

Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

TO ENLARGE MILL Winston-Salem, March 9.—J. G. Hanes, president of the Hanes Hosiery mill here, announced plans for the construction of a \$75,000 addition to the plant.

FATALLY BURNED Danbury, March 9.—Marjorie Ann Dillon, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Dillon, of Lawsonville, died in a hospital at Stuart, Va., this afternoon from burns received when her clothing caught fire before an open fireplace.

SENTENCE COMMUTED Berlin, March 9.—Chancellor Hittler commuted to five years imprisonment today the death sentence of Fran Erna Schroeter, convicted of poisoning her husband, whom she termed an incorrigible drunkard afflicted with a communicable disease. She lives in east Prussia.

BAN SEX PAPERS Hickory, March 9.—A resolution requesting the Hickory city council to prohibit the public display and sale of salacious literature on local news stands has been unanimously adopted by the Kiwanis club. The action was taken in response to a suggestion from Rev. J. H. Armbrust, city probation officer, who declared "sexy" magazines have been getting into the hands of young children in Hickory, helping to complicate juvenile delinquency problems.

CHILD IS KILLED Mount Airy, March 9.—Robert Murray, Jr., 10, died in Martin Memorial Hospital here early this morning from injuries received when he was hit by a truck after stepping from a Bannertown school bus on the Winston-Salem highway two miles south of this city yesterday afternoon. The youngster alighted from the bus on the right side as it stopped on the brow of Belton Hill at a road intersection and darted from behind directly into the path of an approaching truck.

MAY RESTATE CHAIR The state senate committee on the calendar committee voted unanimously tonight to report favorably on a bill to revert to use of the electric chair in place of the lethal gas chamber as a method of capital punishment. The bill was taken shortly after the committee heard Dr. G. S. Coleman, prison physician and execution official, say "in my opinion death by gas is painful, tedious and horrible. Death by electrocution, he said, "is a quick process and I feel sure is without pain."

GEORGIA VOTES DRY Atlanta, Ga., March 9.—The house of representatives today defeated, 109 to 84, a bill to repeal Georgia's 22-year-old prohibition law. The vote, on a bill by Representative William Hastings, of Fulton (Atlanta) county, came after two days of debate. The Hastings measure would have provided for sale of liquor in packages at privately-owned stores, and sale by the drink in hotels, clubs and dining cars. Anti-repealists took the lead in the first 10 votes cast and never lost it.

Court Makes Much Progress During March Term; Adjourns On Tuesday

Epidemic of Flu Among Attorneys Makes Court Procedure Inadvisable

Featuring news of the March term of superior court, which adjourned Tuesday afternoon because of illness of Solicitor John R. Jones and several members of the Wilkes Bar association, was the large number of cases disposed of while court was in session.

Judge Felix A. Alley, of Waynesville, presided over the term. While there were no cases of outstanding interest, trials of defendants for misdemeanors and less serious felonies proceeded with remarkable dispatch. Several civic matters, including a number of divorce actions, were also heard during the abbreviated term.

Some of the cases disposed of this week follow: Leonard Adams, driving car while under influence of liquor, \$50 and cost and six months sentence suspended.

A. G. Shepherd, driving car while under influence of liquor, \$50 and cost and six months sentence suspended. Boy Gray, assault, taxed with costs.

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For mutual advantage do your buying in North Wilkesboro, the trading center of Northwest N. C. Carolina.

Public Library Be Formally Opened In This City On Friday, March 19th

Suitable Location Found On Main Street; Building Being Refinished

HAVE 600 VOLUMES

At Time of Opening; Hope to Double This Number In Very Short Time

Wilkes county public library will have its formal opening on Friday, March 19, it was announced today by W. K. Sturdivant, chairman of the Wilkes County Council of Social Agencies, central civic organization sponsoring the project.

A suitable location for the library was found on Main street, near the offices of Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home and Dr. E. S. Cooper. The building is being renovated and fixtures are now being installed to accommodate the public institution.

Many people in the county have responded to the call for book donations and these volumes will be supplemented by the loan of a shipment of books from the state library commission.

The library will open with about 600 volumes and it is hoped that the call for book or cash donations will result in the early addition of several hundred volumes.

The library is being promoted as a public institution for all the people of the county and public support is solicited. A library association will be organized and the only requirement for membership is the donation of a book suitable to go into the library or a cash donation of not less than \$5 cents.

Miss Isabel Hauser, who is connected with the library project of the Works Progress administration, will be in charge of the library.

Superphosphate To Be Available

W. J. Hanna, assistant Wilkes farm agent who was in charge of TVA demonstration farms in Wilkes last year, announces that Tennessee Valley superphosphate will be available to farmers this year.

The cost of the superphosphate will be \$32.25 and the cost will be deducted from the farmers' soil building allowance under the soil program. A charge of \$6.00 per ton for freight must be collected when the phosphate is received by the farmer.

Those who are interested in obtaining the phosphate are asked to get in touch with Mr. Hanna.

Meeting Of Junior Council Postponed

Local council of the Junior order will not meet on Tuesday night, March 16, the meeting having been postponed on account of the revival at the Methodist church here. All members are urged to attend the meeting on March 23, when interesting matters will be before the council and side degree work will be conferred.

A degree team will confer degrees in a district meeting at Boone on March 29 and on March 30 a special meeting of the council here will be held. There will be entertaining features and refreshments will be served.

To Resume Work

L. A. Lush, superintendent for Perry McGlome, contractor on the Blue Ridge parkway between Laurel Springs and Airbellows, has announced that drills gangs will resume work on March 22 and shovels on March 29th.

Scientists estimate that 40 per cent of the land area of the earth is desert, 30 per cent is productive and 30 per cent is poor grazing ground, forest, high mountains and waste.

Townsend Spender



Boston . . . Mrs. Carrie E. Sabbin, 61 years old, who has been chosen by the Greenfield, Mass., Townsend Plan Club to spend \$200 in the next 30 days to test the working of the Townsend plan there.

Absher Gives Up County Home Job To Clinard Jones

Consent Judgment Signed In Wilkes Court Wednesday Afternoon by Judge

J. M. Absher, Republican keeper of the Wilkes county home, went into court Tuesday afternoon with his attorneys and a consent judgment in the mandamus action agreeing to relinquish his post and responsibility as keeper of the county home to Clinard Jones, Democrat, who was elected by the present board of commissioners to assume his duties on March 1, was signed.

It is recalled that Jones was elected by the two Democratic members of the board over the protest of Absher, who said he was under contract and bond to look after the institution until August 19, 1937.

On Friday Jones went to the home with a load of his household belongings on a truck to take charge as previously agreed, he said, but Absher refused to vacate.

On Saturday a mandamus action was taken out in the name of the county by W. H. McElwee and J. M. Cooper, county attorneys, citing Absher to appear Wednesday afternoon and show cause why he should not turn over the institution to Jones.

However, it developed that court was to adjourn for the term on Tuesday afternoon due to the illness of Solicitor John R. Jones and several members of the local bar and the matter was disposed of at that time.

The order by Judge Alley Tuesday afternoon allowing Absher five days to turn over the job to his newly appointed successor was by consent. C. G. Gilreath and J. H. Whicker, counsel for Absher, signed the agreement.

The order calls for an inventory of the county home property and is without prejudice to the rights of Absher, who is given the right to answer the petition and have his cause heard at a later date.

Lexington, March 9.—Tom Reid, 37, unmarried farmer, was found lying in the back yard of his home early today with a broken neck, apparently resulting from a fall from a high flight of steps sometime during the night. Sheriff Raymond Bowers and Dr. J. R. Terry, coroner, pronounced death due to accident.

MEETS MOTHER AND TWO BROTHERS SUNDAY AFTER BEING SEPARATED FOR FIFTEEN YEARS

A death and the subsequent obituary notice in a daily newspaper was the clue that led to information uniting several members of a family who had not seen each other for fifteen years.

On Sunday, March 7, Mrs. Agnes Pearson Smith met her mother and two brothers whom she had not seen since she was four years old and whom she did not know whether they were alive or dead.

Road Contractors To Resume Work Of Scenic Parkway By First of April

Expect to Complete Parkway In Alleghany, Ashe and Wilkes Counties

NEED MANY WORKMEN

Employment Office Urges A Full Registration of All Who are Interested

Contractors who suspended operations on the six projects of the Blue Ridge parkway in Alleghany, Ashe, Wilkes and Watauga counties during the winter months plan to resume work in the next few weeks and begin a big push to complete the grading and surfacing this spring and summer.

James M. Anderson, head of the district employment service office which serves the counties through which the parkway is being constructed, said today that he had received a requisition from one contractor for 90 laborers and skilled workmen to begin work soon and that every contractor is planning to push operations when resumed. He urged a full registration of all who live within the vicinity of the parkway or who can reach any of the projects daily.

Those who have formerly worked on parkway construction projects but have not renewed their registrations within the past few months are advised to call at the office and renew application if they are interested in working when operations of the biggest Public Works project in this part of the state are resumed.

In the meantime the office is in receipt of calls for various types of labor for private industry, ranging all the way from laborers at prevailing wages to skilled men who command lucrative salaries.

Some of the calls are as follows: three Jacquard loom fixers, rayon preparatory foreman with experience in quilling, winding, wrapping and slashing, watchmaker and engraver, bottling mechanic, marker and cutter in garment factory, two designing mechanics, bridge designers and other types of skilled and experienced labor. There was also a call for three waitresses at seven dollars per week and tips.

Clean-Up Week In Wilkesboro

Mayor Harris Issues Statement Relative to Clean-Up Week; Starts 19th

Mayor W. E. Harris of Wilkesboro has issued a statement proclaiming the week beginning Monday, March 15, as clean-up week for the town of Wilkesboro. His statement, which explains itself, follows:

"Clean-up week in Wilkesboro will begin on March 15. All citizens having trash to be hauled will please have same placed at a convenient place so the truck can get it on Friday, March 19. All parties having trash to be hauled will be expected to pay 15 cents. Please communicate with Mrs. A. R. Gray."

Slain Labor Leader



New York . . . R. Norman Redwood (above), "sandhog" union leader, was riddled with bullets in his automobile in front of his home. The slaying has stirred the widest investigation into labor union affairs here in search of the mobsters who committed the crime.

Clerk Hire and Fee Measure In Assembly Killed

Representative McDuffie Objects to Measure Introduced by J. P. Hash

Upon recommendation of Attorney F. J. McDuffie, Wilkes county's representative in the legislature, the measure introduced by J. B. Hash, of Ashe county, relative to fees and clerk hire for Wilkes offices was killed in committee this week.

The measure, it is understood, would have abolished the \$2.05 fee for the sheriff on land sale certificates and would have repealed the measure of 1935 adding \$50 per month for extra clerk hire for the offices of sheriff, clerk of court and register of deeds.

In the committee hearing it is said that Representative McDuffie recommended that the bill be reported unfavorably and the committee acted upon his recommendation.

Begin Baseball Training Early

Players Seeking Place On Team to Be Formed Will Start Practice March 30

Although plans so far are only in the primary stage and much yet remains to be accomplished, local baseball fans are enthused over prospects for a good baseball club here this year and the announcement was made today that players seeking a berth on the team are requested to report on the fairgrounds field for training on Saturday, March 20.

As yet the organization of a baseball club has not been perfected but plans are being definitely formed, where North Wilkesboro will put a team on the field and baseball enthusiasts are hopeful of securing a berth in a semi-professional league.

The Wilkesboros and Wilkes county are a fertile field for baseball, the national pastime being by far the most popular game and there are but few who have not learned the game on sandlots, back yards, pastures and almost any kind of a place suitable for child's play with a thread ball and stick.

Without a club last year, in (Continued on page eight)

Government to Purchase 6,000 Acres In Wilkes

Left 38 Years Ago, Measure Returned

Thirty-eight years ago Hack Witherspoon, of Ashe county, sold Mrs. R. M. Finley a half bushel of turnips and left them in a half-bushel measure at her home with the intention of returning for the container.

He did not immediately return and the measure was placed in the basement.

On Sunday, March 7, 1937, Mr. Witherspoon's grandson, Fred Colvard, of West Jefferson, visited the home of Mrs. Finley and she gave him the measure that his grandfather had left with the turnips. Mr. Witherspoon died 16 years ago.

Abstract Titles To Property Located Near Basin Creek

5,000 Acres in Alleghany County Will Also Be Part of Bluff Park

BEAUTIFUL SCENERY

Is Made Accessible by Construction of Parkway On Blue Ridge

The United States government is making preparations to acquire a 6,000 acre boundary of land in Wilkes county for park development purposes.

The land for which titles are now being abstracted and which has already been optioned lies south of the Blue Ridge parkway and on the face of the Blue Ridge in Walnut Grove township. Adjoining this area will be 5,000 acres in Alleghany county, making a total of 11,000 acres in the Bluff Park area, long noted for its scenic beauty but inaccessible before the construction of the parkway along the summit of the Blue Ridge in Wilkes and Alleghany counties.

Attorneys and engineers handling the legal matters in connection with the land option and purchase have established an office in the newly constructed addition to the courthouse in Wilkesboro and J. L. Cockerham is supervising attorney. Other attorneys include R. C. Jennings, of the Wilkes bar, and A. W. Mewshaw, F. N. Egerton is the engineer.

When the abstracts are completed, it is understood, the government will deliver payments for title to the land, which includes home of many families who are to be cared for through the Re-settlement Administration.

Park development work has already begun on the optioned lands under direction of W. P. Weems, of the national park service. Labor is being taken from WPA rolls with people whose homes are located in the area being given first consideration.

Although details of the plans have not been divulged, it is understood that the Basin Creek area will be developed into a beautiful mountain park and that a lake will be constructed on the creek. The Bluff Park is to be one of several parks along the parkway between the Shenandoah and Smoky Mountains national parks.

Elect Dr. Eller Health Officer

R. G. Finley and Dr. H. B. Smith are New Members of County Board

The newly constituted Wilkes county board of health in a recent meeting re-elected Dr. A. J. Eller, of Purlair, R. F. D., to serve for the ensuing two-year term. Dr. Eller has been health officer since the death of Dr. J. W. White several years ago.

The board of health is composed of R. G. Finley, chairman of the Wilkes county board of commissioners; W. E. Harris, mayor of Wilkesboro; C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools; Dr. H. B. Smith, Dr. F. H. Gilreath and R. P. Casey, D. S. R. G. Finley succeeded D. B. Swarling as a member of the board and Dr. H. B. Smith succeeded Dr. C. S. Sink.

Special Services Are Under Way At Methodist Church

Lady Evangelist Assisting Pastor In Three-Weeks' Series Of Meetings

With Mrs. C. L. Steidley, of High Point, doing the preaching and assisting in other phases of the revival, the series of evangelistic services which began Sunday at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church are well under way and the services are being well attended.

A cordial invitation is extended by the church and its pastor, Dr. R. B. Templeton, to attend the services, which are being held at 8 a. m., 4 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. The four o'clock service is planned especially for children.

Will Launch Sale Crippled Seals For Benefit of Crippled Children

Mother Of B. R. Underwood Passes

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Underwood left this city Saturday for Marietta, Ga., where on Sunday they attended funeral services for Mrs. D. D. Underwood, mother of Mr. Underwood, of this city. She died Friday night.

She is survived by her husband and four sons, Weldon, of Marietta, Ga.; E. D. Underwood, of Austel, Ga.; Ferber Underwood, of Rock Hill, S. C.; and B. R. Underwood, of this city.

Movement Is Sponsored By Health Department; Solicits Public Support

Similar to the sale sponsored each year prior to the Christmas holidays, a sale of "Crippled Seals" to aid crippled children will be promoted in Wilkes county by the health department schools and civic organizations beginning now and continuing until Easter.

Through the cooperation of the Kiwanis Club the health department has been able to secure treatment for crippled children at the state orthopaedic hospital in Gastonia.

Some of the children have been from families in good circumstances while others have been from poor families unable to pay the cost and more especially unable to pay for special shoes and braces that the children must wear after being treated if they are to recover.

The seals to decorate letters and packages in the mail will be sold mainly through the schools at no fixed price, although it is hoped that each purchaser will pay at least one cent each for each seal and more if they so desire.

All of the funds raised by the sale of seals will be used in the county to aid crippled children and in addition the state will match the amount raised, which leaves every seven minutes.

Mtn. View Wins In Tournament

Mountain View high school won both championships in the finals of the Goodwill tourney sponsored by the North Wilkesboro high school.

Mountain View boys defeated Wilkesboro and Mountain View girls defeated Ronda in the finals.

Much interest was shown in the tourney and some very good high school games were played.

In the United States a baby is born every fourteen seconds, one death occurs every twenty-two seconds, one immigrant arrives every five minutes, one immigrant leaves every seven minutes.