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NEW LICENSE OUT Raleigh, July 25.—The new type of combination hunting-fishing license which will be required August 1 for the year 1939-1940 is being sent to the various county and district game protectors, the game and inland fishing division of the department of conservation said today. The license will be on sale until August 1 and will permit holders to hunt or fish anywhere in the state.

BUNCOFBE VOTES DRY Asheville, July 25.—Buncombe county voted dry by a big majority in today's balloting on establishment of ABC stores. With 43 of 53 precincts reporting the vote stood: For, 8,091; against, 11,935. The missing precincts were in dry strongholds. Indicating a final majority against the stores of approximately 5,000 should a normal vote be cast. A campaign leading to the election was conducted in Buncombe for about a month, with many out-of-town speakers leading the fight for ABC opponents.

TOBACCO LOWER Valdosta, Ga., July 25.—Growers watched buyers move down row after row of bright leaf tobacco in the first 1939 bright leaf auctions today with bids that ran seven to nine cents lower than opening day prices last year. Some farmers "turned tags" and rejected first bids on their baskets but most sellers apparently were expecting lower prices. Early sales ran under 20 cents a pound, much of the bright leaf going at 16 and 18. This contrasted with last season's opening day range of well above 20 cents for an initial average of more than 25.

DIDN'T LIKE CHANT Upper Marlboro, Md., July 25.—Tobacco growers at the local market replaced by someone they can understand. "We can't understand that North Carolina fellow," one leaf grower declared. "Let's send him back home and get somebody who can speak English." Members of the tobacco marketing committee of the Prince Georges county farm bureau who voted unanimously to demand that the auctioneer be replaced said their tobacco had been sold at prices they would refuse to consider if they were able to understand what was going on between the chattering auctioneer and the buyers.

MINISTER KIDNAPPED Jerusalem, July 25.—Exhausted and ill as a result of eating tribal food, Rev. Gerould Goldner, 29, kidnaped Ohio minister, was returned to the Holy City and the arms of his father today, just a week after he had been taken captive by a wandering Arab band in the Moab hills. Describing the experience, which ended in a friendship feast with his captors, the young pastor declared it was an adventure "I'll never forget nor want to do over again." The overjoyed father, Dr. Jacob Goldner, also an Ohio minister, and the son made no mention of a ransom payment, but it was learned that the Bedouin emissary who conducted the final negotiations carried \$2,500 on his trip into the hills—half the amount that was originally demanded.

Union Services Are In Progress

Pastors Exchange Pulpits Here During Part of July and August A series of union Sunday evening services among the three leading churches of this city was begun on Sunday evening with Rev. A. L. Aycock, Methodist pastor, speaking at the Presbyterian church. On Sunday, July 30, Rev. W. M. Cooper, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will occupy the pulpit of the First Baptist. On Sunday, August 6, Rev. Eugene Olive, First Baptist pastor, will preach at the Methodist church. Other union services will be as follows: August 13, Rev. A. L. Aycock at First Baptist; August 20, Rev. Eugene Olive at Presbyterian; August 27, Rev. W. M. Cooper at Methodist. Mrs. Nell Kerley, of this city, and Mrs. E. Hastings, of Kansas, have gone to Marion, Va., with Mrs. E. W. Hastings during the serious illness of Ed. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hastings.

Program Outlined For Grange Picnic Saturday, July 29

National Juvenile Supt., and State Master and National Overseer Coming T. W. Ferguson, master of the Wilkes county Pomona Grange, today announced the program for the annual Pomona Grange picnic, which will be held on Saturday, July 29, at Pine Ridge picnic grounds between Wilkesboro and Moravian Falls. A feature of the meeting and annual picnic will be an address by David H. Agans, overseer of the National Grange and Master of the New Jersey State Grange. Mr. Agans, Mr. Ferguson said, is a nationally recognized authority on problems which confront the rural resident and it is expected that his address will be received with much interest. The program will open at twelve o'clock noon with Mr. Ferguson presiding and delivering the address of welcome. The assembly will sing "Carolina," followed by greetings from Mrs. Harry B. Caldwell, national superintendent of the juvenile Grange. At 12:30 Harry B. Caldwell, of Greensboro, master of the North Carolina State Grange, will speak and introduce Mr. Agans, who will speak at one o'clock. Following his address will be recognition of visiting Grangers and the picnic dinner will be served at 1:30. At 2:30 there will be a sports program, in charge of Miss Harriet McGoogan, Wilkes home demonstration agent, and Dan F. Holler, Wilkes county agricultural agent. Prizes will be awarded the winners in the various contests. The Grange issues a cordial invitation for all persons interested to be present.

50 Club Members May Attend Camp

Over 50 Wilkes county boys and girls have announced their intention to attend Camp Millstone for a week beginning August 7. It was learned today from the office of Dan Holler, county agent. Club members have been advised as to what they should take to camp and they will assemble at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on August 7 at seven a. m. to start for camp, arriving there in the afternoon. Camp Millstone is located near Hoffman.

Lions To Seek Funds For Band; To Start Monday

Members of the local Lions club will start Monday to accept the funds which have been offered by local citizens and merchants for the purpose of buying uniforms, new instruments and new music for the local band. All contributions given by citizens and local merchants will be greatly appreciated by the Lions club, as well as by the people in general. Since the band was organized it has attracted considerable attention throughout this section. It serves not only to stimulate interest in music but also to advertise the town.

People Moravian Falls Community To Meet Tuesday

A meeting of the people of the Moravian Falls community has been called to be held at the school building on Tuesday evening, August 1, 7:45. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss further plans for the erection of a community building. All people of the community and others interested are invited to attend. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Johnson and children, Betty Ann and Junior, and Mrs. Clay Pardue accompanied Mrs. T. B. Scott, who had been visiting here, to her home in Norfolk, Va., and spent the week-end there.

W. P. A. FUNDS AID LIBRARY



Here is a scene in the Wilkes county public library, which has benefited extensively by expenditure of WPA funds. The librarian is paid by the WPA and many books donated to the library were repaired by workers on the WPA book mending project.

Picnic Speaker



David H. Agans, of New Jersey, National Grange Overseer, will be the feature speaker at the annual picnic of the Wilkes Pomona Grange to be held at Pine Ridge picnic grounds near Moravian Falls on Saturday, July 29.

Masonic Orphans Class Coming 4th

Group From Home At Oxford Will Render Program At School Building

A singing class from the Masonic orphanage at Oxford is coming to North Wilkesboro to render a concert in the North Wilkesboro school auditorium on Friday night, August 4, beginning at 7:45 o'clock. This will be the annual visit of the class, which is always anticipated by members of the lodges in this vicinity and by others interested. The concert by the class and the visit of the children in the homes of Masons afford an opportunity for the public to learn much about the high type of training afforded the children. It is earnestly hoped that many will attend the concert. King was sent up from Forsyth county four years ago on charges of storebreaking, being given a seven-year sentence. After serving one and a half years he escaped, officers said.

Treat In Store For Boxing Fans

Fight Card Friday Night Has Ferguson-Bass State Championship Bout

Much interest is being shown in the boxing show to be staged by the American Legion at the Fairgrounds, Friday, July 28, starting promptly at 7:30 p. m. The main event will be the ten-round bout for the championship of the state, in the welterweight class, which brings together the present champion, "Country" Ferguson, a Wilkes county boy, and the challenger, "Ted" Bass, of Winston-Salem. Both of these boys have impressive records in the professional ring. Ferguson has won 42, lost 2 and 3 fights have been draws, while Bass has fought 35 times, winning 31, losing 2 and fought two draws. With the state championship at stake tomorrow night, both fighters will be out to win and the fans will get plenty of action. Five other fights will be on the card and every one will be worth watching. (Continued on page five)

Officers State King Has Made Full Confession

Prisoner Allegedly Committed Series of Crimes In Yadkinville Area

Yadkinville, July 25.—Claude Edward King, alias Jake King, escaped convict, has confessed to Sheriff A. L. Moore and Winston-Salem officials, they said, that he robbed the filling station of Harvey Peoples, six miles east of Yadkinville and the Auto Service company in Yadkinville. He also admitted stealing an automobile in Winston-Salem and breaking into Staley's store at Roaring River, they reported. According to the sheriff, King also admitted stealing a set of license tags in Yadkinville, from the car belonging to Paul Warden. It was a "broadcast" description of these numbers that led to King's arrest by North Wilkesboro police. Although King told the sheriff he got only two tires from the service company here, Charlie Vestal, the owner, says three were missing and also several tubes, five cases of oil and a flashlight. One case of the oil and the flashlight were in the car when he was arrested. Also the money, \$20 taken from the Roaring River store and the cigarettes, shirts and pennies taken from the Peoples store. Several packs of cigarettes were taken from the Roaring River store. He told officers he sold the two tires he got from the Yadkinville place to a man near Brooks Crossroads for \$4. When arraigned in Winston-Salem police court for stealing the car, which belonged to John Maynard, King waived a hearing and bond was set at \$1,500 which he could not give. He will be tried in Forsyth Superior court and then turned over to Yadkin authorities who have three warrants awaiting him.

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President Of Fair Anticipates Good Exposition In City

J. B. Williams Tells Of Arrangements For Fair On September 12-16th

J. B. Williams, prominent local business man who has been re-elected president of the Great Northwestern Fair, today predicted a most successful exposition to be held here September 12 through 16. To substantiate his prediction he pointed out several forward steps which have been taken toward making the fair a greater event for northwestern North Carolina. The premiums for the fair have been increased to about \$3,000, an amount which does not suffer in comparison with premiums offered at many of the larger fairs. This step was taken to encourage the production of better products on the farms, in orchards and in the homes of northwestern North Carolina. The fair officials are anticipating a most excellent collection of exhibits and preparations have been made to arrange for space for all exhibitors. For the grandstand attractions the fair has secured through George A. Hamid the best outdoor acts obtainable, including the darling "Great Peters." The Rexola Troupe, Silver the Wonder Horse, and the Paramount Revue. On the midway Frank West will fill all available space with new shows and rides. Other features of the fair have been arranged and already everything is in readiness for fair opening. Workmen have just completed construction of additions to the grandstand and the seating capacity has been doubled. A new fence has been erected about the grounds and other improvements have been made, including alterations and additions to the stage and judges' stand.

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Traphill Man Is Sought On Charge Wounding Cousin

Ed Casey Alleged To Have Shot and Badly Hurt Paul Casey Monday

Wilkes county officers, using bloodhounds, have been searching the mountains of Northwestern Wilkes since Monday for Ed Casey, 25, of near Traphill, who is alleged to have shot and seriously wounded a youthful cousin, Paul Casey, 19, of Matoaka, W. Va., Monday afternoon. Young Casey is in Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin in a serious condition. Reports from the hospital indicated a bullet went through his left shoulder just above the heart and punctured a lung. Officers said young Casey arrived at the home of an uncle, Burt Casey, and was to have visited relatives. He makes his home with his grandparents in West Virginia. Shortly after his arrival, the youth met Ed Casey at the home of "Aunt Jane" Casey Sykes. Ed was en route to the home of an aunt, Mrs. Plutina Cox, and paused at the home of "Aunt Jane" in the Doughton community to wait for Bill Casey who was to accompany him. Delos Casey was preparing to get Ed Casey a drink of water when Casey, officers said, commanded Paul and Delos to leave. The officers said he fired a .32-calibre revolver and the bullet struck Paul. Ed Casey then fled. Officers were notified and bloodhounds were brought in to take up the trail. So far Casey is still at large. The hounds followed a warm trail, stopping at the Coot Martin home near Zephyr, but officers said they had information that Casey left that section in an automobile. Officers were told that there had been no quarrel between the two men. Ed Casey officers said they were informed, recently completed a prison sentence imposed for slashing his wife's throat about five years ago. She recovered.

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Doughton Man Is Jailed For Shots

Alleged To Have Fired At Foreman Snow's Hosiery Mill At Doughton

Charged with assault with a deadly weapon, Stuart Nichols, 42, of Doughton, was committed Monday to Wilkes county jail in default of \$1,000 bond. Nichols is alleged to have fired several shots at Joe Johnson, foreman of A. G. Snow's hosiery mill, at Doughton, after striking him first with a pipe wrench, the fight resulting from an argument on Saturday. Johnson, who came to Doughton from Lenoir, had been associated with the small hosiery plant about four months. It was stated, The nature of the argument and quarrels was not learned. Magistrate D. H. Brown, before whom the hearing was held, fixed Nichols' bond at \$1,000.