

MEET SMOKEY!

Smokey Says:



WOODS FIRES THREATEN THE JOBS OF OVER ONE MILLION WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES GETTING THEIR LIVING DIRECTLY FROM FORESTS.

Burned woodlands mean less timber for labor to cut, trucks to haul and mills to saw. Help keep wildfire out of the woods... for the benefit of everyone.

Today's edition of The Journal-Patriot, introduces "Smokey," an amiable cartoon bear, with a wise and timely forest fire prevention message. This inimitable character, wearing trousers and a forest ranger's hat, will present to our readers a weekly message on forest conservation and protection.

The importance of forests for providing lumber, and other woods products, has never been better recognized than today. The need for thousands of homes, increased paper output, and other products, is urgent. Growing trees to meet these demands, and to provide work for local labor in this community will require protection from fire and mismanagement.

Save Food And Help Save Lives

- A. Every day you can save wheat in this way:
1. Prevent waste of bread. It is estimated that 5 per cent or one slice out of every loaf of bread baked every day goes into garbage.
 2. Use less bread at each meal.
 - a. Use potatoes, for example, as alternates for bread. One small serving of potatoes replaces a slice of bread, nutritionally.
 - b. Use oat cereals more often. A serving of oatmeal equals two slices of bread, in food value.
 - c. Use fruits and other desserts for pastries and cakes.
 3. Use less wheat cereals and other wheat products. Use alternate foods.
 - a. If every man, woman and school child in the U. S. reduced the use of bread by three slices a day in the home, almost three-fourths of a million tons of wheat would be freed for shipment overseas in the next 90 days.
 - b. Every day save fats and oils at home in this way:
 1. Make better use of meat drippings for cooking and seasoning food.
 2. Serve fewer fried foods.
 3. Save and re-use fats and oils for cooking purposes.
 4. Render excess fats on meats and save bacon grease for cooking purposes.
 5. Salvage all fats that cannot be re-used and turn them in to your butcher or grocer.
 6. Go easy on oils and salad dressings.
- A teaspoon of fat a day saved by every man, woman and school child in the U. S. will mean a total saving of at least one million pounds of fat a day.
- Save a Little and Help a Lot.

This column sponsored by American Red Cross Nutrition Service.

Dr. W. F. Jones' Office Is Located Over Tomlinson's

Office of Dr. W. F. Jones, well known local dentist, is now located over Tomlinson's Department Store on B street.

Dr. Jones' office is located on the opposite side of the street from his former location in the Poindexter building, which was destroyed by fire March 5. Dr. Jones' office is now completely equipped with new equipment and furnishings.

Stone Mountain S. S. Convention Mountain Valley

Program Given For Annual Session to Be Held On May 25 and 26

The Stone Mountain Baptist Sunday School Convention will meet with Mountain Valley church, May 25 and 26, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The program follows: Song service by Mountain Valley choir; welcome, Gwyn Hayes; response, B. W. Carter; Devotional, Rev. W. B. Luffman; sermon, Rev. A. F. Aisher; organization of various committees; 12:00, social hour, dinner on grounds; 1:00, songs by congregation; Prayer; query: "The Sunday School and its Purpose," by Rev. Carl Cockerham, U. M. Myers, and Mrs. Claude Deal; appointment of committees; query: "The Responsibility of the Teachers and Officers in Reaching the Unsaved," by Rev. Roy Franklin, Rev. Watson Bryant, Mrs. Carroll Dancy; report of committee; query: "Enlargement of a Campaign of More Effective Organization of the Sunday School," by Miss Madge Lewis, Rev. S. L. Blevins and Mrs. J. E. DeJournette; query: "How to Enroll the Adult Church Members That Are Not in Sunday School," by Rev. D. C. Miller, Mrs. J. L. Gregory, Mrs. V. W. Luffman.

Sunday Morning
Song service; devotional, Rev. H. E. Blevins; Sunday School Lesson, V. W. Luffman; query: "The Personal Responsibility of each Member of the Sunday School in Enlarging Attendance," by Rev. J. G. Huffman, C. B. Settle and Trealy Kilby; sermon, Rev. Grant Cothren.

Robert Lunn Will Appear In Legion Show On Tuesday

Grand Ole Opry Show to Be Held at Courthouse On Tuesday Night

Robert Lunn, the talking blues boy, is just back from the service after several months in the South Pacific and he is the same old Robert who left the Grand Ole Opry to join the armed forces.

He will appear on Tuesday, May 14, 7:30 p. m. in the Courthouse in Wilkesboro, along with his Grand Ole Opry show.

Robert has a style of comedy that will keep you laughing from the time the show starts until the curtain goes down. Folks who have seen him in person say that he is one of the best entertainers ever to appear on the stage.

The way he sings a song, tells a joke, and then goes into his original dance called the "Pork Chop Stomp," is worth twice the price of admission. Those who have heard him on the Grand Ole Opry on Saturday night can tell you that he never fails to stop the show with applause from the audience.

The show will be sponsored by the Wilkes Post of the American Legion.

Mrs. Thompson Taken By Death

Funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at Lewis Fork Advent Christian church for Mrs. Mary Etta Yates Thompson, age 96, well known resident of the Lewis Fork community who died Monday night.

Mrs. Thompson, wife of Moses E. Thompson, had been in apparently normal health until she was stricken by a heart attack Monday night.

Surviving Mrs. Thompson are her husband, seven daughters and two sons: Mrs. P. D. Annas, Greensboro; Mrs. Walter Propert, Hickory; Mrs. A. G. Nichols, Millers Creek; Mrs. W. J. Church, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Sherman Anderson, Wilkesboro; Mrs. William Abernethy, Charlotte; Mrs. Ralph Moretz, Deep Gap; Dick Thompson, North Wilkesboro; and Moses E. Thompson, Boone. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Eva Stout, of Lenoir.

Rev. R. L. Isbel, of Lenoir, conducted the funeral service, assisted by Rev. Mr. Trivette, of Boone. Interment was in the Thompson family cemetery. Many beautiful flowers were fitting tributes to the esteem held for Mrs. Thompson, who had led an exemplary Christian life in her community.

Revival Meeting To Be Held At Hinshaw Street Baptist Church

Beginning Sunday, May 13th, there will be a series of evangelistic services, at Hinshaw Street Baptist church, conducted by the Rev. Grady White. A cordial invitation is extended to all by the pastor, Rev. W. S. Luck. Services will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and each evening thereafter at 7:30 o'clock, continuing through May 26th.

Remodeling Farm Homes Is Stressed To Home Clubs

The housing program has been of much interest to the women in Wilkes County. During the war years the scarcity of materials has made building and remodeling almost impossible. Now that building materials are gradually becoming available their thoughts turn to the many improvements they wish to make in their homes.

Miss Eva German, whose address is Boomer, is a member of the Boomer Home Demonstration Club. She teaches school and during the winter months isn't able to attend many of the meetings. However, her mother who is also a member of the club, tells her about the topic discussed and takes her the reading material distributed at the club meetings. In this way she is able to keep in contact with the club though she isn't able to always attend. The house in which she and her family lived had been built for nearly a hundred years. There weren't any conveniences and the rooms were so large that heating was really a problem. Miss German had several carpenters to come and look the house over and advise her as to the possibilities of remodeling. After looking the house over they said it would not be wise to attempt remodeling. There was much good material in it, so it was carefully

timber on their farm for most of the new house and they used what they could of the old. The living room and the dining room is finished in knotty pine paneling making them most attractive. The kitchen is very conveniently arranged having plenty of cabinet and storage space. The plans for the arrangements of the cabinet and other details were secured from the Home Agents office. The back porch is about eight feet wide all the way across the back of the house. This makes for a wonderful working spot and also a good eating place in the summer. The bed rooms have big nice closets in them and are conveniently located to the rest of the house. Now the heating problem has been solved and the house as a whole is very convenient. The expense of building this home wasn't so great, due to the fact that the timber was available on their own farm.

We are hoping many women in Wilkes county are going to be able to soon enjoy the convenience of building and remodeling their homes.

Can You Offer This War Veteran A Job?

Age 29; Race, white; Sex, male; Education, B. S. Degree, A. S. T. C.; Major in Army; General Supply Officer in charge of procurement, distribution and keeping records on general supply, also Utilities Officer. Was teacher before entering service. Does not want to teach now. Will accept position at \$150.00 month. Contact Employment Office.

Homecoming At Friendship Church

The annual Homecoming at Friendship church will be the Fourth Sunday in May. During the war many of the folk have been away and could not attend, but this year they are back and will be present. It is expected that this will be the biggest homecoming so far.

The forenoon will be taken up by the Sunday school, preaching service, and other features that fit in. There will be dinner on the grounds. Returned service men and women will be featured in the afternoon program, with Chaplain G. W. Bumgarner directing.

All friends of the church and community are invited. The program will be printed later.

State Winner



Dean Minton, North Wilkesboro high school senior, will represent North Carolina in the Southeastern Region oratorical contest of the Knights of Pythias lodge to be held in the near future. Dean, who is president of the student council of the North Wilkesboro high school, recently won first place in the state contest held at Asheville. Regional winners will compete for the college scholarship prizes before the Supreme Lodge in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Dean is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Minton, of North Wilkesboro.

Liberty Theatre Property Bought By Ivan Anderson

Real Estate Deal Involving Valuable Property Completed This Week

Ivan D. Anderson, who for the past several years has operated the Liberty Theatre in this city, has purchased the Liberty Theatre property from Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Poindexter.

The theatre, transferred title to his theatre building now under construction and the lot 5 by 140 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. Poindexter retained the half of the Poindexter building not occupied by the theatre, and the 25 foot lot with small building east of the theatre.

Mr. Anderson said today that construction of the theatre, which was destroyed by fire on March 5, will be rushed to completion as early as possible and that work is progressing rapidly.

The theatre is being rebuilt much larger than formerly and will have a seating capacity of approximately 1,000. The building will be constructed of steel and concrete and will be fire-proof throughout. Northwestern Construction company, of this city, has the contract for erection of the theatre.

Mr. Anderson said today that steel seats of body form construction have already been purchased and are ready for delivery. The seats will be in staggered position to assure direct lines of vision from every seat to the stage and screen.

WING TALK

Visitors to the local "airyard" in the past several days included Mr. Max Freeman, of Hickory, flying the new Ercoupe. The Ercoupe is a low wing light ship with a tri-cycle landing gear.

"Hick" Hickerson and "Pritch" Eller on cross country to Winston-Salem—they call it business—well, maybe; probably "monkey-business."

One of the local airplane "drivers" who makes flying his business took off Tuesday for the fair city of Chester, S. C. It seems that in the Spring "a young man's fancy turns to love and flowers" and we all know there are plenty of flowers around North Wilkesboro and Wilkes County. We won't call any names but this driver in question owns and operates a red Aeronca Chief and is known by a nickname of "Drifty."

Mr. Cecil Bumgarner, of Hickory, is now in charge of maintenance and repair at the local field. Mr. Bumgarner holds a pilots license as well as an Aircraft and engine license and is Vice President of the local organization.

The Northwestern Bank Gets Banks At Newton, Maiden

Addition of 2 Branches Increases Assets Local Institution to \$30,000,000

The Northwestern Bank, which has home office in North Wilkesboro and branches in 13 other cities and towns, has purchased the assets of the Merchants and Farmers Bank at Newton, with branch at Maiden.

The consolidation became effective May 1. With the merger, the Northwestern Bank assets were increased to more than \$30,000,000 and the capital, surplus and undivided profits account to more than one million dollars.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Northwestern Bank Wade H. Shuford, prominent industrialist and manufacturer, of Hickory, was elected a vice president of the bank and will be connected with the branches at Newton and Maiden.

Since the purchase of the bank at Newton and branch at Maiden the Northwestern bank has branches in the following cities and towns: Sparta, Jefferson, Boone, Blowing Rock, Bakersville, Spruce Pine, Black Mountain, Old Fort, Valdese, Newton, Maiden and Taylorsville.

New Hickory Bank Building Approved

Hickory, May 1.—The Northwestern bank, of North Wilkesboro, has obtained permission from the civilian production administration's Greensboro office for construction of a new \$80,000 building for its branch bank here which formerly was known as the Bank of Hickory, according to Wade H. Shuford, of this city.

Shuford recently was elected a vice president in the Northwestern chain, which has branches in a number of towns in this section. Shuford will be at the helm of the new bank at Newton and Maiden.

A construction contract has not been awarded, Shuford said. Completion of the structure is anticipated 120 days after work starts.

Three Good Games In Softball League

Local Baptists and Wilkesboro Methodists Take Contests On Tuesday

Three well played games thrilled players and spectators Tuesday afternoon on the second playing date for the church league in the Wilkesboros.

The closest score resulted from the contest in Wilkesboro, where the Wilkesboro Methodists overcame an early lead to defeat the Presbyterians nine to seven.

On the Smoot Park field First Baptist number 2 team outlegged the North Wilkesboro Methodists to come out on the big end of a 14 to 10 score. Both teams tried to knock the cover off the ball.

First Baptist number 1 took the measure of the Wilkesboro Baptists ten to four on the Fairgrounds field.

Standing of the teams now is as follows:

TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Wilkesboro M. E.	2	0	1000
First Baptist 1	1	0	1000
First Baptist 2	1	0	1000
N. W. Methodists	1	1	500
N. W. Presbyterians	1	1	500
Wilkesboro Baptists	0	2	000

Scout Camporee Is to Be Held On May 18 and 19th

Boy Scout Camporee of the Wilkes Scout district, which was scheduled to be held May 4 and 5, will be carried out on May 18 and 19.

The camporee, which is an annually anticipated event among local Boy Scouts, was postponed because of rain and cold weather during the past week-end.

It is expected that all troops in the county will participate in the camporee May 18 and 19.

MASONIC NOTICE

Liberty Lodge number 42, A. F. & A. M., will meet Monday night, 7:30, for work in the third degree. All members are asked to attend.

Can You Beat This Record In Garden?

Victory gardeners this year will have to step lively to have a better garden than Mrs. J. C. Critcher's at Moravian Falls. Already Mrs. Critcher has been enjoying peas and new potatoes from her garden, as well as lettuce, onions, radishes, strawberries and other earlier vegetables. Her tomato plants have tomatoes large as hen eggs, the corn is knee high and the beans are growing well.

Spring Federation Home Clubs Here Is Well Attended

Splendid Program Carried Out Tuesday Afternoon At First Baptist

Spring Federation of Home Demonstration clubs in Wilkes county held Tuesday afternoon at the First Baptist church here was acclaimed a splendid success.

The federation meeting was the highlight of National Home Demonstration week observance by clubs in Wilkes.

More than 200 home club members and guests enjoyed a well planned program and heard an inspiring address by Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, assistant director of Extension work in North Carolina.

Other leaders on the program included Miss Anamerle Arant, district home agent, Mrs. Annie H. Greene, Wilkes home agent, Mrs. Helen P. White, assistant home agent, and a number of home demonstration club officers and leaders in the county.

Saturday Last Day For Registration

If you want to vote in the May 25 primary election, you'd better get your John Henry on the line before Sunday.

Unregistered voters were warned again yesterday that registration deadline is sundown Saturday, May 11.

Challenge date has been announced as Saturday, May 18. Incidentally, the U. S. Weather Bureau says "sunset is 7:18 p. m. May 11."

OUR BOYS

JACK HOWARD HAS RECEIVED DISCHARGE

Jack Howard, Pm 3-c, received his discharge from the U. S. Navy on the first day of May. He arrived home to spend a few days before returning to Baltimore, Md., where he has accepted a position.

While here he attended the Junior-Senior formal at W. C. O. N. C. at Greensboro.

1ST SGT. GEORGE OGILVIE HAS RECEIVED DISCHARGE

First Sergeant George M. Ogilvie, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Ogilvie, of Oakwoods, recently received his discharge from the army after three years service. Sgt. Ogilvie served in Patton's Third Army with the 65th and 9th infantry divisions in France, Germany and Austria.

ROSS LEE HAWKINS RECEIVES DISCHARGE

Ross Lee Hawkins, seaman first class, received his discharge from the navy last week at Charleston, S. C., after 26 months service, including 16 months overseas, when he was awarded two battle stars. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben L. Hawkins, of Denny.

SGT. L. R. HENDERSON RECEIVES PROMOTION

Lucius R. Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henderson, of Wilkesboro, North Carolina, has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant, according to a recent announcement at the Alaska Air Depot.

Sgt. Henderson is a Weather Observer with the Army Air Forces at Amchitka, Alaska. He arrived in April of 1945.

Following his induction into the Army he was sent to Keosauqua Field, Mississippi, for his Basic Training. He attended the Weather Observers School at Chanute Field, Illinois. He is a graduate of Wilkesboro high school with the class of 1935.

An increase of 15 cents per hundred pounds has been made in the government's support price for Irish potatoes, bringing the total price offered for No. 1's to \$9.25, f. o. b. shipping point.

Will Issue Bonds For Two Buildings In School System

Order Passed By County Commissioners Is Being Published Today

First move by Wilkes county to alleviate the school building inadequacy in the county was taken this week by the decision to issue \$44,000 in county bonds for erection of school buildings at Pleasant Hill and Pleasant Ridge in the eastern part of the county.

The \$44,000 in bonds to be issued, the order of the board of commissioners stated, would be used with other funds for the two buildings designated.

It is also understood that the county has plans for early construction of a school building for Cricket school west of this city.

The order of the board of commissioners relative to the bond issue is published elsewhere in this newspaper.

Dr. Lewis New Member Staff Of Wilkes Hospital

Surgeon Recently In Navy Is Assistant To Dr. F. C. Hubbard

Dr. Robert Edward Lewis has joined the staff of the Wilkes Hospital as assistant to Dr. F. C. Hubbard in surgery.

Dr. Lewis is a native of Lumberton. He received his pre-medical education at the University of North Carolina and attended Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, where he graduated in 1944. At that time he was in the navy and he began service as a medical officer in the navy, continuing until his discharge on March 29 this year. During his service in the navy he was overseas for five months, serving on the USS "Albatross."

Dr. Lewis' wife and small daughter, Mary Susanne, are making their home with her people at Black Mountain until living quarters can be located here.

Bumgarner Will Speak At Sunday Evening Service

Beginning next Sunday, May 12th, the evening service at First Methodist church will be held at eight o'clock instead of five.

At the service on next Sunday evening Chaplain G. W. Bumgarner will speak on his experiences as a chaplain with the Fifth Marine Division. Chaplain Bumgarner is now on terminal leave, awaiting his separation from the service early in June. He was in service for three years; serving for one year at the Naval Air Center at Alameda, Calif. Then he was assigned to the Fifth Marine Division and was in the Pacific for eighteen months. Chaplain Bumgarner was with his division in the battle of Iwo Jima, one of the most rugged engagements of the Pacific theater.

No doubt he has a thrilling story to tell and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

K. of P. Meeting Time Eight O'Clock

Knights of Pythias lodge meeting time has been changed from 7:30 to 8:00 p. m., beginning with the meeting on May 13. Degree work will be carried out and all members are asked to attend.

Edwards Democrats Will Meet Saturday

Democrats of Edwards precinct number 1 will meet Saturday, two p. m., in the Ronda school gymnasium to perfect a precinct organization. All Democrats in the precinct are invited to attend.

Fairplains Home Club Plans Party

Fairplains Home Demonstration club will sponsor a Stanley Products party and demonstration Monday night, May 13, 7:30, at the home of Mrs. Wiley Brooks. All are invited to attend.

Preaching Service At Moravian Falls

Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, pastor, will preach and communion service will be observed Sunday, 11 a. m., at Moravian Falls Baptist church. The service is cordially invited to the service.