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## Heavy Docket Is Slated For March Session Of Court

Judge H. Hoyle Sink Will Preside; Jurors Drawn For Three Weeks

A three-week term of superior court will convene in Wilkesboro Monday, March 3, with Judge H. Hoyle Sink, of Greensboro, on the bench.

The first two weeks of the term will be devoted to trial of criminal cases and there are now more than 200 pending trial. The third week will be for trial of civil actions.

Jurors for the court have been drawn as follows:

**First Week**  
 Arthur F. Redding, New Castle; M. H. Brown, Rock Creek; W. M. Whittington, Union; C. M. Call, Wilkesboro; J. G. Mayberry, Mulberry; W. A. Payne, Jobs Cabin; S. C. Parker, North Wilkesboro; S. E. Hanks, Traphill; T. W. Wyatt, North Wilkesboro; Edgar Walker, Lovelace; Elias Anderson, Brushy Mountain; J. W. Faw, Mulberry; Melvin Watson, Jobs Cabin; T. A. Finley, North Wilkesboro; J. R. Foster, Lewis Fork; John A. Caudill, Mulberry; J. Paul Williams, North Wilkesboro; G. C. Transon, Lovelace; D. A. Holloman, Somers; Vander Wells, New Castle; Russell Darnell, Edwards; D. C. Walsh, Lewis Fork; J. F. Johnson, Traphill; J. R. Hix, North Wilkesboro; A. F. Blackburn, Boomer; C. F. Bretholl, Moravian Falls; John E. Parks, Edwards; W. M. Brooks, North Wilkesboro; W. A. Minton, Moravian Falls; John Shore, Edwards; V. C. Pardue, New Castle; Claude Johnson, North Wilkesboro; J. S. Gray, New Castle; J. W. Felts, Walnut Grove; Monroe Dancy, Union; C. H. Shumaker, Reddies River; D. A. Miller, North Wilkesboro; Dayman Miller, Union; Russell Abner, North Wilkesboro; Harry D. Bumgarner, Lewis Fork; Fred W. Melton, New Castle; C. H. Barker, Edwards; Oster Lankford, North Wilkesboro; Walter Black, Union; Grover C. Walsh, Lewis Fork; J. A. Adams, Mulberry; A. L. Caudell, Edwards; E. O. Billings, Mulberry; Jake Eller, Lewis Fork; J. C. Johnson, Walnut Grove; R. H. Shepherd, North Wilkesboro; W. T. Church, Reddies River; H. N. Blackburn, Edwards; Lee Caudell, Edwards; Alvin E. Moore, Brushy Mountain; B. H. Wood, North Wilkesboro; H. M. Lockhart, Mulberry; Wilson H. Moore, North Wilkesboro; L. C. Elledge, Mulberry; Glenn Anderson, Wilkesboro.

## Junior Chamber Will Be Organized Here

**Mrs. Jane McNeil Claimed By Death**

Funeral service was held Sunday at New Hope Baptist church for Mrs. Sarah Jane McNeil, age 85, well known resident of the Purlear community who died Thursday. She had been ill for some time.

Mrs. McNeil was the wife of the late T. A. McNeil. Surviving are one son, Charlie McNeil, of Purlear, and four daughters: Misses Viola, Elzora and Lillie McNeil, of Purlear, and Mrs. John Steelman, of Gastonia.

Rev. A. W. Eller, Rev. Glenn Huffman and Rev. Vernon Eller conducted the funeral service, which was largely attended.

## Rusk Man Shot In Robbery Attempt

Elkin.—James Marion, 21, of the Rusk community, is in an Elkin hospital as a result of bullet wounds which Wilkes officers said were sustained in an attempted robbery of Durham Motor Sales, in Wilkes County, near here, early Friday morning.

Marion has been charged with breaking and entering and robbery.

Marion's brother, Jesse, has been lodged in the Wilkes County jail, charged with aiding and abetting.

Erastus Durham, proprietor of the store, lives with his family in an apartment directly under the company offices.

Mr. Durham said he was awakened between 3:30 and 4 a. m. Friday morning by footsteps in the offices over his head. He got his gun and investigated.

After an exchange of shots, James Marion was on the floor with bullet holes in both legs.

Jesse Marion, who officers said had been waiting in a car outside, took James to the hospital. Jesse was later arrested by Wilkes County Sheriff Poindester.

Investigation indicated that entrance to the offices had been obtained by breaking a window. Marion's condition was not considered critical.

## 20-Ounce Baby Boy Is Now 'Doing Fine'

Glendale, Ariz.—Dr. Muri E. Fulk said yesterday a 20-ounce baby boy born Monday night was "doing fine" yesterday in an incubator at a maternity home.

Dr. Fulk said he could hold the infant in the palm of his hand.

"He is active and cries like a normal child," the doctor reported.

The baby was born prematurely to Mrs. Frank Mariscal of Glendale who, Dr. Fulk said, gave birth to a child eight months ago.

## Paper Label 3-47? If So, Renew Now

In order that subscribers may not miss any issues of The Journal-Patriot, all those whose address labels bear the date of 3-47 are asked to renew their subscriptions before March 1.

The figures on the pink address label indicate expiration dates. 3-47 means that the subscription will expire March 1, 1947. Postal laws and regulations forbid carrying past due subscriptions and all are asked to watch their address labels and not let their subscriptions expire.

In making request for change of address, subscribers are asked to give the old as well as the correct and new address. This information is very essential in order that the change may be made promptly and that the subscription be given proper credit at the new and correct address.

**O. E. S. MEETING**  
 Wilkes Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its regular meeting Thursday evening, Feb. 27, at 7:30.

hills; H. T. Turner, Mulberry; W. A. Harrold, Walnut Grove; M. L. Yates, Stanton; Claude Key, North Wilkesboro; McKinley Hanks, Walnut Grove; C. E. Shepherd, Mulberry; F. D. Broynhill, Moravian Falls.

## Officers Will Be Chosen In Meet Tuesday Evening

**Winston-Salem Jaycees Met With Interested Group Here Friday Night**

Young business men of the Wilkesboro and other parts of Wilkes county will meet Tuesday night, 7:30, in the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce office on Ninth street to form the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Adoption of a constitution and by-laws and election of officers will be the order of business for the initial meeting.

On Friday night at eight o'clock a comparatively small group met with members of the Winston-Salem Jaycees at the town hall and discussed Junior Chamber organization. Those present from Winston-Salem were Sam Dorsett, president, P. B. Ralford and Rev. Aubert Smith. They explained that the Winston-Salem Jaycees are the most active civic organization in Winston-Salem and told how the Junior Chamber works for that city.

It was brought out in the meeting Friday night that 16 young Wilkes men have already stated their intention to become members and that a prospect list of many between ages of 21 and 36 had been made up, including a large number who are not presently affiliated with any civic organization.

Edward S. Finley, Jimmie Allen and Wayne Foster were chosen as a committee for organization.

Forrest Jones, secretary-manager of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, explained how a Junior Chamber is needed to carry out many projects for the community and county.

Every young man between 21 and 36 who is interested in civic and economic progress of the Wilkesboro and Wilkes county is invited to the Junior Chamber organization meeting Tuesday night.

## Sugar Stamps to Be Ten Pounds Each

To avoid the substantial expense of printing and distributing new sugar ration books, all sugar stamps made valid on or after April 1, 1947, will be good for 10 pounds of sugar, A. D. Simpson, Jr., OPA Regional Sugar Executive, said today in Atlanta.

Spare Stamp No. 53, now valid for five pounds of sugar, will expire for consumer use at midnight on March 31 and a new stamp, good for 10 pounds of sugar, will be validated on April 1 to cover both home canning and regular home use, Simpson stated. He added that the number of the next valid stamp will be announced at a later date.

It is necessary, Simpson said, to terminate Stamp No. 53 a month earlier than originally announced in order to avoid the serious trade problem of handling both five and 10 pound stamps at the same time. The change is being announced now to give all consumers adequate opportunity to "cash" Stamp No. 53 before it expires.

Previously, Simpson explained, stamps have been validated for five pounds of sugar—some for regular home use and some for home canning purposes. No special stamps for home canning sugar will be validated in the future and the stamps made valid during the rest of 1947 will provide sugar for both purposes, he said. Additional 10-pound stamps will be made valid periodically as the sugar supply permits.

"It is important," Simpson emphasized, "that housewives plan the use of the sugar they get from these 10-pound stamps so as to cover both their household and home canning needs.

"Although it seems fairly certain that sugar supplies will increase during 1947, the exact amount of the increase is not known. It is impossible therefore to state the total amount of the sugar ration for 1947.

## All Stars to Play Coble Thursday

North Wilkesboro all star basketball teams, boys and girls, will play the teams from Coble Dairies, Lexington, Thursday night on the North Wilkesboro high school gymnasium court. The first game will begin at 7:30.

Good games are expected. The North Wilkesboro all stars divided two games with the Coble teams last year and equally exciting contests are anticipated.

After the games F. D. Meserve, manager of the Wilkesboro division of Coble's, will be host at a supper for the players of the four teams participating in the games.

## He Couldn't Marry Five Is Funny Three-Act Play To Be Presented

St. Clair, popular author of many stage and screen successes, wrote the play and the witty dialogue, expert craftsmanship and novel subject show why Mr. St. Clair's work has been so much in demand the past few years. The Northwestern Press secured the local rights to produce "He Couldn't Marry Five." They guarantee the play to be one of their latest and most promising publications.

The local cast is working hard in order to make its production as smooth and finished as a professional stage performance. Procure tickets from members of the Dramatics Club. Admission is 25 and 50 cents. Don't forget the time, 7:30 p. m., the place, North Wilkesboro high auditorium, or the date, Thursday, February 27, 1947. You'll never forgive yourself if you fail to see the most refreshing and laughable play in years, "He Couldn't Marry Five."

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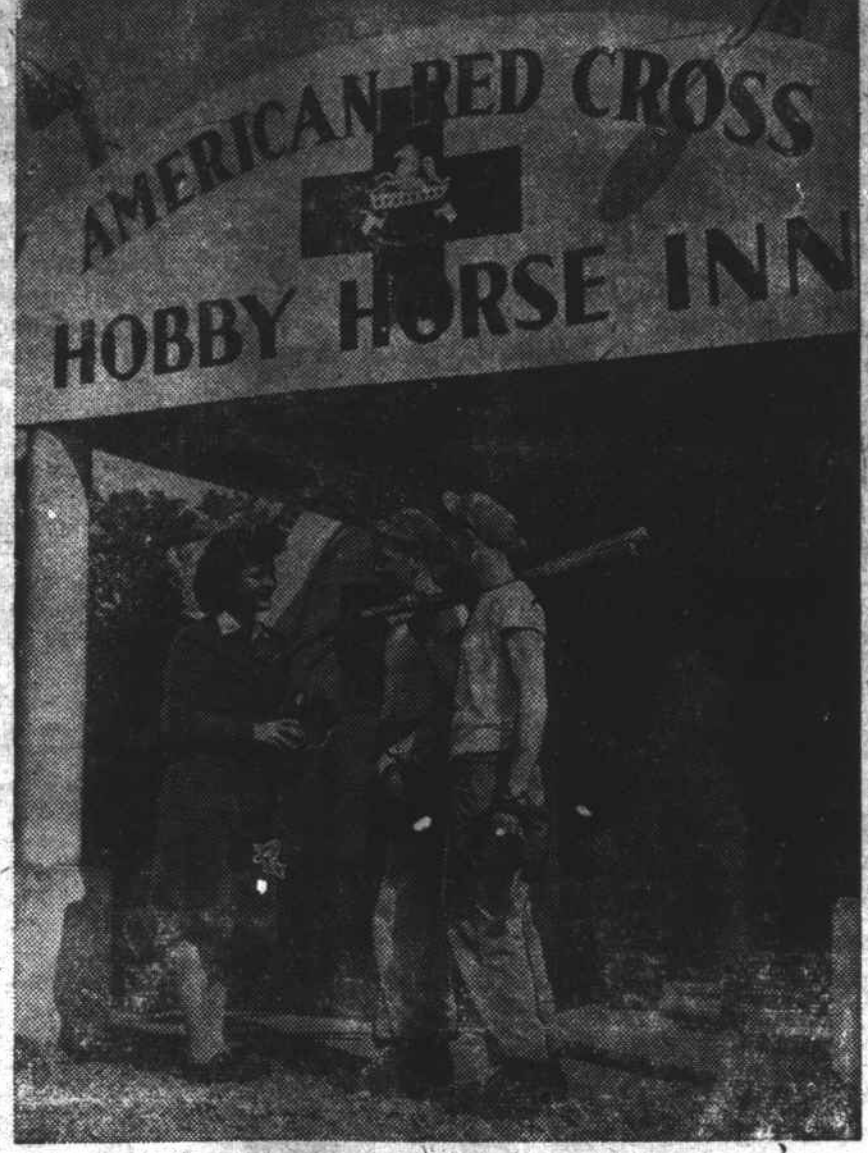
## High School Dramatics Club To Give A Play On Thursday Night

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## IT'S "PLAY BALL" IN JAPAN



ON THE BASEBALL DIAMOND near this American Red Cross club in Tokyo, American GIs see that the staid pastime gets daily attention. Scores of baseball and softball fields are scattered throughout occupied Japan. (American Red Cross Photo)

## Wilkes Fox Bill Is In The Legislature

Wilkes Representative T. E. Story has introduced into the legislature house bill number 420, which pertains to foxes in Wilkes county and has been referred to the Game committee.

Provisions of the proposed law as reported by the Institute of Governmental Affairs were:

"Would establish closed season on foxes each year from March 1 to September 1, but would permit running foxes with dogs at any time during the year. Would prohibit capturing or killing foxes through using steel traps at any time during the year. Would prohibit, for 2 years from date of ratification, importation into and release of imported foxes in Wilkes county. Violation would be made misdemeanor, punishable by fine and, or imprisonment."

## J. W. Powell With Midway Pontiac

J. W. (Bud) Powell, of this city, has accepted a position with Midway Pontiac, Inc., as service manager.

Mr. Powell is well and favorably known throughout this section as an experienced mechanic and service manager, having been connected with automobile dealerships here for several years. He invites his customers and friends to visit him at his new location.

## V. F. W. To Elect Officers Tuesday

At the regular meeting Tuesday night, Feb. 25th, in the club room the membership will elect their officers for the following year. The members are urged to be present and take part in this election.

## Cigarettes Pay Rent

Huddersfield, Eng.—A 64-year old landlord solved his own smoking problem in tobacco-short Britain yesterday by letting a furnished room for a daily rental of one pack of cigarettes and a box of matches.

## Triple A Offers Lespedeza Seed

The Wilkes County Committee announced that arrangements have been made with the Cash Fertilizer and Seed Store, North Wilkesboro, N. C., whereby Lespedeza seed will be available on Purchase Order Plan to all farmers in Wilkes County. For the protection of the County Committee, since there is no practice for seeding Lespedeza alone, the following requirements must be met by the farmer: that he file his application for seed at the County Office and at the time of filing that he furnish the county committee with proof that he has bought the necessary mixture for permanent pasture seeding practice or hay crop practice in the form of seed tickets from the dealer that the required grass seed was purchased and he will receive a Purchase Order from the minimum of 50 pounds to a maximum of 100 pounds of No. 1 Korean Lespedeza that will not cause any cash outlay to the farmer.

While these seeds are available to all farmers in the county they are adapted to the needs of the small Wilkes County farmers, especially those who are not able to buy seed. These seeds are available at once.

Three men can set ten acres of tobacco or other plants a day using a new transplanter invented by W. J. Melvin, Jr., of Bladen county.

## Campaign To Raise \$3,500 Band Fund

**Local Teams Will Play Statesville**

Games between North Wilkesboro high school boys and girls scheduled to be played here tonight were cancelled today because the Boone school is closed on account of the heavy snow and some of the Boone players were snowbound.

On Friday night exciting games are anticipated, here when the local teams will play Boone girls and boys.

The remaining games of the season will be Boone at Boone and Mount Airy here.

## American Legion Plans Oratorical Contest In County

Wilkes county post of the American Legion will again sponsor the Legion oratorical contest in Wilkes county schools.

William Gray, commander of the Wilkes post, said that the post will give a \$25 U. S. bond and a silver oratorical medal to the county winners in the speaking finals to be held March 14, 4:30 p. m., in the North Wilkesboro high school auditorium. The county winner will take part in the district contest, the district winner in the state finals and the state winner in the national contest, where the prize will be a \$4,000 college scholarship.

W. M. Nelson, American Legion chairman of the Wilkes post, said that the subjects will be on the Constitution of the United States, and the related topics which may be used include: American citizen's rights and privileges under the constitution; the sovereignty of the people—then and now; checks and balances—our basic governmental principle; history of the constitution; the American bill of rights; the framing fathers; the constitution in a changing world; our presidents and the constitution; influence of the constitution on new citizens of our Republic; the constitution, a barrier against tyranny; the constitution—temple of liberty; in defense of our constitution; our living constitution; the privileges and responsibilities of an American citizen; the rights we defend.

Each oration shall be composed of two parts, a prepared speech of ten to 12 minutes, and an extemporaneous oration of four to six minutes.

## County Winner Will Receive \$25 Bond and Medal Here March 14

Launching a campaign to raise \$3,500 to equip a 50-piece North Wilkesboro high school band, the band was enthusiastically received Friday noon and Friday evening in programs given at the Kiwanis and Lions clubs.

The drive was begun today to raise the necessary funds to buy uniforms and instruments for the fast growing band.

Sponsoring the campaign in the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher association and the committee in charge is headed by Mrs. C. Arthur Venable, P-T. A. president, and C. J. Swofford, representing the parents of band members, as co-chairman.

Additional uniforms for the band will cost \$1,000 and instruments necessary will cost \$2,500. The aim is for a 40-piece concert band and a 40-piece marching band. There are now a total of 47 band members, many without uniforms and proper instruments, and increase in the band is increasing steadily.

At the Kiwanis and Lions meetings Friday Paul S. Cragan, school superintendent, presented Miss Eva Bingham, band director, who outlined the needs of the band. The following program was received with high favor by both civic clubs.

"The Star-Spangled Banner"; "Aces of the Air March"; K. L. King; "Crescent Investigation and Dance"; Ivan Lenkov; "Washington Post March"; John Phillip Sousa; "The Lost Chord"; A. Sullivan; Bartone Solo, Gordon Finley; "Desert Song Overture"; Sigmund Romberg; "American Patrol"; Meacham.

Members of the band who participated in the concert were: Nell Gwyn Brame, Carolyn Deans, Christine Godby, Kenneth Phillips, Tommy Turner, T. C. Billings, Phillip Lomax, Eric Duncan, Doris Godby, Tyre Sidden, Doris Wiles, Betty Whicker, Clate Duncan, John Hubert Emerson, Tony Marlow, Norma Gabriel, Jimmie Carter, Gordon Finley, Jane Cragan, Anne Carlton, Carl Franklin Swofford, Betty Wells, Peggy Harris, Dot Jenkins, Dot Powell, Dot Winters, Tommy Johnson, Patsy Hawkins, John Gibbs, Betty Jo Reavis, Jane Carter, Corinna Finley and Frances Harris.

Beginners who will soon be ready for the band are Becky Reins, Jo Ann McGinnis, Kyle Eller, Lila Tate Duncan, Jimmy Swofford, Pattie Gabriel, Gladys Sebastian, Charles Summers, Charles Crook, Patricia Hutchinson, Jimmie Caldwell, Bill Justus and Betty Blackburn.

Those who will help raise the fund for the band's needs are asked to send their contributions to Mrs. Venable, Mr. Swofford or the school office.

R. W. Gwyn was program chairman for the Kiwanis meeting and Dr. H. B. Smith had charge of the Lions program.

The attendance prize at Kiwanis was given by Dr. W. F. Jones to Wm. A. Stroud. Guests were: George C. Smith and William Sherrill with Dudley Hill; Sgt. A. H. Clark with John Walker; Judge Johnson J. Hayes with John E. Justice, Jr.

Guests at the Lions meeting were David Deal with Vernon Deal, Dan Church with Rufus B. Church, Jimmie Whicker with J. H. Whicker, Jr.

## Robert I. Reaves Rites On Sunday

Funeral service was held Sunday at New Light church for Robert I. Reavis, 52, citizen of the Traphill community who died Thursday. Rev. John Burcham and Rev. L. E. Sparks conducted the last rites.

Mr. Reavis is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Reavis, one daughter, Miss Bessie Reavis.

## Roten Child Dies

Last rites were held Sunday at Poplar Cove for Evelyn Janet Roten, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Roten, of Cricket. The child died Saturday.