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St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Rev. B. M. LACKEY, Rector
Vesper service will be held in St. Paul's church Sunday afternoon, January 7th, at five o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The Presbyterian Church
Rev. S. D. ORANE, Minister
9:45—Sunday school.
11:00—Morning worship, with the theme, "Greater Works Than These".
7:15—Evening worship.
7:30—Study groups: Adults, Young People, Junior Young People.

Oak Grove Sunday School
2:30—You are cordially invited to attend this hour of instruction in the Bible and in Christian living, in the Woodlawn Community House.

The First Baptist Church
Dr. DAVID E. BROWNING, Minister
Sunday school—9:45 a. m. D. E. Elledge, superintendent.
Morning worship—11:00 a. m. "The Christian Disciple".
B. T. U.—6:30 p. m.
Evening worship—7:30 p. m. "The Low Road".

First Methodist Church
Rev. A. O. WAGONER, Minister
9:45—Church school.
11:00—Morning worship. January has been designated as "The Crusade for Christ Month" in all the Methodist churches of America and the minister will speak on the theme "The Church Crusades Again".
5:00—The vesper hour. The theme: "Christ, The World Saviour".
6:00—The Youth Fellowship.

Wilkesboro Baptist
Rev. HOWARD J. FORB, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school. In the absence of Superintendent T. E. Story, Associate Superintendent Fred Shoemaker will have charge.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. Sermon subject: "Meeting God's Challenge".
6:30 p. m.—The Baptist Training Union. Miss Louise Wright, director.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship. At this time the pastor will bring a message in story form based upon Henry VanDyke's "The

Other Wise Man". Children and young people are especially urged to attend.

Wilkesboro Methodist
Rev. J. O. ERVIN, Pastor
Church school at Union and Wilkesboro churches at 10 a. m. Divine worship and preaching at Wilkesboro 11 a. m. Divine worship and preaching at Union church at 7 p. m.

Thought and theme for these services: "Retrospect and Prospect, or let us stand up on our feet and glance to the ground over which we've come and face forward and so places where we ought to tread during this year—1945!"

John S. Bentley Is Lost On Princeton

Mrs. Ira Bentley wishes to share with the friends of her husband, John Steele Bentley, the following letter received from the commanding officer of the U. S. S. Princeton:

December 22, 1944.
"Dear Mrs. Bentley:
"It is with great sorrow that I, as Commanding Officer of the U. S. S. Princeton, write you concerning your husband, John Steele Bentley, machinist's mate first class, U. S. Navy, who, following the sinking of the Princeton on October 24, 1944, was reported as missing in action. I regret to say that a careful review of the known facts has led to the sad conclusion that he was killed in action.

"Your husband was last seen on his battle station, performing his duty, as always, in an excellent manner. Those parts of the ship through which he might have made his way into the sea were searched, and an extensive search of the surrounding sea area was made by a number of ships and small boats. As no sign of him was found, it can only be concluded that he was killed instantly and painlessly in the explosion which caused the loss of the ship.

"Your husband was a fine man and shipmate, and a good sailor. He was admired by his fellow sailors for his good fellowship and courage, and he was regarded by the ship's officers as a man who could always be relied upon in the performance of his duty. "To us of the Princeton, his loss has been a heartfelt sorrow. I know with what grief this news comes to you. I wish greatly that I might hold out some hope to you that your husband is still alive, but the circumstances make that impossible. I hope that you

will find some comfort in the great heroism of your husband's sacrifice and in the thought that will live on in the hearts of those who know him.

"I send you my deepest sympathy.

"Sincerely,
"W. H. BURACKER,
Captain U. S. Navy."

John Steele Bentley was born in Wilkes county on February 14, 1916. He entered Patterson school in 1933 and, after his graduation from the school in 1937, was employed on the Patterson school farm until he joined the Navy on July 15, 1940. On March 15, 1941, he married Miss Ina Rakes. He served on the U. S. S. Wasp and survived the sinking of that ship on September 15, 1942. He was then detailed to the U. S. S. Princeton and served as a member of her crew through the many actions in which that ship participated until it was sunk. Steele will always mean a great deal to his associates who knew him as a young man whose fine Christian character was demonstrated on all occasions.

Home Club to Meet

The Mulberry-Fairplains Home Demonstration club will meet with Mrs. Rex Kilby Monday, January 8th. The club urges every member to be present as a new roll will be started for the coming year. Come and bring a new member.—Reported.

Pfc. Steelman Promoted
Hoke H. Steelman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Steelman, Moravian Road, Wilkesboro, N. C., has been promoted to the grade of Private First Class in the Army Air Forces. He is stationed at the Ontario Army Air Field, a Fourth Air Force base, at Ontario, California.

Pfc. Steelman entered the Army in June, 1943, at Fort Bragg, N. C., and is a graduate of the Army Clerical School, Fort Logan, Colorado.

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Statement of Condition December 30, 1944

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Cash and Due From Banks	\$ 4,521,410.19	Capital Stock (Common)	\$ 280,000.00
Bonds, Stocks and Accrued Interest	11,044,540.69	Surplus	280,000.00
Loans	4,946,570.11	Undivided Profits	259,543.54
11 Banking Houses, Furniture and Fixtures, Less Depreciation	84,502.35	Reserve for Contingencies	7,500.00
Other Assets	4,028.82	Reserve for Interest Due Depositors, Taxes, Etc.	78,429.93
Total	\$20,601,052.16	Deposits of Dealers as Guarantee for Loans	6,201.24
		Other Liabilities	6,335.40
		DEPOSITS	19,683,042.05
		Total	\$20,601,052.16

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