-1/2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McMillan, of West Jefferson, died at her home there Friday night following an illness of pneumonia.

She is survived by her parents, who are well known here, her mother being a daughter of W. E. Colvard, of this city.

Funeral service was held at the Baptist church in West Jefferson Sunday afternoon and the body was brought here for burial in Greenwood cemetery.

Central Schools In County Open; Roads Are Better

Buses Able to Serve Practically All Routes Yesterday Morning

PROSPECTS ARE GOOD For High Average of Attendance During Remainder of Term

High schools and larger elementary schools closed since the heavy snowfall on February 6 reopened Wednesday.

Schools reopening yesterday included Wilkesboro, Moravian Falls, Ferguson, Mount Pleasant, Mountain View, Traphill, Ronda and Roaring River. Millers Creek and Maple Springs reopened Monday.

Bus drivers today reported that the roads over which they travel are again in passable condition, although lacking much of being in good condition. However, buses were able to cover practically all territory on their routes, experiencing difficulty on north sides and shady slopes.

School authorities are hopeful that weather conditions will permit the schools to complete the term without further difficulty and that attendance averages will not be materially lowered.

Meanwhile, the smaller schools where no buses are used have been operating practically all the time with but few absences on account of the weather.

New Telephone Directory Out

Classified Directory Section New Feature for Local System

A classified directory section is a new feature of the North Wilkesboro telephone directory, which has been distributed during the past few days by the local branch of the Southeast Public Service company.

In addition to the regular directory, the publication contains a classified section in which places of business and professions are listed. This feature heretofore has been confined to larger cities and is the first time to be used in North Wilkesboro.

It will mean a great convenience to telephone patrons, especially those who are not thoroughly acquainted with the community, in that they will be able to find a firm's name listed under its proper heading. For instance, if one wishes to call a physician, he can look under the heading of "Physicians" and there find the names and telephone numbers of the local physicians. The same applies to other professions and places of business.

If any customer of the telephone system has not received his or her directory the telephone company will be glad to deliver one when notified.

All telephone users are strictly advised to call by number, as any other practice retards the service to all concerned.

Manufacturers Trying To Sell Terracing Outfit

Representatives In County To Talk With Commissioners About Machine Purchase

Representatives of tractor and terracing machine manufacturers have been in the county recently to contact members of the county board of commissioners relative to the purchase of a terracing machine to be used in soil erosion control.

The plan being used in many counties is for the commissioners to underwrite the cost of equipment and a charge is made for terracing that is designed to make the project self-liquidating. The manufacturers sell the machine on two-year terms and in most instances the machine is able to pay for itself in that time by terracing lands at \$3.00 per hour, making the cost per acre for a permanent type of terracing range from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Considerable interest is being shown by farmers in Wilkes who realize the damage to their lands by erosion.

Italian Troops Sail
Naples, Feb. 25.—More than 4,000 soldiers and workmen sailed for East Africa today aboard the steamships Liguria, Naxos and Sauro.

Republican County Convention Called For Saturday, March 21



Where Uncle Sam Will Store His Gold Holdings
Fort Knox, Ky.—Construction work is now well under way on Uncle Sam's gold vault here where the United States government plans to store its immense gold holdings in the central part of the nation. The vault proper, when completed late in May, will be 64x40 feet and two stories high, all underground, topped by a building of bomb-proof granite.

Precincts Will Have Meetings Preceding Day

County Convention to Name Delegates to District and State Meetings

KEYNOTE ADDRESS Will Be Delivered By Widely Known Republican Leader in State

Wilkes county Republican convention will be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Saturday, March 21, according to the call issued Wednesday by J. M. Brown, chairman, and Kyle Hayes, secretary, of the county executive committee.

The convention will open at one o'clock and some widely known Republican leader in the state will deliver the keynote address. Chairman Brown said today that some state leaders are being contacted and that the name of the speaker will be announced soon.

The precinct meetings will be held on Friday, March 20, at one o'clock in the afternoon with the exception of the two North Wilkesboro precincts, which will meet at noon on that day.

Chairman Brown explained that the precinct meetings are usually held on Saturday with the convention on the following Monday but this year the change was made because of the fact that the county convention be called on March 21.

Following is the call for the convention issued by the chairman and secretary:

Pursuant to the direction of Honorable W. C. Meekins, chairman of the state Republican executive committee, notice is hereby given that a convention of the Republicans of Wilkes county is hereby called to meet in Wilkesboro on Saturday, March 21st, 1936, at one o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the state, congressional and senatorial district conventions and for transacting any other business that may properly come before said convention.

The chairman of the various precinct organizations are hereby requested to call a primary to be held at the polling place in each respective precinct on Friday, March 20, 1936, at one o'clock, p. m. (Except North Wilkesboro precincts one and two. North Wilkesboro precinct number one will meet at the Mayor's office in the town of North Wilkesboro at twelve o'clock, M., and North Wilkesboro precinct number two will meet at the voting place near Blair's store in the town of North Wilkesboro, N. C. at twelve o'clock, M.) The purpose of the precinct meetings are to elect delegates and alternates to the county convention herein called, and to transact any other business that may properly come before said precinct meetings.

The Republicans of each precinct are requested to meet and assemble to perfect the local organization, electing a township executive committee of not less than three and not more than five voters, and recommending from each precinct a member for the Wilkes county Republican executive committee.

In the new precincts that were created last election, and which have no present organization, the following Republicans are designated to call the meetings to order and to preside until a chairman is elected by voters at the meetings: Mulberry number one, M. F. Absher; Mulberry number two, W. H. Sebastian; North Wilkesboro number one, E. M. Blackburn; North Wilkesboro number two, P. W. Salsman; Wilkesboro number one, F. J. McDuffie; Wilkesboro number two, C. G. Glass.

The following is the number of delegates and alternates that each precinct will be entitled to:

Noted Surgeon Is Here With Father

Dr. Eugene Billings, of Philadelphia, Visits Father, A. C. Billings

Dr. Eugene Billings, Philadelphia surgeon, who was the first to successfully perform an operation on a man's heart, is here this week with his father, Avery C. Billings, of Hays, who is quite ill in the Wilkes hospital.

Dr. Billings was born and reared in Wilkes county, but for many years has been a member of the staff of a widely known Philadelphia hospital.

Criminal Term Of Wilkes Court Begins Monday

Judge Sink to Preside; Many Cases Are Now Pending Trial

Spring term of Wilkes superior court for trial of criminal cases will begin in Wilkesboro Monday.

The court faces the usual heavy docket and it is quite likely that the calendar cannot be cleared in the two-weeks' term, although Solicitor John R. Jones has expressed a determination to make as much headway as practical and clear the docket if possible.

However, there are several cases pending trial that promise to be hard fought. There are ten homicide cases but it is understood that no defendants will be placed on trial for first degree murder. Four of the homicide cases involve automobile accidents on the highways.

All cases not sent up by the magistrates when the calendar was made out last week will be called on Tuesday, March 10, second week of court. Witnesses summoned before the grand jury will be excused after they testify before that body until the date on which the case is calendared for trial in court, Solicitor Jones said.

Prisoner Leaves Alcatraz

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—Ray Lagomarsino became the first prisoner to win his liberty from Alcatraz island, by court order. Federal Judge Michael J. Roche granted him a writ of habeas corpus. Lagomarsino, Colma, Calif., post office robber, was sentenced 10 years ago to a term of 20 years.

TVA Farms Must Keep Up Records

Stresses Producing Own Food and Feed and Soil Conservation Crops

Farmers who agree to conduct demonstration farms in order to secure phosphate from the Tennessee Valley Authority must keep accurate records of what they are doing with their farms.

They are furnished a large record book to be kept through the period they are members of the soil conservation association. This book has space for farm inventory, record of crops on various fields and space for each expenditure and every item on income.

In joining the association the entire farm must be included and they must follow a system of planned farming. Particular stress is laid on producing food and feed on the farm and reclamation of soil by soil building crops and erosion control methods.

About thirty Wilkes farmers so far have made application for phosphate, which is furnished by the TVA at cost of freight and storage.

Counties Agents of Wilkes and Adjoining Counties in Meeting

Boys And Girls To Play Shelby On Friday Night

Boys' and girls' teams of the North Wilkesboro high school will play the Shelby high school teams in games in the local gymnasium on Friday night, the first game beginning at 7:30.

Shelby has one of the best teams in the western part of the state but the local cagers are expected to put up plenty of competition. All basketball fans are invited to be present.

Tired Boys Become Animal

New York, Feb. 25.—After 16,000 experiments in which college students on Federal relief pay rolls were stimulated by pretzels, mint candies, and imaginary steak, a Columbia university psychologist concluded tonight that human minds drop toward the animal level when tired or under emotional stress.

County farm agents of Wilkes and adjoining counties held a meeting Tuesday at the courthouse in Wilkesboro.

The meeting, attended by 13 county agents, assistant agents and home agents, was held especially for the purpose of promoting 4-H club work and to give the agents an opportunity to learn more about the aims and purposes of the Tennessee Valley Authority in supplying phosphate for demonstration farms and for soil conservation purposes.

County agents were present from Alleghany, Caldwell, Watauga, Yadkin and Alexander counties. Wilkes was represented by A. G. Hendran, county agent, and W. J. Hanna, assistant agent in charge of TVA demonstration farms and soil conservation work.

The extension service was represented by O. K. McClary, district agent, and L. R. Harrell, (Continued on page eight)