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## Scout Executive Is Speaker Friday At Kiwanis Meet

"Boys" Subject of Very Interesting Talk By O. B. Gorman Friday Noon

Featured by a Scout address, the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held an interesting meeting Friday noon at Hotel Wilkes. Program Chairman Paul Vestal asked Ralph Harbinson, field representative for Boy Scouts in the Old Hickory council, to present his speaker, O. B. "Country" Gorman, deputy regional Scout executive for region 6, including 4 southern states.

Mr. Gorman made a very splendid talk on the subject, "Boys". He suggested that the Scouting program offered the following four directions or guides in the making of good men out of boys: 1. They have a code to live by; 2. They have their ideal in some man; 3. They do the daily good turn, serving as spiritual uplift; 4. They experience the joy of accomplishment in the projects of their program.

Through his development of these four topics he challenged the audience with every man present to continue to give support to the Scout program.

The attendance prize Friday was given to Forrest Jones and won by Paul E. Church. Guests were as follows: Henry Reynolds, of Greensboro, with J. H. Whicker; E. B. Crawford with Dr. F. C. Hubbard; Jesse James with R. D. Smith; James M. Anderson with J. B. Carter.

## One Killed and One Injured In a Crash In South Carolina

Lonnie H. Pearson Killed And Lawrence Pearson Critically Injured

Rock Hill, S. C., Nov. 20.—One man was killed and another seriously injured near the Buster Boyd bridge last night when a truck struck the rear of another truck, which police said, did not have any parking lights.

Lonnie Hamp Pearson, 29, of Stony Point, was crushed to death instantly, and his brother Lawrence, of North Wilkesboro, was rushed to a Charlotte hospital where his condition was described as critical.

Officers said the Pearsons' truck was headed toward York with a load of apples and struck the parked vehicle about 8:30 o'clock just west of the bridge. The parked truck, which police said was out of gas, had been driven by Hilton Green of Gastonia, who at the time of the accident had gone to buy gasoline. The stalled vehicle was owned by Baker Mills, Inc., of Gastonia. Both trucks were virtually demolished.

Lonnie H. Pearson had many relatives here. He was a son of the late J. P. Pearson, and Mrs. Dovie Pearson, of Stony Point. He was a nephew of Rom H. Pearson, of this city.

Surviving are his mother, two brothers and two sisters: Mrs. Charles Pearson, Statesville; Mrs. Ollie Sweet, Hickory; Lawrence Pearson, North Wilkesboro; and Rom Pearson, Stony Point.

Mr. Pearson was a veteran of World War II and the American Legion had charge of the burial rites. The funeral service was held Friday afternoon at Stony Point and burial was in Little River church cemetery in Alexander county.

Reports today from Charlotte indicated that Mr. Lawrence Pearson is improving and he is expected to recover.

## LOOK WHO'S



## COMING TO TOWN!

Trade Promotion committee of Wilkes Chamber of Commerce has announced that Santa Claus will arrive here by plane Friday afternoon, and will be met at the airport in time to get on the streets at four o'clock. Santa wants to meet all the children, and will have a treat for them. Be sure to meet Santa Claus Friday afternoon, four o'clock, on the streets of North Wilkesboro.

## First Letter Goes To Ole St. Nick

Addressed to Santa Claus, North Pole, the season's first request to the famous Christmas character has been relayed by the Journal-Patriot which Santa reads avidly. Following is the letter: "Dear Santa Claus: I want a dollie, I want a paint set; also some candy, nuts, oranges, tangerines and apples. Don't forget other little boys and girls. "LINDA GODFREY."

## Hundreds Attend Caroline-Duke Tilt

North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro and many other parts of Wilkes county were well represented in the crowd of 44,000 which saw Carolina defeat Duke 22-7 Saturday in the south's football classic at Chapel Hill.

Hundreds of local people were in the crowded stands and were thrilled with the exhibition of fine football in the game.

## Teachers Millers Creek Favor 40 Per Cent Increase

The 24 teachers of the Millers Creek school of Wilkes County, in a special meeting Tuesday, November 19, voted unanimously to support the resolution passed by the South Piedmont District of the North Carolina Education Association, asking for 40 per cent salary increases for teachers, instead of the 20 per cent suggested by the staff organization of the N. C. E. A.

The teachers also adopted a resolution requesting the chairman of the Wilkes county unit of the N. C. E. A., to call a special teachers' meeting of all Wilkes County teachers for the purpose of discussing salary increases.

The Millers Creek teachers went on record as being displeased with the manner in which the Northwestern District meeting was conducted, and expressed the opinion that the adoption of the N. C. E. A. staff plan was contrary to the wishes of the majority of the teachers of this district.

## Local Buses Not To Operate Thursday

Thursday, November 28, will be a holiday with local business firms and industries closed for the day and local buses will not operate Thursday.

M. C. Woodie, vice president of Parkway Bus company, said that Parkway buses within the county will not operate Thursday but that all buses on route between different towns will run. There will be four buses to Elkin, leaving here at 9:10 a. m., 2:40, 5:40 and 10:40 p. m. The Wilkes Transportation company buses will not operate on Thanksgiving Day.

# USO CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED IN WILKES

## \$3,500 Is Quota Wilkes County; Appeal Is Made

Zeb Dickson Is Chairman And Blair Gwyn Treasurer of Campaign

The campaign to raise \$3,500 in Wilkes county for the United Service Organization officially begins today and is to continue until December 31st. In announcing the campaign, Zeb Dickson, chairman, stated that he felt sure that every firm and every individual in Wilkes county would consider it a privilege to make a contribution to the organization which has and is still continuing to bring cheer and encouragement to lonely boys in far away places. This campaign is being conducted at the request of the War and Navy Departments, Mr. Dickson said.

Township chairmen are to be announced at an early date and quotas will be assigned to all areas of the county. Mr. Dickson urged that all chairmen raise their quotas as quickly as possible so that the drive may be over well in advance of the Christmas holidays. Business firms as well as individuals are asked to mail their contributions directly to the county treasurer and thus avoid solicitation.

## AAA Farmers To Vote December 7

Committees announced today that instructions have been received from the State AAA committee that the election will be held on December 7. The polls will be open from 7 a. m. until 6 p. m. In each community the first hour will be devoted to nominations for committee members and delegates to attend the county convention on Monday, December 9, for the purpose of electing the county committee for 1947. All producers are urged to attend these nominating meetings and cast their ballots for the farmers of their choice, who will serve as their committee.

Listed below are the polling places that are established for the different communities in the county, which will have the same boundaries, geographically, as were recognized in the 1946 program: Antioch community, Tom Mathis' Store; Beaver Creek, W. G. Walsh's Store; Boomer, Tom Greer's Store; Brushy Mountain, Morris Hendren's Store, Edwards No. 1, Shepherds Cross Roads; Edwards No. 2, Ronda Gymnasium; Edwards No. 3, Benham School; Edwards No. 4, Irvin's Store; Elk, Ira Triplett's Store; Jobs Cabin, L. E. Woodie's store; Lewis Fork, Mount Pleasant School; Lovelace, E. P. Inscore's Store; Moravian Falls No. 1, Community House; Moravian Falls No. 2, Pores Knob Postoffice; Mulberry No. 1, Halls Mills Postoffice; Mulberry No. 2, Mulberry School; Mulberry No. 3, Mulberry School; Mulberry No. 4, A. R. Myers' Store; New Castle No. 1, Harry Green's Store; New Castle No. 2, Sherman Chambers' Store; North Wilkesboro, Billings' Store; Reddies River No. 1, Millers Creek Postoffice; Reddies River No. 2, Lin Bumgarner's Store; Reddies River No. 3, Nichols' Store; Rock Creek No. 1, Mountain View School; Rock Creek No. 2, Oak Ridge Church; Rock Creek No. 3, Rock Creek Church; Somers, R. C. Jarvis' Store; Stanton, Parsonsville Post Office; Traphill No. 1, Joyne's Postoffice; Traphill No. 2, Traphill Postoffice; Traphill No. 3, J. Z. Adams' Store; Union No. 1, Oscar Palmer's Store; Union No. 2, A. R. Miller's Store; Union No. 3, A. G. Shepherd's Store; Walnut Grove No. 1, Dehart Postoffice; Walnut Grove No. 2, W. W. Gambill's Store; Wilkesboro No. 1, AAA Office, Courthouse; Wilkesboro No. 2, Johnson's Service Station (near Edge-wood church).

## GROWING UP RAPIDLY

Little Mike didn't like kindergarten and refused to go any more. His mother reasoned with him, scolded him, and insisted on his returning.

"Okay, Mom," he said. "If you want me to grow up to be a head-stranger, I'll go."

## Support Y. M. C. A.

Business Houses Are To Be Closed On Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28, will be observed as a holiday by local stores and other business houses, including both banks.

## Tomlinson Rites Here Thursday Largely Attended

An impressive funeral service was held Thursday afternoon at the First Methodist church for S. V. Tomlinson, widely prominent local business leader who died Tuesday afternoon.

## Christmas Seal Sale Proclaimed By Mayor Here

Christmas Seal Month Designated From November 25 Until Christmas

Mayor R. T. McNeill yesterday issued a proclamation officially designating the period from Nov. 25 to Dec. 25 as "Christmas Seal Month" and urged all residents of North Wilkesboro to support the Wilkes County Tuberculosis Association by "buying and using Christmas Seals during this month."

The annual Sale, sole support of the association in its campaign against tuberculosis, will open Monday and continue until Christmas.

In issuing the proclamation, Mayor McNeill pointed out that tuberculosis is the greatest disease cause of death among young adults and, because of its communicable nature, must be recognized as a public health problem.

The proclamation follows: Whereas, tuberculosis is a leading cause of death in our country and takes the lives of more young people, in the productive years from 15 to 35, than any other disease, and

Whereas, tuberculosis is spread from person to person and therefore must be recognized as a major public health problem, and

Whereas, a well-planned program for the control of tuberculosis is being conducted in North Wilkesboro by the Wilkes County Tuberculosis Association, and

Whereas, the work of this association is supported by the sale of Christmas Seals, and

Therefore, I, the Mayor of North Wilkesboro, do officially designate the period from November 25 to December 25 as Christmas Seal Month and do urge the people of North Wilkesboro to be generous in their support of the Wilkes County Tuberculosis Association by buying and using Christmas Seals during this month.

R. T. McNEILL, Mayor.

## B. T. U. to Meet Tuesday Night

Baptist Training Union of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association will meet Tuesday evening, 7:15, with Wilkesboro Baptist church.

## Support Y. M. C. A.

'Wilkes County Senior Day' Is Observed; 149 Seniors Present

Wilkesboro high school's Ramblers football eleven ended its season for 1946 in Wilkesboro Friday afternoon when it won an impressive victory over a splendid Sparta high eleven by the score of 26 to 12. The Ramblers put the game in the bag in the third quarter when they scored three touchdowns in a very short period of time.

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## PLANE TALK

Your reporter happened to be at the airport yesterday afternoon when four of our local planes returned from the Elkin Air Show. Those flying to Elkin to see the show were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Eller, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bumgarner, Sam George, Ivan Bauguss, James Wyatt and Clay Pardue. All were enthusiastic about the show and we understand that Sam George, flying a Stearman, just about stole the show from the professionals. Nice flying, Sam.

Incidentally, we understand there were over ten thousand people at the Elkin show. Proves that the air age is really moving in the Western Piedmont area. I don't know who wrote it but the air show program has a "Brief history of Elkin aviation" and one paragraph is so applicable to Wilkes county, I should like to quote it in full "The first flyers (in Elkin) were regarded as adventurers, rather than as forerunners and contributors to a comparatively new science, a safe and efficient means of transportation and a giant industry." Yes! it's getting to be a big business here in North Wilkesboro. For instance:

During the past week a couple stopped at our airport enroute from New York to California. Then there was another plane from Gainesville, Georgia. Felix Suddreth flew in from Hickory yesterday, and a pilot flying a new Luscombe plane flew from West Jefferson, N. C. We are becoming better known, not only in our own state, but over the whole United States by the service rendered visiting flyers by our local operators.

We were highly honored this week when Area Activities, Inc. of Chester, South Carolina passed up all the large outfits to have one of the best airplane mechanics in the business, Cecil Bumgarner, come to the Ohester airport to inspect and do major repairs on the company's planes.

It is interesting to know that Sam George, one of the instructors at our field, is a farmer at Granite Falls. He farms during the week and, teachers local aviation enthusiasts on week-ends. During the war Sam served as instructor for the AAF at Camden, S. C.

Isaac Eller, a veteran of the Pacific campaigns received his private license this week from Instructor Sam George. The North Wilkesboro airport is among a very few small fields in the state having a Certified Instructor on the field.

Did you know? North Carolina is at the top in the amount of private flying per capita in the entire country.

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## RAMBLERS DEFEAT SPARTA 26-12 IN SEASON'S FINAL FOOTBALL GAME

Triplett was good for another first down. Groce then carried the ball to Sparta's 15-yard marker, and on the next play Robert Triplett flipped a pass to Ray Triplett who went over for Wilkesboro's first touchdown. Robert Triplett's pass for extra point, went incomplete, and the score became all tied-up—Sparta 6, Wilkesboro 6.

The remainder of the first half was a see-saw game, both teams making good gains on the ground and completing pass plays, but neither was able to mark up a score. The half ended with the score knotted 6-6.

Opening the second half, Sparta kicked to Wilkesboro. The Ramblers were forced to punt to Sparta. Sparta fumbled, Wilkesboro gaining possession of the ball, and then began the Ramblers' touchdown parade. Jack Groce made a beautiful run to Sparta's 5-yard line, and then Tom Foster, the Ramblers' big fullback, plunged over for the first touchdown of the third quarter. Trial for extra point was successful.

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## 4-H Achievement Day Celebration Here Big Success

350 Boys and Girls Met At Town Hall Here; Many Awards Are Made

By D. D. WILLIAMSON Assistant County Agent

On Friday, November 22, 350 4-H Club boys and girls from Wilkes County met at the Town Hall of North Wilkesboro for their annual county 4-H Club Achievement Day. Exhibits of all projects were exhibited in the auditorium for the leaders, parents, school principals and general public to see.

The meeting was called to order by Buddie Mathis, President, the Club Pledge was said by all club members, who sang "God Bless America." Rev. H. M. Wellman gave the devotional. Buddie Mathis extended greetings to all and recognized the Principals, leaders and parents.

Mr. Smith, County Agent, gave a talk on parents and leaders part in 4-H Club work. Mr. Jesse James, the Assistant State 4-H Club Leader, lead the group in games and songs and gave a short talk on 4-H Club work.

Miss Morrison, the Assistant Home Agent, presented the county girl winners awards which were as follows: room improvement project—Bernice Nichols, blue ribbon; Mary Nell Alexander, red ribbon; Jo Ann Eller, white ribbon. Clothing project—Linda Ferguson, blue ribbon; Nancy Williams, red ribbon; Betty Sparks, white ribbon. Food preparation project—Carolyn Crysel, blue ribbon; Anne Broyhill, red ribbon; Ina Lou Waisa, white ribbon. Food preservation project—Hazel Triplett, blue ribbon; Bernice Nichols, red ribbon; Marie Candill, white ribbon. Gardening project—Patsy Wiles, blue ribbon; Maggie Pearson, red ribbon; Ena Ellis, white ribbon.

Mr. Williamson, Assistant County Agent, presented the county awards to the boys which were as follows: Corn project—Edwin McGee, blue ribbon; Frederick Welborn, red ribbon; Charlie Blackburn white ribbon. Tobacco project—Aaron Speaks, blue ribbon; Thomas Hurt, red ribbon; Max Key, white ribbon. Gardening project—Jimmy Cleary, blue ribbon; Carson Nichols, red ribbon. Clyde Bumgarner, white ribbon. Dairying project—Lucille Mathis (girl), blue ribbon; Buddie Mathis, red ribbon; Jimmie Alexander, white ribbon. Beef cattle project—Ruby Hutchinson (girl), blue ribbon; Billie Dean Cothren, red ribbon; Edith Marie Ferguson (girl) white ribbon. Pig project—Billie Cleary, blue ribbon; H. C. Roberts, red ribbon; Bill Harrold, white ribbon. Poultry project—Reg Lovette, blue ribbon; Sherwin Elledge, red ribbon; Donald Miller, white ribbon. Cane project—Charlie Blackburn, blue ribbon.

Mr. Yountz, who had been here since June 20, was promoted to the rehabilitation and training division of the Winston-Salem regional office.

## Carlton Heads V. A. Office In N. Wilkesboro

R. L. Carlton, of Winston-Salem, today succeeded L. Harold Yountz as head of the Veterans Administration contact office in North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Carlton is well qualified for his duties here, having been assistant manager of the contact office at the regional VA in Winston-Salem.

## Regular Meeting Veterans of F. W.

There will be a regular meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in their club room on "C" Street, Tuesday night, Nov. 25, at eight o'clock. A large attendance is expected. This meeting will be a good time to see the Post Quartermaster and pay your 1947 dues, before he sees you. Come and bring one of the three new recruits that you are expected to enroll in 1947.

The Y. F. W. will always be the champion of the high ideals of Americanism and the fundamental principle of justice for those who have served their country with honor in time of war.

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## Journal-Patriot For Thursday To Be Printed Early

In order to allow the personnel the Thanksgiving holiday, The Journal-Patriot will be printed for Thursday on Wednesday afternoon.

In order to publish Wednesday, it will be necessary to have all copy for news or advertising before noon Wednesday.

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