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JOHNSON FOR PLAN New York, March 5.—From General Hugh S. Johnson, outspoken former NRA administrator, came endorsement tonight of President Roosevelt's proposed change in the judiciary system.

HELD FOR SLAYINGS Clearfield, Pa., March 6.—District Attorney Carl Berlin brought a charge of murder tonight against the wife of a 41-year-old coal miner who, he said, beat her two daughters to death with a hammer. She is Mrs. Jennie Galley, of nearby Hawk Run.

PRESIDENT TOO BUSY Edenton, March 5.—Marvin H. McIntyre, secretary to President Roosevelt, advised officials here today that the President would not be able to attend a "legislative house party" to be held here next week in memory of the time when this was North Carolina's capital.

PURSE FOR McDONALD Raleigh, March 5.—Members of the house of representatives, headed by Representative Bryant of Durham, signed a petition today pledging to give \$10 each to a purse to defray hospital expenses of Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, of Winston-Salem. McDonald entered the Forsyth Tuberculosis hospital yesterday. He served in the 1935 house from Forsyth and sought the gubernatorial nomination last summer.

DIES AFTER THREAT Poplar Bluff, Mo., March 5.—Delois F. Teed, 40-year-old federal relief administrator for Butler county, died suddenly in his office here late today—the day he was marked for death in an abusive letter received a week ago. The note warned Teed to get out of town within seven days "or it will be judgment day for you." Today was the "seventh day."

BOY KILLS SELF Marion, March 5.—Funeral for 17-year-old Pruden, 17, of Marion, was held here today.

facts of a self-inflicted gunshot wound will be conducted at Piney Grove Baptist church on Mill Creek at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The boy, annoyed by a reprimand from his father, according to reports, retired to his room Thursday afternoon and wounded himself with a shotgun. He was brought to a Marion hospital where he died a few hours later.

FATHER AT 79 Tampa, Fla., March 5.—Alfred O. Knapp, retired printer who waited 79 years to become a father, realized his ambition today. A six and one-half pound daughter was born to Mrs. Knapp, "much younger," at a Tampa hospital. The parents met and were married here two years ago. Knapp came to Tampa to retire after serving 38 years as a printing machine operator on the Boston Transcript. "Isn't it great?" beamed Mrs. Knapp.

INVITE PRESIDENT Washington, March 5.—President Roosevelt received today an invitation to spend part of his summers at Flat Rock, in the mountains of western North Carolina. Walter B. Smith, of Hendersonville, presented at the White House a letter from Mayor A. B. Edwards, of Hendersonville, asking the President to consider the use of an estate at Flat Rock. Smith urged aides of the President to look into the matter when Mr. Roosevelt goes to Warm Springs this month.

FIGHT COURT BILL Washington, March 5.—Senate Democrats opposing the Roosevelt court bill answered the President's appeal for party support tonight with an assertion that they intend to match his every move and "fight it out to the bitter end." Predicting a new party alignment by 1938, if the bill passes, Senator Burke (D), Nebraska, an opposition leader, was quick to assert that he and four of his Democratic colleagues will speak against the program in the next week and from differing sections of the country. "That," he said, "is our answer to the President. I do not look upon this matter as a party issue."

The lowest temperature ever recorded was 93 degrees below zero at Vhroyansk, Siberia. The coldest ever recorded in the United States was 65 degrees below zero at Miles City, Mont., January, 1884.

Resigns Air Post



Washington . . . Refusing to resign for more than a year, Eugene L. Vidal (above), has now vacated the post of Director of the Bureau of Air Commerce because of criticism heaped upon the Bureau as result of recent airline crashes.

Kelly Named New Accountant For County; Begins 1st

Will Succeed C. H. Ferguson, County Accountant For Past 10 Years

Board of Wilkes county commissioners in recess session Thursday appointed Walter P. Kelly to the position of county accountant to succeed C. H. Ferguson on April 1, 1937.

The motion to appoint Mr. Kelly, Democrat, was made by K. G. Finley and seconded by Leet Poplin. M. F. Absher, Republican member, protested the vote of Mr. Poplin, and cast his vote for Mr. Ferguson, Republican. Mr. Kelly has been clerk of the town of North Wilkesboro since 1931. Mr. Ferguson began his duties as county accountant on April 1, 1927, and will have served ten years on the expiration of his term on April 1. Little other business of interest was transacted.

Lee Johnson Is Wounded in Leg

Shot Saturday by Lonnie Combs During Altercation at Mtn. View

Lee Johnson, resident of the Mountain View community, went to the hospital and Lonnie Combs was arrested as the result of an altercation in the village of Mountain View Saturday night. The men were said to have been drinking and in the affair Combs is said to have shot Johnson in the right thigh, inflicting a flesh wound. After the wound was treated at the Wilkes hospital he returned to his home. Deputy Sheriff Oscar Felts arrested Combs and he was released under bond of \$1,300 for appearance in court to answer to two charges.

To Organize 4-H Club At Purllear

All in the Purllear community who are interested in becoming members of 4-H clubs are requested by County Agent A. G. Hendren to meet at Purllear church on Friday evening, March 12, at seven o'clock. Parents are requested to be present with their children and encourage them to join the clubs.

Court Action Started to Oust Absher As Keeper of County Home for Infirm

Since Friday two men have been ready, willing and wanting to be keeper of the county home for the aged and infirm. The board of county commissioners, by vote of the two Democratic members, R. G. Finley and Leet Poplin, elected Clinard Jones, Democrat, to succeed J. M. Absher, Republican, as keeper of the county home beginning March 1. The election of Jones was over the protest of Absher and M. F. Absher, the Republican member of the county board of commissioners. On Friday Jones loaded some of his household furnishings on a truck and journeyed over to the county home to take charge as previously agreed, he said. When he drove up to the home he said

Dinner Is Held In Celebration of the Election Victory; Largely Attended

Democratic Gathering Listens to Address by U. S. District Attorney

OVER \$100 NET PROFIT

Is Turned Over to National Democratic Committee by Local Organization

Marked by a good attendance and much enthusiasm, Democrats gathered at Hotel Wilkes Friday night for a Victory Dinner in celebration of the victory of President Roosevelt and other Democratic candidates in the November election.

The dinner, one of many held throughout the country, had a two-fold purpose, to celebrate the victories and to raise funds for the Democratic national committee. From every standpoint the dinner held here was a successful affair.

Carlisle Higgins, United States district attorney for the middle district, was the feature speaker and the number assembled were held at rapt interest with his address, which expounded the principles of the Democratic party as "equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

Judge Felix A. Alley, now presiding over superior court, spoke briefly and in a very entertaining manner. Many local leaders in the party responded to requests for talks.

From a financial standpoint the dinner was successful in that more than \$100 was raised for the national Democratic fund. Over 100 tickets were sold for the dinner at two dollars each and one dollar from each sale went into the fund, the remaining dollar paying for the dinner and incidental expenses.

C. O. McNeil, secretary of the Wilkes county Democratic executive committee, was victory dinner chairman and was toastmaster at the meeting.

Flames Damage Hardware Store

Hadley-Moore Company Suffers Heavy Damage By Blaze Friday Night

Fire of undetermined origin did great damage Friday night to the building occupied by Hadley-Moore hardware company and their stock of merchandise here. The fire was discovered and the alarm turned in about eleven o'clock and was extinguished after a long and hard fight by the fire department. The smoke filled building presented a difficult job but the flames were extinguished before the building burned to a great extent.

However, much damage was done to the stock of the company by heat and smoke and the walls and ceiling of the building were also damaged. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

A recent telephone call reached Akron, Ohio, the day before it was made in Batavia, Java. The reason: It crossed the international date line in its 8,500-mile course.

Services Begin At M. E. Church

Mrs. Steidly, of High Point, Assisting in Evangelistic Services

A series of evangelistic services began Sunday night at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church and will continue for several days with services each evening at 7:30. Dr. Rufus B. Templeton, pastor, will be assisted in the services by Mrs. C. I. Steidly, of High Point, recognized as an able minister, singer and altar worker. Announcement of the meeting emphasizes that people of all churches, regardless of denomination, will receive a cordial welcome at any and all of the services.

1,300 CHILDREN IN WPA NURSERY SCHOOLS



Pictured above is a group of happy children attending WPA nursery classes, which are being conducted in ten North Carolina cities and towns. This phase of the Federal works program affords employment to fifty-two relief teachers, nurses and dietitians, and eighty-three NYA youths.

Grand Jury Recommends That Roads Used By School Buses Be Improved

Officers Find Distillery While Chasing Youths

While chasing two boys wanted for minor offenses, Sheriff C. T. Douglass, Deputy Marshal W. A. Jones and George Holland almost ran over a still Sunday in the Call section of Wilkes county. The still was a medium size outfit and had been in operation. The plant and materials for liquor manufacture were

Sign-up of Work Sheets Going On

Checks Expected Soon For Compliance With Provisions of Farm Act

Checks to more than 900 Wilkes farmers in payment for compliance with provisions of the 1936 soil conservation act are expected within a few days. It was learned today from A. G. Hendren, county farm agent. Final applications for payment were forwarded to Raleigh some time ago and the checks will wind up administration of the act for last year. Mr. Hendren said that each one to receive a check would be notified through the mails when the checks arrive at his office.

In the meantime much interest is being shown in the sign-up for this year and it is expected that more than 1,000 farms in the county will be included in the work sheet sign-up. Those who wish to sign may do so by a personal call at the office of the county agent or by calling on any member of the county committee. Appointments are planned in various communities of the county for the convenience of those who do not call at the office of the county agent.

The remarkable interest shown in the soil conservation act, which pays cash benefits for growing soil improving and soil conserving crops in lieu of cash crops, indicates a growing realization of the need of soil improvement and erosion control.

Pastors Gather For Conference

Baptist Ministers to Have Two-Day Meeting at First Baptist Church

Baptist pastors from all parts of Wilkes and from adjoining counties will gather at the First Baptist church in this city Tuesday and Wednesday of this week for one of the spring conferences for pastors, which are being held at central points under auspices of the state Baptist convention. The first session will open Tuesday at ten o'clock and the conference will close Wednesday afternoon. "The Impending Revival" will be the theme and all pastors are invited to attend.

P.-T. A. Will Meet Here On Thursday

North Wilkesboro Parent-Teachers Association will meet Thursday afternoon, 3:45, in the school auditorium. The P.-T. A. study course will meet in the auditorium at three o'clock and Supt. Halfacre will lead the discussion on the subject of "Hobbies."

Also Puts in Word for Mail Routes and Asks That Buses Be Safe

Recommendations that school bus and mail routes in Wilkes county be placed in condition for all-weather travel and that school buses be kept in safe condition featured in the report of the grand jury to Judge Felix E. Alley, presiding over the present term of court.

The grand jury recommended surfacing with crushed rock or such other surface materials to make them passable throughout the year.

The grand jury examined 126 bills of indictment, finding 92 true bills, 29 not true bills, and continuing five for lack of witnesses. The courthouse, jail, county home, tubercular hospital and prison camp were inspected and recommendations were made for a number of minor improvements and repairs.

The report in full follows: "We the Grand Jury of Wilkes county, do hereby respectfully submit to his Honor Judge Alley, the following report of our proceedings: We have found 92 true bills, 29 not true bills, and continued five bills for lack of witnesses. Our foreman appointed separate committees of six or more to visit the various county buildings and institutions.

Our committee to the State prison camp found 95 colored prisoners well cared for except, we recommend them in contagious diseases that means be provided to keep sick prisoners separate from the well.

At the county home we found seven patients at the T. B. Hut; in the home 27 inmates and six prisoners. So far as we could tell they are well cared for. The buildings and equipment are in good condition, except we recommend that the basement of the T. E. Hut be properly cemented, and necessary repairs to be made to

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W P A Nursery Schools Train Underprivileged

Nursery School Being Maintained Here Gives Preliminary Training

Raleigh.—Thirty to's, ranging in age from two to five years, are enrolled in North Wilkesboro's WPA Nursery School, which has been in operation for the past several months. These figures were revealed this week in a report issued by Miss Rose L. Mills, Acting Supervisor of Nursery Schools and Parent Education, North Carolina Works Progress Administration.

W. R. Craft, Wilkes County Supervisor of the WPA Education Program, State Department of Public Instruction, is in charge of the nursery project, and reports an average attendance of twenty-three children during the month of February.

The sponsoring board of the North Wilkesboro Nursery School is composed of the following civic leaders: W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of the North Wilkesboro schools; J. B. Williams, secretary of the local Red Cross chapter; J. M. Anderson, of the City Welfare department; Mrs. W. R. Absher, chairman of the Council for Social Service; Mrs. Folyd C. Forester, president of the Senior Woman's club; W. R. Craft, supervisor of Wilkes County Education Project; Miss Lois Scroggs, president of the Junior Woman's club; Miss Elsie Nichols, secretary of the Merchants association, and Miss Inez Absher.

The purpose of the nursery schools, as outlined by Miss Mills, is to encourage proper nutrition of growing children, afford underprivileged tots a program of supervised recreation, and to teach the proper care of teeth and body. In the meantime, three relief workers and four NYA youths are given gainful employment in the school.

Local merchants have contributed liberal donations of food, etc., public service companies are co-operating by furnishing free light, water and ice, while a number of civic organizations have made cash contributions. A well-balanced lunch is served to the children each day, followed by a rest period. Games and simple craftwork engage the students during the remaining hours.

"Every effort is being made," continued Miss Mills, "to give these underprivileged children physical education."

Fathers' Night At Wilkesboro P.-T. A Will Be Thursday

Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher association will observe Fathers' night Thursday, 7:30 p. m., and all members, especially fathers, are urged to be present and hear a splendid program which has been arranged. The devotional will be conducted by Rev. W. E. Linney and a dutch program will be presented by pupils of the second and third grades. The theme of the program will be "Health" and Dr. G. T. Mitchell will talk on "Responsibility for the Schools Health Program." Prof. T. E. Story will talk on "Health Condition of Our School Plant."

Term of Court Is Making Headway Into Docket; Many Cases Disposed Of

Several Sentences Meted Out May Go Into Effect on Motion Solicitor

ALLEY IS PRESIDING

Prospects Good For Clearing Docket of Many Cases Pending for Years

With Judge Felix E. Alley presiding, rapid progress has been made in Wilkes superior court, which opened for the second week of the March term this morning.

Cases have been disposed of rapidly and it is expected that only a nominal number will be left on the docket when court finishes its work this week.

Among the cases disposed of was a homicide charge against Horace Hayes for the death of Marcus Moore more than a year ago. A plea of manslaughter was accepted and he was sentenced to six months in the penitentiary.

In the account of the following cases sentence suspended means that the judge passed sentence not to go into effect except on motion of the solicitor upon proof that the defendant has violated the laws of the state. The cases tried since Thursday follow:

Royal Warren and Willard Porter, larceny, six months sentence suspended on payment of cost and \$9 each to W. S. Soots to pay for stolen chickens.

A true bill of murder was found against Joe Williams for the murder of Eugene Ferguson. On a charge of resisting an officer Walter Love was fined \$50 and costs and given a six months suspended sentence.

Glenn Staley, carrying concealed weapon, 30 days in jail or on roads.

Cloma Ladd and Mrs. Ottilie Davis, affray, taxed with cost and placed on good behavior.

H. C. Daner, driving while under influence liquor, fined \$50 and cost and six months sentence suspended for period of five years, driving license revoked. On another charge for speeding he was taxed with cost and placed

Love Gets Into Federal Court

Walter Love Arrested By Federal Officers; Car and Liquor Taken

Walter Love was arrested Saturday by federal officers after they found 55 gallons of illicit liquor in his car parked near his home. Following a hearing before Commissioner J. W. Dula he filled bond for appearance in federal court in the May term at Wilkesboro.

The officers were said to have discovered the car as it was being loaded with the liquor and captured it after a short chase about the home. Love was tried in Wilkes superior court last week on charges of resisting an officer and on other counts. He was fined and given a road sentence which may be placed into effect on motion of the solicitor.

Legion Is Asking For Membership

Interesting Meeting Held on Friday Night; Horse Shoe Pitching Is Enjoyed

The March meeting of Wilkes post of the American Legion held Friday night was well attended and very much enjoyed. Following the business session the members bustled themselves with interesting games of indoor horse shoe pitching. The Wilkes post is making a special drive for memberships before March 15. The post would like to have the memberships of any who would like to join as early as possible. Any member of the post who is not receiving the Legion magazine is asked to get in touch with John W. Hall, adjutant.