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Air Mail Week To Be Observed This Year May 15 to 21; Reins Is Chairman

This City Was One of Banner Spots in First Air Mail Week Event

CONTEST ANNOUNCED Attractive Prizes Offered High School Students For Best Essays

National Air Mail Week, which was instituted in 1937 and in which North Wilkesboro went over the top in a big way, will be observed this year from May 15 to May 21.

Postmaster Paul R. Younts, of Charlotte, is national chairman, and Postmaster Jas. H. McKensie, of Salisbury, is state chairman. The state chairman has appointed J. C. Reins, North Wilkesboro postmaster, as chairman for Wilkes county.

Following plans used last year, a plane will stop at the North Wilkesboro airport to pick up air mail, probably on May 19.

A nation-wide school essay contest will be conducted in connection with air mail week.

The essay contest will be confined to high school students. The first prize in the state contest will be a round trip to Washington by plane from the nearest regular airport to the home of the winner. The second prize will be a suitable trophy.

Winners of the state contests will be guests at a banquet in Washington, May 15, at which time one of the state prize essays will be selected for the grand national prize. If the final winner lives east of the Mississippi, he or she will get an air trip to Hollywood, or if the winner lives in the west the trip will be to Miami. This trip includes five days meals and hotel accommodations.

Postmaster McKensie is sending all postmasters in the state a supply of rules for the contest. Interested students can get these at their own post offices.

Kitty Hawk, in this state, scene of the first airplane flight, will have one of the official cachets for Air Mail Week. The other will be issued at Dayton, O., home of Orville Wright. The national committee, headed by Postmaster Paul Younts, of Charlotte, is planning a special plane flight from Kitty Hawk to Dayton.

Thos. S. Bumgardner Stricken In Capital

Washington, April 6.—Thomas S. Bumgardner, of Albemarle, clerk of the house ways and means committee, of which Representative Doughton is chairman, died at Sibley hospital here early this afternoon after a brief illness. Pneumonia was the immediate cause of death.

Funeral service will be conducted Friday afternoon at First Methodist church, at Albemarle. Mr. Doughton said this afternoon he would go to Albemarle for the funeral if possible.

Surviving relatives are Mrs. Bumgardner, an adopted daughter, his mother and several brothers and sisters, for the most part residents of Taylorsville.

Mr. Bumgardner was a former resident of Wilkes. He was secretary to the late Representative R. M. Hackett.

Rose's Enlarged Store Completed

Formal Opening Will Be Held Here Friday Night Eight to Nine o'Clock

Rose's five, ten and twenty-five cent stores will celebrate its informal opening in enlarged quarters on Friday night eight to nine o'clock.

During the formal opening hour the store will be open for inspection but no merchandise will be sold. Favors will be given to children.

The store will have double floor space having been enlarged to include the building formerly occupied by the Atlantic and Pacific company.

The enlarged store was designed and renovated according to suggestions by the Rose company in a modern in every respect (Continued on page eight)

Postal Receipts Increase

Recession or no recession, receipts at the North Wilkesboro postoffice for the first quarter of 1938 show a gain over the same period in 1937, according to information gained today from Postmaster J. C. Reins.

The report indicates that Uncle Sam's business here has continued on the upward trend. Postal receipts are considered a barometer of business in the small variety field.

The increase of postal receipts for January, February and March this year over the same period in 1937 was \$135.85. Mr. Reins said.

Tobacco Crop Allotments To Be Mailed Soon

County Agent Also Announces That Triple Superphosphate Is Ready

It was learned today from Dan Kellar, county agent, that blanks are now available at the office for those participating in the 1938 soil conservation program with which to make application for the triple superphosphate furnished through the program for the lands being cultivated.

Jesse Giles, assistant county agent, announced also that one car of superphosphate has been distributed free to 21 farmers who participated in the demonstration, keeping satisfactory records during the past year.

The present cost of the phosphate to the farmer will only be on freight to the nearest shipping point, the purchase price to be taken from his benefit check in the fall. Meanwhile, the farmer has the benefit of the soil food through the year, in addition to his conservation check.

Lawrence Miller has announced also that his office expects to have tobacco allotments for participating farmers in the mails for them by Saturday of this week. It will be unnecessary to call at the office concerning them, as the information will be passed along as soon as received.

Kin McNeil Is Writer of Play

"Sal's the Gal" Will Be Presented at Berea College in the Near Future

Berea, Ky., April 4.—Kin McNeil, Berea College junior from Boomer, North Carolina, has been awarded the McGregor Prize of \$25 for an original one-act play entered in the annual contest sponsored by the English Department and the Dramatic Club of Berea College.

McNeil's play, under the present title of "Sal's the Gal," is a comedy of mountain life and is to be produced for the public by the Dramatic Club at a later date in the school year. The production will be under the general direction of Dr. James Watt Raine, head of the English department, who will be assisted by a student director and the author as critic.

McNeil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus S. McNeil of Boomer, and a graduate of the Patterson high school, Ledgerwood, N. C.

City Schools In District Contest At Lenoir Friday

North Wilkesboro city school music pupils have entered the district music contest to be held at Lenoir Friday. The district includes many of the leading high schools in western North Carolina.

The glee club of 35 members will take part and Gwendolyn Hubbard will render a soprano solo number. The girls' trio composed of Burchie StJohn, Gwendolyn Hubbard and Mary Louise Clement, has entered the contest and Mary Louise Clement will compete with a piano solo number.

It's easy to learn how to lose, but it's hard to learn how to win.

Efforts Rewarded



J. G. Hackett, now highway commissioner, has received from M. E. Gardner, head of the horticulture department of State College, a letter of appreciation for his successful efforts in helping to secure the first direct state appropriation for agricultural research work, referring to the apple research laboratory on the Brushies. Mr. Gardner said it is not too early to begin thinking about the appropriation for the next biennium.

J. C. Reins Named For Second Term

Nomination Sent By President Expect Confirmation

Postmaster J. C. Reins has been nominated by President Roosevelt to succeed himself as postmaster at North Wilkesboro.

His nomination was sent to the senate Tuesday by the president, along with a number of other nominations. His re-appointment followed recommendation by Representative Walter Lambeth of this district. Immediate confirmation by the senate is expected.

Mr. Reins was appointed postmaster four years ago succeeding James M. Anderson, who served as acting postmaster succeeding R. E. Walters. During his term postal receipts here have been steadily increasing.

Other nominations sent to the senate Tuesday included Hunt Gwyn as postmaster at Lenoir and Carl L. Williamson as postmaster at Raleigh.

Planning to Attend Leas-McRae Meet

North Wilkesboro - Wilkesboro Schools Are to Be Represented at Affair

Schools of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro have accepted invitations to be represented in the personal personality conference at Leas-McRae college at Banner Elk Friday and Saturday of this week.

Robert Taylor, faculty member, will accompany five students of the North Wilkesboro high school to the conference. The students are Russel Pearson, Marjorie Gabriel, Mable Johnston, Mary Frances Pardue and Ralph Bowman.

Wilkesboro students to attend are Jean Laws, Ella Mae Moore, Joyce Dula, Thomas Lederman and Joel Bentley. Vaughn Jennings, faculty member, will accompany the students.

Want Entries For Junior Baseball

The Wilkes post of the American League will maintain a junior baseball league in Wilkesboro this year and according to present plans the league schedule will begin early in May.

Communities wishing to be represented in the league with a team this year are asked to get in touch with W. J. Bason or Commander Frank E. Johnson.

Tommie Joines Dead

Tommie Joines, a former resident of Wilkesboro and who for many years carried the mail between the Wilkesboros, died Friday in High Point following an illness of pneumonia. Many friends here regret to learn of his death.

Thanks Hackett For Aid Toward Research Cause

Head of Horticulture Work Points to Urgent Need of Agricultural Research

In a recent letter to J. G. Hackett, state highway commissioner, Mr. E. Gardner, head of the horticulture division of North Carolina State college, thanked Mr. Hackett for his interest in research work and for his successful efforts in helping to secure an appropriation for the apple research station on the Brushies. The letter, which is self-explanatory, follows:

I was in North Wilkesboro last Wednesday night and a part of Thursday morning visiting Mr. Van Derman and the laboratory. I want to see you, but understand you were not in town.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you in behalf of the Department of Horticulture, North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, and State College for the wonderful support and cooperation that you have given us in getting started with our apple research work in the Brushies. Without your assistance it would have been impossible for us to make the progress we have made, because our funds at present for the work are rather limited. I have reference particularly to the grading of the grounds around the laboratory and mounting the sprayer.

A gentleman from out of the state, who has the opportunity to observe a large number of power sprayers mounted on trucks, came by to see me last week, after having visited Wilkesboro, and said it was the best job of mounting he had ever seen. After seeing the outfit last week, I agree with him. I think this speaks well for the efficiency and thoroughness of the work you are directing in this district.

It might not be too early to begin thinking about appropriations for the next biennium, but I will discuss this more in detail with you a little later on when I have opportunity to visit Wilkesboro again and you are not too busy. North Carolina needs a larger appropriation for Agricultural Research and I think that you and the growers in the Brushies should be proud of the fact that you were instrumental in having the first direct appropriation ever made for the support of agricultural research in North Carolina by the Legislature. We do not want to be selfish in our horticultural work, because we realize that all phases of the research program must be supported, not only by the fruit and vegetable growers, but by all the farming population.

North Carolina is exceeded only by Texas in farm population and yet when it comes to funds for farm research and experimental work, forty-four states are ahead of North Carolina in this respect. I am passing this information on to you because I know that you are intensely interested in our research program as it affects agriculture in all of its phases.

May Establish Safety Patrols

Walter Y. Hosler, safety director of the Carolina Motor Club, Charlotte, will speak on "Safety" to the children of the Wilkesboro school Friday morning. His talks will be made to the first through the seventh grades at 8:45 a. m. and the high school group at nine forty-five. Mr. Hosler has specialized on safety in the schools in the two Carolinas, having spoken to over 500,000 school children.

He is very anxious to fully establish school boy patrols to protect the schools, but this will not be done until next September, when he hopes to be able to establish full patrols in all of the schools of Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. Annie Anderson, of this city, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. N. Patrick, of Gastonia, has been confined to her bed for several days, suffering with septic sore throat.

Boards Order That County Home Be Repaired; Jurors Drawn For Court

The Wilkes county board of commissioners with all members present met in April session Monday and transacted a number of items of county business.

Pursuant to an order of the court by Judge J. Will Pless the board authorized Clarend Jones, keeper of the county home, to make necessary repairs as recommended by grand juries at two terms of court.

The board passed a resolution to the effect that persons who sell beer or wine must make application for license to Register of Deeds Old Wiles. Beer and wine license will expire on April 30 and the law requires that persons dealing in either beer or wine make application and secure license.

Jurors were drawn for the April term of Wilkes court which will convene on the first Monday in May. The jurors were drawn as follows:

First Week
J. A. Reeves, D. H. Anderson and C. E. Blankenship, North Wilkesboro; P. C. Miller, Lewis Fork; J. J. Joines, Moravian Falls; C. T. Couch, Edwards; Richard Reeves, North Wilkesboro; Tyra Felts, Edwards; Eugene Sheets, Union; G. W. Brown, Traphill; F. J. Hartley, Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro; C. W. Edledge, Mulberry; J. H. Anderson, Lovelace; Emmett Wilson, Traphill; J. H. Johnson, Edwards; R. H. Burgess, Union; W. B. Pardue, Edwards; W. A. Clanton, Moravian Falls.

Second Week
Fred Robinson, Reddies River; J. H. Haynes, Mulberry; J. R. McBride, Edwards; Noah C. Mitchell, Jobs Cabin; Harvey Haynes, Newcastle; Ernest Gaither, Reddies River; E. M. Harrold, Rock Creek; M. J. Pardue, Newcastle; Albert Hawkins and Galloway Richardson, Walnut Grove; Dave Mink, Wilkesboro; A. N. Hackett, Lewis Fork; C. C. Yates, Union; R. H. Green, Newcastle; Boby Faw, Union; Roy J. Lowe, Brunsy Mountain; J. H. Leake, Wilkesboro; S. L. Blovin, Mulberry.

Nine meetings to demonstrate the possibilities of a electric water system for the town home were conducted last week at Wilkesboro.

April 23 Is Deadline For Filing Candidacy With Election Board

Forester Named Chairman Wilkes Election Board

Legislature Changed Law Relative to Filing Time For Candidates

BOOKS TO OPEN MAY 7

One-Half of One Per Cent Annual Salary Is the Required Filing Fee

The newly appointed Wilkes county board of elections, composed of F. D. Forester, of this city, F. C. Johnson, of Rock Creek township, and J. C. Grayson, of this city, met Saturday as required by law and organized.

Forester was elected chairman and Grayson, the Republican member, was elected secretary.

According to instructions given the county election board members by Raymond C. Maxwell, executive secretary of the state board of elections, the deadline for filing by county candidates will be six o'clock p. m. on Saturday, April 23. The last legislature changed the law from the 4th Saturday before the primary to the sixth.

The filing fee required of a county or legislative candidate is one-half of one per cent of the annual salary of the office contested for. The law further provides that candidates for surveyor, coroner, county commissioner, board of education, or any township office pay a filing fee of one dollar.

The registration books for the primary to be held on June 4 will open on May 7 and close on May 21.

Division Meeting Highway Patrol Held On Friday

Business Session and Target Practice Feature Call Meeting Here

A call meeting of Division Two, District B of the State Highway Patrol was held here last Friday, the first meeting to be held here in the regular monthly schedule of meetings of the patrol.

A business session was held, with target practice following at the local fairgrounds.

The district, composed of Burke, McDowell, Iredell, Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Alexander and Wilkes, was represented by the following officers: Sergeant Guy Duncan, Sergeant Lantz, Sergeant Nail, of the Asheville section, Corporal Carlyle Ingle, of Wilkes, Patrolmen W. C. Thomas, Beard, Honeycutt, Wheeler, Kirby, Speas, Kenerly and Jordan.

Youthcraft To Be On Exhibit 19th

W. R. Craft, supervisor of National Youth Administration projects in Wilkes and Alexander counties, announced today that a youthcraft exhibit will be shown on the first floor of the North Wilkesboro high school building on April 19, ten a. m. to four p. m.

The exhibit is sponsored by the NYA but Mr. Craft said that he hopes it will be understood that the exhibit is open to all youth, regardless of whether or not they are in NYA work.

Prays For Franco



New York City . . . Patrick Cardinal Hayes of the Archdiocese of New York told newspapermen he was praying General Franco would win the Spanish Civil War because he believes "the Loyalist side is controlled by radicals and Communists." This was his first interview in six years, marking the fourteenth anniversary of his elevation to College of Cardinals.

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Chairmen Named For Better Homes Campaign Now On In Wilkes County

Civic, Church and School Organizations to Join In the Movement

SCHOOLS COOPERATE

Need to Improve Homes To Be Stressed During the Campaign

Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonstration agent and Wilkes county chairman for the better homes campaign which will end in observance of "Better Homes Week" April 24-30. She announced appointment of county and city committees and community chairmen.

All civic and community organizations and institutions are asked to cooperate by stressing the Better Homes theme during the remainder of this month.

The city and community chairmen named by Miss McGoogan follow: Mrs. C. H. Cowles, Wilkesboro; Mrs. B. F. Proctor, Purlear; Mrs. Mae Whittington, Parsonville; Mrs. N. Gentry, Roaring Gap; Mrs. F. T. Moore, Ronda; Mrs. S. F. Miller, Ferguson; Mrs. Glenn Dancy, Mountain View; Mrs. Eva German, Boomer; Mrs. Doll Harris, Beaham.

The county committee is composed of Miss McGoogan as chairman; Dan Holler, county farm agent; C. B. Eller, superintendent of schools; Dr. A. J. Eller, health officer; J. G. Hackett, highway commissioner; R. G. Finley, Leet Poplin and M. F. Absher, commissioners; T. E. Story, an active leader in the Grange; Mrs. C. F. Bretholt, secretary of the Fruit Growers Association; Mrs. Ethel B. Moore, director of adult education; Carl E. Vandeman, orchard specialist.

The North Wilkesboro committee, is made up of the following representing various organizations and institutions: Mrs. F. C. Forester, W. D. Halfacre, Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant, C. G. Day, R. T. McNeil, A. H. Casey, Frank E. Johnson, Mrs. J. B. McCoy, Mrs. T. A. Finley, Miss Mable Hauser, P. W. Eshelman, Rev. Eugene Olive, Rev. A. J. Arcoek, Rev. W. M. Cooper.

Mrs. C. H. Cowles is Wilkesboro chairman and the committee members represent the civic organizations and institutions of the town: Mrs. Helen Cashion, J. F. Jordan, Mrs. B. S. Call, Mrs. L. B. Dula, Mrs. J. B. Henderson, Rev. A. W. Lynch, Rev. A. J. Ford and Rev. B. M. Lackey.

The North Wilkesboro city schools will stress the "Better Homes" theme and an effort will be made to have every student carry out some worthwhile activity toward home and community improvement during the week.

Bingo Party Here Been Called Off

American Legion officials announced today that the Bingo Party scheduled for Friday and Saturday nights has been called off because the location has been leased for business interests.

A Bingo party was conducted by the Legion several evenings last week in the building formerly occupied by Abshers' clothing store to raise funds for maintaining junior baseball this year. The party was moderately successful in that sufficient money was raised to clear outstanding indebtedness for last season and a small balance to apply on the project this year.

Safety Director To Address Club Here

Walter Y. Hosler, safety director of the Carolina Motor Club, will address the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday on the subject of "Safety."

While in the city he will also speak at the schools. He is accompanied here today and tomorrow by Frank E. Fox, a special representative of the Carolina Motor Club. It is understood that he is investigating the possibility of retaining a branch office of the club here. The Carolina Motor Club has contract for sale of automobile license plates.

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