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TIE THAT ONE Portland, Ore., March 22.—Glenn Reed, upon returning to a haberdashery, complained: "This isn't the tie I picked out." A clerk opened the package and found it full of currency. The cashier handed over the wrong one.

TAX REVENUE UP Raleigh, March 22.—Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell, elated at reports that income tax receipts through Saturday aggregated \$9,928,738.31, to exceed collection to the same date a year ago, said today the "outlook is favorable" now for a new record for the levy. A year ago on Saturday the income levy had yielded \$9,770,429.61.

SMALL ALLOTMENTS Raleigh, March 22.—E. Y. Floyd, AAA officer at State college, said today between 25,000 and 30,000 new blue-cured tobacco growers had requested allotments this year. The number, he said, is larger than had been expected and, consequently, the average allotment to new growers will be 5 per cent less than previously announced.

EX-SHERIFF IS FREED Wilson, March 22.—For the third time since 1935, former Wilson county Sheriff W. A. Weathersby walked out of a courtroom here today, freed of a drunken driving charge. A six-man jury, after deliberating some 10 minutes, returned a "unanimous" verdict of acquittal. Immediately after the trial Weathersby told a reporter that he would run again for sheriff in the coming primaries.

ATTACKER SOUGHT Montgomery, Ala., March 22.—Death of Miss Eunice Ward, 48, spurred the search tonight for a negro who attacked and robbed her and her 52-year-old sister, Lillian, and left them for dead in a thicket last Saturday. Miss Ward, former president of the Alabama Nurses' association, died today of multiple injuries, including a fractured skull. Gov. Bibb Graves raised a state reward for arrest of the attacker from \$400 to \$1,000.

FLAT RATE TAX Washington, March 22.—Impetus to the growing movement in the senate finance committee for a return to the old principle of imposing flat rates on corporate incomes was given today by Under Secretary of the Treasury Roswell Magill. He informed the committee that a tax of 18, 18 1/2 or 19 per cent would produce more revenue than the undistributed profits tax provisions of the house-approved tax bill on either a fiscal year or calendar year basis.

\$100 LOST IN MAILS Asheville, March 22.—Rev. A. A. Johnson, Buncombe county minister and candidate for nomination to the office of United States senator, announced today that the \$100 filing fee he mailed to the state board of elections in Raleigh had been taken from the envelope while in transit, and that because he lacked funds he would probably not be able to run for the office. Johnson exhibited correspondence with Raymond Maxwell, executive secretary of the board of elections, in support of his contention that the money had been removed from a registered letter while in transit between the Asheville postoffice and the secretary's office.

Township Tax Notices Posted

Listing Will Get Under Way On April 1st; Early Listing Is Being Urged

Tax list takers for the various townships have posted notices of times and places for listing taxes and people of each township are asked to look for the notices and plan to list for taxes on the earliest convenient date and appointment.

Singing Friday Evening At Moravian Falls

There will be a singing at Moravian Falls Baptist church Friday evening, March 25. The public is cordially invited.

WPA Projects For School Buildings In Wilkes County Are Being Formed

Would Construct Two Four-Room Buildings — At Boomer, Clingman

ALSO TWO ADDITIONS Projects Made Up for Mount Pleasant and Roaring River Additions

WPA projects calling for erection of school buildings at Boomer and Clingman and an addition to Mount Pleasant school building have been forwarded to the state office of the Works Progress administration, C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, said today.

He also stated that a project is being made up for an addition to the Roaring River school building and will be forwarded for approval when completed.

The action on the projects closely followed a recommendation by the grand jury last week that new buildings be erected at Boomer and Clingman and that additions be constructed to the Mount Pleasant and Roaring River buildings, which the grand jury described as inadequate to house the children.

Mr. Eller explained, however, that the county does not have funds for any of the projects at the present time and that none of the projects can be started until assurance is given that the county can furnish its share of the costs.

Four-room structures are proposed at Boomer and Clingman at a total cost of \$6,697 each. The five-room addition at Mount Pleasant would cost \$11,500 and figures have not been compiled for the Roaring River addition. The county's share of the cost of each project would be approximately 58 per cent but the county's cash contributions would be considerably lower by salvaging a number of old and abandoned school buildings, Mr. Eller said.

Secretary NCEA Talks to Teachers

Schoolmasters Have Interesting Meeting In Wilkesboro Tuesday

Wilkes county schoolmasters' club in regular meeting at Wilkesboro school heard an instructive address by Jule B. Warren, secretary of the North Carolina Education Association and a member of the state school commission.

Mr. Warren told of the phenomenal growth of the association. He said that out of a total of 17,500 white teachers that 16,300 are now members of the organization, which has an annual budget of \$100,000. He told of the purchase by the association of a lot in Raleigh for the sum of \$22,500, on which the home office of the association will be constructed.

He then reviewed briefly some of the major objectives of the association, which include an adequately supported school system, improvement in certification laws and retirement annuity for teachers.

In the business session W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of North Wilkesboro city schools, told of the campaign to sell Easter seals to raise funds to aid crippled children. He distributed 100 seals to each teacher to be sold this year.

Principals and teachers present numbered 56 and there were three guests: Dr. Roy H. Norton, A. B. Combs and Charles Spencer, who are connected with the state health department.

The program chairman for the meeting was R. V. Day, principal of Millers Creek high school. W. D. Halfacre introduced the speaker, Mr. Warren, and Zeb Dickson presented Mrs. Lucille Farmer, who sang "At Dawning" and "All For You."

TVA Chairman Asks Quiz By Congress



Washington, D. C.—TVA, often the target for outside attacks, is now threatened from within. Directors Harcourt Morgan, left, and David E. Lilienthal, right, demanded the resignation of Chairman Arthur F. Morgan, inset, charging lack of cooperation and a policy of "rule or ruin." President Roosevelt removed the chairman from office after he refused to elaborate upon charges of malfeasance in office directed by the chairman at the other two directors. A fight in the courts by the ousted chairman and a congressional investigation is in the offing.

May Route 268 On Main Street Through City

Highway Commissioner Says City Must Guarantee the Right-of-Way

J. G. Hackett, member of the state highway commission for the eighth division, met with the city board of commissioners this week relative to a proposal that a branch of highway 268 enter the business section of this city by way of B street.

Mr. Hackett said that it has been proposed that a branch of the highway leave the present survey at a point between highway 18 and the county home and enter the east end of B street by way of second street, which would be a shorter and more convenient route than entering highway 18 at the city limits.

The commissioner said that in case the branch can be constructed that the city must assume the responsibility of securing the right of way within the city limits.

However, he explained that regardless of whether or not the proposed branch entrance is constructed that the highway will enter number 18 at a point near the junction of the present temporary road.

State Master To Address Grange

Pomona Meeting To Be Held At Courthouse On Thursday, March 31

The Pomona Grange will meet in the Agricultural rooms at the Courthouse Thursday night, March 31, at which time the meeting will be addressed by State Master Harry B. Caldwell and State Secretary Miss Pearl Thompson. All grangers are urged to be present as new officers will be elected and many items of business are to be transacted. In addition, Mrs. C. F. Bretholl, Pomona Lecturer, is arranging an interesting literary program. At this time a memorial service will be conducted for two deceased members, A. G. Hendren and M. C. Cockerham.

Manv Attend Health Institute In Wilkesboro On Tuesday Afternoon

A health institute, one of several being conducted throughout the state, was held in Wilkesboro Tuesday afternoon, three to six o'clock.

In attendance at the meeting were a majority of Wilkes county teachers, about fifty teachers from Alexander county, members of health departments, civic leaders and others interested in public health problems.

A. B. Combs, of the state board of health, presided. He spoke briefly and presented the members of the Wilkes county health department personnel, including Dr. A. J. Eller, health officer, Mrs. Bertha Bell and Miss Eloise Bennett, nurses. He also presented C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes schools.

Dr. Roy H. Norton, of the state board of health, delivered an in-

Man Shot In Free-for-all At Broadway

Bower Watson, a truck driver, was shot and seriously wounded in a "free-for-all" late Tuesday night at Broadway Service Station and tourist camp one mile east of Wilkesboro on highway 421.

Buell Brooks, owner of the station which was being operated under lease by other parties, has admitted the shooting and claims that he shot in defense of his own life.

Brooks, who lives within a few yards of the station, told Sheriff Doughton that when a row started at the station he went out from his house to see whether or not he could restore order and found three young men whose names he gave as Roy Segraves, Bower Watson and C. W. Kilby, fighting Melvin Roach, an employee of a construction company and who had been boarding at Brooks' home.

Brooks said he put Roach in his car and that the three men jerked him out. When he tried to stop the fight, he said, Watson struck him with a pop bottle case and was in the act of striking him again when he fired.

Brooks carried the wounded man to the Wilkes hospital and surrendered to the sheriff. Examination showed that the bullet had entered Watson's shoulder, ranged through a part of his chest and out his back. Brooks' gun was .38 calibre.

Brooks has been released from jail under bond of \$2,500.

Will Let Road Contract Today

Link From Boone-Yadkin Bridge to Highway 421 To Be Built Soon

Contract will be let by the state highway and public works commission in Raleigh today for construction of slightly more than one mile of highway leading from the lower Yadkin bridge in this city to highway 421 near the present junction with highway 115.

Revision of route 115 to extend across 421 and to the lower bridge will mean that the distance into North Wilkesboro from the east and south will be shortened about one mile and will be a great convenience to the motoring public. The distance from the lower bridge here to the Wilkes-Iredell line will be 12 miles and 22 miles from that point to Statesville, making the total distance from here to Statesville over 115 only 34 miles.

However, the link between the lower bridge and highway 421 will not be used for truck traffic. This is due to the fact that the bridge has a comparatively low load limit and would not be safe for heavy trucks.

Man Is Jailed In Negro Baby Case

Luke Floyd, Negro, Held As Accomplice In Death Of Infant Friday

Luke Floyd, married negro man who lives near Boomer, has been placed in Wilkes jail on charge of being an accomplice in the death of an infant son born to Marie Barnes, colored girl of the same community, on Friday of last week.

The girl gave birth to the baby and hid the body under an old water bucket in the woods near her home. She confessed to Coroner I. M. Myers and was jailed on charge of concealing child birth.

She is said to have told officers that Floyd was the father of the baby and had told her how to destroy it. She is said to have told that Floyd threatened her life if she did not do as he said.

REPAIRING LIGHTNING DAMAGE TO BUILDING

Workmen have been engaged during the past few days in repairing damage by lightning to the Bank of North Wilkesboro building several months ago. Several blocks of stone on the northwest corner of the building were dislodged by the stroke.

Avowed 1940 Candidate



Washington, D. C.—His friends say Paul V. McNutt will resign as High Commissioner to the Philippines next August to begin campaign for the 1940 Democratic presidential nomination. White House silence is interpreted as tacit approval.

\$15,709.99 In Soil Checks Received In Wilkes County

Represents Less Than Half Total Sum to Be Paid Farmers This Year

Soil conservation checks totaling \$15,709.99 have been received from Washington and distributed to Wilkes county farmers, Dan Holler, Wilkes farm agent, said today.

Checks received to date number 768 and represent less than half the number due and much less than half the total amount.

Mr. Holler explained that each farmer is notified by mail as his check arrives at the county agent's office and that it is useless to call for a check until notice that the check has arrived has been received at the office.

Steele's Jewelry Store Is Robbed

Thieves Break Glass, Taking Watches Valued at About \$100.00

Watches valued at more than \$100 were stolen from a show window at Carl Steele's jewelry store on Main street about two o'clock yesterday morning.

Three or more young men are alleged to have broken the plate glass front and removed the watches. The noise attracted attention of some people about a block distant and the thieves ran when those who heard the noise gave the alarm.

Police have arrested three charged with the offense. They are Burt Royal, Winfield Cooper and Raymond Wells. One of the men was taken by an officer in an alley near the scene of the robbery.

Cooper is said to have confessed and to have told officers about the whole affair. His statement exonerated Royal and he was released from jail yesterday.

Wilkesboro High Loses To Boone In First Diamond Tilt

Wilkesboro high school baseball team, looking nifty in new uniforms, lost to Boone high school at Wilkesboro 10 to 8 Wednesday afternoon in the first baseball game of the season.

Wilkesboro, behind the pitching of Lane, a star performer in the American Legion junior league last year, had the game in the bag but let it go on a series of errors and Boone hits in the latter frames.

Coach R. E. Caldwell, assisted by V. E. Jennings, has succeeded in gathering a strong high school nine at Wilkesboro and baseball fans predict a successful season after more practice and the advent of baseball weather. Business firms of the Wilkesboros donated the uniforms.

Attend NYA Meets

W. R. Craft, NYA supervisor for Wilkes and Alexander, and Seth Walsh, foreman of the NYA woodworking project, attended a district NYA meeting at Newland Thursday and on Friday attended a state meeting in Sanford. National and state NYA officials addressed the state meeting held at Sanford.

Wilkesboro Seeks Fire Protection By Agreement With North Wilkesboro

Joint Meeting of Commissioner Held to Ascertain The Possibilities

COMMITTEE NAMED

Mayors Name Groups to Work Out Proposal Between Governing Heads

The town of Wilkesboro is seeking an agreement with North Wilkesboro whereby the North Wilkesboro fire department may serve both towns.

A joint meeting of the boards of commissioners was held here Tuesday night, at which time a committee of three representing each town was arranged to see if an agreement can be reached.

Members of the committee representing North Wilkesboro are Mayor R. T. McNeil, Dr. R. P. Casey and Hoyle Hutchens. Mayor J. F. Jordan will appoint three members to represent Wilkesboro.

The first step, Mayor McNeil said today, will be to ascertain whether or not the proposal will be approved by the underwriters. He said it was probable that it would be necessary to add some equipment, inasmuch as the underwriters had already suggested that equipment be added should the territory protected be enlarged to include Wilkesboro.

The town of Wilkesboro has no fire truck and the equipment is inadequate, people on the south side of the Yadkin interested in the proposal say.

North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro are one mile apart with town limits separated only by the Yadkin river and it is pointed out that the distance would not be a great handicap should an agreement be reached for the North Wilkesboro fire department to add Wilkesboro to its territory. The 1930 census listed the population of North Wilkesboro at approximately 3,600 and Wilkesboro at 1,042 but both have grown rapidly since that time.

The North Wilkesboro fire department is well equipped with a large fire truck, a small chemical truck and other required items of equipment.

Four-H Clubs At 2 Places Formed

Miss Harriet McGoogan, Wilkes home demonstration agent, helped organize 4-H clubs at Mountain View and Traphill this week.

At Mountain View senior and junior clubs were formed. The officers of the senior club are: Charlie Wiles, president; Claudio Billings, vice president; Dianna Templeton, secretary and treasurer. Junior club officers are: Kathryn Younce, president; Mattie Hartley, vice president; Cordie Miller, secretary-treasurer; Louise Wiles, reporter.

Officers of the club at Traphill are: Dwight Blackburn, president; John Joines, vice president; Mary Lee Venable, secretary-treasurer; Blanche Sydney, reporter.

Demonstrations In Pasture Culture

Seven farmers in Wilkes county are conducting pasture demonstrations in accordance with recommendations from the extension service, Dan Holler, Wilkes farm agent, said.

The cooperating farmers are D. B. Swearingen, J. W. Hurt, N. C. Andrews, Paul J. Vestal, J. T. Higgins, A. E. Wingler and the Wilkes county home.

These farmers, Mr. Holler said, will follow recommendations as to seed mixtures, fertilizers and phosphates and that the demonstration plots will not be pastured before September.

Mr. Holler said that the demonstrations will show the value of good pastures and may save the way for general pasture improvement in the county.