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## WINNERS IN WILKES 4-H DRESS REVUE



### Bob Flock Wins Feature Race On Local Speedway

#### Four Drivers Slightly Injured In Several Accidents On Speedway Track

Bob Flock, Atlanta driver who had been beaten recently by his brother, Fonty, came through in first place in the thrilling 50-lap stock car feature Sunday on the North Wilkesboro speedway. Fonty Flock came in fifth behind Bill Bryon, of Atlanta, Glenn Dunnaway, of Charlotte, and Ed Samples, of Atlanta. Fonty and Bob are now virtually tied in the national championship point standings. A crowd estimated at more than 12,000 saw the races, which were featured by six accidents. In the second trial heat Lucky Sauer's car went into a spin. Bill Bryon, of High Point, and M. L. Dudley, of Yadkinville, both piled into Sauer's car. Sauer was shaken up and suffered a brain concussion. Today, however, his condition was much improved. Dudley suffered facial cuts. In the time trials Mickey Finn, of Charlotte, turned over four times. Jim Lewellyn, of High Point, had practically the same experience but they did not suffer critical injuries and both returned to participate in later events. Glenn Dunnaway, of Charlotte, Johnnie Rogers, of Charlotte, and Mahon, of Greenville, S. C., and White, of High Point, were first place winners in the trial heat.

### Walton Black Is Taken By Death

Funeral service was held this morning at Reins-Sturdivant chapel for Walton Black, who died Saturday in the veterans hospital at Swannanoa. Mr. Black was a native of South Carolina and came to North Wilkesboro several years ago, where he held a responsible position with the Works Progress Administration. Here he married the former Miss Ruth Vannoy, who survives. In recent years Mr. Black held responsible government positions in Raleigh and in Richmond, Va., until his health failed several months ago. Rev. B. M. Lackey, of Lenoir, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, conducted the funeral service and burial was in Mount Lawn cemetery. Mr. Black was well known here and during his stay in North Wilkesboro made many friends.

### Important Meeting Of VFW Tuesday

A very important meeting of Blue Ridge post of Veterans of Foreign Wars will be held Tuesday night, eight o'clock, at the VFW hall on C street. Air show plans will be discussed and all members are asked to be present. Civilian meat supplies this year promise to be fully as large as in 1946 and well above most of the war years. Civilian meat supplies per person in 1946 averaged 153 pounds compared with 134 pounds in 1937-41, according to BAE.

### Wm. Thomas Transou Is Claimed By Death

William Thomas Transou, 85-year-old citizen of the Oakwoods community, died Saturday afternoon at his home. Surviving Mr. Transou are four sons and two daughters: John, Will, Elisha and Fred Transou, of Princeton, Ill.; Mrs. Robert McLain, Saskatchewan, Canada; Miss Jettie Transou, Wilkesboro.

### Fletcher Family Holds a Reunion

The home of Mrs. J. W. Fletcher and the late Mr. Fletcher, of North Wilkesboro, Route three was the scene of a family reunion Wednesday. Covers were laid at 1 and 7 o'clock for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher of Houston, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fletcher of New York City; Mrs. Myrtle Fletcher and daughter, Janet, of San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fletcher and daughters, Margaret and Dorothy; Mrs. H. S. Soots and daughter, Mrs. Roy Pennell; Mrs. R. E. Felts, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moore; and Miss Pansy Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher of the home. It has been many years since all the family was at home together. Lively conversation, picture making and a watermelon feast filled the day. Mrs. Fletcher is a Gold Star Mother, having sons in two wars. Clarence, the eldest served in the Infantry in World War I. In World War II, Henry, an engineer, served as government inspector of ships at Dallas, Texas. Archie was a First Lieutenant in the Marines and lost his life at Okinawa. Walter served in the Infantry in the European theatre.



F.H. JETER.

### Jeter Speaker At Joint Meeting Of 2 Kiwanis Clubs

#### 35 Members Of Elkin Club Meet With North Wilkesboro Kiwanians

Frank H. Jeter, agricultural editor at State College, delivered a most interesting address here Friday evening at Hotel Wilkes to the North Wilkesboro and Elkin Kiwanis clubs in joint meeting. Dr. G. T. Mitchell, president of the North Wilkesboro club, presided. He was flanked at the speaker's table by Carl Poindexter and Julius Hall, president and secretary of the Elkin club. Elkin members attending totaled 35. The program for the evening in charge of Bob Smith, who, after the dinner introduced to the clubs Frank H. Jeter, Agriculture Extension Editor, State College, Raleigh, who made a very splendid agriculture booster talk. Mr. Jeter paid high compliments to the Elkin and North Wilkesboro Kiwanis clubs for the far reaching interest they have taken in recent years to promote the agricultural interests of this surrounding territory. He mentioned the various clubs and projects each has been sponsoring to give impetus to better stock raising, more yield to the farm acres, etc. He suggested the continuation of these projects as the best means for building a spirit of cooperation between the rural and urban peoples. He thinks this should be a self-supporting agricultural state and predicts it will as its farmers come to know they can produce their feed and grazing crops sufficient to feed all of their livestock. "Industry can greatly hasten the conclusion of this idea as it proceeds to build plants to process our own feeds," he said. The address was broadcast over Station WKBC, of North Wilkesboro.

### Mayor Lentz Is Judge of Beauty Contest Friday

Mayor George Lentz, of Winston-Salem, has accepted the invitation to be chairman of the judges committee for the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce beauty contest to be held Friday night in the large stone building just out of this city on highway 115. Jaycees are now selling advance tickets for the big event, which will determine Miss Wilkes—1947 to take part in the state contest. Complete list of entrants and sponsors will appear in this paper Thursday.

### Boonville Here Wednesday P.M.

North Wilkesboro Red Caps, fresh from a 12 to 4 victory over Rockford here Saturday, will play the strong Boonville nine here Wednesday, the game beginning at 3:30. Saturday's victory left North Wilkesboro one-half game out of the league lead behind the Elkin all stars, who dropped a game Saturday. On Thursday night the Red Caps will play Jonesville at 8:15 under the lights in Elkin's new Memorial Park.

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## Body of Miller Child Is Found

### Attends Association Of Rescue Squads

Harry L. Summers, attended the Summer Encampment of the Virginia Association of Rescue Squads, at Claytor Lake, Radford, Va., Saturday and Sunday. He attended as a visitor of the Elkin Emergency Squad. Drills, lectures and a round table discussion in methods of life saving were practiced and discussed.

### Big Singing At Millers Creek

Paul B. Collins, widely known singing instructor from Lincoln, will conduct a singing convention at Millers Creek school on Sunday, August 3, beginning at two p. m. All choirs and special singers are invited to participate. Special guests will include Mr. Walbert, Mr. and Mrs. Yeager, of Vaughn Music company.

### Ralph Tomlinson Found Dead Here Saturday Morning

#### Death Of Popular Young Insurance Man Attributed To Heart Attack

Ralph Tomlinson, 28, well known insurance salesman here, was found dead in his car near the Drive-In cafe on east Main street at eight a. m. Saturday. According to Police Chief Walker and Coroner I. M. Myers, who investigated the death, death was caused by a heart attack. Members of his family told officers that he had been suffering from heart disease for some time. Investigation by officers revealed that Mr. Tomlinson was with Howard Neely and Grant Johnson, of this city, from ten p. m. until two a. m. Mr. Tomlinson had some car trouble and the car was parked about two a. m. Neely and Johnson told officers that they left Mr. Tomlinson in his car at that time and that he was apparently asleep. At eight a. m. his body was found on the floor of the car in the back seat and he had been dead for some time. Mr. Tomlinson was a son of the late Evan H. Tomlinson, and Mrs. Tomlinson, who resides in Morehead, Ky. He was reared in Kentucky and came to North Wilkesboro about one year ago. He was for some time employed here in the business of his uncle, the late S. V. Tomlinson, and more recently was with the Occidental Life Insurance agency here. Surviving Mr. Tomlinson are his wife, Mrs. Lucille Tomlinson, and one daughter, of this city, Kitty Lou; also his mother, one brother and one sister, William and Pauline Tomlinson, of Morehead, Ky. A brief funeral service was held at Reins-Sturdivant chapel here Sunday, conducted by Dr. Gilbert R. Combs and Rev. W. R. Waggoner. The body was taken to Morehead, Ky., where last rites will be held Tuesday, two p. m., at Christian church. Out-of-town people here Sunday for the service included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tomlinson, Misses Maggie and Myrtle Tomlinson, Jesse Tomlinson, of East Bend; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Marler, Winston-Salem; Mrs. R. L. Poindexter and daughter, Wanda, of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Evan H. Tomlinson, Miss Pauline and William Tomlinson, of Morehead, Ky.; Mr. Richard Clayton, Morehead, Ky.

### Nine Searchers Discover Body 7 Miles Down River

#### Funeral For Billie Dean Miller Held Sunday Afternoon

Searchers at 11:30 Saturday found the body of eight-year-old Billie Dean Miller in the Yadkin river seven miles below where he drowned Saturday, July 19, while swimming. Billie Dean's body, for which hundreds had searched since he went down while swimming with two other boys near Curtis bridge, was lodged against a log on the side of the river three and one-half miles east of this city. Only a small portion of his body, which was somewhat decomposed, was visible at the surface of the stream. Sheriff C. G. Poindexter, with whom \$100 reward had been placed by Tom Parsons, of Crick-et, stepfather of the child, and \$50 by T. J. and Ralph Frazier, of this city, listed members of the searching party who found the body as being J. H. Harrison, Roscoe Porter, J. G. Chap-pell, B. G. Adams, J. L. Porter, L. J. Jennings, C. W. Johnson, E. Harrison and Roby Broymill. Sheriff Poindexter said that several of that number had been in the search constantly during the past week and that Friday and Saturday they had extended their search further down the river than formerly. The searchers gave all the reward money to the child's family. Coroner I. M. Myers pronounced Billie Dean's death as caused by accidental drowning while swimming. The two boys with Billie Dean were Bryce Carlton and Donald Vannoy, of Crick-et. At the time Bryce tried valiantly to rescue Billie Dean while Donald was going for help. The drowning victim was a son of Lawrence Miller, of Obids, and Mrs. Nora Miller Parsons, of Crick-et. He made his home with his mother and stepfather. Surviving are his father and mother, one brother, one sister and one half brother. Funeral was held Sunday, two p. m., at Yellow Hill Baptist church near Summit.

### 82nd Airborne Division Display Very Interesting

#### Many See New Type Weapons And Equipment Here Friday and Saturday

A team from the famed 82nd airborne division at Fort Bragg put on a display of weapons and equipment in North Wilkesboro Friday and Saturday in the interest of the army recruiting service. Lt. John D. McGowan was assisted by S. Sgt. Joe Fisher and S. Sgt. Pete Corney. The display was shown in front of Tomlinson's Department store. Of especial interest to observers was the new 75mm cannon, which is carried and used by paratroopers. The gun, with tremendous fire power, has a total weight of only 120 pounds and is easily handled by two men. Mounted on a machine gun tripod, the gun will accurately shoot its 75mm projectile several miles. Also shown were parachutes, 50-calibre machine guns, tommy guns and various small items of equipment.

### Penalty On License Taxes After July 31

W. P. Kelly, North Wilkesboro town clerk and treasurer, has called attention to the fact that a penalty of five per cent will be added to all special privilege license taxes which are not paid before the first day of August. The taxes were due, according to schedule published some time ago in this newspaper, on July 1.

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