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## Don't Kill Children

Schools opened in Wilkes county Monday and at certain times of the day parts of the highways of the county are lined with children going to and from school.

The children have a perfect right to walk along the highway. It is true that they are supposed to walk on the left side and off the pavement but they are impulsive little folks and at any time one of them may dash in front of your automobile.

Please drive carefully and in such manner that you can stop should one of them run into your car's path.

It is true that they should not run into the way of your car but the fact that one gets out of its place does not mean that it is a bad child.

If your memory is good you can remember when you were a "little chap" and liked to run and play. If impulse caused you to run across the street or highway you did not take time to be careful. That was because your mind had not advanced to the stage where caution was incorporated. Today you know better than to cross without first seeing that the road is clear and that there is no immediate danger. Perhaps you knew better when you were a child but in the excitement of play you no doubt did many things which were not exactly right and prudent.

All children will make little mistakes and it is the duty of grownups who know better to look after them.

Children are our biggest asset. The most valuable thing on earth you can invest in is children. They will take our places someday or make better or worse places for themselves. Upon them rests the future of progress and civilization.

The time too valuable to risk in order to gain a few seconds time on the highway.

The signs which highway authorities have placed in school zones tell the driver that children are near. Everyone of the little, lovable souls is precious to some father and mother.

Parents can better understand the plea for drivers to use caution when children are on the road.

The story has been told of the man who rushed home from his office. Things had been going badly that day and he was not enjoying life at all. He was sour and gloomy, a condition which leads to recklessness.

Going home in a reckless manner, he saw something dart out from the hedge on the back side of the block from his home. He could have made some effort to stop or dodge that form in the twilight but without a course because something ran out he pushed the accelerator farther down.

He first thought it was a dog but when the car was within a few feet of the form he saw that it was a boy.

After running over the boy he ran faster, not daring to stop to see what he had done. He drove around awhile and finally regained enough composure to go on home, thinking that no one would ever know.

When he reached home several neighbors had congregated there. He rushed into the house and there lay the mangled body of a boy that had a few minutes before been his ten-year-old boy. He was told that Junior had went across the block to flag his dog and ride a few hundred yards with him to the house and that some hit-and-run driver ran over him.

The story ends here to let the reader use his own imagination about the feeling and the future life of that father.

When you see children on the street or highway just remind yourself that one of them could be yours or some child dear to you.

## Thanksgiving Date

We believe that Governor Hoy followed the will of a great majority of the people of North Carolina in deciding to proclaim Thanksgiving Day for the last Thursday in November instead of a week earlier as President Roosevelt indicated he might do nationally.

No one has any particular quarrel with the president for wanting to move the holiday up one week but the people should have had at least a year notice.

Too many things are planned months and even years in advance for Thanksgiving Day with the idea prevailing that Thanksgiving is always the last Thursday in November.

Football schedules, hunting seasons, orphanage contributions and special events are planned far in advance for the holi-

day season centered around the last Thursday in November.

It now appears that governors of a majority of the states will proclaim November 30 Thanksgiving Day regardless of President Roosevelt's proclamation.

The important thing about it all is that America has so much to be thankful for that the occasion should be appropriately observed. As one radio commentator said, we have so much to be thankful for that we ought to have a week for Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving in early history of this country was not regularly observed on any set annual date and it was not until President Lincoln's administration that a date was definitely set. Each president since that time has set aside the last Thursday in November as a day for giving thanks.

There is nothing specifically wrong in moving up the date a week except that it throws people into controversy about one of the really great occasions of our calendar year.

## Mortal Fools

Today the European nations stand on the brink of disaster and other nations of the world cannot help but wonder if they will not find it necessary to join in destruction.

The history of the world has been one of cycles of peace and of war. Indications now point to a cycle of war with all its accompanying evils.

Since Cain killed his brother men have been striving against each other and the result has always been retrogressive.

Civilization has made great strides since the last big war ended 21 years ago. The imagination of men is not strong enough to foresee the result of another disastrous conflict.

During the past two decades science has made wonderful progress in discovery and perfecting means for people to live in greater comfort and satisfaction. Men have learned how to produce in abundance in order to supply the necessities and luxuries of living. They have discovered many means of combatting disease and pestilence. They have discovered means of prolonging life.

But in the meantime they have learned how to build more powerful instruments and elements of destruction to be used in war.

War is no longer a conflict between armed soldiers. Now it places nation against nation. The innocent, civilians, women, children, aged and infirm suffer along with the armed forces.

The instruments of destruction are so great that there is no safe place in a nation being invaded. If Sherman's definition of war was correct over 70 years ago, no words could describe the horror of war today.

When destruction remains the way of settling disputes, then men have nothing to brag about in the way of progress and have not progressed beyond the barbarian state.

## Religious Liberties

In celebrating its Tercentenary this year, Newport, R. I., commemorates the completion of three centuries of religious freedom—marking the date when stout-hearted followers of Roger Williams seeking the right to worship as they pleased settled in Rhode Island and founded the city of Newport.

As part of the celebration, a special ceremony was recently held in which a descendant of George Washington read again the classic address on religious and civil liberty delivered by his illustrious forefather at Newport in 1790.

"All citizens possess alike liberty of conscience and immunities of citizenship," said the first President on that occasion. "It is now no more that toleration is spoken of as it was by the indulgence of one class of people that another enjoyed the exercise of their inherent natural rights. For happily the Government of the United States which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only that they who live under its protection should demean themselves as good citizens."

The spirit of these utterances has guided us for 150 years and has been one of the basic principles of our national life. For a century and half we have maintained a free life here based upon a system of free enterprise, political freedom and religious and civil liberty. As long as we maintain in the United States a free economic and political system, we need not fear the loss of the third freedom—religious and civil liberty. We need not fear the encroachments and effects of the European "isms" which preach hatred and intolerance of one class for another, one race against another.

## POOR JAPAN

(Gastonia Gazette)

Japan's plea that she is the world's red-headed-step-child and the Little-Orphan-Annie of modern civilization, intrigues us. We find ourselves unable to shed a tear over the statement made recently by a Japanese official:

"We are a young nation in a modern sense, but a very old people, as a race. We want to become a great nation, honored in the world. We feel that we can accomplish this and that; on fair and equal terms we can compete successfully with the other great nations of the world. We feel that, in the past, we have not been treated fairly, and now we are out to win our rightful place."

You've been there a long time, old boy.

## Interesting Items Summit Vicinity

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mikeal and children spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Mikeal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walsh, of Deep Gap.

Miss Helen Church spent Friday night with Miss Lillian Fenner.

Mr. and Mrs. Pressley Church and children, Novella and Billie, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Benge.

Ralph, Ruth and Juanita Keys and Helen Church visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Church Sunday.

Mrs. Vea Blankenship and Helen Minton spent Thursday in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Church.

Mr. Sam Shew and Mr. Warren Benge spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. Coy Church.

Mrs. Ruby Carrol and children are visiting her father, Mr. R. L. Blankenship.

Miss Helen Minton is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Vea Blankenship.

Mrs. Paul Baker, of Fleetwood, spent Thursday night in the home of her brother, Mr. Fred Blankenship.

Mr. and Mrs. Heg Blankenship and children, Alverta and Ina, spent a short while in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Church, Sunday.

Mrs. Zora Hollaway and son, Turner, visited in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Church Friday.

## Union Grove Route 2 News

Rev. G. D. White gave an excellent sermon at Mt. Pisgah Baptist church Sunday evening, August 27.

Misses Dorris Wright and Marie Calloway, of North Wilkesboro, spent the week-end with home folks here. They had as their guest, Miss Florence Taylor, of North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. W. W. Calloway left Thursday for a few weeks trip to St. Louis, Missouri. She also plans to go to Washington, D. C., for a few days.

## NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed on the 13th day of August, 1929, by Nannie Salmons, Guardian of Annie Lee Salmons "Lambeth", C. J. Lambeth and wife, Annie Lee Lambeth to Wm. M. Allen, Trustee for Electa C. Foster, and recorded in Book 153 at page 551 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes County, North Carolina, and default having been made in payment of said note and deed of trust, and at the request of the holder of the note and deed of trust, the undersigned trustee will on the 22nd day of September, 1939, at 2 o'clock P. M., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on the premises the following described real estate, to-wit:

Beginning on the bank of the Yadkin River at the Northeast corner of the D. A. Hunt farm and running in a Southerly direction with Mrs. Hunt's line and James

Henderson and Eli Johnson's line (formerly the Gwaltney line) to the Southwest corner of the lands formerly belonging to A. H. Martin deed, it being the common corner of the said Martin and of the Carrinder lands and the T. T. Mastin lands of the Southeast corner of the lands which heretofore belonged to the A. H. Martin deed; thence in a Northerly direction and with the line of the Leland Martin lands the same being the Eastern line of the A. H. Martin deed farm, to the Yadkin River near the mouth of a branch known as the "Big Branch"; thence up the Yadkin River in a Westerly direction to the beginning, containing 495 acres more or less.

Reference is hereby made to deed executed April 20, 1922 by L. J. Salmons and wife, Nannie Salmons to Annie Lee Salmons recorded in Book 124, Page 314, Registry of Wilkes County, for further description.

This the 22nd day of August, 1939. Wm. M. ALLEN, Trustee 9-14-4t (t)

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of R. J. McNeill, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at 724 Jackson Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, on or before the 15th day of August 1940, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 15th day of August, 1939. W. C. McNEILL, Administrator of R. J. McNeill, deceased. 9-21-6t.

## NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Wilkes County. Mrs. D. E. Pruitt and husband, Mitchell Pruitt vs. Commie Pruitt and wife, Carrie Pruitt, Connie Pruitt and wife, Vern Pruitt, Kelly Pruitt and wife, Martha Pruitt, Starland Pruitt and wife, Mattie Pruitt, Doc Pruitt and wife, Mrs. Doc Pruitt, Paul Pruitt and wife, Mrs. Paul Pruitt, Kerley Pruitt and wife, Effie Pruitt, Carrie Pruitt Absher and husband, Lonnie Absher.

Under and by virtue of and pursuant to the power of sale contained in a certain judgment of his Honor C. C. Hayes, Clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes County, dated on the 10th day of July, 1939, the undersigned Commissioner will offer for sale, for cash, to the highest bidder, at public auction, on the 11th day of September, 1939, at 12:00 o'clock, noon, at the Court-house door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, the following described property, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Beginning on a gum and stone near the spring running Northeast with a conditional line 30 1-4 poles to the top of the ridge at the road; thence near North with said road 46 poles to a stone I. W. Holbrooks corner; thence Southwest with said Holbrooks' line, 50 poles to the old chestnut corner on a stone; then South with said I. W. Holbrooks' line 22 1-4 poles to the beginning, containing 8 1-2 acres, more or less.

SECOND TRACT: Adjoining the first tract consisting of approximately 11 acres, and also adjoining the lands of Mrs. H. M. Pruitt, Paul Pruitt and Richard Cothren, and being the lands conveyed to John Pruitt by Mrs. Wint

Holbrook and consisting of all the lands owned by John Pruitt in Trap Hill Township at the time of his death.

Done this the 11th day of August, 1939. RALPH DAVIS, Commissioner 9-7-4t (t)

## NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

North Carolina, Wilkes County.

Under and by virtue of a judgment of the Superior Court of Wilkes County in a Special Proceeding, entitled W. O. Watkins et al ex-parte, the same being No. on the special proceeding docket of said court.

The undersigned commissioner will on the 11th day of September at 12:00 noon at the court house in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder the following described land, to-wit: Lying and being in North Wilkesboro Township, Wilkes County, adjoining the lands of Will Watkins and others and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the South West corner of lot No. 2 and running South 3 degrees West with the Highway 150 feet to a stake, then South 89 1-2 degrees East 236 feet to a stake, then North 2 1-2 degrees East 150 feet to a stake, then North 89 1-2 degrees West 238 feet to the point of beginning. Being lot No. 3 as shown in the division recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes County in Boo' 185 at page 447. This the 8th day of Aug., 1939. T. R. BRYAN, Commissioner. 8-31-4t (t)

## NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under the authority contained in an Order signed by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes County, North Carolina, dated the 10th day of August, 1939, in the proceedings entitled Mrs. Luia Johnson, et al versus Beatrice Johnson Porter, et al, ordering the sale of real estate described in the Petition filed in said cause, and appointing the undersigned Commissioner to sell said lands, the undersigned Commissioner will expose to public sale at the Court-house door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, on the 11th day of September, 1939, at twelve o'clock, Noon, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property:

Adjoining the lands of Jonas Ball and others in Brushy Mountain Township, and bounded as follows: BEGINNING on a chestnut in Jonas Ball's line, and running with Jonas Ball's line rather a Northeast course to a black gum, Wesley Ball's line; thence East to his chestnut corner; thence South to John Ball's line; thence West to a White Oak; thence a North course with a branch to the beginning, containing forty acres, more or less.

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