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Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

BUSINESS PICKS UP

Pittsburgh, June 28.—"A sharp rise in scrap prices, better miscellaneous buying, and inquiries from big consumers like the automotive and structural industries all point to a coming uptrend in the steel industry," W. F. Dewtler, president of Allegheny Stel company said today.

LESS AUTO DEATHS

Chicago, June 28.—The greatest reduction in traffic fatalities of the year—a 27 per cent drop in May—was reported today by the national safety council. May was the seventh consecutive month through which the downward trend in motor vehicle deaths continued. Statisticians figured 3,789 lives were saved during that period. May deaths totalled 2,280 compared with 3,120 in the same month in 1937.

DAMAGE BY HAIL

Wilson, June 28.—Damage to tobacco and cotton by hail last Friday in 30 North Carolina counties, and in sections of South Carolina and Virginia will probably total over \$1,000,000, while insurance claims filed so far are a little less than half that amount, officials of the Southeastern Hail Insurance Adjusters association, who are making Wilson their headquarters while adjusting claims in North Carolina said yesterday.

PENNEL HEADS LEGION

Winston-Salem, June 28.—The 20th annual convention of the North Carolina department of the American legion passed into history tonight as the legionnaires and members of the auxiliary departed for their homes after election of officers and selecting Raleigh as the 1939 convention city. Burgin Pennell, Asheville attorney, was the unanimous choice of the legion for its commander. He was unopposed. The auxiliary elected Mrs. Herbert B. Taylor, of Dunn, president after spirited balloting. She defeated Mrs. Ione Mebane Mann, of Newton, by 12 votes.

SPEECH DRAWS FIRE

Washington, June 28.—Remarks attributed to Aubrey Williams, assistant WPA administrator, who yesterday addressed an audience of Workers Alliance representatives, left many persons here both amazed and incredulous. Today it has been the talk of Washington, but members of Congress hesitated to comment for publication because they had not seen the full text of the address, which was wildly applauded by as radical a group as is to be found outside of Moscow. It has staged countless sit-down strikes in New York at relief headquarters, a form of activity that will doubtless be continued if Williams said half of the things he is reputed to have said. In addressing the alliance Williams is reputed to have said, "Keep your friends in power. You know your friends are—the people who stand for work relief projects, the men who stand for these things will win elections."

\$30,000 In Farm Benefits Paid In Wilkes County

Represents Greater Part Of Payments For Soil Improvement In 1937

Wilkes county farmers have been paid approximately \$30,000 for compliance with the soil conservation program in 1937 and about 375 farmers are yet to receive payment, Miss Rosa Billings, treasurer of the soil conservation association, said today. A total of 1,388 checks have been delivered and the average has been about \$21. Some checks have been for less than one dollar, while the largest was for almost \$200.

This year there are about 5,000 farms under work sheets in the county as compared to slightly over 3,000 last year. It is expected that about 3,500 will be eligible for payment in accordance with provisions of the act. The task of checking compliance is scheduled to get under way this week and may be completed by September 1.

Safety Sabbath Will Be Observed Sunday, July 3rd

"Let Us Be Alive on 5th" Is Slogan Of Annual Occasion

Third annual Safety Sabbath will be observed locally and throughout the Carolinas Sunday, July 3, according to J. C. McDiarmid, manager of the North Wilkesboro office of the Carolina Motor Club. The club sponsored the initial Safety Sabbath in 1935 which received the spontaneous and wholehearted support of ministers, press, radio and the public.

"Let's be alive on the 5th" is the slogan adopted for the third Safety Sabbath program. The safety Sabbath program. The safety department of the Carolina Motor Club has developed considerable interesting and statistical material suitable for use in Safety Sabbath programs and this may be secured by ministers of any denominations upon request to Carolina Motor Club-Headquarters.

The first Safety Sabbath was observed June 28—the Sunday preceding July 4—and only one traffic fatality was recorded in the Carolinas over the long holiday, compared with several for each state for previous July Fourth's for the past several years. The second Safety Sabbath program was carried out April 18, 1937 and again there was only one person killed in the two states that day.

Carolinians contemplating trips this week-end are urged by the safety directors of the Carolina Motor Club to be certain their automobiles are in good mechanical condition and to use greatest care in operating their vehicles in the congested traffic that will flood Carolina highways from now until Tuesday. "Let's be alive on the 5th," the safety directors say.

Business Houses To Close Monday

Holiday Will Be Observed By Merchants; Also By Commissioners

Business houses in North Wilkesboro will be closed on Monday, July 4, a national holiday. Announcement that business establishments here will be closed Monday was made by the Merchants' association.

Both banks here will be closed Monday. Announcement was made that beauty shops will be closed Monday and that they will remain open all day Wednesday instead of observing a half holiday on that date. This applies only to next week however.

R. G. Finley, chairman of the Wilkes county board of commissioners, said that the board will meet on Tuesday, July 5, instead of July 4th, which is the first Monday. Several county offices will be closed on July 4th, he said.

Pie and Cake Sale

The Ila Holman Bible class of the Wilkesboro Baptist church will sell pies and cakes Saturday, July 2, beginning at 11 o'clock, at Newton's drug store in Wilkesboro. It is hoped that the sale by the class will be widely patronized.

Spy Case Witness

New York, N. Y. . . . Miss Senta De Waeger of Mineola, one of the two women being held by the government in hidden "protective custody" as a vital spy witness, as special Federal Grand Jury prepares to learn of a German conspiracy to obtain American defense secrets.

Market Jumps Upward As Business Improves

Song Writer



Mrs. Carrie Pardue Kirby, of Moravian Falls, has signed contract as staff writer for an internationally known music publisher who plans to exploit her songs and place them on the market throughout the United States, in England and in Australia.

Songs By Wilkes Writer Are To Be Published Soon

Mrs. Carrie Pardue Kirby, a resident of the village of Moravian Falls, has been selected as a staff writer for a large and reputable music publishing company.

Mrs. Kirby has successfully met various song assignments by the company and a number of her songs will be introduced soon on radio and on the screen.

Critics have appraised compositions by Mrs. Kirby as excellent in their field. Songs by her so far have been mainly mountain ballads and western type.

She is a native of Wilkes, a daughter of the late James and Rebecca Boldin Pardue. She was reared five miles west of Wilkesboro at a farm home in the beautiful valley of the Yadkin, which doubtless had something to do with the beauty of her verses although she did not attempt to compose songs until a few years ago.

She is the wife of L. F. Kirby, a carpenter. They lived in Winston-Salem from 1920 to 1925 and spent the next year in Palm Beach, Florida. Since that time their home has been at Moravian Falls.

Mrs. Kirby said that the publishing company with which she had signed contract is in touch with more than 700 radio artists, music directors and program directors to whom copies of her songs will be sent for programming on networks and individual stations, covering the entire radio field. She will be kept informed of broadcasts in which her songs are used and the most popular will be sent by the publisher to their agents in London, in Canada and in Sydney, Australia, for republication and recording in their respective territories. Excerpts from a letter from the head of the company to Mrs. Kirby by said: "I am very happy to say that we are prepared to start publication on your song material. I am sincerely happy that our organization is to have the privilege of bringing out and exploiting on a national scale songs that will carry your name from coast to coast."

Taking Instruction Compliance Work

A three-day school for training supervisors of farm conservation compliance work in Wilkes county terminated Wednesday at the county courthouse. The school was conducted by Mr. Davis, of North Carolina State College Extension Service.

Amazing Display Confidence Shown In Day's Trading

Prices Rise As High As Seven Dollars Per Share To New Season Highs

The stock market, an unflinching barometer of the rise and fall of business conditions despite all argument to the contrary, leaped upward yesterday in a climax to a three-day rise.

With the market jump was a display of confidence which has been lacking in big business circles for almost a year and is believed to have heralded the end of the recession and the beginning of a move toward better economic conditions.

Economists were almost unanimous in their belief that this display of confidence on the part of the general public would make itself felt in business circles.

They anticipated dissipation of the hand-to-mouth buying by wholesalers; an opening up of credit; new expansion and betterment programs; and a general disposition on the part of industry to once again plan ahead for the good consumer demand expected this fall.

Choked facilities of Wall street's wire houses attested to the spread of confidence over the breadth of the nation. The professional element itself was amazed at the scope of the buying and its optimism was reflected in sale of a stock exchange membership at \$65,000, up \$14,000 from the nineteen-year-old only two weeks ago.

Industrial averages soared although the rail and utility averages failed to top their 1933 highs. The industrial average soared 5.49 points to a new peak since November 1 and the 65 stocks composite hit a new top since November 13 last year.

The advance was the eighth in the last ten sessions—a period in which some \$7,500,000,000 has been added to market valuation of stocks on the New York Stock Exchange on prospects for a revival in business this fall.

To Begin Work On Prison Camp Next Thursday

Construction of a standard highway prison camp to house 125 men will get under way on July 7, C. M. Crutchfield, area WPA supervisor, said today.

The camp will be located on the highway property near the lower Yadkin bridge here and near the highway machine shop, which was constructed a year ago.

Highway maintenance crews have already cleared the site of timber and everything is in readiness for construction. The camp will be one of three to be constructed in the eighth highway division. The others will be in Forsyth and Stokes counties.

However, it is the only prison camp to be constructed as a WPA project and the others will be built by contract through the Public Works administration.

Total cost of the camp here is set up at approximately \$45,000 and calls for 66,000 man hours, of which about one-third is to be skilled labor.

Quake Gives Clue To New Violin



PASADENA, CAL. . . . It took an earthquake to help scientist Dr. Hugo Benoit to invent an entirely new type of violin, made from which is said to be superior to any produced by an old Stradivarius. It contains no wood—front or back, making it possible to see right through it. It so much resembles a seismograph that the Professor has named it the "seismographic fiddle."

Series Services To Begin Sunday At Presbyteria

Dr. Joe Carter Will Assist Pastor In Meetings During Week

Beginning on Monday night, July 4, and continuing through Sunday, July 10, there will be held a series of evangelistic services in the Presbyterian church. The visiting preacher for these services will be the Reverend Joe H. Carter, D. D., of Anderson, S. C. Dr. Carter is well known to the people of this community—having grown up in Mt. Airy, and having held pastorates in Wilkesboro and Statesville. He was honored by the Presbyterian College at Clinton, S. C., with the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. His many friends here will welcome his return for these services. Services begin at 7:45.

During the week that Dr. Carter preaches in the evening, there will be held also the annual vacation church school. This school will begin on Monday at 9 o'clock and will be featured by study groups, addresses by Dr. Carter, and by other religious activities that will consume the morning hours each day through Saturday.

Auto License At Half Year Price

State automobile license plates will go on sale here and at 45 other offices of the Carolina Motor club at one-half annual fee Friday, July 1, it is announced by J. C. McDiarmid, manager of the North Wilkesboro office of the club.

Plate sales throughout the state have been far ahead of the same date last year since last December. Through June 27 the sale was 533,736 plates compared with 519,212 for the same date in 1937—a gain of \$14,524. Of this total 85 per cent or 440,769 have been sold at Carolina Motor club branch offices.

Sales at the North Wilkesboro office have totaled 6,023 this year, Mr. McDiarmid said.

Legion Will Meet Friday, July 8th

Attention is called to the fact that the Wilkes post of the American Legion will meet on Friday night, July 8, 7:30, instead of Friday night of this week. A report of delegates to the state convention held this week in Winston-Salem will feature the meeting and all members are asked to attend.

Episcopal Service

Vesper service at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, July 3rd, at four o'clock, in charge of the rector, Reverend B. M. Lackey. Friends and visitors are invited to attend. This service

Welfare Board Takes Action On 60 Applications

46 Approved For Old Age Assistance; Eight ADC Cases Accepted

A total of 60 applications for old age assistance and eight for aid to dependent children were passed upon by the Wilkes county board of welfare in a meeting held this week.

Charles McNeill, county welfare officer, said that of the 60 applications for old age assistance 46 were approved and 14 were rejected. All of the eight applications for aid to dependent children were approved.

The number of applications before the board was the largest before that body since the state social relief program became effective a year ago. In addition to the applications some cases were reviewed and monthly grant to one aged person was increased. One aid to dependent children case was terminated.

Many aged people who have called at the welfare office to make application for assistance are yet to be reached and the same applies to aid to dependent children. It is expected that the appropriations by the state and county will be exhausted before all eligibles are reached, welfare authorities said.

Tennis Matches Now Under Way

The Wilkes county tennis tourney is now under way here and some very interesting matches have been played.

Those who have advanced to quarter finals are Rev. Watt Cooper, Thomas Nesbit, Roscoe Reeves, Blair Gwyn, A. Garwood, James Garwood and John Blackburn.

First Round Results: Henry Moore over Archie Tomlinson, by default; A. A. Pifer over Fred Hubbard, Jr., 6-2, 4-6, 6-2; Frank McNeill over Gwyn Kilby, 6-2, 6-4; Tom Halgwood over James Allen, 7-5, 4-6, 7-6; C. C. Faw over David Hix, by default; James Garwood over Philby Brame, 6-4, 6-4; Gordon Ogilvie over Frank Allen, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4; B. G. Gentry over Edward Finley, 6-0, 6-1.

Second Round Results: Watt Cooper over Henry Moore, 6-1, 6-2; Thos. Nisbet over B. G. Gentry, 6-0, 6-1; Roscoe Reeves over Gordon Ogilvie, by default; Blair Gwyn over Tom Halgwood, 6-1, 6-4; John Blackburn over C. C. Faw, Jr., 6-0, 6-2; A. Garwood over A. A. Pifer, 6-2, 6-1; James Garwood over Dick Gwyn, 8-6, 6-3.

One more match in 2nd round to be played, Ralph Crawford vs Frank McNeill.

The public is cordially invited to see the matches without charge. The semi-finals will be played Tuesday, according to present plans.

Deane - Burgin Race Saturday Holds Spotlight

Democrats Will Name Names For Congress In Eighth District

The only two candidates whose names will appear on ballots to be used in the second primary Saturday, July 2, in this section are busily engaged in making last minute appeals for support in their efforts to obtain the Democratic nomination for eighth district representative in congress.

The candidates are C. B. Deane, of Rockingham, and William O. Burgin, of Lexington. Deane has Burgin by between 500 and 600 votes in the first primary while three other candidates were eliminated.

Both are widely known men in public life. The polls will open at seven o'clock Saturday morning and close at the same hour Saturday evening. It will be strictly a Democratic primary in Wilkes because all contests for Republican nominations have been settled.

The Wilkes county board of elections has named Democratic Judges to replace the Republican judge in each precinct, the newly named Democratic judge to serve only for the second primary. Those named for the 29 precincts in the county are as follows:

- Antioch, Walter Foster.
- Beaver Creek, T. W. Ferguson.
- Boomer, J. C. Walsh.
- Brushy Mountain, Christie Tedder.
- Elk No. 1, Henry Welsh.
- Elk No. 2, Tom Welsh.
- Edwards No. 1, J. H. Billings.
- Edwards No. 2, W. E. Parks.
- Edwards No. 3, Coy Luffman.
- Jobs Cabin No. 1, H. L. Church.
- Jobs Cabin No. 2, B. F. Proffitt.
- Lewis Fork, Clifford McNeill.
- Lovelace, Fredland Johnson.
- Mulberry No. 1, Spurgeon Kyle.
- Mulberry No. 2, N. C. Vandy.
- New Castle, Cleve Grey.
- North Wilkesboro, R. L. Church.
- Reddies River, J. W. Nichols.
- Rock Creek, J. C. Elliott.
- Somers, Boyden Lunsford.
- Stanton Lee Beshears.
- Traphill No. 1, Watson Durham.
- Traphill No. 2, Sam Yale.
- Union, Lawson Parsons.
- Walnut Grove No. 1, Gilhe Johnson.
- Walnut Grove No. 2, Coon Billings.
- Wilkesboro No. 1, Fred Gilreath.
- Wilkesboro No. 2, C. W. Cullor.

Baseball Games

The North Wilkesboro Baseball Club will play Davidson here Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock; Morganton here Sunday at 2:30 p. m. (Time changed from 3 p. m.)

Council Of 4-H Clubs Is Formed In Tuesday Meet

Millers Creek Youth President, Other Officers Are Elected

Hugh Kilby, of the Millers Creek club, was elected president of the Wilkes county council of 4-H clubs organized in a county-wide meeting held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Tuesday afternoon.

The county council was formed by officers of each of the clubs in the county and practically all clubs were represented in the council organization meeting.

Miss Frances McGregor, assistant state club leader, talked to the group and explained how a council could be used to coordinate activity among the several clubs in the county.

Club work in Wilkes is being carried out very successfully under supervision of County Agent Dan Holler, Assistant Agent Jesse Giles and Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonstration agent. Officers of the county council were elected as follows: Hugh Kilby, of Millers Creek, president; Lucile Jones, of Champion, vice president; Amelia Balthus, of Ferguson, secretary; treasurer; Blanche Siddon, of Traphill, reporter.

JIMMY'S GOT IT

Philadelphia.—The income of James Roosevelt, secretary and eldest son of the President, from his insurance business, is estimated by his colleagues at between \$250,000 and \$3,000,000 a year, according to an article entitled "Jimmy's Got It" in today's issue of the Saturday Evening Post.