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Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

DEAD BODY FOUND
Manteo.—Police sought today to identify the body of a man found in a marsh on Roanoke Sound. The body, with the head, feet and arms missing, had been in the water apparently for a year. Sheriff D. V. Meekins said the body might be that of J. W. Miller, prominent Elizabeth City insurance man who disappeared last spring.

NOT TO DIE FRIDAY
Raleigh.—The death sentence of Richard Mayes, Mocklenburg county burglar, has been commuted to life imprisonment and Jim Moore, Fender county murderer, has been granted a reprieve. It was announced today. The men were sentenced to die in the gas chamber at Central prison Friday morning.

ONLY TWO, NOT FIVE
Cairo, Egypt.—A father's attempt to ward off the "evil eye" from his new-born twins caused a false story of the birth of quintuplets to be spread here. A United Press correspondent, accompanied by a policeman, went to a house on a dingy back street to investigate the story and found twin babies. The father explained that according to local superstition the figure five offsets the "evil eye" so he told his neighbors that his wife had had five babies.

STUDY FARM PROBLEM
Atlanta, Ga.—Republican congressmen today were reported planning a study of the Southern farm problem motivated by "a sense of responsibility toward America." Wilson Williams, attaché of the Republican National Committee, said 46 Republican lawmakers would meet somewhere in the South within 40 days to "learn the facts" of the farm problem "without any third degree methods or efforts to stir up anti-new deal sentiment."

BORAH ESTATE \$200,000
Washington.—The late Senator William B. Borah of Idaho left to his widow an estate of approximately \$200,000, almost all of it in government bonds. This was disclosed today by Mrs. Borah who said the bequest was discovered in the senator's safe deposit box when it was opened by Miss Grace Hellman, his personal secretary for many years, to obtain his will. The will was written by hand on paper from a Senate table. It left "everything I have to my beloved Mary."

18,000 POLES KILLED
Paris.—A white paper issued in Paris by the Polish government in exile reports the Germans have executed 18,000 Poles of all classes since the occupation of Poland. The white paper charged the Germans with mass executions in the market places, destruction of Polish monuments and churches, and enforcing the migration of thousands of persons from western Poland to the interior in cattle cars during sub-zero weather. It said 30 children were frozen to death in a cattle car at Sandomierz.

Mr. L. L. Wyles, of Boomer, was a pleasant caller at The Journal-Patriot office today.

Over 43,000 Lunches Served School Children In 9 Schools In Six Weeks

During the past six weeks of schools in Wilkes a total of 43,000 lunches were served to children in nine school lunch rooms, according to information obtained today from the office of Charles McNeill, Wilkes county welfare officer.

Free and exchange lunches served during the six-weeks period numbered 30,411 while 12,676 were paid for in cash by the children.

According to the plan now in use, lunches are served free to children from underprivileged homes who are not able to pay cash or to furnish groceries in exchange for lunch. Many of the children in rural homes are able to furnish vegetables or other foods, which are accepted at market prices in payment for lunches.

Teachers have the task of determining whether or not children are able to pay.

School authorities report that children who are served hot lunch make better progress in schools and are better contented during the afternoon hours. A plate lunch is served for only a nickel and pie, salad and other extras may be obtained for a nickel each.

They Join Forces to Fight Long Machine



Sam Houston Jones, left, who ran second to Gov. Earl Long in the Louisiana Democratic primaries, embraces James A. Noe, third place candidate. The vote given Jones entitles him to a run-off election against Long in February. Noe announced he will swing his support to Jones in an attempt to beat Long, a brother of the late "Kingfish" Huey Long.

N.C.S.E.S. Office Public Assistance Asked To Furnish In Wilkes County Skilled Workmen \$7,184 For Month

Several Openings Listed This Week For Well Experienced People

The North Wilkesboro office of the North Carolina State Employment Service, along with other offices of the job finding agency, has calls for skilled workers in various trades. B. G. Gentry, manager said today.

He explained that the openings are in various parts of this and other states but any persons interested may secure additional information by calling at the employment service office on the second floor of the Bank of North Wilkesboro building.

Openings were reported this week for workers of the following types: shop foreman, barber, watch repairer, aircraft and engine service mechanics, block and asphalt layers, archaeologists, circular loopers (hosiers), social workers, cost accountants, pastry cook, wood mill detailer, librarian, medical detailer (solicitor-salesman), Cooks, designers and stylists, mechanical engineers, X-ray technician, spindle carvers (furniture).

Mr. Gentry also stated that his office has files of many applicants for work, including a large list of qualified sales clerks and that the office would appreciate mercantile establishments calling the employment service office when in need of such workers.

There continues a shortage of experienced and well recommended women for general house work, with calls being received for either white or colored.

Funds Paid Out To Needy Aged, Children and Blind Set New High

Public assistance funds paid out to needy aged, dependent children and blind in Wilkes county for this month totaled \$7,184.50, Charles McNeill, Wilkes county superintendent of welfare, said today.

This represents a new record high in total of public assistance funds paid to needy in the county.

A total of 566 old people in the county received \$5,000.50, making the average monthly grant approximately \$8.99.

Families numbering 142 and with 337 dependent children received \$1,722.00, the average being about \$12.12 per family.

Blind persons receiving aid numbered 36. The vouchers, averaging about \$13 each, totaled \$462.00.

Plan To Attend Lincoln Day Meet

Wilkes To Be Well Represented At Annual G. O. P. Meeting Feb. 12

Many Wilkes county Republicans are planning to attend the Lincoln Day dinner to be held at King Cotton Hotel in Greensboro Monday evening, February 12, party leaders said here today.

A record breaking attendance at the annual party gathering is expected this year to hear Senator Robert A. Taft, of Ohio, one of the leading contenders for the Republican nomination for president next year.

A Wilkes committee on arrangements has been appointed in connection with the dinner and those from this county who plan to attend are asked to get in touch with a member of the committee not later than February 10 in order that reservations may be made. The committee members are Paul Osborne, Max Foster, Claude Kennedy, S. R. Laws and Jim Somers.

Wilkesboro Church To Have Services

Repairs to the heating plant will be completed in time for services to be held Sunday at the Wilkesboro Baptist church, it was announced today.

The heating plant was damaged by freezing last Sunday and no services were held. Should the furnace not be repaired before Sunday other heating facilities will be provided and Sunday school will be held at 9:45 and preaching service at 11 a. m., church leaders today said.

Mrs. Presley Myers and son, Dudley, returned Monday from Miami, Florida, where they spent two weeks as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shoemaker, Mrs. Shoemaker is an aunt of Mrs. Myers.

Mrs. N. S. Forester, Sr., who accompanied them on the trip, remained in Miami to spend the remainder of the winter.

Burgin Seeking Renomination In Eighth District

Representative Issues Short Statement Of Candidacy On Wednesday

Today The Journal-Patriot received from Representative W. O. Burgin his candidacy for renomination in the primary next year.

The eighth North Carolina district representative, in a short four-paragraph statement, said he would ask renomination on his record and if the Democratic voters "renew my commission for an additional two years I shall be personally most grateful and appreciative, and will continue to serve their every interest with singleness of purpose."

C. B. Deane of Rockingham has already announced he would oppose Burgin and John Lang, North Carolina NYA director, is understood to be contemplating entering the contest.

The 1938 congressional race in the eighth district after announcement by Representative Walter Lambeth of Thomasville that he would retire from Congress was most bitterly fought and resulted in the unique procedure of a committee being appointed to declare whether Deane or Burgin was nominated.

With Burgin and Deane both announced candidates the eighth district apparently is in for some more hot politics between now and the primary.

Giles Y. Newton, of Gibson, is also a candidate, being the first to enter the race. He was one of the five candidates two years ago.

Representative Burgin's statement in full follows:

"I am a candidate for re-election to Congress from the eighth district and will seek the Democratic nomination to succeed myself, in the May primary.

"In the time it has been my privilege to serve as congressman, I have sought to represent the district in a manner in keeping with its importance. Two years is but a short time in so great a body as the Congress of the United States, but I am happy to feel that even in this short time I have been able to uphold, reasonably well, the traditions of the district, always so ably represented.

"I have the honor at this time of being a member of the foreign affairs committee which, under existing world conditions, is regarded as a place of much responsibility and an opportunity for public service.

"I shall submit my record gladly and without hesitation to the Democratic voters of the district, and should they renew my commission for an additional two years, I shall be personally most grateful and appreciative, and will continue to serve their every interest with singleness of purpose."

Wilkes Schools to Re-open Monday

Because of weather conditions a number of Wilkes schools which closed last week will not re-open until Monday, February 5, C. B. Eller, Wilkes superintendent of schools, said today.

Among the larger schools remaining closed for the remainder of this week instead of re-opening yesterday as previously announced are Wilkesboro, Millers Creek, Mount Pleasant, Ferguson, Moravian Falls and schools with interlocking transportation facilities.

Mountain View school re-opened Wednesday.

Traphill re-opened today after being closed on account of a water shortage.

Roaring River school re-opened Wednesday.

Ronda and Lincoln Heights re-opened Monday.

Mulberry school, which has transportation facilities interlocking with North Wilkesboro school, has not closed and remains in operation.

Closing of a number of the schools during the severe weather was decided upon by school authorities and patrons in the interest of health and safety of the children. A prevailing mild epidemic of colds and flu made it more important that children be saved all exposure possible.

Now Hans Has a Reason to Be Sick



Hans von Appen, left, German sailor who tricked the British by feigning illness when the S. S. Dusseldorf was captured by an English warship, talks to a reporter at Balboa, in the Canal Zone. Von Appen was put ashore at Panama, where authorities found his illness an "act." He was placed under custody of United States army officials, and in due course, will be turned over to the British as a prisoner of war.

Baptist Pastors Planning Week For Study, Fellowship

Program Outlined For Sessions To Be Held In This City February 12-16

A week of study and fellowship is planned by the Wilkes County Baptist Pastors' conference to be held February 12-16, Rev. Eugene Olive, secretary of the conference, announced today.

The sessions will be held in the Reins-Sturdivant chapel in this city, beginning each morning at 9:30 and continuing until 3:30 each afternoon.

Each day will include two periods of twenty minutes each for the following program:

Devotional—Led by J. G. Huffman, Ed Hayes, A. E. Watts, S. L. Blevins, Isaac Watts, C. M. Caudill, J. M. Wright, Noah Hayes, B. L. Minton and E. V. Hicks.

Bible study for one hour, led by C. C. Holland.

A sermon each day by G. W. Sebastian, A. W. Eller, E. V. Bumgarner, A. B. Hayes and Pervis C. Parks.

A discussion for one hour daily of "The Mission of Baptists Today," led by J. C. Pipes, general missionary.

A study and discussion for one hour each day of Arthur Wentworth Hewitt's book, "Highland Shepherds," led by Eugene Olive.

Lerner Family Loses Property In Polish Town

Leon Lerner Convinced Russia Has Confiscated His Grandfather's Property

Leon Lerner, local merchant who came to America in the fall of 1938 from Poland, said today that he had received word from his grandfather and a sister, who are still living in Borislaw, which until the German-Russian invasion was in southern Poland.

Mr. Lerner said that he had received little information about his relatives since the war except that they continue to reside in the old town.

His grandfather owned an oil well but Mr. Lerner has little hopes that he retained any of his property, which also included a mercantile establishment.

Borislaw is in that part of Poland taken by Russia in the famous split of the country following the German invasion. Mr. Lerner said here today that although he has no definite information on the matter, he is convinced that the Russian government has taken all property of any consequence in eastern Poland and that his grandfather has lost all he possessed.

Leon Lerner is a nephew of Dave Lerner, prominent Lincoln town merchant who established a store here last year. Although the Polish native has been in this country just a little more than one year, he speaks English well and on several occasions has addressed civic groups here relative to conditions in central Europe. He said he feels very fortunate in being able to come to America and have the opportunities and freedom of an American citizen.

Taylorsville Man Is Held For Theft

Wilkes Officers Arrest Dock Kerley For Theft Of Drug Clerk's Car

Dock Kerley, resident of Taylorsville, was arrested yesterday morning at the home of his brother, Ed Kerley, near this city on a charge of stealing a car in Taylorsville Tuesday night.

He is alleged to have stolen a car belonging to Grayden Burgess, which was parked on the street in front of the drug store where Burgess was employed. The car was found wrecked between Pores Knob and Moravian Falls early yesterday.

The arrest was made by Carley Ingle, state highway patrol sergeant, accompanied by Homer Brookshire. Kerley, who recently completed a road term for breaking into the Taylorsville depot, made no statement to the Wilkes officers concerning his guilt or innocence and was taken to Taylorsville to face charges.

Former Minister In This City Dies

Funeral services for Rev. C. W. Martin, 70, who died early yesterday morning at his home in Maiden, will be conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his son, William B. Martin, 2332 Elizabeth avenue, Winston-Salem.

Rev. Mr. Martin had been in good health and active in his work until his sudden death of a heart attack. He was prominently identified with the Western North Carolina Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church for many years, and had held the pastorate at Maiden for some time.

For several years he made his home in North Wilkesboro.

He is survived by his widow; three daughters, Miss Pauline Martin of Maiden, Mrs. C. D. Burchelle of Greensboro, and Mrs. G. C. Morris of Charlotte; two sons, William B. Martin of Winston-Salem and C. J. Martin of Martinsburg, W. Va.

Following the funeral tomorrow, burial will be made in Green Hill Cemetery in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Horton, of this city, were Charlotte visitors today.

Some Relief From The Severe Winter Weather Arrives

Temperature Since Monday Has Been About Normal For Winter Season

Although the weather since Monday has been as cold as average winter days here, it has been a relief from the sub-zero temperatures which prevailed each morning from Friday until Monday.

The mercury rose slowly Monday but sufficiently to melt some of the snow which fell on January 23.

On Tuesday morning the skies were overcast and snow fell lightly until noon, the new snow reaching a depth of less than one inch. Since that time the temperature has been about normal for winter weather.

Meanwhile plumbers have been working frantically trying to catch up with the many calls to thaw out and repair frozen water pipes, which have been most numerous.

Greater difficulty has been experienced because the intense cold in many places froze the water in the pipes leading from mains to residences and business houses.

Today the weather man promised continued relief from cold with fair weather and slowly rising temperatures.

Only One Marriage License In Month

Setting a new low record for Wilkes county, only one license to wed was issued by Old Wilkes, Wilkes register of deeds, since January 1.

The only couple since that date obtaining a marriage license in Wilkes was Raleigh Moore and Topsy Estep, residents of the Gileath community, on January 13.

Mountain Lions Beat Statesville

High School Team Wins In Thrilling Contest Here 32 to 30 Tuesday Night

Mountain Lions of the North Wilkesboro high schools scored a 32-30 victory over Statesville high here Tuesday night in the season's most exciting game in the local high school gymnasium.

Going into the last quarter the Mountain Lions were trailing 20-24 and before the game ended the score was knotted four times. Crook sank the deciding shot in the last minute of play.

Lineups and individual scores follow:

N. Wilkesboro 32	30 Statesville
Crook 4	Brown
Steelman 8	14 Harris
Dancy 4	1 Hoffman
Kenerly 2	7 Walters
Robnett 8	4 Hooper
Campbell 2	Keller
Williams 4	Johnson
Craven	Mayhew

North Wilkesboro thus far has enjoyed a successful season with seven victories against only three defeats.

The next game here will be with Elkin on Friday night, February 9.

Wrist Fractured In Fall On Sidewalk

J. H. Whicker, Sr., prominent local attorney, suffered a compound fracture of his right wrist Tuesday when he slipped and fell on the ice on the sidewalk near his home Tuesday afternoon. The injury was treated at the Wilkes hospital and he continues working at his office, although he may not be able to use his arm for several weeks.

Hip Broken While Riding On Sleigh

Harold Sturdivant, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Sturdivant, of Wilkesboro, was badly injured Monday afternoon while sleigh riding on what is known as Rousseau Hill near Wilkesboro.

The snow sled failed to make a curve on the course which had become very popular with sleigh riding enthusiasts and his sled was thrown against a fence post. He is now a patient at the Wilkes hospital.