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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

EXEMPTION REFUSED

Raleigh, March 13.—The House of Representatives, by a 57 to 25 vote, refused today to allow homesteaders a \$300 tax exemption, but approved an amendment to the revenue machinery bill exempting from taxation property of charitable, benevolent, religious and educational institutions.

TO BE EXECUTED

Nashville, March 12.—A Nash county jury convicted Melvin Foggin, a tenant farmer, late today of first degree murder for the slaying February 23 of Henry Russ Foggin, with whom the state alleged the defendant to have been intimate. The date for his execution in the chamber, mandatory under the verdict, was not immediately set by Judge J. Paul Frizzelle.

VICTIMS IN MINE

Logan, W. Va., March 12.—The black depths of the blasted Meacham mine held nine dead bodies tonight while the bodies of nine others killed in West Virginia's worst mine disaster in a decade rested in a funeral home. Stumbling rescue crews, so worn out they could only speak with difficulty of the terrors of the explosion in the deep pit, had brought out the nine and had definitely located the bodies of the other victims.

ASSAIL COURT PLAN

New York, March 12.—In speeches described as an answer to President Roosevelt's "fireside chat" on his court proposal, three Democratic senators tonight assailed the plan as a dangerous and unnecessary move. The speakers were Senators Edward R. Burke, of Nebraska, Royal S. Copeland, of New York, and David L. Walsh, of Massachusetts. Speaking at a mass meeting in Carnegie hall, they addressed the nation over a coast-to-coast

WANTS ADJUSTMENT

Greenville, S. C., March 12.—Daniel C. Roper, secretary of commerce, said here tonight that changed economic and social conditions had made it inevitable that the nation's judicial system be adjusted. He told the Greenville chamber of commerce that President Roosevelt, "recognizing that our judicial system is an integral part of the whole scheme of government," had recommended "reforms in the interest of more expeditious functioning and for serving the ends of justice."

UPHOLD BLUE LAWS

Jerusalem, March 12.—The Supreme court of Palestine today upheld Moslem "blue laws" prohibiting Moslems from eating, drinking or smoking between sunrise and sunset during the 30-day holy period known as "ramadan." In a decision of far-reaching importance to Palestine's 800,000 Moslems, the tribunal ruled that guarantees of religious freedom under the British league of nations mandate were ineffective in this case unless implemented by a specific administrative order.

DEATH IN PRISON

Nashville, Tenn., March 12.—A sullen negro slayer, doomed to die next Thursday, fatally stabbed one of his guards and then was shot dead by another on "death row" at the penitentiary today. Nineteen-year-old Frank Haynie Jr., convicted with a negro companion of a holdup slaying here last May, leaped upon J. L. Simms, 47, as the latter opened the cell door to put a stool inside after the noon meal. He plunged a knife under Simms' right arm pit, severing an artery. The guard died within half an hour from loss of blood.

Fairplains School Building Burned

Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed the Fairplains school building Saturday afternoon. The fire was discovered about three o'clock and had made considerable headway. Little equipment was saved from the building. The building was a four-room structure and 167 students were enrolled this year to date. The term will be completed in Fairplains church.

Bill Is Introduced To Permit Special Levy of 22 Cents to Take Care Deficit

Committee Reported Bill Unfavorably Last Week In General Assembly

MAY BE REINSTATED

Bill Introduced by Representative McDuffie Relative to Elections

F. J. McDuffie, Wilkes county's representative in the general assembly, last week introduced a measure which if passed would permit the county commissioners to make a tax levy for special purposes, including 10 cents for cost of jail and prisoners and 12 cents for courts, making a maximum levy of 22 cents on each hundred dollars valuation of property.

This, it is understood, would be a supplement to the county general fund and has as its purpose raising the county general fund to the point where the deficit would be paid up and bills could be paid. The general fund has been running behind for several years with the 15 cent levy, the maximum allowed by the constitution for county general funds.

The bill was reported unfavorably in committee and it is understood that efforts have been made to have it re-instated on the calendar.

Representative McDuffie introduced a measure Saturday relative to elections in Wilkes. Contents of the bill have not been learned here.

Proceedings Of Last Days Court

Court cases disposed of during the closing days of the March term of Wilkes court follow:

Horace Hayes' sentence of six months in the penitentiary was changed to prayer for judgment continued until the next term of court.

A fine against O. F. Robinson of \$50 was reduced to \$25.

Prayer for judgment continued was entered on three counts of violation of the prohibition laws against Carl Wallace.

The sentence of Ernest Ashley was changed to six months at the county home. The same change was made in sentences earlier meted out to William T. McQuage and Charlie McGlamery, who were originally sentenced to work on the roads.

Nick Darnell, convicted of burning a barn, was sentenced to two to three years on the roads.

Minnie Call Benton and Gypse Benton, keeping disorderly house. Cost and suspended sentence of three months for Minnie Call Benton and three months in jail for the latter defendant.

W. B. Wood, larceny, 90 days on roads.

Jesse L. Nichols, driving drunk and reckless driving, fines of \$75 and costs and 6 months sentence suspended.

William Harvey Hayes, larceny and receiving, 18 to 24 months on roads and suspended sentences in other cases.

Glenn Redmon, injury to personal property, six months on roads.

Dwight Blair, larceny, taxed with costs and 12 months sentence suspended.

S. E. Robertson, driving drunk, \$50 and costs and six months sentence suspended.

J. P. Mitchell, affray, prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Hardin Benton and Henry Shew, assault with deadly weapon, three months each in jail.

Hugh Phillips, possession of liquor for sale, to pay cost and jail sentence suspended.

Ida Graybeal versus James Graybeal, divorce granted.

Judgment at a former term of court wherein Bettie Triplett, Walter Triplett and Will Dula were sentenced to from 15 to 20 years after conviction for second degree murder was ordered into effect. They lost their appeal to the supreme court a few months ago.

Editorial Staff of Scarsdale Eagle News



Scarsdale, N. Y. . . . Carl Limbacher, Jr., 12 years old, is editor and publisher of the Scarsdale Eagle News, published monthly and on a paying basis for the last year. Peter Conese (standing left) is the compositor; James Duff, handles sports and writes a column. The plant's headquarters takes up most of the basement of the Limbacher home.

Wilkes Is Seventh In Percentage of Farm Ownership

Only Six Counties in State Have Less Percentage of Tenant Farmers

While Wilkes county has not taken any laurels as the most prosperous county in the state, the percentage of tenant operated farms speaks well for the rural people of the county, a recent report by the Resettlement Administration and the department of agriculture shows.

Seventy-seven per cent of the farms in Wilkes county are operated by the farm owners, the report shows, and only 23 counties are listed more favorably with less percentages of tenant operated farms.

Dare county, which has a scattered population and little farming, has the lowest percentage with only seven farms of each 100 operated by tenants. Others with a lower percentage than Wilkes are Watauga, Alleghany, New Hanover, Brunswick and Mitchell.

Edgecomb has the highest percentage of tenant operated farms with 79 of each hundred being operated by tenants instead of owners.

Farmers to Be Notified When Checks Arrive

Cards Will Be Mailed From Office of County Agent to Those Complying

Farmers in Wilkes who earned payments under the 1936 soil conservation act will be notified when their checks arrive at the office of A. G. Hendren, Wilkes farm agent, Miss Rosa Billings, secretary of the soil conservation committee, said today.

The statement was made in reply to many inquiries as to when the checks are expected to arrive.

Final application for vouchers were mailed in several weeks ago and the checks are expected daily.

In the meantime the sign-up of work sheets for the coming year is going forward and any who wish to sign now may do so at the county agent's office in the courthouse.

An itinerary of community meetings will be announced within the next few days.

The world's highest suspension bridge is over the Arkansas River in Colorado. It is 1,053 feet over the floor of the Royal Gorge.

State Senate Passes Free Basal Textbook Act With Amendments

Raleigh.—The senate, by a 38 to 4 vote, amended and passed on third reading a measure providing free basal textbooks for elementary school children, while the house approved the motor vehicle bill.

The textbook proposal, which passed the house without opposition earlier in the session, was sent back to the lower body for concurrence in the clarifying amendments.

After reducing a proposed \$50,000 annual appropriation to \$25,000, the house passed and sent to the senate a bill setting up a program of adult education in the state.

Auto License Bill

The motor vehicles measure, which also must be considered by the senate, provides for a reduction from 40 to 30 cents per hundredweight in the cost of automobile license plates, with a \$6 instead of an \$8 minimum.

A proposed amendment to the state constitution, which would have abolished capital punishment in North Carolina, was killed by the senators.

The house passed on final reading a senate social security measure providing for aid to the indigent blind. Passed by the house and sent to the senate was a bill to place a tax on scrap or unites tobacco and license its buyers.

Without an opposing vote, the senators concurred with house amendments to the old age assistance and child aid social security bill. If the amendments are approved on third reading, the measure will become law. Vote on

New Proposals On Court Plan Are Discussed

Revision Scope Ranges Wide in Counter Suggestions Made at Capital

VAGUE PEACE PROMISE

Bar Association Heavily Opposed; Wagner Act Is Being Weighed

Washington, March 14.—A half dozen counter-proposals held indefinite promise today of bringing about a peace by compromise in Washington's wordy warfare over the Roosevelt court reorganization bill.

As the Senate judiciary committee—itsself closely divided on the White House program—turned to its second week of hearings, these alternative propositions were most talked of:

A constitutional amendment proposed by Senator O'Mahoney (D), Wyo., to provide that two-thirds of the Supreme Court must concur if an act of Congress is to be declared unconstitutional.

An amendment, offered jointly by Senators Wheeler (D), Mont., and Bone (D), Wash., to give Congress the power to reserve a Supreme Court decision invalidating an act of Congress by a two-thirds vote of both houses.

Mandatory Proposal

A proposal by Senator Pittman (D), Nev., that the court be increased mandatorily from nine to fifteen, accompanied by a constitutional amendment barring future changes in the number of justices.

An amendment proposed by Senator Burke (D), Neb., to require the retirement of federal judges upon reaching seventy-five years of age.

A bill by Senator Norris (Ind), Neb., to require by legislation that at least seven of the nine justices concur in invalidating legislation.

Hint Doughton To Oppose Bob

Ninth District Congressman Says He Hasn't Made Up His Political Future

The possibility that Representative R. L. Doughton may oppose Bob Reynolds for the senatorial nomination next year, was revived in Washington Tuesday.

In reply to a statement carried in a North Carolina paper that he would not be a candidate for the senatorial nomination in opposition to Senator Reynolds in 1938, Representative Doughton declared, "I am not in or out of any political contests for the next election and made no statement to anyone regarding the matter on my last visit to Raleigh, or at any other city I visited. I have not stated or made up my mind whether I shall be a candidate for the senate, re-election to my position in the house of representatives, or for any office at all," the congressman continued.

"When I do make up my mind," Mr. Doughton said, "I will state it to the people, and not to one individual."

EASTERN STAR MEET HELD THURSDAY NIGHT

On Thursday night, March 11, the Wilkes chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, held the regular meeting and conferred degrees on two candidates. There will be a special meeting of the Chapter on Friday night, March 19, for the ceremonies of initiation, at which time several candidates will take the degrees.

TAX COLLECTOR URGES PAYMENT TOWN TAXES

P. L. Lenderman, tax collector for the town of Wilkesboro, is urging tax payers of the town to pay their town taxes, to which a penalty will be added if not paid during the remainder of this month.

He also asks that water bills be paid promptly in order that he not be inconvenienced by having their water supply cut off.

Eastern Star Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the Wilkes Chapter, O. E. S. on Friday, March 19, at 7:30 for degree work.

Millionaire



Boston . . . Andrew Auld, 48-year-old shipyard worker here believes he may be able to establish claim to a \$20,000,000 estate left by a 19th century relative in Aberdeen, Scotland. Mr. Auld is very busy studying his family tree.

General Meeting Of Teachers Will Be Held March 20

All Teachers in County Required to Attend Meeting to Be Held Saturday

A general teachers meeting for all the teachers in the county will be held in the Wilkesboro school auditorium on Saturday, March 20, it was announced today by C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools.

Several matters of general interest and importance to the teachers will be taken up and attendance is required. Under the arrangement now being carried out county-wide meetings are held only when the need arises.

Several Small Schools Closing In the County

Schools Which Started Early In August, 1936, Are to Close March 19

A number of small elementary school units which opened early in August, 1936, in order to complete a great part of the term before inclement weather during the winter season will close the eight-months' term on Friday, March 19, it was learned today from C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools.

Two school opening dates were set last year and there would have been uniform closing had not many of the larger schools been forced to suspend operations at frequent intervals because of inclement weather and bad road conditions which made school bus transportation impractical.

Wilkes Now Has 22 In A. S. T. C.

A report from J. M. Downum, registrar at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone, says the total enrollment for the spring term has reached 963.

Of this number 22 are from Wilkes county. Watauga with 153 leads the list while Iredell with 48 is the next highest. Seventy North Carolina counties and 14 other states are represented in the student body.

The spring term will close on April 30 and the first summer term will begin on June 8.

Mrs. Cynthia Caudill Funeral Held Today

Mrs. Cynthia Caudill, age 75, died Sunday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. G. M. Earp, at Booneville.

Mrs. Caudill was a well known and highly respected lady among a wide circle of acquaintances. She was the wife of the late James Caudill, of the Boomer community, and leaves the following children: Mrs. H. C. McNeil, Lenoir; W. A. Caudill, Boomer; Mrs. G. M. Earp, Booneville; J. F. Caudill, Goshen; Mrs. D. C. Williams, Charlotte. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, and one brother, David Hart, who lives at Laurel Springs.

Funeral service was conducted this afternoon at Boomer church by Rev. E. V. Bumgarner and Rev. L. B. Murray. Burial was in the family cemetery near Goshen.

Wilkes' Standing Teacher Training In State Is Better Than In 1925-1926

County Ranks 87th From Standpoint of Teacher Training in State

WAS 98TH 12 YEARS AGO

People Showing More Interest in Training Teachers in the Schools

Wilkes county has moved up a few notches in teacher training during the past 12 years but there is still room for great improvement, figures recently released by "State School Facts" show.

In 1925 there were only two counties in the state which ranked lower in training of teachers employed in the schools than Wilkes, the two lowest counties being Cherokee and Yancey.

After five years Wilkes stepped up one in rank and was listed as 97th.

In 1935-36 school term Wilkes had climbed more rapidly and now ranks 87th in teacher training, there being 13 counties with teachers having a lower average of training than those employed in Wilkes schools. Cherokee still ranks 100th and Clay county is 99th.

The better training of teachers is due, in part, to a realization on the part of the people that better trained teachers contribute to a more progressive and efficient school system. It also means more income to the teachers and from a financial standpoint a teacher earning more than \$100 per month is worth more to a community and county than one earning \$65 per month.

School authorities are also encouraging teachers to improve their personal income.

The counties which have a lower rank than Wilkes in teacher training are Macon, Watauga, Dare, Chowan, Madison, Transylvania, Alleghany, Mitchell, Ashe, Yancey, Graham, Clay and Cherokee. The highest rank is Mecklenburg.

Winter Weather Makes Late Call

The weather today regained the most prominent place in conversations.

All day Sunday was a cold drizzling rain of the type that farmers once called the "sheep killing rain of spring." Early this morning the rain changed to snow, which was still falling heavily by noon today and was clinging more than an inch deep in some places. The late call of winter weather represents quite a change from the mild spring weather of the past week.

Good Results From Advertisements

With an order for insertion of another want ad, Dr. J. F. Straupe, of Tobaccoville, made the following comment relative to an advertisement which he had recently inserted in The Journal-Patriot:

"I got good results from the ad I ran in your paper a few days ago relative to the land I had for sale."

This is only one of the many instances of good results from Journal-Patriot advertising. One lady received 15 answers to one ad wanting to employ a salesman. "For Rent" ads almost invariably get those unoccupied rooms on a paying basis. "For Sale" ads are receiving more replies each week. Through a want ad a business school has contacted many prospects and several new students were enrolled.

If you have something you do not need convert it into cash because someone else may want that article badly. If you want something let the people know and you will find it. Results testify that the want ad columns of The Journal-Patriot is a profitable advertising medium for the advertiser.