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## 205 Cast Votes In N. Wilkesboro; 53 In Wilkesboro

### Elections Are Formalities With No Opposition In Either Town

Municipal elections were held Tuesday in the Wilkesboro with many people expressing by the ballot their confidence in the tickets to be voted on. Only one ticket was before the people in either town. North Wilkesboro had a contest in the primary April 17 and a ticket was selected for the voting. In Wilkesboro there was no opposition to the present administration for renomination or election. In North Wilkesboro Tuesday 205 cast votes and the tabulation of votes showed the following: Mayor R. T. McNiel, 152; for Commissioners—J. B. Carter, 203; A. G. Finley, 200; W. K. Sturdivant, 197; H. M. Hutchens, 161; Ralph Duncan, 154. Duncan and Hutchens are incumbents and the other three commissioners were nominated from the "new ticket" in the primary. For school board J. B. Williams polled 174 and W. E. Jones 55. They had no opposition in primary or election.

### Wilkesboro Election

### Commissioners Of County Meet

Wilkes county board of commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday and Tuesday for transaction of county business. Routine matters occupied the attention of the board throughout a greater part of the two days. All members were present. The board is composed of M. F. Absher, chairman, Dr. W. R. Triplett and C. C. Sidden. Jurors were drawn for the term of court to be held in June. A list of the jurors will appear in a later issue of The Journal-Patriot.

## Mrs. T. B. Smith Claimed By Death

Mrs. Thelma Harless Smith, wife of T. B. Smith, who resides near Wilkesboro, died this afternoon, 2:30, in a Statesville hospital. Mrs. Smith, who was well and favorably known in this section, had been critically ill since Saturday, when twins were born to her and a caesarian operation was performed. Several blood transfusions were given. She is survived by her husband and four children. Funeral service will be held at the residence Friday afternoon, four o'clock, and burial will be in Mountain Park cemetery.

### Rangers To Sing In Program Here On Friday Night

The Rangers, a male quartet which has gained wide popularity recently over radio station WBT and in personal appearances before large crowds in many cities, will come to North Wilkesboro Friday night to give a program in the North Wilkesboro school auditorium. The North Wilkesboro council of the Junior Order is sponsoring the program and a large attendance is expected. Admission charge will be only 15 cents for children and 25 cents for adults.

### National Hardware Week May 6-13

Local hardware merchants are making plans to observe National Hardware Week—May 6 to 13—by quoting special prices during the week, not only to save their patrons money on their purchases, but to make the public conscious of the week which has been set apart as special recognition to the hardware stores of the nation. Local hardware stores will be pleased to have their friends and patrons call during National Hardware Week which begins Saturday.

### Music Recital To Be Friday Night

Pupils of Mrs. George Parlier's music class will appear in a recital to be held at the Community House in Wilkesboro on Friday night, eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Alleged Robbers Are Released To Virginia Officers

### Aubry and John Kitts Will Face Auto Theft Count In Wytheville, Va.

Aubry and John A. Kitts, Bluefield, W. Va., men arrested in a tourist cabin near here last week on theft charges and as suspects in the Sparta Motor company robbery several weeks ago, have been released to Wytheville, Va., authorities, it was learned today from Wilkes officers. The car the Kitts were using at the time of their arrest was identified as having been stolen from a Wytheville concern. In the car were various types of merchandise valued at several hundred dollars and which was identified as having been stolen from places of business in several Virginia towns, officers said. Wythe county officers took the men from Wilkes jail Monday.

## Cripple Clinic Announced For Thursday, 11th

### All Persons With Physical Handicap May Be Examined Without Cost

A cripple clinic to be conducted under auspices of the Wilkes county health department and sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club will be held on Thursday, May 11, at the Wilkes hospital, it was announced today. Dr. O. L. Miller, orthopedic surgeon, of Charlotte, will make the examinations, which will be without cost to the patients. Health officials in making the announcement urged that people of the county in need of orthopedic examinations or treatment attend the clinic, which will be from nine to twelve o'clock. All cripples and all people with physical handicaps are asked to be present in order that it may be ascertained whether or not their bone malformations or other physical defects can be corrected. Adults as well as children may attend, the announcement said.

## Tax Listing Will Close This Week

### Persons in North Wilkesboro Who Have Failed to List Asked to Do So Now

T. H. Settle, Wilkes county tax lister for North Wilkesboro township, and I. H. McNeill, Jr., tax lister for North Wilkesboro town, have called attention to the fact that tax listing will close here this week and urge that persons who have so far failed to list look after the matter before the end of this week and avoid the penalty prescribed by law for failure to list. Both list takers may be found at Mr. Settle's office on the second floor of the Northwestern Bank building.

## Director School House Planning Is Visitor Here

W. F. Credle, director of the division of school house planning of the state department of education, spent a few hours in Wilkes Tuesday conferring with Paul S. Cragan, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools, and C. B. Eller, county school superintendent. While here he inspected school building and discussed school building plans with school authorities.

## Everready Quartet At Beaver Creek

The Everready Quartet will sing at Beaver Creek Baptist church on Sunday, May 7, in the regular Sunday school service to begin at ten o'clock. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

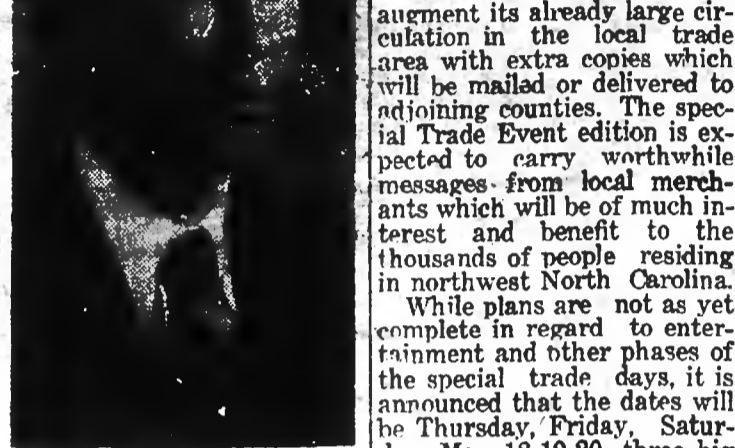
### VESPER SERVICE

Vesper service at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, May 7th, at four o'clock, in charge of the rector, Reverend B. M. Lackey. Visitors and friends are invited to attend this service.

## Special Trade Event Being Planned By Many Local Merchants May 18-19-20

### More Definite Plans To Be Announced Next Week; Watch This Paper

In conjunction with a large number of merchants and business firms of the city, The Journal-Patriot is planning to issue a Trade Event edition, the exact date of which has not as yet been definitely decided. The Journal-Patriot will augment its already large circulation in the local trade area with extra copies which will be mailed or delivered to adjoining counties. The special Trade Event edition is expected to carry worthwhile messages from local merchants which will be of much interest and benefit to the thousands of people residing in northwest North Carolina. While plans are not as yet complete in regard to entertainment and other phases of the special trade days, it is announced that the dates will be Thursday, Friday, Saturday, May 18-19-20, three big days for North Wilkesboro and the thousands of people that are expected to come here to trade.



Robert S. Gibbs, Jr., formerly with the Duke Power company branch at Hendersonville, who has assumed his duties as local Duke Power company manager succeeding M. G. Butner, who was killed in an automobile accident last week.

## Program Records At Kiwanis Meet

### Club Members Hear Own Voices In Program At Luncheon Meeting

J. B. Williams, program chairman, treated the Kiwanis club Friday to a program of recorded numbers, the recordings being of the voices of club members. The first recording was a song "All Will Be Well," by Rev. Eugene Olive, followed by a short sermon the subject of "We Shall Reap If We Plant Not," by Dr. John R. Jester. A dialogue between J. B. Williams and Genio Cardwell, in which each member of the club was mentioned in characteristic manner, was the concluding recording. The program was well rendered and heartily enjoyed by all present. Following the invocation by Rev. Eugene Olive at Friday's meeting the club stood in silence in memory and respect to Malcolm G. Butner, whose tragic death occurred two days previous. A memorial committee composed of J. B. Williams, Henry Landon and W. D. Halfacre was appointed by President D. J. Carter.

## Children Who Will Enter School This Fall Are Urged to Attend

The annual pre-school clinic at North Wilkesboro graded school was announced today for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, May 9 and 10. Dr. A. J. Eller, Miss Eloise Bennett and Mrs. Bertha Bell, of the county health department, will be present to conduct complete examinations of the children. Children who will be 6 years old before October 1 and who expect to enter school next fall are invited to attend.

## Legion Program Here Is Successful

### Dudley Myers and Robert Peck, Jr., Both Are Winners In Baby Contest

The Legion program, which included a beauty contest and a baby contest as well as numbers by Mrs. R. G. Finley's dancing classes, held at Liberty Theatre Tuesday night was an outstanding success. Mrs. Whitesell, who promoted the occasion for the Legion, said yesterday that she made an error in the tabulation of votes in the baby contest. An error of 900 votes was made in counting votes for Dudley Myers, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Presley Myers, Mrs. Whitesell said, and that he should have been credited with that number in addition to the number announced.

## Asking All T. B. Suspects Attend Tubercular Clinic

Dr. A. J. Eller, and all other members of the Wilkes county health department join in asking that the people of the county take full advantage of the adult t. b. clinic to begin on May 15 by encouraging attendance of all who have reason to suspect they may have contracted the disease. In making the request the health officials point out that the one bright hope for tubercular patient is finding out that they have the disease while it is in the early stages and has done little damage. By beginning treatment, he said, before the disease is far advanced a complete cure is not only possible but highly probable. Those who wish to take advantage of the clinic should call at the office of the health officer in the courthouse on Thursday, Friday or Saturday this week or next week, have a test made and make appointment for examination if the test shows that the patient has tubercular germs of infection.

## Court For Trial Of Civil Actions Now In Progress

### Four Divorces Granted During First Few Days Of Term; Others Tried

Four divorces were granted this week in Wilkes superior court. Judge Wilson Warlick, who is presiding over courts in the 17th district during the first half of this year, is on the bench and civil cases are being tried. The divorces which have been granted were as follows: Trexie Moore versus Wiley Moore; Annie Mae Warrick versus Charles Warrick; John Roop versus Julia Roop; Viola Spicer Billings versus Lee Billings. All divorces were on grounds of two years separation. Several other civil actions have been disposed of but there have been but few trials by jury. A number of cases have gone off by the voluntary non-suit route and by consent judgments.

## North Wilkesboro Officers Assumed Duties Wednesday

### New and Old Boards Held Meeting; Committees For City Business Named

North Wilkesboro officers for the ensuing term of two years took office last night. They were: Mayor R. T. McNiel and commissioners Ralph Duncan and Hoyle Hutchens, incumbents, and three new commissioners, J. B. Carter, W. K. Sturdivant and A. G. Finley. The officers who served until that time met on Wednesday night, officially adopted the city election result and transacted business pending. After adjournment City Clerk I. H. McNeill, Jr., administered the oath of office to Mayor McNiel for another term and Mayor McNeill in turn administered oaths to the five commissioners. J. B. Carter was elected mayor pro-tem.

## Program Of Club Council Meeting

The following program will be carried out at the Wilkes County Council of Home Demonstration clubs in meeting in Wilkesboro Friday afternoon, May 5, two o'clock: Devotional by Mrs. C. F. Bretholl, president; reports from Mrs. T. W. Ferguson, secretary-treasurer; foods and nutrition, Mrs. T. T. Yates; kitchen improvement, Mrs. P. E. Church; district meeting, Mrs. F. T. Moore; song, "It's a Good Time to Get Together"; introduction of speaker, Mrs. C. F. Bretholl. Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, extension economist in food conservation and marketing, will speak on "Points in Organizing and Carrying On A Curb Market." Following her address there will be a general discussion on marketing.

## Lions Will Meet Friday Evening

The North Wilkesboro Lions club is anticipating a good meeting on Friday evening of this week, 8:30 o'clock. The program will be of special interest and other matters will be before the club. Every member is asked to attend.

## Organization Commerce Bureaus Proposed Here In Meeting Held Monday

### N.C.S.E.S. Office Will Be Closed On Wednesday, May 10

In accordance with the usual custom, Confederate memorial day, May 10, will be observed as a full holiday by all offices of the North Carolina State Employment Service, including the Unemployment Compensation division. Claimants reporting on Wednesday are requested to report for that week on Thursday, May 11, officials of the office here today said.

## Masons, Eastern Star In Banquet

### "Challenge" Is The Subject Of Address Delivered By Judge Hayes

Members of local Masonic lodges joined with the Order of the Eastern Star Friday night in a banquet held at the American Legion club house. Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the middle district federal court, delivered the address on the subject of "Challenges."

## American Legion Will Meet Friday

The regular monthly meeting of the American Legion will be held in the Legion-Auxiliary club rooms north of the city on Friday night, May 5th, at 7:30. A full attendance is desired to plan for the summer activities of the post.

## One Wilkes Boy Enrolls In CMTC

### Opportunity Offered To 12 More Wilkes Boys For Training This Year

The procurement campaign for enrollment of trainees for attendance at the Citizens Military Training Camp to be held at Fort Bragg, from June 15th to July 14, 1939, is progressing very satisfactorily so far as the total quota is concerned, but it is the desire of the Government to open this training to youths of the smaller communities as well as the larger ones. Only one young man of Wilkes county has already qualified for attendance at this year's camp. He is Ray S. Pardue, of Wilkesboro.

## Union Church In Revival Services

Rev. A. W. Lynch, pastor, is engaged this week in conducting revival services at Union Methodist church west of this city. Services are being held at ten a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The public has a cordial invitation to any and all the services. Should one attempt to sidetrack truth to gain one friend, he is unable to lose two better ones.

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## Birthday Dinner Given Minister

In observance of Rev. G. W. Curry's 55th birthday anniversary many from two churches, the Second Baptist of North Wilkesboro and Flint Hill, gathered at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Beamer Hemric, at Ronda and a beautiful birthday dinner was served. Much good food was enjoyed and a fine time was reported by all. Sponsors of the occasion extend thanks to all who participated for their cooperation.

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