# New Survey At Crossing

Pronamably not content to drive over the doubte curve across the railroad going out of this city by way of Tenth street, a car early Sandey morning went atraight south over Tenth street by way of the recent survey for a new railroad crossing and crashed into the corner of N. B. Smithey's warehouse.

The car was driven by Guy Lloyd Wingler, of Kannapolis Pollowing the accident he was iailed on charges of driving while under the influence of liquor and for reckless driving.

His companion, T. W. Wingler, to of Kannapolis, landed in the likes hospital with severe lacerations, bruises and the possibility that he will lose the sight of

## **Master of State Grange Speaker** Thursday Sight

Delivers Eloquent Address: Memorial Service Held For Deceased Members

Before an open meeting of the Wilkes Pomona Grange held Thursday night in Wilkesboro B. Caldwell, of Greensporo, master of the State Grange delivered an eloquent address received with rapt interest by Grange members, business men and others interested.

Pomona Master T. W. Ferguson presided and a memorial service was held in honor of two deceased members, A. G. Hendren, who for 26 years was connharm agent, and M. A. Cocker-ham, who was active in Grange work in the county for a number of years. The service was conducted jointly by Mrs. C. F. Bretholl, lecturer, and Mr. Ferguson. A number of appropriate talks were made.

Mr. Caldwell spoke of probems mutual to farmers and busimen. He also discussed brief-me new farm crop control act, h he described as giving the

te. no siso talked of the sevenpoint State Grange program.

## **Bingo Party To** Be Held Again

Will Be Held At Abshers' Location Friday and Saturday Nights

rican Legion officials announced today that the big Bingo party which has been in proarday nights of this week.

The game is located in the former location of Abshers' clothing store on Main street and many valuable prizes are offered winners of the game.

The profits from the game will be used to maintain a junior baseball league this year and patronage will be appreciated by the Legion and all others who are interested in junior baseball among the boys in the county.

#### Two Arrested For Theft Of Bicycles

Police Chief J. E. Walker said today that two young men have been arrested on charge of steal-

ing bicycles. Robert Johnson, son of John Johnson, is alleged to have stolen a bicycle from Betty Pearson. Ciyde Watts is charged with the theft of Bobby Whicker's bicycle. The boys were found riding the stolen bicycles in the city, Chief Walker said.

#### Mrs. Marley, 82, Is Taken By Death Traphill Citizen

Martha Marley, 82-year old resident of Lewis Fork townthip, died Thursday at her home and sineral service was held to-th burial at the Marley cometery.

ng children: Mrs. Zora Bradley, oofr: Mrs. Rosa Laws, D. M. Melia Marley, of Purlear; Wood, Deep Gap; John, Watter, signing of consent the fundament of the court, and is hereby and Farguson.

Traphill. Mrs. Bell Laws, of Ferguson. Altred Foster conducted

vices At Sweet Home tist Church April 10 10, at Sweet Home Bapchurch. In the afternoon at Mock Attorney A. H. Casey ak on "Law Observance."

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NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C., MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1938 11.50 IN THE STATE \$2.00 OUT OF THE STATE

## Consent Judgment Matherly Youth **Ends Election Case**



Moscow . . . Valentina Snigirevskaya, secretary of the New York Times Bureau here, who was mysteriously taken from her home by secret police after having been admitted to the recent political trials to take notes of the testimony. No explanation of her whereabouts has been made by Soviet officials.

## Wilkesboro Wins In Debates Over Mt. Airy, Elkin

North Wilkesboro Loses By Split Votes To Big City Schools

By virtue of winning over Mount Airy and Elkin in the triangular debates Friday Wilkesboro teams will compete in the state-wide debate at Chapel Hill, beginning April 22.

Wilkesboro's affirmative composed of Baxter Davis and Flake Steelman defeated Mount Airy's negative at Elkin. Wilkesboro's negative, Jean Laws and Virginia Miller, won over Elkin's affirmative at Mount Airy. Elkin's negative gained the decision over Mount Airy at Wilkesboro.

North Wilkesboro's debating teams lost to Hanes high in Winston-Salem and Harding high of Charlotte by two to one decisions. As a result of the decisions Hanes reas since Tuesday night will will represent that triangle at be held on Friday and Sat-Chapel Hill, having won over Wilkesboro hoth North Harding high school.

The query was "Resolved: That the several states should adopt a unicameral system of legisla-

## Find 800 Pounds Of Sugar at Still

Large Outfit Raided In the Hunting Creek Vicinity Thursday Afternoon

Federal officers accompanied by Sheriff C. T. Doughton raided a large still in the Hunting Creek vicinity Thursday afternoon.

As the officers approached three operators rapdily took leave on foot and were not captured. The still was of large capacity but there were only 200 gallons of beer. However, the officers confiscated 800 pounds of sugar and 200 pounds of chop.

## Funeral Tuesday

R. H. Wood, age 74, dled Sunday afternoon at his home near Traphill. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 11 o'clock, at Roaring River.

He leaves seven sons: G. J. Wood, Dockery; R. H. Wood, Jr., Independence, Va.; Wood, Deep Gap; John, Walter, signing of consent judgments,

#### Marriages Of Week

Marriage licenses were issued during the past week in Wilkes oyd Pardie, pastor, will to four couples: Fred Watson and heretofore made be stricken out, t 11 o'clock on Sunday, Mattie Watson, both of Hendrix; and that the parties hereby a-Claude Craom, Pores Knob, and gree that this judgment may be Hawkins, Hays, and Gerthle St. John, North Wilkesboro; Harvey hile is cordially invited to Wooten and Ruth Pendergrass, both of Hamptonville.

## Case Off Docket With Both Sides Paying the Costs

Long Series of Litigation I: Ended When Swaringen and Poplin Sign Papers

The Swaringen-Poplin election case, a long drawn out series of litigation over title to office as a member of the Wilkes county board of commissioners, came to an abrupt end Thursday without going to trial when Swaringen, Republican and plaintiff, and Poplin, defendard commissioner and Democrat, signed a consent agreement that the case go off the docket and that each pay onehalf cost.

The cost accumulated in the case to date totals approximately

The case was instituted soon after Poplin went into office in December 1936 by virtue of a two-vote margin over Swaringen as the returns were certified by two Democratic members of the county board of elections.

Poplin's term will expire on December 5 this year.

Swaringen claimed that he was credited with an even hundred less votes than he received in Rock Creek township and gathered affidavits of over 400 who wore they cast votes for him in that township. Affidavits by Republicans said the number of straight Republican tickets cast was 389 or 48 more than credited to Swaringen on the returns.

A restraining order and mandamus proceedings seeking to compel the board of elections to fundament and the quo warranto case was instituted.

The case made a trip to the supreme court, which sustained denial of a lower court judge of a demurrer by the defendant.

Judge J. H. Clement holding court in Wilkesboro by his own motion referred the case before Judge Oscar O. Efird, of Winston-Salem. Both sides excepted and demanded immediate trial by

Before Judge J. Will Pless at the March term of court the plaintiff made a motion to dismiss the reference and asked trial by jury. The motion was denied put up \$250 each to apply on the referce's fee as he had previously demanded and who did not go ahead with hearings when the defendant did not put up the de-

At the beginning of the case Swaringen filled bond in the sum of \$1,000 and poplin filled the usual cost bond of \$200. The plaintiff asked that the bond be increased and Judge Pless ordered that each side fill bonds of \$3,000 each and put up the \$250 deposit each on or before April

The consent judgement bears the signatures of Swaringen and Poplin but not of attorneys on either side. By a consent order C. G. Gilreath had withdrawn as attorney for Swaringen before the consent agreement between Swaringen and Poplin ended the case

The consent judgment signed by Swaringen and Poplin is as follows: "In the above entitled case now pending in the superior court of Wilkes county and in reference before O. O. Efird, referee, the plaintiff and defendant hereby agree that this case go off the docket and that the plaintiff pay one-half cost of the action, and that the defendant pay one-half cost of the action, including the referee's fee of \$100, and that said cost be paid in full by each party at the signing of this judgment by the judge of the superior court holding the courts in the 17th judicial dis-Will trict, as provided by law, for the made the judgment of the court by the signing hereof by the

plaintiff and the defendant: "It is further ordered by consent that the order of reference county, and out of the district."

spent the week-end in Raisigh. Sounty seal sale chairman.

# Dies Of Wounds In Knife Fight

Coroner's Jury Says Arvill Matherly Killed By Darvill Pierce

Arvill A. Matherly, ago 18, was almost instantly killed about eight o'clock Sunday night in an altercation with Darvill Pierce, a youth of about the same age, at Claude Minton's store in the western part of the

At an inquest conducted this morning by Coroner L. M. Myers ten wounds, apparently in-flicted with a knife, were found on Matherly's body. The coroner's jury held that he died from wounds inflicted by Pierce and re-committed Pierce to Wilkes jail without privilege of bond.

A man who witnessed part of the fight said that he saw the two quarreling and that they began fighting and went over a road bank together. He went down the bank a moment later, met Pierce on the way down and found Matherly at the bottom. He was standing up and asked that a match be struck in order to see how badly Pierce had cut him. He fell to the ground and died on the way to the hospital here.

People from that community said that both boys were of good families, did not drink liquor and had good reputations. Pierce is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pierce.

Matherly was a son of A. B. and Lou Church Matherly and in addition to his parents leaves one brother, Marsh Matherly, and three sisters, Shirley, Belva and Ruth Math-

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, two o'clock, at Mount Pleasant Baptist shurch.

#### People Interested In 'Better Homes' **DriveBeing Made**

Observance of "Better Homes" Week Soon

As a part of the Better Homes Campaign which will end in observance of Better Homes week in the latter part of April, Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonand both sides were ordered to stration agent and county chairman for the campaign, conducted a community meeting at Benham one day last week.

Miss McGoogan reported that the people of the community showed much interest in the theme discussed and that she finds similar interest being tak-

en throughout the county. Community chairmen are ing appointed to help carry the Better Homes Campaign to every home within the county.

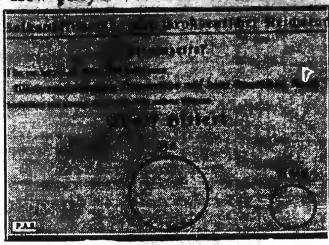
Millers Creek P.-T. A. Will Meet Thursday

Millers Creek P.-T. A. meet Thursday evening, 7:30. Officers for the coming year will be elected and an interesting program will be rendered. A large attendance of school patrons is urged.



The campaign to sell Baster Seals to raise funds to aid crippled children began on April 1 throughout Wilkes county. Ninety per cent of all funds derived from sale of Easter Seals will remain in Wilkes county and will be spent for helping to correct physical handicaps of children. Teachers and school children are Novella Dyer, Purlear; Herbert signed out of term, out of the conducting the seal sale and sup- be held in Hickory Wednesday. port of the public is solicited. W.

#### How They'll Vote For Greater Reich



BERLIN . . . A preview of one of the ballots to be used when the ew Germany votes on the absorption of Austria April 10. The ballot reads: "Do you approve the unification of Austria with Germany as accomplished on March 13, and do you vote for the list of our Fuehrer Adolf Hitler?" "Yes" and "No" appear above the circles.

#### Install Pastor Marshal Dowd Begins 2nd Term In The District

Sworn In Friday Afternoon Rev. W. M. Cooper Installed Before Judge Hayes In Wilkesboro

William T. Dowd, of Greens-United States marshal for the by Judge Johnson J. Hayes in Wllkesboro Friday afternoon.

The oath was administered by Henry Reynolds, clerk of court after which Judge Hayes presented Marshal Dowd his commission to serve his second four-yearterm.

Judge Hayes in congratulating Dowd on his reappointment and confirmation by the Senate thanked him and his deputies for the fine service rendered during the past four years and expressed the hope that the same high-type service would be rendered the government during his ensuing

Marshal Dowd said after his nduction that all deputies serving under him will be reappoint-

## Campaign Will End With R. V. Day Speaks At Kiwanis Meet

T. E. Story Named Delegate to International Kiwanis Convention June 26-30

R. V. Day, principal of Millers Creek school, delivered what was considered one of the best speeches of the year before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday

His subject was "Patriotism, As Related to Sale of Votes In Elections." C. G. Day was program chairman and an added feature was two spirituals by Fairplains colored quartet.

J. R. Hix read a resolution in the form of a tribute to A. A. Finley, who died several days ago. The resolutions were adopted by the club.

President A. H. Casey said the time had come to select delegates to the International Convention to be held in San Francisco from June 26 to 30. He stated that the matter was discussed in directors meeting and it was the opinion C. Sebastian was elected business of the directors that the club should pay a part of the expense of a delegate. Further discussing the matter, Edward Finley stated that T. E. Story could perhaps make the trip by auto. And made the motion, seconded by J. C. Reins, that T. E. Story be elected delegate to the Convention and that the club pay the registration fee of \$10.00 and \$100.00 of the expense of the trip. The motion carried. P. W. Eshelman was was elected alternate.

W. C. Grier was a guest of J. R. Finley; J. B. Napier was a guest of Rev. Eugene Olive and J. K. McDaniel was a guest of W. J. Caroon.

#### Jack Knupp Dies At His Home Today

Jack Knupp, an employe Home Chair company who made his home near Millers Creek, died at his home this morning at seven o'clock. He had been ill for several weeks.

He is survived by his wife and five children. Funeral service will

D. Halfacre, superintendent of Dr. W. A. Taylor, who has been Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller the North Wilkesboro schools, is in the hospital for some time, was able to return home Sunday.

**Church In City** In Impressive Service On

At Presbyterian

In an impressive service held oro, was inducted into office as Sunday night at the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church Rev. middle district of North Carolina Watt M. Cooper was installed as pastor, succeeding the late Rev. C. W. Robinson.

Sunday Night

The installation was carried out by a commission from the Winston - Salem Presbytery, of which the North Wilkesboro church is a part.

Dr. R. E. McAlpine, of Winston-Salem, a former missionary tracts now being foreclosed to to Japan, was moderator and presided. He propounded questions to the pastor-elect and to the congregation.

Rev. R. H. Stone, of Jefferson. charged the pastor and the congregation was charged by the moderator. E. A. McNeill, of Jefferson, served as elder on the commission in the absence of Charles Norfleet, of Winston-Salem.

The sermon was delivered by Dr. J. R. Cunningham, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Winston-Salem. His subject was 'The Church" and the inspiring message was received with rapt

Special music was rendered during the service by the church

At the morning service Sunday the pastor installed the newly elected officers as follows: elders J. Carter, A. A. Cashion, Vickery and Blair Gwyn.

#### **Baseball Team to BeFormed InCity**

Forest Furniture Nine to Be Composed of Wilkes County Talent

Forest Furniture baseball team. which managers say will be composed entirely of Wilkes county baseball talent, has been organized and practice sessions have begun with about 30 players.

At a meeting held recently C. manager and Buck Icenhour, catcher with several years experience on semi-pro clubs, was named player manager.

All outstanding baseball play ers in the county are invited to Micaville; Burnsville; Cove Creek report on the fairgrounds for high school, Sugar Grove; Mounpractice and to join the club. Mr. Sebastian said today that the club is seeking games with other industrial and county teams in the western part of the state.

The management of the team said it is their intention to form a club which will again put North Wilkesboro on the baseball map and cordially invite all fans of the national pastime to attend the games and support the team.

#### NOTICE

Due to a late rush of material for today's paper it was impossible to publish many desirable items of news contributed, including several announcements by schools. However, all the news omitted to-day and which is not perisbable will appear in Thursday's Journal-Patriot.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Johnson have moved from Birth Street to se on D Street.

### Many Title To Lands If Taxes Through '34 Not Paid County

Approximately 600 Form closure Suits To Be Completed By County SUITS IN PROGRESS

Lands May Be Redeemed By Immediate Payment Taxes and Costs

W. H. McElwee, attorney for Wilkes county, said today that; approximately 600 tax fore ure suits for taxes due Wilkes county for the year 1934 and all prior years are now in progress and will soon be carried to completion.

This means that the owners will lose title to the property if they do not act immediately and pay the taxes, cost and interest to date. The suits will be carried to completion in a very short time, Mr. McElwee said, and it is not the desire of the county to take possession of the lands. He urged that landowners investigate and ascertain if taxes on their property have been paid for 1934 and prior years. W. P. Kelly, county accountant, has the records and will gladly give any information concerning back tax-

As the suits are foreclosed the titles will pass to the highest bidder or to the county if there is no bidder. The county will then dispose of the property.

Mr. McElwee asked that any persons interested in buying any see or write him.

## New 4-H Clubs Formed In Week

Ronda And Ferguson Communities Begin Clubs Among Boys and Girls

Two new 4-H clubs have been added in Wilkes county during the past week. The new ones are located at Ronda and Ferguson. The clubs were organized by Miss Harriet McGoogan, home

demonstration agent, and Jesse

Giles, assistant county farm a-

gent. The officers of the newly formed Ronda club are as follows: Edith Chambers, president; D. J. -M. A. Vickery and P. M. Wil- Redding, vice president; Lowaine liams; deacons—L. M. Nelson, D. Tharpe, secretary-treasurer. Officers of the Ferguson club are follows: Amelia Blair, president; Zelates Walsh, vice president; Ella Hall, secretary-treasurer;

#### Two Wilkes Schools Invited to Conference

Magdalene Barlow, reporter.

Banner Elk .-- Twenty-two high schools of Western North Carolina have been invited by Dean Leo K. Pritchett to send delegates to the seventh annual Personality Conference for high school students, which will held at Lees-McRae College April 8 and 9.

Each school will send three representatives from the senior class; two from the junior class; and a faculty chaperone.

The high schools are: Cranberry; Newland; Crossnore; Sprace Pine: Bakersville; Clearmont high school, Green Mountain; tain City, Tennessee; Cloudland high school, Roan Mountain, Tennessee; Watauga Academy, Butler, Tennessee; Blowing Rock high school; Jefferson and West Jefferson high schools; Lansing; Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro high schools; Marion; Le-

noir; and North Cove, Marion. The theme of this year's conference is the "Conquest of Self." Speakers will be the Rev. Albert McClure, of Lincolnton; Deam Fred C. Smith, of the University of Tennessee; and Dr. Kenneth J. Foreman, of Davidson College.

#### Bishop To Preach At St. Paul's Church

The Righ Reverend Bobert B. The Righ Reverend Movert II.
Gribbin, bishop of the Wester
Diocese of North Carolina, will
preach it St. Panis Spesconic
church Thursday evening, J. d.
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Priends and victors
by invited to susen