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MARRIED FIFTY YEARS MARCH 4



Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roope celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Monday, March 4, at their home near Hays. The honor guests at a dinner were served by their children and grandchildren on Sunday, March 3. Mr. Roope is 69, and his wife, the former Miss Rhoda Jane Felts, is 72. They have two sons and two daughters: Mrs. L. J. Richardson, Sherman Roope, Norman Roope and Mrs. Clarence Billings, all of Hays. They have 15 grandchildren.

250 Veterans In Meeting Friday At Mountain View

Dr. J. Sam Holbrook, Is Guest Speaker; An Enjoyable Occasion

Friday night was a red-letter occasion for veterans of World Wars I and II. More than 250 veterans gathered in the gymnasium at Mountain View high school for the largest meeting of veterans ever held in the county.

Legionnaires of the county, under the able leadership of Post Commander Henry Landon, had been planning for the past several weeks to make this an outstanding event for veterans of the two world wars, and their efforts brought forth great results.

Post Commander Landon acted as toast master for the banquet-meeting which was opened with the assemblage singing the national anthem. This was followed by prayer spoken by Chaplain W. C. Grier.

Major W. H. McElwee was next presented to the veterans and in a few well-chosen and enthusiastic remarks he urged the veterans to give their liberal support to the Red Cross. Major McElwee is chairman of the special Red Cross campaign which is now under way in Wilkes county, as well as throughout the nation.

Brief announcements were then made by Troy Perry, veteran placement officer of the U. S. E. S., and Major E. P. Robinson, assistant state director of the state veterans' commission, these pertaining to agencies being established in the county to aid veterans with their claims, educational benefits, jobs, etc.

The gathering then enjoyed a number of both popular and war songs, these being led by J. D. Moore and Miss Lillian Miller.

Next followed one of the delightful parts of the program—a number of popular songs by seventeen of the Mountain View high school girls under the very able leadership of Miss Lillian Miller, with Mrs. Grady Church as organist. All of these songs were enthusiastically received by the veterans and were greatly appreciated by them.

After a cordial welcome by Prof. Eugene White, principal of the Mountain View school, which was followed by an invitation of Ivey Moore, post membership chairman, to every veteran to join the post, Commander Landon introduced the guest speaker of the evening, Dr. J. Sam Holbrook, of Statesville, who has just returned from service in the European area as a captain in a medical company of the famous 82nd airborne division. Dr. Holbrook, a native of the Traphill section of the county, spoke briefly and informally. His address might be divided into three parts, as follows: First—a warm tribute to Wilkes men who have fought in all the wars in the past, especially those of World Wars I and II, mentioning especially the supreme sacrifice of the nearly 100 Wilkes men during the recent war, "among them being Ed Templeton of this community in which we are meeting tonight." Second, "that we will have no other wars for

Major McElwee Addresses Lions On Road to Peace

Veteran Gives Inspiring Message Before Civic Club Here on Friday

Major W. H. McElwee delivered a most inspiring message Friday evening before the North Wilkesboro Lions Club on the subject of "The Road to Peace."

The program was arranged by Staton Melver, M. B. McNeil and R. B. Church, who presented Major McElwee.

The speaker said that there are two obstacles in the road to peace: tariffs or duties and the character of the people in foreign lands. He stated that in order to meet the public debt that this nation must maintain a national income of from 140 to 160 billion dollars annually and that in order to do so we would have to cultivate world trade.

Foreign nations, Major McElwee said, must have dollar credit or goods to exchange for ours, but that we could not allow competition from their sweat shop labor, and that foreign nations must raise labor and wage standards to compete with ours.

The speaker stated as the greatest obstacle the character of the people with whom we make peace, and that the big problem now is the people of Russia. He advocated a strong and virile foreign policy which would recognize no compromise with wrong and that in every instance the United States should vigorously and powerfully oppose anything which this country deems wrong. The address was considered one of the best delivered before the local club.

Prior to the program Rex Handy was received into membership in the club and was inducted by Maurice O'Sullivan, who commented that Rex was the 68th member.

The club decided to hold ladies night in May and President J. S. Deans named Richard Johnston, Jimmie Anderson, Vernon Deal and Wm. T. Long to serve as the program committee. On the arrangements committee are Blair Gwyn, Jack Swafford and J. D. Moore.

Harold Yarboro was the guest of Vernon Deal at the meeting Friday evening.

Forestry Subject Address Friday at Meet of Kiwanis

Lenthall Wyman, of State College, Gives Forestry Talk Before Club

Prof. Lenthall Wyman, of State College, delivered a most interesting address Friday before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club.

T. O. Minton and Paul Osborne were in charge of the program and the speaker was introduced by Paul Osborne.

After telling a number of good poultry jokes and stories Mr. Wyman made a splendid and interesting talk on the subject of "Forestry and its Improvement." He stated that of the 33 1-2 million acres of land in North Carolina that 19 million of them are in forests. He said that pine forests grow 200 feet per acre per year and that hardwoods grow 70 feet per acre per year. And that there is much need for giving greater attention to the wiser use of forests. He said that the state has been one that produces more than is used by our own people and by wise growing and proper cutting this could be maintained. He indicated that on account of fires, improper cutting and lack of wise attention to the selection of seed trees, we are depleting our once great and valuable forests.

He mentioned a number of plans used in other states and communities for improving their forests. He said the best rule is one of education to the end that every farmer will recognize the values he has in his continued improvement of his forests.

The attendance prize Friday, a large mirror, was presented to Paul S. Cragan by J. R. Finley. At the meeting L. P. Somers was a guest of T. E. Story and L. B. Dula was a guest of H. H. Morehouse.

North Carolina is expected to meet a federal request for 46,000 new acres planted to soybeans this year.

OUR BOYS WITH THE COLORS

SEAMAN UNDERWOOD HERE FEW DAYS

Frank D. Underwood, seaman first class, is spending a few days at home. Seaman Underwood, who recently received his promotion to rank of first class seaman, is now stationed at the naval receiving station in New York City. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Underwood.

CAPT. RALPH BOWMAN HERE FOR WEEK-END

Capt. Ralph Bowman, who has been stationed in Orlando, Florida, spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Ralph Bowman. Capt. Bowman is now on his way back overseas from his last assignment, which was as an instructor in the army air forces tactical school at Orlando, Florida.

DUDLEY HILL, JR., HOME FOR WEEK-END

Dudley Sloan Hill, Jr., seaman first class, has returned to the naval air base at Anacostia, Washington, D. C., after spending the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley S. Hill.

SEAMAN RAY WATTS HOME FOR WEEK-END

Ray Watts, seaman first class, has returned to Camp Peary, Va., after spending the week-end here with his wife, the former Miss Peggy Pearson.

BURTON CARLTON HOME FROM NAVY

MoMM Third-Class Burton Carlton has returned to his home at Boomer after serving in the navy for 21 months. He was with the Pacific fleet. Burton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Carlton, of Boomer.

MAJOR NICK ANTONAKOS IN BUSINESS HERE

Major Nick Antonakos, now on terminal leave after a long period of service in the army air corps, is now associated with his father, Pete Antonakos, in operation of the Little Grill Cafe in this city. Major Antonakos had many months of service in Burma and China and recently returned to await discharge March 20, and has received his promotion to the rank of major. He and his wife, whose home was in High Point, are now making their home here.

Sgt. HERMAN BREWER RECEIVES DISCHARGE

Sgt. Herman Brewer received his discharge from the marine corps at Camp Lejeune February 23 after two and a half years in the marine corps. During the last six months he was stationed on Hawaii. Sgt. Brewer is the husband of the former Miss Edith Kendall, of Cricket, and they have one son, Ronald. Sgt. Brewer's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brewer, of North Wilkesboro, route two.

BM. CLAUDE T. STALEY VISITING HERE

Boatswain Mate Second-Class Claude T. Staley, of Winston-Salem, is here this week visiting relatives. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Staley, of Union township. Claude has been in the navy four and one-half years. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Staley, who are making their home now in Winston-Salem. His father is accompanying Claude on his visit to Wilkes.

Ralph Davis Is In Law Office Here

Attorney Ralph Davis, who recently returned home after a long period of service in the army, has returned to his law office in North Wilkesboro.

Attorney Davis is a graduate of the law school of the University of North Carolina. Prior to entering the army in 1943 he practiced law in North Wilkesboro for five years.

Office of Attorney Davis is located on the second floor of the Carter building on Ninth street.

The test of a good farm mortgage loan is one in which the farm offered as security will produce sufficient income to pay operating and living expenses plus principal on the loan.

Wilkes Chamber Commerce Has Completed Organization

Wilkes Wildlife Club Will Meet Here Thursday

Color Movies Will be Shown At Meeting of Sportsmen on Thursday

Wilkes County Wildlife Club will meet Thursday, March 7, 7:30 p. m., in the North Wilkesboro town hall, R. Ivey Moore, president, announced today.

Mr. Moore said that four reels of field and stream movie, including subjects of hunting and fishing and stalking big game in Montana, will be shown, and that the program will be very interesting to all who are interested in Wildlife conservation and development.

He also announced that the same movies will be shown to Boy Scouts on Wednesday, March 6, eight p. m., in the North Wilkesboro high school auditorium.

Mr. Moore reported that a most interesting meeting of the 11th district of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation was held at the Princess Cafe on February 26. Splendid talks were made by Dr. Garvey, of Winston-Salem, Ross Stevens, executive secretary of the Federation, Raleigh, and Hort Doughton, of Statesville, district chairman. R. Ivey Moore, of this city, vice chairman for the district and president of the Wilkes club, presided. Activities for the ensuing year were planned.



OLDEST COMBAT VET Cpl. Lou Eichman, 66, New York City member of the famous 37th Oib. (Beckey) division, arrived at Los Angeles with record of having been the oldest combat soldier in the Pacific.

Red Cross Drive Under Way; Urge Prompt Action

Workers Asked to See Those in Their Areas and Make Reports Early

Annual Red Cross Fund campaign in Wilkes county opened Friday, March 1, and will continue until the goal of \$10,500 is reached.

Red Cross officials today asked workers to complete their tasks as early as possible and to make their reports in order that the campaign may be completed. The objective of the Red Cross is to carry on with the invaluable work which has meant so much during war time and to serve returning veterans adequately and efficiently.

Under direction of Harvel Howell some very interesting Red Cross window displays are being made in store windows. Red Cross windows will be at the following stores: Goodwill, Red Cross Pharmacy, Belk's, Penney's, Prevette's, Spalhour's, Rhodes-Day Furniture Co., Carter-Hubbard Publishing Co., Jean's, Tomlinson's, and Marlow's.

Judge Rousseau Is Presiding Over Court For Wilkes

March Session For Trial Of Criminal Cases Opened Today in Wilkesboro

Judge Julius A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, is presiding over the Wilkes term of superior court which opened this morning and will be in session two weeks or longer.

Judge Rousseau exchanged places with Judge Allen H. Gwyn, of Reidsville, who was scheduled to preside over the Wilkes court. Judge Gwyn is in Reidsville this week.

Calendar of the Wilkes term as recently made out by Solicitor Avalon E. Hall had 150 cases, which is about the usual number of a Wilkes term for trial of criminal cases. Following Judge Rousseau's charge to the grand jury, the court today entered work on the docket.

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Jones and Bowers Firm Formed Here

The law firm of Jones and Bowers has been formed here.

In the firm are Attorney John R. Jones and Attorney J. V. Bowers. Office of the firm is located in the Bank of North Wilkesboro building where Mr. Jones has been located for many years.

Attorney Jones was solicitor of the 17th judicial district for 12 years. Prior to that time he was law partner of Johnson J. Hayes, now judge of the middle district federal court, and after being solicitor was law partner of Attorney J. Mack Brown until his death. Since that time Attorney Jones had been in law practice here.

Attorney Bowers is a native of Avery county. He received his education at Berea College, University of Chicago and Wake Forest College. He began practice of law in 1926 and for 15 years was located at Newland. In 1935 he represented Avery county in the lower house of the legislature and in 1939 was state senator for the district composed of Avery, Mitchell, Yancey and Madison counties. He is a member of the Tau Kappa Alpha honorary forensic fraternity, is a Methodist, Republican, Royal Arch, Knights Templar and Shriners of the Masons. He has one daughter, Betty Blue Bowers, a senior at the University of North Carolina, and one son, J. V. Bowers, Jr., who is in school at Mars Hill College.

The firm of Jones and Bowers plans to open an office at Newland at some future date.

The smallest type farm food dehydrator sells retail for about \$5,000.

Directors Name Vice Presidents and a Treasurer

J. B. Carter and A. F. Kilby, Vice-Presidents; Richard Johnston, Treas.

Wilkes Chamber of Commerce directors in meeting Thursday afternoon completed their organization with exception of electing a permanent secretary.

J. B. Williams, president elected by the membership in the initial meeting here, announced that the board of directors had elected J. B. Carter as first vice-president, A. F. Kilby, second vice-president, and Richard B. Johnston, treasurer.

The board of directors has a number of prospects for position as secretary of the organization. Mr. Williams stated that a well trained and capable full time secretary will be employed.

The directors also authorized the renting of an office in the Call Hotel building on Ninth street. The office will be arranged by renovating the former lobby of the Call Hotel into office quarters, which will be a central location.

President Williams reported to the directors that in the absence of a full time secretary he had personally devoted much time to Chamber of Commerce activities since the organization was formed and that a number of meetings and conferences had been held with a view to obtaining new industries and markets. Meanwhile, a number of additional members had been recruited. Mr. Johnston, treasurer of the chamber and prospects are good for maintaining one of the most active organizations of its type in the state.

Millers Creek In 2 Victories Here

One Point Margin of Victory in Cage Thriller Here on Friday

Millers Creek high school boys defeated North Wilkesboro 22 to 21 Friday night in the fastest high school basketball game of the season on the local court. Millers Creek girls had a six point margin in the opener, defeating North Wilkesboro 22 to 16.

Lineups and summaries:

- Boys Game**
- Pos. M. Creek N. Wilkesboro
 - F—Brooks 1 3 Hayes
 - F—Mitchell 6 2 Adams
 - F—Parsons 15 2 Bare
 - G—Bumgarner 1 Cragan
 - G—Cooper 10 McNeill
 - G—McGlamery 2 Powell
 - Substitutes: Millers Creek—Carter, McNeill, North Wilkesboro—Felts 9, Coffey, Johnson, Key 1.
- Girls Game**
- Pos. M. Creek N. Wilkesboro
 - F—Caudill 5 11 Johnson
 - F—Watkins 5 4 Turner
 - C—Oliver 2 1 Ballard
 - G—Eller 6 5 Hudson
 - G—Eller 6 Caudill
 - Substitutes: Millers Creek—D. Church, North Wilkesboro—McGinnis.
- The Cedar Mountain section of Transylvania county is one of the newest additions to test farming under TVA contract.
- Farmer purchases of baby chicks in 1946 are expected to be about 14 per cent lower than in 1945.

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