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## GREAT NORTHWESTERN FAIR WILL OPEN TUESDAY

### Special Term Of Superior Court Been Called Off

No Judge Available For First Week; Attorneys Had Conflicting Work

A special term of Wilkes court scheduled to convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, September 12, has been canceled. It was learned today from A. H. Casey, president of the Wilkes bar association. The special term was called due to the congested condition of the civil docket and efforts this year to work the docket down to current cases. Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, had been asked to preside over the term. Jurors had been drawn for the term and the calendar had been made out before the term was called off. The term was cancelled because Judge Pless had conflicting court engagements and would be unable to preside over the first week. Several members of the bar had made previous arrangements to be away part of the time and under the circumstances the bar association deemed it advisable that the term be cancelled in the interest of the county and all concerned. Official notice of cancellation of the term was received yesterday from Governor Hoey.

### Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

**GRAY TO HEAD Y. D. C.**  
Charlotte, Sept. 6.—Mecklenburg county Young Democrats voted unanimously tonight to cast the club's 30 votes solidly for Gordon Gray, Winston-Salem publisher, for the presidency of the state organization. It was generally conceded that the action would make certain the election of Gray.

**GOLD COMING IN**  
New York, Sept. 6.—Uncle Sam's fabulous store of gold grew rapidly today in Europe, in its war freight continued to transfer funds to this country for safekeeping. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reported the arrival of \$25,590,000 of the metal from England and arrangements for shipment of \$10,450,000 more from the same source.

**MCCARRAN LEADING**  
Reno, Nev., Sept. 6.—Senator Pat McCarran, occasional opponent of the new deal, tonight held a two-to-one lead over Albert Hilliard, 100-per-cent supporter of President Roosevelt, in early returns from today's primary election. Incomplete returns from 22 out of the state's 262 precincts in the Democratic senatorial race gave McCarran 519, Hilliard 236, and Dr. John E. Worden 31.

**SPARTA GETS LOAN**  
Sparta, Sept. 6.—The town of Sparta today approved two proposed bond issues totaling \$40,000 for water and sewer projects. With 297 registered, 214 voted in favor of the bond issue for a water system. The vote for the sewer system was 217. A total of 243 ballots was cast in the election. The votes approve the issuance of \$26,000 in water bonds to match \$30,000 the federal government will provide for the \$56,000 project. This project has already been approved.

### Explains Premium Offer On Apples

Dan Holler, county agent, said today that some confusion had arisen among apple growers concerning the premium offered by the fair for prizes in class 11. The best class exhibitors should display three trays of any one of the varieties listed. Mr. Holler again called attention to the fact that apple boxes for display purposes may be obtained without cost at his office. The courthouse, loaned by the courtesy of Hutton Bourgeois, of Hickory.

### Cyclist Crashes A Burning Wall



It is hard to tell what this picture is all about and will be equally hard for spectators to believe their own eyes when they witness motorcycles crashing burning walls, auto collisions, daredevil stunt riding and other acts at the Great Northwestern Fair September 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17. The Pollyanna Revue, Moreen Troupe and big circus acts round out a thrilling program every day and night and Wilson's Thrill Shows on the track will be an added feature on Thursday.

### NCSES Office Has Good Year Record

Ranks Seventh Among Offices of State In Number Placed On Jobs

North Wilkesboro office of the North Carolina States Employment Service ranked 7th in placements among offices in the service during the past fiscal year, according to a report recently sent out by state headquarters.

The North Wilkesboro office, which placed 3,121 men and women on jobs during the year, was exceeded in placements only by the largest cities in the state, namely, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Raleigh, Durham, Asheville and Charlotte.

Of those placed on jobs by the office here 2,842 were men and 279 were women. The local office also ranked high in percentage of private placements.

August was the most successful month for the North Wilkesboro office. B. G. Gentry, manager, said today. During the month of August the office placed 773 on jobs, exceeding registrations by 73 during the month. However, the total active file of registrations at the close of the month was 6,330.

The North Wilkesboro office, a part of the district with headquarters in Hickory, serves Wilkes, Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties.

### Delegation Visits Champion Poultry Farm On Tuesday

A delegation of 32 4-H boys and girls from Gaston county visited T. O. Minton's Champion Poultry farm at Champion Tuesday.

Mr. Minton personally conducted the group through the many large poultry houses and other parts of the farm, said to be the largest poultry farm in the county. A total of 50 visitors called at the farm Tuesday. Recent statewide publicity given the poultry farm has resulted in a steady stream of visitors who are amazed at the magnitude of operations and vast production of eggs.

### Wilkes Men On List Of Officers State Hatcherymen

T. O. Minton, proprietor of Champion Poultry Farm, and T. M. Foster, owner of Blue Ridge Hatchery, were honored with official positions by the North Carolina Hatcherymen's association in convention last week in Greensboro.

Mr. Minton was elected vice president and Mr. Foster was named a member of the board of directors. The president of the association is Buxton Wyatt, of Elizabeth City.

### Hiddenite Man Victim Paralysis

Robert Beckham, dentist and hardware merchant of Taylorsville, suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday near this city and died Wednesday afternoon in the Wilkes hospital.

Funeral service was held today at Hiddenite.

### Meetings Home Clubs Postponed

No Meetings Next Week Due to Fair; Members Asked to Exhibit

Miss Harriet McGooan, home demonstration agent for Wilkes county, has announced that all meetings of home demonstration clubs in the county scheduled for the first two weeks in September have been postponed until the latter part of the month in order not to conflict with work of preparing exhibits for the Great Northwestern Fair here September 13-17 or attendance at the fair.

Miss McGooan strongly urged that each club member place one or more articles on exhibit at the fair. In making up the premium list many premiums were offered for the best specimens of work by women and girls and it is expected that their department at the fair will be well filled with excellent exhibits.

### Tobacco Crop In Wilkes County Is Reported Good

Best Crop In Years From Wilkes Farms Is Now Ready for Auctioneer

"The best crop of tobacco I've seen in years," is the way farmers in the eastern part of Wilkes county describe their allotted portions of the golden weed this year.

Practically all of the crop is cured and ready for the market. Dan Holler, county agent, said today. Mr. Holler, who has visited many farms where tobacco was grown this year, corroborates statements of farmers relative to the quality of the crop. Mr. Holler said that the crop in this section is better than the tobacco grown in the lower piedmont and eastern parts of the state this year.

Allotment cards were sent out from the office of the county agent this week and so far but few expressions of dissatisfaction have been heard by farmers who have received poundage allotments. Mr. Holler expressed the opinion that allotments in practically all of the cases are big enough to care for the tobacco grown on the allotted acreage. He did say, however, that the acres allotted have produced well and there will likewise be but a small number of farmers who will have much less tobacco than their poundage allotments.

The general opinion expressed among Wilkes farmers indicates that they are hoping that the Winston-Salem market will open a week earlier as proposed. The crop matured earlier this year than at any time since the weed has been grown commercially in the county.

There are approximately 800 farmers in Wilkes county who grow tobacco for the markets. However, the average acreage per farm is small and there are no "one crop" farmers in the entire county.

### Stone Mountain Baptists To Meet

Annual Session Will Be Held With Piney Grove Church Sept. 23, 24

Annual sessions of the Stone Mountain Baptist association, which embraces many churches in the northeastern part of Wilkes and adjacent communities, will be held on September 23, 24 and 25 at Piney Grove church. The program follows:

Friday, September 23  
Ten o'clock, introductory sermon by Rev. S. L. Blevins with Rev. T. E. Blevins alternate; report of churches; periodicals; J. A. Blevins and representative of Biblical Recorder; Temperance, C. H. Colvard and others; missions, M. A. Huggins. Reports and miscellaneous will compose the program for Friday night.

Saturday, September 24  
Opening at 9:30 with report on aged ministers' relief, by C. C. Gambill; education, Rev. A. B. Hayes; Baptist hospital, Mrs. Glenn Dancy; special changes. Mac Pruitt and clerk of association, noon recess; pastors and church relations, John McGrady; orphanage, D. C. Sebastian; committee report on time, place and preacher for next session; report of finance committee, miscellaneous, and resolutions will conclude the Saturday program.

Sunday, September 25  
Opening at ten o'clock with Sunday school report by Mrs. V. W. Luffman and Mrs. J. L. Gregory. The committee above named will prepare reports and carry to the association.

### Pomona Grange To Meet Sept. 14th

T. W. Ferguson, master of the Wilkes Pomona Grange, has announced that a Pomona Grange meeting will be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Wednesday night, September 14, 7:30 o'clock. It will be a very important meeting, the Pomona master said, and resolutions will be drawn to present to the state convention. All Grangers are invited to attend.

## Big Parade And Address By Governor Hoey Will Open Five-Day Exposition Here

### C. H. Ferguson, Former County Accountant, Dies

Stricken Suddenly Tuesday While On Way to Hospital; Rites Wednesday

C. Harvey Ferguson, for 12 years accountant of Wilkes county, died suddenly Tuesday morning while on the way to a Statesville hospital.

He had been in ill health for several months and during the last few weeks had been living in a trailer on the Brushy Mountains in an effort to regain his health. Apparently his condition had improved but he was stricken suddenly while he was being carried to the hospital for examination.

When only seven years of age he lost use of his legs because of an attack of infantile paralysis and although he went through the remainder of his life under a great physical handicap he was successful in a business way and as a public official.

Through the many years he served as accountant for the county his records were kept in good condition and every county audit reflected credit on the way and manner he conducted his office.

For many years he was connected with insurance business and was secretary-treasurer of the Wilkes and Yadkin branch of the Farmers Mutual Fire insurance association. Prior to a few years ago he represented a number of other insurance firms.

Since he left the office of county accountant in 1937 he had maintained an office in his building near the courthouse in Wilkesboro.

As county accountant and in his business connections he had become acquainted with many people in Wilkes and adjoining counties and almost invariably his acquaintances developed into lasting friendships. Although unable to walk because of physical handicaps he personally knew thousands of people in this section of the state.

He was 60 years of age and of his immediate family there are surviving, one son, Charles W. Ferguson, one sister and two brothers, Mrs. H. L. Fox, of Newberry, N. J., Robert and Peter Ferguson, of the Boomer community.

Funeral service was held Wednesday morning at Reins-Sturdy chapel with Rev. L. B. Murray in charge and burial was in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

Pall bearers were T. R. Bryan, A. A. Triplett, C. C. Hayes, Old Wiles, W. B. Somers and Glenn Williams.

### Patrolman Warns Bicycle Riders

Says Cyclists Must Observe Same Laws as Automobile Operators

Mentioning the apparent reckless manner in which many boys and girls operate bicycles and the great danger of accident resulting in serious injury or death, Carlyle Ingle, state highway patrol corporal, today warned that the same laws which apply to operation of automobiles apply to bicycles.

Bicycles must travel on the extreme right side of the road and if traveling at night must have a white headlight which can be seen for at least 500 feet ahead and must be equipped with a red reflector which can be seen for the same distance from the rear.

Arrests will follow if bicyclists are seen riding recklessly, weaving across street or highway and otherwise violating traffic laws, the officer said.

### Visitors Welcome To N. Wilkesboro

Business houses of North Wilkesboro and residents of the city join with the fair association in extending to people of all parts of Wilkes, adjoining counties and distant points, a cordial invitation to visit North Wilkesboro next week during the Great Northwestern Fair.

All join in wishing for visitors a most enjoyable visit and with the hope that each and every one will get acquainted with the city, its business interests and its people. May your visit be so enjoyable and profitable that you will become a frequent visitor here.

### Ralph I. Bowman Claimed By Death

Superintendent Of Home Chair Company Succumbed Tuesday

Ralph I. Bowman, age 44, superintendent of Home Chair company, died at six o'clock Tuesday morning in the Wilkes hospital following an illness of several weeks.

Mr. Bowman, who served in the navy during the World War, had been receiving treatment at the government hospital at Johnson City, Tenn., and had returned to his home here about two weeks ago. Slight improvement was noted in his condition but a few days ago he was stricken critically ill and was removed from his home to the hospital.

Mr. Bowman and family moved to North Wilkesboro about eight years ago from Statesville, where he held a position with the Statesville Chair company. He was known as an able plant executive in the furniture business and had held a number of responsible positions before coming to North Wilkesboro. He was born in Caldwell county.

Since coming to this city Mr. Bowman had made many friends, to whom news of his death was an occasion of sadness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sarah F. Bowman, and four children, Ralph Jr., Elbert Clayton, Merle Ray and Frances Leona Bowman.

The body lay in state at the Methodist church in this city for one hour Wednesday afternoon before the funeral service was conducted at 3:30 by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Aycock.

Pall bearers were members of the Wilkes post of the American Legion, in which Mr. Bowman had been an active member, and many beautiful floral tributes were in charge of members of the Legion Auxiliary.

Burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

### Juniors Several Counties Coming

Group Conference For Officers And Leaders Will Be Held Here 15th

Officers, leaders and other interested members of Junior Order councils in Wilkes, Caldwell, Alexander, Watauga, Yadkin, Surry, Alleghany and Ashe counties will hold a group conference in the lodge hall in North Wilkesboro on Thursday evening, September 15, 7:30 o'clock. Junior Order leaders here today announced.

R. A. Grady, state councillor, will attend the meeting, which will be one of fourteen held in the state this month.

The conferences are described as being very important and every council is asked to be represented by as many Juniors as they can possibly send.

### Biggest Fair In History Of City Assured Visitors

\$2,000 In Cash Premiums, Exhibit Hall Enlarged For Coming Event

FIVE DAYS, FIVE NIGHTS

Grandstand Acts, Midway, Fireworks, Thrill Shows, Auto Races

After weeks of diligent preparations The Great Northwestern Fair will open a five-day exposition on the fairgrounds in North Wilkesboro on Tuesday, September 13, and continue each day and night through Saturday, September 17.

The fair will be appropriately opened with a big parade on Tuesday morning. The parade will form at ten o'clock at the corner of Tenth and C streets and will consist of three companies of soldiers, Company A, and the companies from Statesville and Morganton of the 105th engineers. The band engaged to play during the fair and the band of 105th engineers, of Charlotte, will be in the parade. There will also be floats, one especially prepared by the merchants association, and thousands of school children from the fifth grade up competing in school units for the \$25 cash prize offered for the best showing in the parade.

The parade will pass by the reviewing stand to be erected on Main street opposite Uptown Service station. In the reviewing stand will be Governor Clyde R. Hoey, who will deliver an address at the opening of the fair in the grandstand at 11 o'clock immediately following the parade. Fair officials confidently expect the largest crowd ever assembled in North Wilkesboro for any event. Reasons for such expectation rest upon the arrangements made to assure visitors to the fair the best to be had in the way of entertainment.

Outstanding among the many (Continued on page eight)

### Football Squad Shows Up Well

Coach Lillen Expresses Confidence In Candidates Out For Team

After a week of practice sessions, Coach Bernard Lillen said today that the North Wilkesboro high school football squad of about 30 members is showing up well and getting into shape better than he had expected.

A defeatist attitude among the boys, apparently so prevalent during the past few seasons when the school had a very light team, is entirely absent this year and they are showing pre-season enthusiasm so pleasing to a coach.

McCoy and Hudson have been named co-captains of the team. On the tentative line-up of team "A" McCoy, Hudson, Shatley and Johnson are in the backfield, Pearson is at center, Kiser and Crook are guards, Settle and Call are tackles, and Harrison and Steelman are playing end.

With three weeks yet to practice before the opening game on September 30, Coach Lillen expresses the opinion that a creditable team will take the field against other Western Conference elevens.

Other members of the squad not listed above include Bob Johnson, Grant Stewart, Hill Carlton, Jr., Walter Jones, Ward Kennerly, J. D. Gettys, Lynn Kerbaugh, James Minton, Joe Clement, Royal Johnson, Carl Coffey, Malcolm Butner, Billy Wade, Eates, Roy Cashlon, Bucky New, Ralph Williams, Houston and Marcus Steelman, Coach Lillen.