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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

TEN ARE DROWNED
Beaufort, Nov. 17.—At least 10 persons were known to have drowned tonight in a boat collision in the inland waterway six miles north of here. The drowned were aboard the menhaden vessel Southland, proceeding from Ocracoke to Morehead City with 300,000 menhaden fish. She went to the bottom after she was in collision with the tugboat Escape, towing the barge Escapo, bound from Wilmington to Hopewell, Va. The identified dead were E. J. Fulcher and Charlie Fulcher, brothers of Stacy, in east Carteret county, and three negroes, Robert Lee, of Southport, Isaac Clarriby, of Volivia, near Southport, and Joseph Eagles, of Southport. The other dead were negroes.

KILLER EXECUTED
Greenville, Nov. 17.—A death sentence imposed for murder by Judge Dink James in County court yesterday afternoon was carried out last night when a large white bulldog which allegedly attacked Oscar Williams, negro, October 21, was shot under the supervision of the sheriff's office. The victim's master, Jack Jenkins, who was charged with allowing a vicious dog to run at large, made an earnest plea for his client, and attempted to show that the dog was not vicious, but all in vain. The dog was said to have attacked the negro near Hanrahan and the negro was so badly injured he was unable to reach help and lay beside the railroad tracks all night. The next morning he was taken to a hospital in Winston, but died the following day.

ROCKS BUILDING
Kansas City, Nov. 17.—An explosion which witnesses said seemed to lift, then drop a 12-story office building spread terror among hundreds of persons in the downtown business district today. Sixteen were injured, two seriously. Scores of late workers in the Grand avenue Temple building, at the corner of Ninth street and Grand avenue, told of feeling the blast rock the entire structure. Ceilings were cracked as were pillars in the auditorium, which houses a Methodist church. Sixty feet of sidewalk was buckled, and plate glass windows along the block were shattered. The explosion left a hole six feet deep in the sidewalk at the main entrance.

RESOURCES POOLED
London, Nov. 17.—The allied supreme war council decided today to pool the economic resources as well as the manpower of Britain and France in a united drive for victory over Nazi Germany. In the third meeting since the war began September 3, the council announced the prospective establishment of co-ordinating committees to use the buying power of the two nations as one. To avoid competition from each other in buying goods abroad, the council decided to draw up joint import programs. Simultaneously, Britain's home defenses were stirred to action by the first air raid alarms of the war on England's west coast. Alarms were sounded in 13 towns but no bombs were dropped by the Nazi airmen.

L. G. Watkins Is Wiring Inspector

Appointed By County Commissioners To Inspect All New Wiring Jobs
L. G. Watkins, for the past eight years a well known local electrician, has been appointed by the Wilkes county board of commissioners as wiring inspector for Wilkes county. Wilkes county has never had a wiring inspector and it is understood that a number of people of the county has asked that one be appointed. Mr. Watkins explained today that it will be his duty to inspect all new services and that every wiring job which has not been connected must be inspected and approved by him before electric service can be rendered. The job will have no salary, although an inspection fee of \$1.00 will be made for each wiring job inspected. Many counties in North Carolina, including some of the counties adjoining Wilkes, have had wiring inspectors for some time and the service is calculated to be mutually protective for property owners and electrical contractors.

Northwestern North Carolina Has The Turkeys

Local Buyers Busily Engaged In Trade For Early Thanksgiving

Because President Roosevelt moved up Thanksgiving from November 30 to November 23 many turkeys in this part of the state have one week less to live and turkey buyers and producers have an extra week of the marketing season because several states are sticking to the old date for Thanksgiving, the last Thursday in November.

Local buyers began accepting turkeys for Thanksgiving trade on November 15 in order to be prepared to fill demands for holiday dinners on November 23 as well as November 30, when North Carolina will observe Thanksgiving.

E. E. Eller, who has been one of the south's leading turkey buyers for more than a quarter of a century, said today that the volume has been satisfactory so far and that many fine birds were being purchased to date. He said that according to present indications all but about ten per cent of his holiday turkey business will be for the Thanksgiving date as set by the president on November 23 and that North Carolina consumption of Thanksgiving Day turkeys furnished by his firm will represent about ten per cent of business for the November 30 date.

Other poultry buyers here have also reported brisk business in buying turkeys from people in Northwest North Carolina.

24,115 Lunches Are Served By Lunch Rooms 9 Schools

More Than Half of Total Provided Free To Underprivileged Students

Nine WPA lunch rooms in Wilkes county served a total of 24,115 lunches during the month of October, it was learned today from the county welfare department.

The lunch rooms are operated at the following schools: Wilkesboro, Ferguson, Roaring River, Congo, Mountain View, Moravian Falls, Millers Creek, Piney Ridge and Harmon.

Serving at the rate of 1,000 lunches a day, the nine school lunchrooms provided more than half of the total free to underprivileged children. Of the total, 14,680 lunches were given without charge to students from needy homes.

The remaining lunches were sold at cost to other students who paid cash or gave various food materials in exchange. A plate lunch is served for only one nickel, with pie, desserts and salads a nickel extra for each.

Teachers in the schools where lunchrooms are provided report that the students eating hot lunches are more contented, study with greater ease and are better behaved than when they eat cold lunch or miss the meal altogether.

Warren Sherk Will Speak Here

Warren Sherk, of Hornell, N. Y., who is now a student at the Duke School of Religion, is also a graduate of Alleghany College, Meadville, Pa., will talk at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Sherk spent last year on a trip around the world served as an exchange student for four months in Rangoon, Burma, also has worked in the leper colony, and will bring with him a collection of curios.

His coming here is being sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the church, and the organization is anxious to have a large crowd out to hear him. It is very fitting to have Mr. Sherk bring his message at this time, during the midst of the mission study that is being taught by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Aycock at the Methodist public. The public is cordially invited to hear Mr. Sherk.

Fooley to Herman



Edward Gohring of Rockford, Ill., wishes nothing but bad luck to his first cousin, German Field Marshal Herman Goering, No. 2 Nazi. Here Gohring views the field marshal's picture in his family album and expresses his uncousinly attitude.

November Term Federal Court Convened Today

Many Liquor Cases Pending; Civil Cases Also Calendered For Trial

November term of federal court for trial of cases originating in Wilkes, Ashe, Watauga and Alleghany counties convened in Wilkesboro today, with Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, presiding.

The docket for the term contains about the usual number of cases charging violation of the federal liquor laws. District Attorney Carlyle Higgins, of Sparta, and his assistants will prosecute the docket.

Following trial of criminal cases it is expected that the civil calendar, which contains several suits, will be taken up. The term will probably last for two weeks.

Rain Breaks Up Longest Drought

Weather Received Much Favorable Comment Today As Rain Falls Steadily

An inch of rain which fell last night and today broke up what old timers have described as the most prolonged drought in Wilkes county history.

Records kept by Sam Craven at the North Wilkesboro water plant showed less than an inch and one-half of rainfall between August 25 and November 19.

However, the drought caused no great damage due to the fact that bumper crops had already matured during the summer season, which was one of the best in the history of the county for growing crops.

The principal damage from the drought was that many farmers experienced difficulty in plowing upland for fall planted crops and as a result the acreage of wheat for the year may be slightly smaller in the county.

With rain falling steadily today for the first time in twelve weeks the weather was a popular subject for conversation and naturally received much favorable comment.

Fiddlers' Meet Mulberry 24th

Fiddlers' convention will be held at Mulberry school on Friday, November 24, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. It was announced today.

All musicians are invited to attend and compete for the several prizes to be offered, school officials said today, and the musicians will be admitted without cost.

Admission charges will be 10, 15 and 25 cents and proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school. An entertaining program is assured for the occasion and many musicians are expected to take part.

Each day the American people eat 400 miles of link sausage wrapped in "skins" made from cotton linters.

"Bundle Day" Sunday Was Huge Success; Many Materials For Needy Families Are Collected

Local Party Gets Bear On Saturday

A party composed of Kin McNeill, Paul Harvel, Jr., A. A. Sturdivant and T. R. Bryan enjoyed a bear hunt Friday and Saturday in the vicinity of Mount Mitchell. They are now enjoying bear meat from the nice young animal they killed while on the hunt and report a very enjoyable outing.

Messrs. Harvel and McNeill were on the hunt to secure material for an illustrated feature for Outdoor Life magazine.

Hunting Season Will Begin On Thanksgiving Day

Sportsmen Getting Ready For Quail, Grouse and Rabbit Hunting

Hunters in this section of the state are oiling their guns, and putting finishing touches on training their dogs for opening of the hunting season for several classes of game on Thanksgiving Day.

And Homer Brookshire, Wilkes county game protector, has warned all hunters that Thanksgiving Day as far as hunting seasons are concerned will be November 30 here and that season on quail, rabbit and ruffed grouse will open on that date and not on November 23. The seasons will close on February 15 for the three popular types of game named above.

A few other laws he has called attention to include requirements to plug automatic and repeating shotguns to hold only three shells, that a penalty of not less than \$50 will be imposed on persons convicted of selling or buying quail, that it is a violation of the law to shoot birds on the ground, and that it is unlawful to hunt from a car or shoot from or across a public highway.

Mr. Brookshire said that as a result of the department of conservation and development placing breeding deer in Wilkes that there are a few deer in the county but there is no open season on deer in Wilkes and that persons who hunt, chase or kill a deer will be prosecuted. The minimum fine for killing a deer in Wilkes, he said, is \$50.

He also warned that hunters equip themselves with hunting license before going into the fields.

Officers Named By County Council

Mrs. F. T. Moore Newly Elected President For Council Home Clubs

Officers for 1940 were elected in the Wilkes County Council of home demonstration clubs in meeting Saturday at the courthouse in Wilkesboro.

The council is composed of the officers of the various home demonstration clubs throughout the county and has as its purpose the correlating of activities in home demonstration club work in the formation of a county program of work.

Mrs. F. T. Moore, of Ronda, was elected president for the coming year and other officers were named as follows: Mrs. W. H. Tevepaugh, Gilreath, vice president; Mrs. Eula Bentley, Pores Knob, secretary-treasurer.

The council decided to have quarterly meetings during the year on the fourth Saturday in January, April, August and December in the office of the home demonstration agent in the courthouse. Each meeting will be held at two o'clock in the afternoon.

It was also decided to have a county-wide meeting of all clubs at the courthouse in December for the purpose of reviewing the year's work and the meeting will take the place of the regular monthly community meeting. The date and other plans for the county-wide meeting will be announced soon. Miss Harriet Coogan, home demonstration agent, said.

Committee For Civic Organizations Reports Very Good Response

WILL AID THE NEEDY

NYA Employees To Get Material In Condition For Further Usefulness

"Bundle Day" was carried out here for the first time in history of North Wilkesboro Saturday and was a splendid success, sponsors said this morning.

The event, planned as aid to needy families of the Wilkesboros and all Wilkes county, was sponsored by the Kiwanis, Lions and Dokies clubs of the city and will be an annual event each year before the Christmas holiday season.

Trucks and drivers furnished by local business firms canvassed the homes in both towns and along the highways to Moravian Falls, Millers Creek and Mulberry school. The response exceeded expectations for the initial efforts and the contributions were piled high in the city hall as the trucks came in from the canvass.

The committee today said that perhaps some bundles were overlooked during the canvass and those whose bundles were not collected are kindly asked to carry them to the city hall.

Boy Scouts under supervision of the collection committee, of which Bryan Gilreath was chairman, accompanied the trucks and gathered the bundles from off the front porches, beginning at one o'clock. Included in the collection of articles gathered were several hundreds of articles of clothing, discarded toys, furniture, bed linen, blankets, kitchen ware, and many other things which will be useful in needy and underprivileged homes.

Dr. A. C. Chamberlain, head of the central "Bundle Day" committee for the three sponsoring organizations, said this morning that the Kiwanis, Lions and Dokies clubs are very grateful for the response and wish to thank all who helped in any way toward making the occasion such an outstanding success.

Arrangements were being made today to have employees of the National Youth administration clean and repair all the materials and place them in condition for further usefulness. Distribution will be the task of the police chiefs of the two Wilkesboros and the county welfare department. The materials will be used throughout the year as needed to provide relief for the needy and worthy cases as investigation discloses.

The committee today expressed appreciation to the firms who furnished trucks and drivers for the canvass as follows: North Wilkesboro Grocery company, Yaddin Valley Motor company, Gaddy Motor company, Miller-Long company, S. V. Tomlinson and Wilkesboro Manufacturing company.

Expression of appreciation were also voiced for the work of the Boy Scouts, the Scoutmasters in charge, and the local newspapers for their generous publicity preceding the event.

State Has Put Out \$766,354, Parkway

Raleigh, Nov. 14.—North Carolina has spent \$766,354.44 for rights-of-way and surveys on the Blue Ridge Parkway, Charles Ross, general counsel of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, reported today.

The federal government is building the parkway but the state must make preliminary surveys and investigations and furnish right-of-way.

Through October 1, Ross said, the state had acquired 13,617 acres, of which 12,243 had been acquired for a total of \$452,460.79. It is estimated 22,000 acres will be required for the parkway in North Carolina.

Average price for the land already paid for has been \$29.64 an acre.

The total does not include the \$25,000 which will be paid to the Little Switzerland Company for right-of-way.

American farmers received a cash income of \$847,000,000 in September, a substantial increase over the \$736,000,000 received in the same month one year ago.

'Fixed' Fighter



Harry Thomas, Eagle Bend, Minn., heavyweight fighter, started a boxing war recently when he announced his fight with Max Schmeling and Tony Galento were "fixed." Investigation was opened when Thomas declared he was paid "big money" to lose the fight.

Public Assistance Funds For Month Total Over \$7,000

Payments To Needy Aged and Dependent Children Are Mailed Out

Over \$7,000 has been paid out in public assistance funds to Wilkes county's needy for the month of November, Charles McNeill, county welfare superintendent, said today.

Vouchers for \$74 on the old age assistance rolls totaled \$5,083.50, representing a small increase over previous months in number helped.

Aid to dependent children cases number 118, representing 309 eligible and needy children. The ADC vouchers totaled \$1,470. Although the checks have not been sent out, 26 blind will receive a total of \$483.

Another welfare activity in which there were many transactions was the distribution of surplus commodities. Records show that 525 cases received surplus commodities and assuming that there are five to each family, 2,625 individuals were helped through this division.

Big Sports Event Here On Friday

North Wilkesboro And Wilkesboro To Meet In Annual Football Classic

Pasadena may have her Rose Bowl and other places have their big sports events but the height of sports in the fall season here is the North Wilkesboro versus Wilkesboro football game.

The annual classic will take place this year on Friday, November 24, on the fairgrounds field, beginning at three o'clock. As the teams enter their last week of practice for the season's big finale they stack up about even in all departments.

Neither has an impressive record this year but records don't mean a thing when the rivals from opposite sides of the Yadkin clash on the gridiron.

An exciting game, hard fought to the nth degree but with a good display of sportsmanship, has always been the result when the two Wilkes teams play.

A full page announcement of the game, sponsored by many business firms and individuals, along with The Journal-Patriot, appears on page three of this newspaper, listing every member of the two squads, their jersey numbers, position and weight.

Thanksgiving Day For Postoffice Here To Be November 30

Postmaster J. O. Reims said today that the North Wilkesboro postoffice will be open on November 22 but will be closed for Thanksgiving Day on November 30.

The rural carriers will have their holiday on Thursday, November 23, Thanksgiving Day as proclaimed by President Roosevelt.

Watson Is Held In Shooting At Ferguson Nov. 11

Placed In Custody As Material Witness Against George Byrd, Suspect

Turner Watson, another resident of the Ferguson community, has been jailed in connection with the fatal shooting of S. M. Burchette at his home at Ferguson on Saturday night, November 11. Watson's arrest brings to two the number of men held in the case, although he is not charged with the actual crime.

Sheriff C. T. Doughton, who disclosed Friday that Watson is being held, said that he probably would be a material witness against George Byrd, who was arrested on the day following the shooting and charged with murder.

Sheriff Doughton returned Friday from Washington, D. C., where he carried a number of articles for examination by experts of the Federal Bureau of investigation.

He said that he expects a report on the investigation some time this week.

Included in the articles carried for inspection by G-men in the FBI laboratories were objects found in Byrd's home which officers said indicated that the lethal slugs which were fired into Burchette's chest through a window, were made on his work bench.

A sixteen-gauge shotgun found in Byrd's home had marks in the inside of the barrel as if slugs had been fired, officers said. On the work bench they found a piece of 3-8 inch iron rod with the end freshly sawed off. The size was the same as the slugs taken out of Burchette's chest. Nearby was an empty shotgun shell—red in color and corresponding to fragments of paper found on the window screen where the shotgun load went through. Also in the collection found on and near the work bench were a hacksaw, two hammers, a file and chisel.

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Five Colored Men Are Jailed Here

Police Get Negro With Stolen Goods Before He Gets Out Of Building

William Rousseau, local colored man, evidently didn't take a two-year suspended sentence seriously because he was caught and convicted for breaking into the identical store where he entered two years ago and was let off with a suspended sentence because he lost a leg in an accident about the same time.

On Friday night James Lowe went into the office of C. A. Lowe and Sons on Forester avenue to do some work and heard a noise in the back of the store. He called police officers and they caught Rousseau before he could get off the grounds with six cases of cigarettes and two boxes of gum, with a total value of \$210.

In city court today the two-year suspended sentence for the first breaking and entering charge two years ago was put into effect and he was ordered held for superior court on the new charges.

On the same night a colored quartet composed of J. T. Little, Jack Bailey, Bill Bailey and Fred Henderson were alleged to have broken into R. & O. Grocery store, where they got less than a dollar in money and three cartons of cigarettes. They were seen at the store about one hour before night officers found the place had been entered. After bloodhounds trailed to Little's home a confession was obtained. Police Chief Walker said today.

Each of the four was given four months on the roads on one count and eight months suspended on another.

Auxiliary To Serve An Oyster Supper

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Episcopal church will give an oyster supper at the Community Building in Wilkesboro on Thursday evening, November 23rd, from six to eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.