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HIG VOLUME SMOKERS

Washington, April 2.—The census bureau reported tonight cigarettes constituted almost one-half the \$1,284,797,086 total value of products turned out by North Carolina's industrial establishments in 1937. The report said 10 establishments produced cigarettes valued at \$226,915,098, and paid \$14,536,210, to 16,421 wage earners. During the year the state had 2,896 manufacturing establishments, including printing and publishing plants, which paid \$189,265,474 in wages to 258,771 workers. The 1935 figures were: 2,599 establishments, \$148,922,367 total wages, 227,100 workers, \$1,103,910,930 total value of products.

TAX REVENUE UP

Raleigh, March 31.—Income tax collections, although less than in March, 1938, already have risen \$481,569 above original estimates for this fiscal year. Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell said today. In his monthly fiscal report, Maxwell said returns from the levy for nine months had totaled \$9,256,569.97. The original estimate for the full year had been \$8,775,000. Collections in March were \$7,311,821.30, compared with \$8,476,101.53 in March, 1938. At the end of the first nine months of last fiscal year, \$16,506,377.40 had been collected.

JAPS TAKE ISLAND

Tokyo, March 31.—Japan announced today that she had assumed jurisdiction over the Spratly Island, 247 acres of coral reef strategically situated in the South China sea and claimed by France in 1933. The group of islands, important principally as a possible base for seaplanes and submarines, lie equidistant—about 350 miles—from the Philippines on the northeast, British North Borneo on the east, and French Indo-China, on the west. They are about 600 miles from the great British naval base at Singapore. Stating the islands previously had been ownerless, the foreign office announced it had assumed jurisdiction over them for "the protection and regulation of lives, property and enterprises of Japanese nationals there."

SOON TO ADJOURN

Raleigh, April 2.—The general assembly will dispose of miscellaneous legislation tomorrow as tracks are cleared for sine die adjournment, expected at noon Tuesday. Both houses will meet tomorrow afternoon. The representatives will resume argument on a proposed constitutional amendment to raise the pay of assemblymen from \$600 to \$900 a session. Yesterday, the legislators authorized an increase for the commissioners of paroles, labor and agriculture. The senate probably will vote on a bill to permit commissioners of certain counties to refuse to license the "on premise" sale of fortified wine, and to prohibit the sale of beer and wine on Sundays. Tomorrow night the senate will hold its "love feast," a biennial occasion at which any unpleasant words uttered during the session usually are eaten. The house held its "feast" Friday night.

Crippled Seal Campaign Is On

The annual campaign to sell Easter seals for the benefit of crippled children is now in progress in North Wilkesboro and throughout the county. Sale of the seals is being handled through the schools with Paul S. Dragan herding the campaign in North Wilkesboro and C. B. Eller in the rural areas. The public is kindly asked to patronize the children who are selling the seals and thus aid in a most worthy cause. The money raised will be used to aid crippled children in Wilkes county, a fact which gives the appeal to purchase seals added impetus locally.

Mrs. T. R. Ashley Succumbs Today

Mrs. Annie L. Ashley, age 35, died at her home in the Pores Knob community this morning, 3:30 o'clock, following an illness of pneumonia. She was the wife of T. R. Ashley, well known resident of the community, and in addition to her husband is survived by four children. The funeral service will be held at Walnut Grove Baptist church Tuesday, 11 o'clock, with Rev. C. C. Holland in charge.

The speech is not the only faculty affected by dizziness—it sometimes gets as far up as the thinking faculty ought to be.

New Candidates For City Offices Filed

Ralph R. Reins Is Candidate For Mayor This City

Six New Candidates Have Filed For Commissioners For Primary Election

For the first time in several years contests for the mayor and commissioners of North Wilkesboro have developed.

In addition to the present mayor and board a new candidate for mayor and six candidates for the five places for commissioner have filed notice of candidacy with the county board of elections.

The new candidate for mayor is Ralph R. Reins and the six new candidates who have filed for commissioners for voting in the primary April 17 and the election May 2 are J. B. Carter, J. E. Caudill, W. K. Sturdivant, F. P. Blair, Jr., H. L. Moore, and Gordon Finley.

The statement of candidacy issued today and signed by Mr. Reins and the above named candidates for commissioners was as follows: "To the citizens and voters of North Wilkesboro: "After being selected at a mass meeting of a large number of the citizens of the town, we have filed our names with the election board as candidates for mayor and commissioners, for the primary to be held April 17, and the election to be held May 2. "After eight years of the present administration, during which time our water rents have doubled and the tax assessment two years ago doubled our taxes, we believe there should be a lowering of the cost of our city administration. We cannot lower our tax assessments but we believe we can lower our tax rate. "If elected as officers of your city we promise strict economy, more service at less cost and a square deal for everyone. "We urge that every eligible voter see that your name is on the town registration book, as this is a different book from the general election book, and go out and express your preference at the primary April 17."

Negro Children Render Program

Prof. Frank Parker, head of the North Wilkesboro colored schools, presented his glee club as the feature of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis program Friday noon. Twenty-three boys and girls composed the club, which rendered a group of songs and were highly complimented by the club. J. R. Hix was in charge of the program. In the meeting a good report of the directors meetings held on Thursday evening was given by President D. J. Carter. It was reported that the directors had recommended A. H. Casey and J. B. McCoy as delegates to the Kiwanis International convention to be held in Boston June 18-22. J. B. Carter and D. J. Carter were recommended as alternates. The recommendations of the directors were approved by the club. Jesse Giles was a guest of Pat Williams and Frank Buck was a guest of J. R. Hix at the meeting.

Violation Of Law To Take Up Signs Along Highways

Highway Patrolman Carlyle Ingle today called attention to the fact that it is a violation of the law to take up, damage or deface highway signs and that he has warrants for several people accused of taking up highway signs. There have been some instances of motorists who take up the signs and use them to prise up car wheels in lieu of a jack and the signs are left lying beside the road. He warned that all such persons will be prosecuted.

Stone Mountain Singing April 30

Next Session of Union Singing Association at Fairplains Church. Stone Mountain Union singing association will meet at Fairplains Baptist church on Sunday, April 30, J. A. Gilliam, chairman, announced today. The program will open at ten o'clock by songs by the home church choir, followed at 10:15 by devotional by the pastor, Rev. S. L. Blevins. Singing by all classes and quartets present will begin at 10:45 and continue through the morning and afternoon sessions. All singing classes, quartets and others who render gospel music have a cordial invitation to be present.

Conservation Project Begins

Ronda 4-H Club Members Will Plant Plots to Feed Wildlife This Year. On Friday seeds were distributed to 35 4-H club members at the Ronda Club, to start a project on Wildlife conservation. Small areas will be set aside on each farm where these seeds will be planted and protection will be furnished by the club members for all wildlife. This project is being sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club and the seed for the project is being donated by the club. Ronda 4-H club was chosen because many members live near the Thurmond Chatham game preserve, and it is hoped that these boys and girls will become interested in wildlife conservation and help preserve the wildlife of their community. Pat Williams, a member of the Kiwanis club, made a short talk to the 4-H club members before instructions for carrying out this project and the seeds were distributed.

Is Candidate



Ralph R. Reins, who has filed as a candidate for mayor of North Wilkesboro, along with six new candidates for commissioners.

Present Officers File for Offices In N. Wilkesboro

Mayor McNeil and All Present Commissioners File With Election Board

E. P. Inscore, chairman of the Wilkes county board of elections, said this afternoon that Mayor R. T. McNeil and all members of the city board of commissioners have filed notices of candidacy for re-election in the city election to be held May 2. The board is composed of S. V. Tomlinson, Ralph Duncan, T. S. Kenerly, H. M. Hutchens, and Dr. R. P. Casey. The two members of the school board whose terms of office expire this year, J. B. Williams and W. E. Jones, have also filed notice of candidacy with the election board.

UNION EVANGELISTIC SERVICES WILL BEGIN AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HERE ON SUNDAY

Dr. John R. Jester, of Greensville, South Carolina, is expected to arrive in North Wilkesboro Saturday, April 8, and will begin the leadership of evangelistic services for Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian congregations on Sunday morning following.

Dr. Jester was for thirteen years pastor of the First Baptist church of Winston-Salem, and is well known in North Wilkesboro where he was in a two weeks' meeting with the local First Baptist church more than three years ago. For the past few years he has devoted his entire time to evangelistic work throughout the South. His ministry has been attended by solid and constructive results wherever he has labored, and he has been invited to many places for return engagements.

Next Sunday morning—Easter—Dr. Jester will preach in the Methodist church while other congregations will hold their regular services. On the following Sunday he will preach in the Presbyterian church. Beginning Sunday night the union services will be held in the First Baptist church where services will be held thereafter morning and night daily. Pastors of all the churches, members of the choirs, ushers, and the entire congregations are expected to work together to make this a season of great religious awakening for the entire town and country round about.

All church meetings scheduled for this week are expected to devote a considerable part of the time to prayer and consecration in preparation for the special series of meetings. Meetings for special prayer will be held on Friday afternoon in the homes of Mrs. Edward Finley and Mrs. C. E. Jenkins; on Friday night in the homes of Mrs. Walter Newton and Mrs. Dick Cashion. An invitation is extended to all to attend at least one of these services. Afternoon meetings will be at 3:00 o'clock, and the evening meetings at 7:30. Plans are already made for a visitation program which will carry an invitation to the two weeks' meetings into every home both in North Wilkesboro and on the roads leading in every direction for several miles. The pastors of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches are urging heartiest cooperation of all the people to make this a time of spiritual uplift and blessing to everyone.

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Materials Advanced to Help Farmers Earn Maximum Government Payment

Childress Child Dies

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Baptist Pastors Meet Thursday

Conference Will Be Held at the New Hope Baptist Church Near Purlear. The Wilkes County Baptist Pastors' Conference will be held Thursday of this week from 10:00 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. with the New Hope church near Purlear.

Child, 6, Is Killed On Sunday Near Millers Creek

Evelyn Riggs, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Riggs, of Millers Creek, was almost instantly killed Sunday morning about 11 o'clock as she was walking along highway 421 near Friendship church on her way home from Sunday school. Coroner I. M. Myers empaneled a jury and held an inquest, finding that the car was driven by Mrs. Dovie Pierce and that the accident was unavoidable. Witnesses at the inquest said that Mrs. Pierce was driving toward North Wilkesboro and was meeting several children walking toward Millers Creek. She drove toward her left side of the highway, witnesses said, apparently to give the children plenty of room, when the Riggs child ran across the road after a piece of Sunday school literature which the wind had blown from her hand. She was hit by the car on the left side of the road and died within a few minutes after she was carried to the Wilkes hospital. The verdict signed by Coroner I. M. Myers and his jury composed of Guy Tubert, W. F. McNiel, H. D. Caudill, R. D. Hayes, Burl Hayes and Monroe Faw was as follows: "We, the undersigned jury have found according to the evidence, that Evelyn Riggs' death was caused by a car driven by Mrs. Dovie Pierce, which was unavoidable by driver."

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Lime, Phosphate, Winter Peas and Vetch Seed Offered This Year

"We are offering every encouragement to farmers to earn the maximum payment this year under the government soil program," County Agent Dan Holler said today in discussing the response of farmers to the government's offer to advance lime at \$2.40 per ton with the payment for the lime to be deducted from the government payment. By using the lime, which is being shipped here in open cars, the farmers will be able to seed their land to legumes and to lime the land. This enables them to earn almost twice as much in government payment and in many cases the additional earnings because of the use of the lime will equal the cost of the lime at \$2.40 per ton. With more than 15 cars already ordered, the county agent expressed the opinion that as many as forty cars may be ordered for Wilkes farmers during the year. He said that the use of this lime will increase the lime business here for years to come in that it will demonstrate that lime must be used on a greater part of the soil in Wilkes in order to grow grass and legumes successfully. Later the government will assist those who otherwise can not earn the maximum payment by advancing Austrian winter peas and vetch seed. Payment for the seed will be deducted from the earnings, relieving the farmer of the task of raising cash to carry on his soil building practices for the year. TVA 47 per cent phosphate is also available to those on the program this year, Mr. Holler said.

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Program of Land Use Inaugurated In Wilkes County

First Meetings Held In Various Townships Today; Others Planned

FAR REACHING PLANS

Efforts Will Be Made to Encourage and Help in the Proper Use of Land

Today the first meetings were held in Wilkes county inaugurating a land use program to be carried out through cooperation of all government agencies whose purpose it is to help the farmer. Wilkes was selected as one of 11 counties in the northwestern part of the state to get the land use program this year. The first meetings being held throughout the county are for the sole purpose of explaining to the people the objectives and purposes of the land use program—to encourage and assist in putting the various types of land to proper and profitable uses. The agencies cooperating in the program include the extension service, the Farm Security Administration, the soil conservation service and civilian conservation camps. Following the meetings the land within the county will be typed according to its adaptability for various uses and second meetings will be held at which recommendations will be made. The survey will also include the needs of various communities, including roads, schools, telephone lines, power lines, school bus routes, playgrounds, etc. The various agencies cooperating will use their influence and efforts toward securing such facilities as are lacking for proper community enterprises. Meetings were scheduled for today at Abshers, Traphill, Somers school, Benham, Mulberry school, Virgil Church's store, Concord school, New Hope church, Champion.

Now Has Record 12 Wins, One Split and One Loss Out of 15 Tries

For the 12th time out of 15 years of debating, Wilkesboro teams won both sides in the triangle debates and will again take part in the state-wide debates at Chapel Hill. Wilkesboro's teams this year are composed entirely of boys. The affirmative team won two to one over Mount Airy and the negative gained a unanimous decision over Elkin's affirmative Friday. Elkin's negative won over Mount Airy affirmative. The query this year is "Resolved: That the United States should establish an alliance with Great Britain." Wilkesboro's affirmative is composed of J. B. Brookshire and Baxter Davis. The negative team is Joel Bentley and Flake Steelman. In 15 years of debating Wilkesboro teams have won both sides 12 times, split twice and lost both sides only one time. North Wilkesboro debaters lost by close decisions to Dobson and Hanes high, the vote of the three judges in each debate being two to one. A man doesn't have to act as the tongue but only has to use his own tongue.

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