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Late News Of
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Told Briefly

AGAINST 3RD TERM

Washington, July 21.—James A. Farley, some of his best friends very confidently prophesying, is highly resolved to interpose vigorous and vocal objection to the third term movement inaugurated some weeks ago in behalf of President Roosevelt.

NEW PATROL GARB

Raleigh, July 21.—The division of purchase and contract today bought new, swanky uniforms for North Carolina's highway patrol—uniforms designed to distinguish the officers from bus drivers. In the past, an official of the division said, patrolmen sometimes were mistaken for bus drivers, and vice versa. This occasionally led to a situation which was embarrassing for the bus driver, the patrolman and the persons who did the mistaking.

NEED NEUTRALITY ACT

Hyde Park, N. Y., July 21.—President Roosevelt said today that from every capital in Europe there was evidence of preparations for an eventuality that was believed to be fairly close, asserting at the same time that business would suffer from Congress failure to act on neutrality legislation at this session. He added that it should be emphasized however, that there were no allegations of probabilities of trouble abroad, only statements of possibilities.

ACCIDENTS DECLINE

Raleigh, July 21.—The first half of 1939 brought 396 motor vehicle fatalities in this state and 3,055 injured, whereas the same period last year saw 383 highway deaths and 3,620 injuries. Director Ronald Hocutt of the highway safety division, in releasing the figures today, said that total accidents dropped from 3,718 through June last year to 3,346 from January, 1939, to June 1939. He said he was encouraged in the accident decrease and that "if this decrease can be continued, a decrease in fatalities is bound to follow."

HATCH BILL PASSED

Washington, July 21.—The Hatch bill barring federal employees from politics was indorsed finally by the senate today and sped to the White House after its author, Senator Hatch, Democrat, New Mexico, had pounded his desk and warned against what he called a movement to bury it in the "graveyard" of a conference committee. There was no word as to whether President Roosevelt would sign or veto it. After the senate first passed it weeks ago, Mr. Roosevelt criticized it as badly drafted. The house judiciary committee subsequently revamped it but its backers induced the house in a memorable struggle last night to restore what they termed its "teeth."

WANTS VOWS ANNULLED

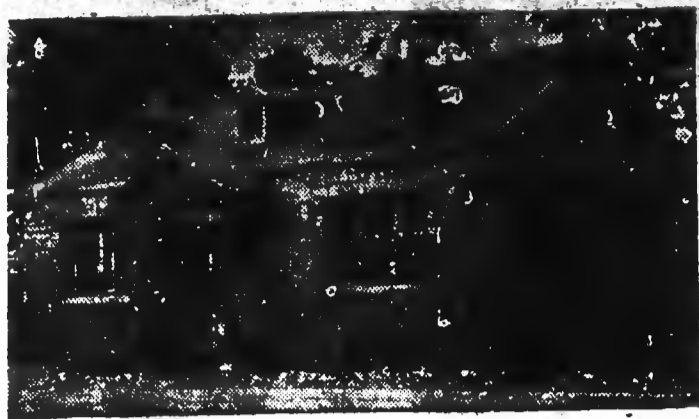
Manteo, July 21.—A hearing on a habeas corpus proceeding is slated to be held by Judge C. Everett Thompson in Elizabeth City Saturday morning at 10 o'clock to separate 14-year-old Alona Hughes Gard—a bride of 20 days—from her 17-year-old husband, Jehannie Alvin Hartley, Fisherman Alfred B. Gard, father of the girl, secured the order from Judge Q. K. Nimmocks Thursday for the return of the girl to her home, but she could not be found when Deputy Sheriff Ben Dixon McNeill sought to carry out the order. The couple married July 1 in Suffolk, and the father, in his petition for annulment of the ceremony, alleges the license was "wrongfully, unlawfully and fraudulently obtained," charges that the husband gave the girl's age as 21 and his age as 22 in order to secure the license to wed. In a case now pending in Dare county recorder's court, the youth charges Gard with beating the girl with a belt in an attempt to force her to leave him.

Death Row Hears 'And Angels Sing' By Torch Singer

Raleigh, July 20.—Prisoners on "death row" at state's prison seldom see visitors except ministers, relatives, newsmen, close friends and officials. Today Dorothy Long, attractive torch singer appearing here with a show, sang "And the Angels Sing" for the 16 men under sentence of death. It was evident how much the prisoners appreciated the unusual treat from the way they listened to catch every note.

Reading the ads gets you more for less money. Try it.

NEW COMMUNITY BUILDING



Here is pictured the new club house which was recently erected adjacent to Trogon memorial park as a WPA project with the North Wilkesboro Woman's club as sponsor. An open house tea was given on Friday afternoon and night and many called to see the new building.

Open House Friday In Observance Of Opening North Wilkesboro Woman's Club Community Bldg.; Many Attend

Everett Felts Died On Saturday

Everett Felts, 40, for many years an employe of P. E. Brown's lumber plant here, died Saturday at his home at McGrahy. Funeral service was held Sunday, two p. m., at Cain Creek church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Della Absher Felts, five children, parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Felts, six brothers and three sisters.

Placements Gain At NCSES Office During Past Year

Figures for Past Fiscal Year 556 Above Those For Previous Year

Placements by the North Wilkesboro branch of the state employment service for the fiscal year which ended June 30 showed a gain of 556 over the preceding year, figures released today by B. G. Gentry, manager, today showed.

During the past year the service placed a total of 3,677 on jobs as compared with 3,121 during the preceding year.

Of the 3,677, 2,178 were private placements and 1,499 were public.

Registrations during the year showed a gain of about 600 but during the last few months of the fiscal year placements exceeded new registrations.

Registrations in the year ended June 30, 1938, were 4,828 as compared with 4,227 during the previous year.

Registrations during the past year were highest in August, September, October and November while placements were highest in July and August.

Elliot Funeral Held On Sunday

Rev. J. S. Elliot Passes Wednesday Night, Well Known Resident Of Knottville

Funeral services were held Sunday at Liberty Grove church for Rev. J. S. Elliot, who died Wednesday evening 5:45 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Elliot, who was 66 years of age, was a well known Baptist minister and a prominent citizen of the Knottville community. In addition to his ministerial duties with many churches in Wilkes, he had always taken an active part in church and community affairs.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Dora Alexander Elliot, and four children, Mrs. C. E. Brown, Germantown; Mrs. J. C. Coogan, Crown Point, N. M.; Mrs. Harry Rothrock, Walnut Grove; John A. Elliott, Knoxville; four sisters and one brother, Mrs. Ida Hutchison and Mrs. Martin Vernon, Mayodan; Mrs. Bud Wilkins, Madison; Mrs. Lloyd Pardue and J. L. Elliott, Culbertson.

Many attended the funeral service in respect to the life of Rev. Mr. Elliot in his community and among friends and acquaintances in Wilkes and in other counties. Rev. A. B. Hayes conducted the last rites, assisted by Rev. H. A. Bullis.

People Of Wilkesboro Call To Inspect Club House At Trogon Park

By MISS MAMIE SOCKWELL

An important event in the history of the North Wilkesboro Woman's club was Friday when the members of the Senior and Junior clubs entertained at a charming tea to celebrate the opening of the new clubhouse, which has been recently completed as a WPA project. The hours of tea were from 4:30 to 6 in the afternoon, and from 7:30 to 10 in the evening, and during this time a large number of the citizens of the two Wilkesboros called to see the new building and to congratulate the club members upon their accomplishment.

The lot, upon which the building is located and donated to the club by Mrs. C. F. Sherrill, of Shelby, in memory of her brother, W. F. Trogon, a pioneer citizen of the town and often referred to as founder of North Wilkesboro, has been developed into a beautiful park by the club and is named the Trogon Memorial Park. Mrs. Sherrill and her daughter, Miss Ollie Sherrill, both of Shelby, and Mrs. Henry Reynolds, of Greensboro, a charter member of the club, were among the out of town visitors present for the celebration.

The spacious reception room, in which each end is a huge stone fireplace, was artistically decorated in gorgeous gladioli, with red and white being the predominating color. In the dining room the tea table was spread with a white lace cloth and centered with a lovely bowl of cut flowers.

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Uniforms Needed For Local Band

Many Ask Opportunity To Have Part In Promoting Organization Here

The North Wilkesboro Band which is sponsored by the local Lions club has become an organization of which the town of North Wilkesboro is justly proud.

The band was organized some five months ago under the sponsorship of the Lions Club and has grown from a very small group to a band containing around twenty members. Its first director was R. Gratz Cox who is succeeded by W. B. Greer. During these five months the band has been supported by the Lions.

In order that the band may be improved and made to have a better appearance in public the members have decided to put forth a great effort to get uniforms, new instruments, and new music. Many of the local merchants and citizens have asked that they be permitted to have a part in promoting this worthwhile endeavor by contributing funds with which the band may buy its necessary equipment.

This progressive interest in worthwhile activities is characteristic of the town of North Wilkesboro. Not only is a good band a good advertisement for a town but it stimulates an interest in and an appreciation of music among the younger boys and girls. A town—to be a real town—must have a real band.

Local Policeman Nabs Escapree On Saturday Morning

Seven-Year Convict Who Escaped From Kenansville Is Captured Here

A man who said his name is Jake King and further told police that he was an escaped convict was arrested early Saturday morning here.

Policeman Keller Eller made the arrest. King was seated in an automobile and was intoxicated when approached by the officer.

He talked readily, telling the policeman that his home was near Winston-Salem and that he escaped on July 10 from the prison camp at Kenansville, where he was serving a seven-year sentence for highway robbery, which he received in court at Winston-Salem.

Questioned later by Police Chief J. E. Walker, King said that he had stolen the car in which he was riding, a 1934 Ford coach, in Winston-Salem on Friday, July 14, and that on the same night had stolen license plates from a car in Yadkinville.

Continuing to tell of his exploits, he said that he had broken into a store in the Hoaring River community of Wilkes, where he took the men's clothing, cigarettes, automobile tools and a few dollars in small change which were found in the car.

Police Chief J. E. Walker on Saturday checked King's story and found it remarkably in accord with the facts and with but few variations.

Winston-Salem officers came here on Saturday afternoon and carried him back there to answer further charges.

Officers there learned that his real name was Claude Edward King but that he was familiarly known as Jake.

King admitted under further questioning that he had broken into two stores in Yadkin and a like number in Wilkes.

It was intimated that King will be tried in Winston-Salem on the charge of stealing an automobile and may later face the charges of breaking into the stores, all in addition to the more than four years awaiting him on his former sentence.

Mrs. A. A. Finley Died Here Sunday

Was Member Widely Prominent Family; Funeral At Home Tuesday Morning

Mrs. Arthur A. Finley, a member of one of North Wilkesboro's most prominent and best known families, died at her home on E street Sunday afternoon, 4:30 o'clock, following an extended illness.

Funeral service will be held at the home on Tuesday morning, 10:30 o'clock, with Rev. W. M. Cooper, pastor of the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church, in charge. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery.

She was the widow of Arthur A. Finley, pioneer manufacturer, business leader and North Wilkesboro's first mayor, who died about a year ago.

Surviving are four children, A. Gordon Finley, who is a member of the North Wilkesboro board of commissioners, Arthur C. Finley, Misses Grace and Lucy Finley, all of North Wilkesboro. Also surviving are three grandchildren, Katherine, Mary Elmore and Gordon, Jr., Finley and two sisters, Mrs. J. R. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. J. A. Link, of Coronado, Florida.

She was born on August 7, 1866, a daughter of the late John A. and Lucy Martin Cameron, of Summerville, Hartnett county. In 1890 she was married to Mr. Finley.

Until her health failed several years ago she took an active part in church and civic affairs and always was interested in movements to promote the welfare of the town and community.

At the funeral service Tuesday morning pall bearers will be nephews and flowers will be carried by nieces and intimate friends.

In growing potatoes, Belgium averages more than 300 bushels to the acre; Holland, 280 bushels; Germany, more than 200 bushels; Russia, 113 bushels; and the United States, 113 bushels.

979 Gallons Liquor Poured In Gutter



Here is pictured part of 979 gallons of liquor which Sheriff C. T. Doughton and deputies poured into the gutter on the street between the courthouse and jail in Wilkesboro Thursday. The liquor was an accumulation from seizures by the sheriff and deputies during the past several weeks. The liquor was in 31 five-gallon cans and 140 cases of fruit jars. The jars were emptied and turned over to the welfare department for distribution to needy families. Officers in the picture left to right are: Homer Brookshire, deputy and game protector, Deputy Oscar Felts, Sheriff Doughton, Deputy and Jailor R. C. Jennings. —Photo by courtesy Winston-Salem Journal.

Fines In Conspiracy Cases Total Near \$14,000; Penitentiary and Reformatory Sentences Amount To 348 Months

Judge Johnson J. Hayes on Friday completed the task of meting out sentences to many Wilkes people convicted during the May term of court of conspiracy to violate the federal liquor tax laws.

The fines and pen terms given Friday brought the total of fines given defendants in the four cases to \$13,625 and penitentiary and reformatory time to 348 months.

John Robert Byrd received the heaviest fine Friday, \$750, and was placed on probation three years. Julius Johnson was fined \$250 and given three years probation. Jesse M. Byrd was sentenced to Chillicothe, Ohio, reformatory for 15 months and John Thomas Byrd drew 18 months in the same institution. Ivory glass was sentenced to a year and a day in the federal prison at Atlanta.

Completing sentences in the Mathis case, Daniel Mathis was fined \$500 as indicated Wednesday and Thomas Mathis was fined \$500.

Parkway Is Open For Travel Over Sixty-Mile Link

Motorists May Drive All The Way From Deep Gap To Virginia State Line

The Blue Ridge Parkway is now open for travel all the way from the Virginia line southward to Deep Gap between this city and Boone, a distance of about sixty miles.

Although surfacing has not been completed in some few sections, the road will be kept open for travel from now on and in places where the work is under way one side of the road will be open for travel, Park Service officials said today.

Some work remains to be done between Glendale Springs and Laurel Springs eastward to Bluff Park but will be completed by the middle of August. However, Parkway travelers may drive over the entire distance from Deep Gap to Virginia now without detours or much inconvenience.

To Begin Revival At Hunting Creek

A series of revival services will begin at Hunting Creek Baptist church on Sunday, August 6. The pastor, Rev. Pervis Parks, will be assisted by Rev. S. I. Watts.

Services will be held at 10:30 a. m. and eight p. m. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

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231 WPA Workers In Wilkes County Automatically Off

Almost 20 Per Cent Of Men Employed In Wilkes Are Cut Off

610 IN THIS AREA

May Get Back On After 30 Days If They Do Not Find Other Work

A total of approximately 610 men working on WPA in this area have been discharged under provisions of the new law making discharge automatic when a worker has been in continuous employment of WPA for 18 months, C. M. Crutchfield, area engineer, said here today.

Automatic discharges in Wilkes during the past three days have totaled about 210 men and 21 women, Mr. Crutchfield said.

The number represents about 20 per cent of the WPA male workers in Wilkes.

While figures on women workers were not immediately available today, Mr. Crutchfield gave the following approximate totals of men automatically discharged from WPA in the other counties in this area: Alexander, 27; Alleghany, 3; Ashe, 191; Avery, 39; Caldwell, 65; Iredell, 54; Watauga, 90.

Mr. Crutchfield explained that under the law the process of issuing discharge notices to workers who have been in continuous WPA employment for 18 months will continue at each pay period.

Workers so discharged, he explained, are expected to make efforts to secure private employment and failure to accept employment at prevailing wage scales, although the wages offered may be lower than the WPA wage, may seriously affect their chances of being certified for further employment on WPA after the necessary 30-day waiting period has elapsed.

He also explained that a discharged worker must wait 30 days after the effective date of the discharge before applying at the county welfare office for recertification. A worker seeking to get back on the rolls must be certified and his case must be investigated in the same manner as the original certification and investigation when they first secured WPA employment.

The automatic discharge law affects all workers on WPA who are certified and includes skilled and unskilled labor and a number of timekeepers and project foremen.

Lands For 1938 Taxes Are To Be Advertised Soon

Attention is again called to the fact that land will be advertised during the month of August for unpaid 1938 taxes due Wilkes county.

Those who have not paid their 1938 taxes to the county are urged to pay during the remainder of this month and save advertising cost and additional penalty as prescribed by law.

Attention is also called to the fact that Sheriff C. T. Doughton has been ordered to proceed with garnishee and personal property levies to collect unpaid 1938 personal taxes. A substantial saving may be effected by paying before these proceedings are instituted early in August.

8 Drunk Drivers Face Court Here

Policemen Find Number Of Drunks Behind Steering Wheels In This City

Police Chief J. E. Walker reported this morning that eight persons were arrested in this city Saturday and Sunday on charges of operating automobiles while intoxicated.

Several of the drivers were badly intoxicated and were totally unable to operate a car effectively, policemen said. One was reported so badly under the influence of liquor that he slumped helplessly over the steering wheel.

EXPORTS

During the first nine months of the current marketing season, the world's eight largest exporting nations shipped 7,924,000 bales of cotton as compared with 9,250,000 bales last year.

GOOD CONTROL

Following Extension Service recommendations for controlling boll weevils through the use of a molasses-calcium arsenate poison, Halifax county farmers report excellent results.