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RONDA GIRLS WILKES GIRLS CHAMPIONS



The girls' Basketball team of Ronda came through with another successful year. This team has won by decisive scores over all the Wilkes teams and by virtue of this fact lays claim to the Championship. The Wilkes County schedule of Ronda girls: Ronda 49, Millers Creek 11; Ronda 36, Mountain View 22; Ronda 34, Mt. Pleasant 17; Ronda 20, Millers Creek 8; Ronda 38, Traphill 30; Ronda 26, North

Wilkesboro 9; Ronda 34, Traphill 18. Total points: Ronda 237, Opponents 115. In the season play this team has won 9 games, lost 5. The players left to right are: kneeling—Hazel Barker, Betty Key, Peggy Henric, Virginia Mathis, Nona Lee Dobbins, Walsie Cockerham; standing—Betty Alexander, Wilma Edwards, Dorothy Walker, Mildred Rumble. The Ronda Boys have had a

fine team this year. Even though they did not win many games they showed much improvement as the year moved on. They were all inexperienced when the season started and will all be back next year with high hopes. The team consists of: Conrad Tharpe, Marion Pardue, Charlie Blackburn, Henry McCann, Billy Durham, Hazel Key, Kenneth Jordan, Shirley Blackburn, Jacob Hoots and Arthur Parks.

Large Number Of Cases Are Tried Final Days Court

Lewis Faw Sentenced to 3 Years for Death of Father-in-Law, J. T. Wagner

Lewis Faw, convicted of manslaughter for the death of J. T. Wagner near Millers Creek recently, was sentenced in Wilkes court by Judge Julius A. Rousseau to three years on the roads. He was convicted of inflicting fatal injuries on Mr. Wagner following a quarrel which ensued when he and his brother, Howard Faw, were hunting on the lands of Mr. Wagner, father-in-law of Lewis Faw. Howard Faw convicted with his brother but who did not actively engage in the altercation, was given a sentence of eight months suspended on good behavior.

During the two weeks term which adjourned Friday, a large majority of the 150 cases pending were removed from the criminal cases docket. Other cases in which judgment was rendered follow:

Grace Henderson versus Robert Henderson, divorce granted. Robie J. Mitchell manslaughter and operating car while intoxicated, 18 months suspended on condition he pay \$1,000 for Aaron M. Collins and wife, payments to be made \$25 monthly. Rights of citizenship were restored by court order to Ambrose Shepherd. On charges of larceny and receiving the following sentences were meted out: James Russell Jones, 12 months suspended; Neal Ferguson, 12 months suspended; James Wesley Hall, two years suspended; Ralph Ferguson, 12 months on roads. Albert Byrd, indecent exposure, 30 days suspended. Sam Cothren, non support, six months suspended on payment of \$20 monthly for family. Herman Hayes, abandonment, six months suspended on payment of \$27.50 monthly for family. Walter Sparks, assault and non support, six months suspended on payment of \$25 monthly for family. Alfred Barber, operating car while intoxicated, four months suspended on payment of \$50 and costs. Peter Glenn Sales, colored, and Gay Davis, fornication and adultery, 20 months in jail assigned to labor. Conner Davis and Alma Ladd, fornication and adultery; Davis, six months suspended; Ladd, 18 months in jail assigned to labor. Walter Jack Davis, carrying concealed weapon, judgment suspended on \$50 fine and costs. J. W. Martin, assault with deadly weapon, six months suspended. Johnny Wood, receiving stolen property, 12 months at county home farm. Zeno Absher, assault, 30 days suspended. Lufina Martin, colored, using profane and indecent language, 30 days suspended on payment of costs. Cases against the following defendants were not pressed: James Elledge, Paul Cleary, Richard Laws, Leroy Patrick, Robert Wyatt, Mozelle Wyatt, Joe Bowlin, Weldon Royal, Nathan Byers, Fred Byers, Carl Prevette, Inez Crabb, Roger Dean Mathis, Arthur Hamilton, Iradore Harris.

W. E. Colvard Is Taken By Death

Prominent Business Leader Dies Suddenly; Funeral Held Saturday

W. E. Colvard, 62, member of one of northwestern North Carolina's best known families and for several decades prominent in business in this section of the state, died Thursday evening, six o'clock, at his home in Wilkesboro.

Mr. Colvard had been enjoying apparently good health and attended to his service station business in North Wilkesboro all day Thursday. Shortly after arriving at home he was stricken with a heart attack and died in a few minutes.

Funeral service was held Saturday afternoon, three o'clock, at the First Methodist church in North Wilkesboro with the pastor Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, in charge. The body lay in state for one hour at the church before the service. Interment was in Mount Lawn Memorial Park north of this city.

Mr. Colvard was born January 24, 1884, and reared in the Wilbar community of Wilkes county. His father was the late Rufus W. Colvard, who was chairman of the Wilkes county board of commissioners, and his mother was the former Miss Nancy Whittington.

In early life Mr. Colvard attended a business college in Richmond, Va., and for a number of years was a member of the Gwyn-Covard Insurance Agency firm in North Wilkesboro. After leaving the insurance business he operated a large farm on the Yackin east of this city for some time and later returned to the insurance business here. Later he was cashier of the Deposit & Savings Bank in North Wilkesboro for a number of years.

After retiring from his position at the bank Mr. Colvard was for a number of years in the automobile business here in the firm of C. & C. Chevrolet company and later he and his son, Rufus W. Colvard formed the Colvard Oil company, distributors for Shell products in this part of the state, and with headquarters at West Jefferson, where his son lives.

Throughout his life Mr. Colvard had taken an active interest in public and civic life and his wide experience in business life resulted in the formation of many lasting friendships with people in all walks of life.

Mr. Colvard was married to the former Miss Sue Taylor, of Laurel Springs. She and one son and one daughter, Rufus W. Colvard and Mrs. Dean McMillan, both of West Jefferson, survive.

Mrs. J. E. Culler and son, Mr. Clegg Culler, left Friday to spend several days at Bluefield, W. Va., with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Culler. The Messrs. Cullers are brothers.

Child Loses Five Fingers In a Mill

Carolyn Brock, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brock, of this city, lost four fingers and part of her right hand Wednesday when her hand was accidentally caught and crushed in a sausage grinder. She received treatment at the Wilkes hospital.

Lions Asking For Vocational Work In County Schools

Vocational Agriculture and Home Economics Asked For The Schools

North Wilkesboro Lions Club in meeting Friday evening unanimously passed a resolution asking the Wilkes county board of commissioners to provide for vocational agriculture and vocational home economics training in Wilkes county high schools.

The action of the club followed a most enthusiastic address by R. B. Broome, a former agricultural teacher and now field representative of Coble Dairy Products Co., on the subject of the value of vocational agriculture departments in schools.

The program was in charge of Wm. A. Hardister, who presented Mr. Broome.

Mr. Broome, who is a member of the Lions Club, explained the financing of vocational departments in high schools and the benefits to be derived. He stated that salaries of vocational agriculture, home economics and business teachers are paid one-third each by the federal, state and county governments and that the counties furnish housing and equipment for the departments. Speaking mainly of vocational agriculture, he explained the many benefits to be derived by a community which has such advantages. He also related that Wilkes county is 90 per cent rural and has only one vocational agriculture department.

President J. S. Deans announced that a group from the local club will put on a program before the Sparta club on Tuesday night. Attorney J. H. Whicker, Jr., will have charge of the program.

Guests Friday evening were as follows: W. A. Ford with Dick Gwyn, M. K. Holjes with S. T. Anderson, Max Deal with Vernon Deal.

Miss Miller Wins Legion Speaking Award In Wilkes

Finals In Contest Held Friday Afternoon With Local Student Winner

Miss Agnes Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon T. Miller, of North Wilkesboro, won first place in the American Legion's oratorical contest in Wilkes county.

The finals among school winners were held Friday afternoon in the North Wilkesboro school auditorium with all participants delivering splendid orations.

Miss Miller was presented a silver medal by L. M. Nelson, the Legion's contest chairman in Wilkes. Other contestants were: Miss Norma Jane Darnell, of Ronda; Miss Mauverene Gentry, of Roaring River; and Miss Wanda Wood, of Mountain View.

Miss Miller will represent Wilkes in the 15th district contest to be held Thursday, March 21, 5:30 p. m., in the office of J. Wade Hendricks, district Legion commander, at the Piedmont test farm near Statesville on the Taylorsville highway. The contest will be followed by a dutch supper at Vance Hotel in Statesville.

Pat Williams' Dogs Bring Back the Cups

Two beagles taken by Pat M. Williams to the Tarheel Beagle Club field trials at Taylorsville Wednesday and Thursday brought back two trophy cups after competing with a field of 114 beagles.

Brownwood Ginger and Brushy Mountain Forefinger won second and third in the 13-inch bitch class and the 15-inch dog class.

Wilkesboro P.-T. A. Will Meet Thursday

Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association will meet Thursday night, 7:30, in the Wilkesboro school auditorium.

A splendid program has been arranged and officers of the P.-T. A. will be installed. All patrons of the school are invited to attend.

SEAMAN EVERETT DAVIS HOME FOR TWO WEEKS

Everett Davis, seaman second class, of Camp Peary, Va., is spending two weeks with his parents Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Davis, of Pores Knob.

Red Cross Drive Is Lagging In Wilkes

Mrs. David Lowe Is Highly Honored

The Director of Selective Service, Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, has awarded a certificate of appreciation to the compensated personnel of the Selective Service who have completed five years of loyal and faithful service in administering the many activities of the Selective Service Boards which they served.

Mrs. David Lowe, Clerk of Local Board No. 1, is the only employee of the Selective Service Boards of Wilkes County to receive the certificate. Mrs. Lowe was appointed as assistant clerk in Oct. 1940, and was promoted to chief clerk in October 1944.

Mrs. Lowe expresses her sincere appreciation to the general public for the cooperation they have given during these long and trying years.

Kiwanians Ask For Vocational Work In Schools

Group from High Point College Puts on Inspiring Program Here

The North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club in meeting Friday went on record for vocational instruction in county schools and enjoyed a splendid program.

Paul Church, of the Agriculture Committee, submitted a resolution addressed to the county board of commissioners and the county board of education, asking that these boards undertake to provide the county's part of the cost and the equipment necessary for the teaching of vocational agriculture and vocational home economics in the high schools of the county. By motion duly seconded the resolution was approved and the committee authorized to submit it to the county boards.

Attendance prize, a pair of 51-gauge Nylon hose, was given by W. D. Halfacre to Forest Meserve.

Program: H. H. Morehouse presented Dr. Nat Harrison of High Point College, who spoke briefly on the subject: "The Importance of Our Relationships as Churchmen," and then he introduced a group of young people from the College, as follows, who gave the fine vocal program following: Miss Donnie Lee Bryson, Miss Charlotte Churchill, Mr. John Mickey, Mr. Sam Taylor, Miss Kei Emi, accompanist.

Program: 1, "Savior Thy Children Keep"; 2, "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes"; 3, "Just For Today"; solo by Sam Taylor, 4, "God so Loved The World"; 5, "Going To Calvary"; solo by Miss Donnie Lee Bryson, 6, "The Lord's Prayer."

Guests at the meeting were as follows: Z. V. Stewart with L. M. Nelson, M. K. Holjes with Carl VanDeman, J. W. Griffith with Forest Meserve, Wood Powers with W. D. Halfacre.

Somers, Storys Buy Hardware Business

Morrison Hardware Store Bought by W. B. Somers, Don and Tom Story

A major business transaction was completed Saturday afternoon when W. B. Somers, Don and Tom Story purchased the Morrison Hardware store in Wilkesboro.

The property was sold last week by Mr. and Mrs. Waverly Morrison to Walter Anderson, who later sold it to the new owners.

Messrs. Somers and Story took over the business today and the name of the firm has been changed to Somers and Story Hardware Co., which will be under the management of W. B. Somers and Don Story.

The store contains a large stock of hardware, to which the new owners will add additional stock as rapidly as possible and will expand the firm's business in this part of the state. A cordial invitation is extended to all to visit the store.

Cemetery Meeting At Walnut Grove

An all-day meeting will be held at Walnut Grove Baptist church near Pores Knob on Thursday, March 21, for the purpose of preparing the sod in the cemetery for sowing grass. All who are interested in improving the cemetery are asked to be present.

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Liberal Response Needed to Reach Quota For Wilkes

All Workers Asked to Complete Task and Make Report This Week

Wilkes is lagging in the Red Cross fund campaign now under way, chapter officials said today. With slightly less than half the \$10,500 quota raised, workers today were urged to greater effort to contact the people and complete the campaign this week if possible.

Some good reports have been received from the special gifts committee and from a number of local canvassers. However, many reports are yet to be received.

To date, only a very small number of rural workers have reported their collections. A review of the report of the Wilkes chapter for 1945 shows that 3-117 home service cases were handled last year, affecting men in service, veterans and their families. Of that number, 95 per cent were rural. In view of the great service rendered by the chapter, mainly to rural people, it is felt that the people in rural communities will gladly give their portion of the quota if contacted.

Miss Rebecca Moseley, Red Cross secretary, stated that the office of the chapter will remain open through Saturday afternoon to receive reports. Canvassers in North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro, and every rural worker are especially asked to contact the people in their respective territories this week in order that Wilkes may reach the Red Cross quota. In every previous campaign Wilkes has exceeded the Red Cross quota and Major W. H. McElwee, Red Cross fund chairman, today urged that the people respond liberally and keep Wilkes' record clear.

MARGARET HIX RETURNS TO POST IN WAVES

Margaret K. Hix, who was recently promoted to rank of storekeeper first class in the WAVES, returned today to the naval air station at Jacksonville, Florida, after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. W. R. Hix, at Moravian Falls. She had as her guest Ruth Bennett, storekeeper first class, of Detroit, Michigan.

SGT. JAMES W. JOHNSON RECEIVES PROMOTION

Atlanta Ordnance Depot, Atlanta, Ga.—James W. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Johnson, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, has been promoted from Corporal to Sergeant at this station.

Sgt. Johnson entered the army in May 1944 at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. Prior to that time he was employed at the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Baltimore, Md.

His wife is the former Miss Belle White of Bloomville, Ohio.

SGTS. NICHOLS AND RANDELL VISIT HERE

Sgt. Wm. Arthur Nichols, of Parris Island, S. C., visited relatives here during the week-end. He was accompanied by Sgt. Eugene Ransdell, of Kearny, Nebraska. Sgt. Nichols and Ransdell are members of the Parris Island marine base postoffice personnel.

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Rexall Store Now Open For Business

Dr. J. H. Johnson, proprietor of the Rexall Store, one of the city's oldest drug firms, announced today that his store was open for business again, following interruption due to water damage.

"Every patron will be rendered the best service possible under our present emergency conditions", Dr. Johnson said.

Hat Demonstration Will Be Conducted

On Friday, March 22 beginning at 1:30 o'clock in the Town Hall in North Wilkesboro, Miss Willie Hunter, Clothing Specialist, State College Station, Raleigh, North Carolina, will conduct a demonstration on the making of hats, bags and gloves. Miss Hunter will have a wonderful demonstration to give at this time. It will consist of the making of new hats as well as the making over of old ones. This demonstration will be very timely as it will give all of us suggestions to re-style or make our Easter bonnets. You have no idea just what changing an ornament on a hat, or changing a band or ribbon can do to make it one that we enjoy wearing again. Miss Hunter has all the answers to our hat, bag and glove questions so be sure and make your plans to be present for this demonstration. I am sure you will not regret the time that you spend at this meeting.

Please announce this to all of your friends as Miss Hunter will be delighted to have you with us at this time.

MRS. ANNIE H. GREENE Home Demonstration Agent MRS. HELEN P. WHITE, Asst. Home Demonstration Agt.

Liberty Theatre Will Be Enlarged And Modernized

Will Be Rebuilt of Fireproof Construction; plan 1,000 Seating Capacity

The Liberty theatre, which was destroyed in the Poindexter building fire March 5, will be rebuilt much larger and better. Ivan D. Anderson, manager, said today.

The Northwestern Construction company, of this city, has contract for rebuilding the Poindexter building, which will be of much better construction than formerly. Work got under way today in clearing the debris of the fire from the building.

Mr. Anderson stated that the theatre portion of the building will be extended through a portion of the present garage building to the alley, making it one of the largest theatres in this part of the state, and that the seating capacity will be 1,000, an increase of 400 over the former size of the theatre.

The latest and most modern type of machines and equipment have already been secured for the theatre and will be ready for installation as soon as the building is constructed. The seats will be of the ultra modern type especially designed for the maximum in comfort.

The building for the theatre will be of concrete and steel. The plans, drawn by Benton and Benton, architects, call for a theatre equal in size and quality to the best known theatres in the state.

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