

## Many Sentences Are Meted Out In U. S. Court Term

### Number of Liquor Law Violators Draw Prison Terms From Judge Hayes

With many cases yet to be tried, much headway has been made in the May term of federal court on the large docket of criminal cases.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, is presiding over the court.

Judgment has been rendered in the following cases, which were for violations of the liquor law unless otherwise specified:

- William G. Watson, fine of \$200 and probation two years.
- Julius Clark, 18 months in Atlanta prison suspended.
- Arvin Baugus, prison sentence suspended and placed on probation two years.
- Eugene Walker, year and a day in Petersburg, Va., reformatory.
- John Elison Wiles, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio.
- Cama Robertson, \$200 fine and two years probation.
- George Thomas Poole, \$500 fine and three years probation.
- Hazel Virginia Tallent, violation motor theft act, \$500 fine and probation five years.
- J. Frank Pearson, accepting loose sugar stamps, \$750 fine and probation two years.
- Connie Johnson, violation national park laws, \$100 fine and probation two years.
- William Arthur Keese, violation Selective Service act, three years in prison.
- Robert Tucker, violation Selective Service act, one year in prison.
- Robert Lee Mastin, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio.
- Paul Monroe Prevatte, year and a day in Chillicothe.
- Arville D. Eller, year and a day in Chillicothe.
- Robert Delp, \$300 fine and 15 months in prison suspended, placed on probation.
- George Glenn Delp, year and a day in Chillicothe, Va., suspended, placed on probation.

The following defendants were placed on probation of varying terms: Hansford Bentley, Robert Glenn Vickers, James Garris, Robert T. Ferguson, Boyde Simmons, James Clark Chambers and John Andrew Cleary.

## Juniors Ladies Night Banquet Gala Occasion

One of the most successful Ladies' Night banquets in the history of the council was held Tuesday night by the North Wilkesboro council of the Junior Order.

With approximately 130 Juniors and guests present, a most enjoyable banquet was held. Bradley Dancy was toastmaster. Johnson Sanders delivered the address of welcome, to which appropriate response was given on behalf of the ladies and guests by Mrs. C. B. Eller.

D. E. Elledge presented Attorney J. H. Whicker, Sr., speaker for the evening. Mr. Whicker delivered a most interesting and inspiring address, which was well received by the crowd. Entertainment between features of the program was furnished by the Sunset Ramblers string band.

The banquet dinner served by ladies of the New Hope Baptist church was thoroughly enjoyed.

## Can You Offer This War Veteran a Job?

Sex, male; age, 23; single; Education, H. S. graduate and Navy Training Course for Storekeepers. Can type 30 wpm.; Experience: Storekeeper 2-c in charge of supplies of main bakery; ordered supplies as needed; kept perpetual inventory; kept daily cost records. Assemblyman for 27 months for Glenn L. Martin Company; also Timekeeper for hosiery mills. Will accept position in this area at \$160 month. Contact U. S. Employment Service, phone 336.

## BILL GABRIEL RETURNS FROM COAST GUARD DUTY

Bill Gabriel, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gabriel, has received his discharge from the coast guard and is now at home. Bill was stationed at Jupiter Lake, Florida. He plans to return to his studies at High Point College, where he was a student before entering service.

## Hoey Is In Accord With Views Stated In Veterans' Letter

### Senator Gives Cordial Reply To Letter Sent By Veterans Here

In response to a letter from the Blue Ridge Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars here last week, Senator Clyde R. Hoey stated in a letter received here today that he would do all he could to put into the writing of the statute the views expressed by the post.

The letter forwarded to Senator Hoey and Senator Bailey condemned the strike situation in the country and asked that labor laws be enacted to curb strikes and to make unions equally responsible under the law with management.

The letter to the senators was written by a committee composed of J. F. Jordan, James M. Allen, J. A. Johnson and Thomas L. Caudill. Text of Senator Hoey's letter to the committee follows: "I am glad to have your letter of May 16, 1946, expressing the views of Blue Ridge Mountain Post 1142 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in regard to strikes and the tie-ups of our industries. "I am in hearty accord with the views which you express and I wish to thank you for writing me. I shall do all I can to put into the writing of the statute your very high views."

## Scout Camporee Is Much Enjoyed By Scouts In County

### Many Blue Ribbons Awarded Patrols for Camp Activities Held Here

The Wilkes District Boy Scout Camporee was an uproarious and howling success. Saturday morning about 7 a. m. it was darker than it should be because of the heavy rain.

It looked like a rain would start at any minute. The chances of the boys camping out in that kind of weather looked mighty slim; that is, to everyone but the boys. By 7:30 they had begun to gather and soon they were swarming all over Jack Swofford's place. They had taken seriously the published statement—"One event that will not be called off on account of rain." The rain, thunder and lightning Saturday afternoon will make the event live long in the memory of the boys.

Seventy-seven Scouts representing 13 patrols in 7 troops took part. They were supervised and directed by 16 adult leaders of the 13 patrols. Ten won blue ribbons and 2 red ribbons.

After supper Saturday the boys were treated to ice cream by Highway Patrolman Sergeant Clark, and Chief of Police John Walker.

For a campfire program J. D. Moore arranged a fine entertainment of string music on the lawn of his home nearby.

On Sunday afternoon Dr. Gilbert R. Combs and Rev. Watt M. Cooper conducted church service at the camporee site.

Patrols awarded blue ribbons were: Hawk patrol of troop 32, B. R. Banner, leader; Lion patrol of troop 95, J. S. Mayberry, leader; Pelican patrol of troop 35, Cowles Hayes, leader; Eagle patrol of troop 32, Fred Glass, leader; Cobra patrol of troop 36, Bob Meserve, leader; Cobra patrol of troop 95, A. C. Yale, leader; Lion patrol of troop 34, E. G. Wyatt, leader; Eagle patrol of troop 99, Vance Kilby, leader; Lion patrol of troop 99, Paul Wellborn, leader; Raven patrol of troop 36, Jim Moore, leader. Red ribbons were awarded the following patrols: Flying Eagle patrol of troop 77, Bill Hubbard, leader; Indian patrol of troop 35, George Forester, leader; Tiger patrol of troop 99, Thomas Whittington, leader.

The following Scout leaders, commissioners and committee members served as judges: Edward S. Finley, Frank Crow, Carl Vaandeman, Blair Gwyn, Ivey Moore, J. D. Moore, Paul Cragan, Gordon Forester, G. R. Andrews, Isaac Duncan, J. B. Carter, Paul Osborne, Bill Absher, Carl Bullis, Paul Bumgarner and Archie Hege.

Ralph Harbinson, field Scout executive, visited the camporee from Saturday afternoon until Sunday noon.

North Carolina agricultural economists say that farm predictions now are "precarious" because many important national policies are yet "unsettled."

## Wins Contest



Hickory.—T. C. Plexico, freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Plexico, of North Wilkesboro, took first place in the annual Freshman-Sophomore Declamation Contest held in St. Andrews Lutheran Church on the college campus, Tuesday night, May 7. The title of his declamation was "Gethsemane." The main thought of his declamation was finding the true meaning of life, and the place a person may turn to when other forms of consolation have proved futile. Life must be built upon a foundation of faith, a foundation which will enable a person to find his "Gethsemane."

There were four other entries, all members of the sophomore class.

Mr. Plexico will receive a gold medal given annually by Dr. Glenn R. Frye at the commencement exercises on June 3.

Mr. Plexico is active in many other activities on the campus, College Music Club, Diakonian Club, Playmakers, Demosthenian Literary Society, Mixed Chorus, and the Lutheran Student Association.

## Valuable Timber To Be Sold 20th

Four tracts of valuable timber, containing more than two and one-half million feet, will be sold at auction at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Tuesday, May 28, two p. m., by the Rouseau Realty company.

J. R. Rouseau, manager, listed the tracts as follows: 82 acres on Gap Creek in Ashe county, known as the Cowles lands, containing approximately 375,000 feet; 400 acres in King's Creek township in Caldwell county, containing about 1,200,000 feet; 317 acres in Beaver Creek township, Wilkes county, with about 750,000 feet; 100 acres in Cranberry township, Alleghany county, containing about 325,000 feet.

A ten per cent deposit will be required of high bidder at the day of sale. It is expected that much interest will be shown in the sale and that many will attend.

## Dr. Clyde Erwin To Spend Friday In Wilkes County

### State Superintendent Public Instruction to Deliver 2 Addresses Here

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, head of the school system in North Carolina as superintendent of public instruction, will spend Friday in Wilkes county visiting schools and delivering two addresses.

At noon Friday Dr. Erwin will address the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club.

In the afternoon he and C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes schools, will visit a number of schools in the Wilkes county system.

At eight o'clock Friday night Dr. Erwin will deliver the commencement address at North Wilkesboro school, at which time it is expected that he will be greeted by a large audience.

## Mrs. Gibbs' Pupils Will Give Recitals

Students of Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs' music classes will be presented in recitals at Mrs. Kilby's studios on D street on the following dates. Parents and friends are invited: Junior recital, Thursday, May 23, eight p. m.; Intermediate recital, Saturday, May 25, eight p. m.; senior recital, Tuesday, May 28, eight p. m.

# Interest In Primary To Be Held Saturday Increasing

## Wear Poppy

On Saturday, May 25, all of us will be asked to wear a little red poppy on our coats or dresses. The day will be Poppy Day, when, once each year, we of America pay tribute, by wearing their memorial flower, the poppy, to those who gave their lives in America's service during the World War. And as we receive our poppy from the women of the American Legion Auxiliary, who will distribute the flowers on the streets that day, we will be aiding the war's living victims by the contribution we make for the flower.

The poppy comes to us from the fields of France and Belgium where the churning tide of war obliterated all touches of beauty except its brave red blooms. It comes to us from the shell-pitted battle areas and from among the wooden crosses of the war cemeteries. There it was nature's tribute to the heroic dead, and here in America it is the tribute of patriots to those who made patriotism's highest sacrifice.

The poppies which we will wear on Poppy Day are not, of course, natural flowers from the World War battlefields. They are flowers which have even greater significance than any nature could produce. They have been grown in hospitals and work-rooms where the war's suffering still is going on. They have bloomed under the hands of men disabled in the war—the comrades of those in whose honor they will be worn. Their petals are only paper and their stems wire, yet into them has been breathed the spirit of patriotic sacrifice, the spirit of those days when life itself was not too much to give.

The disabled veterans who make the poppies derive double benefit from the work. First, it gives them employment—their only chance to help support themselves and families. With strength and health gone, they cannot compete for work against the able-bodied, but they can make poppies. Even in their hospital beds they can do this work, earning money for each flower they make. Second, the work is of real value in aiding their recovery, occupying hands and minds, breaking the tedium of long idleness, and restoring spirits crushed by hopelessness.

The women who distribute the poppies, unlike the disabled veterans who make them, receive nothing for their efforts—nothing tangible, that is, only the satisfaction of having helped brighten the memory of the dead and of having contributed to the welfare of the living. It is hard, unaccustomed work for them, but they do it gladly, happy to be able to serve in such a cause.

The money which is dropped into the coin boxes in exchange for the poppies goes entirely to the welfare activities of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, supporting the work which these two great service organizations do for the disabled veterans, the families of the disabled and the families left in need by the death of veterans. Every penny is made to serve, and because of the close understanding and sympathy existing between the Legion and Auxiliary men and women and those whom they are aiding, every penny is made to serve doubly in a cause of highest worth.

Understanding the meaning of the poppy and the uses to which the poppy funds are put, can any of us be deaf to the appeal of Poppy Day? Can any of us fail to greet the Auxiliary poppy workers with a welcome smile, fall to put on the poppy of remembrance for the dead and show that we remember the living by contributing as liberally as our means will permit? I am sure there are few in Wilkes County in whom remembrance, gratitude and patriotism burns so low. I am sure that the Poppy will be on all our coats on Poppy Day.

## DUDLEY HILL, JR., NOW HOME ON LEAVE

Dudley S. Hill, Jr., seaman first class, will return to the naval air base, Anacostia, D. C., near Washington, tomorrow after a spending 12 days leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley S. Hill.

## Homecoming Event Friendship Sunday

Annual Home Coming day will be observed Sunday, May 26, at Friendship Methodist church near Millers Creek. The event annually brings back to the community many former residents and the home coming is anticipated with much interest.

The program will open at 9:45 a. m. with church school under direction of Paul Delp, superintendent. Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner, pastor, will preach at 11 on the subject of "Growing Christian Manhood." Dinner will be spread picnic style at noon.

The afternoon program will consist of an address by guest speaker, remarks by visitors, singing by Wilkesboro quartet and others.

## Expecting Large Crowd Will Hear Dr. Clyde Erwin

### State Superintendent To Speak at Commencement Here Friday Night

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, will deliver the commencement address Friday night, eight o'clock, in the final program of the North Wilkesboro high school commencement.

In addition to local people, an invitation has been extended to all in this section who are interested in public education to hear Dr. Erwin.

The number of graduates for the commencement this week has increased from five to seven. Beginning with the 12th grade next year, there are only two regular students to receive diplomas.

They are Dean Minton and Robert Kerley. The other five are young men who completed their necessary credits with special courses while in the army and navy. They are Royal R. Budally, Robert C. Faucette, Tam Hall, Benjamin A. Harrison and Ralph J. Williams.

Friday night's program will open with singing of the national anthem, followed by the pledge of allegiance and the Lord's Prayer. The high school band will render two numbers and certificates and awards will be made. Following address of Dr. Erwin the high school diplomas will be awarded.

Marshals for the program will be Martha Absher, Eddie Shook, Aline Hayes, Jane Cragan, Lloyd Turner, Harold Turner, Charles Winters and Elizabeth McNeill.

## SGT. ANDREW LOMAX KILBY HAS RECEIVED DISCHARGE

Sgt. Andrew Lomax Kilby, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kilby, of this city, received his discharge from the army and returned home Wednesday after being in service in the army air corps since December 7, 1943. He served at many points in the Pacific and for the last several months in Japan. In the fall of this year he will resume his studies in college.

## Support Y. M. C. A.

## FUNDS DONATED BY LOCAL FIRMS FOR USE CITY SOFTBALL TEAMS

As a result of work members of the North Wilkesboro Town Softball team during the past few weeks, the necessary funds have been raised to uniform and equip the Town Softball Team.

The local merchants cooperating to the fullest extent in donating to the team's support, and exhibited as never before their eagerness to help sponsor a team representing North Wilkesboro in the Mountain League Softball. The team composed only of local boys and strictly representative of their town, the merchants felt that this was a big step forward furthering the civic activities and feeling justly proud that they have a share in cooperating to bring to the Town some additional recreation that is needed very badly.

The following business firms contributed to the Team fund, which is the beginning of a permanent city wide recreation program that will be carried forward from year to year and branching out into other forms for the citizens of the town. A total of \$635.00 dollars was raised and it is hoped that merchants not yet donating will see fit to send a donation to Maurice Walsh at the Goodwill Store, or Roy Forehand at the Liberty Theatre and from time to time additional list of funds received will be published. It is hoped that donations will be received from the North Wilkesboro Merchants 100 per cent:

Carolina Home and Auto Supply, F. H. Crow, City Sales Co., V and T Tire Co., Gray Brothers Furniture Co., Prigette Stores, Steele Jewelry Store, Wiles Jewelry Store, Bare's Dept. Store. See SOFTBALL—Page 5

## 7 Injured In Auto Crash

Seven were injured Wednesday night when an automobile and pickup truck crashed head on on the Moravian Falls highway one mile from Wilkesboro.

R. Carroll Lowe, of Moravian Falls, was driver of a 1939 model Ford coach and was traveling toward Moravian Falls. With him was Miss Luna Nichols, of North Wilkesboro, and Bill Ernest, of Boomer. Miss Nichols sustained a hip fracture and other injuries. Lowe received cuts and bruises and Ernest had only minor injuries.

In the pickup truck traveling toward North Wilkesboro were Guy Talmadge Fletcher, driver, his two sisters, Misses Hazel and Sylvia Fletcher, and a small boy. The driver sustained a serious back injury and all other occupants of the pickup sustained minor injuries. All occupants of both cars were carried to the Wilkes hospital by ambulance for treatment.

State Highway Patrol Sergeant A. H. Clark, who made an investigation of the accident, arrested drivers of both vehicles on charges of careless and reckless driving.

## Letter Carriers To Have Meeting Here On May 30

Brushy Mountain unit of the North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers Association will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, May 30, at the American Legion clubhouse in this city.

The meeting will open at 11 a. m. and principal speakers will be R. Clyde Winbarger, of Boone, vice president of the North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers Association, and J. C. Reins, North Wilkesboro postmaster.

At the close of the meeting a picnic dinner will be spread. All carriers, temporary and substitute carriers, postmasters and their families are invited to attend.

J. W. Atwell, of Statesville, is president of the Brushy Mountain group and Cary C. Lowrance is secretary.

## North Wilkesboro And Elkin Split Double Bill Here

North Wilkesboro and Elkin split a double header here Wednesday afternoon in Mountain League softball games.

North Wilkesboro took the first game four to one on the effective hurling of Crews and faultless support atfield. Crews also hurled the second game, which went to Elkin 2 to 1 on a walk and two successive hits in the third frame.

The local team still leads in the softball league, having defeated Elkin twice, Sparta twice and Piney Creek twice while losing only one.

## Primary Voting On Congressional And Sheriff Races

### Both Parties in Wilkes Have Contest For Sheriff Nominations

Interest in the primary to be held Saturday, May 25, is increasing in Wilkes as the few campaigns are nearing their end. With exception of races for nomination for sheriff by both parties, the interest is centered on the Democratic nomination for congress in the eighth district, in which W. E. Horner, of Sanford, and C. B. Deane, of Rockingham, are the candidates. Both are making pre-primary claims of victory and political observers are of the opinion that the result may be close.

In Wilkes there are two in each party seeking the nomination for the office of sheriff. O. G. Poindexter, Republican incumbent, is seeking a second four-year term and his opponent is Githern L. Eller, Wilkesboro route one.

In the Democratic party there are two candidates for the nomination for sheriff, Rufus B. Church, of North Wilkesboro; and Joel Bentley, of Pores Knob. The Republicans had one other primary contest until this week. W. S. Fletcher, of Purlair, withdrew as a candidate for the nomination for clerk of court, leaving C. C. Hayes, Republican incumbent, unopposed for the Republican nomination for a fourth term.

Polls will open Saturday morning at seven a. m. and close Saturday evening at seven p. m.

## Mountain View Commencement

### Dr. David E. Browning To Deliver Commencement Sermon Sunday P. M.

Dr. David E. Browning, pastor of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Mountain View high school Sunday, May 26, 2:30 p. m.

Eugene White, principal, announced the program and stated that the graduating class is composed of four graduates. The small class being due to the fact that 11th grade students this year will be in the 12th grade next term.

The program Sunday afternoon will open with prelude by Mrs. Myrtle Norris Church, followed by a congregational song and invocation by Dr. Browning. Miss Glenna Higgins will sing "My Task."

Marshals for the program will be Clemmie Harrold, Betty Gray Billings, Dorothy Brewer and Edith Byrd.

## 4-H Church Sunday Is To Be Observed

"Rural life Sunday" will be observed throughout the State on Sunday, May 26. Through the cooperation of the ministers in Wilkes County, the 4-H Club Members have made their plans to observe this Sunday. At this time all 4-H Club Members will participate in the churches in their respective communities.

The Heart "H" was included in the 4-H program to provide training in the spiritual growth and development of the individual. The 4-H Club Sunday is one means of bringing this about. By participating in some phase of 4-H Sunday program, 4-H Club members will grow spiritually and acquire strength to keep the pace that our loved ones fought and died to preserve.

In a world confused with conflicting ideas, there is need for a guiding spirit to guide us in the paths of peace and security. There is need for spiritual growth and development in keeping with the rapid development in other fields. It is a sincere hope of the Extension Staff that every 4-H Club member will help in some way in the 4-H Church Sunday program on May 25.

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