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Polio Campaign Making Progress In Wilkes County

Optimists Get \$216.25 On Dime Board; Total Reported Near \$2,000.

Polio campaign in Wilkes county is progressing slowly but encouraging reports have been received from some phases of the drive for \$10,000, Edward P. Bell, campaign chairman, stated today.

Largest contribution by one group to date has been \$501.89 given by the personnel at Wilkes Hosiery Mills company, which was supplemented by a substantial contribution by the company. I. H. McNeill, Jr., commerce and industry chairman of the campaign, commended the employees highly for their liberal contribution.

Dime Board \$216.25

North Wilkesboro Optimist club manned the dime boards on the streets here Saturday and reported contributions of \$216.25, which, was the largest dime board total to date in the campaign. On Saturday of this week the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce will operate these gift stands.

Optimists who worked with the dime boards were D. T. Trivette, A. L. Fincannon, John Moss, Forrest Tugman, E. R. Eller, and J. D. Hall.

\$2,000 Given Through Mails

Chairman Bell said today that the total received through the mails and from the dime board is approximately \$2,000. He urged early and prompt returns from letters and from various chairmen.

The \$2,000 total does not include any returns from schools or Home Demonstration clubs and does not include any figures from the commerce and industry division, of which I. H. McNeill, Jr., is chairman.

State Seeks Taxes For 3 Back Years

The State Revenue Collector's Office has notified 500 Wilkes and Yadkin County residents recently, reminding them of their failure to file state income tax forms for 1946.

The department has been checking up on unpaid cases for some time, Harry L. Summers, deputy collector here, said, and notices have been sent to those who failed to file in this year.

"We'll get a lot of new ones this year, Summers stated. When these people come in to file for 1946 we check up on 1947 and 1948. And most of those who didn't file in 1946 didn't file in the other years."

Summers gave two explanations why people fail to file. One, he said, is that employers did not know they were required to send the State's copy of the "income at the source" slip that goes to the Federal Government. The other reason, he added, is that people just fail to file — even though their income slips have been sent to the State.

All employers are required to file a "report of information at the source, Form D408" for each person who was paid during the calendar year 1949, \$1,000 if single; \$1,000 if married woman; \$2,000 if married man; for salary, fees, commissions, rent, interest or other fixed or determinable gains, profits or income. These forms are furnished by the North Carolina Department of Revenue.

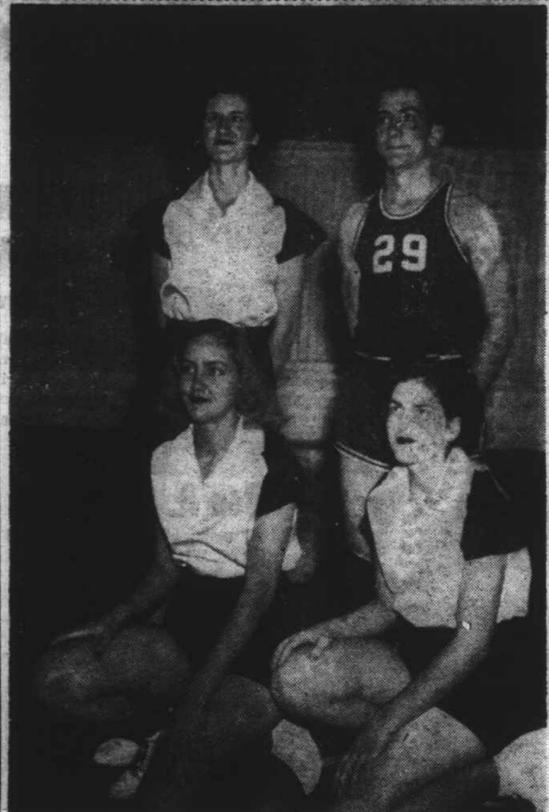
L. Haywood Miller Accepts Position In Cleveland County

L. Haywood Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller, of Wilkesboro, completed the requirements for graduation from N. C. State College in December and has accepted employment with the Farmers' Home Administration in Shelby.

Mr. Miller was designated as a distinguished military graduate in the ROTC unit where he held the rank of cadet major. He was a member of the staff of the "Agriculturist," a college publication. This past fall he was in charge of the agricultural economics department exhibit of the students' agricultural fair, a part of the N. C. state fair.

Mr. Miller will begin his duties in Cleveland county February 1st.

2 SETS OF TWINS IN ONE CLASS; ALL PLAY BASKETBALL FOR MILLERS CREEK



Snider is a dominant name in list of seniors at Millers Creek high school. Three daughters and one son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Snider, of North Wilkesboro route one, compose two sets of twins in the 12th grade. The above picture shows this unusual group of one family in one class. In front are Willa Jean, left, and Geraldine, who compose one set of twins, and standing are Hazel and Beachel Snider, who are also twins. All four play basketball and are prominent in school activities. Willa Jean is captain of the girls' team and plays forward. Geraldine and Hazel are guards on the girls' varsity team. Beachel is co-captain of the boys' basketball team and was halfback and co-captain of the football team. He was also voted the best athlete in his class.

WILKES HOME CLUBS HAVE AN INSPIRING ACHIEVEMENT DAY

By MRS. ADDIE H. JONES
The Achievement program for the Home Demonstration Clubs of Wilkes County was given in the V. F. W. building on the evening of January 25, with Mrs. A. T. Whittington presiding. After a short welcome by the president, Mrs. Irvin Key gave a toast to the men. The response was by Bentley Parlier.

The attendance of 350 met our expectations and we were happy to have so many interested men present. Pleasant Ridge Club from near Elkin won the ribbon for the most miles traveled. Fairplains won a ribbon for the largest members present, with Cricket Club trailing just behind.

Judge Hayes' subject was "Citizenship," and he compared Wilkes County 50 years ago with today, emphasizing the present day opportunities and the advancement made through the work of our county and Home Agents, which are building citizenship through their work.

To relax the audience at this time Mr. Dewey Minton was called to the stage, where he and one of our club members did a bit of "clowning" in song, to which the audience had to respond with much handshaking. After this relaxation Mrs. Addie H. Jones, as narrator, gave a combined report for all the clubs. Our slogan "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World" was prominently displayed, and as Mrs. Jones reported on each club project Mrs. J. P. Crysel built, on an outing board, a modern home. The 24th block completed the home and emphasized the 24 projects of this year's work.

Ribbons were presented to Buggaboo and Cricket Clubs for the best 1949 scrap books. Cricket Club also won the publicity ribbon.

Little Miss Lella Cooper gave a very graceful and skilful acrobatic dance and Joyce Burke gave a piano number.

Refreshments were served by the Cricket Club with the aid of Mr. Carl Lucas, who donated and made Nestles Instant Coffee.

The decorations were arranged by the Mountain View Club and the corsages for the officers were from Millers Creek Club.

A worthwhile program showing much had been accomplished by our Home Demonstration

Clubs. It was an enjoyable occasion and we close by expressing our appreciation to all who contributed to the success of the meeting.

Skating Exhibition For Polio Campaign

On Thursday, February 2, a speed contest and skating exhibition will be held at the Mulberry Roller Rink under sponsorship of the Mulberry skating club.

John T. Cashion will be master of ceremonies and admission will be a contribution to the March of Dimes polio campaign. First on the program will be midge skaters, followed by the frolicking clown. A potato race on skates and a speed contest will be other features. A number of prizes will be given winners. Other contests and the grand march by members of the club will round out what should be an exciting and enjoyable program.

Chicken Supper On Saturday Evening

The people of Friendship church will serve another chicken supper at the Gaither store building, six miles west on 421, on Saturday evening, February 4, beginning at 6 o'clock. Proceeds will be applied to the church building fund. There will also be household articles for sale. Plates will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for children. Everybody is invited.

Cotton Allotments Close February 15

According to Maude S. Miller, secretary to the Wilkes county PMA, the closing date for accepting applications for new-grower cotton allotments has been set by the N. C. State PMA committee for February 15, 1950.

Any producers interested in a cotton allotment should come by the county PMA office within the next two weeks and execute Form MQ-25.

Attention is directed to the fact that the PMA office is closed on Saturday, but open from 8:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Monday through Friday.

Large Attendance At Annual Meeting Wilkes Chamber 31st

A large attendance of members is expected for the annual banquet of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce to be held Tuesday evening, 8:30, at Hotel Wilkes.

Lester Rose, of Raleigh, an outstanding chamber of commerce executive and speaker, will address the banquet. Officers will be installed and reports of officers will be given.

Colored Woman Dies In Fight With Husband

Paul Hawkins exonerated For Death Of Wife; Hearing Held Today

Lufina Martin Hawkins, 25, colored resident of the Cairo community east of Wilkesboro, died suddenly at 1 a. m. Sunday at her home while in an altercation with her husband, Paul Hawkins, 26.

Sheriff C. G. Poindexter, who with Coroner I. M. Myers, investigated the death, today related the story told by Paul Hawkins. He told the sheriff that he was at home Saturday night and when his wife had not come in at a late hour that he locked the doors. About 1 a. m., he said, his wife came to the house and gained entrance through a window on the back porch. He said he went out the front to avoid trouble and that his wife caught up with him in the yard before he could get in his car and leave.

Hawkins further told the officers that his wife started fighting him and that she bit the end of one of his fingers off. At that point in the altercation, he said, he struck his wife with his fist and she fell.

Hawkins related that his wife sometimes had fainting spells and he thought she had fainted. He carried her into the house and placed her on the bed. When she had failed to revive after some time he learned she was dead.

Sheriff Poindexter said the woman had slight scratches on her face and a bruise on her left jaw. Hawkins insisted to the officers that the blow he struck could not have killed his wife.

Basketball Games Schedule Is Given

North Wilkesboro high school basketball teams will play three games this week. On Tuesday night Roaring River girls and boys will play here, the first game starting at 7 o'clock. North Wilkesboro teams will play at Children's Home in Winston-Salem Friday night and at Kannapolis Saturday night.

Wilkesboro Games
Tonight Wilkesboro boys varsity and boys B team will play at Elkin. On Tuesday night Wilkesboro boys and girls play at Ronda. Wilkesboro boys and girls will play at Mountain View Friday night.

T. S. Kenerly With Yadkin Valley Co.

T. Scott Kenerly, former mayor of North Wilkesboro and who for more than 20 years was engaged in the automobile business, has accepted a position with the Yadkin Valley Motor company, local Ford dealer, as salesman in charge of the truck and commercial department.

Mr. Kenerly will maintain headquarters at the Yadkin Valley Motor company's truck department, on the northeast corner of Ninth and C streets in the new building. He invites his friends to call on him to discuss their truck needs and will also be in position to sell new Ford automobiles and used cars of all makes.

Chamberlain Opens Insurance Office

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Chamberlain and daughter, Anne, who had been residing in Raleigh, are now at home at 512 Fifth street in North Wilkesboro. Mr. Chamberlain, representative of Security Life and Trust company, has been transferred to North Wilkesboro and will have his office in the Poindexter building. In addition to his life and hospitalization insurance business Mr. Chamberlain will render assistance in preparation of federal and state income tax reports.

Revival At First Baptist Church Begins Sunday

Rev. R. Knolan Benfield, Of Hickory, Will Be Guest Speaker At Services

The Reverend R. Knolan Benfield, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hickory, will be the preacher in the series of revival meetings to be held at the First Baptist Church in North Wilkesboro, beginning on next Sunday night, February 5. Rev. Mr. Benfield is a graduate of Mars Hill and Wake Forest College and has taught in the public schools of this State. He attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, receiving the Th. M. degree. He was pastor of churches in Angier, N. C., and Waynesville, Georgia and has been in Hickory since 1943.

At the present time Rev. Mr. Benfield is a representative from North Carolina on the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; a member of Committee of Fifteen for the disposition of the Wake Forest College property upon its removal to Winston-Salem and is a trustee of the college. He is a man of deep sincerity, of practical faith, and preaches to large congregations each Sunday in his home church, which is one of the largest in the State.

Services will be held each evening, Sunday through Friday, February 5-10, and on Sunday morning February 12, at eleven o'clock.

Lufina Hawkins was a daughter of Jim and Clarabelle Martin. Other survivors are her husband, two brothers and seven sisters.

Funeral will be held Tuesday, 2 p. m., at Mountain Valley church.

Inquest Held Today
At the inquest conducted today by Coroner I. M. Myers a jury exonerated Hawkins and concluded that the woman died of a heart attack caused by exertion.

Colored Man Is Victim Accident On Highway 421

One colored man was killed and another critically hurt when a car loaded with moonshine liquor ran off highway 421 and overturned 18 miles east of here on highway 421 at 10 p. m. Sunday night.

Lovette Weatherspoon, 21, of East Spencer, was killed and his brother, Carter Weatherspoon, Jr., is in Wilkes hospital here. Lovette died when en route to the hospital and Carter has been in an unconscious condition because of head injuries.

Highway Patrolman Ray Garland and Wilkes Coroner I. M. Myers investigated the accident. The patrolman stated that the car was traveling east, apparently at a high rate of speed, when it left the highway and overturned several times.

Both men were thrown some distance from the wreckage. Fruit jars filled with whisky were scattered over an area of several yards, officers said.

Occupants of the car were brothers. Officers said today that they not learned which was driving at the time of the accident.

Body of the accident victim was taken to Salisbury for funeral arrangements.

Thomas Nicholson Funeral Held Today

Thomas A. Nicholson, 77-year-old farmer of the Traphill community, died early Saturday.

Surviving Mr. Nicholson are his wife, Mrs. Eliza Jane Nicholson; two sons and four daughters, J. W. Nicholson of Jones, Dewey Nicholson of Thurmond, Mrs. Hattie Andrews of Dublin, Va., Mrs. Viola Johnson of Joynes, Mrs. Pearl Jones of Traphill, and Mrs. Clarence Adams, of Elkland.

Funeral services were held today, 11 a. m., at Roaring River church near Traphill. Rev. Ernest Blevins and Rev. L. E. Sparks conducted the last rites.

Miss Helen Frances Bell, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bell, was quite ill at her home last week in Wilkesboro. Her condition is much improved.

Revival Speaker



REV. R. KNOLAN BENFIELD

Students Debate Consolidation Of Two High Schools

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club Friday noon held an interesting meeting, which was featured by discussion of a number of matters of public interest, and a debate on the proposal to consolidate Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro high schools.

The report of the educational Guidance Committee was read concerning the employing of high school young people in the various local concerns for experience. The club voted approval of the plan if the committee can work it out so as to meet the governmental requirements. Secretary T. E. Story called attention to the fact that Governor Scott will be here on March 2nd to present the plaque which was won by Wilkes county in the recent road bond, school bond election. It was proposed that the three civic clubs meet on that Thursday for the luncheon with the Governor and then go to the courthouse for the presentation of the plaque. By motion the club voted to do so.

Robert Morehouse discussed the matter of the Kiwanians going to the meetings of the Key Clubs and urged them to attend.

Program Chairman A. C. Chamberlain introduced his two young speakers, Miss Frances Harris and Jimmie Moore, of the local high school, who debated the query: "Resolved, That There Should be a Central High School for the Wilkesboros."

Miss Harris made a very forceful talk, showing the great need of school building improvement and the many advantages that would arise in case of the consolidation. The rating of such a school would not be in question. It could offer more courses to suit the needs of the young people of the community. A great unified school spirit would prevail.

Jimmie Moore admitted that there would be advantages, but that there are many difficulties that would have to be overcome before the scheme could be worked out.

Both the young people did an excellent job presenting the various phases of the question.

Guests Friday were as follows: J. M. Anderson, with J. B. Williams; Earl M. Smith, of Wapokaneta, Ohio, with Dr. J. H. McNeill; John K. Blackburn, of Waynesboro, Va., with Ira D. Payne; W. M. Allen and J. L. Williams, of Elkin, with J. H. Whicker; J. Floyd Woodward, William T. Long and Zeb Dickson, with Dr. A. C. Chamberlain.

Baked Ham Supper At Mt. Pleasant

Everybody is invited to the baked ham supper to be held Friday night at Mt. Pleasant school luncheon. Plates will be sold \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children, with all proceeds going to the Mount Pleasant church building fund. Supper will be served from 6 until 8 o'clock.

Closed Season On Quail And Rabbits

Joel Bentley, district game protector, stated today that the season for hunting Quail, Raccoon and Rabbits closes January 31. The trapping season in Wilkes closes the same date, January 31.

Telephone Hearing Set For Thursday At Town Hall Here

Complaints On Telephone Service Will Be Heard By Utilities Commission

North Carolina Utilities Commission will conduct a public hearing Thursday, February 2, in the North Wilkesboro town hall relative to needs for improved telephone service and telephone service expansion in Wilkes county.

The hearing will open at 10 o'clock a. m.

Announcement of the hearing was issued here by a representative of the commission, who stated that all persons with complaints or requests will be heard.

This representative of the commission stated that over a long period the commission has received numbers of complaints from residents of the Wilkesboros concerning the local and long distance service.

There have also been many complaints from people in rural areas that they have been unable to obtain telephone service and that the Central Telephone company, which serves this area, has failed to extend lines into many rural communities where there is demand for telephone service.

The commission in announcement of the hearing here said that all complaints would be heard at the hearing and invited all who desired to be heard to attend the hearing.

Announcement of the commission's hearing to be held here has attracted considerable interest, and it is expected that there will be visitors from other areas here to observe procedure and results.

Truck Runs Wild; Crashes Into Pole

A panel truck belonging to Howard Strader rolled off from where it was parked on C street Sunday afternoon.

The truck, without a driver, rolled west down the street, across Ninth street, ran over the curb on the south side of the street and crashed into a power line pole between the postoffice and Yadkin Valley Motor company. The truck was badly damaged.

A motorist on the street at the time succeeded in dodging the driverless vehicle as it ran down the hill and across the street.

J. C. Davis Buys Basic Cab Firm

J. C. Davis, owner of City Cabs and Davis Cabs, has purchased Basic Cabs and will continue to operate the cabs under the same name.

Mr. Davis has also leased the Uptown Service station, which will continue to be headquarters of Basic Cabs. He will also operate the service station, rendering complete service to motorists. The other taxi firms owned by Mr. Davis will continue operation from their present stands. Careful and courteous drivers will man all cabs, which are fully insured, said Mr. Davis.

Tobacco Meeting On February 1st

By J. P. CHOPLIN, County Agent

There will be a tobacco meeting Wednesday, February 1 at 10:00 a. m., at the farm of Mr. John F. Sparks midway between Ronda and Elkin on Highway 268. Mr. Sparks has just recently completed a tobacco barn according to the latest recommendations of State College. This type of barn will save 20 to 25 percent on the fuel required to cure tobacco. Mr. S. N. Hawks, Tobacco Specialist of the North Carolina State College Extension Service, will be at this meeting to explain the purpose and operation in curing tobacco with this type of tobacco barn.

At 1:30 p. m., we will have a meeting at the Ronda High School at which time Mr. Hawks will give an illustrated talk using colored pictures on various tobacco subjects.

All tobacco farmers are cordially invited to attend these two meetings.

Mrs. J. R. Q. Johnson, Mrs. Hubert Billings, and Mrs. John W. Mitchell were visitors in Winston-Salem Thursday.