

## Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

### BUYS FOOD, CLOTHES

Washington, June 14. — The government stepped into the country's drygoods and canned fruit markets on a vast scale today, for the purpose of buying \$10,000,000 worth of clothing and 500,000 cases of grapefruit juice. The purpose, it was announced, was twofold: to prevent surpluses of the articles from demoralizing the markets, and to obtain goods to distribute to relief clients.

### 150,000 DROWNED

Shanghai, June 15. (Wednesday) — The Yellow River swirled over hundreds of square miles of Honan province today, threatening one of the greatest flood disasters in China's history. Japanese military engineers reported 150,000 Chinese civilians already had been drowned where the river broke through a 50-mile stretch of weakened dikes on its south bank.

### ELECTION MEN FIRED

Greensboro, June 14. — "Gross neglect or willful fraud," either in the way the voting was conducted in the primary June 4 or in the way the results were tabulated and reported, is charged to officials of High Point precinct 5 in the formal summary of its findings released tonight by the Guilford board of elections. The board ordered the discharge of Registrar Glenn Calhoun, Judge O. F. Petty and Clerk Jim McDowell, in precinct 5.

### CHARGE VOTE FRAUD

Raleigh, June 14. — The State Board of Elections today ordered two moves in an investigation of charges of election irregularities in the races for nomination for solicitor and state senate in Johnston county. First, the board will conduct, in Smithfield tomorrow, a recount of votes cast in the two races in the June 4 primary. Then, on June 21, it will hold a hearing in Smithfield to determine whether, as charged by one candidate, "illegal votes" were counted; and whether, as another alleged, incorrect returns were made from one precinct.

### LINDBERGH'S GUARDED

St. Brieuc, France, June 14. — French gendarmes today patrolled the northern tip of the Breton coast guarding Charles A. Lindbergh's island refuge after the famous flier received what police described as new menacing letters from America. Since they came a week ago police said Lindbergh had received letters from persons believing Bruno Hauptmann innocent of the kidnap-killing of Lindbergh's first son March 1, 1932. The writers, holding Lindbergh partly responsible for Hauptmann's execution April 3, 1936, were said to have made no direct threats, but the letters had an injurious tone.

### Mrs. Mattie Greer Returns From State Postmasters' Meet

Mrs. Mattie Greer, postmaster at Boomer, has returned from Asheville, where she attended the annual convention of the North Carolina branch of the Postmasters' League.

Mrs. Greer has served as secretary of the state organization for a number of years. She reported a very successful convention.

### Federal Aid Road Program Continued



WASHINGTON, D. C. — Congressman Lindsay Warren, of North Carolina, ranking member of the Roads Committee of the United States House of Representatives, and Congressman Wilburn Cartwright, of Oklahoma, chairman of the House Roads Committee, watch Speaker William B. Bankhead sign his name to the new Hayden-Cartwright Road Act, bringing to a successful conclusion the fight for the continuation of the federal-aid highway program. Signed by President Roosevelt, after passage by the Senate and the House, this act makes possible the construction of better and safer roads. It authorizes the expenditure of \$158,500,000 for highways in 1940 and \$191,000,000 in 1941.

### Hall Head Wilkes American Legion; Delegates Named

Officers For Year Beginning October 20 Elected In Special Meet

At a special meeting of the Wilkes county post of the American Legion John W. Hall, who has served as adjutant for the past two years, was elected commander, succeeding Frank E. Johnson.

Other officers elected for the year were: Dr. M. G. Edwards, vice commander; W. C. Grier, adjutant and finance officer; George P. Johnson, sergeant at arms; T. A. Finley, chaplain; J. M. Quinn, historian; A. F. Kilby, service officer; W. J. Bason, athletic officer; Gordon Finley, child welfare officer; W. D. Halfacre, Americanism officer; Charles Leckie, graves registration officer; Ralph Reins, employment officer; Frank E. Johnson, membership chairman; L. M. Nelson, chairman Sons of the Legion.

Delegates to the state convention in Winston-Salem June 27 and 28 are Frank E. Johnson, John W. Hall and A. F. Kilby. W. J. Bason, M. G. Edwards and Grady Miller are alternates.

The present officers of the Legion post will continue in office until October 23 when the newly elected officers will be installed.

The Wilkes post is considered one of the most progressive organizations in this section and its activities have attracted wide attention.

### Civil Docket Of Court Is Smaller

Inroads Made During Present Term With Judge Pless Presiding

In the present term of Wilkes court now nearing its close many cases on the civil docket have been disposed of and less number of cases are now pending trial than at any time in recent years.

Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, is presiding over the term.

Following are cases in which judgments were rendered: J. N. Dixon versus Charles H. Smythe, judgment of \$192.52 in favor of plaintiff.

T. A. Minton versus T. R. Suggs, plaintiff recovers nothing.

Carrie L. Roberson versus M. V. Roberson and J. J. Hendren, plaintiff gains title to lands in dispute.

Mrs. R. C. Miller versus E. M. Mathis, plaintiff recovers nominal sum of five cents.

W. L. Joiner versus C. B. Shulenberger and Clem Wrenn, statute of limitation bars recovery from Shulenberger, according to findings of the court.

Divorces were granted in the following cases on grounds of two years separation: J. F. Dinkins versus Eunice Handy Dinkins; Tanby Brendle versus Maxie Stoves Brendle; W. C. Beshears versus Clemie Beshears; Pearl Linney versus Edgar Linney.

Human cancer can be transmitted to roses!

### Several New Cases T.B. Discovered During Clinic

Sails For Conference



New York, N. Y. . . . Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins aboard the S. S. Washington before sailing for the International Labor Meeting at Geneva, Switzerland.

### Friday Is Deadline For Work Sheet Filing In Wilkes

Changes In Farm Ownership Should Be Reported To County Agent

Dan Holler, county agent, announced Monday a meeting scheduled for Friday of this week, June 17th, at the courthouse, for farmers who are willing to participate in the soil conservation program, but who have not as yet filed the proper applications. This must be done or the farmer will be declared ineligible for payments, even though his farm has been checked.

Mr. Holler stated that he understood that there would be no closing date on such filing, but has learned that June 17th is the deadline.

It is necessary also that all farmers participating in the program report any changes in ownership if they want to comply with rules for payment, though if a farm is filed in the office which is eligible for payment, it need not be listed at the office again, Mr. Holler said.

Wilkes county farmers will soon be mailed letters from the county agent's office stating their soil-building goals for 1938, measured in units. The practices listed below performed in the county will count as one unit toward the soil building goal:

Construction of 200 linear feet of standard terrace for which proper outlets are provided.

Application of 1 Ton of finely ground Limestone (at least 90 per cent to pass through a 30 mesh sieve and all finer particles obtained in the process to be included).

Each acre of green-manure (Continued on page eight)

### C. C. Members to Work on Parkway

WPA Labor Will Continue Development Work In Bluff Park

Work is expected to begin immediately on a new Civilian Conservation camp to be located in Bluff Park near Laurel Springs.

Army officers have selected a site near the Parkway about three miles from the intersection with state highway 18 and the barracks will be constructed under supervision of army engineers.

It was learned today from official sources that the camp members will be used for work along the parkway instead of development work in Bluff Park and that the park development work will continue with its force of about 250 men from WPA rolls in Wilkes and Alleghany counties.

The men in the camp will work on landscaping of the parkway, including forestry cleanup, planting of trees and shrubs and grass seeding of slopes and shoulders.

Buildings are nearing completion for the CC camp being located at Rocky Knob Park near Floyd, Virginia. It is expected that the camp will move in and that actual work will get under way there by July 1. Park Service officials said. The CC camp in Bluff Park should be ready for occupancy by October 1.

### More Than 200 Are Examined By A Specialist

Dr. Godwin Says District Sanatorium Badly Needed In Vicinity

The tuberculosis clinic which was held here last week closed on Friday, after examination of 238 persons. Sixteen per cent of the total examined were found to be actively infected with the disease.

Dr. G. C. Godwin, specialist, from the state sanatorium at Sanatorium, N. C., conducted the clinic, assisted by Miss Bennett, state nurse, and Miss Bell, county nurse.

The greater part of the total were old cases, but nine new ones were found. Dr. Godwin stated last Thursday that the need for a district sanatorium in this section was obvious, and that citizens in the mountain section should lend every effort to securing it. Such a project could be launched with adjoining counties participating, and would undoubtedly receive state aid.

"Tuberculosis is a serious disease, requiring special handling by a well-trained staff of specialists," Dr. Godwin said, "and one of the chief causes of its spread is the inability of institutions, because of inadequate facilities, to take in all those who apply for sanatorium treatment. No place for isolation of infected patients will naturally infect others in the family if every precaution to prevent it is not taken, and doubtless accounts for its prevalence in the world today."

"All active cases are advised to undergo sanatorium treatment if possible," Dr. Godwin said, "and we will send some following the close of the clinic. However, limited space will prevent taking in all applicants. A waiting period is necessary now before receiving them."

On the inside cover of the special bulletin No. 61, issued by the North Carolina State Board of Health is this quotation by Dr. McBrayer: "Every person in North Carolina who has tuberculosis has a right to know it, to be properly treated for it, and to be so supervised that he will not communicate the disease to others." Following this is a wealth of information which every citizen in the state should have, whether he is infected with tuberculosis or not. Included in the list are the most frequent symptoms — continued weariness, hemorrhage of the lungs, subnormal temperature in the morning, with a rise in the afternoon; pleurisy, low blood pressure, a cough that lasts more than three weeks.

Early diagnosis is stressed by specialists in the disease, since the earlier the diagnosis is made the greater the chance of recovery. Examinations for tuberculosis are made by appointment at the North Carolina Sanatorium every morning between the hours of 8 and 11, without charge. Persons are advised if they have any of the above symptoms not to wait, but to have their physician write for an appointment. Necessity for an appointment is imperative since the staff is busy at all times and might not be able to make the examination without the appointment.

The extension department of the Sanatorium also employs three traveling specialists who hold free diagnostic clinics in counties and towns wherever authorities request their services. Persons are invited to write the extension department of North Carolina Sanatorium, at Sanatorium, N. C., on how to prevent tuberculosis and how to get well of the disease.

### Discount On Town Taxes For 1938

J. H. McNeill, Jr., clerk of the Town of North Wilkesboro, announces that he is now taking pre-payments on 1938 town taxes, and that those wishing to pay their town tax may do so now and receive a discount of 3 per cent. Valuation and rate is based on the figures for 1937.

It is expected that a number of firms and individuals will take advantage of the discount on or before July 1st.

### Anti-War Signs At White House



The last of a group of youths shown placing his part of Anti-War signs which read — "FDR — YOU'RE PREPARING WAR — YOU FIGHT IT," on the White House fence. The members of the group said they represented an Anti-War Committee, holding their National Congress in Washington. The signs were immediately removed by United States Park Police.

### Appointment Of Carlisle Higgins Is O. K.'d By Senate

Sparta Attorney Gets Another Four-Year Term In His District

The renomination of Carlisle W. Higgins as United States attorney for the middle district of North Carolina was confirmed Monday by the United States senate, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Washington.

District Attorney Higgins was appointed to his present position by President Franklin D. Roosevelt four years ago, his commission beginning July 1, 1934. At that time he succeeded J. R. McCracken, Republican of Lexington, who had held the position since March 1, 1932.

Mr. Higgins was born in Ennis, Alleghany county, October 17, 1889. In 1908 he was graduated from Bridle Creek academy, Independence, Va., and in 1912 he received his A. B. degree at the University of North Carolina, where he obtained his LL. B. degree two years later.

He began the practice of law at Sparta and continued in that practice until his election in 1930 as solicitor of the 11th judicial district, a position which he held until his appointment as district attorney.

In 1925 Mr. Higgins was a member of the state house of representatives, and in 1929 he was a state senator. From 1914 to 1918 he served as chairman of the Democratic county executive committee in Alleghany county.

Appointed with Mr. Higgins four years ago were Bryce R. Holt, of Greensboro, and Robert S. McNeill, of Mocksville, assistant district attorneys, who are still serving in that capacity, and Miss Edith Haworth continues as assistant district attorney, a position which she held prior to the original appointment of Mr. Higgins.

### W. B. Absher Is Climed by Death

Was Proprietor of Absher Plant Farm Near North Wilkesboro

W. B. Absher, proprietor of Absher Plant farm and tin shop at Fairplains, died at his home at three o'clock Wednesday morning.

He was a member of a widely known Wilkes family and was well and favorably known. He had operated his business at Fairplains for several years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clementine Absher, and two sons, Mack and Robert Absher.

Funeral service will be held at Fairplains Baptist church near his home Friday morning, 11 o'clock, and burial will be in Cross Roads cemetery. Rev. A. E. Watts will conduct the last rites, assisted by Rev. Mrs. McDaniel.

Juniors will have charge of the rites at the grave. Members of the order are requested to meet at the hall in this city at ten o'clock prior to the funeral hour.

"How did you stop your husband from staying late at the club?" "When he came in late one night I called out, 'Is that you, Jack?' and my husband's name is Louis."

### Welfare Budget Estimates Above 1937 - '38 Figures

More Funds Needed For Aid to Aged and to Dependent Children

Budget estimates of the Wilkes county department of welfare for the fiscal year to begin July 1 total \$29,728, Charles McNeill, county welfare officer, said today. This he said, represents an increase of approximately \$3,460 over the budget for the fiscal year ending on June 30.

Increases were set up in the budget estimates, he said, according to the estimated number eligible for the various forms of assistance, including old age assistance, aid to dependent children and aid to blind. However, the allotment from the state under the present state appropriation of state and federal funds is not expected to be sufficient when matched with the county's required share to care for all eligibles in the county.

According to the budget estimates there are 690 aged people in the county eligible for old age assistance and should all the eligibles get help the total cost would be \$66,240 according to present averages and the county's part would be \$16,560. The welfare board estimated that 474 children would be eligible for aid at a total cost of \$22,752 and the county's share would be \$7,584. The quota of blind to receive assistance, 34 in number, has already been filled and the county's part of the cost is \$1,494.

The remainder of the budget estimates includes administrative expense and the many other departments of welfare work. The other departments include temporary aid, emergencies, hospitalization, etc.

When aid to dependent children was raised to an average of \$4 for each child according to an

of welfare the number of fewer children than was anticipated could be helped with present state and county appropriations, Mr. McNeill said.

### Blanketeers Will Play N. Wilkesboro

The Chatham Blanketeers, baseball team which needs no introduction to baseball players and fans in this part of the state, will face the North Wilkesboro team on the fairgrounds here Saturday afternoon, 3:30.

The North Wilkesboro team has experienced a very successful schedule so far and has won a large percentage of games played with other amateur and semi-pro teams in western North Carolina.

### Eveready Quartet Will Sing Sunday

The Eveready Quartet, composed of T. A. Eller, Robert Reeves, Palmer Hayes and Rex West, will sing at Arbor Grove Methodist church Sunday evening June 19, 7:30 o'clock. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

### Canned Crow Meat Coming (?)



Eating crow? Not figuratively—but actually. Canned for the first time, crow meat was the dish set before food experts at the Canned Foods Marketing Conference of the Independent Grocers' Alliance of America, held in the Knickerbocker hotel, in Chicago. Chas. Kestel and Thelma Offen appear to be enjoying their portions of the (left) and Thelma Offen appear to be enjoying their portions of the new product. Canning of crow would not only bring a new table delicacy on the market, but would help the farmers rid the nation of a destructive bird, the conference was told. The food experts voted to place crow meat on the list for further experimentation before offering it to the nation.