

ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF PROPOSED 1ST METHODIST CHURCH HERE

Here is the architect's drawing of the proposed new church building for the First Methodist church in this city. The congregation in a recent service voted to adopt the plan as drawn by Charles C. Benton and Sons, of Wilson, and to raise the necessary building fund for the new church plant, which will be on the same location as the present church building.

Dr. Gilbert R. Combs is pastor of the First Methodist, and W. D. Halfacre is chairman of the board of stewards. On the building committee are S. V. Tomlinson, chairman; Dr. J. S. Deans, H. M. Hutchens, Mrs. Harry Pearson, W. C. Marlow, Edd F. Gardner, and Mrs. J. P. Horton. The finance committee is composed of J. R. Hix, chairman; Mrs. J. C. Reins, secretary; J. B. Carter, treasurer; P. W. Eshelman, R. M. Brame, Jr., and Dr. P. C. Hubbard.



The proposed church is designed in the Georgian style of architecture which originated in England during the reign of the four Georges.

The church, chapel and educational building is to be constructed of brick. Walls faced with hand made colonial brick, in the Williamsburg range including rosy pinks, reds and light brown tones, the sills, architraves and belt courses are of buff stone.

Mrs. Whittington Is Claimed By Death

Mrs. Mary Jane Whittington, age 79, wife of the late J. L. Whittington, died Saturday morning, 9 o'clock, at the home of a son, Odell Whittington, at Reddies River.

Mrs. Whittington is survived by three sons and one daughter: Otto Whittington, Wilkesboro; Odell Whittington, Reddies River; Rev. Walter Whittington, pastor of the First Baptist church at Damascus, Va.; and Mrs. Harrel Bumgarner, Goldsboro. She was preceded in death by her husband and three sons: Dr. Eugene Whittington, Ben Whittington and John Allen Whittington.

Funeral service was held Sunday afternoon, 2:30, at old Reddies River church.

Five Wilkes Men Enlist In The Navy

Five Wilkes men have been accepted for enlistment in the navy and will be enlisted at Raleigh January 15, J. E. Huffman, navy recruiter, said here today.

Those going Tuesday will be Dewey Bauguss, of Traphill; James McCoy Triplett, of Oakwoods; Paul Ray Livingstone, of Boomer; Leroy Transeau and William Roscoe McNeill, of North Wilkesboro.

Recruiter Huffman will be in this territory for the remainder of this month, after which he will be relieved. He is at the North Wilkesboro post office Wednesday of each week.

Manley G. Byrd Is Taken By Death

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 1 p. m., at Oak Ridge church for Manley Garfield Byrd, age 51, well known citizen of the Hays community, who died Sunday at the Wilkes hospital. Rev. Troy Blevens, Rev. Charles Richardson and Rev. Will Huffman will conduct the last rites.

Surviving Mr. Byrd are his wife, Mrs. Verna Byrd, and five children: Mrs. Marlow Wood, of North Wilkesboro; Haggie, Pansy, Texie and Clara Byrd, all of Hays.

CAPT. NICK ANTONAKOS HAS RETURNED HOME

Capt. Nick Antonakos, son of Pete Antonakos, of this city, has received his discharge from the army after a long period of service in the army corps. Capt. Antonakos was stationed in India and China for many months at American air bases. He and his wife, who was making her home in High Point, are with his father.

Support the Y.M.C.A.

Rev. Watt Cooper Tells Kiwanis Of America's Assets

Inspiring Address Delivered Friday By Former Chaplain In The Navy

Featured by an address by Rev. Watt M. Cooper, former naval chaplain, the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club held a most enjoyable meeting Friday noon at Hotel Wilkes.

Prior to the program J. B. Williams brought to the attention of the club the matter of giving attendance prizes, which had been previously discussed at the meeting of the board of directors. He stated that this was a former custom of the club and without objection would be renewed.

He asked that Miss Scroggs draw a name from the attendance slips, and R. L. Morehouse was the lucky name. He was presented with a building and loan installment stock book for \$100 with the first \$1 paid. It was voted by the members that the person receiving the prize should bring the prize next time.

Chairman J. B. Carter presented Rev. Watt M. Cooper, who addressed the club on the subject: "The Greatness of America." He prefaced his talk with remarks about one's desire for his native land when he is far away in some distant land, and stated that it is not surprising that young men when returning to American shores feel impressed to kneel and kiss the ground. He asked why do we love this America?

He took advantage of his long trip throughout the United States when he was returning home at the time of his discharge to illustrate why there is so much about America that draws us to it. First of all our people are religious. He was impressed with the evidence of this fact on his long trip.

Then there are our unlimited resources, scenic places and almost every condition conducive to diversion and recreation. The salmon industry of the great northwest, the snow capped mountains and the unlimited forests, the seaports, where the ships of the Orient exchange their wares, the farms, gardens and orchards of the rich valleys of California, the lakes and waterfalls, the canyons and painted deserts, the parks with all their interests, the oil fields and cotton lands and tobacco and other varied crops of the southland, the football games and the highways and a busy people playing their various businesses along the way, the historical spots of eastern America, the capital city and the monuments of our heroes. All of these and much more make America. The talk was well received by the members.

At the meeting Friday Edd F. Gardner, who was recently installed as president, presided. Dick Gwyn was a guest of J. B. McCoy at the meeting.

Basketball Games On Friday Night

First home games of the season for North Wilkesboro high school boys and girls teams will be on Friday night this week, 7:30, with the teams from Sparta high.

Two Bound Over In Robbery Case

Boone, John, and Mrs. Frances Greer Watkins, 23, of Lenoir, were bound over to the next term of Ashe Superior Court here on charges of kidnapping and robbery.

Magistrate C. O. Parsons, of West Jefferson, who held the hearing here, set bond at \$5,000 for each of the two held on the double charges. Neither was able to give bond, they were taken to jail at Jefferson.

Meanwhile, the car stolen here from Jack Norris, of Ashe county, in which Millard Greer, escaped convict, fled Boone Monday when officers attempted to place him under arrest, was found at Tazewell, Va. The car was damaged.

No trace has been found of Greer, officers here said.

Both Bradley and Mrs. Watkins, sister of Greer, told officers Greer forced them to accompany him Monday when they left North Wilkesboro in a taxi owned by Clayton C. Davis.

Davis was robbed of \$53 and left tied up in Ashe county Monday night, Bradley, Mrs. Watkins and Greer fled in the Davis taxi, officers said. The taxi broke down near Boone and Davis, working himself loose from his bonds, arrived in Boone before the trio got there.

Bradley, Greer and Mrs. Watkins arrived in Boone Monday night and hired Burt Isaacs to take them to Mountain City, Tenn., but Isaacs summoned police instead. Officers arrested Bradley and Mrs. Watkins, but Greer escaped and fled Boone in a stolen car.

Sunday night, the trio is alleged to have pulled the same trick on Clarence John Ely, taxi cab driver of Kingsport, Tenn. He was left tied up at St. Paul's, Va., after he was robbed of \$35. Ely identified Mrs. Watkins and Bradley here as two of the three who robbed him.

Tax Listing Starts In Wilkes County Today; List Early

All Urged To Meet List Takers At Appointments Throughout County

Tax listing began in Wilkes county today.

J. C. Grimes, county accountant and tax assessor, this afternoon announced the names of list takers and their appointments in the 29 precincts in the county. All who are required to list property or for poll tax are urged to meet the list takers at the most convenient points and to list within the designated time as required by law.

Farmers are asked to be prepared to give their farm reports to the list takers.

The list takers are as follows: Curtis A. Sparks, Antioch; L. C. Ferguson, Beaver Creek; Ralph Swanson, Boomer; Albert Baily, Brushy Mountain; C. C. Tharpe, Edwards No. 1; Jack Hoots, Edwards No. 2; Marvin Lewis, Edwards No. 3; W. E. Carlton, Elk No. 1; Mabel Dula, Elk No. 2; W. A. Payne, Jobs Cabin 1 and 2; Theodore Fairchild, Lewis Fork; Turner C. Anderson, Lovelace; S. E. Gambill, Moravian Falls; John McGrady, Mulberry 1 and 2; C. W. Hanes, New Castle; Bradley E. Dancy, North Wilkesboro; Q. O. Kilby, Reddies River; E. R. Lowe, Rock Creek; E. H. Glass, Somers; R. D. Cooper, Stanton; D. B. Swearingen, Traphill; A. R. Miller, Union; L. E. Sparks, Walnut Grove 1 and 2; L. B. Dula, Wilkesboro No. 1; C. G. Glass, Wilkesboro No. 2.

For the convenience of taxpayers, the list of appointments of the tax listers is published in this issue of The Journal-Patriot on page three.

SGT. McLAIN ARRIVES IN CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Cora Lee Royle received a telephone message Saturday that her brother, Sgt. Russell McLain, had arrived in Los Angeles Friday.

Sgt. McLain is a son of Mrs. Ella McLain, of Wilkesboro, and has served 32 months in the South Pacific area. He says tell everyone hello, and he hopes to be home within the next few days.

DUKE POWER COMPANY PLEDGES SUPPORT TO ROTOGRAVURE WORK

Charlotte, N. C., January 14, 1946.

Mr. Julius C. Hubbard, Co-Publisher, The Journal-Patriot, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Dear Jule: This will acknowledge your letter describing the forthcoming pictorial rotogravure edition of The Journal-Patriot, and assure you that we will want to be represented in it.

Please let me know the proposed publication date and copy deadline.

With kindest personal regards, sincerely yours,

JOHN PAUL LUCAS, JR.
Duke Power Company.

Chamber Of Commerce Will Be Formed Thursday Night

Schools Of County Planning To Open Wednesday, 16th

Wilkes county schools will reopen on Wednesday, January 16, unless bad weather before that date makes the roads impassable again, C. B. Eller, county superintendent, said today.

County schools with transportation have been closed since December 13 because dirt roads have been practically impassable for school bus and other heavy traffic.

Several tentative dates for reopening have been set, but on each occasion continued bad weather forced further postponement.

No Further Cuts In Assistance Grants From State's Fund

Welfare Board Discusses Important Matters In Monthly Meeting

The Wilkes County Welfare Board met in regular session in the Welfare office on Thursday evening, January 3. All three members of the board were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Charles C. McNeill, secretary of the board, advised them that in compliance with their request he had written Mr. E. Eugene Brown, director of Division of Public Assistance with the State Board of Public Welfare, relative to the reduction which had been made in the county's monthly old age assistance allotment.

Mr. McNeill read Mr. Brown's reply of December 14 in which he stated that the state board was glad that we were planning to use the rest of our monthly allotment and that they would therefore make no further reduction if we were spending approximately the full amount of our allotment by February 1. The board was advised that according to the tentative figures we would reach, if not exceed, our allotment for both old age assistance and aid to dependent children for the month of January. The board expressed satisfaction in knowing there would be no further reduction in our monthly allotment, and there was some discussion relative to writing the state of about the \$80 reduction which had already been made in the old age assistance allotment.

At this time the secretary discussed with the board the expenditures of the department for the month of December. The board was advised that the total expenditures for all purposes for the past month amounted to \$11,974.57. The board was advised that this was the largest monthly expenditure in the history of the department. This amount exceeded the previous monthly expenditure slightly more than \$400. A break down of these figures revealed that 646 persons received old age assistance in the amount of \$7,180, which gives an average monthly payment of \$11.58; 134 families received aid to dependent children to the amount of \$3,232, which gives an average monthly payment per family of \$24.11; a total of 37 persons received aid to the blind to the extent of \$608, making an average monthly payment of \$16.43; other expenditures on behalf of 66 cases in the form of hospitalization, medical care, general relief, etc., amounted to \$654.57.

The board was advised that there was a noticeable increase in the number of people applying for old age assistance during the past few weeks. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to hearing reports from the case workers, Mrs. Vera Casey, Mrs. Inez Bowles and Miss Doris Tubburt, who presented a number of cases for approval, revision and termination.

All Stars To Play At Millers Creek

North Wilkesboro all star basketball team will play Millers Creek all stars at Millers Creek Wednesday night, 8:30. All basketball fans are invited.

Killed In Accident



Sgt. John S. Mathis, Jr., was killed in an auto-trailer accident on the eve of Dec. 31, 1945, near Camp Robinson, Little Rock, Ark. He was born in Wilkes county.

He entered service Feb. 12, 1942, and received training at Fort Bragg, N. C., Camp Croft, S. C., Camp Gordon, La., Camp Phillips, Kans., and at the time of his death was stationed at Little Rock waiting for discharge.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mathis, North Wilkesboro, route 3, six sisters and three brothers. One brother, Woodrow, preceded him in death several years ago.

Three Weeks Term Of Superior Court Is Now In Session

Wilkes Superior Court for trial of civil cases convened in Wilkesboro today with Judge Allen H. Gwyn presiding.

The term is scheduled for three weeks.

Calendar for the term was recently made out by the Wilkes Bar Association.

Mrs. Sarah Johnson Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held Sunday, 2:30 p. m., at the Wilkesboro Baptist church for Mrs. Sarah M. Johnson, wife of R. H. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson died Friday at the home of her son, John B. Johnson, of North Wilkesboro, route one.

Mrs. Johnson, a daughter of the late John and Nancy Henderson Byrd, is survived by her husband, son and one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Beckham, of Gastonia. Burial was in Mount Lawn cemetery.

New Store Is To Open Here Soon

Carolina Home And Auto Supply To Be Located On B Street, This City

R. F. (Bob) Kite and Flake Cooke have organized the Carolina Home and Auto Supply and will open their store about February 1 in the building formerly occupied by the Recreation Center, next door to the City Barber Shop and Jean's Shoppe.

For the past eight years Mr. Kite has been manager of the Rose's Store here and Mr. Cooke has held a position with the Standard Oil Company here for the past two years. Both are well and favorably known in this section.

The Carolina Home and Auto Supply will handle B. F. Goodrich and Monitor lines and the Kelvinator line of electrical appliances. Other announcements, including date of opening will be made in the near future.

New Service Station Being Erected Here

Charlie Johnson is erecting a modern service station on the northeast corner of the Blair block on the corner of Main and Fifth streets. When completed the building, which is of block and brick construction, will be leased to the Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey.

Membership Will Meet Thursday To Elect Officers

Members To Name Directors, Who Will Elect Officers For Ensuing Year

Wilkes Chamber of Commerce will be organized in a meeting of the membership to be held on Thursday night, January 17, 7 o'clock, in the North Wilkesboro town hall.

In a mass meeting of citizens held several weeks ago an organization committee was set up with J. B. Williams as temporary chairman for the purpose of soliciting membership, drafting constitution and by-laws and other business incident to a permanent organization. The committee has made excellent progress and is now ready for the organizational meeting.

Chairman Williams has mailed the following letter to Chamber of Commerce members:

"As temporary chairman of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce I am calling a membership meeting to be held in the city hall in North Wilkesboro at 7 o'clock p. m., Thursday, January 17. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect a board of directors, adopt a constitution and by-laws and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting. The directors in turn, after being elected and installed, will elect a board of officers.

"I am glad to advise that we now have over \$7,000 in money deposited in the bank with something around \$1,000 in pledges that have not yet been paid in. Those who have not sent in their checks should do so at once so that we can have sufficient funds to begin operations. No man has yet been contacted to be employed as secretary. This will be the duty of the board of directors.

"I know that each and every one of you is interested in a live Chamber of Commerce for our county, and I hope that you can make it convenient to be present at our organization meeting. The future of this section of North Carolina depends largely upon the public spirit of our citizens who can cooperate fully through a central organization such as a Chamber of Commerce. I hope that every member will try to attend this meeting."

Bingo Game To Be Operated Saturday For the Polio Fund

Many Prizes To Be Given In Bingo To Be Played For Polio Fund

Saturday, January 19, will be the date to yell "Bingo!"

W. D. Jester, chairman of the campaign to raise funds for the Infantile Paralysis Fund, announced today that a bingo stand will be in operation Saturday afternoon and night, December 19, for the benefit of the polio fund. The bingo stand will be located in the former recreation center, between the City Barber Shop and Jean's Shoppe.

Mr. Jester stated that many merchants have contributed highly desirable prizes, including many coveted items difficult to obtain, to be used as bingo prizes, and that the proceeds from the bingo stand will go entirely to the fund.

The game will open about noon and continue through the afternoon and until 11 p. m. Saturday night. Patronage will be appreciated by all who are endeavoring to raise Wilkes county's goal of \$5,000 in the infantile paralysis campaign.

Local Dealers See New Plymouth Car

F. D. Forester and W. O. Absher, of the Wilkes Auto Sales Co., local Plymouth and Dodge dealer, are in Columbia, S. C., today for a preview showing of the 1946 model Plymouth automobiles. It is expected that the new Plymouth will be shown here in the next few days.