

## State News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

**TWO DIE IN CRASH**  
New Bern, Jan. 26.—Clayton Banks and Rigdon Hardison, both of Arengo, were killed early today when the truck on which they were riding struck a bridge at Bowers Hill, between Suffolk and Petersburg, Va.

**ACCIDENT FATAL**  
Goldsboro, Jan. 26.—Rufus R. Thompson, 26, formerly of Goldsboro, brother of Mrs. J. B. Hope-well, of New Hope township, Wayne county, was killed while driving his car near Elkton, Mr. today. Details of the accident were not learned here.

**SURRY SCHOOL BURNS**  
Mt. Airy, Jan. 26.—Beulah high school, one of Surry county's consolidated schools, located 10 miles northwest of Mt. Airy on highway 89, burned to the ground this afternoon about 5:30 o'clock. The damage was estimated at \$20,000, of which \$13,000 was covered by insurance, according to John W. Comer, county school superintendent, who said that the building will be replaced at once.

**COLD WAVE FELT**  
A wave of cold engulfed most of the nation Wednesday while storm-bound residents of Michigan's upper peninsula burrowed through towering mounds of snow. Drifts ranging up to 30 feet in some of the northern reaches of the state confronted highway crews seeking to open engineers reported rural areas intercity travel lanes but county would remain isolated at least until tomorrow.

**GLENN COX KILLED**  
Liberty, Jan. 26.—Glenn Cox, 27, employe of Staley Lumber company, was instantly killed this afternoon about 4 o'clock when a truck he was driving turned over about eight miles north of Liberty, near Nathanael Greene high school. He was delivering a load of building supply materials when he apparently lost control of the truck, which turned over and threw him several feet in front of the vehicle. He suffered a crushed skull.

**MAY USE CONTROL**  
Washington, Jan. 26.—Secretary Wallace said today a control program for flu-cured tobacco could be placed in operation this year if Congress passed a farm bill "within the next two weeks." He told a press conference this would provide a means for "handling the tobacco situation" which he said had been causing concern among growers. He also said programs could be made operative for corn and wheat but that cotton presented "greater difficulties."

**PAYNE, TURNER TRIAL**  
Asheville, Jan. 26.—Van Patton, on whose farm State Highway Patrolman George Penn was shot to death last August 22, identified Wash Turner today as an armed man he saw near the dead officer's automobile shortly after the shooting. He said he could not identify Turner's companion, Turner and Bill Payne, long escaped convicts, are on trial for the lives on a murder charge in the death of Penn. slain after he had chased into a dead-end road two men in a blue car who had wheeled about and sped away from a highway watching station.

**1,062 CLAIMS PAID**  
Payment of 1,062 lump-sum claims was made in North Carolina during the first year's operation of the Federal Government's old-age insurance system, to wage earners who had reached age 65 and the estates or relatives of those who had died, W. C. Spruill, manager of the Salisbury Field Office announced today. These payments, representing 1.2 per cent of the total wages paid to the worker, amounted to \$17,945.24, or an average of \$16.90 for North Carolina.

## Penalty On Taxes After February 1

Attention has been called to the fact that under the law a penalty of one per cent will be added to county and city taxes after February 1.

Today, February 1, will be the last day on which county or city taxes for the year 1937 may be paid without penalty being added. Taxpayers are urged to pay their taxes on or before February 1 and save the amount of the discount.

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## Jobless Will Get Insurance Checks Here Next Week; Regulations Told

Persons Whose Claims Have  
Been Approved to Receive  
Checks At NCSES

**REPORT REGULARLY**  
First Checks To Be Given  
Out Monday At Branch  
Office In City

First checks for jobless under the state social security act are expected to arrive for distribution on Monday, January 31, G. B. Gentry, head of the employment service office here, said today.

The checks which are to be given out next week will cover the week ending January 22.

Mr. Gentry again called attention to the fact that workers who filed claims for job insurance must report weekly and the law says weekly means on the same day of each week.

Those who will receive checks Monday if they arrive from the state office will be only those who filed claims on Monday, January 1, and who have reported on each following Monday and who have not found any employment. Those who have been reporting on Tuesday will get their checks when they call on Tuesday, February 1, and the same rule applies to the other days of the week.

A person who filed his claim, says for instance, on Thursday, will get his check on Thursday and it will be needless for him or her to call for the check on any other day of the week.

## 3,600 Signers In 1938 Soil Program

County Agent Reports Much  
Interest Among Farmers  
Of Wilkes County

Interest farmers are showing in the soil conservation program offered by the government indicates that more than 3,500 Wilkes county farmers will enter the program this year, County Agent Dan Holler said today.

The total number of work sheets signed in 1937 was 2,040, Mr. Holler said. To date this year there have been 1,600 new signers with every indication that several hundred additional farmers will decide to have a part in the program during 1938.

A concerted drive has been under way to get every farm under a work sheet for the year regardless of whether or not the farmers wish to participate. Goals will be set for each farm and every farmer will be encouraged to reach his individual goal. If he does not wish to comply with provisions of the program for which payments are made he is not obligated to do so, Mr. Holler said.

The soil conservation program has proved to be more popular among Wilkes farmers than the triple A. In the first year of the substitute plan there were one thousand signers, last year there were over 2,000, and there are indications that last year's figure may be doubled for 1938.

Meanwhile the office force is forwarding applications for payment under the 1937 program and it is hoped that checks will arrive in time for the farmers to use them in putting out early crops. The compliance checking revealed that many farmers failed to comply with provisions of the act and will not receive payment. These are being notified and the county agent or some member of the office personnel points out in what way the farmer failed to comply and why he will not receive payment. The most prevalent reason among those who will not be paid is that they exceeded their soil depletion base as set up by their work sheets.

## Warning Issued About License

Police Chief J. E. Walker said today that a checkup revealed that many local people have not purchased city automobile and truck license for 1938.

Those who fail to purchase license in the next few days will be cited to court, he said.



The "come hither" look is just part of her act but her elaborate costumes and difficult interpretations are capturing the heart of San Francisco where Sal Shoki, celebrated Korean dancer is beginning a world tour. Miss Shoki, stage star of North China, Manchoukuo and Japan, is shown in the above pose from the "Fortune Teller of Miko."

## Street Project Here Is Started; Forty At Work

Several Dirt Streets To Get  
Surface of Crushed Stone;  
Crusher Bought

About 40 men have been placed on the street improvement project here, it was learned today from T. D. Heffner, area WPA supervisor.

The street improvement project begun this week, calling for a total expenditure of approximately \$20,000, is sponsored by the city with the cost shared between the WPA and North Wilkesboro.

The project calls for surfacing several dirt streets in the eastern end of the city. The dirt streets are to be surfaced with crushed stone, which is now being mined and crushed at the rock quarry near the lower Yaddin bridge. The sponsor has placed a crusher on the grounds.

The project also includes widening Forester Avenue with additional concrete pavement. The materials have been purchased but the work will not be started on that particular phase of the project until freezing weather is over, Mr. Heffner said.

Grover C. McGimsey, of WPA, laborers has been the subject of much favorable comment locally, is foreman on the street improvement project. He was also foreman of the sewer line extension project, which was completed ahead of schedule and at less than estimated cost.

## Will Erect New Building On 10th

Beech Blankenship Lets Contract For Building To  
House His Cafe

Beech Blankenship, who for many years has operated a cafe known as Beech's Place on Tenth street, has let contract to T. H. Settle for erection of a modern brick building on his lot where the small cafe building was located.

The building will be 25 x 40 feet and will be erected especially for a cafe, Mr. Blankenship said. Every effort will be made to have the building ready for occupancy in two months, he said.

The old cafe building has been moved to an adjoining lot where the business will continue to be operated until the new building is completed.

## Gordon Mills Has Commenced Work

Gordon cotton mill, located at Roaring River, resumed operations last week and has been working full time since that date.

The mill, which affords employment to many people of that section, had been closed for several weeks.

Grier Mills, located west of this city, are now operating part time.

Twenty-five per cent of the water in the Dead Sea is salt. Bituminous coal will float in it.

# Social Standards Conference Feb. 3

New Law Makes It  
Unlawful To Hunt  
On Sunday in Wilkes

Homer Brookshire, county game protector, calls attention to the new game law which makes it unlawful to hunt on Sunday.

The Board of Conservation and Development, in accordance with authority vested by Chapter 486, Public Laws of 1935, met in regular session at Raleigh on January 19, 1938, and voted to prohibit the hunting or taking of game birds or animals on Sunday in North Carolina.

Mr. Brookshire stated that this law is now effective in this State and he expects to have it enforced in Wilkes county.

## Boomer Man Dies In Big Earth Slide

H. M. Hamby Dies When  
Excavation Caves In Near  
Petersburg, Va.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 24.—Loosened by heavy rains, tons of earth fell into a highway excavation on the Richmond-Petersburg highway two miles north of here today, killing a foreman and injuring three workers.

H. M. Hamby, 30, of Boomer, N. C., was pinned beneath the muddy clay and scaffolding in the pit being dug to house an abutment for the Atlantic Coast Line railway underpass, which was being widened. He was dead when workers and a crew from the Petersburg and Colonial Heights fire departments pulled him from under the debris.

J. W. Farthing, of Petersburg, most seriously injured of the excavation crew, was brought to Petersburg hospital, where physicians said the full extent of his injuries had not been determined. The two others injured, S. C. Lewis and Richmond Williams, were permitted to leave the hospital after dispensary treatment for cuts and bruises.

Train service was not disrupted by the cave-in which occurred shortly before 2 p. m. The workers, employed by a North Carolina construction company, were engaged in widening the underpass to accommodate the new four-lane highway.

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Boomer for Horace Moody Hamby, 30, who was killed in an accident Monday near Petersburg, Va.

A resident of the Boomer community, he was a son of the late W. H. Hamby and Mrs. Margaret Dula Hamby, who survives. Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Carl Fincannon, Mrs. Claude Walsh, Burchette and Tarnee Hamby, of Boomer; and Mrs. Roy Deal, of Taylorsville.

## 1937 Was Best Year In History Of Building And Loan Association Here

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the North Wilkesboro Building & Loan Association was held Monday evening, January 24, in the city hall in North Wilkesboro. The meeting was well attended and the reports of the officers were made, which included a lengthy report of the Secretary - Treasurer which is found in this issue of The Journal-Patriot.

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## Plans Laid For Special Event At City School

C. W. Phillips, of W. C. U.  
N. C., Will Be Keynote  
Speaker For Day

INVITE SCHOOL HEADS

"Attitudes" Will Be Theme  
of Conference Lasting  
Throughout Day

Outstanding among coming events in educational circles will be the Social Standards Conference at the North Wilkesboro high school on Thursday, February 3.

In a faculty meeting held Tuesday afternoon general plans of the all day event, to which student leaders and principals from all high schools in the county are invited, were made.

In making announcement of the event W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of the city schools, said the general conference theme will be "Attitudes." The conference should be worth much to the school and community, he said, because the students of the high school and the seventh grade will have the opportunity of hearing outstanding people discuss various phases of the general theme and it will provide the student council, the immediate sponsor of the event, with opportunity for leadership and initiative.

In addition to the students in the seventh grade and high school the student council has extended an invitation to the president of the student body, the president of the junior class and the principal of every high school in Wilkes county.

The classes will assemble as (Continued on page five)

## Muncie Lowe Is Taken By Death

Munsie Stamey Lowe, age 18, who held a position here with Carl W. Steele, jeweler, died this morning in a hospital in Statesville following an illness of two weeks.

He was a member of a widely known Wilkes family, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lowe, of Moravian Falls. He is survived by his parents, one brother and four sisters: W. Herman Lowe, of Farmington; Mrs. Masten Walsh, of Moravian Falls; Mrs. Frank Pearson, Boone; Miss Winnie Lowe, of Moravian Falls; and Miss Bertie Lowe, of Burlington.

Funeral service will be held at Moravian Falls Baptist church Friday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock.

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Paris (Special) ... Leon Blum (above) Socialist leader resigns post as Popular Front Premier after Chamber refuses vote of confidence. (Inset) Camille Chautemps (inset), forms Cabinet to succeed Blum who accepts portfolio of Vice Premier in new cabinet. (Radio) Chautemps cabinet falls after Chamber fails to approve labor and fiscal policy. President Lebrun calls on Blum to form new cabinet. (Bulletin) Leon Blum gives up task of forming cabinet, fails to reconcile Communists. (Extra) Chautemps is forming new cabinet to include, among others, Leon Blum. (Latest Dispatch) Leon Blum —

## Aurora Borealis, Nature's Neons, Shine Brightly

Nature Puts On Big Show  
In Northern Sky Tuesday Night

The Aurora Borealis (northern lights) spread its beautiful light rays across the northern sky Tuesday night.

One of the most brilliant displays ever seen, was the way the lights were described by older residents here. Many younger people saw nature's big show for the first time and were much impressed.

While northern lights are visible at different intervals the display Tuesday night was one of the greatest recorded by scientists and people throughout the northern hemisphere gazed in wonderment at the neon rays as they flashed across the sky.

In many sections the lights were mistaken for fires at distant points. In some parts of Europe where people had never before seen the lights, streets were crowded with awe-stricken people who feared some great unnatural phenomenon like the end of time was close at hand.

Scientists explain the lights as "gigantic neon tubes of the stratosphere—the gales of the upper air touched off by the electricity of the magnetic storms high above the earth. These same magnetic storms penetrate the earth."

The magnetic storms play havoc with radio and telegraph communication and in some areas these forces of communication were temporarily out of order. Radio interference was noticeable here Tuesday night.

## Officers Locate Liquor In Homes

Sheriff Doughton and Deputy Successful In Two  
Most Recent Raids

Sheriff C. T. Doughton on Monday night raided the establishment of Virgil Adams on Gordon Hill west of this city and found six quarts of liquor. Adams operates the place formerly occupied by Carl Wallace, who received a jail sentence in federal court. Adams was not present when the search was made.

The home of Charlie Doyall, of Roaring River, was searched by Deputy Odell Whittington a few days ago and ten gallons of liquor in five gallon cans were destroyed. He filed bond for appearance in the March term of Wilkes court.

## Expecting A Large Crowd To Attend President's Ball On Friday Night

Will Be Held At Armory  
Hall Beginning at Eight  
o'Clock Friday Night

MANY TICKETS SOLD

Good Time Assured; Proceeds Go Into Fund To  
Fight Paralysis

Mayor R. T. McNiel, secretary-treasurer of the organization promoting the President's Birthday Ball at the armory hall on Friday night of this week, reported this morning that the advance sale of tickets has been good and a large crowd is expected to be present to enjoy the occasion.

The ball is one of hundreds being held throughout the country to raise funds with which to fight infantile paralysis. Cooperation from the public is solicited on the merit of the movement and the humanitarian cause for which the annual event was instituted.

The ball Friday night will begin at eight o'clock and the committee on arrangements has everything in readiness to afford entertainment, including good orchestra music, for all who attend. Assurance is given that the ball will be well chaperoned and that the best of order will be maintained.

Tickets are one dollar each or as much more as any person wishes to pay with the assurance that practically all of the price of the ticket will go into the national fund with a minimum taken out for incidental expenses curtailed in staging the event.

There will be both round and square dancing, something to afford entertainment and amusement for all who attend.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any of the following: R. T. McNiel, C. T. Doughton, H. A. Cranor, C. B. Eller, J. B. McCoy, George Forester, R. G. Finley, O. K. Pope, A. A. Cashion, H. M. Hutchens and T. S. Kenerly.

## Dairy Farmers' Outlook Better

Farnham Says Farmers Who  
Stuck to Industry Meeting  
With Greater Success

"About 70 Wilkes farmers who continued their interest and progress and dairying through the depression will form the nucleus around which the dairying industry in the county will grow," was the opinion expressed today by F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist of the extension service, on a visit to Wilkes.

The cheese and butter factory was established here when high butterfat prices prevailed. Mr. Farnham said, and many became discouraged when prices fell to low levels during the depression. But there were about 70 farmers who stuck with the industry through the low prices and others are becoming interested, he said.

The leading ones, he said, have gradually improved their herds and an amazing improvement in their farms has resulted. This he considered one of the principal benefits of dairying in connection with general farming.

The general outlook now, he said, is for better and more stable prices and since the farmers who continued their dairying operations are meeting with greater success, others will be attracted to dairying, was the opinion he expressed.

While in Wilkes Monday and Tuesday Mr. Farnham visited a number of farms in company with County Agent Dan Holler and Assistant Agent Jesse Giles.

## Warns People About Trash Dumping Here

Police Chief J. E. Walker in a statement issued for publication this morning issued a warning to all people who have been dumping trash of any kind at any place other than the city dump grounds back of the jailhouse. He asked that no one haul trash to any other point.