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Jack Swofford Is Elected President Of Lions Club Here

Officers Elected Friday night Will Be Installed On July 6th

Jack Swofford, prominent merchant and civic leader here, was elected president of the North Wilkesboro Lions club in meeting Friday evening.

As president Mr. Swofford will succeed W. D. Jester, who has very successfully led this large civic group as president during the past year.

Installation of officers is scheduled for the meeting to be held July 6. Other officers elected for the coming year were as follows: Edward S. Finley, first vice president; Boyd Stout, second vice president; C. C. Faw, Jr., third vice president; Bill Hardister, Tam Shumaker and Dr. J. H. Sowder, directors; Presley Myers and Clyde Pearson, tail twisters; Henry Drum, lion tamer; Shoun Kerbaugh, secretary; Roscoe McNeill, assistant secretary.

A most interesting program was carried out at the meeting. Phillip Tharpe, assisted by Mr. Chance, of the brokerage firm of Merrill, Lynch, Fenner, Pierce and Beane, discussed stocks, bonds and investments and showed a movie graphically illustrating the operation of the New York Stock Exchange. The program was arranged by Blair Gwyn, Clyde Pearson and Elmer Kendrick.

Roland Potter made announcement that the Junior Chamber of Commerce is planning a joint meeting of local civic clubs at the V.F.W. Hall on June 22, at which time a speaker will explain the Hoover Commission's report for government reorganization.

27 Graduate At Traphill School

The graduation exercises for Traphill school were held in the school auditorium Friday evening, May 26, to an audience of beyond seating capacity.

The address of the evening was delivered by T. C. McKnight, Executive Secretary of the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A., of Elkin.

Highest honors went to Holland Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Warren, valedictorian, and Billie Absher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Absher, salutatorian. The averages were very close for these honors. Holland Warren had a four-year average of 94.8, and Billie Absher had a four-year average of 94.6.

Following the address, these awards were made:

Valedictorian, Holland Warren; salutatorian, Billie Absher; best all round boy, J. W. Bryan, Jr.; best all around girl, Dorothy Billings; best athlete, Buddy Smith; outstanding citizenship, Paul Pruitt; extra curricular award, Billie Absher; Citations for outstanding service as school bus drivers were made to Edward Bowers, Claude Childress, Hadley Cothren, Paul Hutchison, Holland Warren and J. T. Bauguess.

Diplomas were presented to 16 boys and 11 girls: Buford Billings, Elmer Billings, James Billings, Edward Bowers, J. W. Bryan, Jr., John A. Cothren, Hadley Cothren, Warren G. Cothren, Bill Crabb, Bryce Holbrook, Jack Holcomb, Howard Hollaway, Boyce Lyon, Paul Pruitt, Bubby Smith, Holland Warren, Billie Absher, Ivorene Bauguess, Dorothy Billings, Vassey Carter, Sybil Cheek, Vera Cothren, Betty Hemric, Nola Holbrook, Marie Ingool, Mazie Hutchison, Mattie Bell, Truitt.

Judge Hayes Speaks At Pleasant Hill 4th

Judge Johnson J. Hayes made the principal address at the all day Homecoming services at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church on Sunday.

Judge Hayes made a memorial address at 2 p. m. following a picnic lunch at 12:30 p. m.

The all-day event began with Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. and a homecoming message by the Rev. David W. Day, pastor, at the 11 o'clock worship service.

Saturday was observed as decoration day and all persons having friends or relatives buried in the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church cemetery were invited to visit the cemetery and decorate the graves with flowers.

Fermate will control black spot on roses, as well as most other leaf diseases, if properly and regularly applied.

WILKES DELEGATES TO GIRLS STATE

Miss Ann Lott, left, and Miss Frances Johnson, right, have been selected to represent North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro high schools, respectively, at the annual Girls State at Woman's College in Greensboro beginning June 4, and are sponsored by the Wilkes Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary. Miss Lott is the daughter of Mrs. Kathryn A. Lott and the late A. T. Lott, of North Wilkesboro. Miss Johnson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Johnson, of Wilkesboro.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS FARM TOUR FRIDAY

Wilkes farmers and business men Friday rubbed elbows on the annual Wilkes Farm tour and observed modern practices which are revolutionizing agriculture in "The State of Wilkes."

Sponsored by the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Extension Service, Production and Marketing Association, Soil Conservation Service and Farm Home Administration, the tour was well attended by farmers, who were guests of chamber of commerce members.

Morning session was on the farm of John Andrews, a young and highly progressive framer of the Boomer community. There farmers were shown what approved practices have accomplished in the rapid transformation of eroded hillsides into lush pastures and fertile croplands.

W. C. Kuneman, of the chamber of commerce, presented the program of demonstrations and discussions. Staton McIver, district head of the Soil Conservation Service, distributed to those present land use maps of the Andrews farm. Dr. E. R. Collins, State College agronomist, discussed alfalfa and fescue seed production, while standing in a heavy growth of ladino clover and fescue that covers to a depth of knee deep what was a gullied hillside in 1948. He also told of the use of pastures in winter grazing, with Mr. Andrews pointing out that he wintered cattle entirely on pastures on his farm. Representing the PMA in the discussion was Charlie Miles, member of the Wilkes PMA committee.

Paul Choplin, county agent, discussed beef cattle production, pointing out that 18,000 acres of idle land in Wilkes and a like amount of unimproved pasture could be used to produce a great income in beef cattle production if the land were improved as on the Andrews farm.

At another spot on the Andrews farm the touring farmers and business men were shown a field which had been greatly improved by terracing and strip cropping. Standing half knee deep in alfalfa which was cut three weeks ago. Soil Conservationist R. E. Dunn explained how the field had been managed, the soil conserved and enriched to high fertility.

At noon the crowd gathered at the V. F. W. hall in North Wilkesboro for lunch and heard an inspiring talk by Federal Court Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, who is also a farmer. He spoke of the great possibilities for agriculture and commended farmers for recent progress. Lunch was served by the V.F.W. Auxiliary.

Afternoon discussions were on the Tomlinson farm five miles west of North Wilkesboro, where much attention was given to dairying. Dr. Collins opened the program with a discussion on "Small Grain."

John F. Brown and F. R. Farnham, dairy specialists of the Extension Service, and Avery Gaston, extension field man of Southeastern Artificial Breeders Association, gave a discussion on artifically bred calves. The artificial breeding association in Wilkes is progressing well and many dairy farmers have obtained calves from some of the best dairy animals. Mr. Brown and Mr. Farnham also discussed dairy barns and silos.

Concluding discussion was by W. A. McLendon, of Coble Dairy Products company, on the subject of "Production of Quality Milk."

Journalism Graduate

Sloan Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley S. Hill, of North Wilkesboro, who graduated today from the School of Journalism at the University of Georgia, achieved many honors during his senior year. He graduated as an A. B. in Journalism, was treasurer of Chi Psi Fraternity, Editor-in-Chief of the "Pandora," college year book, and was elected to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities," Sigma Delta Chi Fraternity and The Gridiron Club. He also received, just before graduation, the annual $200.00 scholarship award which is given by the national office of Chi Fsi Fraternity to the man in each chapter who is the most outstanding in his fraternity work, in his personal work, and in his activities and scholastic standing.

Tar Heels Heads Club Council

Boston, May 31 — Mrs. Ed. M. Anderson, West Jefferson, N. C., newspaperwomen and president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, was unanimously elected president of the Southeastern Council of the General Federation of Women's Clubs tonight.

The Asheboro Junior Woman's Club received honorable mention when awards were made in the general federation's "Build a Better Community Contest." The club received the sweepstakes prize last month in the contest in North Carolina.

The past year's community service of the Greensboro Junior Woman's Club and of the Mooresville Woman's Club and Junior Service League were reviewed for the 3,000 delegates here for the general federation's 59th convention by Mrs. Anderson tonight.

July 1 is the deadline for entertaining North Carolina's 1950 Five-Acre Cotton Contest.

50 Graduate At North Wilkesboro Finals Thursday

Students Carry Out Impressive Program, "Wilkes At Mid-Century"

Fifty seniors received diplomas of high school graduation Thursday night at North Wilkesboro high school finals.

The students carried out a most interesting program on the topic of "Wilkes County At Mid-Century", and their addresses gave evidence of much background preparation for the inspiring program.

Betty Lou Kenerly spoke the invocation and salutatory address was by Frances Harris. Gladys Sebastian had as subject. "The State of Wilkes." Virginia Hall discussed "Industry, Looking Backward," and Coleen Fairchild gave the prophetic view point of the same subject. Carroll Yates told of agriculture in the past fifty years and Paul Cain gave a preview of the next half century in farming. Agres Reynolds told of educational progress in Wilkes in the past half century and Doris Wiles had the subject of "Education, Looking Forward."

Awards were presented by Principal R. N. Wooten and Supt. J. Floyd Woodward presented members of the class, who received their diplomas from R. B. Church, chairman of the city board of education. Doris Ann Godbey very ably delivered the valedictory address.

Following are listed the 1950 graduates:

Claudius Odell Absher, Mary Evelyn Adams, Helen Marcelene Barnette, Darnell Smith Billings, Harley Richard Billings, Joan Frances Blevins, Jeanette La Brown, Virginia Faye Bumgarner, Paul Ward Cain, Mary Lee Stone Cheek, Velma Verniece Church, Hiram Woodie Cox, James Clate Duncan, Jr., Betty Lou Elledge, Joe Thomas Eller, Ruby Clara Eller, Coleen Fairchild, Margaret Lou Foster, Paul Jones Foster, Ruby Geraldine Gaddy, Jack Melvin Gaddy, Doris Ann Godbey, Nancy Carolyn Hall, Vecie Amedia Hall, Virginia Hall, Floyd Ray Hardbarger, Frances Louise Harris, Patsy Ruth Hawkins, Tommy Ray Johnson, Betty Lou Kenerly, Grady Carroll Kilby, Anna Lee Huffman, Barbara Wetona Marlow, Norris Wesley Mayberry, Evelyn Elizabeth Minton, James Marshall Moore, Bobby Lee Poteate, Nancy Lee Prevette, Novella Savannah Pruitt, Agnes Lee Reynolds, Gladys Marie Sebastian, Ruth Adeline Shatley, Lillian Dianna Shore, Martha Lou Stone, Jean Carroll Summers, Rufus Ray Tugman, Doris Gaynell Wiles, Mellon Kathleen Wood, Richard Walter Wyatt, Carroll Julius Yates.

Gilliam Reunion Sunday June 11th

The Gilliam clan will meet Sunday, June 11th, at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Triplett for its 19th consecutive reunion.

The Triplett home is near Bethel church, five miles southwest of Elkin.

Relatives are expected; neighbors and friends are also invited to attend and enjoy the gathering.

Bring a picnic basket to supplement the lunch which will be served at 12:30 p. m.," announcemen by J. A. Gilliam, of Hays, chairman, and Mrs. W. H. Jones, of Ronda, secretary, said.

Bloodshed Boxscore On N. C. Highways

Killed May 30 through June 1, 1.

Injured May 30 through June 1, 68.

Killed through June 1 this year, 358.

Killed through June 1, 1949, 306.

Injured through June 1 this year, 4,603.

Injured through June 1, 1949, 3,381.

Nathaniel Russell Last Rites Saturday

Funeral service was held Saturday at Mt. Olive church for Nathaniel L. Russell, 70, who died Thursday.

Mr. Russell was born December 26, 1879, a son of the late Benjamin and Jane Barnes Russell. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lillie Russell, three sons and one daughter: Samuel, Horace and Dolphus Russell, of Boomer, and Mrs. Don Lowe, of Moravian Falls.

Program Outlined For Liberty Bell Visit Here

39 Graduate At Millers Creek

Thirty-nine high school seniors received diplomas of high school graduation at Millers Creek, May 25.

Salutatory address was delived by Claudine Nichols and valedictory by Bonita Hayes.

Presentation of special awards was by Mrs. Chloe M. Parks and attendance awards by Mrs. Winnie V. Church. Bill Kanupp, president of the Key Club, was in charge of presentation of a steel flagpole to the school, C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, told of plans for new school buildings. Senior class gift to the school was a 4 x 6 nylon flag.

Rev. C. Jay Winslow, Wilkesboro and Union Methodist minister, presented the speaker, Rev. J. H. Armbrust, superintendent of the Statesville district of the Methodist church, who delivered a most interesting message.

Principal P. W. Greer presented diplomas to the following seniors:

Dorothy Bumgarner, Faye Lovette, Dorothy Church, Bonita Hayes, Claudine Nichols, Ernestine Eller, Pearl Church, Ina Parsons, Mozelle Shepherd, Annie Lee Vannoy, Melba Eller, Hazel Church, Irene Waddell, Mary Frances Jarvis, Barbara Mash, Jean Greer, Willa Jean Snyder, Doretha Miller, Geraldine Snyder, Nellimenia Huffman, Eulaine Dockery, Doris Miller, Bonetta Reinhardt, Ray Church, Hazel Snyder, Charlotte Watkins, Beachel Snyder, Helen Woodie, Billy Joe Wood, Carroll Bumgarner, Earl Greer, Robert Vannoy, Bobby Watts, Jay Canter, Harold McGuire, Paul Welborn, Clayton Engleburt, George Turner, Thomas Whittington.

Hazel, Geraldine, Willa Jean, and Beachel Snyder are brothers and sisters. They are children of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Snyder of Route 1, Wilkesboro. Hazel and Beachel are twins (older set) and Gearldine and Willa Jean are twins (younger set).

Mrs. Lillie Pardue Last Rites Sunday

Elkin—Mrs. Lillie Greene Pardue, 54, wife of Herring A. Pardue, died Friday at her home in West Elkin. She was a daughter of Thomas N. Greene of Wilkes County. Surviving are her husband, four sons, Ross Pardue, Winston-Salem, George G., Mrs. Paul Woodruff, Boonville; six grandchildren; her father, her stepmother; three half sisters, Mrs. Clyde Walker, Mrs. Fred Eidson, Mrs. F. M. Finney, Elkin. Funeral was held Sunday at 2 p. m. at Bethel Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Galax Winner By Score Of 4 to 1

Galax Leafs defeated the North Wilkesboro Flashers here Saturday night 4 to 1 in a well played game.

The Flashers hit into hard luck throughout the game, driving 13 balls to the outfield with the Leafs catching everyone. Dare on the mound for Galax hurled a two-hitter with brilliant support in the outfield.

Harry Simpson was the pitching victim of the game, but hurled well. Galax's nine hits were of the weak variety with the exception of two drives.

Tonight the Flashers are in Elkin for a double header and play Wytheville here Tuesday night.

The First Presbyterian church is being represented this week at their church camp and conference. To attend the Synod Youth Conference at Flora MacDonald College are Joan Sprinkle, and Gordon Forester, Jr., representing the Youth Fellowship, and the eight Pioneers planning to attend the Presbyterian Pioneer Camp to be held at Camp New Hope near Chapel Hill are Roberta Gibbs, Virginia Smith, Shirley Snyder, Mary Spainhour, Thomas Finley, Bill Mead, and Bobby Wooten. Miss Ruth King Wood, director of Religious education for the church, is to serve on the camp staff.

Bond Drive Symbols

In 1776 the Liberty Bell proclaimed Liberty throughout the land. Today this beloved symbol of Independence serves the nation again.

During the Treasury Department's Independence Savings Bond Drive from May 15 to July 4, the Liberty Bell, coupled with a U. S. Savings Bond, will symbolize the slogan "Save for your Independence."

Fifty-two full-size exact duplicates of the Liberty Bell will tour the nation during the drive due to the generosity and cooperation of America's copper producers. One of these bells will be on tour in this state.

Doughton Park Is New Name For Bluff Park Area

Roanoke, Va., June 1 — The area in the Blue Ridge Parkway known as "The Bluffs," has been given the name "Doughton Park" in honor of Representative Robert L. Doughton of North Carolina, it was announced today by Parkway Superintendent Sam P. Weems.

This change in designation Weems pointed out, was approved by the National Park Service in recognition of Doughton's services in the interest as well as for the significance the area holds for him personally.

Rpresenting the Ninth District of his state since his election first to the 62nd and each succeeding Congress, Doughton has long been associated with the area along the parkway that now bears his name.

Most of the land on the mountain where the present lodge, coffee shop, and gasoline station are located was acquired from him and other members of his family. When not busy with his duties in the National Capital, he lives at Laurel Springs, N. C., 7 miles from and insight of "Doughton Park."

Doughton Park, a 6,000-acre area of bluegrass downs and precipitous bluffs, is located on the parkway approximately half way between Roanoke, Va., and Asheville, N. C. In addition to the tourist facilities the area contains an overnight campground, picnic areas, house trailer camp, and a complete network of hiking trails.

"We feel the designation of Doughton Park is especially appropriate for this outstanding parkway area," Weems stated, "in view of Congressman Doughton's long interest in and association with it."

Doughton Park is located in Wilkes and Alleghany Counties.

Pervy Lee Snow Is Claimed By Death

Elkin, Pervy Lee Snow, 52, died Friday in Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital. He was an employee of Chatham Manufacturing Company for many years. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lacy Coleman Snow; one daughter, Mrs. Gravey Chambers, Elkin; a sister, Mrs. I. I. Wagoner, Elkin; a brother, Charlie Snow, Statesville. Funeral was held Sunday at 2 p. m. at Elkin Valley Baptist Church of which he was a member. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Messrs. Julius A. Rousseau, Jr., Gene McNeill, Jimmy Day, and Billy Bason, students at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, are now at home with their respective parents, Judge and Mrs. J. A. Rousseau, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Day, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bason. Messrs. Dicky and Buddy Sloop, also students at the University are here with their grandmother, Mrs. R. M. Brame.

Replica Famous Bell To Be Here Wednesday A. M.

Will Arrive At 9:30; Program To Be Given On Street At 11:30

Thousands are expected to view the Liberty Bell caravan here Tuesday morning.

Visit of an exact replica of the Liberty Bell here will be a part of the Independence campaign for sale of U. S. Savings bonds, of which W. D. Halfacre is chairman.

The bell will be on a Ford caravan truck in front of the Bank of North Wilkesboro here Wednesday morning 9:30 until noon.

At 11:30 a public program will be carried out, which will include welcome by Mayor R. T. McNiel, color guard and unites of the National Guard, and explanation of the savings bond campaign by chairman Halfacre.

The Liberty Bell replica is described as an inspired piece of workmanship, and when it rings here June 7 bellmasters guarantee that it will reproduce the long silent voice of the original, which has long been recognized as a symbol of American Independence and Liberty.

A. F. Kilby will be chairman of the parade here. The program beginning at 11:30 will include "Heritage of the Liberty Bell" and excerpts from the Declaration of Independence.

Flake White, of Statesville, recent honored as driver of the year for his outstanding safety record, will drive the truck carrying the bell. His grandson, Wade Howard, of North Wilkesboro, will personify Uncle Sam and will ring the liberty bell for all to hear.

Everybody has a cordial invitation to attend this program.

Mrs. Rebecca Hamby Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held today, 2:30, at Union church for Mrs. Rebecca Ann Hamby, 57, who died Saturday evening at her home in Wilbar community. Rev. Glenn Huffman and Rev. J. E. Hayes conducted the service.

Mrs. Hamby was a daughter of the late Joe and Ruby McGuire Wilcox and widow of the late Henry M. Hamby. Surviving are five sons, Bryan, Elmer and Henry Hamby of Kannapolis, Edsel and Calvin Hamby of Wilbar, and one daughter, Mrs. R. J. Pinnix, of North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. Frankie Hamby Funeral Held Today

Mrs. Frankie Adelaide Hamby, 78-year-old resident of Wilkesboro, died Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hamby was a daughter of the late Kelis and Delphia Rose Foster and widow of the late Lee Hamby. Surviving are one brother, Thomas Foster, of Wilkesboro, and three sisters, Mrs. R. H. McNeill of Boomer, Mrs. Nancy Triplett of Purlear and Mrs. John Frazier of Wilkesboro.

Funeral service was held today, two p. m., at Lewis Fork Baptist church. The pastor, Rev. A. W. Eller, conducted the service.

Linoleum Expert At Rhodes-Day

Rhodes-Day Furniture Co. has added to its personnel King Estes, an expert linoleum mechanic, who has had years of experience in that type of work.

Mr. Estes came to the city from Rock Hill, S. C., several days ago, and is sow engaged in carrying on his specialized duties. Mrs. Estes is the former Miss Faye Williams, daughter of Mrs. Jim Williams, who resides near the city.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Underwood are attending commencement exercises at the University at Chapel Hill where their son, Dick, is a member of the graduating class, having majored in Journalism. Dick has been on the News Staff of the Daily Tar Heel; a member of the Interdormitory Council, Corresponding Secretary of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity and a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, social fraternity.