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DOUGHTON BETTER
Washington, Feb. 17.—Representative Robert L. Doughton, dean of the North Carolina congressional delegation and chairman of the house ways and means committee, was reported resting comfortably tonight at Naval hospital here where he is suffering from bronchitis.

MADMAN SHOOT'S GUARD
Rome, Feb. 17.—A madman identified as Bruno Simoni, 38, shot a member of Premier Benito Mussolini's bodyguard when he was intercepted in front of Il Duce's home a few minutes before the premier was scheduled to leave for his office last Tuesday.

YADKIN BILLS PASS
Raleigh, Feb. 17.—Passed by the house and sent to the senate today were two bills vitally affecting the governmental organization of Yadkin county.

NO ADDITIONAL TAXES
Aboard Roosevelt Train En Route to Key West, Fla., Feb. 17.—President Roosevelt assured business and industry today they had nothing to fear in the way of new and heavier taxes or federal spending outside budgetary limits.

BUDGET IN RED
Raleigh, Feb. 17.—A joint subcommittee from the finance and appropriations committee burned the midnight oil tonight in hopes of finding new or increased taxes that will balance a budget approximately \$1,830,000 in the red.

APPEALS TEST CASE
Winston-Salem, Feb. 17.—The final step toward getting his case to the validity of the state's 3 per cent sales tax before the supreme court of North Carolina was taken here today by J. Paul Leonard, of Statesville.

Shotgun Rips Off Robber's Pocketbook
Asheboro, Feb. 16.—A watchman's shotgun blast failed to halt a marauder surprised stealing coal but the charge tore a wallet from the thief's hip pocket.



"It's a scream," says Jimmy, St. Louis zoo chimpanzee, of the comic strip he has just finished reading.

Guy Lyon Dies Sunday Night

Widely Known Electrician and Electrical Dealer Is Taken By Death
Guy Lyon, who for five years owned and operated an electrical store in Wilkesboro and was engaged in contract wiring, died Sunday evening, seven o'clock, at his home in Wilkesboro.

He was born and reared in Alleghany county, a son of Austin Lyon and the late Mrs. Lyon, of Cherry Lane. He took an electrical course and graduated from Coyne Electrical school in Chicago. In 1933 he established the Lyon Electric company in Wilkesboro, which he operated successfully until his health failed and he entered a sanatorium for treatment.

Federal Income Tax Man Is Here

J. S. Atkinson, deputy collector of internal revenue for the United States, will be in this city today and tomorrow, February 20 and 21, for the purpose of assisting taxpayers with their federal income tax returns.

Howie Succeeds O'Dell In Wilkes

H. B. Howie, formerly of Monroe county, has succeeded G. S. O'Dell as Wilkes county sanitarian. Mr. O'Dell has assumed a similar position with the Lenoir county health department at Kinross.

He will continue the work begun by Mr. O'Dell and has already been engaged in regular inspection of cafes and other eating establishments. He was assisted in inspection of Cafes Friday and Saturday by M. M. Melvin, district sanitarian under the state board of health.

Cargo Liquor Is Turned Over to Commissioners

Phillip Yates Fined \$50 and Costs in Three Cases; Benton Discharged

By authority vested in a recent act of the legislature, Mayor R. T. McNeil in city court this afternoon ordered that a load of tax-paid liquor seized in this city several days ago be turned over to the Wilkes county board of commissioners.

The load, consisting of 130 cases, was on Phillip Yates' truck and in his possession when it was captured as it entered North Wilkesboro over Highway 18 from the north. Yates, the driver, and his companion, Branson Benton, also of Purlair, were arrested by Chief of Police J. E. Walker and Highway Patrolman Carlyle Ingle.

Yates was given a sentence of six months suspended on payment of a \$50 fine in one count and judgment was suspended on payment of the cost in the two other counts. A recent act of the legislature provides that seized tax paid liquor from dry counties be turned over to the county commissioners, who have the power to sell the liquor to an ABC store and the proceeds to go into the county general fund.

Demonstrations Well Attended

Rural Residents Show Much Interest in the Uses of Electric Current

Electrical demonstrations held in two rural communities last week were largely attended and much interest was shown, Dan Holler, Wilkes county agent, reported today.

The first of the two demonstrations was held at Virgil Church's store about 20 miles west of this city on highway 421 on Wednesday night with 65 persons in attendance. They were residents along eight miles of Highway 421 where the Duke Power company will soon construct a line.

D. E. Jones, rural electrification representative of the extension service, talked about farm wiring, telling how the wiring should be done in order that electricity may furnish a maximum of service and convenience to farm homes. L. L. Ray, electrical engineer of the Duke Power company, gave demonstrations with electric brooders and other appliances of special benefit to rural homes and farms, including feed mills, hotbeds and insecticides.

The second demonstration was held on Thursday night at Trap-hill, about 20 miles northeast of this city, where electric lines were constructed more than a year ago. Jones talked about the cost and value of electric current and Ray gave demonstrations with appliances. Fifty were present for the meeting.

Native Of Wilkes It Writing Book

A letter from Lawrence D. Washington, 80-year-old former resident of Wilkes now making his home in Houston, Texas, to The Journal-Patriot states that he has just completed writing a book entitled "Confessions of A Schoolmaster."

It is of particular interest to note that the scene of the new book is laid in the Brush Mountains of Wilkes county and readers may be able to recognize in the book's characters similarities to people they have known in that section of the county and it should prove intensely interesting to many residents of the county.

Facsimile Newspapers Transmitted by Radio



The world's first regular broadcast of specially prepared facsimile newspapers was inaugurated in St. Louis recently by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Latest news events were recorded on 15 receiving sets placed in the homes of members of the station's staff.

Would Empower Commissioners To Set Up Court

Senator Cowles Says Such Bill Would Be Solution to Court Proposal

Senator C. H. Cowles, who represents Wilkes, Yadkin and Davie counties in the upper house of the general assembly, was quoted by a reporter in Raleigh Friday as saying that he would have no objection to introducing a recorder's court bill for Wilkes which he approves.

Senator Cowles was also quoted as saying that various factions and individuals in Wilkes are at odds over the proposal to establish a recorder's court. He said that a possible solution would be to put through a bill authorizing the county commissioners to set up a recorder's court. A similar act was passed for Yadkin county.

World Day Of Prayer Friday

A Special "Call to Prayer" Union Service Will Be Held By Churches Here

"A Call to Prayer." All are invited to join in a fellowship of prayer the world around on the World Day of Prayer on Friday, February 24, at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church. The service, which begins promptly at two o'clock and will last for something over an hour, is being sponsored by the Missionary Societies of the Methodist, Presbyterian, and First Baptist churches, of this city, with the three pastors, Rev. A. L. Aycock, Rev. Eugene Olive, and Rev. Watt M. Cooper, assisting.

"Let Us Put Our Love Into Deeds, and Make It Real" will be the theme of the service which has been translated into scores of languages. A cordial invitation is extended to all the suburban churches of the city and county to attend, including the churches of Wilkesboro, Millers Creek, and other nearby communities.

"On that day from New Zealand around to St. Lawrence Island off Alaska the sun will look down on thousands of women in many countries, praying. In cathedrals, in city and country churches, in villages, in rural places, in quiet homes, on lonely farms, in schools, and colleges around the world—in some synagogues—women are offering up their prayers to one who knows them all and who cares for each one. Will you be one among this number?"

An offering will be taken and, "For a number of years the offerings from the interdenominational World Day of Prayer services have helped in large measure in the development of the four interdenominational missionary projects—Women's Union Christian Colleges in the Orient, Directors of Religious Work in United States Indian Schools, Christian Literature for use in mission areas and the Christian Service in Migrant Labor Camps in the United States," announcement of the occasion said.

Applications May Be Made Now For T. V. A. Phosphate

Farmers of Wilkes county may now make application for T. V. A. 43 per cent phosphate, Dan Holler, farm agent, said today. The phosphate is available to those who take part in the soil conservation program and payment for the phosphate is deducted from the earnings under the soil program for 1939, it was explained.

Capacity Crowd Amateur Show

Four Winners Are Selected to Take Part On Radio Program Soon

One of the largest crowds to witness a program in years was present at the North Wilkesboro high school Thursday night for the "Young America" show. The large crowd which jammed every foot of standing room frequently applauded the young aspirants and they competed for the prizes and the chance to go to Charlotte to take part in the broadcast of "Young America" programs over radio station WBT. The four winners selected were: Anne Wells, tap dancing; Hilton Johnson, song; Ruby Wanda Pardue, song and tap dance on skates; Betty Gwyn Finley, song and dance.

A total of 30 numbers were rendered by the many contestants in the performance, which was sponsored by the junior class of the high school.

Kiwanians Hear A Fine Program

Members of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club were treated to a highly entertaining program Friday noon when the glee club of Lincoln Heights colored school rendered seven spiritual and popular numbers.

The students, who were presented by J. R. Edelin, their principal, showed evidence of splendid training. Prof. Edelin told of progress of school activities at Lincoln Heights, pointing out that the school is now busily engaged in raising money to be used for the construction of a gymnasium. The program Friday was in charge of Postmaster J. C. Reins.

One new member, Henry Langdon, was received into the club Friday and the membership button was presented by J. B. McCoy. Frank Buck, of Salisbury, was a visiting Kiwanian. H. W. Boone and A. E. Douglas, of Winston-Salem, were guests of E. G. Finley; C. E. Tharpe, of Ronda, was a guest of R. G. Finley; Walter Horton was a guest of Genio Cardwell; and Robert Morehouse was a guest of his father, H. H. Morehouse.

Mrs. A. R. Gray's Mother Succumbs

Mrs. A. R. Gray was called to Wilmington, Va., Thursday on account of the death of her mother, Mrs. R. S. Campbell. Funeral service was held there Friday.

Officers Get Three Men at a Big Still

Successful Raid Is Made By Federal Men In Eastern Wilkes on Saturday

Federal alcohol tax investigators working late into the night raided a large illicit still and captured three men Saturday night in New Castle township.

Cooper Pardue, David M. Hamby and Robert Mathis, residents of the eastern part of Wilkes, were arrested and were given a preliminary hearing about midnight before U. S. Commissioner J. W. Dula in Wilkesboro. They filled bonds for appearance at the May term of federal court in Wilkesboro.

Officers taking part in the raid on the still, one of the largest found in recent months, were Roy Reece, C. S. Felts, N. B. Bailey, G. W. Mallard, L. J. White and Leon Poore.

Exciting Games Are Played Here

North Wilkesboro Defeats Wilkesboro In Last 30 Seconds of Play

North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro high school basketball teams will renew their rivalry here on Friday night.

The Mountain Lions of North Wilkesboro will try hard to add another victory over their rivals from south of the Yadkin. The game Friday night resulting in a 22-21 victory for the Lions in a story book finish. The Wilkesboro Ramblers will try hard to avenge this defeat.

The game Friday night was full of excitement and at no time was either team more than two goals ahead. Wilkesboro was resting on a one-point lead when a long field goal changed the victory to the Lions with only 30 seconds of playing time remaining.

Wilkesboro girls played an unusually good game to defeat Kings Creek Friday night 25 to 22 in a game which equalled the boys' contest for excitement.

Collect Taxes For Year 1936

County Accountant Mails Letters to Those Who Owe Back Taxes

The county attorney will soon begin foreclosure proceedings to collect unpaid county taxes for the year 1936. C. G. Poindexter, Wilkes county accountant, says in a letter mailed to tax delinquents for that year.

The accountant's office is having good response to the letters, which are being mailed to all who failed to pay their county taxes in 1936. Replies and inquiries are received in answer to many of the letters and several have responded with prompt settlement for the past due tax. Mr. Poindexter said.

Eight Homicide Cases on Docket Of Wilkes Court

But Only Two of Cases Originated Since Last Criminal Term In August

Eight homicide cases are on the docket for the Wilkes county term of superior court to convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, March 6. It was learned today by examination of the docket being prepared by Clerk of Court C. E. Hayes.

However, only two of the cases are for offenses which were alleged to have taken place since the regular August term of criminal court in 1938. The others were continued from the August and previous terms. The two new homicide cases are unusual in that the defendants are both named Pierce and that the men they were alleged to have killed were named Minton. The alleged crimes were committed about one mile apart, on highway 421 west of this city.

Gwyn Pierce faces a murder charge for the killing of Rob Minton two miles west of this city last fall. He is said to have cut Minton's head open with an axe. Cecil Pierce, resident of the Reddies River section, is alleged to have shot Carl Minton, local youth, about one mile west of this city a few months ago. Minton died several days later from loss of blood.

In the old cases pending action Oscar Owens is to face judgment for the death of James Pennel, who was alleged to have been hit by a car driven by Owens, near Cricket, several years ago. Owens entered a plea of involuntary manslaughter in August, 1937, and prayer for judgment was continued. Later the solicitor had a capias served but the case was continued.

Cases against John Jones and Dell Richardson, charged with the death of Miss Wilhemina Triplett and Mrs. Hubert Carter in a bus-auto collision, remain on the docket. Jones was once convicted of manslaughter but the verdict was set aside and a mistrial ordered.

Conrad Bell, of near Roaring River, has never been tried on a charge of shooting and fatally wounding his father a few years ago.

The case against Buster Staley, who is alleged to have shot and killed a youth by the name of Watts, at a service station one mile east of Wilkesboro on highway 421 a few years ago, has never been tried and has been continued for several terms on account of the ill health of Staley, who is a sanatorium patient.

Harry C. Roark, who gave his address as Charlotte, is charged with being the driver of a car involved in a fatal accident near Oakwoods, where Mr. Estep and his son, residents of that community, met almost instant death.

A capital offense is charged against Otto Hampton, negro with a rapidly expanding crime record, who is alleged to have criminally assaulted a white woman in the Roaring River community.

All of the defendants in the homicide cases are under bond and it is not expected that a first degree verdict will be asked in any of the homicide cases. Judge Wilson Warlick, of Newton, will preside over the March term of court.

A total of 205 cases have been put on the docket. Included in this number are 25 case cases left over from former terms but not included are 20 on the Solpa docket.

Magistrate reports yet to be received are expected to add several more cases to the calendar.

Music Recital On Thursday, 4 P. M.

Miss Ellen Robinson will present her music pupils in recital on Thursday afternoon, four o'clock, in the North Wilkesboro school auditorium. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

Banks Will Be Closed On Wednesday, Feb. 29

Wednesday, Feb. 29, will be a national holiday in observance of the anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Both banks here and the post-office will be closed on that date.