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## Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

### FARMER FOUND SHOT

Kimball, March 23.—Henry P. Kimball, 56, farmer of Lemon Springs, was found shot to death at his home today. A discharged shotgun lay nearby. No inquest was deemed necessary. Kimball was a native of Cheraw, S. C.

### SIT DOWN AND STAY

Camden, March 23.—High school pupils here who staged a sit-down strike against a teacher are now sitting down—and staying in after school—by order of the principal. They will keep it so for two weeks.

### SAVE SHIP'S CREW

New York, March 23.—A coast guard cutter sped to the side of the stricken Norwegian freighter Bjerkli today and took off the 17 members of her crew as the foundered steamer wallowed in the Atlantic Ocean some 760 miles east of New York.

### EXPLOSION KILLS TWO

Paterson, N. J., March 23.—Two men were killed and two injured today in the explosion of a driving and finishing machine at the Commercial Piece Dye works. The men killed were Joseph Ellecchia, 24, of Paterson, and Salvatore Arona, 24, of East Paterson. Both were struck by a piece of the machine.

### RAY M. REVIS DIES IN VIRGINIA

Ray M. Revis, age 41, son of Mrs. L. M. Revis and the late Mr. L. M. Revis, of Moravian Falls, passed away March 21, at Portsmouth, Va. His death came as a shock to his relatives and friends throughout the county. Mr. Revis served twenty years in the U. S. Navy and retired with honors in 1933. He was buried March 23, at Portsmouth, Va., with Navy honors. Mrs. L. M. Revis, his mother, Mrs. W. S. Revis and Mr. Perry R. Lowe attended the funeral services.

Those surviving Mr. Revis are his mother, Mrs. L. M. Revis, his wife, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. M. B. Clark, of Moravian Falls; Mrs. P. R. Love, of Moravian Falls; Mr. Joe M. Revis, of Raleigh, and Miss Blanche M. Revis, of Moravian Falls.

### Vocational Guidance Subject Of Address

Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro, addressed a large crowd in the Millers Creek Parent-Teacher meeting Thursday night, using as a subject "Vocational Guidance."

### Mrs. Allen Shew Is Laid To Rest

Funeral service was held today at the family cemetery for Mrs. Nancy Cornelius Shew, age 72, who died Wednesday at her home in Wilkesboro township. Rev. N. T. Jarvis conducted the last rites.

### One Still Per Day Officers' Average

During the past week officers averaged destroying one still per day in Wilkes county.

### ATTEND FUNERAL OF NEPHEW WEDNESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Smith and family went to Alexander county Wednesday to attend funeral service for Wade Icenhour, a nephew, who died Tuesday about noon. Funeral service was conducted at White Plains church on the Taylorsville-Statesville highway by Rev. S. I. Watts, of Boomer.

The child, age 11 months, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Icenhour. Mr. Icenhour and Mr. Smith are half brothers.

## McDuffie Gives Account Action In Legislature

### Sponsored Passage of Number Bills, Relative Local County Government

### ELECTION BILL BEATEN

### Bill Passed to Clarify Court Terms; Prohibit Beer Sales Near Church

Attorney F. J. McDuffie, Wilkes county's representative in the general assembly, returned to his home in Wilkesboro Tuesday night following adjournment of the legislature late that afternoon.

In commenting on the term Mr. McDuffie said the legislators worked rapidly and that much legislation of great importance was passed during the session. The Wilkes representative introduced and passed a number of local bills.

The first introduced and passed was a bill clarifying the terms of court for the county, making them all mixed terms in order that any pressing litigation may be given attention at any term.

He also sponsored passage of a bill which prohibits sale of wine, beer or other intoxicants near Baptist Home church.

Two bills which he introduced did not pass. One was a bill which would have provided that the chairman of the political parties be given authority to name markers for elections. It would have provided that each party chairman name two for each precinct with the exception of North Wilkesboro, where there would have been three markers for each party.

The bill received a tie vote of 2-2 in committee and the chairman refused to vote and break the tie.

Representative McDuffie said that he introduced a bill to allow a special levy of 22 cents for courts and jail at the request of W. H. McElwee and J. M. Cooper, county attorneys. The bill was killed in the senate.

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### Raids Successful In Destroying Plants, Liquor and Manufacturing Material

The most successful single raid was a week-ago today in the Windy Gap community when federal officers and Sheriff C. T. Doughton destroyed four large plants.

Deputies Odell Whittington, George Holland and E. C. Sparks destroyed a still near Roaring River, finding 20 gallons of liquor and 1,500 gallons beer. The home of Paul Blackburn was searched and 10 gallons of liquor were found. However, he was not at home at the time and his arrest has not been made.

Sheriff C. T. Doughton, Deputies Whittington and Beshears destroyed a 200-gallon capacity plant near Bolling Springs in Lewis Fork township and on Friday night a large still was cut near Dehart.

## TO GIVE ORAL HYGIENE SHOW



Above is a scene from "Circus Or Bust," a show emphasizing oral hygiene and which will be given in several schools in the county next week under auspices of the county health department. Also in the picture are Dr. Ernest A. Branch (left), director of the division of oral hygiene of the state board of health, and Frederick H. Koch (right), founder and director of the Carolina Playmakers, who wrote the story incorporated in the show to be given in the schools.

## Health Department to Present Oral Hygiene Show In Schools

### Easter Services

The Easter services for Moravian Falls circuit will be held at the following places:

Sunrise service at Moravian Falls cemetery, 6:00 o'clock.

Mariah's Chapel church 9:00 o'clock.

Ferguson church, 10:00 o'clock.

Lebanon church, 11:30 o'clock.

Adley church, 3:00 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

### 9 Schools Have Closed The Term

#### Smaller Schools Which Got Started Early In August Completed 8 Months

Nine small Wilkes county schools have closed the 1936-37 school term of eight months. The closing date was Friday, March 19.

The schools which were first to complete the term were Joynes, Oak Ridge, Cane Creek, Big Ivey, Pattons Ridge, White Oak, Summit, Mt. Pisgah and Goshen.

Two school opening dates were set last summer, allowing some of the smaller schools to open early in August. Other schools opened four weeks later and there would have been uniform closing dates had not weather and road conditions made keeping the schedule impossible.

### Dr. Crane Will Speak 3 Times

#### To Address Kiwanis, Wilkesboro Patrons and Social Agencies Group Friday

Dr. Harry Crane, of Chapel Hill, will fill three speaking engagements in the Wilkesboro Friday. Friday noon he will address the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club on "Unrecognized Underprivileged Child." At 3:30 Friday he will use as a subject "Emotional Health of Our Children," before a gathering of teachers and patrons of Wilkesboro school. At 7:30 Friday evening his subject before the Council of Social Agencies in meeting at the public library will be "Social Worker as a Mental Hygiene Factor."

Dr. Crane is director of the division of mental hygiene of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare and is widely recognized as an able psychologist.

### Banks Will Be Closed Monday

Announcement was made today that both the Bank of North Wilkesboro and the Deposit & Savings Bank will be closed Easter Monday, March 26.

People who have business to transact with the banks should keep this in mind in order that no inconvenience may result.

## Record Breaking Assembly Adjourns After Passing Many Important Laws

### Board Directors Of Northwestern Bank to Organize

#### Expect to Elect Officers Monday for \$3,000,000 Consolidated Bank

Directors of the newly formed Northwestern Bank, financial institution organized through the merger of four banks and two branches in this part of the state, will meet Monday at the Deposit & Savings bank to elect officers and perfect the organization.

The banks forming the Northwestern bank by merger are the Deposit & Savings bank here, The bank of Sparta, The Watauga county bank with a branch at Blowing Rock and the Merchants and Farmers Bank at Bakersville with a branch at Burnsville.

Each institution named three members each for the board of directors of the Northwestern bank and headquarters will be maintained at the Deposit & Savings Bank building in this city. Congressman R. L. Doughton, J. T. Prevette and N. B. Smith are the directors named by stockholders of the Deposit & Savings Bank.

The bank will have capital of \$150,000, surplus of \$75,000 and undivided profits of at least \$25,000. Resources will total over three million dollars with deposits over two million.

The last obstacle in way of the bank merger was removed Saturday when stockholders of the Bank at Bakersville approved the plan, which had been approved by stockholders of the other banks several weeks ago.

### People Invited To Use Library

#### Books Needed to Supplement Opening Collection for New Public Library

People of Wilkes county are invited to use the Public Library, which opened a week ago in the Reins-Sturdivant building, and are requested whenever they wish to do so to contribute a book or a cash donation as a membership fee in the county library association.

A donation of a book or not less than 25 cents in cash entitles anyone to be a member of the association, which will name a steering committee to determine the policies of the library as a public institution.

But use of the library is open to all and a cordial invitation is extended anyone to visit the library, regardless of whether or not they wish to make any donations.

If the library receives the support which public spirited citizens who aided in its formation believes it should, the day is not far distant when branches can be established at several central points in the county or a book truck can be maintained to carry books into communities on appointed dates. "One good book which you have already read and which you may not need may be a great help to the public library," is the appeal at this critical stage when added interest in the library means rapid increase in the number of volumes.

### Sunrise Service St. Paul's Church

#### Will Be Fifth Consecutive Year of Beautiful and Impressive Service

Announcement has been made of the sunrise service to be held Easter morning, six o'clock, at the historic St. Paul's Episcopal church in Wilkesboro.

This will be the fifth consecutive year that the beautiful and impressive service has been held at St. Paul's and larger crowds attend each year.



San Francisco . . . Over 50,000 people ascend Mount Davidson each year to attend the sunrise Easter services under the huge cross. Visitors from all parts of the country arrive to join in the impressive ceremony.

## Legislators End Shortest Session In Several Years

### Many Important Measures of State-Wide Interest Enacted Into Law

### LIQUOR BILL PASSED

### Provide for Free Textbooks; Raise Salaries and Pass a Big Tax Bill

The North Carolina legislature ended the 1937 session Wednesday afternoon.

From many standpoints the legislature was one of the busiest ever held and was the shortest held since 1929.

Some of the more interesting acts of the legislature are summarized in the following:

Passage of the liquor statute ended 28 years of state-wide prohibition. Under the measure, counties voting wet will be allowed to operate alcoholic beverage control stores, where liquor may be sold by the bottle. Profits will go to the counties, with the state receiving seven per cent of gross sales.

Supplemental laws also were enacted, allowing certain municipalities to share profits with the counties in which they are situated.

Stepping into uncharted territory, the legislators made North Carolina history by inaugurating a social security program designed to aid the indigent blind, aged and dependent children, at a cost of \$8,000,000 a year, to be borne jointly by the federal govern-

ment and the state. These measures, with an unemployment insurance act passed at a special session called in December by former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, brought the state under all phases of the federal security program.

Several administrative supporters, among them Representative Ward of Craven, chairman of the House appropriations committee, and frequently mentioned as a candidate for speaker in 1939, led an unsuccessful revolt against old age assistance and child aid plans. Ward claimed the state and federal government should pay the benefits.

Another history-making law was one allowing the textbook commission to authorize issuance of \$1,500,000 in bonds to give elementary school children free books.

As in former sessions, money matters caused the longest debates. Finally approved was a record-setting budget, calling for expenditures, including permanent improvements of more than \$147,000,000 during the 1937-39 biennium. Although the sales tax was removed from nine "necessities of life," a flat \$4-a-pump tax was levied on filling stations and the cost of automobile license plates was reduced from 40 to 35 cents per hundredweight, the fundamental revenue set-up remained substantially unchanged.

Part of the huge budget will be used to raise the salary of teachers and other state employees 10 per cent.

The law-makers refused to ratify the federal child labor amendment, but passed state laws prohibiting the employment of children under 16 in industries and limiting the work hours of women in industry to 48 a week and of men to 55, with many exceptions.

Slot machines were banned and a bill to permit dog racing in Cherokee county was killed, but (Continued on page eight)

### "Bake Sale" Saturday

The newly organized young women's circle of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church, of which Mrs. Edd F. Gardner is chairman and Mrs. William Marlow, vice chairman, will sponsor a "Bake Sale" Saturday morning at Belk's Store from 9 until 12. Among some of the things for sale will be different kinds of cakes, chess pies, candies, dried eggs, whipping cream, and Easter flowers. Anyone desiring further information or a special order may call either one of the above chairmen.

## Plan Egg Hunt For Children Of City On Friday

### Will Be Held at Fairgrounds Friday Afternoon Under Direction of WPA

Under direction of the Works Progress administration recreation project, children of North Wilkesboro will be entertained at an egg hunt at the fairgrounds Friday afternoon, three o'clock.

Much attention is being given plans for the occasion, which is expected to be a highlight of the Easter season for the children of the city and all of them are invited to attend and carry along three dyed eggs each. Those who cannot dye their eggs are requested to carry them to the home of Mrs. J. L. Clements Thursday.

In case of rain the children are asked to meet at the recreation hall adjacent to the city hall.

The egg hunt is one of the many projects sponsored by the WPA recreation project, which has been attracting considerable interest.

## May Register In This City Mar. 27

### Registration Books for City Election to Be Open 27th, and April 3rd and 10th

Registration books will be open at the city hall Saturday, March 27, for new qualified voters who expect to vote in the municipal election on May 4, according to the resolution passed Saturday by the county board of elections and published in this newspaper Monday.

The registration books will be open on three Saturdays at the city hall and the dates are March 27, April 3 and 10. April 17 will be challenge day. A. G. Kenerly is the appointed registrar.

Mayor McNeil, all members of the board of commissioners, and the two members of the city board of education whose terms expire this year will be candidates for re-election. The commissioners are S. V. Tomlinson, Ralph Duncan, T. S. Kenerly, Dr. R. F. Casey and Hoyle M. Hutchens. J. B. McCoy and D. J. Carlew are the members of the school board whose terms expire this year.

## Schools Observe Easter Holidays

North Wilkesboro city schools close today for the Easter holiday and will re-open at the usual hour on Tuesday morning, March 30.