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TO DIE FRIDAY Raleigh, Feb. 11.—Governor Hoey has denied the reprieve application of E. L. Smoak, 33-year-old New Hanover county man under sentence to die next Friday for the poison murder of his daughter, Paroles Commissioner Edwin Gill announced tonight.

KILLED IN CRASH San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 11.—Lieut. Richard McCloskey, 27, Kelly field flying instructor, was killed and Lieut. Marvin Stalder escaped injury when their pursuit planes collided in mid-air near the flying field here today. Lieutenant McCloskey was born at Lock Haven, Pa. Lieutenant Stalder's home is in Riverside, Calif.

KILLED BY AUTO Taylorsville, Feb. 11.—D. W. Pennell, 48, cattle trader, was instantly killed early tonight when he was struck by a car driven by James Watts, 28, Taylorsville undertaker. Pennell's car had run out of gas and he had started walking toward Taylorsville. Pennell was struck just inside the city limits.

DECLINES BIG JOB Washington, Feb. 11.—Seldom does a man turn down a \$75,000-a-year job but that is what former governor O. Max Gardner did here today when he wrote a letter to E. H. H. Simmons chairman of the New York Stock Exchange reorganization committee, stating that he would not accept the presidency of the exchange if it is tendered to him.

BUSINESS HOLDS UP Raleigh, Feb. 11.—Statistics for January indicated, a survey today showed, that business in general in North Carolina seemed to hold about on a level with January, 1937, despite the business recession. Governor Hoey expressed gratification at "the continuing evidence of satisfactory business in many fields of activity" and commended employers of labor "generally for maintaining the wage scale."

Fruit Growers Show Interest In Demonstrations

General Meeting Held at the Courthouse Wednesday Night; Many Attend

Two pruning demonstrations and a general meeting of the fruit growers held in Wilkes this week were well attended. County Agent Dan Holler said today.

Demonstrations were held in the orchards of Caney Lowe and M. V. Robinson. Attendance at each place was 16 fruit growers, among them being some who had not been attending the demonstrations.

The demonstrations were conducted by H. R. Niswonger, horticulturist specialist of the extension service, accompanied by Carl VanDeman, specialist in charge of the research station at Kilby's Gap.

On Wednesday night a general meeting of fruit growers held at the courthouse was well attended. Mr. Holler said that fruit growers may receive without cost spray charts from his office. These charts enable the growers to keep accurate record of number and date of sprays, amount of materials used and the date of rainfall. This information will be used with records of results obtained in forming spray programs for fruit growers in the Brashies.

May Yet Apply For Tenant Loan

W. Bryan Oliver, County Supervisor, Farm Security Administration, announced from his office in North Wilkesboro this week that those who have tenant purchase applications in their possession may mail them in, even though the closing date has passed. He asked, however, that all applications be in his hands by February 19th.

A great many applications were passed out to various people in Wilkes county, and only about twenty seven have been received by the county committee of the Tenant Purchase Division. A great number of the twenty-seven received, for one reason or another, have been found ineligible, and Mr. Oliver strongly urged that those who have applications blankly file them in order that the full quota of loans may be made in Wilkes county this year.

Rev. W. M. Cooper Called As Pastor Of Presbyterians; Elected on Sunday

Had Been Associate Pastor of Presbyterian Church Here Since July, 1936

GRADUATE OF U. N. C. and Divinity School at Yale; Elders and Deacons are Also Elected

In a congregational meeting held Sunday morning the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church called Rev. Watt M. Cooper as pastor. Since July, 1936, Rev. Mr. Cooper had been associate pastor with Rev. C. W. Robinson, who died a few weeks ago. During that time Rev. Mr. Cooper has become one of the popular ministers of the city and has been active in city and community affairs.

Other business transacted in the meeting Sunday included election of M. A. Vickery and Pat Williams as elders. Deacons were elected as follows: D. J. Carter, L. M. Nelson, Lewis Vickery, A. A. Cashion and Blair Gwyn. Rev. J. W. McFall, of Mount Airy, was moderator of the meeting, he having exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Cooper for the morning service. Rev. Mr. Cooper graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1926. For the following four years he was principal of Stuart Robinson school in Kentucky. For three years he attended the divinity school at Yale University, completing the course in 1933. From that date until he came to North Wilkesboro he was student pastor at the University of North Carolina.

Adult Teachers In Meeting On Friday

All adult teachers in Wilkes county met on Friday at the courthouse in Wilkesboro. Mrs. Ethel Moore, supervisor, presided and an inspiring address was delivered by C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes schools.

Bingo Party Thursday

Wilkesboro Woman's club will stage a Bingo party Thursday night, February 17, at the Ila Holman Community House. The party will begin at 7:30. Valuable prizes will be given and a cordial invitation is extended for all to attend. A good time is assured.

Plans Go Forward For Trade Days Event Friday, Saturday, Monday

Wilkesboro Selects '38 Debating Teams

Twelve Wilkesboro high school students were in the tryout for places on the school debating teams for 1938.

Following the debate on "Resolved: That the several states should adopt a unicameral system of legislation," the judges selected the following winners: affirmative—Baxter Davis and Flake Steelman; negative—Virginia Miller and Jean Laws; alternates—George Oglvie and Rebecca Gentry.

The judges were Rev. A. L. Aycock, A. S. Cassel and Mrs. Kyle. Other students taking part in the preliminaries were Gena Hix, J. B. Brookshire, Elizabeth Wellborn, James Hemphill, Joel Bentley and Pauline Mathis.

Flag Raising At Roaring River 20th

Ronda council of Jr. O. U. A. M. will conduct a flag presentation service at Roaring River school on Sunday, February 20, 8:30 p. m. C. B. Eller, Wilkes superintendent of schools, will be the feature speaker. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

Jordan Candidate For Solicitor 17th District

Is A Candidate Local Attorney Has Announced



Attorney J. F. Jordan, mayor of Wilkesboro, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for solicitor.

Wilkesboro Mayor to Make Active Campaign Over Entire District

Attorney J. F. Jordan, mayor of the town of Wilkesboro, today announced his candidacy for Republican nomination for solicitor in the 17th judicial district, composed of Wilkes, Yadkin, Davie, Avery and Mitchell counties. Mr. Jordan attended Wake Forest College, receiving his license to practice law in 1922. Since that time he has been practicing in Wilkesboro. He has taken an active interest in public life, being a past commander of the Wilkes post of the American Legion, master of the Masonic lodge in Wilkesboro, clerk of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, and is serving his first term as mayor of Wilkesboro.

Discussing his plans, Mayor Jordan said that he will make an extensive campaign "from one end of the district to the other" and will endeavor to reach as many citizens as possible.

His announcement of candidacy follows:

"I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination of the office of Solicitor for the 17th judicial district of North Carolina, subject to the wishes of the voters in the Republican primary June 7th, 1938. I was born and reared in Wilkes county and I am a Republican both by birth and choice.

"I paid my way through high school working in the logging camps in Western North Carolina, and in the Zinc mines in Eastern Tennessee, and through Wake Forest College, working in the mines in West Virginia. I spent two years in the Army during the World war and 14 months of that in France and Germany, fighting for the Liberty and Freedom of America. "If I am fortunate enough to be nominated and elected to this office I will endeavor to prosecute the docket according to the law and in as fair and just way as I know how. I will do my best to see that the law is administered to the rich as well as to the poor alike."

Home Agent Finds Ladies Interested; To Organize Clubs

Meetings Held During Past Week in 3 Communities Well Attended

Miss Harriett McGoogan, Wilkes county's first home demonstration agent, has completed the first week of her job, reporting that the ladies in the various communities visited are very enthusiastic about the proposed program of home demonstration work for 1938.

During the past week Miss McGoogan, in company with Miss Pauline Gordon, state specialist of home making and house furnishings, conducted meetings at Mountain View, Ronda and Ferguson, widely separated communities.

Each meeting was well attended. Miss McGoogan said, and plans are being formulated for the organization of a home demonstration club in each of the three communities.

"Home Making and House Furnishings" will be the theme of home demonstration work this year, she said.

Reduces Power Rates

Raleigh.—The utilities commission announced that the New River Light and Power company at Boone had reduced rates an average of 15 per cent effective on and after February 1.

Fifty Are Working On NY A Projects

Woodworking and Home-craft Projects Are Maintained in the County

Fifty young people in Wilkes and Alexander counties are employed on National Youth administration projects, it was learned today from W. R. Craft, NYA supervisor in the two counties.

This number represents young people not in school, between the ages of 18 and 25 and who have been certified as being in need of employment.

Mr. Craft said that each person certified is placed on projects most adaptable for training and use of the talents and abilities displayed.

A majority of the boys on NYA in Wilkes are employed in the woodworking shop, which is now engaged in making student desks, auditorium benches and library tables and shelves. Their products have results in substantial savings to the county, which furnishes cost of materials used.

A home craft unit with 13 girls employed is maintained in a room of the North Wilkesboro high school building. A similar unit with five at work has been formed in the Blue Ridge county near Summit.

Officer Loses Hat Listening To G-Man

Salisbury.—Police Chief R. Lee Rankin's new hat, parked on a rack outside the banquet hall, disappeared while Edward Scheldt, special agent in charge of the Carolinas office of the federal bureau of investigation, was addressing the Civitan club on "Modern Law Enforcement." Rankin's hat was not found to be missing until the meeting was adjourned.

SOLICITOR JONES WILL RETIRE



Solicitor John R. Jones, who today announced he will not be a candidate to succeed himself. He expressed appreciation for the support given him in the almost 12 years he has been in office.

Jones Will Retire at End Of Term as Solicitor For District

Is Serving Twelfth Year; Is Deeply Appreciative Of Support

John R. Jones, who is completing his twelfth year as solicitor of the 17th judicial district, said today that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself. Solicitor Jones was elected to the office when Johnson J. Hayes, who was his law partner, was appointed judge of the middle North Carolina district by President Calvin Coolidge. For many years Mr. Jones has been recognized as an outstanding prosecutor and has had the distinction of being the only Republican solicitor in North Carolina.

Hunting Season Closes Tuesday

County Game Protector Issues Warning Against Late Hunting

When tomorrow's day is done hunters can oil and clean their guns and put them away for a long rest. Tuesday closes the hunting season.

It should mean a rest for dogs and a brief respite for quail which face the task of reproducing the vast number killed during the past season.

Homer Brookshire, county game protector, said today that he appreciates the cooperation extended during the season and added a warning that any who persist in hunting after the season is closed will be prosecuted.

The season after tomorrow will be closed on all hunting except fox hunting, and licensed hunters have a perfect right to keep right on enjoying the music of the hounds.

B. & L. Executive Addressees Kiwanis

Executive Secretary B. & L. League Not Enthusiastic About FHA Laws

Martin F. Gaudin, executive secretary of the North Carolina Building & Loan League, spoke at the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club Friday. The subject was "Building & Loan Associations—Community Institutions," in which he stressed the important part that the North Wilkesboro Building & Loan Association and the Wilkesboro Building & Loan Association have played in the development of the Wilkesboro, especially in home building. During the past year the North Wilkesboro Building & Loan Association made 167 loans, totaling \$100,000.

Towerman Breaks Limb On Ground

Schenectady.—Joe Mangine, Albany steel worker, for weeks has scaled the growing heights of the new WGY antenna tower at south Schenectady.

Each day the tower grew higher as a result of Mangine's untiring and perilous work. Yesterday the tower reached 500 feet and Mangine came down.

He walked over to one of the steel anchors and slipped in a mud puddle. His right leg was broken.

Over 100 Wilkes Republicans Go to Annual Lincoln Day Dinner Event

County Has Largest Representation in History of Annual Gathering

MUCH ENTHUSIASM Representative Fish Credits Blame for Recession on the Administration

With 115 in attendance, Wilkes furnished the largest delegation in the state at the Lincoln Day dinner in Greensboro Saturday night with the possible exception of Guilford.

The Republican meetings during the day and the dinner attended by approximately 1,000 Republicans was described by representatives of state rallies as being the most enthusiastic Republican rallies held in the state since 1928. All sections of the state were represented.

Attorney Silas Casey, of High Point, a member of a widely known Wilkes Republican family, was toastmaster at the dinner. Worth Henderson, of Greensboro, was chairman of arrangements and the speaker was introduced by J. Bennett Riddle, of Morganton, chairman of Young Republican clubs in the state. Mrs. John R. Jones, of this city, national committeewoman, was among the honored guests on the platform and the dinner meeting was concluded by remarks from State Chairman W. C. Meekins.

Representative Hamilton Fish, whose majority in elections in President Roosevelt's home district in New York state has increased every successive election since 1920, despite landslides toward the opposing party, was the feature speaker and for an hour and a half held the rapt attention of the assembly.

He was greeted with applause at every point in his address which indicated the president and the New Deal with sole responsibility for the present business recession. The depression of 1932 and adjacent years, he said, was a natural result of a business boom out of proportion as in contrast to the present slump which he directed blamed upon government policies.

He said the administration is steadily bringing ruin to the south through its policies toward cotton. Half the world market for cotton is gone, he said, and the remainder is on its way out under present policies of trying to peg cotton prices far above the world market.

He advocated two prices, a domestic price and cotton purchased by the government dumped on the world market at whatever price it will bring in an effort to regain some of the markets now lost.

He compared the president's blaming business for the recession to a "baby who has lost his rattle." He then quoted President Roosevelt's declaration of "We planned it that way. Don't let anyone tell you differently", two years ago with reference to improved business conditions at that time.

As a "program to restore confidence and to stop the depression" (Continued from page four)

Wilkes to Enter Spelling Contest

Schools Urged to Select the Champions to Take Part In County Contest

Wilkes county will enter the Winston-Salem Journal's spelling contest in a big way.

C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, said today that every school in the county is asked to participate. Each grade will have a champion determined by a spelling bee and each school will select its champion.

The best speller from each school will participate in a county contest to select the county champion, to compete in the big contest at Winston-Salem on April 30. The county champion will be selected on or before March 23, Mr. Eller said.

He explained that there is a noticeable revival of the study of spelling in the public schools, saying that the subject is receiving more attention than it did a few years ago.