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Red Cross Campaign Fund Drive Now Underway

Senate Passes Wild Life Bill; Considers Funds

Joint Appropriations Body Faces Teachers Pay Problem; Drys Active

By Staff Writer
 Raleigh—(Special)—Bills to create the State Wildlife Resources commission and to outlaw manufacture, sale and use of fireworks passed final legislative readings Tuesday, while dry forces presented arguments before a committee for a state-wide liquor referendum.

Passage of the wildlife bill was completed by the senate. The anti-fireworks measure, proposed by Sen. Weathers of Cleveland, was passed in the house.

Study Milk Production
 The house joint agriculture committee voted favorably on a joint resolution authorizing the governor to appoint a 17-member commission to study production, processing and distribution of milk in North Carolina.

The commission would be directed to meet with the governor within 60 days of the resolution's ratification, and its final report would be drawn in time for presentation to the 1949 assembly.

The resolution was introduced after official charges were made here that some milk sold in the state had been watered or otherwise adulterated. The charges led to grand jury action in Mecklenburg county.

Consider Appropriations
 By making rapid progress in consideration of the biennial appropriations bill, the joint appropriations committee cleared the (Continued on Page 2)

Walking In A Winter Wonderland?



But we doubt if many motorists who had to leave their cars parked sang the song as they walked. The above scene shows the depth the snow reached in many sections of the county.

B. & T. Drug Company's Safe Found Sunday Off Highway 421 Near North Wilkesboro

Officers Still Looking For Thieves Who Robbed Store Last Wednesday

The 400-pound safe stolen from the B. & T. Drug company here last Wednesday night containing bonds, cash, checks, narcotics and other valuables was found Sunday about fifteen miles west of North Wilkesboro on highway 421 by Richard Jones, who lived nearby. The thieves, who were believed to have been after the

\$1500 as well as several checks totalling around \$258.00, and most of the other valuable papers were recovered according to information received here.

The safe was discovered by Richard Jones, where it had been thrown off of an embankment and had landed within a few feet of a creek. It is believed that it was the original intention of the robbers to roll it into the creek to prevent its discovery. Jones first thought it was some metal junked, but on closer examination found it was a safe and still contained valuable papers. He went to North Wilkesboro at once and informed State Highway Patrolman Sidney Carter of what he had found.

Sparta officers and Dr. T. R. Burgess, owner of the drug store, were called and identified the safe and its contents. The safe had been pried open and the hinges chiseled apart by the thieves. It was believed to have been dumped Saturday or earlier as it was covered with snow which fell Saturday night.

When the store was entered, last week, the thieves literally (Continued on Page 4)

Plans Made To Re-open County Schools Monday

Buses Unable To Travel Some Roads Even After Snow Begins To Melt

Alleghany county schools remained closed again this week due to the impassable conditions of the roads and plans are now to re-open on Monday morning, Miss Clyde Fields, county school superintendent, stated yesterday.

Although the State Highway division is to be commended on its efforts in trying to clear the roads, it has been an impossible task to open all of the roads which school buses must travel. It was pointed out by officials that any aid given by individuals in clearing the roads would be appreciated.

It was hoped that not only for the school children's sake that schools may be opened but that the schools will not have to operate any later than is necessary in the Spring.

Principals, teachers and students are asked to listen to news broadcasts over stations WBOB, Galax, and WJSJ, Winston-Salem in case it becomes necessary to again postpone the opening, Miss Fields stated.

Wagoner Rites Held Yesterday

Mrs. Nora J. Wagoner Succumbed At Ashe Memorial Hospital, Sunday

Funeral service for Mrs. Nora J. Wagoner, 68, of Nathan's Creek, was held yesterday morning at eleven o'clock at the New Hope Baptist church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Wagoner succumbed in the Ashe Memorial hospital at Jefferson Sunday night at 8:30 o'clock after an illness of several weeks. The daughter of Mrs. Katherine Warden and the late Andrew Jackson Warden, she is survived by her husband, Henry Wagoner, of Nathan's Creek; one daughter, Mrs. Ruth J. Choate, of Sparta; two sisters, Mrs. Myra Cutshall, of Gordon, Nebraska, and Mrs. M. S. Moxley, of Independence, Va.; one brother, R. G. Warden, of Stratford.

The following step-children also survive: Dwight, of Pylesville, Md.; Eugene and Hoke, of Baden, Pa.; James A., of Oteen hospital; Wing, of Muckogee, Okla.; Myrtle Hege, of Winston-Salem; Pressie Jenkins, of Joppa, Md.; Mrs. J. F. Cox, of Furches, and Robert, of Della, Pa.

The body lay in state at the Wagoner home at Nathan's Creek Tuesday night and at the church prior to the service.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Sparta Baptist church formed the choir, the soloist was Mrs. Matthew Reynolds, of Grassy Creek.

Learns Fundamentals Of Tree Sniping



Marine Private Wilmer Pruitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Pruitt, of Laurel Springs, is learning the fundamentals of tree sniping at the combat training area at Parris Island, S. C., during his seventh week of boot training.

Township Chmn. Urged To Turn In Quotas Early

County's Quota Is Set At \$390; Everyone Is Urged To Assist In Drive

The Red Cross Campaign Fund is now underway in Alleghany county and the quota has been set at \$390.00.

Carl Irwin, drive chairman for the county, said that while the drive officially opened last Saturday, work had been delayed because of the severe winter weather and the hampered travel conditions.

"Now that the snow has practically gone and most of the highways are open I hope all township workers will go to work immediately and raise their township quotas so that the county's quota may be reached," he said.

He again pointed out the service the Red Cross is rendering veterans as well as in disasters and urged the support of everyone. "Make your contribution as generous as you can," he said.

He pointed out that there has been some slight change in the quotas of some of the townships. They are as follows:

E. J. Pugh, Cranberry, \$30.00; Mrs. Dan Jones, Prather's Creek, \$40; Mack Woodie, Piney Creek, \$70; Bill Sprinkle, Gap Civil, \$120.00; I. W. Wagoner, Glade Creek, \$70; Ralph Gentry, Cherry Lane, \$30; Mrs. Ethelene Richardson, Whitehead, \$30.

Sparta Girls Win Yadkin Valley Tournament; Defeat Flat Rock In Finals 24-23

Sheriff Called To Shooting At Twin Oaks, Fri.

Barker And Harley Charged With Assault, Drunk And Disorderly Conduct

Hot lead scattered the highway in front of Mack Atwood's and Carl Irwin's at Twin Oaks Friday night around 7:30 o'clock when two boys from Ashe county were arrested for disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and assault with a deadly weapon.

R. D. Barker, of Warrensville, and Harold Harless, of West Jefferson, were arrested by Sheriff Glenn D. Richardson and D. B. Taylor, Sparta chief of police, following the fracas. Harless allegedly threatened Cecil Murray and extracted a 12-gauge shotgun from his automobile. Barker was then reported to have taken the gun and fired, wounding both Colonel Brown and Louis Recitor who were standing nearby. The gun contained number eight shots, it was reported.

Harless was arrested for drunk and disorderly conduct and assault, and was released on \$250 bond. Barker was charged with assault with a deadly weapon, and also drunk and disorderly conduct and was released on \$500 bond. A hearing will be held before G. Glenn Nichols, justice of the peace, on March 14.

Ed Anderson At Senate Hearing

In Washington In Regard To Relief Of Newsprint

Alleghany News and three other weekly newspapers in Western North Carolina, is testifying this week at a special meeting of the Senate subcommittee on newsprint and paper shortages in Washington, D. C., with Chairman Homer E. Capehart, (R), Indiana, presiding. At the invitation of the Senate committee, Mr. Anderson is the first witness.

While it was originally planned to start the subcommittee hearing with a study of the overall newspaper situation, it was decided that the opening days of the hearings would be devoted exclusively to the specific newsprint shortage and every effort is being made to relieve the crisis which is endangering the publication of the smaller newspapers of America.

Because of his expert knowledge of the newsprint situation after serving during the war years on the War production board in the paper and newsprint field, Mr. Anderson was asked to testify first. Chairman of the National Editorial association and of the N. E. A. newsprint committee (Continued on Page Five)

Hearing Set For Saturday, Charged With Assault And Disorderly Conduct

Four Alleghany county men, charged with drunk and disorderly conduct were arrested by Sheriff Glenn D. Richardson and C. B. Taylor following an argument at the Shell Cafe here Monday night around eight o'clock.

Ralph, Donald and Howard Green, brothers, of Ennice, and Dillon Sidden, allegedly entered the cafe and after disorderly conduct were asked by those in charge to leave. The disturbers refused and an argument began. Howard Green, charged with assault on Earl Richardson, was released on \$50 cash bond as were the other two brothers, and Sidden. Sidden was also charged with assault on Bill Barnhart, of Sparta, who was in the cafe at the time of the disturbance.

A hearing will be held before G. Glenn Nichols Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

School Head Is At Meeting, Tues.

E. B. Eldridge and Rev. E. W. Thompson, of Glade Valley, meet with stated clerks of the Winston-Salem and Orange Presbyteries at High Point Tuesday.

The purpose of the meeting was to formulate plans and work out a program for a joint meeting of the two Presbyteries which will be held at Glade Valley school on April 15-16. Plans for the meeting will be announced later, it was pointed out.

Osborne Church Plans Services

A group of special services will be held during the month of March at the Osborne Memorial Baptist church, it was announced this week by Rev. E. B. Barton. Special singing will be furnished each Sunday by the following quartets:

Second Sunday, March 9, 11:00 a. m., Hall quartet, of Atkins, Va.; third Sunday, March 16, 7:30 p. m., McClure quartet, of Chilhowie, Va.; fourth Sunday, March 23, 11:00 a. m., Hask quartet, of Marion, Va.; fifth Sunday, March 30, 11:00 a. m., Irwin-Royal quartet, of Cherry Lane.

Senate Votes To End OPA And Other Restrictions By June 30

Washington—The Republican-dominated Senate, overriding Democratic protests, voted 88-29 yesterday to end OPA and other wartime control agencies by June 30.

A little earlier, a Senate banking subcommittee voted 9-2 against Democratic opposition to authorize a general 10 per cent boost in rents. Under this bill, rent controls would be taken from OPA and left to the courts to enforce.

The decision to send OPA to the graveyard of governmental wartime agencies took the form of a stipulation in a \$180,000,000 deficiency appropriation for various Government bureaus.

The stipulation, marked for death the Office of Temporary Controls and its constituent agencies. These include the remaining remnants, not only of OPA but of the Civilian Production Administration which wielded enormous priority powers during the war, and the Office of

Vets To Receive Free Dental Care

Alleghany county veterans of World War II are reminded this week that free dental care may be secured from local dentists, provided they have dental work done within one year after discharge. Those interested may contact Gene Irwin, county service officer, for additional information.

Mr. Irwin also pointed out that he would be glad to assist veterans in filling out terminal leave blanks. He may be contacted at the office of the clerk of court in the county courthouse.

REGISTERED COWS BOUGHT IN COUNTY

Several purebred registered Guernsey cows have been purchased by Alleghany county men, it was learned this week.

Arthur Gambill, of Sparta, purchased six registered Guernsey cows from Abe Mays, of Surry county. Clark Higgins, of Ennice, purchased a registered Guernsey bull calf from Fred Collins.

Different Kinds Of Income Tax Returns Are Discussed

As the deadline for filing income tax returns, March 15 draws near Washington experts point out that there are three kinds of individual income tax returns for 1946 income. They are:

1. The wage withholding statement.
2. The short return on form 1040.
3. The long return on form 1040.

If a person's income last year totaled \$500 or more, he must file one of the three returns with the collector of his internal revenue district not later than March 15. (Certain exemptions for members of the armed forces and discharged veterans were mentioned in the preceding article and will be explained further in a later article.)

Withholding Statement
 The withholding statement, which employers are required to give employees, is an extra-simplified return. A person is allowed to use it if his income was less than \$5,000 last year and consisted entirely of withholding wages, or if it consisted of withholding wages and not more than \$100 in other wages, dividends and interest.

If a person received any income from rents or royalties, or from the sale or exchange of property, he must use either the long return or the short return on form 1040.

Washington—There are three kinds of individual income tax returns for 1946 income. They are:

If a person uses the withholding statement as a return, one simply states his income, name of wife or husband, his occupation, and names and relationship of his dependents. Then file the statement with the collector but don't send any money with it.

The collector figures the tax. He gives credit for tax already paid and sends either a bill or refund check for any difference.

That's the easiest way to make a return. But if one has un-

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County Farmers At Elkin Today

Approximately 25 Alleghany county farmers and R. E. Black, county agent, and John P. Burch, assistant agent, will be among those to attend the Farmers Day program at Elkin today.

A program centered on soil conservation, dairying and other farm practices has been planned for the farmers.

Stolen Car Is Recovered Mon.

A 1946 Chevrolet was recovered by Deputy Sheriff George Royal at Roaring Gap, Monday.

The car was stolen from the Chevrolet Garage in Independence, Va., on Friday and had been abandoned at Roaring Gap.

A hearing will be held March 28 for James Caudill, of Sparta, charged with issuing bad checks, before E. F. Wagoner.

A hearing will be held Saturday at eleven o'clock for Dick Gentry, of Sparta, charged with assault.