

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE HEADS REPORT ARRANGEMENTS UNDER WAY FOR LIONS SHOW ON JULY 3-4

All indications point to outstanding event, two day and two nights

Annual horse show to be staged by the North Wilkesboro Lions Club July 3 and 4 on the Wilkesboro school athletic field should be the outstanding summer sports event of Northwestern North Carolina, according to reports of horse show committee chairmen given at the Lions club meeting Friday evening.

Committee chairmen making their reports included: Dr. J. W. Willis, stables and grounds; Wm. T. Long, entries; Dwight Nichols, publicity; W. D. Jester, season tickets and other arrangements; Clyde Pearson, refreshments; Bill Marlow, advertising for program.

Entries received to date include some of the finest horses in North Carolina, with several from other states. There are 45 classes in the show, which will be held at two and eight p. m. on July 3 and 4.

Other business before the Lions club included the installation of the following officers for the coming year; W. O. Absher, president; Bill Marlow, J. H. Whicker, Jr., and W. D. Jester, first, second and third vice presidents; Dick Gwyn, lion tamer; J. D. Moore, tall twister; Wm. A. Hardister, secretary-treasurer; G. T. Bare, G. R. Andrews, Paul Cashion and Edward S. Finley, directors.

The officers were installed with appropriate ceremony led by Dr. J. S. Deans, retiring president, who thanked the club for cooperation during the year, which has been a most successful year for the club.

Forrest E. Jones, who recently began his duties as executive secretary of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, was a guest of president Deans Friday. Jack Anderson was the guest of his father, James M. Anderson.

Millers Buy Interest In Wilkesboro Firm

W. W. Miller has purchased the interest of D. R. Parker in the Parker-Miller Grocery in Wilkesboro, and will have associated with him his sons, Warner Miller, Jr. and Frederick C. Miller. The name of the firm is now W. W. Miller & Sons. The grocery firm carries a very complete line of groceries, fruits, vegetables and package meats.

For the present, Frederick C. Miller will not be associated with the grocery store. He now holds a position at the Southern railway depot.

Wilkesboro High Plans Vocational Agriculture Soon

C. E. Jarvis has been employed to teach Vocational Agriculture in the Wilkesboro high school and will begin his work July 1. Mr. Jarvis is a native of Mars Hill, and a graduate of Berea College in the school of Agriculture. For the past five years he has taught Agriculture in the Stony Point high school in Alexander county.

Mr. Jarvis is married and has one child. They will move here when a house or apartment can be secured. Any one knowing of a vacant house or apartment is asked to please notify Mr. Jarvis or C. B. Eller.

The Agriculture Department is being made available by an appropriation from County funds to match State and Federal funds for Vocational Work. By securing the Vocational Department the county will be able to cooperate with the Veterans Administration in offering farm training for the World War Veterans.

The Veterans Farm Program is supervised by the Vocational Agriculture Department, therefore, the program has not been available for veterans in this county. The program will be organized as early as possible after July 1, and all veterans interested should make application to the Veterans Administration for the program and then contact Mr. Jarvis or Supt. C. B. Eller. Additional teachers or workers will be employed to work directly with the veterans under the supervision of Mr. Jarvis. These workers will be paid by the Veterans Administration and will work full time with the veterans.

V. F. W. Sale Of Poppies Saturday June 29 This City

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Will Sell Poppies On Streets Here

Veterans of Foreign Wars will sell memorial poppies here on Saturday, June 29.

The sale will be conducted on the streets by members of the V. F. W. auxiliary.

Asking the public to cooperate in this effort, the V. F. W. lists the following causes for which the proceeds of the poppy sale will be used:

For the aid, relief and comfort of needy veterans and of men serving with the armed forces, their dependents, widows or orphans;

Maintenance and expansion of the V. F. W. National Home for orphans of veterans;

Hospital or individual assistance and entertainment for needy veteran and service patients and their dependents;

Rehabilitation, welfare and service work, including Veterans Administration liaison service;

Necessary expenses for military funerals for deceased ex-service men;

Acquisition, improvement and maintenance of burial plots, and decoration of graves of veterans and service men.

President Harry S. Truman wrote the following message to the V. F. W. commander in chief:

"The increasing importance of veterans affairs particularly commends the VFW sale of Buddy Poppies this year.

"In supporting the V. F. W. National Home at Eaton Rapids, Michigan, this poppy sale gives the orphaned children of veterans an opportunity in life equal to that enjoyed by the average American child.

"These are both splendid purposes which recommend to all the wearing of a Buddy Poppy this year."

Program Chairman J. B. Williams introduced and presented as his speaker Roy Foster, Mayor of the City of Wadesley, Ga., and a former citizen of Wilkes county.

Mr. Foster made a very interesting reminiscing talk, particularly giving attention to the progress made by Wilkes county and North Wilkesboro in the past 25 years. He recalled the Camp-Lot days of North Wilkesboro and the times when two horse wagons were stalled in the mud in front of the North Wilkesboro Bank.

Since then much and far reaching progress has been made. He stated that this community is now known far and wide for its good works. Mr. Foster also paid tribute to his own town, of which he is the Mayor. It was a good talk and the fellows enjoyed having Roy back home again for a day.

Guests Friday were as follows: Rev. W. N. Brookshire and Rev. C. W. Bullard with Dr. G. T. Mitchell; G. C. Smith, of Lenoir, with E. F. Gardner; L. L. Morgan, Mrs. G. E. Motley, Mrs. C. R. Hinton and Mrs. Thillie G. Mayberry with D. E. Elledge; Major B. Harris with W. F. Gaddy; James M. Anderson with W. J. Caroon; H. L. Mechem with R. D. Smith; P. E. Brown with S. V. Tomlinson; J. G. Hackett and Roy Foster with J. B. Williams.

John W. Dula Is Taken By Death

Funeral Service For Widely Known Wilkesboro Citizen Held Today

Funeral services for John W. Dula, prominent Wilkesboro citizen who died Sunday, 1:17 a. m., at the Wilkes hospital, was held this afternoon at the Wilkesboro Presbyterian church.

Mr. Dula was stricken with a heart attack on June 9. Apparently, he had improved until he suffered a second attack a short time before his death.

John Witherspoon Dula was born in Wilkesboro on April 20, 1877, a son of the late Col. Thomas J. Dula and Mrs. Mary E. Howell Dula. In early life he attended Wilkesboro Academy and Oak Ridge Institute.

With the exception of three years in a government position in Washington, D. C., Mr. Dula spent his entire life in Wilkesboro, becoming one of the town's best known and most highly respected citizens.

For more than 40 years Mr. Dula served with efficiency as United States Commissioner in Wilkesboro, which position he held at the time of his death. Many years ago he was in the produce business and later established a grocery business in Wilkesboro, which he operated for more than a quarter of a century. When the Selective Service system was set up in 1940 Mr. Dula was appointed as a member of Wilkes Selective Service Board number 1, on which he served faithfully and efficiently until his death.

Mr. Dula many years ago joined Wilkesboro Presbyterian church. He was also a member of Liberty lodge number 45, A. F. and A. M., and the Royal Arch Masons.

Mr. Dula was married to Miss Nettie Lowe Smoak, of Wilkesboro, who died many years ago. Surviving are one daughter, Miss Mary Dula, of Wilkesboro, and three brothers, L. B. Dula, of Wilkesboro, T. E. Dula, of Caliente, Nevada, and W. H. Dula, of Charlotte.

Dr. Joe H. Carter, of Newton, a former pastor, and Rev. Watt M. Cooper, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of North Wilkesboro, conducted the funeral service for Mr. Dula this afternoon. Burial was in Mountain Park cemetery, where members of the Masonic lodge, held impressive grave rites. Many beautiful flowers were fitting tokens of the esteem held for Mr. Dula by many friends here, and from distant points.

Flood Control Delegations At Hearings In Washington

Wilkes Soldier Is Honored at Bruns General Hospital

Holder of Bronze Star and Purple Heart, Pfc. Dula Is Highly Praised

Pfc. Conrad F. Dula, formerly of Hendrix, N. C., was recently featured as patient of the week in The Mountain Echo, weekly publication of Bruns general hospital at Santa Fe, N. Mexico.

Interviewed by an Echo reporter in his ward D-7 Dula told of his lengthy experience with the U. S. army, beginning on January 2, 1939 when he was only 16 years of age.

According to the interview which appeared with his picture on the front page of the hospital newspaper, Dula has seen action in the Pacific and in the ETO.

His first enlistment was at Fort Jackson, S. C., and from there he went to Fort Lewis, Wash., where he joined an engineer battalion and worked for eight months on the construction of the Alcan highway.

In late September 1939, his engineering assignment took him to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, where more than two years later he experienced the arrival of the Japanese bombing mission.

With a loss at the hands of the Nippons of 86 men from the battalion, the engineers departed a week later for Attu, in the Aleutians. Arriving in the middle of January, 1943, the engineers found their work accentuated by hand to hand fighting with the Japanese. Three weeks after their landing the men shipped to southern waters.

A period of two months of tough engineering under fire climaxed the expiration of Dula's enlistment.

Upon his arrival in the United States May 20, 1942, the toughened soldier of the early days of World War II, was discharged at Fort Lewis, Wash. There followed a brief civilian period at his home in Hendrix before the draft put him back in service in November 1942, at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Following a year of infantry training and maneuvers in Arizona and at Camp Berkeley, Tex., Dula embarked on Camp Killmer, N. J. for D Day preparations in England. As an infantry messenger with a rifle company, Dula's assignment through Normandy, St. Lo, Brest and the Moselle river region was really "rough going."

Wounds received in the Battle of the Bulge, in February 1945, culminated in hospitalization in Paris. Subsequently, two months of medical technician training in Paris led to assignment with the 365th station hospital from August 15, 1945 until January 23, 1946.

As a patient again, Dula returned to the United States by air, via Mitchell field, N. Y., and arrived at Bruns February 23, 1946.

Private Dula wears the Bronze star medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Purple heart awarded by Col. Charles L. Gandy, MC, commanding, the Good Conduct medal, Distinguished unit badge, the American defense service medal, and the European-African-Middle Eastern campaign medal and the Victory medal.

Dula plans to return soon to his home to do clerical work with the Bell telephone company.

Associational B. T. U. Meet

Will Be Held Tuesday Evening, 7:30, at Moravian Falls Church

Baptist Training Union of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association will hold a mass meeting at Moravian Falls Baptist church Tuesday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

A program of special interest has been planned for the meeting and members from all churches in the association are urged to attend.

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The World's Largest Carriers Sail Together as Eighth Fleet Maneuvers

USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (foreground) and USS Midway (astern) take part in maneuvers of the U. S. Eighth Fleet, which is under the command of Admiral Merga A. Mitscher, USN. Both 43,000-tonners they are two of the three largest carriers in the world, the other one being the USS Coral Sea. The present maneuvers will extend into the summer.



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PENNEY'S REMODELED, ENLARGED STORE READY; OPENING THURSDAY

Formal opening of the J. C. Penney Company store Thursday will disclose extensive remodeling and improvements—including an entire new second floor, basement and balcony store—for the benefit of the shopping public, Richard E. Gibbs, manager announced today.

"The new second floor, basement and balcony area, doubling our former selling space, have been modernized to give Penney customers the advantages of the latest display techniques," Mr. Gibbs said. "These together with new equipment will permit the fullest possible display of merchandise for examination and comparison."

New-type headers—large wooden cut-outs against a lighted background—will make it easy for Penney shoppers to find the departments they want without loss of time searching for them.

"Customers of our new second floor departments and the balcony store will find complete lines of ready-to-wear merchandise for women and children in new open-type fixtures designed to save time and speed service, as well as improving appearance," Mr. Gibbs revealed.

In addition, he said, a basement store has been opened for toys and home wares.

First floor departments include: men's hats, clothing, furnishings, work clothes, curtains and draperies, oil cloth, patterns, notions, domestics, piece goods, hosiery, slippers, lingerie, jewelry and accessories and shoes.

The balcony store includes: a Jim Penney boys' shop and departments for infants' wear and furniture.

Second floor departments include: millinery, sportswear, foundations, girls' wear, cotton shop, dresses, coats and suits and layaways.

Basement: with new fixtures included: housewares and year-round toy department.

The Penney manager said the decision to expand and modernize the store was in accordance with the Company's postwar aims in this area, adding, "Penney's now will be even better able than before to serve the people of North Wilkesboro and surrounding area."

The store is one of 31 in the Penney chain in this State.

Mr. Gibbs joined the Penney Company in 1934 as a salesman.

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Local People To Urge Favorable Project Action

Valley People Preponderantly In Favor of Flood Control Dams Now

Interested citizens from various parts of the Yadkin Valley are in Washington this week to appear in hearings on the flood control proposal for the Yadkin river valley.

John E. Justice, Jr., chairman of the Yadkin valley flood control committee, J. B. Williams, president of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, and E. F. Gardner, local manufacturer, all of this city, will present North Wilkesboro's urgent request for immediate favorable action by the Senate Committee on Commerce for approval of the army engineers' flood control proposal.

The project now before the senate committee and which was submitted by the War Department engineers calls for two dams on the Yadkin above Wilkesboro and two dams on the Reddies River, which enters the Yadkin between the Wilkesboros. The dams would be dry dams purely for flood control and would be of sufficient size to impound up to six inches of flood run-off.

Citizens of the Yadkin valley in this vicinity and for many miles downstream, including the town of Elkin, are preponderantly in favor of the project and realize that flood control is essential for protection of the valley, industrially and agriculturally.

Some opposition has developed in the upper part of the Yadkin valley in Wilkes and Caldwell counties. The opposition will be represented by Attorney W. H. Strickland, of Lenoir.

Local civic organizations have unanimously urged that the Senate Committee on Commerce give prompt approval of the flood control plan and have it included in the flood control bill now before congress and which has already passed the house. If the Yadkin valley project is added to the bill appropriation will be made for the project.

First cost of the four dams to protect the Yadkin valley is estimated at slightly over seven million dollars with \$25,000 annually for upkeep and maintenance.

Proponents of flood control are expected to point out to the committee that the dams, which would be dry dams and would require a minimum loss of lands to production, would protect a great distance of the valley below from repetition of the disastrous floods of 1916 and 1940 proportions and would also protect crops in the valley from the smaller floods which do much damage almost every year.

League Standing Is Unchanged By Thursday Games

Wilkesboro Baptists added to their string of victories Thursday afternoon by a forfeit over the Presbyterians, who did not have a sufficient number of players on hand for the game.

First Baptist 1 defeated First Baptist 2 in an overtime game 10 to 9.

The Wilkesboro Methodists got on the winning side for the first time in weeks by defeating North Wilkesboro Methodists 4 to 1.

The league standing:

TEAM	W.	L.	Pct.
Wilkesboro Baptist	12	2	857
First Baptist	10	6	667
N. W. Methodist	7	6	538
First Baptist 2	6	8	429
N. W. Presbyterian	4	8	333
Wilkesboro M. E.	3	12	250

LAST OF FIVE TRIPLETTS DISCHARGED

Seaman Robert Triplett, who had been in service in the Pacific, received his discharge last week and has returned home. Robert was the last of five sons of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Triplett to receive honorable discharges from the army and navy.

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