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## This Community Is Growing Up

The year 1949 witnessed much progress and growth in the Wilkesboros.

With business maintaining a high level, commercial firms in this area have expanded their business and are rendering better service to a growing patronage.

During the year the business of home building revived from a previous slump and the building business in the county during the latter half of the year reached a new high in intensity.

Building has not been confined to homes and business. Several churches during the year had building programs under way, and a number of highly creditable churches and additions were constructed. During the latter days of the year ground was broken for the erection of a 100-bed Wilkes General Hospital.

During the year a road program was begun designed to get the rural people out of the mud. This is a long range program which will probably take four years to reach a climax, but was begun in 1949.

In this city much street work was done, with several paving projects being carried out by the city and property owners. Traffic has increased to a new high of intensity, which always brings on a number of problems, such as parking space and the need for orderly and prompt movement of traffic at all times.

The past year was very definitely a year of progress of a community rapidly growing up and naturally suffering its proportionate share of "growing pains."

## Many Beautiful New Automobiles For 1950

During the early part of this month several automobile dealers here are showing new cars. Some displayed the 1950 models in the latter part of 1949.

Local dealers are to be congratulated for their splendid showrooms, offices, and repair departments. They are as well equipped to serve the motorists in new vehicles or in repair business as dealers in any towns or cities.

The new models are the most attractive ever put out by the industry and show clearly that the automobile business is highly competitive again with each manufacturer and dealer doing more to promote his particular make and make it more appealing to the motoring public.

Last year was a record high year for the automobile industry, and it appears that this high rate of business will continue through 1950 but with more emphasis on the job of selling and holding the customer.

Showings are being well conducted and the new model displays are events of genuine interest to many people. Local dealers have shown much initiative in providing good plants and shops to serve the people. The automobile business very definitely is a big factor in this community and is one which affects many people. Not only is the volume of business great, but the industry provides much employment directly or indirectly and the payroll of those who are in the automobile business or allied lines has a great effect upon the economic life of the community.

One trouble with fact-finding is that too often they seem to have determined in advance what facts they are going to find.

## Adequate Hospital To Become Reality

Approval of bids, letting of contract and beginning of grading the site assures this area an adequate hospital.

The 100-bed hospital will stand as a monument to the humanitarian spirit of the people of North Wilkesboro, who took upon themselves the financial burden of erecting the hospital when the county authorities had failed to call an election on the hospital proposal as a county-wide project.

By overwhelming vote the people of North Wilkesboro who participated in the special election approved a bond issue not to exceed \$275,000 as the local financing of the large project. State and Federal funds, already appropriated and to be spent somewhere, were available in the amount of slightly over 77 per cent of the total cost. With the need of a large hospital so acute, the people of North Wilkesboro would not let the opportunity pass to build a hospital at less than 23 per cent of cost furnished locally. Naturally, all of us will pay our part of the federal and state funds, regardless of whether the money is spent here or elsewhere.

Listed patient capacity of the Wilkes General Hospital will be 100 beds. But the large institution will have every needed department and the facilities which go to rendering excellent hospital service to a large community.

This community can be justly proud of this undertaking, which will provide an adequate hospital to the many people in Wilkes and adjoining areas.

A prominent economist says that there is not a nation in the world that can afford another war. Everybody knows, however, that people always enjoy most those things they can't afford.—Clipped.

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### WISE BEHAVIOR

There is a passage of Scripture over in First Samuel, the eighteenth chapter and the fourteenth verse, I want to call your attention to. It reads, "And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the Lord was with him."

This was said of David when he was a young man, sometime after he had killed Goliath, the wicked giant who was defying the armies of Israel, and after the jealousy of King Saul had kindled to the extent that he was seeking the life of David. It would have been very easy for David to have done things at this juncture of his life that would have wrecked him forever, and that would have kept him from becoming king, and from wielding a powerful influence over Israel, and down across the centuries of time for the salvation of souls and for the glory of God. However, though a young man, he "behaved himself wisely in all his ways." We realize that good common sense, wisdom and forethought, along with the presence of God, brought David out in a large place. It enabled him to become a great king, a great writer, a great servant of God, and wield an influence that has blessed the world for more than two thousand years. He acted wisely at an opportune time. What if he had done the foolish, unwise thing at such a time, like many people would? In all probability we would never have heard of David as "a man after God's own heart," neither would we have heard of him as a great king, a great writer, a great saint, nor as the "sweet singer of Israel."

It means so much to act wisely in early life by taking Christ into one's life, following and obeying Him, praying and keeping true to God, thus laying a good foundation upon which to build life for days and years ahead. So many of our young people fail just here. They go out in early life into sin and wickedness, thereby laying a bad foundation upon which to build. As a consequence they live without God, waste their precious time, neglect their souls, go on the wrong road, keep bad company, waste their health, and at last die and meet God as a total wreck and failure. Whereas, if they had acted wisely in early life they would have made a grand success. Wise behavior, and God with us, can mean heaven instead of hell.

## Dellaplane News

Services were held New Year's day at Antioch, and the 2nd Sunday at Cranberry.

Mrs. Frank Sparks, who had been sick several weeks and who had been at Kannapolis with her oldest daughter, Mrs. J. E. Wheeler, since a week before Christmas, is said to be better.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and part of their children were out calling on friends Friday before New Year. Mr. Johnson is custodian of the Roaring River school buildings and they seldom have time for visiting.

We received several more nice Christmas presents than we expected. Among them was an autographed copy of his new book of poems, "Plowed Ground", from James Larkin Pearson, the eminent poet laureate Wilkes gave "The Old North State." Mr. Pearson, often compared with Burns, is especially gifted in dialectic poems; this is shown in "Gingersnap," the opening poem, and many others. Mr. Pearson, who became a septuagenarian in September, was a friend of our father, the late James Claiborne Linney, but about eleven years younger than Papa.

The little girl of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Sebastian, of the Brier Creek community, who was critically ill a while, is now all right, according to her brother.

Dr. Beal, of Elkin, is said to have bought the old Douthitt farm, near Brier Creek church, from the estate of the late Claude Bell. It originally belonged to Ensign Benjamin Martin who came to Wilkes in 1782 and later to his grandson, another Ben Martin.

North Carolina's 359,000 milk cows on farms produced an average of 340 pounds of milk per cow during November. This compares with a production of 328 pounds per cow during November, 1948.

## Ritz-Carlton Hotel To Be Demolished

New York.—The Ritz-Carlton Hotel, a longtime city landmark, will be demolished early next year for construction of a 25-story office building, it was announced yesterday.

(Frank L. Swadley, a former manager of the Hotel Robert E. Lee in Winston-Salem, is the present manager of the Ritz-Carlton.)

The Urts Brothers real estate firm announced the plan and said the sum involved in purchase of the hotel property was more than \$20,000,000 and that the new office building would cost some \$15,000,000.

## NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by G. W. Adams (widower), dated July 14th, 1947, and recorded in Book 235, page 180, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, at noon, on the 4th day of February, 1950, the property conveyed in said deed of trust, the same lying and being in the County of Wilkes, and State of North Carolina, and

more particularly described as follows: Beginning on a stake on the West bank of a small branch just above the spring, running North-west with John Church line to a Spanish oak in Calvin Adams line, thence South with Calvin Adams line to a sourwood in Eliza Wood line, thence East with said line about three poles to the corner of a sourwood, thence South with said line to a stone in Dock Higgins, now deceased, line, thence with said Higgins line to a branch, thence up and with meanders of said branch to the fork of said branch, thence up the left prong of said branch to the beginning, containing 19 acres, more or less. This 3rd, day of January, 1950. CLYDE HAYES, Trustee 1-30-4(M)

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