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Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

HONOR LAMBETH

Thomasville, Jan. 4.—Around 200 are expected to be present for the dinner which the people of Thomasville are giving Friday evening to honor J. Walter Lambeth, United States congressman, who went out of office Tuesday at 12 o'clock. The various civic clubs of the city are in charge of the banquet which will begin at 7 o'clock in the Woman's Club building.

RAPS LIQUOR ADS

Washington, Jan. 4.—Wilford S. Alexander, federal alcohol administrator, urged Congress today to ban advertising of liquor on the radio. In his annual report for the year ending December 15, Alexander also proposed that Congress forbid publication of liquor advertisements in Sunday editions of newspapers; of advertisements portraying women, children or religious subjects; or referring to alcoholic beverages as having tonic, food or medicinal qualities.

CAPONE PAYING OFF

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Al Capone paid three-fifths of his financial debt to society today. The government had a bill for \$57,592.29 outstanding against the dethroned gangster king until this afternoon when his Chicago lawyer, Abraham Tettelbaum, handed \$37,692.29 to Edward E. Douglas, acting clerk of the federal district court. The sum represented all outstanding court costs, \$7,692.29, and \$30,000 in fines. There remained \$20,000 in fines to be paid.

EUROPE INTERESTED

London, Jan. 4.—Great Britain and France tonight officially welcomed what they considered President Roosevelt's veiled threat of economic sanctions against aggressors. Britain quickly rebroadcast in German and Italian pointed passages of his address to Congress. The speech was heard clearly in England from semi-official British Broadcasting corporation facilities. Thousands popped in the rain to listen at open shop doors. Newspapers displayed the address prominently.

WILL BUILD DAM

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—The city of High Point received tacit permission from the state supreme court today to proceed with its "modified plan" for the construction of a huge hydroelectric plant at the Yadin River. The court's opinion hinged on a single issue, however, and possibly left the way open for new legal moves by the Duke Power Company to block construction of the project, which will cost between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000 in PWA and High Point funds. The issue was whether the "modified plan" was substantially the same as the original plan, which had been restrained by the Duke Company and by J. P. Williamson.

Notice To The North Wilkesboro Firemen

All firemen are requested to bring in all equipment and wearing apparel belonging to the North Wilkesboro Fire Department, at the regular meeting, Friday, January 6, 1939. This equipment and wearing apparel being called in for re-distribution.

C. G. DAY,
Fire Chief.

U. Grant Foster Is Taken By Death

Well Known Merchant and Farmer Passes Following Stroke of Apoplexy

U. Grant Foster, prominent merchant and farmer, died Tuesday at his home at Champion. He was stricken with apoplexy several days ago and never rallied. He was a member of one of Wilkes county's best known families, a son of the late Edmond and Jane Eller Foster. For many years he had operated a general store at Champion and had taken an active part in church, school, community and fraternal affairs, being a member and leader in the Mount Pleasant Baptist church and the Masonic lodge at that place. Surviving are eight children: Fulton, Garvey and Taft Foster, Mrs. J. C. Church, Mrs. Rex West and Mrs. Dick Wellborn, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Attie Fairchild, Roanoke, Va., and Mrs. Velta Harris, of Congo. The body will lie in state at Mount Pleasant church near his home Thursday afternoon for one hour preceding the funeral service to be held at 2:30 p. m.

BR-R-R, IT'S COLD



A sudden midwest cold wave didn't catch this newsboy unprepared. He foiled the wintry blast with a makeshift stove and a couple of mukshits. He also added a couple of sweaters to his ensemble.

President Stresses Country's Defense In Annual Message

Raps Dictator Countries In Message at Opening of Congress Wednesday

Washington, Jan. 4.—With Adolf Hitler's chief envoy an impressive listener, President Roosevelt warned the dictator nations today that America would resist "strident ambition and brute force" in world affairs. Addressing a dramatic joint session of Congress in the House of Representatives, the Chief Executive, with slow and deliberate emphasis, asked that that resistance be bulwarked by increased military preparedness. And equally necessary, he said, was the elimination of class prejudices and internal dissensions through the abolition of social abuses so that a nation united in spirit might combat all threats of (Continued from page four)

Postoffice Business Is Gaining

Postal Revenue Shows Substantial Gain During Year

A Fifteen Per Cent Increase During 1938 Sets New High Record Here

Postal receipts at the North Wilkesboro postoffice set a new high record during 1938, representing an increase of about 15 per cent over 1937 figures, Postmaster J. C. Reins said today. Postal receipts—postage revenue—for the year 1938 totaled \$33,478.23, an increase over 1937 receipts of 31,329.52 by \$2,148.71. These figures do not include money order fees, in which there was a much larger percentage of increase, and they do not include sale of bonds, in which there was also an increase for the year. Postal receipts during 1938 represented a continuation of the upward trend here. During the past four years, Postmaster Reins said, postal receipts had increased yearly by about \$2,000, but the increase for 1938 was slightly larger than the increase in business in 1937 over 1936.

RETURNS FROM CHINA



Methodist Episcopal Bishop Arthur J. Moore, returning from Shanghai to his headquarters in San Antonio, Texas, declared that more than 100 missions, hospitals and schools have been destroyed in the war between China and Japan. "A century's work has been dissipated," he said.

Bank President Predicts Better Business in 1939

R. A. Doughton Is Pleased With Progress of the Northwestern Bank

"In my opinion, 1939 will be a better year for business than 1938," R. A. Doughton, of Spartan, president of the Northwestern Bank, said here yesterday. The bank executive, for several decades a prominent attorney in northwestern North Carolina and who was once Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, expressed delight over progress of the Northwestern Bank, which was formed on July 1, 1937, by consolidation of the Deposit & Savings Bank here, the Bank of Sparta, Watauga County Bank at Boone with a branch at Blowing Rock, and the Merchants and Farmers Bank at Bakersville with a branch bank at Bakersville. Since that time the Bank of Ashe at Jefferson and the Merchants and Farmers Bank at Taylorsville have been added to the system, with home office here. "The progress of the bank has been very satisfactory indeed," Gov. Doughton said, and went on to explain that the semi-annual dividend of three per cent has been paid to the stockholders, who have shown an apparent unwillingness to part with stock in the bank. The bank's resources as shown by the statement as of December 31, show an increase. The institution has grown steadily during its 18 months of existence since consolidation. The annual meeting of the stockholders and directors will be held at the bank's home office here Tuesday, January 10. It is said that time heals all diseases, but many patients die before time gets to them.

Absentee Ballot Is First Issue Of Assembly Work

Vogler of Mecklenburg Offers Measure to Amend State Vote Laws

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—The 1939 session of the General Assembly began shortly after noon today and a few minutes later received as its first bill a measure touching on a subject certain to arouse heated debate—amendment of (Continued on back page)

Job Placements Same 2 Months

Employment Service Office Here Finds Jobs For 209 In December

During the month of December the North Wilkesboro office of the employment service placed a total of 209 people on public and private jobs, which, incidentally, is the exact total of placements during the preceding month. In December the service found jobs for 78 with private employers and 131 were placed on public works jobs, which includes public work projects, road building construction in which PWA funds were used. Thus the North Wilkesboro office continued its good record of placements. B. G. Gentry, manager of the office, said today that the employment outlook remains about the same as a month ago. During the month of December there was a total of 294 new applications for jobs. The number of persons reporting for unemployment compensation claims declined to some extent, he said.

Stars Ask Severance of Nazi Relations



Hollywood's committee of 56 recently signed their own Declaration of Independence which will be signed by 20,000,000 American citizens and then presented to President Roosevelt and congress, seeking a severance of economic relations with Nazi Germany until such time as that country comes into the fold of nations in accordance with the humane principles of international law. Left to right, seated: Melvyn Douglas, James Cagney, Edward Robinson. Standing: Gale Sondergaard, Helen Gahagan, Henry Fonda and Gloria Stuart.

Annual Meeting Stockholders Of Bank On Jan. 12

1938 Was a Very Successful Year For the Bank of North Wilkesboro

Stockholders of the Bank of North Wilkesboro, one of the largest financial institutions in this part of the state, will gather in annual meeting at the bank on Thursday, January 12, ten o'clock a. m. The year 1937 was a very successful one for the bank, assets of which show a very substantial gain over January a year ago. J. R. Hix, president of the bank, said today that the past year has been a very satisfactory year for the bank and that indications point to an even better year during 1939.

Wilkesboro B & L Elects Its Officers

Association Is Anticipating Another Good Year and Assets Show Increase

Wilkesboro Building & Loan association enjoyed a good year during 1937, report of Wm. A. Stroud, secretary-treasurer, to the stockholders in annual meeting revealed. Assets of the association increased about \$20,000 during the year and the stockholders were well pleased with the progress of the institution and are looking forward with optimism to business in the new year. Judge Johnson J. Hayes presided over the stockholders meeting, at which time the following directors were elected: J. H. Johnson, Wm. A. Stroud, O. T. Whittington, J. T. Prevette, J. W. Dula, T. E. Story, R. B. Pharr, Linville Bumgarner, B. J. Kennedy, George Johnson, J. H. Luckie and W. E. Smyth. The directors in meeting following the stockholders' meeting elected the following officers: J. H. Johnson, president; T. E. Story, vice president; Wm. A. Stroud, secretary-treasurer; Kyle Hayes, attorney; J. H. Johnson, W. E. Smyth, J. W. Dula, J. T. Prevette and Linville Bumgarner, appraisal committee. The seventeenth series of the association is now open.

4-H Club Council To Meet Saturday

The county council of 4-H clubs, which is composed of all the officers of the eight individual clubs in the county, will meet on Saturday, January 7, ten a. m., at the courthouse in Wilkesboro. Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonstration agent, said today. She said that the meeting will be of special importance because officers of the council will be elected for the year and plans will be presented for the programs to be given by the clubs during the coming month. Every officer of each of the eight clubs is asked to be present. The council was formed last year in order to carry out a more comprehensive program of 4-H club work in the county.

Legion To Meet On Friday Night

The regular meeting of the Wilkes County Post of The American Legion will be held in the Legion-Auxiliary Club Rooms north of the city Friday night, January 6th, at 7:30 p. m. Due to the fact that this is the first meeting of the year a full attendance is desired in order that the activities of the year may be planned. After the business session is completed a horse-shoe pitching contest is scheduled.

Rousseau Named Chairman Jackson Day Dinner Drive

\$175 Is Wilkes Democrats Quota In Fund to Wipe Out Campaign Deficit

Raleigh, December 31.—The appointment of J. R. Rousseau as Chairman of the annual Jackson Day Dinner Committee in Wilkes county was announced here by State Senator John D. Larkin, Jr., of Jones County, State Chairman of the Jackson Day Committee planning for the annual Jackson Day Dinner to be held in Raleigh on the night of January 7th, at eight o'clock at the Sir Walter Hotel. "As the Democratic Chairman in Wilkes county, Mr. Rousseau has been very helpful in the past and we are counting on him and other good Democrats in the county to help us raise our part to help wipe out the deficit incurred by the National Democratic Executive Committee in the recent campaign," said Chairman Larkin. Wilkes county has been asked to raise \$175.00 as its part in the State-wide campaign that will culminate with the annual Jackson Day Dinner in Raleigh, where a Democratic speaker of National reputation will deliver an address that will leave no doubt in the minds of those who hear him that there is a Democratic Administration in Washington as well as one in Raleigh," Chairman Larkin said. Persons contributing \$25.00 or more will be invited to attend the State-wide dinner in Raleigh and Chairman Larkin announced a three-way plan for those planning to attend the event. Plan One calls for the payment of \$25.00 at the time of reservation; Plan Two calls for the payment of \$12.50 at the time of reservation and the balance on March 1st; and Plan Three calls for the payment of \$15.00 at the time of reservation, with \$5.00 on March 15th and \$5.00 on April 15th. One-fourth of the money raised in North Carolina, Chairman Larkin pointed out, will be retained for use of the State Democratic Executive Committee. Names of those securing reservations at the dinner will be sent to James A. Farley, National Democratic Chairman, and each will receive a card of thanks from the National Chairman.

Red Cross Sets Budget for Year

Will Spend \$700 In Wilkes County During the Year; Blair Gwyn Treasurer

Wilkes county chapter of the Red Cross in meeting Tuesday night adopted a \$700 budget for work of the chapter within the county. The budget will be financed by one-half of the \$791.30 raised during the annual roll call and by a balance of chapter funds on hand preceding the roll call. Attorney J. H. Whicker, chapter chairman, said. The budget for 1939 is set up as follows: tubercular children \$200; well-baby clinic \$150; pellagra \$25; first aid and life saving \$100; disabled ex-service men's families \$75; emergencies \$100; incidentals \$50. Blair Gwyn was elected treasurer of the chapter, succeeding J. B. Williams, who resigned. "Some people are too slow to catch a 'crusade' disease."

Jones Is a Private Citizen After Many Years as Solicitor

Solicitor For Three Consecutive Terms Thanks People For Their Cooperation

John R. Jones returned to private practice of law here this week and to the status of a private citizen after twelve consecutive years as solicitor of the 17th judicial district. Jones succeeded Johnson J. Hayes when Hayes was appointed judge of the middle North Carolina district of federal court in 1926 by President Coolidge. He served three four-year terms and chose not to run for a fourth term, announcing early in 1938 that he would retire at the end of his term December 31. Jones, only Republican solicitor in the state, was succeeded by a Republican, Avalon E. Hall, of Yadkinville. Because of the large number of difficult cases handled for the state, Solicitor Jones built up an enviable reputation as a prosecutor, numbering among them several convictions for first degree murder. Much attention was centered upon Solicitor Jones because of his investigation of the mysterious death of Leoda Childress in Wilkes four years ago and because of several other investigations in which he led or took an active part. Mr. Jones said today that he particularly wanted to express appreciation to all the people of the district, especially judges, attorneys, law enforcement officers, and court officers, for their wholehearted cooperation with him during the twelve years he served as solicitor of the district. At the time Mr. Jones began his first term as solicitor the 17th district was composed of Wilkes, Davie, Yadkin, Watauga, Alexander, Avery and Mitchell counties. But since that time Alexander and Watauga counties were removed from the 17th and placed in other districts.

Civil Session Of Federal Court to Convene Jan. 9th

Judge Hayes Will Preside Over Special Term For Trial of Civil Cases

JURORS WILL RETURN Same Jurors Who Served In November; No Criminal Cases to Be Tried

Federal court will convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, January 9, but will be for trial of civil cases only, it was learned this morning from court officials. Judge Hayes announced when the November term of court adjourned that it was probable that court would convene again on January 9 and instructed the jurors at that time to return for further duty on January 9 unless otherwise notified. At that time it was expected that in the court beginning on January 9th that the criminal cases which were necessarily continued from the November term be tried. However, it was learned today that the court has a number of civil cases docketed and that no criminal cases will be tried in the court to convene Monday. The criminal cases not tried in the November term were continued because at that time both county and federal courts were in progress and several attorneys which had been employed by defendants in federal court were tied up in a lengthy trial in county court during the last week.

Lions Milk Fund Nets Sum of \$159 For Needy Here

Lions President Gives Report and Statement of Club's Appreciation

L. J. Carpenter, president of the North Wilkesboro Lions Club, today released the final report on the club's milk fund drive to secure funds to finance purchase of milk for underprivileged and undernourished children in the nutrition classes of North Wilkesboro schools. His report stated that a total of \$159.81 had been raised in the campaign. Almost 100 underprivileged children will benefit from the contributions. Mr. Carpenter's final report and statement of appreciation follows: "The people of North Wilkesboro are to be commended for their loyalty in this very worthy cause. Your contributions are not only appreciated by the Lions Club but also by the almost 100 children who have been benefited by the fund. "The Lions Club wishes to thank everyone for their fine support and we feel sure that you appreciated an opportunity to help in this work. "Here is our final report. All jars have been picked up from business houses. Amounts in these jars were very gratifying. A fine donation was made through the jars left with the City Barber Shop, the amount being \$4.20 and topped the list. Thanks to these fine boys for their fine spirit of cooperation. Received from all jars \$ 23.36 From All Other Sources 33.65 Previously Reported 102.81 "Our chairman of this fund, Lion Harry Pearson, has done a good job and the club wishes the public to know that they are real proud of such a loyal Lion. "Again we say thank you, and wish you all a very prosperous 1939."

Man Found Dead Tuesday Night

Coroner Says John Stanley Died From Natural Causes and No Inquest Is Held

Coroner I. M. Myers was called Tuesday night to investigate the death of John Stanley, a citizen of Union township whose dead body was found on the road near the home of Monroe Whittington about ten o'clock. He had been to the home of a neighbor on a business errand involving a livestock train, members of his family said. The coroner said that death was due to natural causes, probably a heart attack, and no inquest was held.