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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

CITY SALES TAX

Philadelphia, Feb. 8.—A 15 to 7 vote of city council today passed a 2 per cent sales tax over the veto of Mayor S. Davis Wilson. Wilson said he would ask the court to rule the tax unconstitutional.

VERDICT SUICIDE

Kinston, Feb. 8.—Shack Cavenough, 58, was found dead from a shotgun wound in a garage near his home at Richlands today. A gun lay beside the body. The Onslow county coroner said it was suicide. Cavenough is survived by a family.

Trade Days Event To Be Held Here; February 18, 19, 21 Are the Dates Set

Expected to Be One of Outstanding Merchandising Events of Year Here

BUSINESS STIMULANT Will Be Advantageous to Business Men and Patrons In Local Trading Area

Business firms of North Wilkesboro will cooperatively stage an outstanding merchandising event on Friday, Saturday and Monday, February 18, 19 and 21. The event will be called Trade Days and every effort is expected to be put forth to make the event comply with its name. Trade days will affect all lines of mercantile business and should prove beneficial to business men and to patrons throughout this section of the state, is the substance of opinions expressed by merchants here. Perhaps never before in the history of North Wilkesboro have mercantile establishments carried more complete stocks of desirable merchandise than now. In many cases they have much larger stocks than they wish to carry over and will no doubt make price concessions that will bring merchant and consumer together to the ultimate benefit of the latter. The merchandising event could very well be called a trade expansion project because it is expected that it will attract new patrons to North Wilkesboro, the logical shopping center for Northwest North Carolina. Here the stores have complete stocks with the aim in view of filling varied demands from a large clientele. This means savings to the people of this section of the state who, because of the wide variety of merchandise offered here, find it unnecessary to make expensive trips to larger cities in the state.

NO SECRETS ALLOWED

Washington, Feb. 8.—"The answer is no." This flat assertion was Secretary of State Hull's reply today to a senatorial query whether the United States had any secret agreement with Great Britain as to what the two powers should do in case of war or the possibility of war.

MAY HEAD LEGION

Asheville, Feb. 8.—Burgin Pennell, Asheville attorney, was inducted today for department commander of the North Carolina department of the American Legion by the Asheville and Oteen posts. His name will be presented at the state convention at Winston-Salem next June.

GIVE 10,000 DIMES

Washington, Feb. 8.—President Roosevelt's infantile paralysis fund was increased by \$1,000 today when Senator Overton presented a bag of 10,000 dimes. The coins, donated by persons in Central Louisiana, were left at the White House with Secretary McIntyre along with another canvas bag containing the names of the donors.

MORE RELIEF AHEAD

Washington, Feb. 8.—Bigger and better relief measures are clearly and inevitably in prospect. It is, therefore, being planned this way. Deluged with pleas for help in meeting a new unemployment crisis, President Roosevelt late today called government officials into conference to work out a new relief program.

FLOWER POT BOMB

Meridian, Miss., Feb. 8.—A dynamite bomb, set in a flower pot, early today shattered the front porch of the residence of Mayor Clint Vinson, of Meridian, but the noise scarcely disturbed the slumber of the mayor and his family. No one was hurt by the blast and the mayor estimated damage at no more than \$100. Mayor Vinson said he had received a threatening note demanding money. Police laid the plot to a crank.

LIGHTNING'S SPEED

Pittsburgh, Feb. 8.—Measurement of the speed of lightning, at 10,000 miles a second, was reported to the American Institute of Electrical Engineers here today by Karl B. McEachron. The speed was timed at the Empire State building in the heart of New York city. This world's tallest building is struck oftener than any other known place on earth, McEachron said. It acts like a needle to draw electricity.

Move to Restore Kisimul Castle

McNeils Throughout World May Have Part in Castle Restoration Fund

The Clan Macneil Association of America, of which the McNeill association in Wilkes is a part, has started a movement to restore the Kisimul Castle on the Isle of Barra, Scotland. The castle was for several centuries the headquarters of the Macneil clan, the known history of which dates back to about 300 A. D. The castle for some time was out of the possession of the clan but the present chief, Macneil of Barra, XLY, has regained the castle and a fund to restore it and renovate it is now on foot. The chief, who attended the McNeill reunion at Millers Creek in September, in a recent letter to C. O. McNeil, of this city, explained the plan and said that it is hoped that every McNeil (of the same family name regardless of spelling) will have an opportunity to contribute some part. C. O. McNeil has some very interesting booklets furnished by the chief and will be glad to give one to interested parties. It is expected that many members of the family in this section will contribute something toward the castle restoration fund.

Wilkes Team Wins in Judging Contest

Wilkes Scores Highest Honors at Lexington Meeting on Tuesday

A judging team composed of John Robert Church, Paul Ed Church, Charlie Wiles and Claude Billings, Jr., as alternate won first honors Tuesday at the 4-H judging contest held at Lexington in connection with the North Carolina Crop Improvement association meeting. The Wilkes team was accompanied to the show by Jesse Giles, assistant county farm agent. Wilkes boys carried off top honors with 1,735 points while Gaston county ranked second with 1,722 and Rutherford third with 1,710. John Robert Church won individual first place with 668 points out of a possible 670. Twenty county teams were represented in the contests. Each member of the team will receive attractive medals and 200 pounds of Arcadian nitrate from the Barrett company. Awards were made at a banquet Tuesday night. Attending were W. Kerr Scott, state commissioner of agriculture; Dean I. O. Schaub of N. C. State College; W. H. Byrne of the Virginia Crop Improvement Association and other agricultural leaders.

Corn Liquor Still Destroyed Tuesday

Sheriff C. T. Doughton and Deputy Odell Whittington destroyed a 50-gallon still in the Hunting Creek section Tuesday afternoon. A small quantity of spent mash and beer and 15 gallons of pure corn liquor were destroyed. Corn meal was the material used for liquor manufacture at the outfit. Two persons were seen at the still by the officers but they made their escape.

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Yadkinville Attorney Is Candidate For Solicitor

Avalon E. Hall Enters Race in The 17th District

Was Republican Candidate For Congress Four Years Ago in 8th District

Is A Candidate



Avalon E. Hall, prominent Yadkin county attorney and for many years a widely known Republican leader, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for solicitor in the 17th judicial district. His announcement was made locally here Tuesday in a statement to a representative of The Journal-Patriot. Mr. Hall is a son of the late S. W. Hall, a Baptist minister, and Mrs. Mattie J. Hall, who lives in Winston-Salem. In 1921 he graduated from Wake Forest College and began the practice of law the same year. In 1934 he was the Republican candidate for congress in the eight congressional district and polled a large vote. In 1936 he was one of North Carolina's delegates to the national Republican convention. The 17th judicial district is composed of Wilkes, Yadkin, Davie, Avery and Mitchell counties. The office of solicitor is now held by John R. Jones of this city. Mr. Jones has not made any statement as to whether or not he will seek re-nomination. Mr. Hall has been endorsed by the Yadkin county bar association and the chairman of the Republican executive committee of Yadkin county. A large number of prominent Yadkin county Republicans have already given their candidacy their endorsement.

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Poultry Short Course Will Be Held Feb. 21st

Parrish, Brown, Dearstyn and Maupin to Conduct a Poultry Course

A one-day poultry school will be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Monday, February 21. Announcement of the short course was made by County Farm Agent Dan Holler, who extended an invitation for poultrymen of Wilkes and adjoining counties to attend. The course will open at ten o'clock. Present to lead the discussions will be C. F. Parrish, T. T. Brown, R. S. Dearstyn and C. J. Maupin, poultry specialists from State College and the extension service. The opening discussion on "Getting Off on the Right Foot With Poultry" will be led by Mr. Parrish. The second half hour will be devoted to "Market Needs of North Carolina," with Mr. Brown delivering the address. He will be followed by Mr. Dearstyn on "Some Reasons Why Chickens Die." Mr. Maupin will end the forenoon program with an address on "Suggested Breeding Program and Some Results Obtained."

The afternoon session beginning at one o'clock will consist of a round table discussion, disease clinic and demonstrations in egg grading. Poultrymen are asked to carry diseased birds for examination. Most Craven county farmers are planting far more tobacco plant beds than will be needed in order to insure themselves of sufficient plants should blue mold and insects strike heavily this year.

First Electric Fence in Wilkes County Built by J. M. German

The newest device for use of electricity on the farm in Wilkes county is the electric fence. J. M. German, prominent farmer and dairyman at Boomer, was the first farmer in Wilkes county to construct an electric fence, Dan Holler, county farm agent, said today. The electric fence is expected to revolutionize fencing in areas where electricity is available, Mr. Holler said. The electric fence consists of one strand of barbed wire which may be of lighter weight than the wire used without electricity. The wire is stretched about three feet from the ground on post spaced three times as far apart as used on three or four strand fences where no current is used. And the posts may be smaller than the ones used for the ordinary fence. In constructing an electric fence the farmer saves more than two-thirds the cost of ordinary fence. Mr. Holler said. Substantial savings are effected in wire, posts and labor costs for construction. However, at the present time transformers to step the current

down to the proper voltage cost about \$30. With more extensive use this cost may be lower in the near future, the county agent explained. Farmers are warned not to attempt electric fencing without the proper transformer because voltage commonly used for lighting and other purposes may kill livestock. The cost of current is negligible on a properly constructed electric fence, ranging between 10 and 15 cents per month per square mile of fenced acreage. Electric fences are very effective, Mr. Holler said. From the first current felt by cattle or other livestock the fence offers sure protection to crops outside and is a great persuader for what is known as "roguish" cattle.

Commissioners Draw Jurors for Regular Term of Criminal Court

The March term of superior court has a docket of about 200 cases pending, it was learned today from the office of C. C. Hayes, Wilkes clerk of court. Although the number of cases pending would indicate a congested condition, very few felonies are charged. Outstanding among the charges in the calendar are larceny, drunkenness and appeals from magistrates courts. It is expected that the docket will be materially reduced if not cleared during the two-week term. Judge J. Will Pless, of Marion, will preside and Solicitor John R. Jones will prosecute for the state. The county board of commissioners in session Monday drew the following jurors: First Week C. G. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro; W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro; G. B. Dearman, North Wilkesboro; Grover C. Whittington, Reddies River; W. S. Miller, Wilkesboro; A. B. McNeill, North Wilkesboro; R. C. Wyatt, Union; John Lawrence, Newcastle; Isaac Roten, Reddies River; John C. Prevette, Lovelace; Lester Carroll, Jobs Cabin; B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls; J. G. Adams, New Castle; Ernest Poplin, Edwards; J. R. Walter, Wilkesboro; Carlos Prevette, Somers; Allie McGlamery, Reddies River; A. A. Finley, North Wilkesboro; Square Wiles, Rock Creek; Robert L. Faw, Reddies River; W. J. Woodruff, Rock Creek; Roby F. Johnson, North Wilkesboro; E. S. Tugman, North Wilkesboro; H. G. Green, New Castle; Charles Howard, North Wilkesboro; W. C. Shumaker, Elk; Natt Prevette, Union; John Adams, Walnut Grove; J. W. Snyder, North Wilkesboro; J. Halgwood Estep, Brushy Mountain; Q. R. Jarvis, Somers; Paul Cashion, North Wilkesboro; L. C. Horton, North Wilkesboro; John V. Foster, North Wilkesboro; D. C. Sebastian, Mulberry. Second Week I. W. Pruitt, Traphill; Bartlett Couch, Edwards; Charlie Steelman, Wilkesboro; I. L. Shumate, Mulberry; A. L. Church, Reddies River; Roby Church, Reddies River; Luner Benge, Brushy Mountain; E. B. Parsons, Stanton; D. M. Coffey, Rock Creek; Ned Gentry, Antioch; Simon Ward, Edwards; Ira Wood, Rock Creek; L. H. Shumate, Mulberry; Timothy Ellidse, Rock Creek; M. C. Miller, North Wilkesboro; J. D. Wyatt, Union; Cyrus Brown, Moravian Falls; Wilson Wyatt, Union.

Congested Docket Ready For March Session of Court; Pless Is to Preside

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Lambeth Will Retire; Local Men Mentioned As Potential Successor

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Eighth District Has Many Men Available For Office, Friends Say

POLITICS FLARES

Announcement by Lambeth Wholly Unexpected; Field Wide Open

The announcement Monday in Washington by Walter Lambeth saying that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself has left the field wide open and political news has flared up in the state. And his announcement has added incentive to friends of prominent Wilkes Democrats who have been mentioned as congressional timber. Among those mentioned are J. Gordon Hackett, highway commissioner. His friends point out that he would be a logical candidate. Judge J. A. Rousseau and Judge T. B. Finley were mentioned as potential candidates in a news dispatch from Raleigh by W. T. Bost, Greensboro Daily News writer. Others mentioned as reported by Mr. Boet included: Judge F. Don Phillips, of Richmond; Judge Clawson L. Williams, of Red Bank; Judge H. E. Olive, of Davidson; Judge J. H. Clark, of Montgomery; and Judge Hoyle Sisk, of Davidson. His Honor Olive and Phillips considered the congressional nomination seriously before they went on the bench. Certainly, there is every reason for believing that Judge Olive does not mean to end his political days on the special bench, and just around the corner from him is former Solicitor J. Frank Spruill. There is likewise Maj. Wade H. Phillips, and if Thomasville wishes to keep the congressman there is T. Austin Finch, rich even as Walter Lambeth, and a whooping speaker if anybody should ask. Further down in the district is J. C. M. Vann, one of the ablest lawyers in North Carolina, and, of course, there is Hinton James, former member, who served the short unfinished Hammer term. Walter Lambeth and James were nominated at the same time and campaigned together. Another Scotland county man, neighbor of James, is Judge Edwin M. Gill, of Laurinburg, who is just as much of a bachelor as Lambeth. Vann is a resident of Monroe, Union county, and he once had congressional ambitions as his neighbor Roland F. Beasley had. Beasley would call himself too old to candidate now, but he never will grow up. On the whole he has been a very loyal Roosevelt man.

The action of the Thomasville congressman followed on the heels of a similar announcement by Representative William Umstead last week that he would retire at the end of his present term. (Continued on page eight)

3 Communities Want Buildings

Delegations from three communities went before the Wilkes county board of education in February meeting asking for school buildings and additions. Citizens from Roaring River asked an addition to their school building which has become badly crowded. Clingman community wants a modern school building to replace the dilapidated frame structure that has become inadequate for the large elementary school. Citizens of Boomer community asked a school building to replace the dilapidated frame structure at that place. County authorities hope to be able to comply with requests for school additions and new buildings with the cost shared between the county and the Worthington Progress administration.