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News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

GIRLS WRECK TRAIN

John D. Oct. 3.—State's Attorney James A. Burke said today that three young girls told him they had placed track spikes on the Santa Fe railroad tracks Sunday, shortly before a freight train was wrecked, but thought they had removed them before leaving. Two men were killed in the wreck. Burke said no action would be taken against the girls, who are sisters, because of their youth.

WANTS LABOR PEACE

Cincinnati, Oct. 3.—President Roosevelt gave organized labor leaders today a virtual White House command to resume the A. F. L.-C. I. O. peace negotiations, appealing to them to "put pride and self-advantage in patriotic service for national unity." The President's appeal was made in a message to the American Federation of Labor in national convention here. "The American people want it," (labor accord) he said, "and will hold honor those whose insight, courage and unselfishness can effect it."

ITALY STILL ALOOF

Rome, Oct. 3.—Italy appeared likely today to remain aloof for the present from German-Russian peace maneuvers. Well-informed Italians said they expected Adolf Hitler to make some peace proposals in his Reichstag speech this week, but doubted they had any chance for success. These persons said Italy, sincerely desiring to have peace re-established, fears a prolonged war would make Europe the prey of bolshevism, but she would not, however, involve herself in proposals predestined to failure.

SENATOR STRICKEN

Washington, Oct. 3.—Washington took for granted tonight that Gov. A. B. Chandler would become the junior senator from Kentucky, succeeding 65-year-old Senator Marvel Mills Logan, who died unexpectedly today. Logan, a Democrat, succumbed to a heart attack at his home during the night after he apparently had recovered from an illness which had sent him to a hospital some months ago. He left the hospital recently, but suffered a slight heart attack Saturday and was unable to attend the opening of debate on the neutrality bill by the senate yesterday.

SMUGGLERS WARNED

Washington, Oct. 3.—President Roosevelt warned today that smugglers had better not carry supplies from United States ports to U-boats on the seas. At the President's press conference, a reporter called his attention to a story in the Philadelphia Record that government agents are investigating reports that "erstwhile rum-runners" and "unscrupulous skippers of freighters" are ferrying oil, food and drinking water to German submarines off the Atlantic coast. The reporter asked the President whether, in view of these reports, he was willing to say a word to the wise. The President replied that if anybody was doing that sort of thing, they'd better not.

SEES ALLIED VICTORY

New York, Oct. 3.—The belief that British-French superiority economically and at sea would make their defeat by Germany impossible was expressed today by Herbert Hoover in an interview with Roy W. Howard printed in the New York World-Telegram. The former President, who in a series of high official positions saw much of the inner struggle of the world war at first hand, thus summed up his opinions: "If one surveys the whole front—sea, land, air and economic resources—I am convinced the allies can defend their empire. The end may be victory for them. At worst it might be stalemate. I do not see any possibility that it can be defeat."

Legion Will Meet Friday Evening

The October meeting of the American Legion will be held in the Legion-Auxiliary club rooms north of the city on Friday night, October 6th at 7:30 o'clock. The newly elected officers for 1940 will be in charge of the meeting, and a full attendance is desired. L. E. Nelson, of this city, is commander of the Wilkes county legion for the ensuing year. Blanche Ferguson, of Ferguson, for many years a trained nurse in Panama, will speak on the subject of "Panama" at the meeting.

Wilkes Cattle Take Honors At Fair At Hickory

\$98 in Prizes Won At Catawba Fair By Three Wilkes Club Members

Wilkes county cattle gained the limelight Wednesday when judges at the Catawba fair at Hickory awarded 25 prizes totaling \$98 to three Wilkes county club members exhibiting purebred cattle. This marks the first time that Wilkes cattle have been so signally honored. The exhibitors were Dempsey Morrison and Faye Morrison, son and daughter of C. K. Morrison, manager of Doughton's Dairy, and Archie Mathis, who are members of 4-H clubs. The Wilkes club members took three firsts, two seconds, two thirds and several other prizes in the open show and in the club show made a more impressive record with four firsts, one second, two thirds, three fourths, and a number of minor prizes. A cow shown by Dempsey Morrison took the grand championships in both shows while a senior calf exhibited by Archie Mathis took highest honors in the club show and second in the open class.

The full list of prizes won by the Wilkes exhibitors follows: Open show—bull, three years and over, third; bull, one year, seventh; cow, four years and older, first and grand championship; cow, two to four years, second; cow, two years, fifth; heifer, senior yearling, third; heifer, junior yearling, first and seventh; senior calf, second; junior calf, first; calf herd, fifth; produce of dam, seventh; get of sire, fifth. Club show—cow, three years, first; cow, two years, third and fourth; senior yearling heifer, second and fourth; heifer junior yearling, first and third; senior calf, first and fourth; junior calf, first and fifth.

The exhibitors and their cattle were accompanied to the show by Jesse Giles, assistant county agent. They will try for high honors next week at the North Carolina state fair in Raleigh.

Rangers Will Be At Wilkesboro 13th

Popular Quartet Will Give Program For Benefit Moravian Falls Project

The Rangers, widely recognized as one of the outstanding radio and stage male quartets in the south, will come to Wilkesboro for a personal appearance and program of songs and comedy on Friday night, October 13. The performance will be given in the Wilkesboro school auditorium and is sponsored by people of the Moravian Falls community. The profits from the admissions will be used in the erection of a community house at Moravian Falls and those attending will be assured of helping a worthy cause while witnessing one of the most popular stage performances in the south.

The Rangers claim the highest tenor and the lowest bass in the south and their radio and stage presentations have been widely acclaimed. In addition to singing the numbers which have been so popular over station WBT, the Rangers will engage in exchanges of gay repartee which adds variety and spice to the program. The show will begin promptly at eight o'clock and admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

Must Have Permit To Burn Outdoors

A. A. Triplett, Wilkes county forest warden, today called attention to the fact that persons who burn brush within 500 feet of woodlands must first secure a permit. The permits may be obtained without cost from Mr. Triplett or from the following deputy wardens in the county: H. Y. Warren, Traphill; C. D. Holbrook, Traphill postoffice; Coy Eller, Lewis Fork; R. L. Spencer, Benham; D. F. Ashley, Daylo; J. W. Casey, New Castle; W. E. Beal, Newlife; W. C. Hall, Darby; J. H. Stamer, McGrady; or from the office of clerk of court in Wilkesboro.

DELEGATION WILKES CITIZENS GUESTS WINSTON-SALEM



Here are shown the Wilkes county delegation of citizens who participated in "Wilkes county day" sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce in Winston-Salem yesterday. Left to right seated are: John R. Prevette, Harry Froeber, chairman of the Winston-Salem reception committee, A. A. Cashion, W. P. Kelly, N. S. Forester, Jr., C. O. McNeil, Dan F. Holler, C. C. Sidden, and E. G. Finley; standing—W. G. Gabriel, R. M. Brame, Sr., W. J. Caroon, J. B. Williams, C. B. Effer, D. J. Carter, W. D. Halfacre, E. F. Gardner, and H. H. Pearson. (Photo by courtesy Twin-City Sentinel)

Wednesday Wilkes County Day In Winston-Salem

Second District D. A. R. Meeting Held Wednesday

Friendship and mutual goodwill between Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro were further promoted Wednesday when a large delegation of representative Wilkes county citizens were guests of the Twin City. The occasion was sponsored by the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce as one of a series of goodwill ventures among northwestern North Carolina counties. The delegation assembled at the Robert E. Lee Hotel for a discussion of the day's activities, and were welcomed by leading citizens of Winston-Salem, including William E. Ritter, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. In conferring honorary membership in the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce on each of the Wilkes visitors, Secretary William Ritter traced the relationship of the two counties back to pre-Revolutionary War days.

Miss Lucy Finley Re-Elected Director; State Regent Is Principal Speaker

Mrs. Eugene Davis, of Raleigh, state regent of the North Carolina Society Daughters of the American Revolution, made the principal address at the meeting of the Second District held in North Wilkesboro Wednesday, October 4, at the Woman's clubhouse. The meeting convened at 10:30 o'clock with Miss Lucy Finley, of North Wilkesboro, district director, presiding, and Mrs. F. B. Ingold, of Hickory, acting as secretary. Mrs. H. O. Steele, of Statesville, state chaplain, opened the meeting with prayer, after which the group joined in the American creed and the salute to the flag, this being led by Mrs. C. Wayne Spencer, of Wilmington. Mrs. Claude Doughton, regent of the hostess chapter, The Rendezvous Mountain, spoke words of welcome to which Mrs. Karl Sherrill, of Statesville, responded. At 1 o'clock the Woman's club served a delicious luncheon to the sixty-five women attending. The club rooms were attractively decorated in blue and white flowers, the D. A. R. colors, making a festive setting for the occasion. State officers present besides Mrs. Davis and making short talks pertaining to their phase of the work of the organization, were Mrs. C. Wayne Spencer, of Wilmington, state vice-regent; Mrs. H. O. Steele, of Statesville, state chaplain; Miss Virginia Horne, of Wadesboro, state recording secretary; Mrs. E. A. Branch, of Raleigh, state corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. S. Welborn, of High Point, state registrar; Miss Helen Bryan Chamberlain, of Kingston, state historian. Splendid reports were heard from the following chairmen of state committees: Mrs. George Moland, of Hendersonville, on approved schools; Miss Elizabeth (Continued on page four)

Escaped Convict Is Taken Here By Officers Monday

"It was the leader of the old Moravian surveying party," Ritter said, "that came through this section of the country back in 1752, who said that after going from one end of North Carolina to the other, he considered the sites where Wilkes and Forsyth county seats now stand to be the best in the state. "These facts give us a common bond that extends back beyond the Revolutionary War, into the very pioneer period of this section of North Carolina. Certainly the oldest records of our city are full of references to Wilkes county and its' citizens. "Forsyth county and Wilkes county have come a long way since the sites for both were 'discovered' by a surveying party, searching not for the assets of man-made transportation, but for an ideal spot where people might live and work comfortably and (Continued on page four)

Orchardists Sell High Quality Crop Of Luscious Fruit

Orchardists of the Brushy Mountain apple growing country are busily engaged harvesting and selling one of the best quality apple crops in the history of fruit growing in the now famous thermal belt. Various reports indicate an average of about 50 per cent of a full crop but the quality of the luscious fruit is decidedly high, orchardists specialists have declared after visiting a number of orchards and apple houses. While the prices are not all to be desired, the crop is reported to be moving fairly well with truckers and dealers well pleased with the fruit the growers have to offer. Apple picking time is a busy season in the Brushies as orchardists work in family units of parents and children, together with hired help, in the rush to get the fruit off the trees at the right time in order to insure best keeping and selling qualities. A great part of the crop in the Brushies and in the foothills and Blue Ridge orchards is sold immediately after picking and very little fruit in this great apple growing center finds its way to storage plants. Some of the larger and more progressive orchards have well constructed apple houses which serve in lieu of cold storage for limited periods of time and the better houses are declared to have excellent facilities for storing apples without much loss from decay. The Brushy mountains have approximately 300,000 trees and the number of trees in other commercial orchards would greatly boost the total. Apple crop failures in the Brushies are indeed rare because of the absence of frost in the spring at apple blossom time. At times when the temperature falls to freezing and below along the Yadkin and in the valleys the temperature on the Brushies is often ten degrees higher.

Health Clinic Is Held At School

378 Get Test And Vaccinations At City Schools During Clinic Monday

A total of 378 children were served in the health clinic conducted in the North Wilkesboro city schools Monday. The clinic, which was conducted by Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, and county nurses, was sponsored by the local Parent-Teacher association. Schick tests were administered to 239 children. A member of the health department staff today checked the tests for diphtheria immunity. Infants diphtheria toxoid was given to 19 and 70 school children were vaccinated against smallpox. The clinic was described as one of the largest in the history of the school.

NYA Can Use 40 Boys And Girls In The County

Opportunity Offered Out-of-School Youth For Training and Jobs

Mrs. Lawrence Miller, supervisor of the National Youth Administration program in Wilkes county, said today that the NYA in Wilkes is in position to offer employment and training to 20 boys and 20 girls. Girls from the home making project in Wilkesboro may be transferred to a lunch room project at Boomer school and the transfer will make it possible to give employment and valuable training to 20 girls in the home making project. The home making project is carried out at the Community House in Wilkesboro, where 20 girls under the supervision of Mrs. Aileen Godfrey Upchurch, project supervisor, learn the arts of home making and house keeping. A project calling for painting the gymnasium and repairs to furnishings of Ronda school has been approved and the NYA can use 20 boys who wish to earn something while learning painting, and wood working trades under adequate supervision. The NYA offers employment and training to boys and girls between the ages of 18 and 25 who are out of school. Mrs. Miller said. Such training afforded youth in Wilkes has resulted in many of them being placed in permanent employment, NYA officials said.

Bank Resources Show Increase

Northwestern Bank Statement Shows Resources Near Four Million

Resources of The Northwestern Bank lacked only \$18,000 of reaching the four million dollar mark; the condensed statement of business as of October 2 and released by officials of the bank at its home office here today showed. Resources October 2 totaled \$3,982,079.92, representing an increase of \$219,900.52 over the total of \$3,762,179.40 as of June 30 this year. The bank was formed as a consolidation of the Deposit & Savings bank here and banks at Boone, Sparta, Bakersville, and branches at Blowing Rock and Burnsville on July 1, 1937. At that time resources were approximately \$2,500,000. On September 30 this year the bank paid a stock dividend of \$25,000 to stockholders of record September 20. This represented a 13.88 per cent stock dividend. Since its establishment the bank has added two branches, taking over banks at Taylorsville and Jefferson. A new branch of the bank will be opened at Valdese the latter part of this month. A new stone and brick building which will house the new branch is now under construction and will be completed soon.

Joines Reunion To Be Held Sunday

The annual Joines reunion will be held on Sunday, October 8, at the old Joines plantation at Pores Knob, an announcement here today said. All members of the family are especially urged to attend and the public is invited. Basket dinner will be served picnic style at noon and an enjoyable occasion is anticipated.

Negro Serving 15 to 20 Years For Murder Was Hobo On Local Train

Iredell county prison camp officials came here yesterday and carried back to camp one Vandon Johnson McLean, colored, long term convict who ran away from the camp on Friday and was captured here by Police Chief J. E. Walker and Corporal Carlyle Ingle, of the highway patrol. Police here were tipped off by telephone Monday through the railway station agent at Ronda, who informed the officers that there was a suspicious looking hobo on board the train. The officers met the train as it arrived here and the negro ran when he saw the officers. After an exciting footrace he was taken between the tannery and the Yadkin river by Chief Walker. Records showed that the negro was sent up from Durham to serve 15 to 20 years in 1932 after being convicted of second degree murder. He denied being a convict until Chief Walker started to take his fingerprints to send to Raleigh for identification. Then he gave the officers what was later learned to be a true account of the facts.

Market Lot Is Established Here

Police Chief J. E. Walker said today that the vacant lot adjacent to the new city hall is being cleaned off for use as a market lot. Use of the lot for market purposes has been donated by S. V. Thompson and J. B. McCoy, owners, and will be ready for use Saturday. Space on the lot will be available to farmers and truckers selling fruit, cabbage, produce and other farm products. Selling from trucks will not be allowed in the future.

Bradley Dancy Is Deputy Councilor Of State Juniors

Meeting Of District 4 Held Here; State Councilor Speaks To Juniors

Bradley Dancy, of North Wilkesboro, was named district deputy state councilor of the 4th district at a meeting of district representatives of the Junior Order held here Tuesday evening. C. M. Buford of Clingman was elected district councilor. George W. Wrenn, field secretary for the Western North Carolina section, presided over the organization meeting and prior to the election of officers explained the purpose of the re-alignment of districts in the state, explaining the need for closer coordination of the district organizations with the state governing body. State Councilor N. Sankey Gaither, of Harmony, presented the work program of the order for the year. Mr. Gaither stated that never since the Order was founded more than a hundred years ago, had there been such a need for cooperation among patriotic institutions than is found in the United States today. Americans today have plenty to be concerned about at home, he stated, without busying themselves with the problems of Europe. There is a type of war, international war, he said, going on right here in this country. "We are right now beginning to learn," said Mr. Gaither, "just to what extent alien organizations, operated by foreign governments, are undermining the great principles of our government. Recent revelations of the activities of these groups, such as the German Bund, by the Dies Committee, show us that they are operating under false flags and that they are tearing away at the very vitals of American freedom. Mr. Gaither closed his remarks with the prediction that within a few weeks America would be astounded by the prominence of the people who would be named as members of these organizations which are trying to force this country into the European conflict. Secretary Wrenn told the council that it was largely through the efforts of the Junior Order of Buncombe county that William D. Pelley and his so-called "Silver-Shirts" were exposed and brought to trial in Asheville. He stated that the propaganda being diffused by that group was so insidious that they even attempted to work their way into the Order in Buncombe and tried to influence Juniors there to work against the government of this country. Their attempts were brought to naught when members of the order brought charges which led to indictment of Pelley and finally his conviction in Federal and State courts. The plans of the publicity department of the state council were briefly explained by Douglas Cox, Red Springs, who urged each local council to set for itself additional projects of civic and community nature. The next meeting of the Fourth District, which is comprised of the councils located in Ashe, Alleghany, Wilkes, Surry and Yadkin counties, will be held in April 1940 with Council No. 446 at Clingman. Other officers elected at the meeting include R. C. Pardue, of North Wilkesboro, district vice councilor; G. C. Cooper, Elkin, secretary and treasurer; T. M. Gambill, Elkin, and Brady Burges, Mt. Airy, sentinels; D. A. Robertson, Mt. Airy, Chaplain; J. R. Calloway, Clingman, conductor, and G. C. Wright, Mt. Airy, warden.