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## Little Hope Is Held For Marvin C. Bell And R. V. Litteral

Scheduled To Die In Gas Chamber at Raleigh Friday For Rape of Girl

Raleigh, Nov. 10.—Little hope of intervention was held today for three men convicted of criminal assault, two of them white youths, who are scheduled to die Friday in the gas chamber.

The three, Ralph Vernon Litteral and Marvin Claude Bell, white, and Willie Little, Negro, already have been interviewed several times by officials of the paroles office, who make their recommendations to Governor Cherry.

Litteral and Bell were convicted in Wilkes county of forcing a teen-age Sunday school worker into their car and criminally assaulting her several times on a wild all-night ride. Litteral also allegedly forced her to commit an unnatural sex act, and cut her thigh with a knife.

Bell, several hours before his scheduled execution a short time ago, succeeded in gaining a stay from Chief Justice W. P. Stacy of the North Carolina Supreme Court pending the filing of an appeal to the United States Supreme Court. The land's highest court, declined to intervene. Pending Bell's legal maneuver, Governor Cherry granted Litteral a stay, holding that if both men died, they should die together.

Litteral has been given another psychiatric examination but the report has not been received by the paroles office.

Little allegedly criminally assaulted a Wake county white woman shortly after he escaped from a prison camp.

## Mrs. Odell Shumate Is Claimed By Death

Mrs. Ada Eller Shumate, widow of Odell Shumate, died November 5. She was born September 1, 1912, and on April 4, 1931, was married to Odell Shumate.

Surviving are the husband and four children: Travis Lee, Della Mae, Media Jane and Virginia Dare Shumate, all of North Wilkesboro route one.

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## Square Dance And Harvest Sale For Gym Fund Nov. 25

Ninth grade of Wilkesboro school will sponsor a square dance and harvest sale to be held Tuesday night, November 25, for the school gymnasium fund. More detailed announcements will appear later.

## Many Cases Are Tried In Special Term of Court

The special term of Wilkes superior court in session since Monday morning of last week was expected to close today after disposing of many minor cases.

Following are cases in which judgments were reached since the last published report: Rex Hawkins, housebreaking and larceny, verdict of guilty; sentence not passed.

Walter Pruitt, larceny of car, six months suspended on payment of costs and \$75 to Theopolis Yale.

Weldon Royal, manslaughter, dismissed.

George H. Smoak, operating car while intoxicated, four months suspended on payment of \$50 fine and costs.

Warren Queen, abandonment, 12 months suspended on payment of \$15 monthly to Foda Queen.

Glenn Pierce, reckless driving, dismissed.

Tyra Taylor, embezzlement, four months suspended on payment of \$76.94 to Clate and Presley Kilby.

John Foster, abandonment, 12 months on roads.

Ira Hinson, abandonment, 12 months suspended on payment of \$30 monthly for family.

Ed Marley, assault with deadly weapon, four months on roads.

Herman Dula, assault with deadly weapon, four months on roads.

George William Satterwhite, drunkenness, 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and costs.

Ralph Gentry, reckless driving, four months suspended on payment of \$400 for Rex Wishon.

Emory Lashmit and Floyd R. Lashmit, resisting officer, four months suspended on payment of \$50 and costs.

Alton Absher, bastardy, six months suspended on payment of \$600 for Jean Lambrose.

## T. C. Bowie, Ashe Political Leader, Dies at Age of 71

West Jefferson. — Thomas (Tom) Contee Bowie, 71, widely known Ashe county attorney, banker and political leader for many years, died at 6:30 p. m. yesterday in the Wilkes Hospital at North Wilkesboro, where he had been a patient since Monday.

He apparently was in his good health until he became ill Sunday. Death was unexpected. He reportedly was suffering from gall bladder complications.

Mr. Bowie, born in Louisiana, moved to Ashe County with his mother when he was two years old and was one of the founders of West Jefferson. He had practiced law here for many years and during a long political career served nine terms in the North Carolina State Legislature—1909, '11, '13, '15, '21, '23, '25, '33, and '35. He was speaker of the House in 1915. In 1927 he was appointed by Governor McLean as a special Superior Court Judge for this State.

He ran for Lieutenant Governor in 1924 and for the U. S. Senate in 1932 but was defeated both times.

At the time of his death, Mr. Bowie was serving as president of the First National Bank, of which he was the founder, in West Jefferson.

### Attend Convention

Representatives of the First Baptist church who attended sessions of the State Baptist convention in Winston-Salem this week were Dr. and Mrs. John T. Wayland, Mr. D. E. Elledge, Messdames T. J. Frazier, W. R. Harmon, A. C. Chamberlain, J. G. Chipman, Ray Barnes, Paul Billings, H. L. Keller, O. D. Bentley, C. E. Jenkins, O. E. Triplett, John Kerbaugh. From Wilkesboro were Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Brookshire, Mr. T. E. Story, Mr. J. F. Jordan and Miss Madge Lewis. Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Eller, of Wilkesboro route one, were also among the Wilkes people at the convention.

Garvey Reynolds, non-support, six months suspended on payment \$20 monthly for Elsie Reynolds.

Charlie Williams, setting out fire, four months on roads.

## Joseph L. Vannoy Dies in Georgia

Joseph L. Vannoy, 79, died Wednesday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. A. E. Yates, at Adel, Georgia. He had been in Idaho for many years and was at the home of his daughter on a visit when he was fatally stricken.

Mr. Vannoy was the father of Worth W. Vannoy, of Cricket; Mack A. Vannoy, of Oxford, Pa.; Mrs. Yates, of Adel, Ga.; Allie and Ocie Vannoy, of Orofino, Idaho.

Funeral will be held Friday, one p. m., at Old Fields church near Idlewild in Ashe county.

## \$588.30 Raised At Womanless Wedding Here

The Womanless Wedding sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association and presented Monday and Tuesday nights before large audiences netted the sum of \$588.30.

Mrs. Arthur Venable, P. T. A. president, today thanked all who helped make the two-day event a success, including members of the cast, The Journal-Patriot, radio stations WILX and WKBC, City Florists, Mae's School of Beauty Culture, Henderson's Flower Shop, Reins-Sturdivant, Wilkes Laundry and all others who gave their valuable assistance.

The funds will be used for playground improvement and playground equipment at the North Wilkesboro schools.

Members of the cast who furnished so much entertainment for the large crowds were:

Mrs. Gwyn Gambill, Jay Anderson, Lewis Vickery, Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, Carl Vandeman, Carl Steele, S. B. Moore, W. G. Gabriel, Gilbert Bare, Forest Jones, Sam Winters, Max Foster, Bill Marlow, Harvel Howell, Ivey Moore, Ray Hoover, Bill Sturdivant, Andy Shook, Gilbert Foster, Archie Rousseau, Thurmond Kenerly, Ed Caudill, Jimmy Williams, Dick Gibbs, Clyde Pearson, James Sanges, Paul Cashion, Dr. John T. Wayland, H. T. Waller, John Cashion, Scott Kenerly, Bill Hardister, John T. Balty.

Rev. Glenn Huffman, a well known Baptist minister of the Parsonville community, was a visitor in this city Wednesday.

## Thinning Contest To Be Repeated In Wilkes County

By JOHN E. FORD (Farm Forester)

Due to the outstanding success of last year's timber thinning and timber Stand Improvement Contest for teen-aged boys, the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Agricultural Extension Service, is repeating this project again this year. The Wilkes Chamber of Commerce has again made available one hundred and seventy-five dollars to be used as prizes for the ten boys doing the best job of thinning or otherwise improving one acre of woodlands on the farm where they are living. The following prizes will be awarded: first prize \$50, second prize \$40, third prize \$30, fourth prize \$20, fifth prize \$10, and five additional prizes of five dollars each. Any boy in Wilkes county 14 to 19 years old is eligible to enter this thinning contest. Complete rules of the contest along with an application blank to enter can be obtained at the County Agent's Office in Wilkesboro.

A great many acres of our woodlands in Wilkes county are in need of either thinning or timber stand improvement measures to increase the quantity and quality of the timber being grown. Last year's contest set up a number of excellent demonstration acres, in the various communities around Wilkes County, showing what can be done with our timber if treated as a crop rather than just something to be mined.

## J. W. Culler Dies In Winston-Salem

James Willey Culler, 74, of 928 North Liberty Street, Winston-Salem, died unexpectedly at his home at 3 p. m. Sunday, following a heart attack.

Mr. Culler was born in Wilkes county, October 23, 1873, son of Grover and Frances Bumgarner Culler. He spent most of his life in Wilkes and Caldwell counties, coming here from Lenoir in 1932 after retiring from Highbriden Furniture Company, where he had been employed. He was a veteran of the Spanish-American War and a member of First Baptist church of Lenoir. He was married to Miss Minnie Mathis in 1906. She died December 15, 1932.

Surviving are one son, James A. Culler of Winston-Salem; four grandchildren; two brothers, Frank Culler of Maryland and J. E. Culler of Wilkesboro, and one sister, Mrs. Nan Shaner of Winston-Salem.

Those attending the funeral and burial services Tuesday in Winston-Salem were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Culler, Miss Irene Culler, and Mr. Clegg Culler.

## Marriage License

License to wed were issued during the past week by Register of Deeds Troy C. Foster to the following: Genio Smithey and Betty Soots, both of Wilkesboro; Allen Bauguss and Helen Louise Tilley, both of Winston-Salem; John L. Miller, Glendale Springs, and Gladys Shephard, Cricket; Hayden G. Wood, Dobson, and Alma Rosella Stanley, Mountain Park; William Edward Jackson, North Wilkesboro, and Carolyn Johnson, Ronda; Cecil R. Grayson, North Wilkesboro, and Mary Nell Morrison, Wilkesboro.

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## 5th Sunday Singing Haymeadow Church

Stone Mountain Singing Association will convene in Fifth Sunday Singing Sunday, November 30, one p. m., at Haymeadow Baptist church two miles northwest of Hays postoffice.

All singers are invited to attend and take part. J. A. Gilliam, chairman of the association, said in the announcement.

## Baptist Pastors To Meet Monday

Wilkes County Baptist Pastors Conference will meet Monday, November 17, ten a. m., at the First Baptist church in North Wilkesboro.

Rev. Glenn Huffman will conduct the devotional, which will be followed by a business session. Rev. W. N. Brookshire will discuss "Is Confessing Christ Sufficient for Salvation?" Rev. John Wells will deliver the morning sermon.

Rev. Charlie Poole will conduct the afternoon devotional and Dr. John T. Wayland will lead a discussion on "Has the way of salvation been changed since Christ was here on earth?"

## 38 Examined At Eye Clinic Held In Wilkes County

Charles C. McNeill, superintendent of the Wilkes county Welfare Department, announced today that another eye clinic had been conducted in Wilkes county, at which time a total of 38 indigent cases were examined. This clinic, which was one of the most successful ever held in the county, was made possible through the co-operation of the County Welfare Department, County Health Department, and the State Commission for the Blind.

Of the 38 examined, 15 were children, in the case of the 15 children, it was found that they were having considerable eye trouble and that in many of the cases they were behind in their school work and, in some instances, having to repeat their grades. All of the 38 examined were found to be having trouble and a total of 23 were fitted with glasses. A total of five were found to be in need of surgery and plans are now being made for this to be done through the State Commission for the Blind.

One girl will likely be sent to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, for transplanting of the cornea. This is considered a very delicate operation and involves transferring the cornea from one person's eye to that of another. This is being done with very satisfactory results at the present time.

The clinic was conducted by Dr. Roy A. Stewart, ophthalmologist with the Catawba General Hospital, Newton, and Miss Helen Trexler, medical social worker with the State Commission for the Blind. They were assisted by members of the staffs of the Welfare and Health Departments.

Mr. McNeill stated that there were many more indigent cases in the county who were in great need of eye care. He pointed out that the State Commission for the Blind was willing to secure a doctor and pay for the examination. However, due to limited funds the Welfare Department was not able to provide glasses for the large number who were in need of this correction.

# Mountain Lions And Ramblers To Play Friday Night

Annual Wilkes football classic will be renewed Friday night when North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro meet on Memorial Park field to decide the football championship of Wilkes county.

Wilkesboro's Ramblers will go into the game with an unblemished record, having won eight straight games this year, and the Mountain Lions will endeavor to break the Ramblers' string of victories.

North Wilkesboro, playing for the first year in the South Pied-

mont conference, also has a good record, having won four, lost three and tied one against strong competition. The team has been plagued by injuries this season with Julius Rousseau, Jr., Jack Badgett and Dan Hudson, three tailbacks, out with injuries. Coach Howard Bowers said today that Hudson may be able to do the punting in the game Friday night, but will not be in condition to play regularly. He suffered a hip injury Friday night against China Grove and

the first report was that he had a fracture. The injury turned out to be pulled muscles. Badgett is definitely out with a broken ankle, and Rousseau will not be able to play.

Coach Eddie Adelman at Wilkesboro reported his squad in good condition with exception of minor injuries received by reserves in practice this week and Story, a center, remains out of play following a fractured sinus a few weeks ago. He is expecting to start the eleven which

have been regular starters all season.

Coach Bowers has shifted Steelman from end to tailback and Winters will start at end. Otherwise the starting lineup will be the same as used against China Grove Friday.

Extra bleachers have been borrowed from Sparta in anticipation of a crowd of 4,000 to 5,000 people for the big game Friday night. Officials will be Wertz, Winston-Salem, referee; Plaster, Elkin, umpire; Day,

Greensboro, field judge; Gibbons, Lenoir, head linesman.

Tickets On Sale  
 Admission for the game, which will be a home game for both schools, will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. Tickets are being sold by the North Wilkesboro Lions Club and all are urged to secure tickets before going to the grounds in order that the thousands who will see the game may pass through the gates rapidly.

Attention is again called to the fact that the season tickets sold for North Wilkesboro games expired with the fifth game, which was against China Grove Friday, and that the season tickets are not good for the Wilkesboro game.

Tickets are now on sale at Brame's Drug Store, Wilkes Tje Store, Rexall Drug Store, Marlow's Men's Shop, Nick Lawrence at WILX, The Hub, Belk's, Red Cross Pharmacy, City Barber Shop, and Gray Brothers Furniture store.

Kickoff will be at 8:00, but all who can are asked to go early in order to avoid congestion of traffic.

Two Bands For Game  
 Mr. and Mrs. George S. Parlier, of Wilkesboro, will sponsor the appearance of the Appalachian high school band from Boone to represent Wilkesboro at the game. The North Wilkesboro high school band will perform at the game, which is expected to have the maximum in gridiron color for a high school contest.



Here are pictured the North Wilkesboro Mountain Lions (left) and Wilkesboro Ramblers (right) football squads, who will meet Friday night, eight o'clock, in the annual Wilkes grid classic at Memorial Park. In the North Wilkesboro picture, left to right, are: front row, Eddie Shook, Bill Absher, Jack Badgett, G. L. Adams, Brad Davis, Joe Church, Paul McGinnis, Jim Moore, Bill Bason (manager); second row, Charles Porter, D. M. Stoker, Jim Hadley, Buddy Forester, Dwight Pardue, Dudley Moore, Jim Day, Jim Winters, Jim Norman (manager); third row, Wade Foster, Julius Rousseau, Jr., Charles (Chip) Caudill, Kenneth Steelman, Dan Hudson, Carl Swofford, Gordon Finley, Jr., J. S. Soots, Coach Howard Bowers; back row, John Winkler, Bill Bussell, Travis Hutchison, Caswell Brown, Gordon Forester, Jr., Jim Carter, Bill Pearson, Worth Ward, Roy Stoker, Gwyn Triplett, Smith Hudson. Ray Church, a manager, was not present when the picture was made. In the Wilkesboro Ramblers picture (right) are, left to right: first row, Bill Byrd, Johnny Garwood, B. B. Banner, Shelton Prevette, Malcolm Gambill, Bill Craig, Perry Love, Jr., Charlie Vaught (manager); second row, Edgar Terrell, R. H. Parks, Tony Emerson, Don Pardue, Buddy Hubbard, Jack Glass, Joe Garwood; third row, Joe Brewer, Dan Foster, Pete Glass, Bob Parker, Dan Linney, Sherrill McLain, Jack Groce, Junior Groce (manager); back row, Bob Story, Ray Triplett, Bill Whittington, Bill Jones, Dale Staley, Harold Dancy, Coach Eddie Adelman, Principal Wm. T. Long. NOTICE—Avoid the Rush—Buy Tickets Now.