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One Killed; Six Hurt Moberly, Mo., Oct. 30.—W. R. Brockman, 55, was killed and six persons were injured here tonight when a Missouri Power and Light Company substation was blasted by an explosion believed caused by an overheated boiler.

Force Vaccinations Goldsboro, Oct. 30.—Dr. S. B. McPheeters, Wayne county health superintendent, threatened prosecution today for school authorities who permit attendance of children who, because of religious scruples, have not been vaccinated for smallpox.

Hoover Raps Roosevelt Denver, Colo., Oct. 30.—In a closing thrust at the new deal, former President Herbert Hoover tonight asserted that most of President Roosevelt's programs had been suggested to him as President, but that he had rejected each as the outgrowth of a philosophy which is a menace to the nation.

Bailey Says Landon Beaten Gastonia, Oct. 30.—Senator J. W. Bailey in an address here tonight asserted "Alf Landon will go down in political history as the forgotten man of American politics who tried to cut two doors in the Republican party, one for the progressives, the other for the stand-patters."

Landon Pledges Peace Aboard Landon Special En Route to St. Louis, Oct. 30.—Governor Alf M. Landon coupled an assertion that "household budgets" must pay for new deal spending today with a pledge to "wives and mothers" to keep America out of war if elected next Tuesday.

Ehringhaus In Ohio Raleigh, Oct. 30.—Hoarse from a bad attack of what he described as "orator's throat," Governor Ehringhaus returned here tonight after a two-week campaign tour in Pennsylvania and Ohio with the prediction that President Roosevelt would roll up an overwhelming majority in both those states and New York, West Virginia and Maryland as well.

FDR Lampasts GOP New York, Oct. 30.—President Roosevelt asserted tonight that the "Republican leadership," driven by sinister forces which had opposed social legislation for generations, is repudiating its legislators in Congress and leaving them "looking positively silly." He spoke at a Democratic rally arranged by the Kings county party organization at the Brooklyn Academy of Music.

16 Now On Death Row Raleigh, Oct. 30.—Unless Governor Ehringhaus intervenes, five of the 16 residents of "death row" at central prison here will be executed before New Year's day. John Pressley, Gaston county negro convicted in April, 1935, of murdering Vester Glover, is scheduled to be electrocuted November 13, and Brady Laurence, Iredell negro who killed E. Clyde Erwin, is due to die by lethal gas on that date.

Forecasts Good Business Washington, Oct. 30.—The American Federation of Labor forecast today that the present business upswing would continue through next spring, regardless of the presidential election result. But, at the same time, in its monthly business survey, the federation warned "an eventual shortage of buying power." It said workers were not getting their share of returning prosperity because lengthened hours had been accompanied by "no significant gain" in average hourly earnings.

Oyster Supper Friday Evening

Legion Will Be Host to Auxiliary at Clubhouse; Good Program

Wilkes post number 125 of the American Legion will be host to the Wilkes unit of the Auxiliary, all ex-service men and their wives at any oyster supper at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse on Friday evening, Nov. 6, seven o'clock, it was announced today. Speakers for the evening will include V. F. Fields, of Mooresville, district commander, Marvin O. Harwell, commander of the Harris Turner post at Statesville, and others. Also on the program will be group singing, special musical numbers and a magician act. "Plenty of pumpkin pie and a glad welcome awaits everyone attending," Legion leaders said in the announcement.

One Killed And One Injured In Auto Accident

Willie Dressing, of Elizabethton, Tenn., Victim of Crash Thursday

Willie Dressing, age 28, was killed and his uncle, Dr. H. Hoffmann, was injured Thursday afternoon in an automobile accident 11 miles west of this city on highway 421.

The young man's skull was burst and he died soon after he was carried by ambulance to the hospital here. The elder man, a chemical scientist at a large rayon plant near Elizabethton, Tenn., was not seriously hurt, being thrown clear of the car after it hit the guard rail fence and a mail truck driven by Roy Saunders. The car, in the high priced line, was a complete wreck and described as beyond repair.

Both of the men involved in the wreck were prominently connected with the rayon manufacturing industry near Elizabethton.

The accident occurred on a curve near the home of Dr. W. R. Triplett. Investigating officers attributed the cause of the wreck to driving faster than was practical around the curve.

The body of the young man was returned to Elizabethton for burial. He and Dr. Hoffmann were of Germany descent.

Duke Power Co. Rate Reductions

Announced Thursday; Will Mean Large Saving to Users In Carolinas

Raleigh, Oct. 28.—Stanley Winborne, utilities commissioner of North Carolina, announced today that the Duke Power company had agreed to a new reduction in electric and gas rates to save an estimated \$1,100,000 annually to its customers in the two Carolinas.

Commissioner Winborne said the reduced rates would become effective "on meter readings" throughout the Duke territory after Sunday, November 1.

North Carolina customers of the company will get the benefit of about \$733,000 of the total reduction. The company is the largest in the state, serving Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and most of the territory between Durham on the east and Shelby on the west.

Second Cut in Rates

The cut in rates is the second by the Duke company since May 1, 1935, when it merged its subsidiary, the Southern Public Utilities company, with the parent concern and Winborne said the new reduction brought to nearly \$5,000,000 the estimated annual saving to customers effected by the company in the two Carolinas in four years.

Since 1932, Winborne said, reduced rates ordered for utilities in North Carolina alone have resulted in an annual saving to users estimated at more than \$6,000,000.

"These new reductions are the result of a gentlemen's agreement," Winborne said, "that the company would pass on to its customers in reductions of rates the profits it made by its merger and from increased sales at reduced rates. Better business conditions in the territory and reduced operating expenses have aided the company." In May the Duke company filed its 1935 annual report showing net income for the year of \$3,618,239, nearly double the 1934 net of \$1,944,064. The company had gross 1935 revenue of \$21,829,889.

The new reduction gives an aggregate annual saving of \$174,000 to residential electric customers and \$197,000 to "small commercial users." Textile rates were cut an aggregate estimated at \$507,000 annually, municipal service \$65,000, industrial power \$60,000, and small power users \$35,000. Gas users got reductions totalling \$62,000.

Concession to Textiles "The big reduction for textile service is designed to attract business enterprises to the two Carolinas," Commissioner Winborne said. "The new reductions place the rates of the Duke company on a very favorable level with those of the TVA 'yardstick' and I feel very happy at being able to announce them."

INTERESTING CAMPAIGN ENDS; BIG VOTE EXPECTED

Turn Faces Toward Home To Vote As Campaign Ends



Most recent pictures of Democratic and Republican Presidential candidates with their wives as they turned their faces toward home town voting booths to cast their ballots in the national election next Tuesday. President and Mrs. Roosevelt go to Hyde Park, N. Y. while Governor and Mrs. Landon go to Independence, Kansas. President Roosevelt may receive returns in New York City. After voting, Governor Landon will return to the state capital in Topeka, to receive the returns.

Highsmith Talks To Teachers In Meeting Saturday

Gives Practical Discussion Of School Problems; Was Well Attended

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, who is prominently connected with the state department of education, addressed teachers of Wilkes county Saturday in the first county-wide meeting since the beginning of the 1936-37 school term.

The meeting, which was held in the Wilkesboro school building, was well attended by more than 200 teachers. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, presided.

Dr. Highsmith's address was a practical discussion of several phases of school life and problems that face the teachers daily. It was calculated to be of practical value to the members of the teaching profession assembled.

Planning Another Firemen's Dance

One of the largest crowds ever assembled in Wilkesboro in recent years gathered on the Court-house square, Friday night, October 23, at the Firemen's Dance. The crowd was estimated by officials to have been two or three thousand people.

At eight o'clock, thirty minutes before the scheduled starting hour, it began raining and in spite of this most of the crowd remained. An enjoyable evening was had by all those in attendance and the committee reports that with the obstacles they had to overcome, the proceeds from the sales of refreshments served in the Rock Diner, which place was donated, for benefit of the Fire Department, brought in nice returns.

Due to the weather conditions only three of the twenty prizes were given, the other seventeen prizes being held over and will be awarded at the next event, which is now being planned.

Since the committee considered the first undertaking a success and has had numerous requests for another event of this kind, they have secured through the generosity of Messrs. Williams and Erwin, proprietors of the Farmers Livestock and Supply Co., the use of their new building which is now under construction at the intersection of Wilkesboro's Main street and highway No. 60. The building will be completed within the next two weeks, and has a splendid floor for dancing and spacious ground for parking cars. The dance is tentatively planned for November 20th, and the committee is lending every effort to make this event the most successful one of its kind during the season.

County Board In Brief Session

The Wilkes county board of commissioners met this morning for a brief session and recessed until Wednesday, at which time the regular monthly business of the county will be transacted.

Work was halted on a WPA project at Wewahitchka, Fla., because a cow ate the blueprints. A new set of plans sent to B. E. Fulghum, project supervisor, was marked: "For reference, not fodder."

In Movies . . . Executive



Los Angeles . . . When Chloe Elrod (above), graduated from high school she started out looking for a job in the movies . . . but in the business office as stenographer instead of before the klieg. She showed such aptitude in the casting office that she has been made assistant casting director.

3 Women Taken For Shoplifting

Will Face Trial November 16 For Taking Merchandise From Three Stores

Police here during the past week arrested three women on charges of shoplifting and they will face trial in city court on November 16.

Mrs. Cora Whittington, Mrs. Allice Keys and Mrs. Teater Church, of nearby rural communities, are the three who are said to have confessed to taking merchandise from at least three local business firms.

The articles said to have been swiped from the Goodwill Store, Hayes Hardware company and Belk's department store include stockings, knit goods, caps, axes, flatirons, soap, snuff, matches and other small articles.

The articles were taken from the three stores, according to reports and the three women pooled their resources in some cardboard boxes.

They have no criminal records, as far as could be ascertained, and it was believed that this was their first offense in shoplifting.

Another Pumpkin Tale

J. E. Foster, of Ferguson, grew a pumpkin this year that measures approximately eight feet in length and girth combined and weighs 92 pounds.

It is on exhibit in a show window at the Jenkins Hardware store on B Street, in this city. "It costs you nothing to pass by and look at it," Mr. Foster said.

Township S. S. Convention 15th

Edwards Sunday School Convention Will Be Held at Pleasant Home

Sunday school convention for Edwards township will be held on Saturday and Sunday, November 14 and 15, according to a recent announcement by Charlie R. Byrd, J. Q. Burcham and C. E. Walls, township committee.

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The convention sessions Sunday will open with devotional at 9:45 by Rev. Harrison Barker, followed by Sunday school lesson at ten o'clock.

Following a report of Sunday schools in the township Mrs. Mable Newman and Mrs. Conrad Harris will discuss "How should parents and Sunday school workers influence the rising generation for Sunday school instead of pleasure seeking."

Dinner will be served on the ground at the noon hour and in the afternoon session following songs by a number of classes T. E. Story, principal of Wilkesboro high school, will speak on "The Moral and Intellectual Benefit of Sunday School to Society." The public is invited to attend the convention and all Sunday schools in the township are urged to be represented.

CAMPAIGN MANAGERS LIST "SURE" STATES ON EVE OF ELECTION

Washington, Nov. 1.—With the lines now finally drawn for Tuesday's battle of ballots, climaxing one of the bitterest campaigns of modern history, leaders of the two rival parties tonight issued clashing claims of victory for their candidates.

Republican spokesmen came forward with a rush of formal statements forecasting a "victory parade" for Governor Landon. James A. Farley, chairman of the Democratic national committee, countered with an assertion that President Roosevelt would "sweep" the country, and that the Republicans had no right to "feel hopeful" in any state other than Maine and Vermont.

Increased acre yields of cotton by reason of better stands are reported by those men who treated their seed last spring.

Most Active Campaign In History of the Nation

Name Officers Ferguson P.-T. A.

At the October meeting of the Ferguson Parent-Teachers' Association, held recently, the following officers were elected for the year 1936-1937: president, Mrs. T. W. Ferguson; vice president, Mr. W. A. Proffit; secretary, Mrs. J. D. Stokes; treasurer, Mr. G. E. Tester.

The president appointed the following committees for the year:

Membership: Mrs. V. T. Walsh, Mrs. S. H. Jones, Mrs. W. A. Proffit, Mrs. S. F. Miller, Mrs. J. M. Ferguson, Mr. Roby Bishop, and Mr. Hayes Walker.

Program: Mrs. Thelma Barlowe and Mrs. Roxie Jennings.

Refreshment: Mrs. S. F. Miller, Miss Addie Casey, Mrs. H. C. Wheeling, Mrs. Roby Bishop.

Publicity: Mr. William D. Trader.

Thursday night, October 29, found the school to be the meeting place of goblins and ghosts and eager young folks as the annual Halloween party took place.—Reported.

Inspector Gives Sanitary Ratings

Little Change in Rating Of Various Eating Places In Wilkes County

G. S. Odell, sanitary inspector for Wilkes county, has released sanitary ratings of eating places for the current month. Little change is noted in the rating for the previous month. The grades follow:

Table with columns for Grade (A, B, C, D) and various eating places with their respective ratings.

Work Started On Surfacing Streets

Hardaway Construction Co. Gets Work Under Way In This City

Hardaway Construction company, which holds contract for resurfacing the asphalt streets in this city, has begun the work, which is expected to be completed within a few weeks.

A mixed-in-place re-tread surface will be applied on all asphalt streets and work is now under way on B street eastward from the intersection with Sixth street. Highway engineers are of the opinion that the surface treatment being applied will give at least five years of satisfactory service without maintenance costs. The work will cost \$12,600.

Five From Wilkes In Berea College

Berea, Ky., Oct. 31.—Out of a total enrollment of 1,708, five students from Wilkes county, North Carolina, are registered at Berea College according to a statement just issued by the administration.

Registered in the college department are: Miss Sallie Yale, Traphill; Howard Sparks, Cycle; and Kin McNeil, Boomer. Miss Dorcas Sparks, Moravian Falls, is enrolled in the academic department. Claude Sparks, Cycle, is a student in the junior high school.

People to Choose President, State, County Officials

Large Number New Registrations Considered Barometer of Interest

URGE EARLY VOTING

Hope to Avoid Late Rush In Afternoon; Close Election Is Predicted

Tomorrow (Tuesday) the electorate will march to the polls from sunrise to sundown to elect a president and vice president, senators, congressmen, governors, other state officers, members of the state legislatures, county and township officers.

Throughout the entire day steady streams of humanity will by their marks on the ballots indicate whom they wish to govern them during the next two years or four years as the individual case may be.

All records for registrations of voters have been broken and all indications point to the largest election vote in the history of America.

It is generally conceded that the national election between President Roosevelt and Governor Landon will be close, but political prophets never fail to make reservation for a possible last minute swing that may result in a predominant electoral vote majority for the winning candidate.

There are also circumstances that add interest and zest to the campaign in North Carolina, where the governor and all state officers, one United States senator and all congressmen are to be elected.

Intense interest is centered in the race for county and legislative offices in Wilkes and the campaign has reached what is termed the "red hot" point with every indication that both parties by their efforts will roll up by far the largest vote in the history of the county.

For the first time both parties have established full time campaign headquarters. These headquarters are featured by meetings of party leaders from all precincts and many of the rank and file of the parties have found their respective headquarters convenient places to meet and talk over campaign methods and drives for votes.

Polls will open at sunrise, about 6:45, and close at sunset, about 5:25.

People are urged to vote as early in the day as possible in order that there may be no last hour rush in the late afternoon.

The voting place for North Wilkesboro will be at Landon's Super Service on Ninth street.

Council to Talk Social Security

Meeting Of Council /Social Agencies to Be Held at Home Mrs. Absher

The Wilkes County Council of Social Agencies in its meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. W. R. Absher on Thursday evening, November 5, will be featured by a round table discussion on the social security topic. The meeting will begin at 7:30.

The council of social agencies is a central civic organization made up of representatives from 30 civic and public institutions.

In the meeting Thursday evening, W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of the city schools, Miss Mable Topping, member of the school faculty, and Attorney J. Milton Cooper will lead the social security discussions.

The program will be educational and entertaining, and a full attendance of the members is expected. Joining Mrs. Absher as hostess will be Miss Toby Turner, Mrs. A. T. Kilby, Attorney J. H. Whicker and J. M. German.