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BLOW ON HEAD FATAL TO LEE ANDERSON ON SUNDAY; ERNEST TAYLOR IS BEING HELD IN JAIL

Lee Roy Anderson, 36-year-old truck driver for a local lumber yard, died Sunday afternoon at the home of Mack Taylor on F street as the result of a blow said to have been struck by Ernest Taylor, Wilkes County Sheriff I. M. Myers said today.

According to information gained by Police Chief J. E. Walker and Coroner Myers, Anderson, whose home was near this city on highway 268, went to the home of Mack Taylor to see his brother, Ernest Taylor, about servicing a truck.

There an argument ensued and Ernest Taylor was reported to have struck Lee Anderson on the head with his fist. Ernest Taylor left the room, where Lee Anderson was lying on the floor following the blow on his head.

Mack Taylor told officers that he placed Anderson on a couch, and thought that he was drunk. The altercation took place about 1:30 p. m. and at four p. m. it was found that Anderson was dead. Police were called.

On Sunday night Coroner Myers with Dr. J. H. McNeill conducted an autopsy and a blood clot was found on Anderson's brain. Official decision of the autopsy was that he died as the result of a blow on his head, which could have been the impact of the fist or when his head struck the floor. There was a scalp wound on his head.

Police arrested Ernest Taylor later in the evening at the home of a relative in this city. Taylor is quoted as having admitted he struck Anderson but was not aware that any serious injury or death resulted from the blow. No date has been set for a hearing for Taylor.

Lee Anderson was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney O. Anderson. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Mabel Anderson, and three children, Callie Mae, Robert Lee and Richard Douglas Anderson.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday, 11 a. m., at Second Baptist church in this city. Rev. Andrew Call and Rev. Ralph Miller will conduct the last rites.

North Wilkesboro Fire Department Has a New Truck

Truck With Pump And Full Equipment Added To City's Fire Dept.

A new fire truck with pump and equipment was delivered last week to the North Wilkesboro fire department.

The new truck is an addition to the fire department and will be used with the old La France truck which has been in use for many years.

Addition of the new truck assured the city of North Wilkesboro added protection from fire loss.

Albert Rhymer Rites Will Be On Tuesday

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 11 a. m., at Knobs Baptist church at Austin for Albert Rhymer, 45, citizen of the Summit community who died late Saturday.

Mr. Rhymer is survived by his wife, Mrs. Connie Rhymer, and the following children: Everett, Fred, John, Mary, Betty, Polly and Joanne Rhymer, all of Summit; also two brothers, Grant Rhymer, of Purlear and Jesse Rhymer, of Konarock, Va.

Square Dance Friday Night Moravian Falls

A most enjoyable square dance will be held Friday night, eight o'clock at the Moravian Falls community house for benefit of the community house fund. All who will attend are assured of a full evening of entertainment.

Garden Club Meet At Clubhouse 13th

The Garden Club, a department of the North Wilkesboro Woman's Club, will meet Tuesday afternoon, three o'clock, at the Woman's Club house instead of at the home of Mrs. Ivey Moore as previously announced.

37 PATRONS HAVE RESPONDED TO CALL FOR GYMNASIUM DONATIONS

J. Floyd Woodward, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools, reported today that \$408.75 was the total of early donations received to date on the \$3,000 fund now being raised for installation of a heating plant and dressing rooms and showers in the North Wilkesboro school gymnasium.

All patrons and friends of the school are urged to send in their contributions early in order that the project, on which work has already begun, may be rushed to completion.

Following is the report of Supt. Woodward today:

"Even though the campaign to raise money for heating our gymnasium has just begun 37 persons have already donated some of money from \$100.00 to less than \$5.00 per person. It is hoped that every parent and patron will have a share in providing a better health and physical education program for our boys and girls."

"In order that the school may express its appreciation for each donation the names of parents and patrons who have made a donation will be published. The school has received donations from the following:

"W. G. Gabriel, E. F. Candill, Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Payne, Kenneth Absher, J. W. Adams, G. V. Gambill, C. A. Cleary, N. S. Forster, Jr., J. H. Wheeler, Jr., Bill Absher, R. A. Call, J. Y. Ervin, B. C. Farthing, Sr., B. H. Wood, Mrs. W. M. Carrington, W. W. Starr, Jay Hartley, E. H. Stampfer, E. M. Campbell, J. W. Blankenship, Miss Rebecca Moseley, P. M. Williams, R. C. Goodwin, J. Floyd Woodward, J. D. Morrison, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Rufus B. Church, T. O. Crowell, Mrs. Stokely Edwards, H. D. Burke, Clyde Pearson, Charles Colvard, Watson Brame, Isaac Duncan, Dr. James H. McNeill, E. G. Finley, L. M. Nelson, Blair Gwyn."

Tax Listing In Wilkes During Month January

List takers in Wilkes county today began the task of listing property and poll for taxation. All who are required to list for property or poll tax are urged to meet their respective list takers at their most convenient appointments.

One Place Omitted

J. C. Grayson, county tax supervisor, said today that one appointment was omitted in the list published last week. In Mulberry township, John McGrady, list taker, will be at H. H. Rhoades' store on January 21st.

National Guard Quota Is Being Filled Rapidly

Major Roy Forehand, commander of the National Guard battery in process of organization here, said today that the quota is being filled rapidly and urged those interested to be at the meeting Friday night, 7:30, at the Legion clubhouse, where they may complete their enlistment applications and be sworn in. Others contemplating enlistment are urged to apply now, Major Forehand said.

It was also explained that the organization is badly in need of office furniture and any who have desks or other items which they can give are asked to call Major Forehand at the Liberty Theatre.

Work of making the necessary installations at the Legion clubhouse for temporary quarters is progressing. Major Forehand said today he would like to contact any person who has storage space for motor vehicles, which will be part of the battery's mobile equipment.

Many Cage Games On the Calendar For Play This Week

North Wilkesboro To Have First Home Game With Elkin Here Tuesday

The basketball season will get going in high gear this week with many top games for cage fans throughout the county.

In North Wilkesboro the top attraction for the early part of the week will be North Wilkesboro and Elkin Tuesday night. There will be three games, with the junior varsity opening the fireworks at six o'clock, followed by varsity girls and boys.

In Wilkesboro the Ramblers will try out their new gymnasium Tuesday night, seven o'clock, with Traphill boys and girls.

At Millers Creek Wilkesboro will furnish the opposition in high school games Thursday night.

On Tuesday night Mountain View high school teams will play Millers Creek at Millers Creek.

Tonight at Millers Creek Elkin's Bluejackets will play Wilkesboro all stars at Millers Creek, eight o'clock.

Millers Creek all stars will play North Wilkesboro on January 16 instead of 14 as originally scheduled and on January 14 the Millers Creek all stars will play Mocksville. Both games will be at Millers Creek.

Mount Pleasant all stars will play Mountain View all stars at Mountain View Friday night.

North Wilkesboro high school teams will play at Barium Springs Friday night.

Coaches and team managers are asked to report to The Journal-Patriot office each Friday schedule of their games for the following week, and full reports of games played will be appreciated. This newspaper will give complete coverage of basketball events if scores can be obtained.

Mrs. Albert Church Funeral On Sunday

Funeral service for Mrs. Beatie Lee Church, 44, who died Friday night at the Wilkes hospital, was held Sunday afternoon, 2:30, at Mount Pleasant Baptist church. Mrs. Church was the wife of Albert Church, well known resident of the Adkins Shop community in the western part of Wilkes county.

Surviving Mrs. Church are her husband and the following children: Cears, Iris and Edwin Church, Purlear; Mrs. Edna Crotts, Winston-Salem; Ralph, Doris, Bobby, Lloyd, Mella Jean and Jimmie Church, of the home.

Drama Club Is Heard Kiwanis Meet on Friday

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club in meeting Friday noon was entertained by a program by students of North Wilkesboro school.

Program Chairman Ira D. Payne presented Mrs. J. Floyd Woodward, who in turn presented her Drama Club of the high school, who favored the club with a 30-minute one-act play, "Antic Spring." The characters of the play were: Margaret Hutchens, Joan Blevins, Betty Campbell, Ray Bowman, G. L. Adams and Bill Bason. The act was a typical Spring play with the youngsters out for a picnic. Their only stage equipment were the chairs they sat in which represented a jolopy in which they rode to their picnic destination. The play was well given and enjoyed immensely by the club members.

Guests Friday were: W. B. Carlton, of Winston-Salem, with J. R. Hix; Stephen Waring, of Pittsburg, Pa., with E. P. Gardner; Worth Tomlinson with L. M. Nelson; Nick Lawrence with C. Arthur Venable; J. Floyd Woodward, Mrs. Woodward, Margaret Hutchens, Joan Blevins, Betty Campbell; Ray Bowman, G. L. Adams and Bill Bason with Ira D. Payne, E. W. Smith and J. Grissette, of Lenoir, were visiting Kiwanians.

Home Demonstration And 4-H Club Events Schedule For Week

Tuesday, January 13—Ronda Home Demonstration Club, Mrs. Fleg Sale's; 2 o'clock.
Roaring River 4-H; 9:15 a. m.
Wednesday, January 14—View Home Demonstration, Mrs. Ted Feltner's; 2 o'clock.
Ronda 4-H; 9:15 a. m.
Wednesday Radio Program—WKBC, 12:20.
Thursday, January 15—Millers Creek Home Demonstration; Place, Mrs. Haggie Faw's; 1:30 o'clock.
Moravian Falls 4-H; 9:15 a. m.
Friday, January 16—Roaring River Home Demonstration; Mrs. Dan Hudson's; 1:30 o'clock.
Monday, January 19—Boomer Home Demonstration; Mrs. John Andrews'; 2 o'clock.
Ferguson 4-H—9:30.
Traphill 4-H—9:45.
Tuesday, January 20—Mulberry Home Demonstration, Mrs. W. H. Barlow's; 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. McNeill Is Taken By Death

Mrs. Mary Susan McNeill, 76, wife of the late J. C. (Sharper) McNeill, died Friday morning, 3:20, at her home on D street. She had been ill for some time and critically ill for several days.

Mrs. McNeill was a member of a prominent Wilkes family. She was born in the Purlear community September 28, 1871, a daughter of the late Jesse and Nancy Ann McNeill. She was married February 18, 1894, to Mr. McNeill, who for many years was connected with the lumber manufacturing industry here. Mr. McNeill died January 16, 1946.

Surviving Mrs. McNeill are three sons and two daughters: Glenn and Archie McNeill, North Wilkesboro; Richard McNeill, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Nell Kerley, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Nanlie Hastings, Marion, Va.; also two sisters, Mrs. Sallie Church, Mardella Springs, Md., and Mrs. Jesse Foster, North Wilkesboro; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

In early life Mrs. McNeill was a member of New Hope Baptist church, later moving her membership to the North Wilkesboro First Baptist church.

Funeral service was held Saturday, 2:30, at the home and burial was in Greenwood cemetery. Her pastor, Dr. John T. Wayland, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. Watt M. Cooper, First Presbyterian pastor.

Pall bearers were Harry T. Kerley, Mack Kerley, Bobby Kerley, Gwyn McNeill, Edwin Hastings, Robert Hastings, Grady Camter and Archie McNeill.

Legion Meeting

Wilkes post of the American Legion will meet Thursday night, eight o'clock, in the Legion clubhouse. Every member is urged to attend.

Help Needed To Provide Lunches Needy Children

The North Wilkesboro welfare department reported today that the Men's Bible class of the First Presbyterian church, the Methodist Missionary Society and some individuals are providing funds to pay for lunches for 15 underprivileged children at North Wilkesboro school.

The welfare authorities here reported that 15 or more others need help in order that they have hot lunches and any groups or individuals who will care for one or more children in providing school lunches are asked to get in touch with the city welfare authorities. The cost for each child is one dollar per week. Since the federal funds for school lunches were reduced there is no surplus to pay for lunches to be given free to those who cannot pay.

Vote Before 15th On Directors Of Wilkes C. of C.

Ballots for election of six members of the board of directors of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce are to be returned to the chamber office by January 15.

Each year six members are named to the board, which is composed of 18 directors with three-year terms.

The retiring directors, acting as nominating committee, nominated 12, and each member is asked to vote for six. The six receiving the highest number of votes will be declared elected and results will be announced at the annual meeting here on January 22.

The nominees from which six are to be elected are Cecil F. Adamson, Gilbert T. Bare, Joe Barber, R. M. Brame, Jr., Richard G. Gibbs, Fred Henderson, E. P. Hettiger, Jr., Tam S. Hutchison, W. C. Marlow, Presley Myers, W. H. McElwee, Edward McIntire.

Wilkes Chamber Commerce Vote Plan Is Explained

Tom S. Jenrette, secretary-manager of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, today said that ballots are being mailed out to members relative to proposed closing of stores on July 5.

Mr. Jenrette said that some misunderstanding resulted as to the recent vote on the holiday schedule and other matters. The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce mails ballots only to members of the chamber unless otherwise instructed by the board of directors. Some few non-members interested in the decision on holiday closings naturally did not receive a ballot.

Mr. Jenrette also explained that any business firm may join the Chamber of Commerce during the membership campaign in progress this week and that their memberships will be welcomed.

Printed cards giving the full schedule of holiday closings will be provided member firms when the result of the July 5th holiday closing vote is tabulated.

Father's Night At P.-T. A. Thursday

The meeting Thursday evening, Jan. 15, of the North Wilkesboro P.-T. A. will see a record breaking attendance of fathers, since it has been set aside as "Fathers' Night."

Supt. J. Floyd Woodward will conduct an open forum during which there will be a discussion of problems facing parents in bringing into closer relation the home and the school. "You are requested to place in the box as you go in any question you may wish discussed," the announcement said.

Mr. Woodward will also give a report on the progress of the school. The meeting will be held at the usual hour, 7:30 p. m., in the school cafeteria and refreshments will be served.

Siamese Twins Born

Jefferson City, Mo.—Siamese twins, joined at the waist, were born here yesterday but died within an hour, St. Mary's Hospital authorities reported.

Building and Loan Meeting January 26

The Regular Annual meeting of the Shareholders of the North Wilkesboro Building & Loan Association will be held in the City Hall or Town Hall on Monday night, January 26th, 1948, at 7:00 o'clock, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and the transacting of such other business as may come before the meeting, according to announcement by J. B. Williams, secretary and treasurer.

Rev. Watt Cooper Overseas Relief Chairman Locally

Appointment of Rev. Watt Cooper, North Wilkesboro, as chairman of the overseas relief drive in Wilkes county was announced today by the North Carolina Council of Churches, which is sponsoring the statewide, "Till a Ship With Friendship" campaign, January 26-31.

Rev. Mr. Cooper is one of 100 county chairmen who will organize community collections throughout the state to gather clothing, bedding, shoes, and household goods for shipment through Church World Service, official Protestant overseas relief agency.

To be packed for shipment, the materials will go to New Windsor, Md. where the Church World Service Center for this area is located. Oldest and largest of nine OW'S Centers scattered throughout the United States, the New Windsor Center has capacity for processing nearly a million pounds of relief supplies a month.

During the year just ended, 3,712,784 pounds of goods were processed at this Center. Of that amount, North Carolinians, who have been in the fore front of American giving since the war ended, contributed 661,641 pounds. Other donations were from Virginia, West Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, and Pennsylvania, as well as from scattered states outside the area.

Not content to rest on their laurels, the people of North Carolina are now out to build world friendship and save the lives of suffering millions by collecting a whole shipload of relief supplies.

Civic and service organizations are united with the churches of the state to make the drive a success. Gifts will be channeled through Church World Service to the destitute overseas. Distributions will be on the basis of need, not according to religious, racial, or political discriminations.

Mrs. Ella McDaniels Is Claimed By Death

Mrs. Ella McDaniels, 63, wife of Wilson McDaniels, who resided in the northern part of Iredell county, died early Friday in a Statesville hospital.

Funeral service was held Saturday, two p. m., at Taylor Springs church.

Surviving Mrs. McDaniels are her husband and the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Thelma Coleman, Mrs. Effie Roper, Mrs. Reba Lambert, Mrs. Stella Jordan, Hazel, Obie, Bristol and Hugh McDaniel.

Peddlers of Progress Features 'Teen Agers

The "Peddlers of Progress" radio program to be given Tuesday night, eight o'clock, over WILX and Thursday at 12:30 over WKBC this week will feature "teen agers" from the Wilkes Teen Age Center. A splendid program is being arranged. The program is sponsored by the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

HELP MEMORIAL PARK FUND

REINS - STURDIVANT BURIAL ASS'N. NATION'S LARGEST; HAS BIG FUND

Reins-Sturdivant Mutual Burial Association, with home office in North Wilkesboro and branches at Sparta, West Jefferson, Boone, Newland and Lenoir, ended the year with a net membership of 74,587, according to the annual report of W. K. Sturdivant, secretary-treasurer.

The association, as far as could be learned here, is the largest in the nation dealing exclusively in burial insurance. It was organized in the latter part of 1933 and has grown rapidly.

A. A. Sturdivant is president and Johnson Sanders is vice president.

The financial report for the past year published today showed total death benefits paid during the year \$33,150.00.

Total cash assets were listed at \$201,968.97 and the association has a surplus of \$190,262.38, which is invested principally in government bonds and building and loan stocks.

Wilkes Chamber In Membership Drive This Week

Campaign Begins This Evening With Dinner Meeting At Hotel Wilkes

Wilkes Chamber of Commerce 1948 membership campaign will open at 6:30 this evening with a dinner meeting of the membership teams at Hotel Wilkes.

W. K. Sturdivant is "commander in chief" of the membership forces, which have been divided in two parts—"army" with Cecil Adamson as "general" and "navy" with Jim Carter as "admiral."

For the "army" forces the "major" is Link Spatthour with Oliver Absher, Arthur Venable, Jimmy Anderson and Fred Henderson as "captains."

On the "navy" side Richard Johnston is "commander" with Paul Osburn, C. J. Swafford, Frank Crow and Joe Barber as "lieutenants."

Each "captain" and "lieutenant" will have six workers. Commander in Chief Sturdivant will announce ten prizes at the dinner meeting and will distribute prospect lists and materials to workers.

Williamson VA Office Man Here

The local office of the Veterans Administration announced today that an exchange of stations has been effected whereby Robert A. Williamson, Contact Representative who has been in charge of the VA office, New Bern, for the past two years will assume similar duties here and N. E. Gresham, present Contact Representative in North Wilkesboro will be transferred to New Bern. This exchange is in accordance with plans previously arranged with the approval of officials of the Regional Office to enable each of these Contact Representatives to live nearer their homes. Mr. Williamson being from Greensboro, N. C. and Mr. Gresham from Jacksonville, N. C.

Mr. Williamson, the new Contact Representative at North Wilkesboro is well qualified to administer the duties of his office. He is a veteran of World War II and has had considerable experience both with the Veterans Administration and in other lines of work. Prior to his entrance in the service, he was an official of the War Manpower Commission. His services as Contact Representative during the two years he has been in New Bern, have merited high praise.

In leaving the local VA office today, Mr. Gresham expressed appreciation for the many courtesies shown to him by the local citizens during his tour of duty here. He was assigned to this office only three months ago but in this short while, he has come to regard North Wilkesboro as one of the "key cities of the State."

Romulus P. Carlton Is Claimed By Death

Romulus P. Carlton, 65, member of a widely known Wilkes family, died suddenly Sunday at the home of a son, Cal Carlton, at Boomer, Coroner I. M. Myers said his sudden death was due to a heart attack.

Mr. Carlton was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carlton and is survived by three sons and one daughter: Blake Carlton, Reidsville; Cal Carlton, Boomer; Mrs. D. W. Templeton, North Wilkesboro; Bill Carlton, Lenoir.

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, two p. m., at Walnut Grove Baptist church at Pores Knob. Rev. John Wells will conduct the service.