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Burley Tobacco In Wilkes



Wayne Rutherford, former big league baseball pitcher, is shown here in some burley tobacco which is growing at Absbers in Wilkes county. Wayne is six feet and four inches tall and this picture shows tobacco two feet higher than his head, and that is typical of the 18 acres of burley being grown by Rutherford and four other Wilkes farmers. The farmers may realize as high as \$1,000 per acre from their burley and many other Wilkes farmers plan to grow some next year. (Staff photo by Dwight Nichols).

FOUR WILKES FARMERS HAVE WONDERFUL CROP OF BURLEY TOBACCO; VALUE \$1,000 ACRE

(By: DWIGHT NICHOLS)

Four farmers are introducing the growing of burley air cured type tobacco in Wilkes county this year and the prospects as the tobacco is being harvested indicate that burley is to become the cash crop for the mountain sections of Wilkes county.

The group of four farmers growing burley are in Absbers township at the foot of the Blue Ridge in Walnut Grove township and is headed by Wayne Rutherford, young man who auctions tobacco at the burley market at Boone and who knows burley as no other man in this part of the state knows that type.

Wayne is a former big league baseball pitcher, and would still be burning 'em across the plate with his strong arm and six feet, four inches of bone and plenty of muscle had he not pulled a ligament in his right arm and shoulder.

After two years in Uncle Sam's army he was honorably discharged and he took the auctioneer job at Boone. He thought so much of the type of tobacco he sold that he decided to start growing it and he came to Wilkes and cash rented some land on "Longbottom", Basin creek valley as it leaves Bluff Park.

Any veteran burley grower would agree that Rutherford and the other burley growers on "Longbottom" have excellent tobacco. The growers are Rutherford, Dan Shumate, John Alexander and W. R. Hutchison.

Rutherford and Shumate have a total of 18 acres, part of which belongs to Shumate and Rutherford and several acres which are Rutherford's individually.

They have some tobacco which will yield 3,000 pounds to the acre and, barring catastrophe in curing or storing, will mean an income of about \$1,200 per acre, and that is real money in any farmer's language.

Some of the burley is eight feet tall, with leaves 18 inches across and 36 inches long.

Numerous farmers who have observed the crops of the four burley growers at Absbers have already announced their intention of growing some burley next year. In the eastern and southern parts of Wilkes county fine cured tobacco is grown successfully, and lands on the northern and western parts of Wilkes are going to be ready for it.

Sparta Will Play Game On Tuesday

A treat for softball fans will be the game between the North Wilkesboro all-stars and Sparta to be played at Smoot Park on Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 5:45. Sparta has a splendid team and a most exciting game is anticipated.

Junior Order Plans Interesting Meet

North Wilkesboro council of the Junior Order will carry out work in the second and third degrees in the meeting to be held Tuesday evening, eight o'clock. Several matters of importance will be taken up and all members are urged to attend.

Chaplain Cooper Is Coming Home

Former Local Pastor Receives Leave After 18 Months In Pacific

In a recent letter to L. Vyne, of this city, Chaplain Watt M. Cooper stated that he was being granted leave to return to the States after 18 months foreign service.

In the letter he stated that the leave papers had already been cleared and that he was awaiting someone to relieve him at his post of duty. "It will be a great day for me when I land in Frisco," he said.

Chaplain Cooper further stated that the going had been tough but now things were under control. His third chapel has been completed and was well constructed, he said. Chaplain Cooper had been serving with a Seabee battalion on New Guinea, where his work as a chaplain has won high praise.

Chaplain Cooper is pastor of the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church.

Now In Texas



Pvt. Earl G. C. Hayes entered the army in March, 1944, and received training at Fort McJannet, Ala. Recently he spent a ten-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hayes, and is now stationed at Camp House, Texas.

ALLIED TROOPS NEAR BORDER OF HOLLAND

American tanks have thrust across the border into Germany after seizing the French ports of Metz and Nancy, unofficial reports said today, and Berlin asserted that another Yank spearhead had blazed 90 miles across Belgium to the Maas Canal in Holland only 14 miles from German Aachen.

These sensational reports could not be confirmed at headquarters which admittedly was far behind developments at the front due to the speed of advance units which in some sectors had driven beyond contact with their own field commands.

The British Second Army, joining the U. S. First Army in the swift liberation of Belgium, drove within 25 miles of Gent in a powerful surge toward the North sea, threatening to trap a large part of the German 13th Army in the Flanders bomb coast area.

American spearheads were officially placed within 30 miles of the Dutch frontier and Berlin broadcasts reported heavy fighting on both sides of the Maas or Juliana Canal, which parallels the Meuse between the Dutch cities of Roermond and Maastricht.

Scrap Paper To Be Collected In Wilkesboro

Fire Department Will Make Canvass Tuesday Evening; Put Paper On Porch

Wilkesboro fire department has volunteered to carry out a scrap paper canvass in Wilkesboro Tuesday evening.

All residents of the town are asked to tie whatever paper they have in bundles and place it in plain view on their front porches in order that the fireman can see it readily.

Paper is now on the critical list of war materials and every pound should be saved and turned in.

Guarding Prisoners



Pvt. Luther C. Elledge is now at Seymour Johnson Field guarding German prisoners. He entered service in March, 1944, and received his basic training at Camp Sibert, Ala. He was stationed at Fort Bragg before going to Seymour Johnson Field.

At Fort Jackson



Pvt. Grover C. McNeil has returned to Fort Jackson, S. C., after spending a few days with his wife, the former Miss Kate Huffman, of Furber. Pvt. McNeil received his basic training at Fort McJannet, Ala., where he was awarded the sharp-shooter medal for his excellent marksmanship. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coy McNeil, of Furber.

V-DAY SERVICES PLANNED

Serves Overseas



Clayton K. McNeill, seaman second class, entered the navy in April, 1944, received training at Camp Peary and Norfolk, Va., and is now overseas. His wife is the former Miss Sue Hollar, and they have two children, Ralph and Joyce. Mrs. McNeill recently visited her husband in Norfolk.

Memorial Service Jas. Archie Holder

Memorial service will be held at Piney Grove Baptist church near Lenoir on Sunday, September 10, two p. m., for Pvt. James Archie Holder, who was killed in action in Italy July 5. Pvt. Holder was a former resident of Wilkes and many friends will wish to attend the service. Announcement of the service stated that flowers may be carried to the service.

Clinic On Thursday

Clinic for crippled children will be held Thursday morning of this week at the Wilkes hospital. Free examination will be given all crippled children present.

Kiwanians Here Sponsoring Paper Salvage Activity

Local Club Will Endeavor to Increase Amount Paper Being Salvaged Here

Kiwanis club in North Wilkesboro will sponsor a scrap paper salvage campaign in Wilkes county.

Decision of the club to sponsor the campaign was reached in the luncheon meeting Friday noon.

J. B. Snipes, county salvage committee chairman, informed the club that Wilkes is badly lagging in salvage of scrap paper. The county has a quota of 300,000 pounds per month (eight pounds per capita) and paper salvage has amounted to only about 25,000 pounds per month.

It was explained that paper is now on the critical list of war materials and that every home and place of business should make sure that every pound of waste paper reaches the paper salvage man.

The Kiwanis club voted unanimously to sponsor waste paper collection and it is expected that a concerted effort will be made to reach all the county with a strong appeal for greater activity in paper salvage work.

NAZIS BEGIN EVACUATION OF FINLAND

Unconfirmed reports reaching Stockholm last night said German troops had begun evacuation of Northern Finland, as the Moscow radio announced that Russia was prepared to assist the Finnish Army in disarming Germans should the Nazis fail to get out of Finland by Sept. 15, the date set by Premier Hantti Hackzell in his peace proclamation.

The reports, reaching the Stockholm newspaper Tidningen, said Germans were leaving from the Finnish port of Oulu, near the northern end of the Gulf of Bothnia about 80 miles from the Swedish border.

Local Churches To Have Services Day Victory Is Reached

The Ministerial Association Makes Plans In Meeting Held Sunday Night

Ministerial association of the Wilkesboros in session Sunday night laid plans for observance of "V-Day" here.

Decision reached by the ministers was for each church to have a service of thanksgiving and prayer 30 minutes after the news of victory over Germany reaches North Wilkesboro.

In addition, the churches will remain open through "V-Day" for the convenience of those who wish to visit their churches for prayer and meditation.

City authorities have agreed that the news of victory will be made known by five minutes sounding of the fire siren.

Merchants of North Wilkesboro in a meeting last week set closing hours for observance of victory over Germany. If the news is received before one p. m. the stores will close immediately and remain closed the remainder of the day, opening the following morning as usual.

If the news is received after one p. m. the stores will close immediately, remain closed the remainder of the day and throughout the following day.

A committee from the merchants, the ministerial association and civic organizations join in an appeal to all the people to attend the services at the churches to be held 30 minutes after the signal announcing that Germany has surrendered.

Charlie Teague Is Victim Automobile Accident On Friday

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 11 a. m., at Haymeadow church for Charlie J. Teague, age 29, who died in the Wilkes hospital here Saturday afternoon from injuries received late Friday in an automobile accident.

Teague, a resident of the McGrady community, was fatally injured when the car which he was driving overturned off a country road near Absbers.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ora Long Teague, his father, Charlie Teague, four brothers and five sisters: Letch and Roby Teague, in the army; Estel Teague, in the navy; Clint, Vergie, Georgia, Josephine, Irene and Ruby Teague, all at McGrady.

Rev. J. M. Dillard and Rev. Troy Blevins will conduct the funeral service.

Club To Meet

Mulberry-Fairplains home demonstration club will meet Wednesday, September 6, 1:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. A. A. Phifer.

The demonstration will be on the subject, "Save The Food You Store".

Serves In Burma



Pfc. William Edward Walsh is now in service in Burma. He entered service in December, 1942, and was in training in Wisconsin and on maneuvers in Tennessee before going overseas in November, 1943. He also served in India before going to Burma. His wife, the former Miss Leona Brown, now resides at her home near North Wilkesboro. Pfc. Walsh is a brother of Mrs. John H. Roope, of North Wilkesboro, whose husband, Pvt. Poole, is also in service.

Killed In Action



Pvt. Ed L. Hubbard, age 19, was killed in action in France July 31, according to a message received by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Ray Hubbard. Pvt. Hubbard entered service November 24, 1943, received basic training with the infantry at Camp Blanding, Florida, and went overseas in June this year. He is survived by his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hubbard, three sisters, Misses Julia and Nellie Hubbard, of Ferguson, and Mrs. Ruie Frazier, of Porez Knob, and his grandmother, Mrs. E. L. Hubbard, of Cricket.

Stone Mountain Association Will Meet at Benham

Program for Three-Day Meet Beginning On September 22nd, Is Announced

The program for Stone Mountain Baptist Association, which will convene with Benham Baptist church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 22, 23, and 24th, will be as follows:

FRIDAY—

10:00 A. M.—Devotional: Elder Grant Cothren.

10:30 a. m.—Introductory Sermon: Elder Minter Blevins, alternate, Elder John Burcham.

11:00 a. m.—Roll call of churches and organization.

11:30 a. m.—Appointment of committees.

11:50 a. m.—Recognition of visitors.

Noon—Lunch.

1:00 p. m.—Missions: Report by C. C. Gambill and address by M. A. Huggins.

2:00 p. m.—Periodicals. Rev. J. Z. Adams.

2:30 p. m.—Temperance: Harrison Warren.

3:00 p. m.—Christian Education: Rev. A. B. Hayes.

SATURDAY—

9:30 a. m.—Songs and devotion.

9:45 a. m.—Old Ministers Relief: U. M. Myers.

10:00 a. m.—Pastor and Church Relations: W. M. Pruitt.

10:30 a. m.—W. M. U.: Mrs. V. W. Luffman and Mrs. E. R. Fox.

Noon: Lunch.

1:00 p. m.—Baptist Hospital: Grady Miller. Address by Smith Hagaman, superintendent Baptist Hospital.

2:00 p. m.—Orphanage: C. C. Blevins.

Special changes by clerk. Report of financial committee. Instruct the clerk.

Committee on time, place and preacher.

Report of resolution committee.

SUNDAY—

10:00 a. m.—Songs and devotion.

10:15 a. m.—Report of Sunday school: Mrs. J. L. Gregory.

11:00 a. m.—Address: Prof. I. G. Greer, superintendent Baptist Orphanage.

Home-Coming At Rock Creek, 10th

All former members and all friends who have attended and who are now members of the church have been issued a cordial invitation by the pastor, Rev. J. G. Huffman, to be present at Rock Creek Baptist church next Sunday, September 10th, for an all-day home-coming celebration.

Rev. Mr. Huffman also announced that a revival meeting which will be in progress at the church for a week or ten days will also begin Sunday. He will be assisted in conducting the revival by Rev. Raymond Hendrix, of Boone.