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County Commissioners Rescind Order Establishing Court For Wilkes County

Charged Governor With "Politics" In Naming Of Judge

Court Order Rescinded Before Governor Named Attorney McElwee Judge

The Wilkes county board of commissioners in special session Monday abolished the county court which they set up by resolution passed in their regular meeting held on July 3.

In abolishing the court the commissioners said in their resolution that the "governor of North Carolina has refused to cooperate in the establishment of the court free of politics."

The resolution establishing the court in July was made possible through a state-wide act of the 1939 legislature empowering the commissioners of the various counties to establish county courts in their discretion and giving the governor power to appoint county court judges.

A local measure introduced in the senate by C. H. Cowles, of Wilkesboro, to set up a county court for Wilkes had previously been defeated in the senate.

The commissioners in their resolution setting up the county court appointed T. R. Bryan, a Republican attorney, as solicitor and recommended that the governor appoint C. G. Gilreath, a Democratic attorney, as judge. It is understood that fifteen members of the Wilkes bar petitioned for the appointment of Attorney Gilreath as judge.

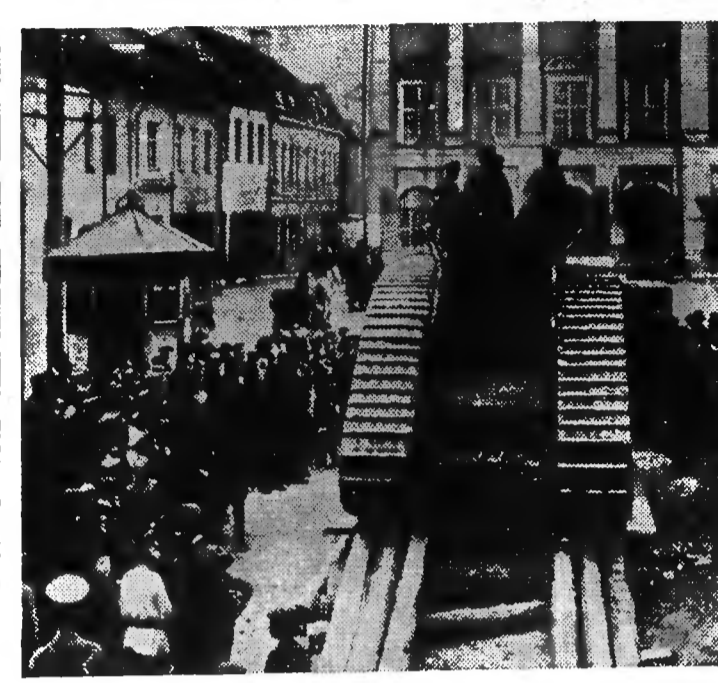
According to information obtained from reliable source, it is understood that Governor Hoey a few days ago informed the president of the Wilkes bar that he had so far taken no action on the appointment of a judge for the Wilkes county court because he had been informed that sentiment of the people of the county was against establishment of a county court and that the commissioners might rescind their order setting up the court. It was also learned that Governor Hoey said that should the commissioners insist on going ahead with the court that he would appoint Attorney W. H. McElwee as judge.

Yesterday Governor Hoey announced the appointment of Attorney McElwee as judge.

The resolution of the commissioners abolishing the court follows:

"Resolution of the county commissioners of Wilkes county regarding the establishment of a county court as provided in chapter _____ of the Constitution of the State of North Carolina (Continued on page eight)

Estonia Fires Her Army; Russia Takes Charge



Tiny Estonia packed away her vest-pocket army when her foreign minister Karl Selter was forced to sign a treaty making the nation a virtual protectorate of Soviet Russia. Photo shows soldiers of the tiny defense force watching a tank being taken to storage. Map shows Estonia's position. The two islands off her Baltic sea coast are being made into Soviet air and naval bases. Later the Soviet demanded and won mutual assistance treaties with Latvia and Lithuania, to the south, placing them in substantially the same position as Estonia. Observers believed Russia was strengthening her position against any possible action by Germany, her new "ally."

Britain's Troops Now With French On Western Front

Russia Continues Efforts To Dominate Eastern European Territory

London, Oct. 11.—Britain agreed today to trade rubber and tin to Soviet Russia for timber, and disclosed in the house of commons that 153,000 British soldiers and 25,000 vehicles of war already were in France to fight Russia's friend, Nazi Germany.

The barter agreement, announced by the ministry of supply, is expected to have "important political as well as trade impacts," said the authoritative press association. The amounts, not disclosed, were said to be about the same as in normal peace-time transactions.

In the house of commons War Secretary Leslie Hore-Belisha drew repeated cheers as he disclosed Britain's vast movement of men and machines across the English channel in the first five weeks of hostilities "without a single casualty."

Movement Completed

All have been placed "under French command," he said, their number exceeding pledges to France.

"The major operation is over," said Hore-Belisha in his first war report.

"There is no need for further silence."

Many of the war vehicles were tanks, he reported, "some of them of enormous dimensions," weighing 15 tons or more.

"We have created our base and lines of communication organization so as to assure a regular flow of supplies and ammunition of every kind and to receive further contingents as, if and when we may decide to send them," he declared.

The house still awaited the government's reply to the German peace proposal made by Adolf Hitler last Friday. Prime Minister Chamberlain, who postponed his sixth war report until tomorrow, was expected to state the British position then.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—Expert German naval observers asserted today that Germany controls the North sea, both on the surface and in the air, and that the Reich's mastery over waters where British sea power previously had been unchallenged had been effectively demonstrated.

The comment of naval authorities, was published by DNB, official German news agency, as squadrons of German warplanes stood ready to carry out new orders for continuation of extensive operations against blockading British warships.

Naval authorities declared several British ships had been extensively damaged in a plane-warship battle in the North sea Monday.

Mary Frances Pegg Killed at High Point

Little Miss Mary Frances Pegg, age six, and a grandchild of J. L. Pegg, Sr., of Wilkesboro, was killed almost instantly Saturday when struck by an automobile. The child's mother, Mrs. J. L. Pegg, Jr., was critically injured at the time her little daughter was fatally injured.

Mr. Pegg attended the funeral of his little granddaughter at High Point.

Oakwoods Road Being Surfaced

Sealing Coat Will Be Placed On Hard Surface Within The Next Two Weeks

The Oakwoods road, first section of a county road in Wilkes to be hard-surfaced, will be completed and open for travel within two weeks, it was learned today from the highway division office here.

Black top surfacing has already been applied and the sealing coat to be put on in about ten days will complete the job.

The road, extending from intersection with the highways between the Wilkesboro to a point near the foot of Brushy Mountain beyond Oakwoods, was reconstructed as a WPA project. The route was relocated to eliminate a number of curves and WPA forces did the grading. Other work has been carried out with WPA labor and with highway equipment and supervision.

Traffic checks on the road revealed that it was the most traveled section on the county road system, highway officials said.

Street Markers Being Erected

Long Needed Public Improvement Now Being Carried Out In City

Street markers, a public improvement frequently requested by civic organizations and by the local press, are being erected in North Wilkesboro this week.

Pursuant to an order passed by the city board of commissioners several weeks ago, markers for the principal streets of the city were ordered, have arrived and are now being erected.

The markers, which will be erected on substantial iron posts, have white letters on a blue background and should be read easily.

Markers were ordered for all streets north of A street to F street in a northerly direction and streets running north and south between and including Forester Avenue and Fourth streets.

Attorney J. Hubert Whicker and Mr. W. A. McNeil were business visitors to Raleigh this week.

Wilkes Exhibitors Win First Places With Cattle, Apples, Corn, Poultry At State Fair In Raleigh This Week

Bishop Gribbin To Speak Here Tonight

Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, of Asheville, Bishop of the western North Carolina Diocese of the Episcopal church, will speak in this city Thursday night at a joint banquet of the men's Bible classes of the First Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

The banquet, which will be held at the new woman's clubhouse, will begin at seven o'clock. Dinner will be served by the North Wilkesboro Woman's Club.

Ronda Girl Also Takes First Prize With Room Improvement Exhibit

Wilkes county exhibitors amassed a big total of blue ribbons and prizes at the North Carolina State Fair this week, keeping the "State of Wilkes" well in the front ranks in production of excellent cattle, poultry, farm and orchard products.

In the cattle department 16 purebred jerseys exhibited by Dempsey and Faye Morrison, Archie Mathis and Paul Ed Church did about all that could be expected of that number in the 4-H show and open class.

Granada, a cow shown by the Morrisons, took first prize in both shows and annexed another grandchampionship. A yearling shown by Archie Mathis also took first place. Many other individual prizes were awarded the cattle from Wilkes, making a splendid showing for Wilkes cattle in the first year shown.

In the apple show orchardists of Wilkes and Alexander counties really took the cream of the crop in premiums. Nathan Davis won 20 awards and Mrs. D. E. Davis 16; D. S. Broyles, 17; and H. M. Broyles, 13. The apple show was highly praised but, according to visitors from Wilkes, was far short of the apple show last month at the Great Northwestern Fair held here.

John W. Nichols, of Wilkesboro route 1, exhibited six coops of barred rock poultry and took five first places.

In the corn show Wilkes had a good record, taking three of the four first prizes for county exhibits. The first were on single ear white, prolific and single ear yellow. Many individual prizes were taken by the club members in several classes.

Girl club members of Wilkes also won enviable awards. Miss Aileen Green, of Ronda, won first prize with her room improvement exhibit and Miss Etta Gray Mayberry, of Mountain View, won honorable mention with her costume, which was selected as one of the best ten in a dress revue held on Friday night.

1940 Census Of Manufacturers Is To Begin On Jan. 2

Announcement Of Manufacturers Census Through Commerce Bureaus

W. P. Kelly, executive secretary of the North Wilkesboro's Commerce Bureaus, Inc., has received an announcement from the Bureau of the Census at Washington regarding the census of business and the census of manufacturers which will be taken in North Wilkesboro, beginning January 2, 1940.

The survey of business concerns and manufacturing concerns of North Wilkesboro will be part of the most complete nationwide survey of American business that has ever been made. This national survey will embrace approximately 1,700,000 retailers; 180,000 wholesalers; 750,000 service businesses; 50,000 hotels and tourist camps; 50,000 places of amusement; 200,000 construction contractors; 2,500 sales finance companies, and approximately 170,000 manufacturing concerns.

This will be the first complete business census taken since 1935 and the information, as required by law, will include the volume of business for the year 1939; how much was done on credit; stocks on hand at the beginning and end of the year; accounts receivable; number of employees; total payroll; extent of self-employment (proprietor-owners and family members), and other information essential to measure the extent and volume of American business.

Executive Secretary Kelly was informed by the Census Bureau that he would receive shortly samples of the schedules or forms to be used in the Census of Business. The sample schedules to be employed in the manufacturers census will be available a little later.

Word from the Bureau of the Census indicates that the United States is being divided into 100 areas, for purposes of taking the census, and that branch offices will be set up in convenient cities. The business and manufacturers censuses will require about five months and enumerators with schedules will call on all North Wilkesboro business beginning January 2.

It is announced that the basic facts, as shown by the census, will be available by areas—states, counties, cities and towns—during 1940. The final statistics will include breakdowns for the 48 States; 3,072 counties and approximately 3,150 cities and towns of more than 2,500 population.

The Census of Population, the Farm Census, and the Housing Census will not start until April 1, 1940.

As in all Census undertakings, the law protects those enumerated by keeping all answers confidential. They are available only to sworn Census employees and are not available except in broad statistical form to any other agency in or out of the government.

Local Grid Teams Will Play Friday

Cleveland Meets Lions Here; Wilkesboro-Taylorsville At Wilkesboro

Duke-Pitt may be the nation's big game Saturday but on Friday local gridiron fans have two home games to hold their attention—North Wilkesboro will play Cleveland at North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro will play Taylorsville at Wilkesboro.

The North Wilkesboro-Cleveland game here Friday afternoon, 3:30, will be the first home game for Coach Jack Massey's Mountain Lions, who are expected to rebound from a 27-6 defeat last Friday by Taylorsville in the season's opener.

Cleveland is also expected to have better form than when they were beaten 14 to 0 by Wilkesboro Friday, and should give the Lions a hard fight for this week's contest.

The two Wilkes games this week give local fans an opportunity to study the comparative strength of the North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro teams, who play in their annual "Wilkes county classic" late next month.

Coach Caldwell and Assistant Coach Jones have been drilling the undefeated Wilkesboro Ramblers hard for the Taylorsville test on Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:30. Wilkesboro has beaten Mocksville and Cleveland but Taylorsville is rated stronger than either. It has been intimated that the lineup may be changed slightly to give more backfield power.

Both North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro teams are expected to be in good condition for the home games this week and will be at top strength.

BUILD AIR FORCES

London, Oct. 10.—An empire-wide air force building program centering in Canada was announced by the government today as Britain noted Adolf Hitler's renewed challenge to choose war or peace and warily watched Russia's moves in the Baltic. While Hitler was declaring in Berlin that "no power on earth will again bring Germany to its knees," Air Minister Sir Kingsley Wood told the house of commons that the empire was marshaling planes and fliers in a mighty plan to "beat the enemy and to ensure once and for all that aggression and tyranny are ended."

TOBACCO FORECAST

Washington, Oct. 10.—September forecasts of tobacco production this year remained virtually unchanged in the October estimate published today. The latest crop reporting board, estimate based on the October 1 condition, was 1,654,174,000 pounds for all types, with flue-cured tobacco accounting for 1,012,240,000 of the total and burley tobacco for 354,217,000 pounds. October estimates for other types were: Flue-cured, 94,726,000 pounds; Maryland type, 29,562,000; dark air-cured, 36,335,000, and cigar types, 127,044,000. Estimates for principal growing states included: Virginia, 126,563,000; North Carolina, 692,120,000; South Carolina, 118,750,000; Georgia, 96,900,000; Kentucky, 315,114,000; Tennessee, 93,069,000; Connecticut, 25,272,000; Pennsylvania, 35,270,000; Wisconsin, 32,675,000.

HITLER DETERMINED

Berlin, Oct. 10.—Adolf Hitler declared today that "Germany is determined to take up the battle and fight it through" if the western allies rebuff "our readiness for peace." If the war goes on the western allies will be to blame, he said in a speech opening the Nazi winter relief campaign, but they never will "see any sort of German capitulation."

"We do not know what the future will bring," he said, "but we are clear about one thing—no power on earth will again bring Germany to its knees. They will not defeat us militarily, nor destroy us economically, nor break our spirit. Under no circumstances will they live to see any sort of German capitulation."

REJECT "PEACE" BID

Paris, Oct. 10.—Premier Daladier tonight gave the signal for the European war to go on, with a refusal of Adolf Hitler's peace formula based on Russian-German partition of Poland. In a nationwide broadcast the French premier made the first formal reply to the Friday rechristening speech of Hitler by spurning the "German peace" as one which would not prevent preparation for new conquests. As the premier spoke the French general staff announced that French troops on the western front were repulsing surprise German attacks by "quite large numbers of men," along a 35-mile stretch from the Moselle river, on the extreme northern flank, to Saarbrücken, center key to the Nazi advance lines.

Rangers Saturday At Mountain View

The Rangers, of radio station WBT, Charlotte, will give a program Saturday night, eight o'clock, at Mountain View school, Prof. L. W. Teague, principal, announced today.

The Rangers are widely known as one of the best radio and stage male quartets on the air and their personal appearances are always largely attended.

Profits from the admission charge will be used for the benefit of the school and a large attendance will be greatly appreciated.

Mr. Robert E. Eller has returned to Los Angeles, California, after visiting relatives and friends in the Purlear community. Mr. Eller, who still has many friends in Wilkesboro, has been quite successful since going west about 20 years ago.

Messrs. Harley Ellis and James returned to the city Sunday from New York City where they attended the World Series baseball games played between New York Yankees and the Cincinnati Reds, and the Alabama-Fordham football game.

Tells Legionnaires About Canal Zone

Miss Blanche Ferguson Tells of Government Work In Panama Territory

The Wilkes county post of the American Legion met in Legion Auxiliary club rooms on Friday night.

In addition to the regular business session of the post, the members had the pleasure of hearing a most interesting address on Panama by Miss Blanche Ferguson.

Miss Ferguson, who has returned to her home in Wilkes, spent a number of years in the Canal Zone as a trained nurse in U. S. government service. She gave a vivid description of the work the United States has done in Panama since work began on the Canal in 1904. She explained the advantages of the locks over a water level canal in a mountainous section like Panama. The total lift by the locks from sea level to Gatun Lake is 35 feet. Miss Ferguson paid tribute to the noble work of the public health service of the government in practically eradicating all traces of malaria and yellow fever in the Canal Zone, and that whereas the French failed because of disease in this tropical area, the United States government has cleaned up the Zone and now the health of the inhabitants compares favorably with any section of the United States.