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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

Prisoners Three, Refuses 27
April 10.—Governor Edwards today paroled three state prisoners and declined clemency petitions of 27 others.

More Drunk Drivers
Raleigh, April 10.—The state highway patrol today requested arresting 309 drunken drivers in March, compared with only 188 in February, while total March arrests were 2,311 compared with 1,670 in February.

Ministers Play Punchboards
Black Mountain, April 10.—Punchboard ministers, says Rev. O. B. Halger, Baptist minister, are playing punchboards hereabouts. Mr. Halger appealed to the board of aldermen, with three other church representatives, to enforce laws prohibiting operation of punchboards because "even preachers" among others were spending money on this form of amusement.

Killed In Collision
Aberdeen, April 10.—Charles Langston, 24, of Mocksville, a forestry employe on a WPA and settlement project near Hoffman, who was injured in a head-on automobile collision near here late yesterday afternoon, died in the Moore county hospital at Pfiehurst this morning.

Million Acres Flooded
Memphis, Tenn., April 10.—Five thousand residents of bottomland country in six states sought the refuge of higher ground today as overflow waters from the Mississippi and its tributaries rolled over more than a million acres of unprotected lowlands adjacent to the streams.

Escape Jail, Captured
Lexington, April 10.—Charlie H. Padgett and R. E. Gunter, awaiting trial on highway robbery charges; James Varner and James Baucum, held for lesser offenses, of Empower Deputy Jailor Junius Evans here this afternoon and led him in a cell and two hours later.

Didn't Notice Town
Laurinburg, April 10.—This throbbing semi-city, basking in a civic consciousness engendered by remarks of visitors to the effect that "this is the busiest little town I have seen lately," is recovering from a shock. Police ran down a North Carolina car which dashed through a red traffic signal at 50 miles per hour on Church street. "On my word, officer, I didn't know I was in a town," the driver pleaded.

Representative Quits
Montgomery, Ala., April 10.—The Alabama legislature today lost a member who resigned "rather than sit here idly and draw the taxpayers' money." Representative A. L. Hanks, of Talladega, handed in his resignation with the explanation he could "see no possibility or probability of working out anything that would rebound to the benefit of the suffering masses." He thereupon strode from the chamber.

Is Fatally Injured
Kinston, April 10.—Mrs. Oscar Lewis, 45, was injured fatally here about 9:30 o'clock tonight when struck by two automobiles at a street intersection. Mrs. Lewis, with her husband, was crossing the street when she was knocked down by a car driven by Billy Hunter, Kinston youth, and a machine operated by Preston Spivey, closely following, ran over her body and dragged her about 30 feet. Chief of Police Ike Brown said.

Man Jailed For Shooting Stepson
Rob Woodie Facing Charge of Assault With Deadly Weapon Sunday

Rob Woodie was placed in jail in Wilkesboro Sunday night on a charge of shooting Robert Love, 17-year-old stepson, and assaulting his wife at their home west of this city.

The disturbance in the home took place about eight o'clock and a deputy sheriff was called to make the arrest of Woodie, who was said to be in a drunken condition. According to reports given the officer, Woodie had struck his wife and shot his stepson in the leg with a revolver, which the officer found lying on the mantle with three empty shells in the cylinder.

Expect Action On Highway 268 After July 1st This Year

Delegation of Wilkes People Present Claims to Highway Commissioner

SIGMON GIVES VIEWS Says No Funds Be Available Until After Beginning of New Fiscal Year

People interested in the completion of the North Wilkesboro-Elkin road may expect action of that project soon after July 1, according to word received from Mr. Sigmon, a member of the state highway commission.

A number of people of the Roaring River community and a delegation of North Wilkesboro citizens representing the Kiwanis club and the Wilkes post of the American Legion, went to Salisbury Wednesday night to confer with the commissioner and to find out what prospects are for the completion of the road, which has been completed between Elkin and Ronda and which has been surveyed on through to North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Sigmon told the delegation that no funds are available for another letting on this road until after the beginning of the new fiscal year on July 1, 1936. He did say, however, that the first money available for roads in this county would be used in letting another contract on the road and assured the delegation that this would be done as soon after July 1 as possible.

Local people attending the meeting were W. K. Sturdivant, E. G. Finley, A. F. Killy, J. C. Reins and J. B. McCay.

M. L. Gilreath Is Claimed by Death

Died Sunday Morning; Funeral Service Held Here This Afternoon

Marcus Leander Gilreath, age 72, died at the hospital here Sunday morning following an illness of several days.

Mr. Gilreath was born in Alexander county, a son of the late Rev. Alexander and Sarah Gilreath. When a young man he was engaged in carpenter work and in business as a contractor, later establishing a shoe repair shop which he operated for many years here. He was a member of the First Baptist church here and was highly esteemed by the people of the city.

He was married to Miss Louvanna Hendren, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John Rhodes, of this city, and Mrs. T. K. Thomas, of Woodhaven, Long Island, N. Y., and one son, Bryan Gilreath, of this city. Two children, Wade Hampton and Della Matilda Gilreath preceded him in death.

Funeral service was held this afternoon at the First Baptist church and interment was in the Baptist cemetery in this city.

Woman Arrested On Liquor Charge

Federal Revenue Agents Take Pair at Home Near City Friday

Federal revenue agents arrested Roy Davis and Edith Billings Friday on a charge of possession of liquor on premises of the woman's home near here.

Agents making the arrest were E. A. Bennett, C. F. Kirkey, A. L. Williams, Leonard Roope and Deputies Sheriff W. B. Sparks and G. G. Holland. The quantity of liquor found was said to be five gallons.

They filled bonds of \$200 each for appearance in federal court at Wilkesboro in May, following a hearing before J. W. Dula, commissioner.

Pardue Brothers Get Sinclair Plant Contract

Pardue Brothers, well known local contracting firm, has been awarded the contract to construct the bulk plant for the Escon Oil Company, local Sinclair Oil distributors.

Work on the new plant started this morning and construction will be rushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

Congressman Poet Laureate



Washington . . . Congressman J. S. McGroarty of California (above), may be given the title of honorary poet laureate of the U. S. . . . Representative Monaghan of Mont., introduced the resolution.

Winston-Salem Man Is Killed In Wreck Sunday

Vernon Porter Held For Manslaughter, Larceny and Reckless Driving

Walter F. Gilley, 43, foreman of a brick company in Winston-Salem, died at The Wilkes Hospital this morning, 10:30, from injuries received Sunday afternoon when his car and a car driven by Vernon Porter, of this city, collided on the Boone Trail highway 13 miles east of Wilkesboro.

According to reports of officers who investigated the wreck Porter was racing past another car when he collided with Gilley traveling westward toward Wilkesboro.

Vernon Porter was driving a Plymouth coach said to have been stolen from his employer, Shuba Gunn, of this city.

Mr. Gilley was carried by ambulance to the hospital here and no hope was held for his recovery. Porter was carried by a motorist to the Hospital at Elkin, and it is understood that his condition is not critical. He was placed under arrest this morning. It is understood, on charges of manslaughter, larceny of automobile and reckless driving.

Mr. Gilley was a son of Wiley and Belle Rash Gilley. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rosa Richardson Gilley. Funeral and burial service will be held at Clifton cemetery Tuesday afternoon, two o'clock.

Auction Sale To Be Held Saturday

Sixty Lots To Be Sold At Finley Park Addition On Saturday Afternoon

Penney Brothers, the original twin auctioneers, will conduct two auction sales of valuable real estate Saturday morning and afternoon. The sale Saturday morning ten o'clock, will be small farms four miles east of the city on the Boone Trail. This is very desirable property and it is expected that many will attend the sale.

The afternoon sale at two o'clock will be sixty lots of the Finley Park addition to the city. The sale recently held there was very successful when over forty lots were sold to several well known citizens of North Wilkesboro, including C. O. McNeil, D. J. Carter, L. M. Nelson, B. R. Underwood, S. B. Richardson, T. H. Waller and others. Deeds have been delivered for the lots and some of those who purchased lots are already planning to erect residences.

Edwards Township S. S. Convention

Following is the program of Edwards township Sunday school convention to be held at Little Elkin church four miles northeast of Ronda on Sunday, April 19:

- 9:45 a. m. Devotional, Martin Luffman.
- 10 Sunday School Lesson.
- 10:45 Song.
- 10:50 Reports of Sunday schools.
- 11:30 "What is Sunday school to me," M. L. Pettyjohn.
- 11:45 "The Value of Sunday School to the Church," Rev. J. H. Luffman.
- 12 M. to 12:30 P. M. Round Table Discussion.
- 12:30 p. m. Dinner hour.
- 1:30 Songs.
- 1:45 Address by Prof. T. E. Story.

Expect Work Will Begin Presently On the Courthouse

Minor Technical Obstacles to Be Removed Before Work is Started

COURTHOUSE ADDITION Will Serve as Agricultural Building; is a Major WPA Project

When a few technical obstacles are removed work will begin on a two-story addition to the courthouse in Wilkesboro to be used as additional county office space and quarters for county agricultural offices.

A WPA project to extend the rear of the courthouse 35 feet has been approved and slightly over \$9,000 allotted for labor and materials with approximately 30 per cent of the cost to be paid by the county and the remainder by the Works progress administration.

As soon as architects complete blue prints and technical details of the plans it is expected that WPA authorities will say the word that will start work on the project, which A. G. Hendren, county agent, has worked untiringly for during the past six months.

The Wilkesboro structure will be the only agricultural building in this district and in addition to serving this purpose will mean that more office space will be available in the courthouse for general offices. The first floor will be used for additional county office space and the top floor will house the county agent's office, assistant agent's office, assembly hall for gatherings of farmers and office space for administration of the new farm aid program and other phases of agricultural and extension work.

Agent Hendren went to State Farm-Salem Wednesday with J. B. Williams, WPA administrator, concerning the building and was assured that work would begin as soon as practical.

Examination For R. F. D. Carrier

Civil Service Announces Examination For Carrier at Roaring River

The United States civil service commission has announced an examination to fill the position of rural carrier at Roaring River.

Applications for the examination, which will be held in North Wilkesboro, will close on May 8 and the examination will be held later in the month.

The examination will be open only to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of the postoffice where the vacancy exists, who have been actually domiciled there for six months next preceding the closing date for receipt of applications. Applications must be on file with the civil service commission at Washington, D. C., prior to the close of business on May 3.

The salary for a rural carrier is \$1,800 per year for a standard route of 30 miles with an additional \$20 per mile per annum for each mile in excess of 30 miles.

W. D. Halfacre To Speak Sunday At Wilkesboro Church

W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of North Wilkesboro city schools, will speak at the Wilkesboro Baptist church Sunday morning, 11 o'clock.

Rev. Avery Church, pastor of the church, is expected to return early in May from Louisville, Ky., where he has been studying during the past two months in the Baptist Seminary.

R. J. MICHEAL, JR., CLAIMED BY DEATH

Funeral service was held at Lewis Fork Baptist church, Friday morning for R. J. Micheal who died in the hospital in Raleigh where he had been a patient from several months.

R. J. was born April 8, 1921, died April 8, 1936, age being fifteen years and four days. Surviving are his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Micheal, six sisters and one brother, Mrs. Vera Walker, and Dallas Micheal, of Hendon, Va.; Leslie, LaSalle, Arnold, and Ray Micheal, all of Maple Ridge.

Sing, Jean, Sing



New York . . . Above is youthful Jean Dickerson, operatic coloratura, who is being sponsored by the famed Lily Pons of the Metropolitan . . . and presented in a recent recital here.

Wilkesboro Club Takes Prizes at Federation Meet

Awarded Vase For Most Outstanding Community Service Work For Year

The Wilkesboro Woman's club was awarded two coveted prizes in the state federation meeting in High Point last week. Mrs. C. H. Cowles, president of the club, attended the federation sessions.

The club was awarded the Nathan O'Berry N. C. F. W. C. vase for the most outstanding community service work.

For the third consecutive year the club won the Fannie Chase Staton Goblet for the most outstanding garden work by the garden department.

These awards are among the outstanding honors conferred upon individual clubs by the federation.

Many Are Giving To Aid Victims

Local Red Cross Chapter Still Receiving Donations For Disaster Relief

Wilkes county chapter of the Red Cross continues to receive donations for relief of flood and tornado sufferers and any who may wish to contribute are asked to send their donations to J. B. Williams, chapter treasurer.

Although several days have elapsed since the disastrous tornadoes in Greensboro, N. C., and Gainesville, Ga., the need is still great because sufferers must be cared for and homeless sheltered and clothed until reconstruction gets under way.

So far the Wilkes chapter has succeeded in raising well over \$600 and it is hoped that many who have not given will help while the opportunity is extended.

Following is a list of those who have given to the Red Cross since the last list was published:

M. J. Beardale, (second donation), W. T. Church, A. M. Foster, Mrs. A. M. Foster, Miss Irene Foster, Mrs. M. N. Grist (second donation), Current Topic Club, Turner-White Casket Co., Miss Beatrice Holbrook, Miss Mildred Holbrook, Mrs. Tom McNeill, H. M. Hutchens, Genie Cardwell, Mrs. Annie Belsh, Donald Belsh, Lila Ann Belsh, P. W. Williams, Dr. J. S. Deans, Hadley-Moore Hardware Store, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Finley (second donation).

RED CROSS TAKING CARE OF THOUSANDS

Wheeling, W. Va., April 9.—Charles W. Carr, regional director for the Red Cross, said last night 23,000 families are being cared for by his organization in the Ohio valley region.

He said the total is the largest for any flood region in 14 eastern states, and the upper Ohio valley is the largest territory affected.

Carr said the total families being cared for in other regions are:

New England, 22,000; New York, 1,800; eastern Pennsylvania, 21,000; central Pennsylvania, 17,000; western Pennsylvania, 22,000; Potomac river, 2,200; Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee, 3,300.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Starr and little daughter, Mary Miller, spent Easter with Mrs. Starr's mother, Mrs. S. F. Ingram at Pappad, N. C.

Farmers Hear New Farm Aid Measure Explained Friday

John A. McRae Expresses Views To Many Farmers

Charlotte Candidate for Governor Speaks Before Kiwanis Club

John A. McRae, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, addressed the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday on "Wisdom and Patriotism of our Elder Statesmen."

He favored "the federal and state governments staying on their own side of the fence" and deplored the fact that the federal government collects \$284,000,000 in North Carolina while the state can scarcely get \$51,000,000 in taxes annually. He said he favored economy in government, saying that the "federal government is the most extravagant responsible government on earth," deplored concentration of wealth and business in towns and cities, said governments have too many office holders, declared himself strongly in favor of constitution government and lauded the state and national supreme courts, and declared for a "free ballot and a free count, terming the absentee ballot law a "ballot box corrupter and asked all good citizens to watch the ballot box with jealous eye."

McRae was the fourth gubernatorial candidate to address the club, McDonald, Graham and Hoy having previously spoken to the club.

Corey, of Winston-Salem, was a visiting Kiwanisan. J. B. Williams returned to the membership of the club and was presented with a button by Genie Cardwell.

Announcement was made that there will be no luncheon meeting of the club here this week and that the full membership is expected to attend the division 3 inter-club meeting with the Winston-Salem club on Thursday evening, 6:30.

Special Services Very Successful

Closed at M. E. Church Sunday Night; Much Interest Shown

The two-weeks' series of special services closed Sunday night at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church.

The services were quite successful from every standpoint. There were ten additions to the church and seven were baptized. Throughout the two weeks the services were largely attended and it is felt that the church and the community have been greatly benefitted by the meeting. The pastor, Dr. R. B. Templeton, did the preaching in a most able manner.

The services Easter Sunday were quite impressive and largely attended, including the early morning service and celebration of the holy communion, the morning worship service and the evening service which closed the meeting. The special offering Sunday amounted to over \$300.

Woman Kills Self

Goldsboro, April 9.—William Jones, about 28, shot and killed herself at her home in Duplin county just over the Wayne line near Seven Springs late Tuesday.

Wednesday, Duplin officers pronounced her death a suicide.

The young woman went to the yard of her home and placed a gun against her left breast and pulled the trigger with a board, officers said. The load tore a hole through her body. She left a note, asking forgiveness of her husband and her mother. Besides her husband she leaves three children.

Officers who investigated assigned domestic difficulties as the cause of the act.

C. D. Branch of Columbus county through feeding corn to his hogs and selling the animals realized a greater profit from his grain than if he had sold the corn outright. It brought him \$1.50 a bushel under this method.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Starr and little daughter, Mary Miller, spent Easter with Mrs. Starr's mother, Mrs. S. F. Ingram at Pappad, N. C.

Dr. Higgins Dies; Funeral Tuesday

Dr. T. H. Higgins, a well and favorably known medical doctor in the Traphill section of Wilkes county, died at The Wilkes Hospital this morning.

Dr. Higgins, one of the most highly esteemed citizens of the northern and eastern part of the county, was taken ill several weeks ago and during the past few days his condition became serious and little hope was held for his recovery.

Dr. Higgins was 61 years of age, a son of the late Thomas and Sallie Cheek Higgins, of Alleghany county. He leaves six children: Burette Higgins, Winston-Salem; Mrs. E. D. Holbrook, Rock Springs, Wyoming; Paul Higgins, Slab Fork, W. Va.; Mrs. D. A. Harris, Statesville; Claude and Naomi Higgins, Traphill.

Funeral and burial service will be held at Walnut Grove church in Walnut Grove township Tuesday afternoon, two o'clock.

Auxiliary To Meet

Wilkes unit of the Legion Auxiliary will meet Friday evening, 7:45, at the home of Mrs. Ivey Moore with Miss Nell Housley associate hostess. Important business matters will be taken up and every member is urged to be present.

the meeting Mr. Gaither met with the county and community committees and explained in detail the plans for administration of the new farm measure, which will not differ to any appreciable extent from the plan used by the triple A. The county and community committees will play an important part in making the new farm aid plan a success.

In order to acquaint more people with provisions of the act, educational meetings will be held in various communities within the next few weeks and application blanks will be distributed.

The county committee is J. M. German, H. C. Roberts and Coy Durham. The six community committees are as follows:

1. T. W. Ferguson, Paul J. Vestal and C. J. Hendren.
2. C. M. Wellborn, C. L. Comer and J. R. Calloway.
3. R. L. Proffitt, H. H. Be-shears and G. D. Wellborn.
4. C. H. Colvard, W. M. Absher and A. R. Miller.
5. J. M. Blevins, Lonnie Billings and Wiley Brooks.
6. L. B. Murray, Jack Hoots and Walter Gentry.

Well Known Physician of Traphill Vicinity Passes; Highly Esteemed

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