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Library Friends Hear Mrs. Lathrop In Organizational Meeting

Mrs. Albert H. Lathrop of Asheville will be the speaker at the organizational meeting of the Iredell Friends of the Library...

Mrs. Lathrop, a newspaperwoman of national recognition and author of note, is a native of Raleigh and is now making her home in Asheville...

Mrs. Clinton Reitzel, Chairman Pro-Tem of the Friends Planning Committee states: "The basic program of the new organization is to improve public library service, county-wide, and to assist in the standardization and modernization of public library services and facilities in this community."

libraries similar in scope and role to PTA organizations and their relationships to the promotion of school interests. Membership in the Iredell Friends of the Library is not limited to any one segment of the community...

The Planning Committee for the Iredell Friends of the Library organization is composed of Mrs. Clinton Reitzel, Chairman Pro-Tem; Mrs. E. M. Land, Mrs. Wayne Rogers, Mr. Jay Hall, Mr. Henry Long and Mrs. Charles Spake of Statesville; Mrs. W. T. Tatum and Mr. Rex Beaver of the County at large; Mr. O. A. Dearman, Sr. of Harmony; Mrs. A. C. Craven, Mooresville Public Library Trustee and representative of Mooresville; Mrs. John Cooper Fowler, Statesville Public Library Trustee; Mrs. C. E. Bell, Iredell County Library Trustee; and librarians, Mrs. Nancy S. Pumphrey, Statesville Public Library, Mrs. Florence Johnston, Mooresville Public Library and Mrs. Nancy H. Davis, Iredell County Library.

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N. C. State Parks Open This Week

Full summertime facilities at all North Carolina State Parks were made available this week, the Department of Conservation and Development announced.

The parks, visited last year by more than 1,500,000 persons, are administered and maintained by the C & D Department's State Parks Division.

The refreshment stand and restaurant at Mt. Mitchell State Park in Yancey county were opened on May 3. The park, 34 miles north-east of Asheville is reached over a paved road from the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Refreshments stands, swimming, bathing, services of park naturalists, bathhouses, and other facilities will be made available at the State Parks having such attractions for the recreation-minded.

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Statesville Native Is Promoted By Southern Bell

John F. Moore, a native of Statesville, has been appointed Sales Supervisor in the Goldsboro area for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

In his new position Mr. Moore will have supervision of Southern Bell sales forces in the Goldsboro area. He will also coordinate communications matters between Southern Bell and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

Mr. Moore is the son of Mrs. C. L. Moore, 325 S. Race street. He joined Southern Bell in 1940. In 1945, after serving with the U. S. Air Force in Africa, Italy and France, he returned to Southern Bell in the Company's commercial department in Charlotte. In 1950, following assignments in sales work in Charlotte and Wilmington, he was named Supervising Customer Service Engineer in Raleigh.

In 1954, he was promoted to District Sales Manager for the Raleigh District, and in 1955 he was named Sales Supervisor of the staff of the North Carolina Sales Manager in Charlotte.

Mrs. Moore is the former Mary Elizabeth Middleton, daughter of Mrs. W. J. Middleton, Sr., of Warsaw, North Carolina. The Moores have two children Harriet, age five and Johnny, age two. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, where Mr. Moore has recently served as Vice President of the Adult Class and now teaches Sunday School there. Mr. Moore is active in a number of civic projects in Charlotte. He is a charter member and former vice president of the Bell Telephone Toastmasters' Club there.

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BRIDGE LUNCHEON

The monthly bridge luncheon of the Statesville Country Club will be held at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday, June 10th.

Willard Ellis Held In Slaying Of Sheriff Beber

Willard Ellis, 38 year old veteran, is held on an open charge in the slaying of Alexander County Sheriff Thomas E. Beber in Taylorsville on Tuesday.

Investigation proceeds into the slaying and Ellis will probably be charged with murder when findings are all in. L. M. Warren, Alexander county, is acting as sheriff in Alexander county, succeeding to the post in acting capacity until the Board of Commissioners of Alexander names a permanent successor to Sheriff Beber. Beber was killed by a rifle shot that entered his back and emerged at his chest. He was shot as he stood on the stairway of the James Ellis home where he had been called to check Willard Ellis, son of James Ellis, who apparently held a threatening attitude toward his father. The Sheriff had started up the stairs to talk to Willard Ellis, a deputy going with him, when the shot struck him. He died before he could be gotten to a hospital. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from Three Forks Baptist church in Alexander county with burial in the church cemetery.

Willard Ellis was brought to the Statesville jail for safe keeping as high feeling was evidenced against him at the time of the incident and he remains in jail. Sheriff Beber was in his third term as officer of Alexander, the first of December would have marked nine years that he has held the office of sheriff.

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W. B. Carlton Claimed By Death

W. B. Carlton died early Tuesday evening. Death came unexpectedly due to a heart attack. He had been in failing health for some time and was a patient in Davis hospital.

Known to friends as "Will" or "Jack", William Burns Carlton was a native of Statesville, a son of one of the early families of the town. His father was Captain P. C. Carlton, his mother Mrs. Mary Boger Carlton and he was born on March 25, 1874, at the Carlton home that formerly stood on South Center street. He attended Statesville schools, the Statesville Academy under Professor Hill and was a skilled accountant. In 1906 he married Miss Bertha Lewis who survives. Also surviving are a daughter and a son: Mrs. Janice Carlton Barber and William B. Carlton, Jr., both of Atlanta, Ga.; two sisters, Mrs. L. W. MacKesson and Mrs. Frederick Burger of Statesville; five grandchildren.

Mr. Carlton was a member of Trinity Episcopal church and the funeral services were held from that church on Wednesday afternoon. Interment was in the family plot in Oakwood.

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Stock Car Racer Loses In Race With Federal Officers

SALISBURY—Marshall Little of Hiddenite in Alexander County is a stock car race driver. Sunday, he raced on the track at Hickory and came in second.

Little, 25, raced again, Tuesday and this time he came in last. The winner was a car carrying Salisbury federal officers, Rowan and Mecklenburg ABC agents.

The race Tuesday began about 7:30 a.m. when the revenue agents jumped Little's high-powered car as it was cruising along U. S. Highway 21 out of Mooresville.

The competition was sharp, and Little tackled a sharp curve on Mayhew Road in Iredell County that proved tougher than those on the Hickory Speedway.

The resulting smashup demolished the car.

The revenue agents picked up Little and took him to the hospital at Mooresville, where he was X-rayed and found to be unhurt except for some bruises.

In Little's car, a 1949 model with a new engine and two, four-barrel carburetors, they said they found 132 gallons of illegal liquor.

Little waived a preliminary hearing when taken before U. S. Commissioner Robert L. Scott in Charlotte. He was released under \$500 bond and will be tried in federal court in Salisbury in October.—From Charlotte Observer.

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Work Starts June 10 On Iredell Bridge

Monroe—R. W. Parks, vice-president of Dickerson, Inc., said here today work will begin June 10 on a five-span bridge on a county road between Amity and Elmwood in Iredell county.

As the general contractor, Dickerson, Inc., is responsible for all phases of construction involved in the structure project designed by the N. C. State Highway Department.

Parks said the \$35,573 project consists of pouring 199.5 cubic yards of concrete, the installation of 39,745 pounds of reinforced steel and 86,100 pounds of structural steel, and the driving of 756 lineal feet of 12-inch prestressed concrete piles.

Substructure work and the driving of piles will be the first phase of construction to get under way, Parks said.

The project, which is expected to be completed by November 1, will provide employment for approximately 10 workmen at the peak of construction with jobs open for approximately three laborers.

Dickerson, Inc., was awarded the contract for the Iredell county project May 6.

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Commissioners Set Tentative Tax Rate At \$1.50 In Monday Meeting

Meeting Monday, the Iredell county commissioners set a tentative county tax rate for 1959 of \$1.50 on the \$100 valuation. This would indicate that \$1.50 will be about the rate for 1959, the same it was last year.

The rate in 1958 was based on

more than \$88,000,000 valuation. The rate was raised that year from \$1.30 to \$1.50 per \$100 valuation, so supplying needed funds for school buildings and to launch a program of revaluation of county property for tax purposes. The revaluation will not be felt before 1960.

The 1959 valuation of property has not yet been given by the tax supervisor, John T. Gillespie. When it is given the tax rate will be set on estimated value. The law provides that taxes, not due before October of each year, may be paid after June 1 with attendant discount, the amount paid to apply to the tax when the estimated value is set up. For that reason the commissioners set a tentative rate, to be used for pre-payment purposes.

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Legislative Summary

The target date for adjournment now appears to be Saturday, June 13. Fears of an extension of the current session into late June or early July were calmed somewhat as the Joint Appropriations Committee accepted the report of the subcommittee without change. When the main appropriations bill will be reported out of the respective Appropriations Committees remains uncertain, but the capital improvements appropriations bills are expected to be reported early this week.

Never has the hectic, confused and contradictory nature of a legislative body been more beautifully illustrated than during this seventeenth week of the session. In the shadow of adjournment, members introduced 171 new bills—26 more than the record set last week, and almost three times as many as were introduced in the ninth week of the session. Despite a general sense of urgency, the House devoted a full hour to debate on a bill which passed by a vote of 100 to 4.

Agriculture The bill prohibiting the use of MH-30 on tobacco received vigorous support in the Senate, but after more than an hour of debate it was killed on second reading. Opposition to the measure was based mainly upon the argument that evidence of harmful effects of the chemical upon the quality of tobacco was not convincing, and that until it was, the farmer should not be forced to return to the tedious and expensive labor of pulling suckers.

A joint resolution, SR 414, was adopted this week, urging the North Carolina delegation in Congress to obtain for the State any cotton acreage allotments that might be abandoned at the end of this crop year and that could go to other states.

A much-heralded bill to permit the State Milk Commission to regulate milk prices in order to prevent disruption of the industry in any milk marketing area was introduced by Rep. Yates and others (HB 1104). HB 1046 was introduced by Rep. Harris of Wake to shift the burden of proof from the defendant to the plaintiff in an action alleging sale of milk below cost to injure competition.

Rep. Venters introduced HB 1118, providing for regulation of sanitary conditions in farm labor camps by local health boards under rules adopted by the State Board of Health.

Water Resources

The House passed after brief but vigorous debate a House committee substitute for the watershed district bill. The substitute made a number of minor changes in the original bill and also authorized operation of watershed programs through regular county government channels, financed by ad valorem taxes, as well as through watershed districts. HB 1079, introduced by Rep. O'Neal of Hyde county and other eastern members, would abolish the Division of Commercial Fisheries of the Department of Conservation and Development and create an independent Commercial Fisheries Commission to carry on its work.

PASTEL PHONES POPULAR

When choosing color telephones, families across the country increasingly prefer the lighter shades. White, light beige, yellow, ivory and pink now account for more than 75 per cent of all of its new color telephone installations, says the Bell System.

Storm Causes Heavy Damage In Statesville Area

Some people who have lived here a long time said Wednesday evening's storm was as bad as any they have ever seen in this town. Combining with force the elements of rain, wind and electricity, the storm raged from late afternoon through early evening, its force seeming to increase with the time it lasted. The rain came in sheets and with wind driven force and at one time hail pounded like hard balls against window panes. Lightning was sharp and incessant.

Damage was heavy but seemed to vary in sections, south Statesville reporting a heavier brunt than other town areas. From the looks of some gardens and lawns, there was a tract of great storm force from east to west beyond the town's center. A new steel fence around the rear of Mrs. Franklin Riker's garden on Oakhurst road was simply swept away. The concrete blocks that held the steel posts were driven half way into an adjoining garden and corn in the adjoining garden was flattened, indicating that the force of rain and wind swept that way.

The Free Nancy on North Center practically busted its banks, the muddy waters sweeping over adjoining lowlands and damaging the tennis courts at the High School. Large limbs were taken down and leaks appeared where there had never been leaks before. The force of the rain did, however, sweep it down rather than leaving it to make pools and puddles.

There were fire alarms but reports show more damage ensued from water than from fire. One house near Loray was severely damaged when a tree was blown across it.

People were marooned where they happened to be as the storm came with a sudden force that made it impossible to move on. A group returning from a club meeting at Blowing Rock spent some most uncomfortable time on the side of the highway wondering if they would be swept down by the force of the wind and rain.

People reported piles of hail stones in yards in some parts of the town and county but other parts had no hail.

Fourth creek was up pretty high and warnings were out to traffic. The power held up remarkably well for such a testing. Lights flickered frequently, were off a time or so but there was no suspension for any length of time.

City streets were damaged and estimated \$3,000 when water running under culverts washed out large holes and undermined the pavement.

Foresters To Meet In Morganton

The North Carolina sub-section of the Society of American Foresters will meet in the Morganton-Hickory area June 19 and 20 to view forestry operations on Duke Power Co. lands and the work of the North Carolina Piedmont Hardwood Forest Research Project.

Library Notes

Russia and Communism are the subjects of two new books acquired this week at the library. Adali Stevenson's "Friends and Enemies" is a description of his close observations of today's Russia and its people, following his 1958 tour of that country. The book is in fact a collection of reports which both young adult as well as adult will find informative and enlightening. In "What We Must Know About Communism," Harry and Bonaro Overstreet in their usual perceptive manner, explain the theory, the Party and the Soviet Union as a force which intelligent citizens the world over should understand. They give the facts in this well written study of communism.

86 meditations "apply biblical teachings to human problems such as loneliness, anxiety, failure, disappointment, doubt and many others" in "The Bible Speaks to Daily Needs" by Georgia Harkness. Abingdon Press states "You will find this devotional guide helpful in day-to-day living as well as in time of personal crisis. Further you will see that the great passages of the Bible hold the answers to many personal problems. Whether for public or private use, this little book will give you a strong biblical base for your faith."

Three beautiful illustrated books in the new Skira series of Art Books include a monograph on Pablo Picasso described as a small pocket atlas of Picasso's world, by Maurice Raynal; the other two are devoted to "Impressionism" and "Impressionism After 1875," and incorporate color plates of such representative impressionists as Monet, Cezanne, Pissarro, Courbet, Degas, Matisse, Lautrec, Van Gogh, and Sisley. Skira, the publisher, says that its aim in providing a group of studies of the life and work of great painters, both past and present, in its "Taste of Our Time" series of which the above three titles are a part, "is to bring out a set of small, handy-sized volumes, each with a generous selection of color plates, which will afford a better, more coherent understanding of the problems that have haunted great artists in key art periods, whose solution in each case has led to a new way of seeing."

Community Stops (1) Miss Alie Ramsey; (2) Mrs. Wm. Summers; (3) Mrs. J. L. Long; (4) Mrs. Brown Porter. Tuesday, June 9th Children's Story Hour—Vanderburg Church, 9:30 to 10:30—Mrs. H. A. Poston. Triplett Church, Mazepa, 2:30 to 3:30—Mrs. Avery Sloop. Mooresville Public Library, Home Demonstration Club Stops (1) Mrs. Rachael Alred; (2) Mrs. Claude Kipka; (3) Mrs. Bert Alexander. Wednesday, June 10th, Children's Story Hour, Wayside School 9:30 to 10:30—Mrs. James Atwell. Home Demonstration Club Stops, (1) Mrs. A. E. Hendley. Community Stops: (1) Mrs. W. L. Winecogg; (2) Mrs. Rex H. Mense; (3) Miss Mary Ann Woodward; (4) Grace Stop—Station. Thursday, June 11th—Children's Story Hour. Cool Springs—Home of Mrs. Buck Page 9:30 to 10:30—Mrs. Page. Home Demonstration Club Stops: (1) Mrs. M. H. Williams; (2) Mrs. Clint Fox. Community Stops: (1) Mrs. V. F. Moore; (2) Mr. Wade Moore; (3) Mrs. W. S. Holden; (4) Mrs. Buster Holton; (5) Mrs. Margaret Lynn; (6) McCy children; (7) Fox children.

STOCKHOLDERS

Stockholders of the Statesville Country Club will meet Thursday, June 5 at 7:30 p. m. at the clubhouse.

Flaming Arrows

The National Geographic has a stirring story of West Germany's "rubble to riches," come back. One fourth of Wolfbury's residents are employed in the Volkswagen car factory, which turns out one of the snub nosed midjets complete, every 30 seconds. In eight years, 2,000,000 Volkswagens have rolled off the assembly lines. When the U. S. A. "helped," turn into the WE HELP OURSELVES, who would not rejoice?

The Legislature, through its committee, is to be commended for killing the dog track bill, whose advocates and ethics would place Moyock, Moorehead and Currituck, on the level of the Havana cock fighting racket. Rev. Kelly Ingram got quote the better of Promoter Moore, in the exchanges on the floor. Mr. Ingram went to town at his own expense, which cannot be claimed for many

professional lobbyists, and when preachers are reminded to stick to morality and its proclamation by lobbyists, intent on promoting a cheap sport with a thick fringe of gambling, drunken driving, and bowdoiness, generally, around it—they can well remind the lay citizen, that decency and law keeping have a moral claim on all other citizens. Mr. Ingram objects to taxing the vices for public gain, and doubtless overtaxed virtue—which is horribly overtaxed at present, will agree, being spared an extra groan if spared hearing this guilty tinkle going down the hill. It's a sorry way to adjust tax, laying on the back of vice, WHAT SHOULD BE LAID OFF THE BLEEDING SHOULDERS OF VIRTUE—

It's refreshing to know that Japanese authorities say it will be

a number of years before the Soviet Union can build enough strategic missiles for a coordinated attack against all U. S. bases at home and abroad to wipe out at one blow, U. S. nuclear-retaliation capability. The Japs say a "successful Soviet Pearl Harbor" is not in the cards. The Nipponese say Hitler and Mussolini reached the decadence of the democracies by their own destruction, and they end by saying that as long as America does not accept the invincibility of the Soviet bloc, that "much of what Khrushchev says is either bluff, or outright psychological pressure to get the U. S. to withdraw from advanced bases round the world. "We would do well to listen to a former enemy who respects us, not a potential combatant, who tries to bully us.