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Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

FOUR DIE IN CRASH

Miles City, Mont., Jan. 13.—L. H. Bivens, manager of the Miles City Airport, said a Northwest Airlines passenger plane, westward, fell in flames near here tonight, carrying four persons to death.

SENTENCED TO DIE

Charlotte, Jan. 13.—Toy Day, a negro, was convicted of first-degree murder today in the fatal shooting of Edgar H. McQuay, a white man, here December 21. McQuay was shot when, before dawn, he went to his chicken house to apprehend a chicken thief.

APPROVE SALES TAX

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Moving rapidly toward completion of its preliminary study of the revenue bill, the finance committee today tentatively adopted sales tax, use tax and beverage tax articles. Previously the committee had tentatively approved inheritance, license, income, and franchise articles, leaving only intangible and gift tax articles to be studied next week.

ASKING MORE MONEY

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Six state administrative offices asked the joint appropriations committee of the General Assembly today to increase their biennial appropriations a total of \$90,420 though four other agencies expressed satisfaction with their proposed funds. Included among the six was the state planning board, which would receive no appropriation under the recommendation of the advisory budget commission. This agency asked \$15,000 annually during the next biennium to continue its work.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

A virtual deadlock developed Friday between the world's democracies and totalitarian states, with a "don't fight for a year" admonition from Hitler to Mussolini the only cheering event in international affairs. Great Britain, France and the United States were in both general and individual opposition to Germany, Italy and Japan on a variety of subjects. Despite the slight optimism raised by Hitler's words, there was a consciousness among statesmen that they were only putting off the evil day.

BAILEY SPEAKS

Washington, Jan. 13.—Senator Josiah W. Bailey of North Carolina, demanded today divorcing of politics and relief. Bailey, presiding over the Senate commerce committee's hearing on appointment of Harry Hopkins as secretary of commerce, said, "We know from our personal knowledge and from the Sheppard committee report that there is politics in relief." President Roosevelt said he wanted no politics in relief, he added. "Mr. Hopkins said he tried to keep politics out. I am interested in divorcing politics and relief." Bailey said there were two political factions in the Democratic party in North Carolina. "Each one says the other has control of WPA," he declared. "In some counties they claim the Republicans have control."

Veteran Union Army Dies Here

John Franklin Pardue Succumbs at Age of 94; Funeral Tuesday

John Franklin Pardue, a veteran of the Union army in the War Between the States and one of the oldest residents of North Wilkesboro, died at 9:20 Sunday night at the home of a son, Robert Pardue.

He was born and reared in Wilkes county and was a member of a well known family. He was 94 years of age.

In the War Between the States he served in Company I, N. C. Mounted Infantry Volunteers.

He is survived by five children and a large number of descendants, including 46 grandchildren and 70 great-grandchildren. The children are: Charles and Robert Pardue, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Nancy Brown, of Booneville; Mrs. Fannie Pardue, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Minnie Soots, of Winston-Salem. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Della Chambers, of North Wilkesboro.

Funeral service will be held at Liberty Grove church Tuesday afternoon, two o'clock. Rev. Richard Pardue, of Elkin, will be in charge, assisted by Rev. J. S. Elliot and Rev. H. A. Ballis.

It's a mighty poor bird that will not fight to keep feathers in its own nest.

Expecting Steady Activity In Real Estate Business

Was Big Demand for Small Homes During Past Year; Little Price Change

Real estate dealers are looking forward to the year's business with considerable optimism and expect the present active trend to grow stronger during the year, it was learned from dealers here today.

During the past year there has been a brisk demand and resultant trading in small homes, particularly small acreage tracts and homes on or within easy reach of the principal highway leading out of North Wilkesboro for a distance of about eight miles.

It is expected that 1939 will witness a continuation of this trend and also an increase in real estate business involving the better type homes which require more substantial investments.

While little trading took place on real estate in the Wilkesboro during the past year, many good, new homes were constructed, adding much to the aggregate value of the town.

In the rural sections construction of new homes along the highways was a continuous procedure throughout the year, reaching greater volume toward the end of the year when business conditions had shown marked improvement over low levels of the early months.

With many homes yet needed to adequately house a growing population, it is expected that 1939 will be a banner year in home construction, which will show its effect in real estate business with greater activity.

However, present indications do not warrant hope for any big increase in price average of real estate, dealers agree, but it is expected that the increase in trading will naturally result in moderate price advances.

School Kitchen Equipment 27th

Extension Specialist Will Tell About Making Home Built Equipment

On Friday, January 27, 7:30 p. m., a school on the subject of "Home Built Kitchen Equipment" will be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro. Miss Harriet McGoogan, Wilkes county home demonstration agent, announced today.

The meeting will be open to all club women in the county and their husbands—particularly the women who have had their kitchens scored for improvement.

"Women who are working toward more convenient kitchens in their homes must have the full cooperation of the entire family if they are to carry out their plans. For this reason this school was scheduled at night so that it might be possible for the husbands of the club women to attend," Miss McGoogan said.

Miss Pauline E. Gordon, extension specialist in home management and house furnishings, will conduct the school and give practical instructions in and directions for the construction of such pieces of equipment as built-in kitchen cabinets, covered garbage containers on wheels, wood boxes on wheels, flour bins and other pieces of equipment which contribute toward a more efficient kitchen.

In addition, Miss Gordon will show a series of slides on "Better Kitchens." This meeting will be most beneficial to any home maker, the announcement said.

Pardue Child Dies

Funeral service was held Saturday at Welcome Home church for James Trent Pardue, age 16 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pardue, of this city. He died Thursday.

O'Neal Child Dead

James Ernest O'Neal, infant son of J. B. and Lola McCelain O'Neal, of near this city, died Thursday. Burial rites were held at Mountain Park cemetery in Wilkesboro.

Aviation Industry Spurred by College Training



The announcement by President Roosevelt recently of the completion of plans for the training of 20,000 college students annually as civilian pilots, with a consequent increase in the nation's air force, has proved exciting to aircraft manufacturers. Above is a view inside the North American Aviation, Inc., plant near Inglewood, Calif. The basic combat and 0-47 observation assembly lines are seen, with 0-47 wings visible in the foreground.

Deputy Absolved Of Negro's Death

Coroner's Jury Says Shot Which Killed Colored Man Was Accidental

A coroner's jury here Thursday afternoon held that Deputy Sheriff Nathe Tharpe was not to face any charge for the death of Harvey Hague, 20-year-old negro who died in a hospital at Elkin early Thursday morning from a bullet wound received during a raid on a still in New Castle township at which Hague was said to have been working when officers approached.

The jury held that the shot was accidental.

Tharpe, who was accompanied on the still raid by Deputies R. C. Jennings and R. L. Spencer, said that when they went into the still the operators had let out the steam and it was impossible to see any distance whatever. He slipped and fell and when he fell, he said, his gun accidentally discharged.

Neither of the officers knew that the bullet had found its mark in a human body or knew that the negro was on the ground, according to the testimony, and they knew nothing of the negro being hit until they heard a slight noise and proceeded to investigate. They found the negro lying on his face about 75 yards from the place where the deputy had fallen and where his gun had discharged.

A white man by the name of Pardue was arrested during the raid of the still and was released under bond.

Local Youth Is Now Recovering

Jack Seckler Returned to His Home Apparently On Road to Recovery

Jack Seckler, local youth who failed in a suicide attempt two weeks ago, is apparently on the road to recovery and has returned to his home from the Wilkes hospital, where he was a patient following the self-inflicted injury.

He fired a bullet from a 25-calibre gun into his forehead and the bullet penetrated his skull and lodged against the covering of his brain. The bullet was removed in an operation at the hospital.

3-Act Comedy At Wilkesboro School

A three-act comedy, "Here Comes Charlie," will be given in the Wilkesboro school auditorium next Thursday evening, Jan. 19. The cast is composed of the following persons: Misses Cynthia Prevette, Margaret Faw, Lucile Scroggs, Ruby Martin, Helen Blevins and Messrs. Caldwell, Vaughn Jennings, John Henry Johnson, Hadley Hayes and Warner Miller, Jr. The play is directed by Misses Lillian Stafford and Helen Bestick. Admission for adults is 25 cents; for juniors, 10 cents.

Worm-catching is just as essential to the real existence of a bird as "note-warbling."

Steelman Resigns As Deputy Sheriff

W. C. Steelman, whose home is near this city, today announced his resignation as a deputy sheriff of Wilkes county. He stated that he was giving up the work because of other duties and not because of any friction or ill will toward anyone.

Emergency Relief Bill Put Through

Washington, Jan. 13.—The House, rebelling against President Roosevelt's spending policies, passed tonight a \$725,000,000 emergency relief appropriation—\$150,000,000 less than recommended by the Chief Executive.

Speaker Bankhead announced that the vote was 397 to 16.

Republicans, their ranks augmented by the November election, voted with conservative Democrats in an effective coalition to slash the fund before the final vote was reached. The vote on the slash was 226 to 137.

Restrictions Inserted

The chamber inserted restrictions aimed at the elimination of politics from relief, and contrary to the wishes of the administration, it adopted an amendment to provide that pay rates for similar work should not vary by more than 25 per cent. throughout the country. Southern Democrats were solidly behind the amendment.

The day's developments brought partial fulfillment of predictions made by political observers since the elections of last fall, that the session would see the emergency of a coalition of conservatives of both parties sufficiently numerous to balk the President on many points of his program.

The issue of appropriating \$725,000,000 instead of \$875,000,000 was presented under parliamentary circumstances which prevented a roll call vote on the size of the appropriation.

This fact was a source of deep disappointments to many members who support the President's estimates. Some of them, notably Representative Cannon (D), Mo., who led the movement for the larger appropriation, charged that unusual procedure had been invoked to keep some members from "being put on the spot" on the issue.

Bank Stockholders Will Meet Thursday

Stockholders of the Bank of North Wilkesboro will gather in annual meeting at the bank on Thursday morning, January 19, ten o'clock.

The stockholders will hear a report of the past year's business and elect directors for the ensuing year. The directors will meet following the stockholders meeting and elect officers of the bank.

The bank has enjoyed a very good year and is looking forward to a continuation of the business upturn throughout the year.

What's the use in having eyes that won't look and ears that won't listen?

One frequently hears a married man say: "I just haven't time to love."

Cage Tourney At Ronda Hi School

More Than 30 Schools Invited to Be Represented in Basketball Meet

The second invitational basketball tournament will be held at Ronda high school gymnasium, beginning Monday, January 23, E. R. Spruill, school superintendent, said today.

The tournament will be larger and greatly improved over last year in that more than 30 schools have been invited to enter their boys and girls teams. Many entries have already been received and much interest has been shown.

Beautiful trophies have been secured for boys and girls winners and also for the teams finishing in the runner-up positions. The trophies are now on display at Pardue Cafe in Ronda. Mr. Spruill said.

Much work has been accomplished in the gymnasium for the comfort of both players and spectators. New lights have been placed over the court and more space has been arranged for spectators.

The school extends an invitation to all basketball fans to attend and enjoy some real basketball entertainment.

Fruit Growers To Meet On Saturday

Niswonger and VanDeman Will Speak; Motion Pictures to Be Shown

All fruit growers are invited to the annual meeting of the Brushy Mountain Fruit Growers association to be held at the apple research laboratory at Kilby's Gap on highway 16 Saturday, January 21, two p. m.

The program will open by a discussion led by H. R. Niswonger, extension horticulture specialist, on the subject of "Review of Fruit Growing in 1938 and the Outlook for 1939."

He will be followed by Carl E. VanDeman, specialist in charge of the research laboratory, who will tell about the research program for 1939. A. J. Haynes, of the Farmers' Cooperative Exchange, will discuss buying spray materials for 1939.

Another feature of the program will be a moving picture of apple growing in Senator Byrd's orchard in Virginia.

Fiddlers Convention At Mountain View

One of the outstanding programs of Mountain View school will be this year at the Old Time Fiddlers Convention in the auditorium Saturday, January 21, at 7:30 p. m. Every musician in a hundred miles has been invited to compete for the fine prizes. There's a contest for almost every kind and quality of instrument, and one of the widest varieties of talent ever assembled in Wilkes County is expected. Everyone is assured of a big evening of music and fun. Proceeds will be used for school improvement.

Farmers Of Wilkes May Get \$90,000

Estimated Amount Due the Farmers 1938 Soil Program

Record Number of Farmers Have Qualified For the Government Checks

THOUSANDS TAKE PART In Program For the Year; Checks Will Arrive in the Early Spring

Farmers of Wilkes county may receive approximately \$90,000 for compliance with provisions of the soil conservation act in 1938, unofficial estimates in the office of the county agent reveal.

With a work sheet filled out for every farm in the county, numbering more than 5,000, estimates revealed that about two-thirds of the farmers has carried out at least a part of the practices for which payments are made by the government, including diversion of land from production of cash crops to soil conserving and soil improving crops, and other practices which have as their chief purpose the conservation of the soil.

Practices in accordance with provisions of the act were carried out on about 3,500 farms, compliance checking revealed, and this number is far in excess of the number of participants during any previous year.

Early in 1938 a drive was made by the county agent's office to get every farm in the county under a work sheet and the various workers engaged in the task met with excellent success in their undertaking.

Meetings were held throughout the county and efforts were made to tell every farmer what he could do in order to reach the goal, which is the maximum payment for his farm. Many farmers carried out all practices for which they could hope to receive payment, while others fell short of the goal but will receive payment for the practices carried out.

The work in the county agent's office in checking compliance and the clerical work each farm entails amounts to an enormous task and a 12-month job for several people.

However, applications for payment is now the task before the workers and they will be cleared as soon as possible.

Checks for compliance with provisions of the 1938 soil conservation program are expected to arrive in early spring, in time for financing spring planting in the county.

Duncan Director Of Salisbury Bank

Edwin Duncan, executive vice president of the Northwestern Bank, was elected a director of the First National Bank at Salisbury in a recent meeting of the stockholders.

However, the selection of Mr. Duncan as a member of the board of the large Salisbury bank will not affect his position with the Northwestern Bank, which has home office here and branches in seven other northwestern North Carolina towns.

Singers Will Meet At Moravian Falls

Next Session of Southside Singing Association Will Be On January 29

Next convention of the Southside Singing Association will be held at Moravian Falls Baptist church on Sunday, January 29, it was announced today.

The day's program will begin at ten o'clock and those attending are asked to carry along lunch and spend the day together.

The church and community joins with the association in inviting all singing classes, quartets and others who render gospel music to be present and take part in the day's program.

Certainly, the man who knows things just has to "nose" in to get them.

NEW TYPE RAINCOAT



Though snow blankets much of the country, raincoats are still a necessity in other sections. Even the dog is equipped with a rain-proof coat made of kerosene, a new non-deteriorating substance developed in Akron.

Federation Home Clubs Will Meet

Carving Demonstration To Be Held in Connection With Meeting Friday

A meat canning demonstration will be a part of the day's program for the meeting of the Wilkes county federation of home demonstration clubs to be held at the Community House in Wilkesboro on Friday, January 20; Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonstration agent, announced today.

The meeting will open at ten o'clock, at which time Mrs. Charlie Cloaninger, of the Ball Canning company, Muncie, Indiana, will conduct the meat canning demonstration.

The meeting will adjourn for lunch at 12:30 and at 1:45 p. m. Mrs. C. F. Bretholt will preside at the meeting of the federation. Following the business session Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, of State College, will discuss "Possibilities and Problems Involved in a Home Demonstration Curb Market." The meeting will adjourn at 3:45.

It is urged that all home demonstration club women in the county, particularly the canning project leaders, attend the demonstration in the morning. In the afternoon all the officers of local clubs, all project leaders and all club women who are interested in the establishment of a curb market are urged to attend. This promises to be one of the most important days in club work in the county this year. Miss McGoogan said.

Lions Will Begin Play On Tuesday

To Play Taylorsville Here; Ronda There Thursday; Greensboro Friday

The Mountain Lions of North Wilkesboro high school will begin a 14-game basketball schedule here on Tuesday night when they play a fast quint from Taylorsville, Coach Bernard Lillen said today.

Schedule for the remainder of the week will find the Lions playing Ronda there on Thursday and Greensboro B team here on Friday.

Coach Lillen said that the squad of 11 boys is rapidly getting into shape but may suffer during the first few games because of lack of experience. By mid-season the team should be able to hold its own against the best teams in this section of the state.

The boys on the squad are Harrison, H. Steelman, Kenery, Coffey, William and McCoy, forwards; Hudson and West, centers; Hatwood, Craven, Crook and Campbell, guards.

One wonders if a bottle-fed Billy goat would be any less "goaty" than if he nursed at his own mother's "breast."