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Late News Of State - Nation Told Briefly

ARTIC BLOCKADE

Copenhagen, Feb. 23.—Allied action in thrusting an arm of the blockade against Germany into the Arctic off northern Norway, Finland and soviet Russia was interpreted here tonight as possibly aimed primarily at halting German transport of high grade iron ore from Kirkenes, northern Norwegian port. Scandinavian commercial circles said they believed a secondary motive was the blocking of any effort by German vessels which may be taking refuge in Murmansk, Russia's ice-free port in that region, to get back to Germany.

ABSENTEES PRESENT

Dunn, Feb. 23.—It may sound a bit odd, but the intermediate Sunday school department of the First Baptist church staged a party for absentees here tonight. Only absentees were present; those who attend regularly weren't even invited. Supt. J. C. Jones explained that the object of the party was to induce members who have been absent for several Sundays to return to Sunday school. A large number of absentees were present. The "present list" was absent, reported Rev. Thomas W. Fryer, the pastor, who extended the absentees a welcome. Refreshments were served as an added inducement.

LaGUARDIA FOR F.D.R.

New York, Feb. 23.—The volatile mayor of New York, Fiorello H. LaGuardia, has come to the conclusion, he said today, that the present crop of Republican presidential hopefuls is "a poor one indeed," and added this further comment: "Phooey." The mayor's views were made in connection with his announcement that he was filing a declaration in the April 9 Illinois preferential primaries, in which his name was entered without his knowledge as a candidate for the Republican nomination. He was withdrawing, he explained, because he did not want "to divide the intelligent, progressive vote" in that state and suggested Illinois voters cast their ballots for President Roosevelt.

BEATEN LONG TALKS

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—Governor Earl Long told questioners today that he did not intend to contest the Democratic nomination of Sam Jones. Lake Charles attorney who defeated him in last Tuesday's runoff primary. In a hoarse voice he gave reporters this statement, his first since the smashing of his political machine. "I don't owe the newspapers a—damned thing. I wish the newspapers would leave me alone. I would like for you to use that as a statement from me." The official figures compiled today by the secretary of State, with 19 of the state's 1703 precincts missing, gave Jones a majority of 19,527 votes.

Americanism To Be Chapel Topic

Will Be Rendered Before High School Student Body Thursday

The American Legion Auxiliary will have an interesting program on Americanism for the chapel exercises at both the high school and junior high chapel periods on Thursday—junior high at 8:45 and high school 9:30. The "Flag Study" has been put on this month in the fifth grade under the direction of Miss Hendren, this study being sponsored by the Legion Auxiliary. Pupils of Mrs. Richard Finley will give folk dances of some of the Allied Nations. These dances are authentic dances of the country they represent and the dancers are attractively costumed. A list of the dances follow:

- Scotland, Geraldine Gaddy, Jean Somers.
- Ireland, Margaret Ann Hutchins, Billy Jo Zimmerman.
- England, Harriett Crutchfield.
- France, Betty Gwyn Finley.
- Hungarian Gypsy, Rebecca Hayes.
- Norwegian, Ruth Long.
- Holland, Jane Carter.
- Finland, Nancy Rousseau.
- China, Carolyn Dean, Nell Gwyn Brame.
- America, Grace Frank Kilby.
- An American Soldier, Bobby Wells.
- An American Sailor, Carolyn Moore.

Mr. Frank Allen, of the New Orpheum Theatre, spent today in Charlotte on business.

Coming To City



Miss Helen Appenlander, executive director of Girl Scouting for four states, will be in this city Thursday and Friday for the purpose of organizing a Girl Scout council.

Miss Appenlander Is Coming To City

Girl Scout Executive Director To Spend Thursday and Friday Here

Miss Helen Appenlander, of New York City, will be in North Wilkesboro on Thursday, February 29, and Friday, March 1, for the purpose of organizing a Girl Scout Council here.

Miss Appenlander, member of the Girl Scout staff and executive director of Girl Scouting in the Juliette Low region comprising North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, will have two busy days here with a number of appearances before several groups.

At 3:30 p. m. on Thursday she will speak at the Presbyterian Scout hut to parents of Girl Scouts and parents of other girls of Scouting age who would like to know more about the organization are urgently requested to be present. At 7:30 p. m. Thursday all troop leaders and troop committee members will have dinner with Miss Appenlander at the home of Mrs. W. E. Jones. At 9:00 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. Friday Miss Appenlander will have study classes with leaders of troops and troop committees at the home of Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs. On Friday noon she will address the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club.

Benefit Bridge And Rook Party on Friday

A benefit bridge and rook party will be held at Moravian Falls school on Friday night, 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds from the 25-cent admission charge to be for the benefit of the Community House fund.

Bridge, rook, chinese checkers and other games will be played and refreshments will be served free. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

Boy Accidentally Kills Himself With Knife

Martin Shepherd, fourteen-year-old youth of Union township 22 miles northwest of this city, was killed in a freak accident Saturday morning.

The lad was busily engaged with a pocket knife, cutting a strip from an old automobile tire in order to make a tire for his coaster wagon when the knife slipped and stabbed his thigh near his hip.

He stood up, said "I'm cut and cut bad," walked about six

steps and fell dead, relatives told Coroner I. M. Myers, who investigated the death.

Coroner Myers said the knife apparently cut the main artery in the boy's right leg. The accident occurred at the home of the boy's mother. There was no evidence of foul play.

Funeral service was held Sunday afternoon and burial was in Royal cemetery.

The victim was a son of Mrs. Susie J. Royal Shepherd.

G. O. P. Hopeful



Frank Gannett, upstate New York publisher and candidate for the Republican nomination for President, pictured addressing the national Republican club in New York. Candidate Gannett outlined his platform and criticized New Deal policies.

One Man Wounded In Affray Sunday

One Shot In Altercation At Home Of Rob Hayes Near City Sunday

John Lovette, resident of this city, was shot and badly wounded last night at the home of his father-in-law, Rob Hayes, near this city.

Hayes, charged with the shooting, was arrested last night by Sheriff Claude Doughton and is being held in jail pending the outcome of injuries to Lovette.

Officers learned but few details of the affair, other than that the two men were engaged in an affray.

Condition of Lovette, who was carried to the Wilkes hospital, was described today as being as well as could be expected. The bullet, which is said to have entered his back, went all the way through his chest and injured one lung.

Number Service Stations Looted In Wilkes County

Officers Seek Solution To Puzzling Series Of Robberies In County

Wilkes officers have been busily engaged during the past few days in investigation of a series of service station robberies in the county.

Among the service stations and stores which have reported losses and breakins during the past week include Batty's on highway 115, Midway between the Wilkesboros, Rhodes Service station on highway 268 and two establishments at Millers Creek.

At each place the thieves took what money could be found, cigarettes and other merchandise. In one or two instances slot machines were reported taken.

The nature of the robbery series indicates an organized drive and officers hope to obtain results in the investigation now under way.

"Lookin' Lovely" Will Be Given At Wilkesboro School

"Lookin' Lovely," a delightful three-act comedy-drama, will be presented at Wilkesboro school on Friday, March 1, 7:30 p. m., by the senior class under direction of Prof. Zeb Dickson.

The play is filled with humor and the antics of the colored mammy and two youngsters add zest to the production and assures delightful entertainment. Admission charges will be 15 and 25 cents and everybody is invited.

Another Gift For Finns Relief Fund

W. E. Parsons, merchant of the Buck community, today brought to The Journal-Patriot office a check for one dollar to the Finnish Relief Fund.

His contribution, along with others which may be made, will be forwarded immediately to national headquarters of Finnish Relief, Inc., of which former President Herbert Hoover is the director.

Homemade Incubator Protects Quads



Miss Almya Riams, nurse who cares for the quadruplets born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Short of Jasper, Ala., pictured with the babies who are lying in the incubator made by Miss Riams. The children were born in the farm shack owned by their parents. The three girls have been named Faith, Hope and Charity. The boy is not as yet named.

Millers Creek Boys And Ronda Girls Win County Championship Thursday

New Phone Books Being Distributed

New telephone directories for the North Wilkesboro branch of Central Electric and Telephone company are being distributed today.

The new book, which has up-to-date listing of all telephones on the system and complete information about long distance use, also contains a list of names and addresses of business firms.

Mr. Eshelman's Father Passes

Funeral Service To Be Held At High Point Tomorrow Afternoon At 2:30

A. F. Eshelman, father of P. W. Eshelman, of this city, died in High Point this morning about 10:30 o'clock.

The funeral will be held at the residence of J. A. Eshelman, 905 Johnson Street, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. Eshelman was a prominent resident of High Point and his death is learned here with much regret by friends.

R. H. Moore Rites Conducted Friday

Funeral service was held Friday at Hunting Creek church for R. H. Moore, age 81, citizen of Lovelace township who died Wednesday.

He is survived by five children.

Excellent Games Feature Final Night Of Goodwill Basketball Tourney

By a mild upset Millers Creek boys won the county basketball championship here on Thursday night by defeating Mount Pleasant 18 to 17 in the fastest and hardest fought game on the local court this season.

The game was the final engagement of the Wilkes County Basketball Tourney, which is held out each year by the North Wilkesboro high school for the high schools of the county.

Prior to the boys game Ronda girls won the girls' title for the county by defeating Mountain View easily—28 to 11.

In the girls' game Ronda took (Continued on page eight)

Jesse Giles Will Be Transferred To Jackson County

District Agent Expresses Hope Agent May Be Named For Wilkes

In a brief statement issued here today O. F. McCrary, district agent of the extension service, said that Jesse Giles, assistant county agent for Wilkes, is being transferred from Wilkes to Jackson county on March 1.

This will mean that the office of the Wilkes agent will be vacant unless an appointment is made and approved immediately. Mr. Giles has been acting as agent since Dan Holler resigned to accept a position with the extension service in Raleigh several days ago.

The statement of Mr. McCrary received here today was as follows: "To the people of Wilkes county: This is to notify you that Mr. Jesse Giles is being transferred from Wilkes county on March first. Mr. Giles will be assistant county agent in Jackson county." As a postscript Mr. McCrary said "It is hoped that a county agent can be placed in Wilkes in the near future."

Mr. Giles came to Wilkes as assistant county agent on December 15 following his graduation from State College. While in the county he has been very active in extension work among the farmers.

In a long controversy over appointment of a county agent the Wilkes county commissioners and the state extension service have so far failed to agree on an appointment. The commissioners have made three appointments of men to succeed Dan F. Holler as county agent and the state extension service has not agreed to any of them.

Farm Loan Group In Annual Meeting

Moravian National Farm Loan Association Has Successful Year

Stockholders of the Moravian Farm Loan association in meeting Saturday at the city hall here heard reports of good business during the past year.

The report as given by O. H. Bracey, secretary-treasurer, disclosed that borrowers are meeting payments promptly with a minimum of delinquencies and that the association now has only one farm on hand.

The meeting was featured by splendid attendance of stockholders, who re-elected directors. The directors are P. E. Dancy, B. L. Johnson, B. C. Price, J. N. Gentry and J. R. Eller. The directors will meet on Saturday of this week to elect officers.

A quiz contest featured the entertainment portion of the program Saturday. Members were asked questions relative to activities of the association and land bank and each person answering correctly received one dollar. Ten dollars were given away.

MITCHELL COLLEGE CHOIR TO SING IN THIS CITY ON SUNDAY, MARCH 10th



Here is shown the Mitchell College a capella choir, which will render a program on Sunday, March 10, 8 p. m., in the First Baptist church in this city. The program will be sponsored by the high school girls' chorus and the

Parent-Teacher association. A freewill offering will be taken to defray traveling expenses of the choir from Mitchell College in Statesville.

The Mitchell College a cappella choir is now in its seventh year.

The choir has seen a steady growth in the interest shown in its work. Members of the group have caught a new vision of the importance of music in the church service and many have gone back to the home church to help in

making this phase of the service more vital.

Last year the choir gave twenty-one services, ending with one given before the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States. The schedule

for this year has been filled up to commencement Sunday, some days having two and three programs. A number of churches

have made a place on the church calendar for an annual program and this will be the seventh year.

"Gone With The Wind" Ball Soon

A "Gone With The Wind" Ball is to be sponsored here by both the junior and senior Woman's clubs of North Wilkesboro, and plans are under way to make it North Wilkesboro's largest social function of the season. The ball is to be held at the Woman's clubhouse on Treardon Street Tuesday evening, March 19, instead of the evening of the 22nd as first considered.

Miss Scarlett O'Hara, of the Wilkesboros, will be chosen from twelve girls whose measurements and personality are nearest to those of Scarlett O'Hara. The measurements are to be taken at Spahnour-Sydnor's Store by representatives of the two clubs, so please watch for the date.

An orchestra is to furnish the music, and the grand march will be led by the one chosen to be Miss O'Hara. Tickets may be purchased from the junior women two weeks before date of ball.

Both young and old will want to go "with the wind" to see Miss Scarlett O'Hara, of the twin-cities. Get your ticket early.