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# CITY CALLS HOSPITAL BOND ISSUE ELECTION

## Miller Trial Is Set For Aug. 23

### Special Venire Of 135 People Drawn For Trial

#### Millers Creek Resident To Go On Trial On Charge Poisoning His Wife

Date for trial of Leonard Miller on the first degree charge of poisoning his wife, has been changed from Wednesday, August 18, to Monday, August 23, in Wilkes superior court.

The prosecution will ask a verdict of first degree murder and penalty of death on the charge that Miller administered to his wife a lethal dose of strychnine.

For the Miller trial the court ordered a special venire of 135 drawn from the Wilkes jury box and they have been ordered to report on the morning of August 23. Many women and a number of colored people were among those drawn for the special venire.

The often continued trial of Hugh West on the charge of abortion manslaughter of Miss Pearl Jenkins, of Winston-Salem, will go over to another term because of the inability of a physician as a witness for the prosecution to attend court. It was reported today that the witness in question and who is needed to establish cause of the girl's death is now on the west coast.

Judge John H. Clement, of Walkertown, is the presiding jurist at the three-weeks' term, which opened Monday. Solicitor Avalon E. Hall is prosecuting for the state and foreman of the grand jury was Dorman T. Payne, of North Wilkesboro.

Many cases have been tried on the crowded docket but a large number are pending and it is expected that the court will be unable to clear the docket, even in three weeks.

James A. Fitcham and James Fred Billings of Iredell county, were sentenced 15 to 20 years in the penitentiary for robbery with firearms. They were convicted of holding up Jasper Hayes at Riverside Service Station here a few months ago and taking a quantity of money. They also confessed to a robbery in Yadkin county and one near Taylorsville.

Leonard Miller, whose residence was near Glendale Springs and not the Leonard Miller accused of poisoning his wife, drew a sentence of three years on a bigamy charge. It was shown that he married a girl at Wilkesboro while he had a wife and family at Glendale Springs and that he divided his time between the two for some time before either learned that he had two wives.

Following are cases in which judgments have been rendered:

### Ebb Anderson, 67, Dies Unexpectedly

Ebb Anderson, 67, died unexpectedly Thursday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. E. W. Ramsey, in North Wilkesboro.

Funeral service was conducted at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at Lewis Baptist Church by Rev. Noah Hayes and Rev. Parks Robinson.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Pearl Anderson, and three daughters, Mrs. R. C. Redmond of New Hope, Mrs. J. R. Morgan and Mrs. E. W. Ramsey of North Wilkesboro.

### Mrs. McGlamery Is Taken By Death

Funeral service was held Saturday afternoon at the home of Allie McGlamery near Millers Creek for Mrs. Carrie F. McGlamery, 64, who died Thursday. Rev. A. W. Eller and Rev. W. B. Luck officiated at the service and burial was in Pleasant Home Baptist cemetery.

Mrs. McGlamery is survived by her husband, A. M. McGlamery; one son, Allie McGlamery; one daughter, Mrs. Leila Jenkins; eight brothers and four sisters.

### Two Are Arrested For Check Forgery

Jerry E. Freeland, of Florida, and Thompson Martin, of Kentucky, were recently arrested on charge of forging a number of checks, including two in North Wilkesboro.

The two are alleged to have cashed a forged check at the Army store here, where they bought a rifle, and another at the Cash and Carry Grocery. Each check was for \$66.78 and were reputed to be payroll checks of Nochumson Brothers, in Trenton, N. J.

Arrest of the two men came about after a service station operator in Alleghany county became suspicious when they insisted he cash one of their checks. They were taken in Tennessee and were identified by merchants here where they cashed the checks.

### Ashe County Woman Killed; Husband Held

West Jefferson — A young Ashe County man was held in jail last night as Sheriff W. B. Todd investigated a brutal beating in which the man's wife was killed early yesterday morning.

Mrs. Mattie Janet Long, 22, had been in Ashe County just three days. She and her husband Thomas Matthew Long, also 22, were living near Glendale Springs. They had been married less than three months.

Sheriff Todd could not be reached last night. The version of the beating which left Mrs. Long dead in a field near her home, as told by State Highway Patrolman R. B. Parker and T. G. Roberts last night, is as follows:

**Fight Started**  
Mr. Long told officers he and his wife had been drinking and were riding down the highway near their home. He wanted to go home. She refused. A fight started in the car. When the man finally stopped the car, the fight was carried outside.

Long told the officers he and his wife fought for a long time in the field. About 3 a. m., he said, he called his father and asked him to assist in carrying his wife into the house.

It was not until the two men brought the beaten woman into the house that they realized she was dead. The time then was 3 a. m.

The patrolmen, who assisted Sheriff Todd in his investigation, said another man was being held in jail. Others might be arrested later, they added.

The second man held in jail was not identified last night. The patrolman said no charges had been brought.

### Miss Madge Lewis Miss Lysbeth Cox To Baptist Seminary

Miss Madge Lewis, for the past several years a missionary in the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, has left for Berkeley, California, where she will enroll in the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. There Miss Lewis will be engaged in studies leading to degree of Doctor of Religious Education.

Miss Lewis was accompanied by Miss Lysbeth Cox, who has been engaged in similar work in this section.

### New Building For Davis Milling Co.

A new building of block construction is being erected on the opposite side of the street from the north end of the Wilkes courthouse for Davis Milling company, which is now located on Wilkesboro's Main Street. The milling firm, operated by Zeb Davis, will move into the new building at an early date.

### Firemen Attend State Convention Held In Fayetteville

Fire departments of the Wilkesbors were well represented in the annual state convention held Monday through Thursday in Fayetteville. The convention was described by local firemen as the most largely attended and most successful held in the state.

From North Wilkesboro those attending were Chief Thurmond Kenerly, C. G. Livengood and E. A. Shook. From Wilkesboro were Ed Crysel and Presley Myers.

### Check Flasher Is Nabbed In The Act

Quick thinking and action on the part of Miss Anne Duncan at the Northwestern Bank Saturday and fast work by the city police department had a check flasher in jail before he knew what was happening.

A man giving his name as James Hancock, presented a check in the amount of \$55 to Miss Duncan and asked that it be cashed. The check bore the name of Ruffin Furniture company of Statesville.

Miss Duncan delayed the man with the statement that she had to check something and she stepped to a phone farther back in the bank and called police. In a matter of seconds Policeman Staley stepped into the bank, searched the man and led him away before bystanders in the crowded lobby knew what was going on.

### Mrs. Staley Is Taken By Death

Mrs. Carlyle Staley, well and favorably known resident of the Roaring River community, died early today at home.

Mrs. Staley, whose husband is a sergeant on the North Wilkesboro police force, had been ill for several months and late Saturday her condition became critical.

Surviving Mrs. Staley are her husband and one daughter, Mary Frances Staley. Funeral will be held Wednesday, 11 a. m. at Roaring River Baptist church.

### WHS Ramblers Train At Boone

#### 25 Wilkesboro Players Begin Two Weeks' Training At Appalachian

Wilkesboro high school football squad today began two weeks of intensive training at Appalachian college in Boone.

Coaching the 25 members of the Wilkes squad are Coach Marvin Huffman, of Statesville, who will begin his first year as Wilkesboro coach, and members of Appalachian varsity team. At Wilkesboro Coach Huffman will succeed Eddie Adelman, who led Wilkesboro to an undefeated and untied season last year. Huffman was all-conference quarterback for Appalachian last season.

At the end of the two weeks' training the Ramblers will play the Lenoir team in an exhibition game at college field at Boone on August 28, eight p. m.

Wilkesboro boys at Boone have quarters in a college dormitory. They are Tony Emerson, Bill Pearson, Dean Edwards, Joe Brewer, B. B. Banner, Shelton Prevette, Caney Lowe, R. H. Parks, Bill Joines, Dale Staley, Bobby Story, Bobby Parker, Bill Whittington, Johnny Gerwood, Bill Byrd, Jack Groce, Daniel Linney, Ray Triplett, Harold Dancy, Jack Glass, Tommy Long, Joe Allen Gambill, Edgar Terrell, Buddy Mathis, Bud Lankford and Willard Dancy, manager.

### Cemetery Working

Those interested in the cemetery at McGrady near the home of F. P. Taylor, are asked to meet there Thursday, August 19, for work on the cemetery in preparation for Decoration Day, Sunday.

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### AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE PLANS FARMING TOUR FOR SEPTEMBER 22 IN WILKES

Agricultural committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce in meeting during the past week laid plans for an agricultural tour to be carried out in Wilkes September 22.

Invited to the tour will be all farmers, business and professional men who are interested in viewing agricultural progress and approved practices in various phases of farming, including hybrid corn, Turkish tobacco, good pastures, grade A dairy farms, alfalfa, beef cattle, poultry and soil conservation practices.

This tour was arranged by the committee with the aid of the Extension Service and Soil Conservation Service.

The tentative schedule calls for forming the tour at ten a. m. at Wilkes Mountain Poultry Processing Plant in Wilkesboro. Tentative stops include the farms of C. C. Alexander, Ed Tharpe and other stops for viewing various projects.

Leaders for the tour will include Dr. E. R. Collins, agronomist; F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist; Sam Dobson, assistant agronomist; Roy Crouse, Turkish tobacco specialist; L. I. Case, beef cattle specialist; all of the Extension Service, and a representative of the Soil Conservation Service.

The committee arranged for presentation of cash awards to nine 4-H winners in a recent timber thinning contest, to be made at Farmers Day here.

A splendid report was received on progress and interest shown in the corn growing contest in the county. The judging committee will be Paul Choplin, county agent; Howard Colvard, assistant agent; R. E. Dunn, of the Soil Conservation Service; and F. W. Davis, vocational agriculture teacher at Wilkesboro.

It was reported to the committee that North Wilkesboro had been selected as one of several representative cities for a dairy marketing survey by North Carolina State College, and the committee offered full cooperation.

The committee was enthused over progress of the movement for an artificial breeding association in Wilkes County and highly endorsed the project, which may increase milk production in Wilkes county by as much as 20 per cent in the period of a few years. This would be of tremendous importance in this county where dairying is already a major factor in the economic life of the community.

W. K. Sturdivant, chairman, presided over the meeting and members attending were Paul Choplin, Hight Helms, Forrest Jones, Roy Crouse, Staton McIver, Howard Colvard and Gwyn Gambill.

### Crow Is Director Of Southern Group Candy Wholesalers

Frank H. Crow, a prominent wholesale merchant here, was elected a director of the Southern Wholesale Confectioners Association in annual convention held recently in Louisville, Ky.

The convention was attended by more than 500 delegates from southern states and it is considered a distinct honor to be elected to an office in the association.

Sam E. Sawyer, of Elba, Ala., succeeds Clyde A. Short, of Shelby, as president of the association.

### Pardue Child Struck By Auto At Elkin

David Pardue, 9, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pardue, of the Pleasant Hill community just outside of Elkin, suffered a severely broken foot and a slight concussion when he was struck and knocked from his bicycle on Wednesday afternoon by a Tom's Peanut delivery truck.

Investigating officers said the lad rode into the path of the truck as he entered the highway from a side road. No charges were preferred against the driver.

The boy is a fourth grade student of Pleasant Hill School. He was transferred from Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital to a Winston-Salem hospital for treatment by a bone specialist. He has recovered consciousness.

### Hits In 31 Games

Yesterday North Wilkesboro displayed mighty power at the plate to down Radford 14 to 4 in a game that was not a contest. Willard Kops was invincible on the mound until he had a big lead on which to coast to an easy victory. Everybody hit the ball all over the lot with power that left the Rockets dazed and groggy.

Tonight the Flashers play a double-header in Radford before returning here to take on Galax. As of today the North Wilkesboro club is two and one-half games ahead ahead of Radford and six behind Galax. The games won and lost for North Wilkesboro are 58 to 42.

Here Friday night North Wilkesboro defeated Abingdon easily 8 to 2 and on Saturday night won easily 10 to 1 with Jerry Dolan pitching a beautiful six-hit game. The Flashers clubbed Catania, Blumenthal and Subb for ten hits and added much to the game by fast base running.

Attends State Executive Meet

Mr. Claude C. Faw, Wilkes county's member on the state executive committee, attended the state-wide committee meeting held in Raleigh Friday night, at which Capus M. Wayne was elected chairman of the Democratic party in North Carolina.

Mr. Faw was accompanied to Raleigh by Mrs. Faw and before returning home they visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fonville, Jr., at Wrightsville Beach. Mrs. Fonville is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Faw, being pleasantly remembered here as Miss Margaret Faw.

Gypsies came originally from India, not Egypt.

Bermuda grass originated in India.

### Station WKBC Has Made Application For Nights On Air

Radio station WKBC, 1000-watt station now limited to daytime broadcast, has made application to the Federal Communications Commission for night broadcast time.

Since station WILX ceased operation several days ago this community has been without local radio broadcast at night.

It is expected that the FCC will grant station WKBC night broadcast time, although it is not known when application will be passed on by that body.

### Dr. Rankin Tells Of Urgent Need Of Larger Hospital

#### Duke Foundation Secretary Speaker Friday, Kiwanis Club Meeting

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club in luncheon meeting Friday noon heard an interesting program centered around the subject of enlarged hospital facilities for this community.

Program Chairman Dr. Fred C. Hubbard, introduced to the club Dr. W. S. Rankin, executive secretary of the Duke Foundation, of Charlotte, who made a most challenging talk on the subject: "The Need For Enlarged Hospital Facilities."

The doctor gave eloquence to figures and he presented statistics for Wilkes county showing the number of sick people we have day by day and our present ability to care for them, both as to hospitalization and as to medical attention.

He stated we have approximately 50,000 population; we have 400 deaths each year; we have 1000 to 1100 births per year; each individual has approximately four days of illness per year who should be hospitalized. On the average day we will have 1100 sick people in the county, one-half of whom will be in bed; of these at least 10 per cent need hospital care, which will necessitate at least 100 beds. There should be 50 more beds for outsiders who are making their hospital center.

He said to build and equip such a hospital with nurses' home will take \$1,200,000.00 and that the state and federal government will pay 76.4 per cent of that amount, leaving for us to pay \$276,000.00.

He further pointed out that Wilkes only has a doctor for every 4500 people while in the nation at large there is a doctor for every 900 people. He said a good hospital would bring more doctors and better doctors to the community. It will offer an enlarged opportunity for training more nurses, who are sorely needed.

He said another and perhaps the greatest argument for the hospital is our moral need to have it. He pointed out that suffering is the great leveling influence in humanity and in whatever measure the individual or society as a whole responds in sympathy and sacrifice to the needs of others determines the love and the moral conscience of man to man.

His talk was an able and eloquent presentation of this timely subject.

Guests Friday were: John E. Justice, III, with John E. Justice, Jr.; Mrs. J. B. Carter with J. B. Carter; R. N. Wooten with Ira D. Payne; J. Floyd Woodward, Dr. C. S. Sink, Dr. Wm. L. Bundy, Dr. J. C. Mills, Dr. E. B. Smith, Mrs. Ed Gardner, Mrs. Ivey Moore, Miss Nellie Gabriel, guests of Dr. F. C. Hubbard. Lions guests of the club were Richard Johnston, W. C. Marlow, J. H. Whicker, Jr., Sam Vickery and Larry Moore.

### Lankford Child Dies

Funeral service was held Friday for Kathryn Marlene Lankford, three-year-old daughter of James Claude and Clara Mae Staley Lankford of Reddies River. The child died Thursday and is survived by her parents, one brother and one sister.

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### Date Of Election On \$275,000 Set For September 28

#### J. M. Anderson Registrar; 100-Bed, Modern Hospital Is Planned

North Wilkesboro city council in adjourned meeting Saturday passed a resolution calling a special election on a proposal to issue \$275,000 in bonds to finance the city's share of the cost of a 100-bed hospital, which is estimated to cost \$1,200,000 fully equipped.

Remainder of the cost, over 77 per cent of the total, would be paid by the state and federal governments under provisions of the Hill-Burton act.

The resolution calling the election sets the date for Tuesday, September 28.

A new registration has been called for the election, and James M. Anderson will be registrar. H. P. Eller and Hyde Waller will be judges for the election.

Registration books will be open from nine a. m. to six p. m. daily except Sundays and holidays, beginning Monday, August 30, and ending Saturday, September 18. On each Saturday during the registration period the books will be open at the polling place, which will be the North Wilkesboro town hall.

Action was taken on the hospital proposal when it became apparent that the benefits of the Hill-Burton act may be exhausted in the near future and municipalities that act now will receive the vast benefits provided.

It has been apparent for some time that much greater hospital facilities than now exist must be provided here if medical needs for the county are to be provided.

Health Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce several months ago began a study of hospital needs and opportunities which exist under the Hill-Burton measure, and after much consideration the unanimous opinion that a hospital with capacity of less than 100 beds would be inadequate to serve the needs of the county and patients of surrounding territory who would choose to be hospitalized here.

Under the proposal as accepted by the town council of North Wilkesboro, operation of the hospital would be under control of a board appointed by the North Wilkesboro town council.

The proposal calls for a modern hospital of approved type of construction, and fully and modernly equipped.

Sentiment locally has been preponderantly in favor of erecting a modern and adequate hospital now while 77 per cent of the total cost will be paid by the federal and state governments. Throughout the nation now erection of hospitals is recognized as a community or municipal obligation.

Existing hospital facilities have been inadequate for years with capacity being far under the need and it has been impossible for the present hospital to admit and treat all patients who sought admission. Many have found it necessary to go elsewhere, where similar conditions exist, and have found it difficult to gain hospital admission and treatment. With population growing rapidly, the hospital problem has become one of the most urgent facing local people.

### To Open Millers Creek Theatre Soon

Roy and Nell Cashion, owners, stated today the Millers Creek open air theatre now under construction is near completion and opening date will be announced in a few days.

The theatre will be equipped with speakers with individual volume control and will be modern throughout.

### Legion To Meet

All members are asked to attend the meeting of Wilkes Post of the American Legion, to be held Thursday, 8 p. m., at the Legion club house.

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