

Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

Tornado Hits City

Radio news bulletins today told of a disastrous tornado this morning in Charleston, S. C. Buildings in several blocks of the city were badly damaged or destroyed and the death toll at noon today had reached 25. Appeals were made to the President to send marines to aid the national guard in rescue work and keeping order.

McADOO HAS JOB

Washington, Sept. 27.—William G. McAdoo California Democrat will resign from the senate in about two weeks to become chairman of the board of the Dollar Steamship Lines. McAdoo was defeated in the California primary. His term would expire January 3.

RELIEF FLOUR

Raleigh, Sept. 27.—North Carolina has received 3,057,600 pounds of flour—enough to make more than 4,500,000 loaves of bread—from the federal Surplus Commodities corporation for distribution to the needy. A. E. Langston, director of commodity distribution, said today. The state also has received 147,000 pounds of Graham flour and 160,000 pounds of wheat cereal.

HELD FOR ARSON

Lenoir, Sept. 27.—Clay Fox, young Caldwell county white man of the Antioch section, has been lodged in the Caldwell county jail here under \$2,500 bond to face a charge of arson in connection with the burning of the residence of Jim Fox, his father, in the Antioch community last Tuesday. Fox was arrested in the Buntown section after extensive investigation and search by Sheriff J. C. Tolbert and Deputy George Carroll.

WANT EARLY SEASON

Raleigh, Sept. 27.—Delegates from piedmont counties urged the game committee of the state board of conservation and development today to advance the quail season from December 15 to December 1, and to defer the rabbit season from November 20 to December 1. Approximately 100 sportsmen appeared to support the plea, contending that rabbit hunters should not be allowed in the field until the quail season opened.

ALL WOULD LOSE

Washington, Sept. 27.—Exports here predicted today that if Europe plunged into a general war, no nation would emerge a victor. Based on the assumption that Germany, Italy and perhaps other nations would battle England, France, Russia, Czechoslovakia, and some smaller countries, a survey of highly informed opinion showed virtually unanimous agreement on the following prediction: Czechoslovakia would be battered into submission long before effective aid could be offered by England, France and Russia. Germany, with Italy and any other allies, would succumb eventually to superior resources in a war of attrition like that of 1914-18.

Democrats Will Meet on Friday

Each Precinct Will Have a Meeting at 7:00 o'Clock On Friday Night

The Democratic campaign will get under way in every precinct Friday night, September 30, seven o'clock, when precinct meetings are held to discuss campaign plans.

The plan of precinct meetings was adopted in a meeting of the county executive committee held here last week.

Each precinct has been asked by the county organization to hold a meeting once each week until the November election. The county candidates will attend the various precinct meetings before the election.

The production of meat animals, cattle, sheep and hogs slaughtered in North Carolina in 1937 was valued at over \$23,000,000, reports W. H. Rhodes, chief statistician for the State Department of Agriculture. Of this amount, the net production of hogs slaughtered contributed over \$11,000,000.

Duplin county cotton ginners are optimistic over prospects this season since weather conditions have been unfavorable for the production of cotton in their section.

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Savings Effected Refinancing Debt Town Wilkesboro

Twenty - Seven - Year Refinancing Plan Approved By State Commission

LOWER INTEREST RATE Will Pay Only Four Per Cent For First Ten Years; Five Thereafter

Officials of the town of Wilkesboro today said that the refinancing plan of the town's \$57,000 outstanding debt had been approved by the local government commission and had been put into effect.

An ultimate saving of between \$15,000 and \$20,000 will be affected through the issuance of refunding bonds at four per cent interest for the first ten years and five per cent thereafter. All the bonds to be replaced by the refunding bonds were six per cent.

The refunding bonds will fall due \$1,000 each year for the first four years and will increase until near the end of the 27-year period when the annual amount of bonds to be retired will be \$3,000. This arrangement was made to equalize total payment of principal and interest each year because annual interest payments will decrease as bonds are retired.

The town had been defaulting on principal and interest for a number of years and the refinancing plan had been under advisement for a similar period of time with the town officials working diligently toward a plan which would affect the greatest saving for the town and at the same time minimize the burden to the taxpayers.

The present tax rate is \$1.25 and officials of the town expressed the opinion that the principal and interest under the refunding plan can be paid yearly without an increase in tax rate provided regular expenses remain normal and no extensive public improvements are necessary.

An ordinance authorizing the issuance of the refunding bonds to cancel the total outstanding debt including bonds, accrued interest and notes, was published today.

Story Heads Schoolmasters Club For Year

School Heads In First Meeting of Year On Tuesday Night; Eller Speaks

T. E. Story, head of Wilkesboro schools, was elected president of the Wilkes County Schoolmasters' club in its first meeting of the present school year held Tuesday evening at Wilkesboro.

Other officers elected for the year were R. V. Day, Millers Creek principal, vice president; Miss Helen Bostic, of Wilkesboro, secretary-treasurer. The program committee is composed of Grady Miller, Millberry principal, chairman; L. W. Teague, Mountain View principal; and Miss Elizabeth Parker, of Millers Creek.

C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, addressed the group and gave some interesting facts about the county school system, stressing the need of school facilities. He said that there are 72 white and seven colored schools and that the schools range in size from 35 one-teacher units to Wilkesboro, the largest, with 24.

He said that 71 additional rooms are needed at present to properly house the students of the present enrollment. Thirty buses are needed in addition to the 61 now in use, 21 of which are contract buses. He totaled the cost of buildings, buses and supplies needed in addition to present facilities at \$221,000.

The club met in the home economics rooms of Wilkesboro school, where Miss Ghita Tuttle's classes served dinner to the 45 attending. The program consisted of the address by Supt. Eller and two vocal numbers by Zeb Dickson, who sang "Irish Eyes" and "Ramona."

The club, with a membership composed of principals, high school teachers and superintendents, holds monthly meetings.

Diamond Jubilee



Beverly Hills, Calif. . . . Man and wife for three-quarters of a century. That was the milestone passed recently by Mr. and Mrs. J. Epman. Even President Roosevelt took cognizance of the occasion, sending a congratulatory message. Epman is 95 years of age and his wife, 93.

Engineers Shaping Highway Route to Traphill Section

Say Following In Vicinity of Present Road Is Most Practical Route

State highway engineers have completed a traverse (map) of the present county road from Fairplains to Traphill as preliminary work for a location survey for construction of a highway. It was learned today from the eighth division highway office here.

The opinion was expressed by an engineer of the project that the route would be located along the present road, preliminary work having revealed that it is the most direct and practical route through that section of the county.

However, he explained that the new survey would eliminate many of the curves and would greatly shorten the distance.

Cricket Is Winner Two-County Title

Wilkes Boys Take Final In Baseball Series With Grassy Creek 5-4

Cricket's team in the American Legion junior baseball project won the Wilkes-Ashe title in the final game of the two county series played at Laurel Springs Wednesday afternoon with the hard hitting nine from Grassy Creek.

Dominating junior play in this section like the Yanks do in organized baseball, the Cricket team went through a 14-game schedule during the summer without a defeat and won the county playoff 3 out of 5 against Traphill, eastern Wilkes champions.

Cricket dropped the opener of the two-county series 6 to 3, won the second 9 to 8 and edged out the last game yesterday 5 to 4. Parsons, lanky pitcher who carried most of the mound burden for the champions, faced his supreme test Wednesday in the final game, which also ended his junior baseball career. Although allowing several hits, he was effective when hits by the Ashe county boys who had been known throughout the season for their hard slugging would have counted most.

By virtue of winning the series the Cricket team will receive a trophy donated by the Forty and Eight, an affiliate organization of the American Legion.

3 Lions Born At Forester's Zoo

Born to Leo and Cleo at Forester's Nu-Way Service station zoo on Tuesday and Wednesday, two sons and one daughter.

Two baby lions were born Tuesday and one Wednesday to the large pair which was added to the collection of animals more than a year ago.

Today interested spectators were not allowed to view the baby lions because the mother lion raises a great disturbance when she thinks somebody may bother her brood. But in a day or two when the little ones become stronger and can move about faster and get out of the mother's way everybody who wants to may see the newly born additions to the zoo.

Europe On Brink Of War Pauses For Conference

Two Members Of Davidson Board Elections Fired

Removal Two County Officials Latest Move In Deane-Burgin Contest

CHARGES ARE MADE

State Board Says Partisanship and Deceptive Dealings Practiced

Raleigh, Sept. 28.—The state board of elections ousted two members of the Davidson county elections board today and heard charges that ballots would be replaced unless sweeping "reforms" were effected in North Carolina's voting practices.

The ouster order came shortly after the state board had received "final" returns from the two Davidson officials of the county's vote in the eighth district runoff primary. The returns gave W. O. Burgin, of Lexington, 6,917 votes and C. B. Deane, of Rockingham, 961.

Returns Vary The state board of elections has insisted that those returns are based in part, on fraudulent absentee ballots, and that the correct result of the county's vote is: Burgin, 6,776; Deane, 956. The difference in the two sets of returns is sufficient to swing the nomination from Deane, who the state board claims has a 23-vote majority, to Burgin.

A resolution passed by the state board said the two Davidson officials, J. David Sink and Ford Myers, both Democrats, had displayed "intense partisanship," and had attempted to "obstruct and prevent the orderly and due administration of the election laws." The resolution added that the men, "by unfair and deceptive dealings with the state board of elections," had demonstrated their unfitness to hold their offices.

Successors to Sink and Myers will be appointed by the state board tomorrow.

Suspends Rules

The board also announced that it intended to suspend its rules and "proceed in a summary manner to deal with the situation now confronting" it. The suspension, it added, was made necessary by "the circumstances with reference to the determination of the candidate for Congress of the Democratic party from the eighth congressional district."

Some sources interpreted this to mean that the board and the candidates would make a final, concentrated effort to dispose of the puzzling eighth district problem before the November general election.

The only vote against the ouster resolution was cast by George McNeill, of Fayetteville, who said he did not believe the two men were "dishonorable."

Charges that ballots may be replaced in North Carolina's elections were made by J. E. Holsouser, of Boone, Republican member of the Watauga county board of elections.

Holsouser, heading a delegation of Watauga citizens, asked that the Boone precinct, in which approximately 2,000 votes are cast, be divided, and that Republicans "be given fair treatment."

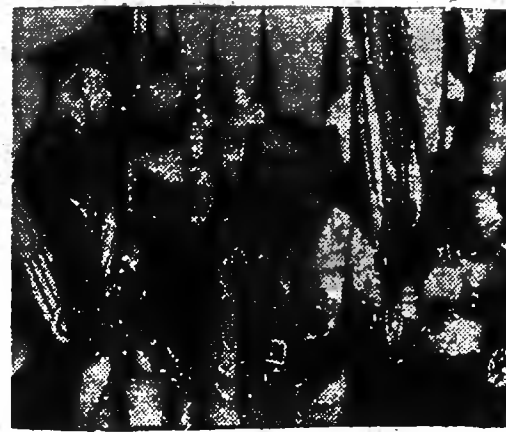
"It's going to come to guns if you gentlemen don't give us some relief," he said. "Why they won't even allow a Republican judge of elections to be near a ballot box."

W. A. Lucas, of Wilson, chairman of the state board, said that it was the duty of county boards to determine what precincts should be divided, and that "if we had the power, there wouldn't be a precinct of more than 600 votes in the state."

D. L. (Lobby) Ward, of New Bern, candidate for the speakership of the state house of representatives conferred with Governor Hoey on the eighth district question today, but details of the conference were not learned.

Plan Stunt Night At Mountain View

Stunt Night, one of the most entertaining programs of the school year, will take place at Mountain View school on Saturday night, October 1. The admission charge will be 10 and 25 cents and the public has a cordial invitation to attend. Proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school.



Eyes of the world are upon Adolf Hitler, Germany's iron hand ruler who threatens the peace of the world with his intended conquest of the Sudeten lands of Czechoslovakia. In this picture he is shown reviewing some of his highly trained storm troops.

Lions Club Milk Fund Is Off To Excellent Start

Sum of \$18.75 Has Been Contributed to Date By Individuals and Firms

In an interview this morning, J. L. Carpenter, president of the Lions Club, stated that the club's project to raise money to furnish milk for underprivileged and underweight children in the city schools is off to an excellent start.

He said "The people of North Wilkesboro fully realize the great need for milk for underprivileged children in our city schools. The support you are giving us in this work proves the fact that nothing shall be left undone in effort to give all the little fellows milk who need it. Your money is being turned over to the proper authorities to be used for this very worthy cause. For the convenience of everybody who wish to contribute we have placed deposit jars at the following places:

Tenth Street—Red Cross Pharmacy, Beebe's Place, Dick's Service Station, North Wilkesboro Grocery Co., Gaddy Motor Co., Mountain Maid Ice Cream Parlor.

Main Street—Smoak Furniture Co., Northwestern Bank, Payne's Clothing Store, Blackburn's Deans Jewelry, Wilkes Drug Co., Spalhour's, Balk's Department Store, City Barber Shop, Princess Cafe, Rexall Drug Store, Wilkes Hotel, Central Service Station, Crest Store, J. C. Penney Co., Prevette's, New Orpheum Theatre, Sandwich Shop, Jenkins Hardware Co., Roses 5 and 10, Bramo's Drug Store, Tip Top Lunch, Horton's Drug Store, Wilkes Barber Shop, Bank of North Wilkesboro.

A total of \$18.75 had been contributed to date by the following firms and individuals:

- Red Cross Pharmacy, \$1.00. R. H. Pearson, \$1.00. B. H. McNeill, .50. J. D. Reece, \$1.00. S. B. Richardson, .50. Friend of Children, .25. Wilkes Hatchery, .50. Tal Pearson, \$2.00. R. F. Whittington, \$1.00. H. H. Pearson, \$1.00. Coca-Cola Bottling Co., \$1.00. M. B. McNeill, .50. Bare's Fair Store, \$1.00. Horton's Drug Store, \$2.00. Mrs. Pearl Campbell, \$1.00. Mooresville Flour Mills, \$4.00.

Tobacco Grading School Tuesday

Representative State Department to Give Instructions To Farmers

W. P. Hendrick, a trained representative of the state department of agriculture, will conduct tobacco grading course in Wilkes county on Tuesday, October 4.

The forenoon course beginning at 9:30 will be held at the farm of B. R. Pardue at Ronda. The afternoon session, which will be held at the home of R. C. Harris one mile east of Benham school, will begin at two o'clock. Dan Holler, Wilkes county agent, said.

Grading tobacco properly is important, farm authorities point out, because tobacco is purchased mainly by its grade, which is determined by quality. Low grade leaves with better grade tobacco lower the value of the entire lot, whereas more would be paid for the tobacco with the grades properly separated.

All farmers interested are invited to attend the courses to be held Tuesday, Mr. Holler said.

Wilkes Court To Convene Monday For Civil Cases

Judge J. A. Rousseau Will Be On Bench For Regular Term of Court

Wilkes superior court will convene in Wilkesboro Monday, October 3, for a two weeks' session for trial of civil cases only.

Judge J. A. Rousseau, of this city, who is presiding over courts of the 17th district during the latter half of 1938, will preside.

Hundreds of cases, many of which date back several years, are pending trial and the calendar has been made out for the term by the Wilkes bar association.

Jurors for the term will be as follows:

First Week Rufus C. Church, Turner Prevette, F. P. Taylor, Ross Jarvis, S. Y. Walker, Roscoe Golde, W. M. Minton, J. A. Johnson, Zeb Davis, Arthur Hutchison, Noah St. John Chas. H. Cowles, J. C. Kilby, Worth Phillips, V. T. Walsh, John L. Comer, G. J. Holland, John M. Staley, Jr.

Second Week F. J. Whitley, W. D. Weston, S. A. Lyons, N. O. Hendren, Lester Cockerham, J. F. McNeill of Lewis Fork; J. F. Partier, J. G. Woodruff, E. L. Mitchell, A. M. Hamby, J. T. Adams, R. C. Harris, J. M. Durham, Ira Walker, T. A. Tucker, of Edwards; W. A. Shumate, George Combs.

Representative Parole Office Is Checking Cases

T. C. Bethea Is Visiting All Persons In County On Parole This Week

T. C. Bethea, parole supervisor from the office of the state parole commissioner, is in Wilkes county this week making a check-up on all persons under parole, Charles McNeill, welfare officer, said today.

Under the present setup a more accurate check is made on the parole cases, who are required to report once each month and show that they have not violated conditions of parole.

Mr. McNeill, to whom the cases make reports, explained that when a prisoner is once paroled he remains governed by conditions of parole for the remainder of his life or until the parole is ended by executive order.

Another Club Broadcast Soon

Wilkes Family Will Tell the Radio Audience About Keeping Records

Wilkes county will be represented on the air again Saturday afternoon, 12:12, when 4-H club members and others broadcast again from radio station WAIR in Winston-Salem.

The subject of the broadcast will be "Improvement in Farm Records" and those taking part will be Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Church and two children, Mary Ruth and Paul Ed, of North Wilkesboro route 2, who are keeping full records of farm operations this year.

Very favorable comment has been received relative to 4-H club broadcasts in which other Wilkes boys and girls have participated during the past several months.

4 Rulers Gather In Last Effort To Settle Disputes

Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy Representatives Confer

MARCH POSTPONED

Hitler's Threatened March Into Czechoslovakia Is Postponed

London, Sept. 28.—Europe was halted on the brink of war tonight by a swiftly called peace conference of Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy.

The four powers working against expiration of Germany's 24-hour suspension of mobilization plans, will meet tomorrow in Munich seeking some peaceful solution of Adolf Hitler's demands for Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland by October 1.

Thus peace, menaced by the ever-mounting millions of men under arms, got at least a reprieve.

Chamberlain Speaks Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain revealed this when he announced to a tense house of commons that Hitler had agreed to postpone German mobilization for 24 hours from 2 p. m. (10 a. m. E. S. T.) today.

Chamberlain, Hitler, Premier Daladier of France and Premier Mussolini of Italy are to meet in Munich for a peace conference, possibly the most vital since Versailles, which yet may avert war over German demands for Sudetenland.

Reuters British news agency, reported in a dispatch tonight from Prague that the Czechoslovak cabinet met tonight following the announcement of the four-power conference tomorrow in Munich.

The dispatch said President Eduard Benes presided at the meeting.

The soldier premier, Jan Szyrov, postponed his scheduled broadcast tonight as a result of the meeting.

Before he spoke Chamberlain had sent a last minute appeal to Mussolini to urge peace upon his German ally.

Even until he was well into his parliament speech the British prime minister did not know the result of that appeal.

President Roosevelt in a personal message also urged Mussolini to use his influence to keep Europe's armies from marching to a new world war, a plea that was credited with influencing the Italian duke.

Plea Successful When Chamberlain found he had met success he told a cheering commons "I will go to see what I can do as a last effort."

Jubilant greeted the announcement throughout Britain whose fleet was mobilized while the nation, acting as did the other peoples of Europe, frenziedly prepared for war.

The threatened victim of the attack which Europe feared and expected—Czechoslovakia—will be absent from the Munich council table, though her minister to Britain, Jan Masaryk, quickly protested to Chamberlain against the fact.

Work On Prison Camp Progresses; Is WPA Project

Work of construction of a 125-man prison camp just across the Yadkin from the eastern end of this city and near the lower bridge is progressing rapidly and the camp will be ready for use within a few weeks.

The camp, one of several being constructed in the state, is a WPA project sponsored by the state highway commission and will be the property of the state. The other camps now under construction are being erected by contract and financed jointly by the state and the Public Works administration.

Episcopal Service

Vesper service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon October 2nd, at four o'clock, in charge of the rector, Reverend B. M. Lackey.

All forms of payments by AAA to farmers of Kansas this year will run to \$15,500,000.