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Election Boards Members Named For All Counties

C. J. Jones, M. B. McNeill and E. R. Eller Appointed For Wilkes

County Boards of Elections were appointed in Raleigh Saturday by the State Board of elections.

For Wilkes the newly appointed board of elections is composed of C. J. Jones, chairman, M. B. McNeill and E. R. Eller. Messrs. Jones and McNeill are the Democratic members and Mr. Eller is the Republican member.

The boards appointed for other counties in this immediate vicinity follow: Ashe—H. H. Lemly, Oscar Houck and B. F. Cook; Alleghany—G. Glenn Nichols, Elmer Edwards and E. Estel Bedsaul; Alexander—R. L. Snow, Charles R. Watts and Rom Moore; Caldwell, Marcus Greer, Robert Bradley and Frank L. Smith; Iredell—Miss Floy Wilkenson, H. W. Hartness and Fred Lowrance; Surry—A. P. Fulk, R. C. Freeman and Warren F. Alberty; Yadkin—Fred J. Brandon, J. S. Reavis and T. R. Eaton; Catauga—R. T. Greer, John K. Perry and Russell D. Hodges.

Welfare Meeting For 5 Counties Is Held In This City

Charles C. McNeill, Superintendent of the Wilkes county welfare department, announced today that a welfare meeting for five western counties was held at the city hall in North Wilkesboro on March 15, 1946. Miss Ada McCrackan, director field social work service with the state board of public welfare, was present at the meeting, at which time she discussed interpretation and application of policies dealing with public assistance. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Nellie G. Lonon, field social work representative for this territory.

Approximately 15 persons were present for the meeting representing the following counties: Wilkes, Alleghany, Ashe, Yadkin, and Surry. Mr. McNeill stated that in all probability there would be additional meetings of this nature held from time to time at which time various representatives from the State Department of Public Welfare would be present to discuss various aspects of the welfare program.

Applications For Cotton Insurance Now Under Way

Farmers in Wilkes County were urged today not to let the time slip up on them in filing applications for cotton crop insurance. The closing date for accepting applications is April 10, or seeding time, whichever is earlier, according to H. C. Roberts, Chairman of the AAA County Committee.

There's a double reason for farmers to get their applications in early, he explained. One reason is for each farmer individually to have protection against all unavoidable natural hazards, which only Federal Crop Insurance can give him. Insurance protection starts when the cotton is planted.

The other reason is much the same, only broader—to make sure that the county has the required number of growers cooperating in the insurance program. Before crop insurance is available in any county, applications must be filed which cover at least 50 farms (or one-third of the farms growing insurance crops). Any landlord, owner, tenant, or sharecropper may insure his interest in a cotton crop up to 75 per cent of the average yield.

Farmers are urged to drop in at the AAA office and file their application before the closing date.

Revival In Progress

Revival services are now in progress at Fairplains Community church near this city. Rev. Harvey Phillips is the evangelist and Rev. Noah Beshears is doing the preaching. There will be two evangelistic services Saturday night, to be conducted by Rev. Harvey Phillips and Rev. Clate Brown.

Spring Begins With Snow On Blue Ridge

March 20 is usually considered the first day of spring. On Wednesday morning, March 20, snow capped the Blue Ridge north and west of this city and breezes from the snow had people here shivering in their overcoats.

Sixteen years ago on March 20 there was a 16-inch snow here, which blocked traffic on the highways. In the central part of the state the snow on that date reached a depth of two feet.

2 Boys Arrested For Theft Many Articles In City

Clint Johnson and Shelton Edwards Held For Thefts From Automobiles

Theft of many articles from automobiles parked in North Wilkesboro, along with theft of several bicycles, has been solved by the arrests of two boys, Police Chief J. E. Walker said today.

Clint Johnson, 13, and Shelton Edwards, 16, whose homes are in the Edgewood community, have confessed to the thefts of two bicycles, three rifles, one shotgun, a spotlight, leather jacket and a camera in North Wilkesboro. They also had two clocks, two pencil sharpeners and a typewriter which were taken from Wilkesboro high school.

The arrests were made on information gathered by Chief Walker, Arlie Foster, Wilkesboro policeman, and Wm. T. Long, Wilkesboro school principal. Practically all of the articles listed above have been recovered and returned to their owners. Edwards was tried in court here and given 60 days on the roads in a number of cases, with the road sentence suspended on good behavior and on condition he continue in school. Johnson will be tried before C. C. Hayes, judge of juvenile court in Wilkes.

Farm Practices To Be Approved

Farmers must have farm practices approved before carrying them out to be eligible for AAA assistance under the 1946 Agricultural Conservation Program. W. M. Absher, Vice-chairman, Wilkes County AAA Committee, reminded farmers today.

"In previous years, farmers could earn a payment simply by completing a practice approved generally for the area, but this year, counties have received an allocation of funds to carry out the AAA program. In order to keep expenditures within the county budget, practices must receive prior approval by the county committee."

"We don't want any disappointed farmers at the end of the year. It would be too bad for farmers to go ahead and complete practices, thinking that they were going to get some AAA assistance and then find out that the practices were not eligible."

"Farmers should check first with the AAA community and county committees, so that practices they need to carry out on their farms can be included in the county's budget," Vice-Chairman Absher emphasized.

Bids Approved For Construction Part Of Highway No. 18

Highway From McGrady to Laurel Springs to be Re-built Soon

The State Highway and Public Works Commission yesterday approved bids on a project calling for construction of highway 18 from McGrady to Laurel Springs, a distance of about 15 miles.

H. R. Stewart and company, of Asheville, was low bidder on grading for \$346,012.80 and contract for structures went to Rowan Construction company, of Salisbury, for \$16,971.50.

It is understood that the highway will be relocated on a survey made some time ago and the new highway will be a vast improvement over the present crooked road.

Two of India's foremost tobacco scientists are in the state to study flue-cured tobacco marketing and production methods.

Blue Ridge Singing At Purler Mar. 31

Regular session of the Blue Ridge Fifth Sunday Singing Association will be held Sunday, March 31, at Purler Baptist church. The program will open at one p. m. and all singers are invited to attend and take part.

Veterans' Forum Held Here Proved Very Successful

Large Number Veterans Secure Information On Many Topics

Under the auspices of the local employment office, a Forum for Veterans was held at the City Hall Monday, March 18 at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Kathryn A. Lott, Manager of the local office, presided and introduced the following representatives who told briefly what their organizations do for the benefit of veterans: J. V. Gallen, Training Officer of the Veterans Administration, W. A. Goodall, Contact Representative of the Veterans Administration who will be located permanently in North Wilkesboro by the 1st of April; T. J. Greenlee, Veterans Administration Representative of the Farm Training Program; Eugene Caldwell, State Service Officer; Troy I. Perry, Veterans Employment Representative of the U. S. E. S. and Miss Rebecca Moseley, Secretary of the local chapter of the American Red Cross.

In the discussions which followed, much interest was evinced not only by the veterans present but also by the employers. Questions were answered on the conversion of insurance, assistance on which is given by the Red Cross and V. A.; on training on the job, assistance on which is given the disabled by the V. A.; and on aided bodied, by both the U. S. E. S. and V. A.; on the certification of employers to give training on the job, assistance on which is given by the U. S. E. S.; on Readjustment Allowance, claims for which are filed through the U. S. E. S.

Since requests for another such forum have been forthcoming, it is proposed to hold one each month for the benefit of veterans and those interested in the welfare of the veterans.

Fields H. Baker Now With Dixie Home Co.

Fields H. Baker, formerly of Granite Falls, is the new manager of the produce department at the Dixie Home store in North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Fields recently returned from 33 months in service overseas and attended a produce school in Greenville, S. C., where he specialized in study of proper produce merchandising. Commenting on Mr. Fields, J. C. Williams, store manager, said: "We feel that the addition of Mr. Fields to our personnel will give our customers something new and different in fresh fruits and vegetables merchandising."

J. R. Barrett Now With The Sentinel Insurance Agency

J. R. Barrett, who recently received his discharge from the navy after a long period of service as a lieutenant in the Pacific theatre, has accepted a position with the Sentinel Insurance Agency in this city.

Mr. Barrett is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is well known here, having been a member of the North Wilkesboro high school faculty before entering service. He and his wife and son are now making their home with Mrs. Barrett's sister, Miss Norma Stevenson.

W. F. Abshers In Furniture Company At West Jefferson

A charter was granted in Raleigh Wednesday for the Jefferson Furniture company, of West Jefferson, which will deal in furniture. The incorporating stockholders were Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Absher, of North Wilkesboro, and Clyde J. Barr, of West Jefferson. Authorized capital stock was set at \$100,000 with \$12,000 subscribed.

Relief from the current shortage of onions on the market will begin in April with the harvest of the early Texas crop.

Kiwanians Ask For Vocational School Training

Letter and Resolutions Sent From Civic Club to Both County Boards

Following a recent action by the membership of the club, the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club has forwarded the following letter and resolutions to the Wilkes county board of commissioners and the Wilkes county board of education:

Letter "The Agriculture and Vocational Guidance Committees of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club have made a thorough study of the merits and needs for the teaching of Vocational Agriculture and Vocational Home Economics in the Wilkes County Schools. At a joint meeting of the two committees the membership unanimously agreed that the need of good teaching in practical boys and girls are in dire and requested that the matter be discussed at the Board of Directors' meeting, February 28, 1946.

"The Director's discussed the matter of teaching Vocational Agriculture and Home Economics and decided that this is a most essential undertaking. The enclosed resolution was presented to the entire membership of the Kiwanis Club on Friday, March 15, 1946 and was passed unanimously."

Resolutions To: Board of County Commissioners of Wilkes County and Board of Education of Wilkes County.

From: North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club.

Gentlemen: Whereas, Wilkes County is a rural county depending to a large extent on farming; and

Whereas, one of the chief ways of improving the farm family and its income is through education; and

Whereas, the vocational agriculture and vocational home economics programs in the high schools have proved successful in other sections of the state; and

Whereas, many boys and girls leave school before graduation because they see no relation between the school courses and their life's work; and

Whereas, Federal and State funds are available to pay two-thirds of the salaries of teachers of vocational agriculture and economics, which funds are not being used now in Wilkes County because the county has not yet appropriated its share of the total cost;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club in session Friday, March 15, 1946, that the Board of County Commissioners of Wilkes County be urged to make adequate appropriations to cover the cost for the next school year 1946-47.

Be It Further Resolved that the Board of Education of Wilkes County be urged to make necessary arrangements to add this work to the high school program of the county for the next school year.

Boy Scout Court Of Honor Tonight

The Boy Scout Court of Honor will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the educational building of the Presbyterian church.

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"CAPTAIN" R. V. FORD HAS QUIT TRAIN SERVICE AFTER 42 YEARS FAITHFUL CONDUCTOR SERVICE

"Captain" R. V. Ford, genial conductor on Southern Railway lines for several decades, made his last run from Winston-Salem to North Wilkesboro and return on Friday, March 14.

"Captain" Ford has retired under provisions of the railway retirement policy after being in the service of the Southern Railway company since 1902.

In 1902 Ford was brokeman on the line from Winston-Salem to North Wilkesboro and in 1904 became conductor on the line. At that time North Wilkesboro was a sprawling village which had sprung up on the hills at the railroad terminal.

Not all of the time since 1902 was spent by "Captain" Ford on the North Wilkesboro line. For several years he was on the Goldsboro run and for some time

Processing Plant For Poultry Here Now Virtually Assured

College Quartette Will Sing Sunday At First Methodist

The High Point College Quartette will appear in a concert of sacred music at the First Methodist church, this city, Sunday morning, March 24, according to Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, the minister. The High Point singers have appeared in a number of the larger churches in the state in recent months and have received praise for their exceptional work.

Among the numbers they will use at First Church are: "Savior, Thy Children Keep"; Sullivan, "I Waited for the Lord"; Mendelssohn; and "The Lord's Prayer", by Malotte.

The Quartette is trained by Professor A. Stanley Douglas, head of the music department of the High Point Institute, and is composed of the following students: Misses Charlotte Church-III and Denny Lee Bryson, Messrs Sam Taylor and John Mickey. They are accompanied by Miss Kei Imai.

Dr. N. M. Harrison, vice president of the college, will be present, and will deliver a brief address on Christian Education at the close of the program of sacred music.

40 M. P. H. Speed Limited Fixed For Highway Sectors

New Speed Limit on 421 and 115 West and East of North Wilkesboro

The State Highway and Public Works Commission has set 40 miles per hour as the maximum speed for travel on highway 421 a distance of 1.2 miles west of the city limits of North Wilkesboro.

The same limit has been fixed for highway 115 southeast to the intersection of highway 421 and on 421 and 115 to the intersection leading to Statesville.

To Begin Revival At Holiness Church

Revival services will begin Sunday, March 24, at Zion Hill Pentecostal church west of this city on the Congo Road. Rev. Woodrow Smith, of Marlon, formerly of this city, will conduct the revival and the public is cordially invited to attend.

PFC. RICHARD KANUP HOME ON FURLOUGH

Pfc. Richard Kanupp has returned to Fort Jackson, S. C., after spending a 30-day furlough with his wife, the former Miss Magdalene Johnson, and other relatives.

PVT. BAUGUSS HOME DURING WEEK-END

Pvt. James Robert Bauguess, of Fort Jackson, S. C., visited his sister, Mrs. Everette Lyall, and friends here during the week-end. He is the son of Mrs. E. E. Bauguess and the late E. E. Bauguess of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Route 1.

Mrs. Salina Rhodes Claimed By Death

Mrs. Salina Rhodes, age 67, died Tuesday at the Wilkes county home.

Funeral service was held today at Dehart church. Surviving are two sons and one daughter: A. E. Rhodes, Wilkesboro; Coyd Rhodes, Hays; and Mrs. Lula Jones, Oakwoods.

BIRTHS

A son was born March 18th at the Wilkes hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bowers, of this city. Born to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Pennell, of Pores Knob, a son on March 15 at the Wilkes hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Tharpe, of Greensboro, a son on March 16 at the Wilkes hospital. A son, William Alexander, was born March 15 at a Statesville hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blair, of this city.

Marriage License

With the high rate of marriages continuing, Registrar of Deeds Troy C. Foster issued ten license to wed during the past week. The couples were: Evren Billings, Street, Md., and Vergie Teague, McGrady; Clarence E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro, and Lola Williams, North Wilkesboro route one; Hughes G. Robinson and Edith Cardwell, both of Purler; Kyle R. Harris, Jefferson, and Clyde Sheets, Tuckerdale; Clifford Church, Jefferson, and Fannie Rebecca McClure, Jefferson; Frank Hall, North Wilkesboro, and Vera Felts, McGrady; Arnold Winger and Annie Bell Brooks, both of Hays; James Ivey Lutz, Jr., and Gladys Templeton, both of Statesville; Baxter Bryce Durham, North Wilkesboro, and Virginia Dare Church, Purler; Archie F. McNeil, North Wilkesboro, and Johnnie Mae Sebastian, North Wilkesboro.

Basketball Banquet To Be Tuesday Eve

Coach Charlie Manship announces the closing of a successful basketball season at North Wilkesboro high school. The local boys played about a 50 per cent season as for wins and losses and all material is due for at least one more year of play. With most of the squad young, the future points to some good seasons.

The girls made much progress and ended the season with a win over the strong All Star team.

The teams will be given a banquet Tuesday evening, March 26, 7:00 o'clock, at the Princess Cafe, in what is hoped to be in the future an annual affair.

Local Boys With Woodberry Team In College Tourney

Bucky Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Horton, and Tom Eshelman, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Eshelman, of North Wilkesboro, will go with the Woodberry Forest school basketball team to Glen Falls, N. Y., to participate in a basketball tournament which will take place March 28-30. The school is one of eight selected from leading preparatory schools in the country to take part in the tournament.

Horton and Eshelman, students at Woodberry Forest School, will leave Richmond on March 26, accompanied by Samuel E. McLaughlin, coach of the team. Ten members of the student body of the school comprise the team making the trip. They will go to New York whence they will proceed by boat to Albany and from there to Glen Falls. They will return to the school at the end of the Spring Vacation period on April 2.

Clonch Child Dies

Helen Louise Clonch, age two months and 14 days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Clonch, of near this city, died Wednesday and funeral service was held today at Flint Hill church. Surviving are the father and mother and four brothers.

City Sales Co. Is New Local Firm

Charter Granted for Corporation Which Has Jeep Agency in This Area

A charter was granted this week by the Secretary of State to the City Sales Co., Inc., newest local business firm.

Paul W. Billings, A. H. Lovette and Odell Whittington, Jr., are members of the firm, which had the dealership in this territory for the famous jeep manufactured by the Willis corporation.

The firm is now open for business in the Odell Whittington, Jr., repair and welding shop between the Wilkesboros and a complete service department is being operated for all makes of cars and trucks and for general repair work.

If rains are favorable, subterranean clover will make sufficient fall growth to provide good winter grazing.

Eight Hatcheries Join In Movement To Erect a Plant

Tentative Plans Call For Complete Processing and Packing of Poultry

Seven hatcheries in this vicinity and one in Statesville have organized a company for the erection and operation of a poultry processing plant in or near North Wilkesboro.

Recognizing the fact that Wilkes is the center of poultry production in western North Carolina and is one of the leading poultry producing counties in the entire south, the hatcheries have taken the lead by providing a large amount of capital for the erection of a plant, which would greatly stabilize the poultry market.

Tentative plans call for a modern processing plant, in which poultry for the market would be dressed, viscerated, cut, packed and frozen. The capacity of the plant would assure poultrymen a ready market at highest prevailing prices for all the poultry produced.

Local hatcheries supporting the movement by subscribing capital are Champion Poultry Farm, Blue Ridge Hatchery, Elder's Hatchery, Red Top Poultry Farm, Holly Mountain Farms Co., Tuxedo Feed Store, and Wilkes Hatchery. Also joining in the movement is Bunch Hatchery, of Statesville.

The movement to obtain a processing plant here has been gaining momentum for some time. Recently representatives of the leading poultry producers, members of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce and marketing specialists of the federal and state departments of agriculture held conferences here relative to the poultry processing plant proposal.

Wilkes Schools In Spelling Bee

The Wilkes County School system has entered the National Spelling Bee. The Spelling Bee is sponsored in this state by The Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel.

Dates for the different contests follow:

- 1. Each school will select the school champion by April 10.
2. Each school champion will compete in the County Contest in the Wilkesboro school auditorium Saturday, April 13, at 10:30 a. m.
3. The county winner will compete in the State Spelling Bee in Winston-Salem April 27.
4. The State Champion will compete in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D. C. May 23-26, 1946.

Any pupil who has not passed beyond the eighth grade at the time of the holding of the bee in his school shall be eligible, except that no child who will reach the age of 16 years old before the last Tuesday of May in the current school year shall be eligible.