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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

DOG SHOTS MAN
Wills Stephenson, 14, dropped his shotgun to pick up his hunting dog had stepped on the trigger, and discharged the load, which wounded the Negro youth in the leg.

FOR AMENDMENT
Raleigh—State Labor Commissioner A. L. Fletcher urged the General Assembly today to ratify the child labor amendment to the Federal constitution. Predicting the amendment would be passed, Fletcher said he "sincerely hoped that North Carolina will be in the list of states approving the measure."

INEXPERIENCE BLAMED
Washington.—The Braniff Airplane crash at Dallas, Texas, last December 23, which resulted in loss of six lives, was probably due, the bureau of air commerce reported today, to the "pilot's inexperience in the operation of this particular type of aircraft, fully loaded and with only one engine functioning." All the victims were employees of the Braniff Airways.

SLEEPER 'DESPERATE'
New Bern, Jan. 19.—Physicians tonight described the condition of Mrs. C. H. Banks, said to be suffering from an overdose of sleeping powders, as "desperate." They said they did not expect her to live through the night. Mrs. Banks was admitted to the hospital yesterday after members of the family said they found a note written by her directing what dress she wanted to be buried in.

WANT CONTROL ACT
Raleigh, Jan. 19.—North Carolina farmers, in a stormy session with the legislative agriculture committees here today, adopted a resolution urging the General Assembly to pass the proposed tobacco compact bill to limit production. Approximately 2,500 tobacco growers attended the joint committee hearing, but only 1,000 were present when the question was put to a vote.

STRIKE UNSETTLED
Washington, Jan. 19.—Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins said tonight that she had "explored every phase" of the General Motors situation during a nine-hour session with Gov. Frank Murphy, Michigan, and John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers Organization. "I wish I could say that it is all settled, but I cannot," said the secretary as the conference broke up tonight.

MUCH IN CONTRAST
Washington.—President Roosevelt's first new deal of reform, recovery and experiment today is drawing to a close in an atmosphere of confidence contrasting with the depression panic of March 4, 1933. Mr. Roosevelt will be inaugurated for a second term at noon Wednesday. Vice-President John Nance Garner will be sworn in a few minutes earlier as both appear before a throng on the east front of the Capitol.

FIERCE GUN BATTLE
Lancaster, S. C., Jan. 19.—Lancaster county officers were excited today at an inquest into the death of Will Brown, negro slain in a gun battle with sheriff's deputies last night. Deputy Hollis Hilton, shot in the left arm in the fray, lost the member by amputation in a Charlotte hospital early today. Hilton was wounded with a shotgun Brown was charged with carrying. It was on a warping theft of the gun that deputies attempted to arrest the negro.

HUNT KIDNAPER
Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 19.—Federal agents sent flying squads on the trail of scores of fresh "tips" in their hunt for the kidnap-slayer of little Charles Mattson tonight in Portland, Ore., police questioned a man they said fitted "perfectly" the description of the actual slayer. Detective Captain J. I. Morgan announced the detention of Portland of George Wilson. He said the man raged against families of wealth and mentioned specifically that of Dr. W. W. Watson, Charles' father.

SHOTS FATHER
Albany.—Reuben Shaver, 52, was shot to death at his home at night, near here, last night, and shortly after the shooting his son, Banks Shaver, 21, was taken into custody by sheriff's officers. R. L. Furr said he was the younger Shaver walked into a store at Richfield, laid a rifle on the counter and shot the man in the store he had

Paroled Prisoners Must Make Report To Welfare Office Once Every Month

Prisoners Remain Under Parole Unless Pardoned or Released by Governor

200 IN THE COUNTY

Are Required to Report; Many Entitled to Be Released From Parole

There are approximately 200 people in Wilkes county who at some time or other were paroled from penal institutions and should report to the welfare office. It was learned today from Charles McNeill, county welfare officer.

Mr. McNeill said that there is quite much misunderstanding in regard to the length of time a paroled prisoner must report to the welfare officer. They must report once each month, he said, until they are released from parole or executive order.

Some, he said, are under the impression that the parole expires at the end of the original sentence. He pointed out that the parole never expires until the person is pardoned by the governor or released from provisions of the parole.

The welfare officer is urging that each person in the county who has been paroled and has not been pardoned report at his office and efforts will be made to secure releases for those who have been law abiding citizens in order that they will not have to continue to report.

Those who are not pardoned or released must continue to report monthly and satisfy the welfare officer that they have lived within the law and have not violated provisions of the parole.

Under the system now being used a paroled prisoner is released by the welfare officer, who secures all necessary information relative to the parole and makes provisions for regular reports.

Those who have been paroled would do well not to neglect making the required reports. Mr. McNeill said.

Mobilizing For Safety Campaign In North Carolina

Carolina Motor Club Enrolling People With Pledge to Drive Safely

The Carolina Motor club with cooperating newspapers is sponsoring a mobilization campaign among the people of the state with the aim in view of reducing the appalling toll of human lives taken yearly in automobile accidents.

Each year about 1,000 people are killed on the highways and streets of North Carolina by motor vehicles, making the state's death rate from this cause one of the highest in the nation in proportion to population and number of cars used.

Those who are interested in highway safety are urged to sign a safety pledge which promises to endeavor to drive safely and without accident during the year. Each driver who fulfills the pledge will be awarded a certificate at the end of the year.

Mrs. W. B. Lentz, who is in charge of the local bureau of the Carolina Motor club, has application blanks and all who would promote safe driving are asked to call and sign the pledge, which is as follows:

I hereby apply for enrollment in the Mobilization for Highway Safety sponsored by press, radio and Carolina Motor Club. It is understood there is no obligation on my part other than to drive carefully and avoid accidents in 1937 and that I will receive a Certificate of Award if I drive this year without accident.

Basketball Game With Lenoir Was Postponed

The scheduled games between North Wilkesboro and Lenoir high school teams here on Tuesday night were postponed because of prevailing inclement weather. The games will be played at a later date.

Coming Friday



Dr. H. C. Weber, who will assist in conducting a Presbyterian conference Friday morning at the church hut here.

Presbyterians To Gather Here Friday Morning

Conference to Be Held At Church Hut On Friday; Dr. Weber Coming

The local Presbyterian church hut on Friday morning at 10:30 a. m. is to be the gathering place for a group of Presbyterian ministers and laymen from this and adjoining counties as they meet for a conference to be conducted by Revs. Dumont Clarke and Herman C. Weber, D. D. Mr. Clarke is the director of the Religious Department of the Farmers Federation of Asheville and is the outstanding champion of the Lord's Acre movement. He is a contributor of one of the features of the Progressive Farmer. Dr. Weber is one of the best informed men on stewardship in America.

They are coming to this city under the auspices of the Stewardship Committee of the Presbyterian of Winston-Salem. Rev. J. K. Fleming, chairman of the committee, issues a cordial invitation to people of all denominations. The local Presbyterians unite in this invitation to share in these great privileges.

At 1:30 a similar conference is being held at Glade Valley and at 7:00 p. m. the Lansing Presbyterian church is host to the conference.

The Rev. Dr. Herman C. Weber of New York, director of the Every Member Canvass Department of the Presbyterian General Council, is a recognized national leader in the official work of the church. Before entering the work of the General Council, for seven years he was pastor of City Park Branch of First Presbyterian church, Brooklyn, and he held earlier pastorates elsewhere in New York City. Immediately after the World War, during which he had done religious work in the navy, he became a field man in the New Era Movement of the Presbyterian church, where he built up the distribution and service departments.

Dr. Weber has established an acquaintance throughout the state and country.

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Many Poultrymen Are Expected To Attend The Short Course On Friday

Mid-Winter Recital Extension Specialists to Be In Wilkesboro All Day Friday, January 22

The mid-winter recital of the Finley Studio of Dance and Drama will take place at the Liberty Theatre on Tuesday night, January 25th. The pupils of Mrs. Finley have been practicing for this recital for some time and it is to be one of the most varied and unusual that they have ever given. The costumes in all the numbers are outstanding. The first part of the program is made up of group and individual tap and toe numbers. The final number is a character ballet, "Southland." The lifting southern tunes are made more attractive with a dance. The old fashioned girls with hoop skirts, the old colored mammas and daddies, the pickaninies, and the little girls representing the white cotton blossoms, all make one of the most unusual ballets ever to be presented in North Wilkesboro. "It's an opportunity you can't miss—seeing the youngsters perform." The dance program will be one hour long, and then the picture.

Nine Schools Close On Account of Bad Road Conditions In Wilkes County

Wilkesboro, Ronda, Roaring River, Mountain View, Mt. Pleasant Closed

TO OPEN ON MONDAY

Ferguson, Boomer and Moravian Falls Elementary Units Are Closed

Due to almost unbelievably bad road conditions six central schools and three elementary units have closed in Wilkes until Monday, January 25.

Wilkesboro school closed Tuesday when buses were unable to make their runs over dirt roads. Other schools closed for the same reason include Ronda, Roaring River, Mountain View, Mount Pleasant, Ferguson, Boomer and Moravian Falls.

Schedule of several of the above named schools has been interrupted frequently on account of bad weather since early in December because transportation has proved to be impractical on dirt roads during the weather, which has been almost invariably wet.

Rains Monday night of heavier proportions than during the last four previous weeks Tuesday had swelled the Yadkin river to overflowing and fear was held that the river would reach flood proportions and cause considerable damage. The lower bottoms Tuesday were inundated but there was a lull in the rain Tuesday afternoon.

Between frequent blasts of criticism of road conditions, quite inadequate for school bus transportation plans are going forward to impress the state highway authorities with road needs in the county.

Several rural mail carriers have been able to make their daily runs with extreme difficulty. In some communities going back to "horse and buggy days" of transportation. Meanwhile traffic has been very light on the highways because feeder roads into other rural communities have reached the impassable stage.

Much criticism has been voiced of the "mud stirring" type of work done on roads by WPA workers during the past two years. However, it is recalled that state highway forced cooperated more freely through 1936 and WPA forces were able to place crushed stone and gravel surface on some sections, which have held up well considering weather conditions.

SIMMONS IS HAPPY ON 83RD BIRTHDAY

New Bern, Jan. 10. Former Senator F. M. Simmons passed his 83rd birthday anniversary very quietly today at his home on Neuse river shore, happy with the scores of birthday greetings sent him by numerous friends and acquaintances throughout the state and country.

Roosevelt Begins Second Term

On The Job—For Four More Years



WASHINGTON... An informal, but a new portrait study, of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt at his desk in the White House, shortly before the inaugural ceremonies on January 20th, which officially started his second term at the head of our federal government.

Heart Disease and Auto Accidents Leading Causes of Death in City

New Registrar Of Vital Statistics Reports 145 Births and 85 Deaths

Announcement has been made of the appointment of Ed Crysel as registrar of vital statistics in Wilkesboro, succeeding P. L. Lenderman, who served for a number of years.

The law requires that births and deaths be registered with the registrar of vital statistics in the townships in which they occur.

Series of Sermons On Special Theme

Rev. Eugene Olive to Use Theme of "The Christian Home In Our Time"

Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor of the First Baptist church, has made announcement of a series of Sunday evening services on the theme of "The Christian Home In Our Time." The first of this special series will be on Sunday evening, January 24.

Especial invitation is extended to parents to be present at the church with their children for the series of sermons, in a personal word addressed to parents, Rev. Mr. Olive quotes the following from remarks by Judge Sawcett, member of New York supreme court:

"No child can have a fair American chance without religion. . . I regard our Sunday schools and churches as the only effective means to stem the rising tide of vice and crime among youth. . . Crime would cost many times more if the churches were closed. . . If every Christian would do his duty we could capture the youth of America for Jesus Christ in one generation and practically put an end to crime."

Old Timers Talk About Weather

Mild Temperature and The Abundant Rainfall Subject of Conversation

With the weather making so much conversation it should be worth something as news.

During the past 30 days, supposedly the season for the severest winter weather, the temperature has been as low as the freezing point on only one date and that for a very few hours.

The mild temperature, however, does not mean that the weather has been everything to be desired in the way of pleasantness because during the past three weeks there have been only three fair days. Old timers who are wont to rave about weather "way back yonder" have begun to comment on the unusually rainy winter and the mild temperatures prevailing.

However, it does not take an old timer to recall the weather a year ago when there were but few hours when thermometers registered above the freezing point and snow was almost a daily occurrence.

Records kept by S. J. Craven at the North Wilkesboro water plant show that the rainfall from January 1 through January 19 was a fraction over six inches and the total December rainfall was slightly over seven inches.

Tax Notices Are Being Mailed Out

Tax notices to people who have not paid their 1936 Wilkes county taxes are being mailed out from the office of Sheriff C. T. Doughton.

The notices state the net amount of the tax due and taxes may be settled for this amount during this month.

After February 1, Sheriff Doughton said, a penalty of one per cent will be added to all unpaid taxes. Those who have not paid are urged to pay at once and save the amount of the penalty.

Throng Attends Inaugural Rites Despite Weather

Address is Favorably Received Throughout Nation An Optimistic Spirit

RAINFALL IS HEAVY

Drenched Crowds Applaud President's Pledges To Carry on During Term

Washington, Jan. 20.—Franklin D. Roosevelt, standing bareheaded while rain pelted relentlessly into his face, pronounced the presidential oath today and dedicated his second administration to helping the economically unfortunate.

Thousands of his fellow citizens spread across the capitol plaza, too chilled and soggy for prolonged demonstrations of enthusiasm. Thousands more lined Pennsylvania avenue to see the President pass and watch the parade which followed.

Police estimated that some 150,000 or 200,000 people saw at least portions of the ceremonies.

So penetrating was the cold and the downpour that hundreds began leaving capitol plaza soon after Mr. Roosevelt commenced his speech. Those who remained heard only scattered phrases, for the rain, drumming on a canopy of umbrellas, created a clatter that the loudspeaker system could not overcome. The speech was more than half delivered before there was a murmur of applause. Then, the President, approaching his climax raised his voice:

"I see millions whose daily lives in city and on farm continue under the conditions labelled decadent by a so-called polite society half a century ago. I see millions denied education, recreation and the opportunity to better their lot and the lot of their children.

Millions in Poverty

"I see millions lacking the means to buy the products of farm and factory and by their poverty denying work and productivity to many other millions. I see one third of a nation ill-housed, ill-clad, ill-nourished.

"It is not in despair that I paint you that picture. I paint it for you in hope—because the nation, seeing and understanding the injustice of it, proposes to paint it out. . . . The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much. It is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."

Throughout the address ran a central theme—the President's contention that the processes of democracy are capable of meeting and conquering the nation's social problems; that the constitution as it stands, provides a power of government increasing as "the intricacies of human relationships increase."

Contrary to precedent, Vice President Garner received the oath of office as part of the ceremony of inaugurating the President. Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, the Democratic leader, recited the oath to him and he responded with a drawled "I do."

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Singing Meeting On 5th Sunday

Blue Ridge Singing Association to Convene With Lewis Fork Church

The Blue Ridge Singing association, which embraces a great part of Wilkes, Watauga and Ashe counties, will hold its next session at Lewis Fork Baptist church 15 miles west of this city on highway 421 on the fifth Sunday in this month, January 31.

Announcement of the singing was made by J. C. McNeill, chairman, who said that several choirs, including a number of visiting classes were preparing to take part in the day's program of singing. All singers are invited.

The session will open at ten a. m. with devotional by James Triplett, address of welcome by V. O. Green. There will be morning and afternoon sessions and those attending are asked to carry a log lunch and spend the day.