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# Arrest Of Negro In Ohio Solves Baker Case

## Tuttle Is Speaker At Kiwanis Meet Here Friday Noon

Elkin Minister Delivers Inspiring Address Before Local Civic Club

Featured by a good address, the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held an enjoyable meeting Friday noon.

Program Chairman J. R. Hix presented Rev. R. G. Tuttle, of the First Methodist Church, of Elkin, who made an impressive talk on the subject "We, The Leaders."

The speaker used a series of good stories to introduce his message.

1. The little man with the baton, running down the street asked policeman if he had seen a group of men in uniforms pass that way; "yes," They are two blocks ahead. The little man pursued, saying, "I am their leader."

2. The negro of moody disposition in a cheerful manner stated he had been elected as a deacon in his church; some days later he told his employer he had resigned as a deacon, because it is easier to back-bite than to be back-bit.

3. A man who had been a good and courageous leader of men died and went up to heaven and the angels examining him found many scars on his back and asked, why so? They are from the wounds of those whom he tried to lead.

4. A negro boy who had an identical twin. The twin was bad and continually did wrong and was always able to shift the burden on his brother. At school the teacher always saw the brother of the twin who did the wrong and punished him. In life the boy loved a girl but the twin married her and she didn't know the difference, but the boy did. But eventually the boy died and through error they buried the twin, then he began to live.

"So it is; we are dual in our nature; there are two of us. In a recent Civic Club magazine two striking paragraphs appeared near each other.

"One was an account about how well the Club had done in raffling off an automobile for \$10,000 to be used for a civic purpose. The other an earnest plea for support of a youth movement program. Very conflicting purposes they were, and each sitting on the front pew.

"We shudder at the destruction and sudden death of those who are caught in the great conflicts of this life; but pay little heed to the men who die inch by inch by playing little games.

"Ours is the privilege to switch from small things to the endeavor that challenges our best and like Paul Quillen."

Prior to the address Miss Jo Laster, of the First Methodist church, sang "My Hero" and "Without a Song." The attendance prize was given by L. M. Nelson and won by R. G. Finley. Guests were as follows: Max Foster with H. P. Eller; Jack Patton with H. H. Morehouse; Howard Blanton, of Charlotte, visiting Kiwanian.

## Dr. W. L. Bundy Re-Opens Office

Dr. William L. Bundy, who recently returned to this city after a long period of service as an officer in the army medical corps, has re-opened his office for the practice of medicine.

Dr. Bundy's office is located on Tenth street near Red Cross Pharmacy. Before re-opening the office quarters were remodeled and renovated.

## Seventh Grade Class Has Study In Nature

Mrs. Joe Wellborn's seventh grade at Millers Creek went on a nature study trip Friday. Prizes were given to the boy finding the most colorful leaves. The boy who was winner was Rex Reeves, who found 22 different kinds and could tell the kind of tree from which each came. The girl winner was Treva Ellledge. She had 15 kinds. After the contest the class enjoyed cake, ice cream and all the lemonade they wanted to drink. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

## SPEAKERS FOR DISTRICT LEGION MEET



PAUL R. YOUNTS  
Executive Vice Commander  
North Carolina Department  
The American Legion



WILLIAM M. YORK  
Commander  
North Carolina Department  
The American Legion

## DISTRICT MEETING LEGION AND AUXILIARY HERE FRIDAY NIGHT

Post officers, committee chairmen and Legionnaires in general from the 15th District of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion are expected to attend the district meeting at North Wilkesboro on November 1st to get a visual picture of the broad program outlined for the Legion in this State during the coming year.

Heading the list of speakers at the meeting will be State Commander William M. York, of Greensboro. Others who will help the commander outline what is generally agreed to be the most ambitious and outstanding program the Legion has ever attempted in North Carolina in its 27-year history are:

Paul R. Younts, of Charlotte and Raleigh, executive vice-commander; Mrs. Thomas W. Bird, of Charlotte, State president of the American Legion Auxiliary; B. A. Brooks, a rehabilitation officer for the National Department of the American Legion; Colonel Wiley M. Pickens, director of the North Carolina Veterans Commission; and R. Mayne Albright, of Raleigh, state membership chairman.

Vice-Commander Younts points out that the Legion this year had a membership in North Carolina in excess of 67,000 and that

the goal for the coming year is 100,000 or more. He also pointed out that there is a potential membership of more than 400,000 Legionnaires in North Carolina from veterans of World Wars I and II.

Members of the Legion Auxiliary are especially urged to attend the district meeting to hear Mrs. Bird outline the auxiliary program. Already, Mrs. Bird has attended several district meetings and explained what the auxiliary is doing to help the disabled, the widows and orphans of service men.

It was also emphasized that the Legion meeting will be open to all veterans whether or not they are members of the Legion and the general public as well.

"We want the citizens of North Carolina to know what the Legion has done, is doing, and what it hopes to do for the veterans and their families in North Carolina," said State Commander York. "We have a real job before us and as Americans, Legionnaires and veterans we intend to do it."

Member posts of the 15th District are located in the following towns: Statesville, Mooresville, Sparta, North Wilkesboro, Taylorsville, West Jefferson, Lansing, N. C.

## 72 BOYS AND GIRLS ENJOY 'TEEN AGE CENTER ON OPENING NIGHT

The Wilkes County Teen-Age Center opened in the V. F. W. hall Friday night, October 25th, with 72 youngsters between the ages of 13 to 19, inclusive, attending.

Entertainment for the evening, consisted of various games such as, ping pong, checkers, rick, dancing and floor show. The program varied from time to time throughout the evening and all of the youngsters seemed to have a most delightful time.

Dr. J. H. McNeill, Commander of the Blue Ridge Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was present and made a short talk to the group. Commander McNeill said, "We are glad to make this hall available to the young people as a meeting place where they can have a good time. We older people are in the background but we are giving our support to the movement and if there is anything you need just let us know." Other adult visitors to the club were: Mrs. J. H. McNeill, Mrs. R. S. Gibbs, Mrs. Richard Finley, Mr. Claude Canter, Mr. Hyde Waller and others. Mr. Waller conducted the square dance.

The floor show delighted the 'Teen-Agers. Jane Carter gave a radio skit which would be a credit to any radio show. A group of girl scouts, under the direction of Mrs. Richard Finley presented a dramatization of the "Song of the Old Maid." Ann Wells interpreted the rhumba or conga, as the call may be, in a most effective manner, combining it with a tap dance.

During the evening the Teen-Age director explained the aims and objectives of the center and read the code of ethics as adopted by the Junior Board of Directors. He explained that mem-

bership in the club would cost only 50c per year and that all persons attending the club thereafter would be admitted on a membership card.

Several of the youngsters were given an opportunity during the evening to express themselves in regard to the center.

Some of the comments were: "I wish it had started earlier! I like square dancing best." "A pretty swell place." "I like to play ping pong." "Better than ever."

The meeting for Friday night, November 1, will be held in the V. F. W. Hall from 7:30 to 10:30. The Saturday night meeting will be held in the Wilkesboro Woman's club building from 8:00 o'clock to 11:00 o'clock. All persons between the ages of 13 to 19, inclusive, will be admitted on a membership card or upon payment of 50c which will entitle them to a membership card good for a period of one year. The cards will be given to any not having them at the meeting.

The aims and objectives set up by the Teen-Age Center follow:

1. Aim: To enlarge youth's capacity for leadership and adjustment to the community.
2. To promote worthy use of leisure by providing adequate recreations of a type suited to the normal growing adolescent.
3. To give youth a feeling of responsibility to the community in which he lives and a sense of responsibility to his fellows.
4. To aid youth in narrowing the "gulf" between the teen age child and the adult in the realm of recreation.
5. To make a little corner in the community which youth can call its own.

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## Banks To Be Closed Election Day, Nov. 5

Both banks here, the Bank of North Wilkesboro and the Northwestern Bank, will be closed on Tuesday, November 5, which will be the date of the fall election.

## Interesting Meet Girl Scout Court

The chapel of the Presbyterian educational building was filled to overflowing Friday night when Girl Scouts of the Wilkesboro met to hold court for the presentation of awards. This event marked the beginning of Girl Scout week, which continues through Thursday, Oct. 31.

Mrs. Thomas Finley opened the ceremony with words of welcome to all who were present and especially to the large number of parents there.

The two Brownie troops of North Wilkesboro were called to the platform and presented with Brownie pins after which they gave the Brownie pledge.

Mrs. Gordon Forester was presented a Brownie pin by Mrs. Finley. She is leading the Brownie troop in Wilkesboro, assisted by Mrs. Dick Cranor. Mrs. Forester presented the members of the Wilkesboro Brownie troop with pins. The troop then sang "Pickin' Cotton."

Miss Ann Hays, leader of troop one, was presented a girl scout pin. The members of troop 1 gave a playlet on the life and character of Juliette Low.

Troop two, Wilkesboro senior troop, was presented at court by the co-leader, Mrs. Vaul. She told of the many worthwhile projects of this troop.

A number of girls in troop 3 of Wilkesboro were awarded badges for having 30 hours of hospital work. These scouts are Billy Jo Zimmerman, Margaret Ann Hutchens, Jane Carter, Elizabeth McNeil and Blair Coffey.

Mrs. Blair Gwyn and Mrs. Howard Bowers introduced troop No. 7 and made awards in the following fields: Cooking, interior decorating, housekeeping and sewing.

Troop No. 8, under the leadership of Mrs. Hubert Winkler, edited and distributed a Girl Scout Newspaper that presented girl Scout news in an interesting and attractive manner.

Rebecca Doughton received her 2nd class scout badge in troop No. 10.

The closing of court was very beautiful as the Scouts joined hands in the friendship circle and sang tape.

## Land Sale at Moravian Falls Next Wednesday

Valuable business and residential lots will be sold in Moravian Falls next Wednesday, sale to start at 1:30 p. m. The property to be sold consists of some of the Scroggs and Hubbard real estate, and the Walter Reavis property on Highway 16.

## Democratic Rally, Fish Fry Monday

Wilkes Democrats will climax their campaign with an election eve rally and fish fry at Smoot Park in North Wilkesboro Monday evening, 5:30.

Local leaders said today that the candidates, including C. B. Deane, candidate for congress, will be present. A string band and a colored quartet will furnish music and an enjoyable occasion is anticipated. The public is cordially invited.

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## LIONS PLAY GRANITE FALLS AND RAMBLERS TO MEET JONESVILLE

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The North Wilkesboro Mountain Lions, who played Elkin to a 19-19 tie here Friday, will meet the Granite Falls eleven on the Fairgrounds field Friday, 2:30.

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## Rape Case May Be Returned To The State Court

Crime Said To Have Taken Place In Wilkes County; Investigation Made

Elkin, Oct. 25.—The charge of rape, and kidnapping lodged against Marvin Bell, 22, and Vernon Litteral, 35, by F. B. I. agents will likely be transferred to the State Court and tried in Wilkes county, it was learned from Solicitor Avalon E. Hall, who will prosecute the two men.

Solicitor Hall, who is attending court in Avery county this week, was contacted yesterday and stated that his investigation and that of officials had determined that pretty brunette Peggy Shore, 15, was raped in Wilkes county on the night of August 23, after she had been kidnapped while walking to her home just west of Elkin after, after alighting from a bus. She was shoved into a car, blindfolded, and started on a night of horror with the two men, according to investigating officers.

In addition Litteral will likely have a charge of crime against nature lodged against him. The girl stated that Litteral, whom she did not know at the time repeatedly threatened to kill her, but that Bell, also a stranger to her then, kept him from further harming her. To add to her horror, she told officers Litteral would kick the side of the car and tell her it was a machine gun and that he would blow her to pieces with it. She stated that Bell was the first to rape her, in the back seat of the car.

From Wilkes county they went to Bristol, Tenn., where she was dumped into a field and left. She struggled to a barn house, with her clothes almost all torn away and bloody. She was given aid and started to her home which she reached that night. For several days she was hysterical, but gave sufficient clues to officers to catch her attackers.

In the meantime Litteral had been sentenced to 60 days on the roads in Winston-Salem for violation of the prohibition laws. He was at Boone prison camp when removed to state central prison for safekeeping. Bell was arrested at his home near Roaring River in Wilkes county and placed in Yadkin jail. Both men are now being held without bond by Federal courts, in separate jails, but Solicitor Hall stated that the District Attorney's office had indicated the case was more properly one for the State courts.

Solicitor Hall stated yesterday he had asked Sheriff C. G. Poindexter of Wilkes county to swear out warrants against the two men, and that the cases would be docketed for the December term of Wilkes court.

Both men have made general confessions which fully corroborated the story told by Miss Shore. Bell has served time for liquor law violations and Litteral has been tried upwards of 40 times for various offenses in Forsyth, Yadkin and other counties.

Miss Shore is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Shore

## Republican Rally On Friday Night

Highlight of the Republican campaign in Wilkes county will be a rally to be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Friday, November 1, 7:30 p. m.

Robert Morton, of Albemarle, former district attorney and widely known speaker, will address the voters. Candidates for county offices will be present. Local leaders cordially invited the public to attend.

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## RICHARD HORTON HELD AS MAN WHO TOOK LIFE OF LOCAL TAXI DRIVER

Assistant Home Agent Appointed



Miss Margaret Morrison of Davidson, has been appointed Assistant Home Demonstration Agent of Wilkes County, beginning work November 1. Miss Morrison was a 4-H Club girl in Cabarrus County, was educated at Mitchell Junior College in Statesville and at Catawba College in Salisbury where she received her B. S. degree in Home Economics in 1938. Since graduating from the Catawba College, Miss Morrison has taught home economics at East Bend in Yadkin County and at Barium Springs high school. During the war Miss Morrison worked one summer as emergency home demonstration assistant in California.

she has served as dietitian at Camp Mishemokwa, Bear Wallow, N. C., and has assisted with YMCA Cannery in Kannapolis.

Miss Morrison is a Presbyterian and has been active in community and church affairs all of her life. Training and experience qualify her for the position as Wilkes County Assistant Home Demonstration Agent.

## The Jewel Box Opened In City

New and Modern Jewelry Store Open For Business In Poindexter Bldg.

The Jewel Box, a new and highly modern jewelry store, is the newest addition to North Wilkesboro's business district.

The Jewel Box, 40th store in the Jewel Box organization, opened for business today in the Poindexter building between the Liberty Theatre and the Rexall Store.

The building was very attractively rebuilt and beautifully furnished. More than \$6,000 was spent for furnishings, fixtures and equipment and the store opened today with a \$45,000 stock of merchandise, the management stated.

Raymond R. Lansberger, manager, was a lieutenant colonel in the army air forces during the war and was in service 5 1/2 years. His overseas service was in Italy, Sicily, Africa and British Guinea. He entered the jewelry business in the office of Ned Cohen in Greensboro. He and his family will make their home here, where he expects to take an active part in civic and community affairs. Other members of the store personnel include Mrs. Marjorie H. Osborn, Miss Joyce Kilby, Miss Lula H. Brame and Miss Delores Jackson.

The Jewel Box will feature many leading brands of jewelry, including Elgin and Bulova watches and international silver. A modern repair department will be operated by expert workmen. The budget plan will be for the convenience of customers, with no charge for credit, Mr. Lansberger said.

All are invited to visit the new store.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL. Rev. B. M. Loeber, Rector. Vesper service will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, November 3rd, at four o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Officers Say Murder Of Baker Solved With Arrest Ferguson Negro

Richard Horton, 23-year-old colored man whose home is in the Ferguson community of Wilkes county, is being held without bond for the robbery murder of Francis Baker, 28, North Wilkesboro taxi driver, Saturday night.

Sgt. A. H. Clark, of the highway patrol, and Wilkes Sheriff C. G. Poindexter returned Tuesday night from Portsmouth, Ohio, where Horton, driving the taxi stolen from Baker, was arrested for driving through a traffic light.

The Wilkes officers stated that the negro was carrying some money, presumed to have been part of the approximately \$200 taken from Baker, and that the negro had practically admitted guilt for the crime.

Portsmouth, Ohio, officers questioned Horton following his arrest and found infractions which led them to a more detailed investigation relative to the car he was driving. Communication with local officers confirmed their suspicions that the car he was driving was the taxi belonging to J. C. Davis, of North Wilkesboro, and which Baker was driving on the night he was slain. With Horton was another negro, whose home was in West Virginia, but officers were unable to connect him with the Baker murder and he was released. Following questioning of Horton, Wilkes officers said the robbery-murder was a one-man crime.

Baker's body was found several feet from the Champion road one-half mile off highway 421 fifteen miles west of this city Sunday morning. He had been shot twice with a shotgun and his body had been dragged into some undergrowth. Coroner I. M. Myers said condition of the body indicated he had been dead several hours. His pocketbooks were missing.

Local officers said that Horton some time ago had been in federal court on a charge of stealing an automobile.

Later he had been identified by Ernest Eller as the passenger he had taken several days ago to the same spot where Baker was killed. At that time he told Eller to wait while he went for his money to pay the taxi fare, and Eller refused to wait.

## Piney Ridge Will Have a Revival

A revival will begin at Piney Ridge Baptist church one mile below the underpass of the Blue Ridge Parkway on highway No. 16 Sunday, Nov. 3, at 6:45 p. m.

Rev. C. L. Johnson, the pastor, will be assisted by Rev. C. O. Richardson, of North Wilkesboro Route 2. The public is invited to attend. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

## Revival Services At Millers Creek

Revival services are being held at People's Tabernacle near Millers Creek each evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. G. M. Allison, of High Point, is holding these services which will be held for about two weeks. Coy Crowe leads the singing and has special choruses, which the children sing each evening, beginning at 6:45. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Messrs. Pat Williams, Jr., and Charles Williams, Davidson college students, spent the week-end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Williams. They had as their guests two classmates, Mr. Douglas Rice, of Bennettsville, S. C., and Mr. Buddy Cheek of Selma, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Brown, Miss Ann Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Asher and two children, Buddy and Libby, spent Sunday in Winston-Salem as guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Tuttle. Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. Brown, Miss Tuttle, and Mrs. Asher are sisters of Mr. Tuttle.