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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

MOTORCYCLIST KILLED

Smithfield, Sept. 24.—Graham Parker, 34, of Johnston county, was killed near here today when his motorcycle crashed into a truck.

FEWER JOBLESS

Raleigh, Sept. 24.—The labor department reported today that employment in North Carolina increased 1.6 per cent in August over July. A gain of 2.9 per cent in pay rolls for August was listed.

WORKMAN IS KILLED

Morehead City, Sept. 24.—David W. Bell, 41, a state highway employe, fell under the wheels of a truck he was riding near Harlowe, in Carteret county, early today and died three hours later in a hospital here.

FALL PROVES FATAL

Lumberton, Sept. 24.—Roberson county's violent deaths for the month were brought to 16 with the death last night of Bettie Lee, six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walker, of Maxton, route 3, who fell from a wagon of cotton on which she was riding with her father. She died after being carried to a physician in Pembroke.

WARDEN SLUGGED

San Francisco, Sept. 24.—A convict attack on Warden James A. Johnston today disclosed a new rebellion in Alcatraz prison, island fortress where the government keeps America's most hardened criminals. Burton Phillips, Kansas kidnaper and bank robber, slugged Johnston from behind as the warden passed through the prison dining room after interviewing 100 convicts confined to their cells because of a strike.

CONSTRUCTION UP

Raleigh, Sept. 24.—Building construction in 21 North Carolina cities increased 32 per cent in August over August, 1936, and ran 20.7 per cent ahead of July. The labor department said permits for 527 buildings were issued during the month in 21 cities, with cost estimated at \$1,782,556, as compared with permits covering 775 buildings in August, 1936, to cost \$1,349,951. In July permits covered 609 structures to cost \$1,476,363.

DOUGHTON SPEAKER

Statesville, Sept. 24.—Postmasters of the eighth and ninth congressional district held a luncheon meeting at the Vance hotel here this afternoon, with J. H. McKenzie, of Salisbury, director of the ninth district of the North Carolina Postmasters' association, presiding. There were about 50 postmasters in attendance, representing 20 counties. A number of postmasters made short talks. The principal address was by Representative R. L. Doughton, who stressed the necessity of both elective and appointive officers giving their time and efforts to their constituents and to the public in general.

Teachers to Hear Erwin Wednesday

Teachers of County Are to Gather in Meeting On Wednesday Afternoon

The second meeting of Wilkes county teachers for the present school year will be held in Wilkesboro school auditorium on Wednesday afternoon, September 29, at four o'clock, it was learned today from C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools. A feature of the meeting will be an address by Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction. There are 244 teachers in Wilkes this year and attendance at the meeting to be held Wednesday is required.

Special Meeting Of Junior Order On Tuesday Night

Every member of North Wilkesboro Junior Order council is especially urged to be present on Tuesday night when business matters of vital importance will be taken up. Refreshments will be served following the business session. It is particularly desired that every member be present and visiting juniors will be welcome.

Call Conference Of School Committees At Mulberry School For September 28

All Committeemen In County Urged to Attend Committee Conference

ERWIN WILL SPEAK

Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, and W. F. Cradle, state director of schoolhouse planning, will address a conference of school committeemen of Wilkes county to be held at Mulberry school 8 miles north of this city on highway 18 on Wednesday, September 29, ten a. m.

It will be a general meeting of all committeemen, of central and individual schools, for the purpose of discussing school problems. The meeting was called by C. B. Eller, Wilkes superintendent of schools. It is especially desired that all committeemen attend but announcement of the meeting points out that all patrons interested in school problems have an invitation to attend.

Representative Unemployment Bureau Here

J. L. Bloom is Field Representative for Eight of the Northwestern Counties

J. L. Bloom, formerly of Winston-Salem, is now field representative for eight northwestern counties in this city.

Mr. Bloom succeeds R. Grady Babber, who has been transferred to the Winston-Salem office. He will maintain headquarters here and will be in the office to render assistance to employers who desire information about the unemployment insurance act between the hours of nine and 12 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. During the remainder of the time he will attend to field duties in his district composed of Wilkes, Ashe, Alleghany, Surry, Yadkin, Davie, Iredell and Alexander counties. Assistance in making reports will be gladly given to employers, an announcement from the office today said.

Sheriff Locates a Brandy Distillery

Two Outfits and 1,200 Gallons Beer Taken During Week By Sheriff

The fact that some overly ambitious people are seeking ways to market surplus apples was evidenced last week by the fact that one of the stills destroyed by Sheriff C. T. Doughton and deputies had just been used to make a run of brandy before the place was raided. Sheriff Doughton and Deputies Odell Whittington and J. M. Beahrs raided two medium sized plants in the Call section of Wilkes. The boiler was hot when the officers arrived at the brandy still but all liquor had been cleared away, apparently only a few minutes before. At the other still there was evidence that sugarhead liquor had been made extensively and 1,200 gallons of beer just ready to work were destroyed.

Annie Pearson Funeral Saturday

Last rites were conducted at Boomer church Saturday for Annie Pearson, age 76. She died Friday at her home in the Boomer community. Surviving are three brothers: Lee Pearson, of Lenoir, James and Philo Pearson, of Boomer. Randolph county has set a new record for lespedeza plantings this year, with farmers seeding 40,000 acres.

New York Fetes New Legion Chief



NEW YORK CITY... Stephen Chadwick of Seaside, Wash., Raymond J. Kelly, Detroit, Michigan, and Daniel Dougherty, Woburn, Massachusetts, left to right, candidates for National Commander post, at a luncheon given by the Advertising Club of this city.

Baptist Minister Stricken Friday; Funeral Sunday

Rev. I. C. Woodruff Victim of Heart Attack At His Home at Hays

Rev. I. C. Woodruff, for many years a beloved Baptist minister, died Friday morning at his home at Hays. Death was almost sudden and was attributed to a heart attack. He had been suffering from heart trouble for several years but had been able to continue his duties as a minister and about his home. He united with the Baptist church 32 years ago and had been a minister for 30 years, serving many churches in Wilkes county.

He was 56 years of age, a member of one of Wilkes county's most widely known families. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Jane Spicer Woodruff, and two sons, Eldon and Lin Woodruff, of Hays. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Miss Myrtle Woodruff, who died several years ago. In addition to his wife and sons he is survived by one brother, Rev. Percy Woodruff, of Pennsylvania, and the following sisters: Mrs. A. Caudill, Hays; Mrs. Wallace, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. J. A. Tucker, Guilford; Mrs. Tom Johnson and Mrs. I. M. Myers, North Wilkesboro. A large crowd of people, many of whom had felt the wholesome influence of Rev. Mr. Woodruff's life, gathered at Mountain View Baptist church where he was pastor to attend the funeral service Sunday afternoon. Despite the rain hundreds gathered in a token of tribute to his life. The service was in charge of Rev. A. B. Hayes, assisted by Rev. J. E. Hayes. The life of the deceased minister was eulogized beautifully by his brother, Rev. Percy Woodruff, of Galston, Pa.

Spaghetti Supper Tuesday Evening

The Junior Woman's club will sponsor a spaghetti supper Tuesday evening 5:30 to 8:30 at Call Hotel dining room. The price will be 50 cents per plate and profits will be used by the club in some of its commendable activities.

WILKES TOBACCO OUTLOOK IS CHANGED BY SUMMER RAINS

Weather conditions in the late summer changed the whole aspect of the tobacco crop in Wilkes county and assured the farmers of a crop about 25 per cent under normal poundage, but a crop of unusually fine quality, Dan C. Holler, county agent, stated today. At the beginning of the summer the prospects were exceedingly bad. Blue mold, bud worms and root diseases caused much discouragement. Few farmers were able to get more than three-fourths of a stand. After the poor start, dry weather got in its work. By the first of August it looked as if the Wilkes tobacco crop was a total failure. Then the rains came and by the last of August the outlook was most cheerful. "Taking the county as a whole," Mr. Holler stated, "the quality of the crop is unusually good." Wilkes has 1,599 acres of flue-cured tobacco. The county produces no burley tobacco for the market.

Smithey And Laws Head Wilkes G.O.P.

Elected Saturday In Meeting of the County Committee

New Chairman Urges Unity and Cooperation Within Republican Party

HARMONIOUS MEETING

Spencer Richardson is Assistant Secretary; May Pave Organizers

N. B. Smithey, widely known local merchant, and R. Don Laws, editor of the nationally known "Yellow Jacket," are chairman and secretary, respectively, of the Republican party organization in Wilkes county. They were elected in an open meeting of the county Republican executive committee held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Saturday afternoon. The meeting was well attended with party leaders from every section of the county in attendance in addition to members of the county committee. In the absence of the retiring chairman, J. M. Brown, who is ill, Kyle Hayes, secretary, presided over the meeting and read the call. The resignation of Mr. Brown tendered at a previous meeting was accepted and the name of N. B. Smithey was placed in nomination by Solicitor John R. Jones and was seconded by a number of Republicans present. Mr. Smithey was unanimously elected by acclamation and made a short talk, expressing appreciation for the confidence of the members of the party and soliciting their wholehearted support.

School Payroll Of \$28,000 Goes Out

The first monthly payroll of approximately \$28,000 was sent out Saturday from the office of C. B. Eller, Wilkes superintendent of schools, to school employes. Vouchers were made out to 244 teachers now employed and were ready for delivery at the close of school Friday, which marked the end of the first month of the 1937-38 term. The teacher vouchers totaled \$25,700. These figures do not include North Wilkesboro schools, which operate as a special charter city unit. The payroll this year is approximately ten per cent higher than the total a year ago, due to the increase in teacher salaries and increments. Locally the school payroll adds a noticeable stimulant to business.

Teer Gets Contract For Hunting Creek Road; Low Bid Was \$140,744

Nello L. Teer, prominent Durham contractor, was low bidder on grading and crushed stone surfacing highway 115 from the Wilkes-Iredell line to the intersection with highway 421 near Wilkesboro. His bid was \$140,744.10 for the section of 10.56 miles which will complete the highway connecting the Wilkesboro with Statesville. This is considered a reasonable bid and it is expected that it will be approved by the federal bureau of roads. Teer is well known in this part of the state, where he has constructed many sections of highways and is now completing three sections of the Blue Ridge Parkway in Alleghany, Wilkes and Ashe counties. He has modern machinery and it is expected that the section of roadway will be completed in about six months. Teer was also low bidder for construction of five miles on route 601 between Yadkinville and Mocksville, his bid being \$78,475.40.

Wilkesboro In First Game With Lenoir On Friday

Wilkesboro Ramblers had their first test of football Friday night when they played Lenoir under the lights at Lenoir. The Caldwell nine, member of the Western Conference and rated far superior to the small and inexperienced Wilkesboro eleven, rolled up a score of 47 to 0. However, the Wilkesboro boys fought gamely and gave promise of better showing against teams of their calibre on future playing dates this season. Laws and Garwood were classed as outstanding.

Chandler Brothers Get Contract For Structures For \$23,445.50

Chandler Brothers, of Virginia, submitted the low bid of \$23,445.50 for structures, the principal one being a bridge across Hunting Creek. Teer was also low bidder for construction of five miles on route 601 between Yadkinville and Mocksville, his bid being \$78,475.40.

Ashe County Man Claimed By Death

Car Segraves, age 43, a resident of the Helton section of Ashe county, died Friday in the hospital here and funeral service was held at Helton Chapel in Ashe county Sunday. Surviving are his wife and the following children: Anella, Louis, Beatrice, Doughton, Evelyn, Deemer, Landon and Kathryn Segraves. Also surviving are four brothers, Bradford, Ward, Bart and Paul Segraves.

Airplane To Pick Up Air Mail Here During "Air Mail" Week, Oct. 11 to 16

Week Set Apart to Boost Air Mail in North Carolina; Aid Is Solicited

EXPECT MUCH INTEREST

J. B. Williams Local Chairman; Hope to Have 500 Letters For Mailing

According to present plans a regular air mail plane will visit North Wilkesboro one day during "Air Mail Week" October 11-16 for the purpose of picking up outgoing air mail. The week will be observed through North Carolina in a part of a nation-wide effort to stimulate interest in air mail and to encourage greater use of this fast service provided by the government.

J. C. Reins, North Wilkesboro postmaster, is on the air mail week committee for the state and under the plan of organization he has appointed J. B. Williams as chairman for North Wilkesboro. Mr. Reins has informed the state chairman that 500 letters may be expected from North Wilkesboro but it is hoped that this estimate will prove to be conservative and that local people will use air mail adequately during the week to aid in the special effort to boost this service. It will be a special effort to make people "air mail conscious" and mayors of the cities in North Carolina are expected to issue proclamations concerning "Air Mail Week."

Legion, Auxiliary In Joint Meeting

Department Commander F. C. Fields and Mrs. Fields of the Legion and Auxiliary will attend the joint meeting of the Wilkes post of the American Legion and the local unit of the Auxiliary Friday night, 7:30, at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouses. The Department Commander and Mrs. Fields will install officers of the two organizations and a large attendance is desired. The program will be supplemented by music and refreshments will be served.

Steal Flour From Freight on Track

Two Colored Men Bound to Court Here Today On Larceny Charges

Two colored men were haled into city court here today on charges of stealing flour from a freight car on the Southern Railroad tracks here Saturday night. After the incriminating evidence was reviewed Marshal Dowell was bound over to court and his alleged accomplice, Bill Tidline, age under 16, was sent to juvenile court. Evidence pointed toward Dowell when police found 125 pounds of the missing flour in an outbuilding. He was arrested east of Wilkesboro by Deputy S. U. Reynolds Sunday and Tidline was picked up in this city by police officers.

Burglars Smash Burglar System

Belton, S. C., Sept. 23.—Burglars attempted to burglarize the head office of a burglar alarm company here early today. Ignoring a large sign warning would-be intruders that the building was protected by the company's own devices, the burglars went to work with a crowbar and smashed in the front door. The bedlam broke loose. Sirens shrieked, bells clanged and floodlights flooded. Realizing they had bungled their burglary, the burglars fled town only a few jumps ahead of the police. Wet weather has damaged the hay crop in Chatlam county, according to J. C. Keith, assistant farm agent.