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C. of C. To Sponsor Farmer's Day Here

William Marlow, chairman of the Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, announced today that his committee is planning to hold a "Farmers' Day" in North Wilkesboro on October 2.

"The merchants will have an all-day program entirely free to the farmers and their families. This is the first time we have been able to show our appreciation for their business during the war years, and we intend to make it a big day," Marlow stated. "The merchants of the Chamber have already started planning window decorations and street decorations for this big program."

Committees appointed by Marlow on this "Farmers' Day" program include: Advertising committee, Richard Gibbs, chairman; with Julius C. Hubbard and Gil-

Over Half Total Estimated Town Taxes Here Paid

More than half of the estimated total of 1945 taxes due to town of North Wilkesboro were paid before August 1, according to a report given the board of commissioners Tuesday night by W. P. Kelly, town clerk and treasurer.

Through July 31, \$41,531.37 in property taxes had been paid for the year 1945 in prepayments. The estimated total to be raised by taxes for the year is \$77,000. In addition, \$3,499.75 was paid in special license taxes.

The amount paid represents the greatest amount of tax prepayments in the history of the town and many taxpayers took advantage of the discounts allowed by law. The tax payments were accepted on the estimated rate of 1.50 per hundred in assessed valuation, which rate was finally adopted by the city council on Tuesday night. The rate represents an increase of 30 cents over the rate of \$1.20 for 1945.

Mayor R. T. McNeil was absent from the meeting Tuesday night and Ralph Duncau was mayor pro-tem. All other commissioners, H. M. Hutchens, A. F. Kilby, R. G. Finley and J. R. Hix, were present for the meeting.

The clerk was ordered to advertise real estate for unpaid 1945 taxes on August 12.

H. P. Eller, owner of the Wilkes Transportation company, asked the town for permission to make a change in location of bus stops to lessen traffic congestion, which was granted. When the change is made buses will have their stops in front of Call Hotel on Ninth street and in front of Crest store on Main street.

By order of the board Carlisle Staley was employed as a policeman.

Appalachian Beats Local Team 5 to 4

A. S. T. C. softball team defeated North Wilkesboro here Wednesday afternoon in a thrilling softball game 5 to 4. North Wilkesboro was handicapped by the absence of a number of first string players but a most interesting contest was provided for fans present.

On Sunday North Wilkesboro lost to High Point Weavers at High Point 6 to 1.

Revival Services At Bethel Church

Revival services will begin at Bethel Baptist church near Hays, Sunday, Aug. 11, at 11:00 a. m. Services will be held each day at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Ernest Blevins, will be assisted by Rev. A. E. Myers. The public is cordially invited.

Game Here Sunday

North Wilkesboro baseball team will play Clingman here Sunday, 3:30, on the fairgrounds field. An interesting game is anticipated.

Board Elections Office Open For Absentee Ballots

C. J. Jones, chairman of the Wilkes county board of elections, said today that the office of the board of elections is now open in the Tevebaugh building south of the railroad in this city for the purpose of accepting applications for absentee ballots for men and women in the military forces.

Many Cases Tried In Three Days Of Court Term Here

Judge Phillips Presiding; Hall Prosecuting; Minton Jury Foreman

Much progress has been made on the large docket of criminal cases in the August term of Wilkes superior court, which opened Monday with Judge F. Donald Phillips, of Rockingham, on the bench.

At opening of court Monday morning grand jurors were drawn and Dewey L. Minton, of North Wilkesboro, was named foreman and C. W. Hanes grand jury officer. Solicitor Avaion E. Hall, of Yadkinville, is prosecuting the docket.

Following are cases in which judgment has been rendered: Reece Johnson, manslaughter and hit and run, not guilty. George Parks, larceny, judgment suspended 12 months. Paul Gentry, abandonment, two years on roads. Dal Parks, colored, operating shot machine, prayer for judgment continued. Thomas J. Mathis, violation motor vehicle law, prayer for judgment continued. George S. Wilson, resisting arrest, four months on roads. Martin Price, operating car while intoxicated, \$50 fine and costs, license revoked 12 months. W. A. Hix, charging of mortgaged property, six months on roads. Howard Blackwelder, non-support, prayer for judgment continued. Frank Smithey, abandonment, prayer for judgment continued. Cornelius Adams, affray, six months suspended. Herbert Durham, drunkenness and violation motor vehicle laws, \$50 and cost in two cases. John R. Hayes, drunkenness, 30 days suspended; Ella Wyatt, driving without license, 60 days suspended on payment of costs. Parks Eteop, manslaughter, placed on probation. Jim Church, three charges being drunk, 90 days suspended. William Mack Joiner, larceny of automobile, two cases, 2 to 4 years in state prison, each case; sentences consecutively. Julius Raymond Rogers, operating car while intoxicated, four months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs; license revoked 12 months.

Farm-Home Week August 19th-23rd

By ANNIE H. GREENE Home Agent

Farm and Home Week will be held in Raleigh during the week of August 19th through 23rd. We are very anxious to have a good delegation to go from our county. You who are a member of a Home Demonstration Club are eligible of attending this series of educational classes. If you are interested in attending and have not sent in your registration fee, you may remit by the following:

Room reservation may be made at any time by sending \$2.00 registration for each person. Checks or money orders should be drawn to: W. O. State College, Raleigh, N. C.

Give the following information regarding each person:

Mr. _____ name _____
 Mrs. _____ name _____
 Miss _____ name _____
 County _____
 Address _____
 Choice of roommate _____

All rooms at State College have three beds—one single and one double-deck. Rooms at Meredith have two single beds with connecting bath for each two rooms. We plan to house married couples, who have cars, at Meredith.

The classes for the women which will be taught are: Home Management and House Furnishings: Tuesday and Wednesday, "Ideas on Home Decoration" by Mrs. Stella R. Cusick. Tuesday, "Making Comforts from Feathers" by Rosa Ellwood Bryan. Wednesday, Tour of the attractive home of Mrs. J. C. Castlebury. Friday, "Selection and use of Electrical Equipment Available to Make Wash Day Easy" by Marguerite G. Surles. Family Life Program: (1) Learn to understand our children better; (2) development of personality and character from little to the every day experiences; (3) understanding what it is to make family members enjoy home life. Clothing: Miss Alice Sundquist will hold classes on Tuesday and Wednesday on "Clothing Buymanship. On Friday she will give a demonstration on "Care of Hats" and "Make a New Hat from an Old One."

Other classes which will be held are: Speech Class, (Mrs. John B. Martin, Jr.); The Niceties of Every Day Living, (Mrs. Hazel E. Wheeler and Mrs. Mildred Seaher); Health, (Dr. G. Howard Satterfield); Freeze in the Goodness, and also—From Rags to Rugs.

These classes will be very interesting to all women who attend and the time and money will be well spent.

Lightning Kills Cow and Horse; Strikes Buildings

During the storm which hit the Wilkesboros Tuesday afternoon lightning did much damage. A two-year-old colt belonging to Warner Miller was killed instantly when lightning hit some trees in the pasture in the west end of the town.

Near the same time lightning hit and killed a cow belonging to Claude Kennedy.

On the same afternoon lightning hit the home of the late W. E. Harris in Wilkesboro. Damage to the building was light.

On Tuesday afternoon lightning also hit the S. V. Tomlinson wholesale warehouse building on A street. Damage was negligible.

Marriage License

Marriage license were issued during the past week by Register of Deeds Troy C. Foster to the following: Grady Harris, Benham, and Florence Cheek, Ronda; James Robert Eller, Furllear, and Nancy Lee Yates, Wilkesboro; Norman K. Hege, Jr., and Kathleen Woodie, both of West Jefferson; Hubert Johnson and Mary Nell Richardson, both of Hays; Fred Lee Hall, North Wilkesboro, and Grace Dean Wood, Ronda; Fred Miller and Pauline Teague, both of Hays; Arnold Gilbert Johnson, Kannapolis, and Faye Bumgarner, Wilbar.

Revival Under Way At Antioch Church

Revival services are now in progress at Antioch Baptist church. Rev. Mr. Icenhour, of Alexander county, is assisting the pastor, Rev. Noah Hayes, and the services are being well attended. The public has a most cordial invitation to attend.

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You Tell What It Is And What It Eats

The wise guys who say: "You tell me what it eats and I'll tell you what it is," or vice versa, are flabbergasted now.

Today G. A. Bumgarner, of Millers Creek, brought to The Journal-Patriot office something we can't identify, so we have placed it in the show window and will let the public try their turn at guessing.

The body of the animal has the shape of a frog, but it has the tail of a lizard. In addition, it has short, but sharp, horns at many places on its head and body.

Take it away, Oscar!

Wilkes County School System To Open Aug. 19

Many Teacher Vacancies Remain in Schools; Some New Buses Ready

All schools in the Wilkes County system will open Monday, August 19, except Mulberry. It will open Monday, September 2.

"Many of the schools have vacancies which we have been unable to fill. It is more difficult to find certified teachers this year than ever before. Many of the vacancies will have to be filled with non-standard certificate teachers. It is estimated that the state will be short 3,000 certified teachers this year," C. B. Eller, county superintendent, said today.

The county has only received a small part of the new school buses expected but most of the present fleet has been conditioned and ready for use.

C. Kuykendall, a member of the state highway safety patrol, will be at the Wilkesboro school Monday, August 13, at 10 a. m. to test school drivers that have not been certified.

The schools will operate on a short schedule for the first week so that the older students may have a chance to work at home and the teachers more time to distribute books, arrange their instructional equipment and supplies, and complete their plans of work for the year.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rhoades, of North Wilkesboro route two, a daughter on August 1 at the Wilkes hospital.

A daughter was born August 1 at the Wilkes hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Richard Cothren, of Roaring River.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Minton, of North Wilkesboro star route, a daughter on August 1 at the Wilkes hospital.

A daughter was born at the Wilkes hospital August 2 to Mr. and Mrs. John Oscar Robinson, of Wilkesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Brady C. Byrd, of North Wilkesboro route three, are parents of a daughter born August 2 at the Wilkes hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards of Lomax, a son on August 4 at the Wilkes hospital.

A daughter was born August 5 at the Wilkes hospital to Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, of North Wilkesboro route two.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Brown, of Lenoir, a son on August 5 at the Wilkes hospital.

A daughter was born Wednesday at the Wilkes hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh W. (Bill) Nichols, of Wilkesboro route one.

A son was born Wednesday at the Wilkes hospital to Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford, of North Wilkesboro route one.

Revival to Begin At Mount Pleasant

Revival services will begin Sunday, August 11, at Mount Pleasant church and continue to August 21. Services will be held at 11 a. m., and eight p. m. daily. Rev. T. W. Hearne, of Valdese, will be visiting evangelist.

The pastor, Rev. Latt Be-shears, issued the following announcement: "Come, hear the Gospel of Christ, plain, simple, yet with the power of Christ. Come, hear him and you will want to come again. All the church members are expected to attend. If you can't come you can have a part by praying for us that many souls will come to know Christ as Savior and Lord."

Tent Meeting On At Millers Creek

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Spillman was arrested Wednesday in Davidson county by an agent of the State Bureau of Investigation, which is assisting Sheriff Poindexter in the investigation.

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Troop No. 34 of the Boy Scouts, together with the Scout Executive Committee, Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster had a most enjoyable camping trip at Taylorville Beach over the past week-end. The group spent the time fishing, hiking, swimming and eating. The boys prepared the delicious meals.

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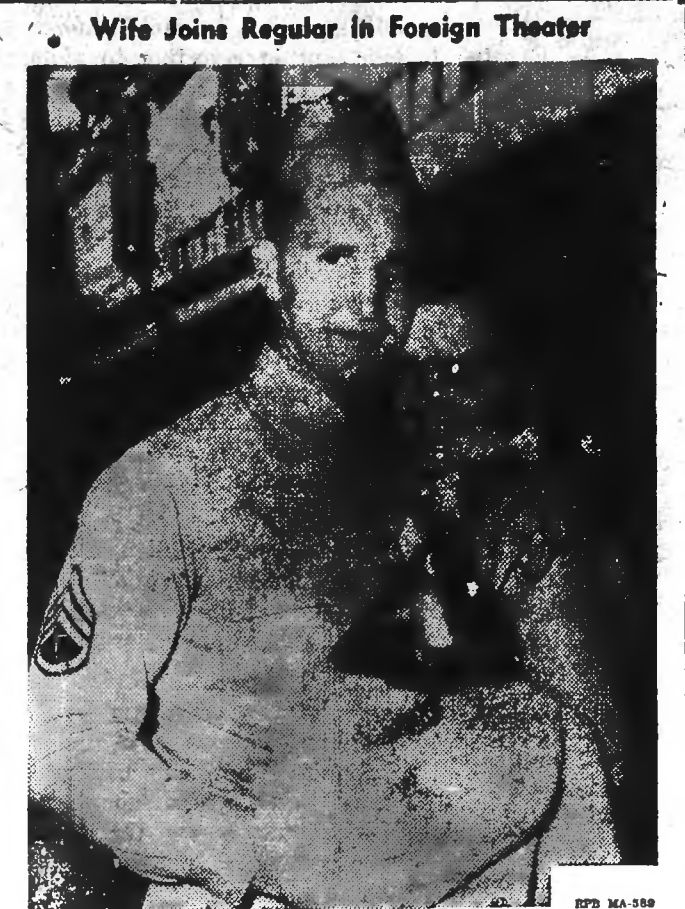
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Marine Recruiter Here Saturdays

Platoon Sergeant James W. Hargis, representative of the United States Marine Recruiting Office in Winston-Salem, has announced that the Marine Corps is continuing to accept enlistments for periods of either, 2, 3, or 4 years.

However the enlistments for "Duty in Aviation Units" will be accepted only for 3 and 4 years. Men whose applications were on file prior to 1 August, 1945 may still enlist for 2 years, provided they do so before 15 August, 1946.

Enlistment for "General Duty" is open to all qualified men between the ages of 17 and 30 for either 2, 3 or 4 year periods.

It is also announced that the new Marine Corps uniforms will be issued to all Marines in September of this year. Changes in the familiar dress blues provide for the addition of four pockets on the tunics. Hip pockets will also be added to the enlisted mens blues.

The service uniform will consist of trousers, battle jacket and over-seas or garrison cap. The battle jacket which will replace the blouse, is cut full in the chest and will fit snugly around the waist. The trousers will be cut in such a way to allow freedom in the knee and thigh. They will include hip pockets also.

The Marine Recruiting Sergeant will be in the local Post Office each Saturday to provide information to all men, interested in becoming one of the World's Finest Men. Serve Your Country Now.

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