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Annual Banquet Local Merchants Held On Friday; Enjoyable Affair

About Fifty Members And Guests Enjoy Annual Affair at Hotel

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Editor of Statesville Daily Speaks On the Subject of "Advertising"

Annual Banquet of the Wilkes County Retail Merchants' Association was held Friday evening at Hotel Wilkes and proved to be a most delightful and enjoyable occasion.

About 50 members and guests were present and a highly entertaining program was carried out. Miss Rose Wade Scroggs, secretary, who was highly complimented for her work in the association and arrangements for the banquet, acted as toastmaster and presented W. L. Dowell, executive secretary of the North Carolina merchants' association, who spoke briefly.

Entertainment other than the addresses consisted of three vocal numbers by John Kermit Blackburn, accompanied at the piano by Miss Lois Scroggs, and Miss Peggy Forester received a big hand for two dance numbers, accompanied at the piano by Miss Elsie Nichols.

J. B. Williams, who first spoke in a very complimentary manner of Miss Scroggs for her untiring efforts to build up the association, introduced Ben L. Sronce, former editor of The Wilkes Patriot and now editor of the Statesville Daily. Mr. Sronce used "Advertising" with which he is very familiar, as a subject for his instructive and helpful address to the merchants.

Then followed an open discussion with talks by W. G. Gabriel, W. K. Sturdivant, W. L. Half-acre and others.

The favors and programs for the banquet were interesting and novel in that the favors were unique pint jars filled with samples of widely known advertised products. The color scheme was red, white and blue and the programs were on miniature flags.

Spainhour's had the largest delegation present with six members of the firm's personnel.

The enjoyable banquet and the splendid spirit of fellowship displayed is considered indicative of the growth of this comparatively young but progressive business and civic organization.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage license were issued during the past week by Register of Deeds Old Wiles to the following: Worth Prevette and Dilla Perkins, both of Wilkesboro; Allen Whittington, Reddies River, and Nora McCormack, Lansing; C. E. Burgess and Mary Nell Jones, both of Obids; Clay Swain and Ruby Shore, both of Cycle; Ralph Pinnix, Ronda, and Mae Johnson, Jonesville; Coyt Dyer, Furrlear, and Eva Phillips, Summit.

America Will Always Keep 'Feet On The Ground,' Says Roosevelt

Mount Marion, N. Y., July 5.—President Roosevelt in an important speech in this little Dutch village today contrasted the American form of government with dictatorships and assured the "new generation" this country would keep its "feet on the ground" in meeting new conditions.

Speaking at an outdoor fund raising festival of the Dutch Reformed Church, the President also told his shirt-sleeved audience of several thousand it had been a "good Fourth" and he wished the United States could pass on some of its "poise" and "fundamentals" of democracy to other nations of dictatorial and militaristic tendencies.

It was a real picnic for the President, who motored the 25 miles here from Hyde Park, crossing the Hudson River at Rhinecliff. He stayed only about 15 minutes and then drove down the west shore through crowded holiday traffic and crossed the bridge at Poughkeepsie.

He was to leave late tonight for Washington, having spent five

GIRLS BREAK OUT OF JAIL

Two young women in Wilkes county jail for minor offenses made their escape late Saturday and were captured and paced back in the bastle Tuesday.

The break, although placing more work on the deputies in charge of the jail, had its humorous angles. The girls made their escape by climbing over the eight-foot fence, reinforced at the top with three strands of barb wire.

Tuesday the officers learned that the two escapees had been seen in the Flint Hill section of the county and proceeded there to investigate the reports. When they reached a home where they were said to have been seen it was learned from an occupant that the girls were a short distance from the house, in the woods and waiting for a taxi.

The officers sent word to the escapees that the taxi had come and was waiting. They proceeded from the woods to the house and found themselves surrounded by deputies ready to furnish a free ride back to town.

Informal Opening Community House Will Be On Friday Night at Eight o'Clock; Public Is Invited

The informal opening of the Community House in Wilkesboro will take place on Friday night, July 9, eight o'clock.

The community house was jointly constructed by the Wilkesboro Women's Club, its sponsor, and the Works Progress administration.

The Woman's Club extends a cordial invitation for everybody to attend the formal opening.

Miss Kate Harris Claimed by Death

Miss Kate V. Harris, 70, who for the past 20 years had made her home with her cousins, Dr. Sam Holbrook and Miss Beatrice Holbrook, of Traphill, died yesterday at the hospital here following a brief illness. She returned a few weeks ago from Knoxville, Tenn., where she spent the winter with her sister, Mrs. Charles Hayes Brown.

Miss Harris was a daughter of the late Mathias L. Harris, of Mecklenburg county, and the late Mrs. Emma Alexander Harris, of Wilkes. The surviving members of her family are two brothers, John Robinson Harris, of Trenton, N. J., Samuel L. Harris, of Charlotte, and one sister, Mrs. Brown, in Knoxville.

Funeral service will be held at Reins-Sturdivant chapel here today, 1:30 p. m., and the body will be carried to Edwards cemetery in Charlotte for burial at five o'clock.

Balloon Jumping



Hollywood, Calif. . . . A new way to keep that girlish figure. Gas filled balloons tied around each wrist and ankle helps lift one into the air.

Sheriff's Force Gets 3 Stills

Find Two Near Windy Gap and One in Dehart Vicinity During Week

Three illicit stills were located and destroyed during the past week by Sheriff C. T. Doughton and deputies.

Two of the outfits, of large capacities, were found in the vicinity of Windy Gap and vast quantities of beer and mash were destroyed. Deputies Odell Whittington and George Holland made the raid.

On Monday Sheriff C. T. Doughton, Deputies Odell Whittington and C. C. Watson raided a small 50-gallon outfit in the Dehart section of the county.

No one was found at either of the stills.

Funeral Today For Mrs. Etta Albro

Funeral service for Mrs. Etta Albro, age 79, who died Monday midnight at the county tuberculosis hospital, will be held this afternoon, three o'clock, at the home of Mrs. J. D. Moore, a friend for many years. Mrs. Albro had been ill for about eight years.

Hubbard Reunion Held On Sunday

About 80 members of the widely known Hubbard clan gathered at the old Hubbard home near Moravian Falls Sunday to attend the annual Hubbard reunion, always an enjoyable affair.

As a feature of the program Mrs. C. C. Hubbard read a most interesting paper written on the lives of William and Jane Hubbard, founders of the immediate members of the Hubbard family. Another enjoyable feature was the bountiful dinner spread on tables under the trees on the lawn of the old homeplace.

Plans are being made for celebrating Dr. C. C. Hubbard's fiftieth year as a practicing physician for the 1938 reunion.

Among those present Sunday from out of the county and from other states were:

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Scroggs and children, Virginia and Chas., of St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hubbard, Hazard, Ky.; Mrs. W. O. Gilbert and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Gilbert, San Antonio, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Banner, and little son, B. B. Jr., Galax, Va.; Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Hubbard and daughter, Miss Hope Hubbard, Farmer, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Kearns, Greensboro; Misses Annie and Minnie Chatham, Elkin; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loftis and Mrs. Susan Loftis, Madison; Mrs. Leona Wright, Galax, Va.; Mr. Tom Hubbard, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. W. S. Surratt, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Humphries and family, of Brentwood, Md.

A daughter was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Darlington at the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem. Mr. Darlington is a son of Mrs. M. M. Darlington of this city.

Answer Is Drawn In Election Litigation

Sherman Wyatt Is Returned To Wilkes

Sheriff C. T. Doughton recently returned from a trip to New York City and returning in his custody was Sherman Wyatt, Wilkes county man wanted on a charge of seduction and who is now under bond awaiting trial.

Wyatt, it is said, enlisted in the U. S. Army for service in Panama but was returned when it was learned that he was wanted on the seduction charge.

Fifth Conviction For Violation Of Sanitary Laws

George Bauguess Fined and Taxed With Cost; Failed To Construct Privy

George Bauguess was the fifth person to be tried, convicted, fined and taxed with court costs for refusal to comply with sanitation laws and construct an approved type privy on his premises on the Reddies River watershed, G. S. Odell, county sanitary inspector, said today.

Bauguess was tried Saturday before Magistrate A. S. Cassel in this city.

Mr. Odell again warned that the watershed must be cleaned up and that those who have been notified to provide for privies must do so at once or face trial for refusal to comply with the law.

Through provisions of a WPA sanitation project, labor for the construction of privies is furnished without cost.

Inspector Gives Ratings of Cafes

Says Public Should Know Sanitary Conditions at the Eating Places

With the assertion that the public should know the sanitary conditions prevailing at the various cafes and restaurants, G. S. Odell, county sanitary inspector, today released for publication the ratings for July:

Grade A	
Broadway Tourist	95.5
Goodwill Lunch	92.5
Black Cat	92.0
Green Lantern	92.0
The Sandwich Shop	90.0
The Little Grill	90.0
Grade B	
Liberty Lunch	89.5
Moore Bros.	89.5
Princess Cafe	89.0
Eller's Cafe	86.5
Wonder Cafe	84.5
Green Pig	83.5
South Side (col.)	82.0
Grade C	
Rock Diner	78.5
Snappy Lunch	74.0
Jim's Cafe	71.5
Beeches Cafe	71.5
Central Cafe (col.)	71.5
Sunnyside Cafe	70.0
Try Me (will meet requirements at once)	65.5
Roaring River Cafe (closed)	19.0

Taylor Family Reunion Sunday

The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Taylor held a reunion July 4th at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

There are 10 children living. The following and their families were present: Mrs. Sue Colvard, Mrs. Cora Colvard, Mrs. Lena T. Billings, Mrs. Ess Critcher, Mrs. Kate Jones, Mr. Jess Taylor, Dr. G. W. Taylor, and Dr. W. A. Taylor.

Plans have been made for a reunion to be held annually, alternating between the homes of the children.

There were 65 present, and about 40 near relatives unable to attend.

A picnic lunch was served on the lawn.

Swaringen-Poplin Trial Is Scheduled For August Court

Allegations of Fraud are Denied in Answer to Complaint in the Action

SAYS ELECTION LEGAL

Claims Alleged Failure to Protest Bars Right to Sue or to Recover

Denying the allegations that the elections returns from Rock Creek township were not changed and denying charges of fraud in the election in Wilkes county November 3, 1936, counsel for Leet Poplin have drawn an answer to the complaint in the Swaringen versus Poplin suit.

In the case D. B. Swaringen, Republican, is suing Leet Poplin, Democrat, for title to office as a member of the county board of commissioners. Swaringen's basis for suit resting mainly on claims of a mistake of 100 votes in the returns from Rock Creek.

After denying the allegations that Poplin was not legally and lawfully elected the answer further avers that he was legally elected, was given a certificate of election by the county board of elections and that he has been serving as a member of the board of commissioners since December, 1936.

Madame action brought by Swaringen soon after the election, and which was dismissed by Judge J. H. Clement, covered the same matters in controversy. Another paragraph in the answer alleges failure on the part of the plaintiff to protest the vote or returns before the board of election bars his right to maintain suit or to recover in the action.

According to statute the quo warranto proceeding takes precedence over all other cases and is expected to be called when the August term of Wilkes court convenes on the first Monday in August. It is expected that approximately 450 witnesses will be summoned, counsel for Swaringen claiming that 411 voters in Rock Creek township have "sworn on the Bible" and have signed affidavits that they cast votes for Swaringen in Rock Creek on November 3, although the returns showed only 341 votes for Swaringen.

Thus the election controversy reaches another stage in its interesting and lengthy history. The first action was the mandamus and order restraining the board of elections from canvassing the vote as shown on the returns and delivering an election certificate to Poplin, which was dismissed by Judge Clement on the grounds that the certificate had already been issued at the time of the action.

Then the plaintiff instituted quo warranto proceedings and the defendant filed a demurrer on the grounds that it was not alleged in the complaint that the election of Poplin was protested before the county or state board of elections. Judge Felix E. Alley denied the demurrer and counsel for Poplin appealed from his decision. The supreme court affirmed the decision of Judge Alley and now the case is apparently ready for trial.

Billie Miller Lockjaw Victim

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Union church for Billie Miller, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller, of Cricket.

Erecting Residence For C. T. Doughton

Work has begun on construction of a beautiful eight-room brick veneer residence in Wilkesboro for Sheriff C. T. Doughton.

C. H. Smithy, contractor, has contract for the residence, which will be completed in a few weeks.

California to Russia



Burbank, Calif. . . . James Mattern, noted flyer, plans solo non-stop refueling flight from Oakland, Cal., to Moscow.

Roy Brown Badly Injured In Scrap

Hit on Head by Unknown Assailant in Harley Community Thursday

Roy Brown, a resident of the western part of Wilkes county, was seriously injured Thursday when hit in the head with a pistol.

He has been a patient at the Wilkes hospital since that time and examination revealed that he had suffered a brain concussion that had resulted in partial paralysis.

Deputies from the office of Sheriff C. T. Doughton investigated the affair but so far have been unable to learn who holding the weapon which took place near the highway.

Wilkes Teacher Injured In Fall

Carl C. Cockerham, 42, suffered a fracture of the spine on Saturday afternoon at his home eight miles west of here when a scaffold which he was ascending with a purpose of repairing the roof on a feed and stock barn on his premises broke, causing him to fall a distance of approximately 20 feet to the ground.

Mr. Cockerham, a prosperous farm owner and a teacher in Wilkes county schools, was on a week-end visit to his home from Catawba College, where he has been attending a summer term for teachers, and was preparing to rebuild the roof of the outbuilding when the accident which sent him to the Elkin hospital occurred.

Mr. Cockerham's serious injury will confine him to the hospital many weeks, it is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearson and Mr. Joe Simpson, of Boone, Miss Winnie Lowe and Mr. Muncie Lowe, of Moravian Falls, spent the holidays at Wilmington and Carolina Beach.

To Check Compliance Under Farm Act In Wilkes With Aerial Maps

Funeral Today For Mrs. Sebastian, 83

Funeral service will be held today at the Sebastian family cemetery for Mrs. Merica Carlton Sebastian, 83, who died Tuesday night at her home in Rock Creek township.

Mrs. Sebastian, a member of one of Wilkes county's widely known families, leaves two sons, D. F. and J. A. Sebastian, and two daughters, Mrs. E. M. Elmore and Mrs. J. H. Wood.

Revs. A. B. Hayes and J. S. Elliot will be in charge of the funeral service.

J. A. PIERCE RETIRES AS JUSTICE OF PEACE

J. A. Pierce, for 36 years a justice of the peace in Reddies River township, no longer holds that office, having given it up on account of the condition of his health.

Mr. Pierce asked that the above information be given because of the fact that many had called at his home for the purpose of obtaining the services of a magistrate.

Sheriff Is Directed To Levy, Garnishee For Personal Tax For the Year 1936

Will Levy On Property Or Garnishee Wages to Get Personal Taxes Due

WILL ADVERTISE LAND

In August and Sell On First Monday in September For Other Delinquents

Wilkes county board of commissioners in July session Tuesday directed Sheriff C. T. Doughton to proceed with levying on personal property and wage garnishees to collect personal taxes due the county for the year 1936.

It is expected that land will be advertised for delinquent taxes on real estate in August and sold the first Monday in September if not paid.

It was also ordered by the board that 1935 list of insolvent taxes be turned over to V. H. McElwee, county attorney, for collection and that funds collected be paid to W. P. Kelly, county accountant.

An order passed by the commissioners directed W. P. Kelly to make up a list of jurors composed of eligible citizens who have paid their county taxes for the year 1936.

The board, with all members present, also devoted time to budget estimates for the ensuing year and directed that the tax budget as prepared by Mr. county accountant, be publishing to law.

A. Foster Dies; Last Rites Today

Aged Member of One of Wilkes' Most Widely Known Families

A. M. Foster, 80, prominent farmer of Lewis Fork township, died Wednesday following an extended illness.

He was a son of the late Edmond and Jane Eller Foster and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lillie Foster, and the following children: W. H. Foster, Greensboro; A. G. and F. O. Foster, Congo; G. M. Foster, Purlear; Mrs. W. C. Triplett, Mrs. Com Eller and Mrs. Ernest Greene, Purlear; Mrs. Carl Bullis, Wilkesboro.

Funeral service will be held today, two p. m., at Mount Pleasant Baptist church.

Mr. Foster, a member of one of Wilkes county's most prominent and widely known families, was active in church and community affairs and leaves many friends to whom the news of his death is an occasion of sadness.

Dr. and Mrs. P. D. Warren and sons, Desha and Bonser, of Huntsville, Ala., are spending several days with Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

Pictures Made From Air Will Greatly Facilitate Work Soon to Begin

Checking compliance under the soil conservation act in Wilkes county this year will be facilitated by the use of aerial maps of the Yadkin River watershed for the soil erosion service, it was learned today from the office of A. G. Hendren, Wilkes farm agent.

Compliance will not be checked until on or about August 1, it was learned, but the use of the maps will hasten the work to such an extent that it can be completed in far less time, including the delay, than without the use of the helpful maps.

The aerial pictures were made at an altitude of 14,000 feet and engineers have been mapping the farms by the pictures, with an almost uncanny degree of accuracy according to the scale of measurements set up.

Only a few counties in the state are so fortunate as to have aerial maps for purpose of checking compliance; it was learned today.