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## Broughton Speaks At Party Rally On Thursday In City

Address of Candidate For Governor and By W. O. Burgin Feature Meet

Wilkes county Democrats gathered Thursday evening for a rally and fish fry at the North Wilkesboro school gymnasium.

Features of the rally were addresses by J. M. Broughton, candidate for governor, and W. O. Burgin, representative in congress for this district.

The gathering was well attended by an enthusiastic number representing all sections of the county and the addresses were well received.

The address of welcome was by Mayor R. T. McNeil and during the evening the high school band and the "Blue Ridge Fox Chasers" furnished music.

Representative W. O. Burgin spoke first, defending the present national administration, pointing to its record of achievement and advocating the re-election of President Roosevelt.

He pointed out that re-election of the president would mean retention of Cordell Hull, whom he described as one of the greatest statesmen of all time.

Bringing subjects closer home, he stated that he had obtained authority for a flood control survey in the Yadkin valley and expressed the hope that flood control measures can be brought about.

W. H. McElwee, prominent local Democratic attorney who managed the candidate's successful primary campaign in Wilkes, introduced Mr. Broughton, who spoke enthusiastically in behalf of all Democratic candidates, county, state and national.

He specifically urged that Wilkes elect a Democratic representative in the next legislature and help in electing a Democratic state senator of the 24th senatorial district.

He brought word of Democratic confidence in every section of the state. His address drew frequent bursts of applause and was enthusiastically received.

Attorney Eugene Trivette, of this city, was master of ceremonies at the rally. Many party leaders, including candidates for the legislative and county offices, were present and were presented.

Governor Nominate Broughton spoke on Thursday afternoon at Taylorsville, along with Representative R. L. Doughton. On Friday they spoke at Democratic rallies held at Sparta and Mount Airy.

Dr. Cooper Is On Program Meet

Retiring President Lectures at Convention Held in Kannapolis Thursday

Dr. E. S. Cooper, of this city, was on the program of the convention of District One, North Carolina Chiropractors association, held Thursday in Kannapolis. The subject of Dr. Cooper's paper was "Bronchial Asthma."

In the business session Dr. O. Z. Rollins, of Morganton, was elected district president, succeeding Dr. Cooper. The other officers are Dr. Gaither Cauble, of Salisbury, vice president, and Dr. Perry Starnes, secretary and treasurer.

Afternoon and night sessions were held and an ex-service men's chiropractic league of doctors who served during the World War was formed with Dr. Cauble as chairman.

The Auxiliary also elected officers: Mrs. Gaither Cauble was elected secretary; Mrs. F. R. Burris, vice president; and Mrs. Perry Starnes, secretary. Mrs. Starnes succeeds Mrs. E. S. Cooper, of this city, who declined reelection because of her duties as treasurer of the state organization of the Auxiliary.

A joint meeting of the association and Auxiliary was held at the Y. M. C. A. hall. There are 51 members of the district association.

TOO MUCH IRON  
Small Boy: You got too much iron in your blood.  
Other Boy: Why?  
Small Boy: Well, your hands are rusty.

## It's Going to Be a Hot Election!



President Roosevelt, en route to ground breaking ceremonies for the new Recorder of Deeds building in Washington, is pictured as his car was parked before the Roosevelt Republican club headquarters. Right: The Republican presidential candidate, Wendell Willkie, is here shown shaking hands with E. E. Matthews when his train stopped at Dickinson, N. D. People came from far and near to see Willkie and to hear him speak, while on his western tour.

## Benton's Place Burned Sunday

The newly constructed brick veneer building which housed Benton's place on Gordon hill just west of this city burned early Sunday morning, about four o'clock.

The fire, of undetermined origin, had practically enveloped the building when discovered and the lone attendant sleeping inside crawled to safety through a window.

The building, property of Gordon Benton, had recently been erected on the same location where a frame structure burned about one year ago.

## Wilkes Hospital Is On Approved List

American College of Surgeons Makes Announcement of the List Today

The Wilkes hospital is again on the fully approved list in the nation.

Official announcement of the 1940 list of 2,806 approved hospitals in the United States, Canada, and a few other countries, was made at the twenty-third annual Hospital Standardization Conference opening this morning in Chicago in conjunction with the Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

In making the advance announcement, Dr. Irvin Abell of Louisville, Chairman of the Board of Regents, and head of the advisory committee on health recently appointed to assist the Council of National Defense, declared: "Health is always an important essential to the well-being of nations, and in a time of gearing for defense it is a vital issue. Hence the fact that we have 2,806 hospitals in the United States and Canada that are fortresses of defense against disease (Continued on page eight)

## Dr. Hubbard Elected As Chief Surgeon Ashe County Hospital

West Jefferson, Oct. 17.—Dr. Fred C. Hubbard, operator and chief surgeon of the Wilkes hospital and president of the North Carolina Hospital Association, has been elected head of the surgical staff of the Ashe County Memorial Hospital, members of the executive committee announced this week.

Dr. Dean C. Jones, of Lansing, well known Ashe county doctor and surgeon, was elected as an assistant to Dr. Hubbard, superintendent and resident physician. By-laws were adopted, making the institution an open hospital and providing that all regularly licensed physicians should be entitled to practice in it.

The selection of Dr. Hubbard and Dr. Dean Jones was made at the suggestion and with the valued assistance of Dr. W. S. Rankin, director of the Duke Endowment.

"Dr. Hubbard is not only one of North Carolina's outstanding surgeons, but he is also a fine gentleman and citizen," Dr. Rankin told members of the executive committee.

"Dr. Jones is a graduate of one of the best medical schools in the country and has had some fine experience," he said. "You are fortunate in having a man here in your county with his qualifications."

The executive committee first contacted Dr. Hubbard with the view of leasing the hospital to him. Because of his heavy responsibilities in North Wilkesboro, he said he could not lease the institution, but would be glad to serve as head of the surgical staff and perform the major operations. He agreed not to charge the hospital anything except his regular surgical fees per patient.

Dr. Jones is to be in full charge under Dr. Hubbard and will receive a salary of \$3,000 for the first year if the hospital makes that much. If it doesn't, Dr. Jones will take the loss of salary. He will also share in profits beyond that amount, if there are any.

## Leaders May Set Date of Lottery In Conscription

October 29 Is Expected to Be Named as Day For Lottery Drawing

Washington. — Conscription officials said last night they expected that the date and details of the national lottery—next big step in the draft program—would be announced today.

One source said "it looks very much like" October 29 will be the date of the drawing which will determine the order in which the estimated 17,000,000 draft registrants will be classified and selected for service in the nation's armed forces. The lottery will be held in a government building here.

President Roosevelt probably will draw the first number from the famed goldfish bowl which was used for the World War draft in 1917. This detail was to be worked out at the White House today. Numbers ranging from 1 to about 10,000 (which represents the biggest anticipated any one local area in the country) will be enclosed in capsules and placed in the fish bowl for the drawing.

Only One Drawing  
Draft officials said there would be only one drawing—that all numbers would be pulled from the fish bowl beginning the night of the date fixed for the lottery. The task of drawing 10,000 numbers is expected to take 16 to 20 hours.

In an effort to facilitate arrangements for the lottery, selective service headquarters urged all possible speed by local draft boards in assigning and posting serial numbers of the men who registered last Wednesday.

Earlier plans to hold the drawing either in the Senate or House chamber have been abandoned.

## Klontz Is Arrested On Charge of Theft

Police Chief J. E. Walker said today that Edgar Klontz, a youth who lives near this city, has been arrested and bound to superior court on a charge of breaking and entering.

Klontz, in company with Bill Reavis and Zeb Wilcox, is alleged to have broken into Charlie Brown's service station here, taking a quantity of merchandise, several weeks ago. Reavis has already been tried and sentenced and Wilcox has not been taken.

## Safe Robbery On Wednesday Here

Sixty Dollars in Cash Taken From Wilkes Auto Sales Co., Forester Avenue

Police Chief J. E. Walker said today that investigation of the robbery at Wilkes Auto Sales company's office on Forester Avenue is still in progress but nothing of conclusive evidence has been uncovered.

Thieves entered the establishment by breaking a window of the garage and bursted the combination on the office safe Wednesday night. Sixty dollars in currency and a \$3.00 check made payable to and endorsed by Avery Barnes were taken. A number of checks which had not been endorsed were not taken from the safe.

## Merchants Meet In City Tuesday

Will Lay Plans and Make Arrangements for Holiday Lighting and Decorations

Merchants and other business men are asked to attend a meeting, which has been called by the Commerce Bureau to be held at the city hall Tuesday, October 22, four p. m.

The meeting, to which all merchants and business men are invited, regardless of whether or not they are members of the Commerce Bureau, will be held for the purpose of laying plans and making definite arrangements for holiday lighting and decorations in North Wilkesboro.

The meeting will also be open for any other business needing attention and a large attendance of business men is desired, the announcement said.

## Negro Apprehended On Robbery Charge

Police here today reported the arrest of Lee Grinton, negro whom they had been seeking for a year on a charge of breaking into Nathan Ford's establishment on A street.

Grinton has been placed under bond for trial in Wilkes court. Two other colored men convicted in connection with the same offense have already been sentenced.

## Draft Boards Ten Counties To Meet In Wilkes Friday

## C. O. Bumgarner Killed Instantly Conference Will Be Held Friday At Courthouse

C. O. Bumgarner, 48, was instantly killed about 6:30 this evening on highway 421 one mile west of this city when hit by a car driven by Ed Lyalls, 21, local taxi driver.

Lyalls told officers that Bumgarner was pushing scales across the road, that he was meeting a car and did not see him in time to avoid hitting him.

Bumgarner was a well known truck line operator and merchant. No funeral arrangements had been made tonight.

## Board Members to Receive Definite Instructions In Regard to Duties

Draft board members of ten northwestern North Carolina counties have been notified to attend a conference to be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Friday, October 25, 10:30 a. m.

Notices of the meeting, which will be one of several conferences throughout the state, have been sent to draft board members by General J. Van B. Motts, head of selective service in North Carolina.

Draft board members, attorneys and physicians appointed to serve with boards and board clerks are asked to attend.

Notice of the meeting said that definite instructions relative to duties and responsibilities of draft boards will be outlined.

Draft board members from the following ten counties will attend the meeting in Wilkesboro Friday: Wilkes, Watauga, Yadkin, Alexander, Ashe, Davie, Caldwell, Alleghany, Avery and Surry.

The draft board for the area in Wilkes with Wilkesboro as headquarters has already met and organized. O. K. Whittington, of Wilkesboro, was elected chairman and J. W. Dula, also of Wilkesboro, is secretary. T. O. Minston, of Champion, is the third member and Wm. A. Stroud has been appointed clerk. Office of the clerk will be in the federal building. Mr. Stroud, the board announced, is rendering his services without compensation. Dr. E. N. Phillips and Attorney F. J. McDuffie are the medical and legal advisory members of the board.

The board for the North Wilkesboro district of the county today was incomplete because no one had been appointed to succeed Ernest Edwards, of Round, who declined to serve. The other members are J. R. Hix and J. B. Williams, of this city, and they are awaiting the appointment of the third member before holding a meeting. Dr. J. H. McNeill and Attorney Eugene Trivette are advisory members of the board.

Registration cards have been delivered to the draft boards. They will give each card a serial number and the numbers will be forwarded to Washington to be drawn according to the number of men desired by the army. The first drawing is expected to be on October 29 for call about the middle of November unless the number of volunteers makes a call unnecessary at that time.

After numbers are drawn the men will receive questionnaires to be filled out and the information thereon will determine the classification of the men. There will be four classes: men eligible for service, deferred because of occupation, deferred on account of dependents and a fourth class exempted by reason of not being qualified to serve, according to the selective service act.

## Rev. John Pons Addresses Club

Valdese Man Gives History of Waldensians in Burke County During Past

Rev. John Pons, of Valdese, gave the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday some interesting bits of history and current items about Valdese, a thriving little town in Burke county.

He began by telling about the Waldensians in northern Italy. Two men were sent by the Waldensians to locate a suitable place for a colony in America and after considerable research they selected a large tract of land in Burke county, where Valdese is now located. Two groups of Waldensians came and established there as the beginning of what is now an enviable community in this state.

The real growth of the place started in 1913 when they began on their industrial program. The town now has more than a dozen industrial plants, which include cotton mills, hosiery mills, bakery and others. The population is over 2,600, of whom 450 are Waldensians. The town recently established a bank, which is a part of the Northwestern Bank with home office in North Wilkesboro and branches in nine northwestern North Carolina towns.

Rev. Mr. Pons has been an outstanding man in his community. He has led in establishment of industries and has preached in their churches. He speaks to them in French, Italian and English.

W. J. Caroon was in charge of Friday's program and the speaker was presented by J. B. Williams.

At the meeting Friday W. D. Test was a guest of R. G. Finley; C. W. Myers, Jr., and Rev. John Pons were guests of W. J. Caroon and W. A. Combs was a guest of Wm. A. Stroud.

The N. C. Highway Safety Division says that there's practically no such thing as an unavoidable accident.

## Apple Industry Program Topic

Address by VanDeman and Showing of Film Features Program of Lions Club

A film showing progress of the apple industry in the Appalachians and an address by Carl E. VanDeman, orchard specialist, featured the program of the North Wilkesboro Lions Club in meeting Friday evening at Hotel Wilkes.

James M. Anderson had charge of the program, which was well received by the club. Mr. VanDeman, who has charge of the apple research laboratory on the Brushies, spoke very interestingly of the history of the apple industry and prospects for continued growth and importance in eastern America.

## War News

British bombers shutting in swarms across the channel at 10-minute intervals heaped havoc upon Adolf Hitler's "invasion ports" last night and early today in the R. A. F.'s most savage assault upon the Nazi-held French coast.

Tons of bombs crashing at times at the rate of 100 a minute spread a path of fiery destruction after a duel of unprecedented intensity between British and German long-range guns pointed at each other across the channel.

At midnight the British aerial bombardment had been under way five hours and seemed to be increasing in its fury, with flight after flight of British planes taking off in an almost unbroken, droning arc above the channel.

The roar of the bursting bombs and Nazi anti-aircraft fire was almost constant, with reverberations breaking dishes in houses along the English coast.

The channel was dead calm, with a low-hanging mist beneath a brilliant full moon.

Hundreds Watch Fight  
Hundreds flocked to the English chalk cliffs to watch the pyrotechnic display.

"It's good invasion weather but the R. A. F. got there first," said one Briton atop the cliffs.

Berlin.—A powerful new submarine offensive unleashed by the German admiralty against British shipping and convoys was reported by the high command yesterday to have raised a two-day total of sunken merchantmen to 327,000 tons.

Forty-three ships, said the high command, were shot out of two convoys in two nights of devastating undersea activity.

(British naval sources said "the Germans make these claims to annoy us. We ignore them.")

Rome.—American-owned oil refineries on Bahrain Island last night were reported to have been set on fire when Italian warplanes refueled from submarine "undersea tankers" carried the war into the Persian Gulf in the longest bombing flight ever undertaken.

The Fascist high command said the Italian heavy bombers, flying 2,800 miles to reach their objectives, started "huge fires" at refineries and stores on the 27-mile long island which is a British possession but whose oil industry is entirely American owned.

The attack was staged Saturday night, the high command's communique said, and informed quarters said they believed the squadron of heavy bombers had flown through the sub-stratosphere most of the distance, alighting only to re-fuel from submarines.

## Naval Surgeon, Roaring River Native, Killed

Philadelphia.—Dr. Ovid Clemmons Foote, 53, retired naval surgeon recently called back to service aboard the schoolship Annapolis, was killed Thursday night when his car struck a tree here.

He was a native of Roaring River, N. C., and was a brother of Rear Admiral Percy Foote, U. S. N. He had been practicing medicine in Washington until he was recalled to service.

Survivors include his widow and two sons, O. C. Jr., and Edward Potter Foote.

## Cars Collide On B and 6th Streets

Collision Occurred Under a Traffic Light; Two Are Slightly Injured

Two were slightly injured and a pickup and an automobile were badly damaged in a collision Saturday night under the traffic light on the corner of Sixth and Main streets here.

Sam Smoak, of Wilkesboro, was driving an automobile west on Main street and Carl Mitchell was driving a pickup north on Sixth street when the vehicles collided in the intersection.

Mitchell's wife and Smoak received minor injuries. None of the other occupants of either vehicle were hurt.

Mitchell claimed the light was as he entered the intersection. Smoak and his companions said their car, which had been stopped while waiting on the light, entered the intersection when the light changed, according to accounts of the accident given policemen.

Ads. get attention—and results!