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Date News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

Hunter Elected
Raleigh, April 21.—F. M. Hunter, of Fayetteville, was elected president of the North Carolina Merchants' Association here today at the concluding session of the organization's thirty-fourth annual convention. The 1937 meeting will be held in New Bern.

Accidentally Killed
Dunn, April 21.—Jesse Hobbs, of Dunn, died at 7:30 o'clock this morning at Highsmith hospital, Fayetteville, where he was carried Sunday, April 5, after having received accidental bullet wounds at the hands of his brother, Thas Hobbs, at their home here.

At Howe's Funeral
Washington, April 21.—President Roosevelt left Washington at 11:30 o'clock tonight for Fall River, Mass., where he will attend funeral services tomorrow morning for Col. Louis McHenry Howe, his senior secretary, who died Saturday night at the Naval Hospital.

Lift Crossmore Debt
Washington, April 22.—Elimination of an indebtedness of \$8,000 on the Crossmore School, Daughters of the American Revolution institution in North Carolina, today was cited by State Regent Mary Irwin Belk, of Charlotte, as foremost among the outstanding work accomplished by the patriotic school in the state in 1935.

Body Is Located
Bryson City, April 21.—The body of a man, identified as Andy Bradley, 42, who moved from Sylva, Jackson county, to Swain county last Sunday, was found at 3:35 o'clock this afternoon in the Tuckasee river at a point three-quarters of a mile above the business section of Bryson City and within the town limits.

\$1,000,000 Fire
Sharon, Pa.—A \$1,000,000 fire wiped out Sharon's main shopping center, headquarters of one of the country's oldest fraternal insurance organizations. Fire Chief Roy Hall, who estimated damage at about a million and a half, announced the blaze under control shortly before dawn. He said the origin was undetermined.

Nix On Train Travel
Long Beach, Calif., April 21.—A shaggy-mustached survivor of the frontier days in Texas started for New York city by horseback today because "I can't stand to ride on trains, planes or autos and it's too far to walk." He is Dan (Alabama) Stewart, 70. "I'm going to make the trip on 'Old Red,' my cow pony, taking my time, camping along the way, and seeing the country," he said.

Raps Townsend Plan
Washington, April 21.—So tremendous would be the rise in the cost of living under the taxes proposed in the Townsend \$200-a-month old-age pension plan that a 10-cent loaf of bread would retail for approximately 50 cents, Robert R. Doane, New York economist, testified today before a House investigating committee. Doane, dark-haired and heavy set, is the economist quoted in the Townsend national weekly and literature of Old Age Reserving Pensions, Ltd., as favoring the pension plan. Today he declared flatly that he had ever endorsed the plan. He described it as "impossible."

Clean-Up Week Being Observed

People Urged to Make Week Event of Real Consequence in This City
This week is "Clean-Up Week" in North Wilkesboro and less than three days remain in which to observe the occasion.

Last week Mayor R. T. McNeil issued a proclamation in regard to "Clean-Up Week" and urged that the people of the city observe the occasion by cleaning up about homes, vacant lots and places of business. The city authorities are cooperating by furnishing means of conveyance of all trash from convenient points in alleys or on streets to the dump grounds.

Pre-School Clinic Being Conducted In Wilkes County

Health Officer and County Nurse Visit Central School This Month
EXAMINE CHILDREN
Parents Urged to Co-operate and Have Children's Defects Corrected

A. J. Eller, health officer for Wilkes county, has announced an itinerary for pre-school clinics to be held in Wilkes county during the next two weeks.

The pre-school clinics, Dr. Eller said, are for the purpose of examining children of pre-school age who are expected to begin school next fall. The examinations are given for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not a child has physical defects that would be a handicap in school. The examination includes teeth, tonsils, heart and lungs and general physical condition. In cases where defects are found the parents are advised and requested to have corrective measures taken.

Dr. Eller urged that all parents of children of pre-school age cooperate by sending their children to the most convenient place on clinic days. Following are the appointments:

Thursday, April 23, Roaring River.
Friday, April 24, Mount Pleasant.
Monday, April 27, Millers Creek.
Tuesday, April 28, Wilkesboro.
Wednesday, April 29, Traphill.
Thursday, April 30, Ronda and Pleasant Hill.
Friday, May 1, Ferguson.

The pre-school clinic at North Wilkesboro city schools will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12 and 13.

Merchants Have Meeting Monday

Begin Drive to Still Further Increase Membership of Association
Wilkes County Merchants' Association met in a call meeting Monday night at the city hall with several members present and discussed a number of matters of interest and importance to the organization.

It was brought out in the meeting that the membership of the association is steadily on the increase but the membership drive that is now under way is expected to further increase the number.

Opposes Capper



Wichita, Kas. — Dempster O. Potts (above), original Townsend Club leader in this state, has announced himself a candidate for the seat of the veteran Senator Arthur Capper in the U. S. Senate at the Fall elections. Potts is an attorney.

Wiles Announces As Candidate For Register of Deeds

Incumbent Seeks to Succeed Himself and Asks Support of Republicans
Old Wiles, who was appointed register of deeds of Wilkes county by the board of commissioners when O. F. Eller resigned because of the condition of his health, today announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for that office in the primary to be held on June 6.

Prior to his appointment as register of deeds, Mr. Wiles was chief deputy sheriff for a number of years and is well and favorably known throughout the county. His announcement follows.

"To the Republican voters of Wilkes County:
"I have filed with the county board of elections a Republican nomination for the office of register of deeds in Wilkes county, and will appreciate the support of the Republicans of Wilkes county in the primary to be held on June 6.
"If nominated and elected I will perform the duties of the office of register of deeds in the most courteous and efficient manner of which I am capable."

No poor man can afford to be without insurance, life or fire.

R. C. Jennings Has Interesting Lead On Means' Confession Angle

LAMBETH HAS NO OPPOSITION
In June Primary, Scotland County Man's Filing Was Not Proper, Board Says

Giles Yeoman Newton, of Scotland county, who sought to oppose Congressman Walter Lambeth for the Democratic nomination for congress in this district, cannot have his name on the primary ballot because of improper filing.

Seventh Grade Commencement At Mt. Pleasant

District Commencement for 7th Grade Will Be Held Saturday, May 2
CONTESTS PLANNED
Literary Program, Awards in Morning Session; Athletics in Afternoon

Seventh grade commencement for schools of the Mount Pleasant district will be held at Mount Pleasant high school on Saturday, May 2. It was announced this week by county school authorities and S. E. Matthews, superintendent of the Mount Pleasant district schools.

Plans for the commencement calls for an academic and literary program in the morning and a field day in the afternoon. The morning program will begin at nine o'clock with a "Welcome Address," address of welcome by Mr. Matthews, principal, and response by Evan Colvard.

The next on the program will be spelling and declamation; contests with three entrants allowed from each school. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, will deliver an address closing the morning program and will award diplomas, certificates of merit and medals for perfect attendance.

The field day program will start at 12:30 with 100-yard dash for boys, 100-yard dash for girls, quarter mile race for girls, half mile race for boys, half mile relay race for girls with teams of four from each school.

The other track and field events are sack race for boys and girls, three-legged race for boys and girls, potato race for girls, baseball throw for boys and girls, the race for boys and girls, high and broad jumps (running and standing) for boys and girls, "stick pole climb for boys.

The judges of the field events will be Teachers Hendrix, Eller and Elledge. The program will close at three o'clock.

TO SPEAK MONDAY AND TUESDAY



Campaign for the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina will come to Wilkes next week when Dr. Ralph McDonald, left, will speak at the noon recess of court Monday, and Clyde Hoey, right, will speak at the courthouse Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Large crowds are expected to hear both candidates.

Federal Court Jury Drawn; To Begin May 18th

Criminal Cases to Be Tried First Week; Civil Actions Second Week
Federal court for trial of cases originating in Wilkes, Alleghany and Watauga counties will convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, May 18, with Judge Johnson J. Hayes, middle district judge, presiding.

The first week of the court will be devoted to trial of criminal cases and during the second week civil actions will be tried. The court faces a heavy docket of criminal cases, the majority of which are for alleged violations of the federal prohibition laws.

Alleghany County
William T. Jones, Furches; J. Harley Douglas, Piney Creek; W. Thomas Rector, Sparta; Sam S. Landreth, Laurel Springs; J. M. Truitt, Sparta; Raleigh Joiner, Whitehead; Robert L. Hanks, Cherry Lane; Everett Hendrix, Laurel Springs.

Watauga County
Turner Watson, Brookside; Alonzo G. Miller, Deep Gap; M. L. Herman, Valle Crucis; Niley T. Byers, Zionville; Leslie Lyons, Boone; H. C. Hodges, Triplett; L. L. Bingham, Boone; German Garland, Shulls Mills; Clyde Tester, Matney; Walter H. Greene, Boone route 2; S. F. Horton, (Continued on page eight)

Big Season Ahead For MountainMaid

Local Ice Cream Manufacturer Has Modern Plant, Ice Cream Parlor
Forester Ice Cream company, manufacturers of the popular Mountain Maid ice cream, has placed its plant and equipment in first class condition in anticipation of what promises to be the outstanding season in the history of the locally made product.

To Use 1,500 On Scenic Parkway During Summer

Contractors May Use Three Shifts Daily to Speed Up Construction
\$20,000 WEEK PAYROLL
People Asked to Visit Scene of Construction During Summer Months

Now that Spring has definitely arrived, one should certainly make a trip to the crest of the Blue Ridge mountains in Wilkes, Alleghany, Ashe or Watauga counties, to see the mammoth machines working upon the Scenic Parkway. All the latest types of road building equipment will be found in use here from shovels taking 3 cubic yards of dirt at one bite to giant scrapers picking up and hauling away over 20 tons of material at a time.

The parkway is being constructed upon an approved location along the crest of the Blue Ridge mountains and intervening peaks for a distance of 55 miles between the Low Gap in Alleghany county and the Deep Gap in Watauga county. Six grading projects have been let, and one structure contract, involving an eventual expenditure of two million dollars. This means a weekly payroll for the fortunate counties of about \$20,000.00 for labor alone, and a complement of workers of 800 to 1,000 people. During the summer it is expected that this will be increased to at least 1,500. All of these people are required to be employed from lists furnished by the local office of the North Carolina State Employment Service, which is under the direction of J. B. Hah, District Manager. Representatives of the Employment Service are stationed also in Sparta and Jefferson.

Although the supply of labor has been adequate to the demand up to the present, it has been anticipated that more workers will be needed at an early date, and all those who are interested in this work are urged to register at the nearest office at once. Next week special registrations will be held on Wednesday morning at the post office in Roaring Gap, and in the afternoon at Hare in Alleghany county.

When completed the Blue Ridge parkway will be a scenic attraction unrivaled anywhere in the United States. It will traverse mountain tops and valleys, and pass through groves of gorgeous rhododendron, mountain laurel, azalea, and other flowering shrubs. The right-of-way will be 800 to 1000 feet wide, and will comprise an average of 100 acres to the mile. Many beautiful camping sites have been selected, and will be developed with springs of pure mountain water and carefully planned grounds and facilities of convenience and comfort. Cumberland Knob, the Alligator Back, the Bluffs, and the Jump Off Rock are sights along the route which will afford magnificent views in every direction. From these vantage points on clear days it is not unusual to be able to see points 75 to 100 miles away.

In planning a trip to the mountains, it will be wise to include a trip to one or more of these (Continued on page eight)

Worth Morrison Dies Suddenly

Wilkesboro Hardware Merchant Found Dead in Bed Wednesday Morning
Worth E. Morrison, Wilkesboro hardware merchant, was found dead in bed yesterday morning by his wife. A heart attack was presumed to be the cause of his death.

Mr. Morrison was a member of a prominent family, being a son of C. F. Morrison, who died two years ago, and Mrs. Morrison, who died only a few weeks ago. Since his father's death he had operated the Morrison Hardware store in Wilkesboro and was well known in the county.

Clyde Hoey Will Speak in Wilkes Tuesday, 1 P. M.

Shelby Orator to Speak at Courthouse on Second Day of April Court
Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, one of the four candidates for the Democratic nomination for governor in the primary to be held on June 6, will deliver an address at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Tuesday afternoon, April 28, at one o'clock, during the noon recess of court.

Announcement that the silver-tongued orator will speak in Wilkesboro Tuesday was made this week by friends of his campaign here. All citizens of the county are invited to attend and it is expected that many from adjoining counties may be present to hear the issues of the gubernatorial campaign discussed by the able orator and speaker.

Increased interest is being shown in the campaign for the governorship nomination and it is expected that the four candidates will poll a large portion of the Democratic vote in Wilkes in the primary.

Court Begins On Monday Morning

Criminal Docket Will Be Tried During First Week of April Term
April term of Wilkes superior court for trial of criminal and civil cases will convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, April 27, with Judge Hoyle Sink presiding.

Criminal cases will be tried during the first week and there will be a grand jury, although that body is expected to complete its work in a short time. Civil cases will be tried after the criminal cases are completed.

Due to the illness of Judge Sink court adjourned at the end of the first week of the March criminal term and the criminal docket is quite congested, there being a number of homicide cases pending trial.

TEXTILE OUTLET STORE OPENS HERE SATURDAY
Mr. B. B. Brown, of Burlington, is in the city this week making arrangements for the opening of the Textile Outlet Store which is located in the building between the City Barber Shop and Brame Drug Store. Mr. Brown is organizer of Outlet Stores and other stores will be opened in this state this year.