## Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

OPEN ROAD BIDS SOON Baise, chief highway engineer, announced today the state highcommission would open bids September 14 on approximately 10 road projects.

FOUR BILLIONS

Washington, Aug. 27.- The government has disbursed more than a billion dollars during the last four years in efforts to improve the income of cotton farmers, a survey showewd today.

TOBACCO 23 CENTS

Tarboro, Aug. 27.—L. W. House, of the tobacco board of of 50,000 pounds sold here today for an average of 23 cents a pound. Most of offerings were in-Lerior and medium grades, with rices holding strong on these. law. Top grades seen in few piles brought better than open prices, with some running to 45 cents.

SNYDER RECOVERING

Elkin, Aug. 27.—Thurmond Snyder, 26, formerly of State Road, north of Elkin, but more recently of Galax, Va., was reported to have a chance to recover today at a hospital here where he was being treated for serious bullet wounds, said to have been self-inflicted last Sunday evening at a service, station which he was associated.

SPUDS FOR NEEDY

Raleigh, Aug. 27.-Mrs. W. T. for their account up to 1,500,000 pounds of North Carolina sweet potatoes for distribution to needy persons in this state and throughout the nation.

#### PRINT MAGAZINE

Raleigh, Aug. 27.-The state department of conservation and development will publish monthly a magazine of "pictorial currant events in North Carolina," Bruce Etheridae, dissertor, and today. The first issue of the magazine, to be financed by the state's \$250,000 advertising program, will be released next month. It will contain 32 pages.

#### MAN FOUND DEAD

Barnesville, Aug. 27 .- D. L. Floyd, 52, Robeson county farmer, was found dead in his automobile at the home of his brother, D. F. Floyd, with whom he as making his home here last tht. Members of the family ociced him drive his car into the yard. When he did not enter in Alleghany county early Friday year and who did not attend the the house they went to search, finding him in the car dead. There was no indication of foul play. A physician attributed death to heart failure.

#### MAINTAIN RIGHTS

Washington, Aug. 27.-The Alleghany line. United States informed both China and Japan today that, regardless of their savage conflict, this country intends to maintain all its rights and privileges in the both powers that they will be held strictly accountable if Amer- and ordered that he drive on. ican citizens are injured, or American property damaged, as the result of their military operations in China.

#### SHE IS BAD LUCK

Pinckneyville, Ill., Aug. 27.and his son, Dean, 15, were killstruck their automobile on a estimated at \$200. grade crossing at Winkle, north cond husband, Grover Taylor, ad his sons, Dean, 19, and William, 17, were killed by an I. C. train which struck their car at the same crossing.

#### TAXES \$15,000,000

Pittsburgh, Aug. 27.-Tax attorneys estimated today that the federal inheritance tax on the estate of Andrew W. Mellon and Means committee, will adwanis club on Friday of this of the register of The office, which will colbot the tax for the state, said the estate of the former secretery of the treasury would probexceed that of his brother, R. B. Mellon, which has arranged to pay the state approximately 000,000.

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NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C., MONDAY, AUG. 30, 1937 \$1.50 IN THE STATE \$2.00 OUT OF THE STATE

#### Foreclosure 1934 **Tax Certificates** Now Under Way

County Attorney Begins Proceedings To Collect On Certificates

W. H. McElwee, Wilkes county attorney, has begun foreclosure proceedings on land sale certificates for taxes due the county in 1934.

The county has many tax certrade, gave an unofficial estimate tificates totaling several thousand dollars for that year and it is understood that foreclosure proceedings will go forward on all the certificates according to

During the past few days complaints have been drawn and suits have been instituted in

# Will Rogers Memorial

Colorado Springs, Colo. . The Will Rogers Shrine of the Sun, where one of the West's most colorful rodeos, "The Will held in September.

#### **Driver License School Opening** Are Issued Here 3 Days Weekly

Examinations Will Be Given Only on Days Set by Patrol Sergeant

Sergeant W. B. Lentz, head of Bost, commissioner of the state the highway patrol in this disboard of charities and public wel-trict, announced here today that fare, has just received authority parts of three days have been set from the federal surplus com- aside for giving examinations modities corporation to purchase and taking applications for driver license at the office of the chief of police, where the patrol maintains headquarters.

The days and hours for giving examinations and taking applications are Monday 11 a. m. to two p. m.; Wednesday afternoon; Saturday 11 a. m. to two p. m.

The myriad duties of the parolmen make it impossible to take applications at any and all times and it is hoped that the public will cooperate ing the hours set out above.

#### Herman Johnson Escapes Holdup

Local Taxi Driver Accuses Howard Petty of Holdup Attempt Friday

Herman Johnson, local taxi year. operator, told here Friday about Pupils who are to enter the an attempted holdup and wreck sixth and seventh grades this morning, about two o'clock.

Petty, who is employed on a ing at 8:40 o'clock. Parkway project, called him here and asked that he take him to eight through eleven, are to aswhere he was boarding on the semble in the hall of the high Blue Ridge near the Wilkes- school building Monday morning

Having known Petty for some rooms for classification. time and suspicioning nothorient. A formal note notified poked something in his side, ber 3rd, at 9:00 o'clock. Such

on highway 18 Johnson slowed attended. his car before a home where he The formal opening of the tending to jump, he said, when in the auditorium Wednesday been his car struck a car parked be- morning September 8, at 9:00 o'side the road. After the crash clock. The high school grades A year ago, Rev. Albert Wright he jumped from the car and ran. will hold their formal opening He did not see Petty again. The Thursday morning, September 9, ed when an Illinois Central train damage to Johnson's car was at 9:00 o'clock. The public is

#### September Sixth In N. Wilkesboro Pupils Will Return to Rooms

Occupied Last Year For Instructions

The North Wilkesboro City Schools will begin the 1937-38 session on Monday morning, September 6th, at 8:40 o'clock. Chil- lined. dren who attended the City schools last session and who are to be in the first seven grades this year are requested to go Monday morning to the classrooms they occupied last year. From these rooms the promotion lists will be read and then the purpils will be directed to their respective classrooms for the ensuing session. It is important that these instructions be carried out to the letter to avoid

Pupils who did not attend the city school last year but who this year are to enter grades one through five are to assemble in the auditorium at 8:40 o'clock Monday morning, and there directions will be given for their classification. This applies to all first grade children as well as those in grades two, three, four, and five who did not attend the North Wilkesboro schools last

city schools last session will re-Johnson said that Howard C. port to the office Monday morn-

All high school pupils, grades and there be directed to certain

All high school pupils who did ing. Johnson made the trip but not attend the City schools last when he reached the point where year are asked to report to the Petty was supposed to stop he office Friday morning, Septemwhich he presumed to be a gun, pupils will greatly expedite their classifications by bringing their ment. Within a few miles of Sparta report cards from the school last

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# of here. Mrs. Wright subsequent- School Bus Drivers Required To **Pass Examination By Patrolman**

Doughton Speaker For Kiwanis Club

Representative R. L. Doughton, chairman of the House Ways week. Attorney W. H. McElwee will have charge of the program.

# Susan Adams, Age

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Fairplains church for

The surviving children are birds, such as mocking Mrs. Vander Key, W. W. Adams, school bus drivers are asked to Mrs. Charity Waddell and J. W. call at the office of the patrol W. P. Byrd, of High Point; Mrs. After receiving his degree he All drivers are cautioned to will be fold as cage birds Adams, of North Wilkesboro in the city hall here on the earto soos and other scien- route 1, and M. F. Adams, of liest date possible and comply River; and Mrs. Alice Byrd, of partnership with his father, a Winston-Salem.

Sergeant Lentz Calls Attention to Law Passed By Assembly This Year

School bus drivers in addition to driving license must have a certificate issued by the Highway Patrol, it was learned this morning from W. B. Lentz, sergeant who heads the patrol in this dis-

Under a law passed by the legislature this year school bus driv-83, Claimed by Death ers, state or contract, must pass an examination given by a highway patrolman. If the driver passes the examination he will Mrs. Susan Adams, age 83, who be given a certificate to that ef-

fect. Those who are employed as with the statute.

#### Farmers To Hear State Seed Law **Explained Sept. 11**

J. W. Woodside and T. A. Holcomb Will Be Speakers at Wilkes Meet

Farmers of Wilkes county have been invited to meet at Wilkesboro on September 11, 3 p. m., to hear representatives of the N. C. Department of Agriculture and the N. C. Crop Improvement Association explain the benefits of the new State Seed Law, it was announced today.

"The Value of Using Seed of Known Origin" will be the theme of the meeting and plans are to show a motion picture illustrat-Rogers Memorial Rodeo," will be ing the necessity of using pure seed. "Similar meetings will be held in 39 other counties between now and September 11. and growers interested in better farming practices will find these meetings of vital importance," it was announced.

Speakers on the program to be held at Wilkesboro will be J. W. Woodside and T. A. Hol-

In addition to explaining the new law and brief talks on the prevention of seed dumping in North Carolina, the services offered the farmers by the Department of Agriculture's seed laboratory free of charge will be out-

Under the present law, any farmer may send seed to the Department at Raleigh and obtain correct information as to purity

and germination without cost. "The program for the Depart ment of Agriculture calls for the elimination of impure seed in North Carolina, insofar as possible and the individual complaints of the seed purchasers and seed growers will be aired at the meeting and the co-operation of all farmers will be saked, looking toward the betterment of agriculture in North Carolina," D. S. Coltrane, assistant to Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott, said.

# Fairgrounds Are Placed In Shape For Coming Fair

Days Exposition September 14 to 18

During the past few days work of placing the fairgrounds in condition for the Great Northwestern Fair to be held September 14 through 18 has been under way.

The largest crowds in the history of fairs in North Wilkesboro are expected on the five big days and nights of the gala event and everything is being made ready for their entertain-

The Great Northwestern Fair was organized for the people in this part of the state and more knew the occupants and was in- elementary school will be held than 2,000 premium lists have distributed over a wide

> West Wonder Shows, which conveyance, will occupy the midway and a galaxy of grandstand attractions, including the "Winter Garden Revue" have been to the gay splendor each night.

model standard Chevrolet sedan and \$200 in cash. Automobile races, featuring some of the outstanding track performers, will climax the fair

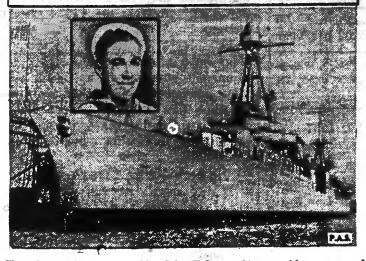
on Saturday afternoon, September 18. The gate admission this year will be only 25 cents throughout the fair, notwithstanding the fact that many major attractions

#### are scheduled. Funeral Service

Last rites were conducted Fri- to practice law in the state. day at Round Mountain for Mrs. community.

children: Mrs. Jake Hawkins, L. B. degree. Elkin.

#### Sailor Killed When Ship Was Hit



Shanghai, China . . . Freddie John Falgout, 21-year old season Raceland, La. (insert), was killed by a piece of shrapnel that hit the deck of the United States Cruiser Augusta in the Whang oo Kiver, off grades. In the high school grades Shanghai. This made the fourth American death here.

#### Judge Efird Says He Will Begin Hearing In Wilkes Election Case On Or About First Day in October

Waives Hearing And Gives Bond In Auto Case

Thad Walston Matkin, of Hickory, driver of a car which hit and seriously injured Miss Ruth Johnson, 13, in Wilkessboro on August 21, waived preliminary hearing and filled bond of \$1,000 for appearance at the next term of Wilkes criminal court.

Miss Johnson, a patient at the Wilkes hospital, is improving, according to reports of her condition today.

## **Entrance Age For** School Children Is Set By State Law

Children Must Be Six Years Old By October First To Enter This Year

Attention is called to Section 22 1-2 of the 1937 school law. This section is as follows: "Chiland each year thereafter, must the case on his own motion due which they enroll, and must en- heard. roll during the first mouth of the school year." Superintendent C. B. Eller, of kesboro.

the county schools, and Superintendent W. D. Halfacre, of the city schools, when interviewed tion was and still is the vote from this morning, stated that it Rock Creek, where Swaringen would be necessary that this law be enforced to the letter. They have absolutely no discretion in the matter.

"Our schools are provided for all children who have the privily to the advantage of those children that their parents see that they are enrolled at the beginning of the term. The loss of a single day handicaps the child 15,000 in the county. in his school progress. Oftentimes the parents have the idea that it is not so important for first grado children to attend regularly. This is an erroneous idea, use a special train of 30 cars for and undoubtedly is the cause for so many first grade children having to repeat the grade. Parents should not handicap their children by allowing them to contracted. Fireworks will add miss school, unless it is absolutely necessary," the superinten-Prizes this year will be a 1937 dents said.

## J. H. Whicker, Jr. Gets Law License

Youth May Enter with Father Into Law Partnership In This City

J. H. Whicker, Jr., son of Attorney and Mrs. J. H. Whicker, of this city, was among the suc-For Martha Byrd cessful applicants for the state bar examination and is licensed

He entered the university at Martha Byrd, age 93, widow of Chapel Hill in 1932 and received the late W. M. Byrd, of that his A. B. degree in 1936. He plans to continue his law studies Surviving are the following this year until he receives his L.

well known local attorney.

Requests Each Side to Put

Up \$250 Each On Ref-

eree's Fee

O. O. Efird, judge of Forsyth county court who was appointed by Superior Court Judge J. H. Clement to referee the election case of D. B. Swaringen versus Leet Poplin, has informed attorneys representing both sides that he will be able to begin hearing of the case on or about October

Judge Efird in a letter to the attorneys said that his court caiendar and other matters would not permit setting an earlier date to begin hearing the case, which involves the question of the election of county commissioner in the election held November 3, 1936.

Judge Efird stated further that he was informed that testimony would be length asked that the plaintiff and defendant post \$250 each to apply on the referee bill. It was indicated today that his request would be complied with.

Both sides indicated readiness for trial and asked dren to be entitled to enrollment trial by jury when the case was in the public schools for the called at the beginning of the school year one thousand nine August term of court but Judge hundred thirty-seven-thirty-eight, Clement said he was referring be six years of age on or before to the fact that appreximately October first of the year in 600 witnesses are expected to be Expecting Large

The referee hearing will be held at the courthouse in Wil-

While other irregularities are charged the main bone of contencontends the returns gave him an even hundred votes less than he received on November 3. According to the canvass of returns by the two Democratic members of the board of elections Leet lege to attend, and it is certain- Poplin, Democrat, was credited this city on highway 421 on Sunwith two votes more than Swaringen, then incumbent and Re publican chairman of the board. in a total vote of approximately

# **Urges Safety In** Hauling Children

With school of the county system opening today and city schools opening Monday of next week, W. B. Lentz, state highway patrol sergeant, today called attention to the laws designed to promote safety in school bus transportation.

ed to take on or let off school dress in the afternoon. children.

vehicle traveling in either direc- scendants are asked to be present tion completely stop and remain with well filled baskets to add to still until the children are taken this item of the day's program. on or let off and are off the highway. Particular attention is ants are expected from several called to the fact that a motor states and from many counties vehicle must stop regardless of in-North Carolina. whether it is passing the bus in the same direction it is headed or been appointed:

in an opposite direction. disregarded this law, more especially when traveling, in opposite direction from the way the bus was headed.

All drivers are cautioned to rate of speed through school.
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#### Thousands Back In School Today For 1937-38 Term

Prospects Bright For Successful Year Among County Schools

All schools in the Wilkes county system opened today with bright prospects for a successful

The greater part of the day in the schools was devoted to distribution of textbooks to the children and for the first time in history they were furnished by the state and without cost to students in the elementary books are rented for one-third the retail price.

The students were given strict instructions relative to care of the books, to the effect that they were only loaned and when the students have finished with them they must return them in good condition and are held responsible for damage other than reasonable wear.

School opening today, according to reports from a number of schools, showed a larger opening day attendance than last year.

Many are being transported in the central districts and as buses rolled to a stop before the buildings hope was frequently expressed that they would be able to reach school every day on schedule without getting stuck in the mud when severe winter weather comes only about three months in the future.

Last year the school schedule in Wilkes was badly disrupted because all the central schools with but one exception, were forced to close for several weeks because it was a physical impossibility for buses to travel over what the state called "secondary roads" but which were sadly neglected. As a result the weathand the roads were all right be-

fore winter weather came. This year school authorities are hopeful of better days Governor Hoey recently set aside a \$2,000,000 for use in improving secondary roads and J. G. Hackett, of this city, eighth highway division commissioner, has been making every effort to place the roads in condition for school bus

# **Crowd at Reunion**

Of McNeill Family Sunday, September 5, at Millers Creek School

The largest crowd in the history of the organization is expected to attend the annual Mc-Neill family reunion at Millers Creek school six miles west of day, September 5.

A program of unparalleled interest for family gatherings in this section has been arranged for the occasion. MacNiel of Barra, chief of the McNeil clan, will arrive in this city from Vermont Saturday afternoon. Ha is making the trip by automobile and will be accompanied by his wife and three children.

R. H. McNeill, of Washington, D. C., recognized as one of the nation's outstanding lawyers, will preside. Rev. J. M. Hayes, pastor of the First Baptist church at Beckley, W. Va., will deliver the annual sermon. Others on the program include Judge Johnson J. Hayes, program chairman, and He cited the law which forbids Representative R. L .Doughton, passing a school bus while stopp- who, will deliver the feature ad-

At noon a basket dinner will The law requires that a motor be spread and all McNeill de-

McNeills and McNeill descend-. Committees as follows have

Program Committee: Johnson Last year bus drivers reported J. Hayer, Wilkssboro; R. H. Mothat many motorists completely Neill, Washington, D. C.; Thermond McNell, West Jefferson, E. Eller, North Wilkesboro, Ed.

Bingham, Books
Committee on page Larkin Pastent, Regional MoNell, Pariest, and flayes, Puries,