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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

FOLIO EPIDEMIC

Forecast of "considerably cooler" weather observed. Mid-western health officials seeking to control outbreaks of infantile paralysis yesterday.

DROP IN WPA ROLLS

Washington, Sept. 3.—The Works Progress Administration reported a drop today in WPA employment in practically all states. The decline in the United States between August 21 and August 28 was 21,702.

VET WANTS PERMIT

Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Edgar F. Fields, 93, who was a drummer with Sherman on the Civil War march to the sea, applied for an automobile operator's license today.

TO BE RECKONING

Washington, Sept. 3.—John Lewis of the C. I. O., rebuked President Roosevelt tonight for his attitude toward the recent steel strike and warned labor's "so-called friends and political beneficiaries" that there will be a reckoning on election day.

QUITS SECOND TIME

Beaver, Pa., Sept. 3.—Mrs. Blanche Boles, 31, who became housekeeper for her divorced husband yesterday for \$5 a week and "keep," quit her job after one day and returned to her home in Girard, Ohio. Boles said she "picked a fight" as soon as she arrived at his farmhouse to care for their six children.

TOBACCO REPORT

Wilson, Sept. 3.—Sales on the Wilson tobacco market through yesterday, amounted to 3,397,804 pounds for \$739,745.09, an average of \$21.77 a hundredweight. The announcement said that sales for the corresponding period last year totaled 5,437,656 pounds for \$1,314,590.16, an average of \$24.17 a hundred.

MAN KILLS HIMSELF

Sept. 3.—H. J. Johnson, 40, died 30 minutes later in a hospital. Coroner Wallace, who said no inquest would be held, quoted friends of Johnson as saying he had been despondent over ill health, and had threatened to take his life last night.

SHOT KILLS MAN

Elkin, Sept. 3.—Lee Burchette, 38, died this morning in the local hospital from a gunshot wound in the chest said to have been inflicted accidentally a week ago when a shot aimed at a rabbit by his nephew, with whom he was hunting, entered his body. Pneumonia was the direct cause of his death. He was a son of Mrs. Elzie Burchette and the late Mr. Burchette, of the Union Cross community.

LIVING COSTS UP

Washington, Sept. 3.—The American Federation of Labor declared today that workers will be forced to a lower living standard this fall unless their pay checks are at least 5 per cent larger than a year ago. In its monthly survey of business, the Federation said living costs in July were 4.3 per cent higher than during the same month of 1936. It added that further increases in prices of foodstuffs, clothing, rents and other necessities are expected.

To Enroll Vets In C. C. Camps

Charles McNeill, Wilkes county welfare officer, has called attention to the fact that there will be another enrollment of veterans in Civilian Conservation camps on or about October 1. To be eligible for re-enlistment one year must have elapsed since being in a camp and no one with a dishonorable discharge can re-enlist. Any war veterans who desire employment in the camps may secure application blanks from Mr. McNeill at his office in the courthouse.

BARBARA SUE BLAKELY IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Barbara Sue Blakely, age 6 months, daughter of Robert and Julia Sparks Blakely, died Sunday night and funeral service was held today.

In addition to the father and other one brother and four sisters survive.

Miss Florence Gilreath, of Moravian Falls, has returned to Greensboro where she will teach again this year.

Tubercular Clinic Held In the County Reveals a Number Of New Victims

Twelve Active New Cases Are Reported Among Adults in Clinic OVER 200 EXAMINED

13 Children Out of 26 React to Tuberculin Test; Four Suspicious

Twelve new active cases of tuberculosis were discovered in the tubercular clinic held in Wilkes recently, it was learned today from a report of the clinic by Dr. J. S. Denholm, examining physician. Dr. Denholm is a clinician of the North Carolina sanatorium extension service.

Seven of the 12 positive cases were classed as minimal and five were classed as being far advanced. A total of 201 were examined during the clinic, which was in progress five days. In addition to the 12 active new cases four were classed as suspicious and 13 children out of 26 showed positive reaction to the tuberculin test.

A number of cases in which diagnosis had previously been given were also examined.

Dr. A. J. Eller, Wilkes county health officer, said that the clinic should prove doubly beneficial in that those who have discovered they have the disease may begin treatment and may be isolated in order to prevent its spread.

Some of the new cases found during the clinic have already been admitted to institutions.

Large Increases Bank Deposits

Regular Monthly Meeting of Northwestern Bank Held Here On Saturday

Deposits of the Northwestern Bank, with home office here and branches in five northwestern North Carolina towns, showed an increase of \$127,800 during the month of August, according to reports in the regular monthly meeting of the bank held Saturday here.

Included in the business transacted was the appointment of W. J. Caroom as cashier of the home office. He has been in North Wilkesboro for several months organizing the branch system of The Northwestern Bank and the news that he is to remain here will be received favorably by those who have made his acquaintance. He is considered well qualified for the position of cashier and for the organization work he is doing, having been for several years assistant auditor of one of the largest branch bank institutions in the state, with 18 branches.

In addition to the home office here, the former Deposit & Savings Bank branches are maintained at Bakersville, Boone, Blowing Rock, Sparta and Burnsville. Representative R. L. Doughton is chairman of the board; R. A. Doughton, president; Edwin Duncan, executive vice president; C. C. Hunter, vice president; and L. L. Aycock, secretary.

Police Department to Pull Speeders Here; Enforce Other Traffic Laws

J. E. Walker, North Wilkesboro police chief, issued a warning today to people who exceed the speed limit in North Wilkesboro and who violate other traffic laws.

City schools began today and with the opening of school the police chief is inaugurating a campaign against traffic law violators, particularly speeders.

He sounded a stern warning against any and all who disregard to city's speed limit laws and more especially those who drive over the streets with reckless abandon, endangering the lives of school children and other pedestrians.

He also called attention to the fact that cars are being marked and tickets are being meted out to those who violate any part of the parking ordinance, including

Bandits Receive Bullets Instead Of Money Asked

Girl At Home of Virgil Church Folds Two Men Demanding Cash In House

Visitors to this city today from Harley, 20 miles west of this city where highway 421 enters the Blue Ridge, told how a girl at the home of Virgil Church foiled highwaymen Sunday night.

Mr. Church, a merchant and orchardist, and Mrs. Church had left their home to attend church service and left Miss Mandy Green, hired girl, at home with the children.

About nine o'clock, Miss Green said, two men entered the house and demanded that she produce Mr. Church's money. She told them to wait where they were, that she thought Mr. Church had about \$200 in the house and that "if nothing else will do you I will get the money."

She returned in a few minutes but instead of having money in her hands it was a blazing revolver pointed in the direction of the two men. They fled and neighbors said there was at least one yelp of pain.

Will Accept Many In C.C.C. Ranks About October 1

North Wilkesboro May Be Recruiting Center For Several Counties

With a large enrollment of Civilian Conservation members due on or about October 1, North Wilkesboro may be selected as the recruiting center for a number of northwestern North Carolina counties, it was learned today from Charles McNeill, Wilkes

and the county health officer, who were operating with a minimum of confusion for opening day.

Formal openings will be held Wednesday nine a. m. for the elementary school and Thursday nine a. m. for the high school. The public has a cordial invitation to both programs.

\$18,000 1937 Tax Been Collected

Discount of One and One-Half Per Cent Allowed On Taxes This Month

A total of approximately \$18,000 in Wilkes county taxes have been paid to date, it was learned today from W. P. Kelly, county accountant, to whom taxes are paid until the books are turned over to the sheriff.

A discount of one and one-half per cent is allowed by law on county taxes paid on or before October 1. Many tax payers are expected to take advantage of the discount allowed.

Wilkesboro P.-T. A. Will Meet Thursday

All school patrons are asked to attend the first meeting of the Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher association to be held in the school auditorium on Thursday afternoon, 3:30. Several matters of interest to patrons of the school will be before the organization.

A. G. Hendren, Wilkes County Farm Agent, Taken By Death

Farm Agent Dies Served Wilkes Faithfully For Past 26 Years

Was First and Only Farm Agent in the County; Began Duties 1911

FUNERAL HELD TODAY Was Baptist, Mason, Granger, and Active in Many Civic Affairs of Section



A. G. (Grant) Hendren, farm demonstration agent in Wilkes for 26 years, died Saturday evening.

Schools of City Begin the Term

Large Enrollment Indicated As 1937-38 Session Is Started Here

North Wilkesboro city schools opened this morning with a large enrollment.

Although a complete check on enrollment was impossible at Journal-Patriot press time this afternoon it was evident that the opening day enrollment was the largest in the history of the

Moravian Falls County Champs

Clinch Title in Victory Over Boomer Nine Saturday Afternoon by 7 to 6

Moravian Falls junior baseball team clinched the county championship Saturday afternoon in the American Legion junior league by a hard fought victory over the Boomer nine 7 to 6.

The Boomer team put up a strong fight in a futile effort to defeat the league leaders needing one game to make it a mathematical impossibility for any other team to win or tie with only one more playing date remaining on the schedule.

Clingman put up a strong bid for second place by defeating Cricket 8 to 6 and Wilkesboro upset the dope by defeating North Wilkesboro 9 to 5.

Complete results and league standing will be published Thursday.

Associational W. M. U. Meeting At Roaring River

Woman's Missionary Union of Brier Creek Baptist association will convene at Roaring River Baptist church on Saturday, September 25. A delegation from every church in the association is asked.

The session will open at 9:45 and the program is as follows:

Morning

Hymn, "Come Women, Wide Proclaim."

Watchword for Year: "Not by night, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord of hosts."—Zech. 4:6.

Devotional, T. J. McNeil.

Greetings, Miss Gales Croggs.

Response, Mrs. Roland Jones.

Recognition of visitors, by Mrs. J. M. Wright, president.

Poem, "Good Deeds," Mrs. Eula Lyton.

Roll call of churches, Miss Stacy Hayes, secretary.

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Retired Here



O. C. Holcomb, well known local citizen who on August 31st was retired as freight foreman at the Southern Railway depot here.

O. C. Holcomb Is Retired After 32 Years On Job

Local Freight Foreman Presented Gift by Fellow Employees at Depot

O. C. Holcomb, one of the many railroad employees to retire under provisions of the railroad pension act, completed his last day's work as freight foreman at the North Wilkesboro Southern Railway depot on August 31st.

As a token of their esteem for a fellow worker the employee of the local depot presented him with a beautiful gold watch chain when he was retired.

Further evidence of Mr. Holcomb's splendid record is evi-

den in the fact that he has been in the service of the company with a most enviable record.

Mr. Holcomb had been on the job for over 32 years. He saw the disastrous depot fire in 1913 and the almost equally disastrous flood of 1916.

Local P.-T. A. To Meet On Thursday

First meeting of the present school year of the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher association will be held in the school auditorium on Thursday afternoon, 3:45. Superintendent W. D. Half-acre will have charge of the program. A full attendance of members and other interested patrons is desired.

Large Crowd Gathers for Annual McNeill Reunion at Millers Creek

A crowd estimated at 2,000 McNeills and those who carry McNeill blood, gathered at the new school building at Millers Creek Sunday for the annual McNeill family reunion, a growing affair.

It was the largest crowd in the history of the organization and the program was of extreme interest to members of the family and their friends.

Cars began to arrive about ten a. m. and soon the hilltop was covered with people renewing acquaintances and making new ones. Yet they were kinsmen with perhaps 90 per cent being descendants of the late Rev. George McNeill, a chaplain during the Revolution who settled in Wilkes.

The program Sunday was a builded on the theme of "Family, Church and State."

C. O. McNeill, president, opened the meeting and presented Attorney Robert H. McNeill, of Washington, D. C., who presided throughout the program.

In the absence of Rev. J. M. Hayes, who was on the program for the annual sermon, his brother, Judge Johnson J. Hayes, ably substituted. Although his address was filled with moral inspiration he took occasion to review briefly some of the charac-

North Wilkesboro To Entertain Many Visitors at the Fair September 14 to 16

Great Northwestern Fair Expected to Attract Great Throngs Each Day

BEGINS ON TUESDAY

First Day Will Be School Children's Day at Gala Exposition Next Week

With the date for opening of the Great Northwestern Fair only one week ahead, North Wilkesboro is making ready for the visit of record crowds during the five-day exposition.

The fair will open on Tuesday, September 14, and continue through Saturday, September 18, with a grand galaxy of attractions scheduled for each afternoon and night.

During the past several days workmen have been placing the fairgrounds in condition for the big exposition and comfort and convenience for the thousands of fair visitors has been kept in mind while the grounds, exhibit halls and grandstand have been reconditioned for the event.

Tuesday will be school children's day and school children will be admitted on free tickets being distributed by the teachers to the students.

Fair officials call particular attention to the fact that school children's ticket will not be good after Tuesday evening, six o'clock. After that hour regular admission rates will prevail to children and adults.

Exhibits are to be placed on

superintendents will be on hand to help in display of exhibits.

Several acts considered among the best available are scheduled in front of the grandstand each afternoon and night. "The Winter Garden Revue" will be only one feature of the performance.

West Wonder Shows filling the midway and gorgeous fireworks each night round out an unexcelled program of entertainment.

The fair will be climaxed with automobile races on Saturday afternoon with some of the nation's famed dirt track drivers piloting speedy machines in mad dashes for gold and glory.

Gives Account Of Attempted Holdup

Eugene Reavis, who lives on the Brushy Mountains, on Saturday related the story of how he was held up with a shotgun and rifle on August 27 near his home.

He said that his son, Coolidge, age 13, was accosted by Johnnie Dock Rogers Gregory when he went several hundred yards from the house to get some harness. The Gregorys, the youth said, drew guns on him and he ran to the house to tell his father.

Accompanied by Mrs. Reavis and their daughter, Mr. Reavis said he went to the place of the alleged holdup attempt in his automobile, got out and found the two men the boy had described. He said they drew their guns on him but he escaped in his automobile and informed Alexander county authorities, the alleged holdup attempt having taken place in the edge of Alexander county. The Gregorys were arrested and placed under bonds of \$600 each for hearing at Taylorsville Saturday afternoon of this week.

It was learned from Mr. Reavis that some enmity had existed between the two families for the past few years.

Kindergarten Will Open On Sept. 13th

Mrs. J. L. Clement, who has so successfully operated kindergarten classes here for a number of years, has announced that the classes will open the 1937-38 term at her home on 25th street on Monday, September 13. A successful year is anticipated.