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Many Cases Being Docketed For the Next Court Term

150 Already Pending And Many Others Expected To Be Added

More than 150 cases have already been docketed for trial in the August term of Wilkes superior court and reports from magistrates are expected to increase the total.

Judge F. Donald Phillips, of Rockingham, will preside over the term which will be for trial of criminal cases.

First Week: J. E. Adams, Reddies River; Old Wiles, Wilkesboro; William J. Bumgarner, Reddies River; J. H. Walker, Walnut Grove; Spurgeon Haynes, New Castle; P. E. Baugues, North Wilkesboro; G. W. Felts, Somers; A. C. McGlamery, Reddies River; N. E. Gentry, Edwards; W. C. Walsh, Beaver Creek; Richard Moore, Wilkesboro; Lee R. Mitchell, Somers; E. D. Johnson, New Castle; Walter Davis, Stanton; Elisha McNell, Reddies River; M. D. Prevette, Somers; G. P. Foster, Reddies River; J. M. Canter, Wilkesboro; Arvil Gentry, Edwards; J. R. Pendergrass, Lovelace; P. D. Wellborn, North Wilkesboro; C. A. Absher, Walnut Grove; J. T. Martin, Edwards; W. A. Wood, Traphill; W. B. Warren, Traphill; Glenn Perry, Reddies River; Joe White, Elk; W. H. Eller, Reddies River; Ray E. Parlier, Brusly Mountain; U. L. Sebastian, Reddies River; E. M. Anderson, Lovelace; L. G. Blackburn, Lewis Fork; W. F. Tucker, Edwards; G. C. Owens, Mulberry; M. F. Church, Reddies River; J. C. Ward, Rock Creek; G. A. Key, Edwards; Vern Johnson, Rock Creek; John A. Haynes, New Castle; James S. Bumgarner, Reddies River; Fred Eller, Lewis Fork; Ed Barnett, Wilkesboro; J. N. Felts, Rock Creek; Luther Holbrook, Edwards; Richard M. Church, Reddies River; James Blackburn, Rock Creek; John B. Walker, Union; J. M. Wright, Somers; R. F. Miles, Walnut Grove; A. B. Fairchilds, Lewis Fork; Dewey L. Minton, Mulberry; H. V. Wright, Lovelace; G. W. Wellborn, Edwards; Thomas Laws, Boomer; R. G. Bumgarner, Reddies River; W. C. Luffman, Edwards; A. C. Brown, Rock Creek.

Rev. Joe Hiatt Is Heard By Club On Talk 'Together'

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held an enjoyable meeting Friday noon.

Prior to the program J. B. Williams discussed the importance of impressing our legislators at Washington the desires of the club members about the flood control dam. A motion carried authorizing the Secretary to send telegrams to five persons, including our two senators and three representatives in this territory for their support.

Attendance prize given by Dr. Combs was won by Ed Gardner. Program chairman John Walker asked J. H. Whicker to present his speaker, the Rev. Joe Hiatt, Superintendent of Chatham Memorial Hospital, of Elkkin. Mr. Hiatt with his accustomed humor, made a very interesting talk on the subject, "Together." The tenor of his argument was that, "Together we go forward, but divided we fall." The members greatly enjoyed his humor and optimistic philosophy. Guests Friday were: Zeb Stewart, of Lenoir, with L. M. Nelson; Rev. A. B. Hayes with W. K. Sturdivant; Rev. Joe Hiatt with John Walker.

Escaped, Captured

Eudaily Billings, local man sentenced in March to serve four years on the roads, escaped Saturday morning from the prison camp at Lenoir and was arrested here Saturday evening and returned to camp.

American Legion In July Meeting

Wilkes post of the American Legion in meeting Friday night postponed installation of officers until the first Friday night in August.

However, an interesting meeting was held and several matters of interest and importance were discussed.

Remodeling Going On Beech's Place

Beech's Place cafe on Tenth street is closed this week and will be closed through next week remodeling. A tile floor is being laid and many other improvements are being made in the building and equipment. The cafe plans to re-open on Monday, July 23.

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Now In Japan



S. Sgt. Bert H. Byers was inducted into the army December 14, 1944. He received his basic training at Camp James T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark., and went overseas July 1, 1945. He is now stationed in Japan. S. Sgt. Byers served in the 27th Infantry Division and was later transferred to the 11th Airborne Division, which is now with the occupation forces in Japan. S. Sgt. Byers is the husband of Mrs. Gaye Rhoden Byers, of Wilkesboro, Route One.

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Commenting on his subject, he said that it was appropriate that we look backward to ascertain whether or not we have strayed from the principles which have been responsible for the success of the nation. The message was received with much interest.

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Convict Escaped

L. B. Hoskins, negro convict serving 30 years for murder, escaped from the prison camp here Friday and has not been recaptured. Hoskins, whose home is at Laurinburg, was an "A" grade prisoner.

1946 Model Truck Stolen; Recovered

Police are still trying to find out who broke into Wilkes Auto Sales company on Forrester Avenue and stole a new, 1946 model truck.

The thieves used the new truck to haul away a power unit which was also stolen from the firm. On Friday the truck was found on old highway 16 near Reddies River. It had not been damaged. Parts of the power unit were found near the truck.

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Caudill Speaker For Baptist Hour

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist church in Memphis, Tenn., will be the speaker for the Baptist hour radio program Sunday morning, 8:30. His subject will be "Christian Strategy For World Conquest."

Dr. Caudill is one of the outstanding ministers in the Southern Baptist convention. He is a native of Wilkes, being a son of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Caudill, of Hays, and it is expected that many Wilkes people will hear him Sunday. WJSS, Winston-Salem, carries the Baptist hour program.

George Kennedy Resigns As Head Telephone Office

In Telephone Business 25 Years, Will Devote Time to Other Business

George Kennedy, manager of the North Wilkesboro branch of the Central Telephone company and who has been associated with the telephone business here for 25 years, has resigned his position.

Mr. Kennedy, whose last day with the company will be Friday of this week, plans to devote his time to private business interests. He began his career in the telephone business on September 15, 1921, when he became an employe of the Horton Telephone company, which was owned by local interests and under management of Ralph Duncan. At that time the system had about 300 telephones. Now there are about 1,400.

In 1929 the Horton Telephone company was sold to Southern States Utilities company. Later it was sold to Southeast Public Service company, which was later changed to Central Telephone company.

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Mrs. Pearson Rites Conducted Tuesday

Mrs. Betty Belle Pearson, 55, well known resident of the Moravian Falls community, died unexpectedly at her home Monday afternoon, three o'clock. She had been in ill health for some time but had not been seriously ill.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, 4:30, at Moravian Falls Methodist church. Mrs. Pearson, widow of the late Silas S. Pearson, was born July 23, 1891, a daughter of the late Cicero and Martha Howell Hix. Surviving are the following sons and daughters: Charles S. Pearson, Gastonia; Miss Louise Pearson, Moravian Falls; Mrs. T. G. McLaughlin, North Wilkesboro; Miss Betty Pearson, Charlotte; three grandchildren, Tommy and Martha McLaughlin and Robin Pearson. Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: J. R. Hix, Mrs. J. W. White and Miss Mary L. Hix, North Wilkesboro; Grover and Tommy Hix, of Moravian Falls, and Charles D. Hix, of Denver, Colorado.

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The pastor, Rev. S. I. Watts, closed a 10-nights revival meeting at Mt. Carmel church Wednesday night with 10 additions to the church.

Now In Germany



Pfc. James Robert Baugues was inducted into the Army in October, 1945, and after one week at Fort Bragg was sent to Fort McClellan, Ala., for his basic training. After his training he reenlisted for 3 years in the Quartermaster Corp. After a 7-day furlough at home, he reported back to Fort Bragg, and from there was sent to Fort Jackson, S. C. where he was assigned to overseas duty April 8th, and now is stationed in Frankfurt, Germany. He is the son of Mrs. E. E. Baugues of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Route 1.

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Engineers To Begin On Flood Control Project Next Spring

\$1,000 REWARD IS OFFERED FOR CAPTURE POKER GAME BANDITS

\$1,000 cash reward has been posted and placed in the hands of G. G. Poindexter, sheriff of Wilkes county, for the arrest and conviction of the two masked bandits who entered the home of Jim Foster three miles south of North Wilkesboro on highway 115 at one o'clock Saturday morning and robbed Foster and guests of approximately \$28,000.

Sheriff Poindexter said today that the \$1,000 cash reward had been placed in his hands by Foster, who lost a greater part of the \$28,000 in cash taken by the bandits who entered the Foster home with a sub-machine gun and automatic and held up Foster and three others who were engaged in a poker game. The bandits forced Foster to open his safe, from which they took \$17,000. About \$11,000 was taken from Foster, Doubt Powell, Charlie Combs and Joe Holland.

Sheriff Poindexter, an agent of the State Bureau of Investigation, Sgt. A. H. Clark, of the highway patrol, J. E. Walker, local police chief, and other officers have been working steadily on the case but report no developments to date.

U. S. E. S. Office Places English Girl

Recently a young lady appeared at the local U. S. E. S. office and applied for a job. On registration, it was found that she was an English bride having recently joined her husband here. Being qualified for an opening in the laboratory at Coble Dairy Products, she was referred and accepted on the job. A follow-up with a company official brought forth this statement: "She is doing fine. I would like to have more just like her."

Hubbard Family Reunion Is Held

Annual reunion of the Hubbard family was held Sunday at the old Hubbard home place near Moravian Falls.

At noon members of the family from many places gathered and a bountiful picnic dinner was spread and thoroughly enjoyed. Dr. F. C. Hubbard, president of the clan, presided. Short talks were made by W. R. Hubbard, of Moravian Falls, H. C. Hubbard, Sr., of Salisbury, C. D. Scroggs, of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Mrs. W. S. Surratt, of Washington, D. C., who read the list of the names of the Hubbard family who have been in service.

Dr. Hubbard, president, and Mrs. L. G. Critcher, secretary, were re-elected to serve for another year and the next reunion will be held early in July, 1947. Members of the family present from distant points included: Mrs. W. W. Greer, Newport News, Va.; Mrs. W. S. Surratt, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Humphries and daughter, Jane, of Brentwood, Md.; Miss Hope Hubbard, Farmer; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Kearns and daughter, Elberta, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Scroggs, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hubbard, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hubbard, Jr., Salisbury; Miss Margaret Cassel, Bryn Mawr, Pa.; Mrs. Ed Saffrit and two children and George S. Scroggs, Chicago, Ill.

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Measure Carrying Yadkin Project Is Passed In House

Conference Agrees To Addition of Yadkin Proposal; Now Before House

LATE BULLETIN The flood control bill passed the house today, according to a telegram received by John E. Justice, Jr., from Rep. Jane Pratt.

Washington, July 9—Army engineers are making plans to start construction of the \$7,194,000 Yadkin flood control program next spring.

While the house is expected to accept the Yadkin amendment to the flood control bill, steered through the senate by Sen. Clyde Hoey, it is not anticipated that the appropriation bill, making funds immediately available, will be passed until the new Congress convenes in January.

Hoey, pinch-hitting for Sen. Josiah W. Bailey, chairman of the senate commerce committee, appeared at hearings on the \$752,000,000 flood control bill and prevailed upon the committee to insert the Yadkin program in the measure, already passed by the house. Bailey is still recuperating from recent illness, and is unable yet to attend sessions.

Approval by the lower body, with Tar Heel Reps. Robert L. Doughton, of Laurel Springs; John H. Folger, of Mt. Airy, and Rep. Jane Pratt, of Lexington, pushing the proposal, was expected to be a triumph. The bill will then go to the White House for certain presidential sanction.

But passage of the flood control authorization will not make the money available. The appropriation bill, making funds available, must be passed before actual construction can begin. Hoey and his house colleagues consider themselves and North Carolina fortunate that the Yadkin program was authorized during this session, since the flood control bills had already passed the house when the army engineers completed their report to the Bailey committee.

Cancer Campaign Exceeded Quota In This County

Plan Four Reservoirs The Yadkin flood control plan provides for four reservoirs in the Yadkin system uplands—two on the Yadkin west of Wilkesboro and two on the Reddies, four and nine miles, respectively, above its mouth.

The federal government's policy has been to permit cultivation, without liability to Uncle Sam, of land in reservoir areas not subject to inundation except during so-called high water seasons.

Col. E. G. Herb, of the army engineers, told the senate commerce committee at hearings on the bill that a considerable portion of the land in uplands areas of the reservoirs would be subject only to "partial inundation." He added that a portion of these lands would be available for grazing or cultivation.

Power Question While the Yadkin flood control project was approved without provision for production of hydro-electric power, army engineers are setting up projects so that power production may be installed in event such a proposal should be approved in the future.

The original recommendation of the army engineers provided for six flood control and hydro-electric combination reservoirs on the Yadkin and Pee Dee rivers. The report estimated the cost of the comprehensive program at \$105,840,000.

The flood control bill passed by the house before the last congressional recess carried a provision authorizing \$10,840,000 to construct the first of the six multipurpose dams at Wilkesboro.

At the request of Bailey, the proposed Wilkesboro hydroelectric dam was withdrawn from the measure in the senate. The Tar Heel senator argued that the system court has ruled that hydroelectric production in flood control projects "must be incidental to the main purpose." He contended that flood control was the primary purpose of the original Wilkesboro dam proposal.

Much more time has been used in preparing the edition than was formerly planned, in order that it may more comprehensively portray the activities and opportunities which abound in Wilkes.

Triangle Is Sold For \$70,000 In Sale Wednesday

The triangle of land within the intersection of highways 18 and 268 at the northern boundary of this city, subdivided into business lots, was sold at auction Wednesday afternoon for a total of approximately \$70,000.

The property, owned by T. J. Frazier and Ralph Frazier, had been graded and extensively improved prior to the sale, which was conducted by Penney Brothers, widely known auctioneers, of Greensboro.

Included in the property sold Wednesday were a number of residential lots on the south side of highway 268 on the Flint Hill road. However, not all of that property was included in the sale.

Commenting on the sale, George Penney today described it as being the most successful sale with which he had been connected in this part of the state. The sale was attended by a large crowd and many buyers participated. It is expected that a number of new business establishments will be erected when building materials become available.

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