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\$1.50 IN ADVANCE IN COUNTY

RESIDENTIAL LIGHT RATES CUT

Court Takes Recess Until Mon. Judge Hall Johnson Is Ill

Cleared Of Fifty Cases Monday. Number Of Sentences Handed Out By Judge

The July term of criminal court was recessed only one day, and a recess until Monday morning on account of the sudden illness of Judge Johnson, who is holding his first term here.

On Monday, however, some 50 cases were cleared from the docket, and seven of them via the nolle prosequi route, and 8 were tried, and a number sent back to magistrate's courts.

Among the cases in which sentence was passed, included:

John Sutton and Frank Finger, four months.

James Brantlett, drunkenness, 32 days.

Herbert Wright and George Starnes, state prison, 5 years each.

Harold Pressley, driving drunk, 60 days.

The grand jury returned a true bill against Jule Boyd charging him with murder of Elmer Parton.

Wood Smith and Kenneth Mehaffey, Canton boys, entered a plea of guilty of holding up the driver of a truck and taking \$108 in cash.

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Deposits Increase At First National

The regular quarterly statement of the First National Bank, which is appearing in today's paper, shows a gain of about \$75,000 in deposits over the same period last year.

J. H. Way, Jr., cashier, said that about \$40,000 of this is on time certificates drawing interest while the remaining \$35,000 is on open checking account.

Mr. Way also said that the number of depositors have increased since last year.

Governor Hoey Is Impressed With The Beauty Of Nat. Park

Urges That Everything Be Done To Acquire Necessary Acreage For The Park

Governor Clyde R. Hoey was tremendously impressed with the scenic beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on last Saturday, when he made a complete trip through the park with a motorecade carrying about 35 people.

The motorecade began here, and went to Black Camp Gap. From there over the one-way road to Heintoo, the Governor and his party arrived there a sudden shower came up, and after thirty minutes wait the party moved on, but not until the Governor had viewed the valley and towering mountains beyond.

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Creamery Shipping Clerk Killed When Truck Crashes Pole

James Latterell, 23, Died Monday Shortly After North Main Street Crash

James Latterell, 23-year-old shipping clerk for Pet Dairy Product Company, died late Monday afternoon, several hours after a company truck in which he was riding, crashed into a telephone pole on North Main street. Latterell's back was broken in six places according to X-ray, and numerous internal injuries. He was conscious until a short while before he died.

W. R. Woodall, manager of the firm here, said that the cause of the accident had not been determined. Eye witnesses said that the truck, which was being driven by Cecil Yount, was not being driven fast. The truck was practically demolished.

Mr. Latterell came here in April from Tampa University. He had been employed by Pet Dairy Products in Johnson City since 1936.

In high school, Mr. Latterell won the distinction of being the only boy to graduate with 12 athletic letters. He was also the only boy to receive a letter in the eighth grade. After finishing high school he attended State Teachers College at Johnson City, then Tampa University.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock in Johnson City, at the First Christian church. He is survived by his parents and one brother.

His mother was here for a two week's visit at the time of the tragedy, and was at his bedside when the end came.

Several cars of friends will leave here this morning for Johnson City to attend the funeral.

Active and honorary pallbearers will be selected from high school and college friends in and around Johnson City. Rev. William Sweeney, former pastor of "Red's," (as he was known to his friends,) but now at Minneapolis, Minn., will arrive in Johnson City on Wednesday for the funeral Thursday.

While in Waynesville, he made his home with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ellner, N. Main street and was loved and considered as one of the family because of his splendid character.

Theatre Has New Sound Equipment

Special engineers of the Westinghouse Electric Company have completed the installation of the latest sound producing system for theaters in the Park Theatre. J. E. Massie is announcing today.

Although the old system was only 18 months old, Mr. Massie said that it was his policy to maintain the very latest in order to give patrons the best in movie entertainment. There are now only five of these late "Microphonic" sound producers in North Carolina. This is the only town of less than about 50,000 population that has one.

Mr. Massie states in an advertisement elsewhere in the paper, that the reception will be greatly improved by the addition of this equipment.

Another feature of the Park is the new uniforms for the ushers.

1936 Taxes Will Be Advertised In Aug.

Tax collectors for both the town of Waynesville and Haywood county, are advertising this week all delinquent taxes will be advertised on August first and sold in September.

This procedure is set out by law and the local authorities have no discretion in the matter.

After the advertisements start, the cost is added to each taxpayer, it was pointed out.

Both tax collectors look for the usual last minute rush from the delinquent taxpayers before the final day.

ON BUYING TRIP

Hugh Massie left yesterday for Baltimore and New York, where he will spend ten days buying fall merchandise for Massie's Department Store. The first four days will be spent in Baltimore.

Taken By Death



Senator Joseph T. Robinson

Democratic Floor Leader Dies Suddenly In His Bed

Senator From Arkansas Was In Midst Of Supreme Court Battle When Taken By Death

Death stepped in and took Senator Joseph T. Robinson, 64, Democratic floor leader, and kinsman of the new deal in congressional matters, as he slept early Wednesday morning. His sudden, and "untimely passing" was a great shock to all the nation.

It was an Robinson's shoulders, that the supreme court matter rested. The Arkansas Senator had prepared a substitute court bill which he and the President believed would pass the Senate.

Some senatorial leaders expressed the belief that the court controversy might be terminated speedily as a result of the floor leader's death.

President Roosevelt personally mourned the passing of the Senator, who had been a member and Democratic leader of the upper house for fifteen years. The President said: "A pillar of faith is gone. A soldier has fallen with his face to the battle. . . he has fought a good fight; he has finished his course; he has kept the faith."

Some of those closest to Senator Robinson said that it was the chief legislation that took the Arkansas Senator. He was personally entrusted with the President's bill that would reorganize the supreme court and executive departments.

Washington was in turmoil as Democratic leaders looked about for a new floor leader. Three mentioned were Senator Byrnes, of South Carolina, Senator Harrison of Mississippi, and Senator Barkley, of Kentucky.

There is a possibility that a public funeral will be held in the Senate Chamber for the beloved leader.

Company "H" Will Leave Sunday For Two Week's Camp

Sixty-three men and three officers of Company "H" 120 Infantry, North Carolina National Guards, will board special railway cars here Sunday morning for Camp Jackson, near Columbia, S. C., where they will take their annual summer training course. The local company will return to Waynesville on Sunday, August first.

The course is general field training, it was said.

The group will have two coaches and a baggage car for their trip.

Company "H" is commanded by Captain George F. Platt, First Lieutenant Paul Martin, and Second Lieutenant Grady Boyd.

Hospital Saving Association Representative Arrives Here

Miss Lilly Montgomery, district representative of the Hospital Savings Association, arrived here Wednesday. Miss Montgomery will spend some time in Waynesville in behalf of the association.

Plans are underway to stage a membership drive in this community in the near future. This association has state headquarters in Chapel Hill, and is sponsored in part by the Duke Foundation.

Gasoline Prices Advance Half Cent

Motorists here were confronted with an advance of half a cent a gallon on gasoline Tuesday morning. The new price was general with all oil companies.

No explanation was made as to the cause of the advance, as orders had come from "officials higher up."

Service station operators reported that local motorists made but little complaint on the new price, while visitors from South Carolina were unable to understand why gas here is four cents higher than in the Palmetto State.

Capus M. Waynick, director of purchase and contract for North Carolina, estimated the half-cent increase would raise the state's gasoline bill \$4,500 a month.

Last Rites Held For C. D. Welch, 54, At Cramerton Friday

Former Citizen Of This County, Was Prominent In Textile Industry Of This State

Last rites were conducted at the residence in Cramerton at 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon for Cleveland Douglas Welch, 54, who died at his home on Thursday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock. Dr. E. V. Hudson, pastor of Cramerton Baptist church, was in charge of the service. The Rev. A. R. Anderson, former pastor of the Cramerton Presbyterian church, and also the Waynesville Presbyterian church, assisted. Burial was in Hollywood cemetery, of Gastonia.

Up until a heart attack some ten days before his death Mr. Welch was apparently in the best of health. The first attack, was followed by another, from which he appeared to rally over the week-end, but after which he grew steadily worse. Physicians stated his death was due to coronary occlusion.

Mr. Welch was born and reared in Haywood county. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. Welch, and his ancestors were among the founders of this section. He graduated in 1902 from State College, where he was a contemporary of O. Max Gardner, and many other prominent men in the business of civic circles of the state. During his college days he was an outstanding athlete, being a member of the football and basketball teams. He was a member of the Sigma Xi fraternity.

Mr. Welch had been connected with the Cramerton Mills for the past 30 years and at the time of his death was vice president. Prior to that time, he was affiliated with the Lenoir Mills, of Gastonia, of which his brother-in-law, the late Andrew E. Moore, was president and treasurer. He was a director of the present Citizens Bank, of Gastonia, and had been a director in the old Citizens Bank prior to its reorganization, and had served as a member of the board of directors for 35 years.

He had never moved his membership from his original church, the First Baptist church, of Waynesville, but had been active in the Cramerton Baptist church since establishing his residence in that town.

A man of great executive ability, affable disposition, and genial temperament, Mr. Welch had been prominently identified with the growth and progress of the textile industry in Gaston county. He enjoyed the singular distinction of having been appointed by the Gaston county board of commissioners on the board of assessors of cotton mill properties each time a revaluation of such properties was made. His sense of fairness and impartiality could always be counted upon.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lucy Boyce Welch, and three sons, Cleveland Douglas Welch, Jr., Sam Welch, and Lucius M. Welch, and sister, Mrs. Andrews E. Moore, of New York City, and a wide family connection in Haywood county and elsewhere.

License Examiner To Be Here Friday, 23rd

George A. Stewart, driver's license examiner, will be at the police station here Friday, July the 23, from 2 until 5:30 p. m., for the purpose of giving examinations to all those who want to obtain driver's license.

New Low Rates Are Same As Charged by Carolina Power Co.

City Officials Expect Large Number Of Homes To Install Electric Ranges And Appliances

The residential light rates was ordered out by the board of aldermen to conform with the rates now being charged in this section by the Carolina Power and Light Company. The new electrical rates will mean a material saving to the residents of Waynesville, it was pointed out.

Prior to the action of the board, there were three rate schedules for local residences, but under the new plan, there will be only one rate. The former minimum has been \$1.20, and it is now \$1.00, allowing 20 K. W. H.

The new rates as advertised on page three of the second section of this paper, are as follows:

First 50 K. W. H.	5 cents
Next 50 K. W. H.	3 cents
Next 150 K. W. H.	2 cents
All additional K. W. H.	1 1/2 cents

The new rates are in force for those living in the city limits. Those outside the city limits, will be given a corresponding reduction in their bills.

The bills that will be mailed out August first, will be based on the new low rates, it was announced.

A number of customers have signified their intention of installing electric ranges, hot water heaters and numerous appliances. It is easy to see that the more K. W. H. one uses the cheaper the rate which would mean that a person using a lot of electric power would in some instances get a bill but slightly higher than those using small quantities.

No schedules have been announced on the commercial rates, but it was announced that these rates are being re-worked and will be taken up with the individual users. Several things enter into the commercial rates. One big factor being the horsepower load demand of each firm.

Robert Hugh Clark, superintendent of the city light department, is now busily engaged in installing larger transformers in several parts of town to take care of the increased load that is known will be used since the new low rates have been put into effect.

Mr. Clark, in a general summary of the light department, stated that the town has 2,000 street lights, exclusive of the highway, on Main street, which accounts for 102 additional lights. There are three traffic lights, and 32 miles of lines within the city.

At present there are 72 transformers in use, and others are being installed. A total of 530 residential customers are served besides 50 commercial firms. Mr. Clark has one helper.

In announcing the new low rates, it was also stressed that all light and power bills are due upon presentation and when not paid by the tenth of the month, service will be discontinued. A charge of \$1.00 is made when service is restored.

The city officials have been at work on the new rates for many months, and have had many conferences with rate experts on the matter.

JUNIOR ORDER TO DISCUSS NEW ORGANIZATION SET-UP

All members of Jr. O. U. A. M. no. 332 are requested to be present at the council hall next Tuesday night to discuss the new insurance set-up as given out by the national council.

The national council has changed the insurance set-up and it is important that all members attend.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
WEATHER BUREAU
Waynesville Cooperative Station
H. M. HALL, Observer

Period ending 8 a. m.	Max.	Min.	Pre
Thursday	80	57	0.25
Friday	86	54	
Saturday	86	60	
Sunday	87	60	0.22
Monday	86	59	0.26
Tuesday	83	57	0.23
Wednesday	85	59	