

SALES INSTITUTE AND CONSUMERS SURVEY PLANNED BY COMMITTEE OF WILKES CHAMBER COMMERCE

The Trade Promotion Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce has announced a number of important projects for the first half of the year 1947.

Richard Gibbs, chairman of the Wilkes Chamber Trade Promotion Committee, said after a meeting on Friday of his committee that the merchants were going to organize a Sales Institute, beginning April 15. This institute will be held for one hour a week and will be free to all employees in Wilkes county. It is expected that nationally known speakers will be secured to instruct the employees in various phases of sales training. A committee composed of W. G. Gabriel, chairman; Hubert Canter, and C. L. Owens was appointed to complete the details of this institute. More details will be announced by the committee chairman in the near future.

A committee composed of Carl W. Steele, chairman; Ira Payne, R. M. Brame, Jr., and Presley Myers was appointed to make a thorough survey and study of the parking facilities in North Wilkesboro, with the view of setting up one large community parking lot or several small ones.

A Consumers' Survey has been

prepared by the chamber of commerce, and a committee of three merchants including Ira Payne, chairman; E. T. Hackney, and W. O. Marlow was appointed to get the questionnaire into the hands of the people of the Wilkesboro and to evaluate the replies as they return to the chamber office. "This Consumers' Survey will be the first general survey ever made in the trading area of this section, and is expected to be a means of increasing our service to the people that buy in the Wilkesboro," Gibbs said.

The committee also decided to have a July clearance sale to coincide with the annual meeting of the National Farm Loan Association as a gesture of good will to the members of this association.

Members of the Trade Promotion Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce include: R. E. Gibbs, chairman; W. O. Marlow, immediate past chairman; Fred Henderson, W. B. Somers, Carl Steele, Link Spainhour, Palmer Horton, Ira Payne, Hubert Canter, R. M. Brame, Jr., Gilbert Bare, E. T. Hackney, Presley Myers, W. G. Gabriel, and Walter Day.

Pay Raises For County Offices Granted In Bill

Amended House Bill Number 193 Passed by House and Senate in Raleigh

House bill number 193, introduced by Wilkes Representative T. E. Story and passed by the house several days ago, passed in the senate the latter part of the week.

The measure provides an additional \$800 yearly for clerk hire in the office of the clerk of court; register of deeds, \$1,200 additional for clerk hire; sheriff, \$600 additional for clerical assistance and \$1,800 yearly for full time deputy. The bill provides \$6 per day for county commissioners in meeting and five cents per mile travel allowance between homes and place of meeting.

An amendment to the bill increase pay of Jurors from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per day.

Hettigers Buy 2-Motor Plane

Ed and Harry Hettiger, of Holly Mountain Farms, have purchased a twin-motored Cessna plane, which will be used for business and pleasure purposes. The plane, of five passenger capacity, is one of the best planes purchased by private interests in northwestern North Carolina.

A hangar at the North Wilkesboro airfield has been remodelled to house the large plane, which arrived here Friday from the Winston-Salem airport.

The Messrs. Hettigers said the plane will be used extensively in operation of Holly Mountain Poultry Farms, with which they are affiliated. The plane can carry 6,000 baby chicks.

Journal-Patriot Red Cross Stories Nationally Praised

The following letter has been received here relative to Red Cross publicity for the 1947 fund campaign in Wilkes county:

Mr. Dwight Nichols, Public Information Chairman, Wilkes County Chapter, American Red Cross, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Dear Mr. Nichols: Many thanks for the February 17 issue of The Journal-Patriot. The streamer story on page one and lead editorial made effective appeals. We also thought Miss McCoy's story of her experiences overseas was interesting and very well done.

This issue of The Journal-Patriot is being routed to the staff and will be incorporated in our 1947 Fund publicity scrapbook. Sincerely yours, INGRAM BLANDING for: CLIFFORD B. FLIGG, Director Public Information.

RED CROSS AIDS REHABILITATION



Red Cross arts and skills instructors in military hospitals teach patients new skills which may later prove remunerative to them. Here a living model poses for a class. Painting in oils has proved highly popular.

American Legion To Meet Thursday

Wilkes post of the American Legion will meet Thursday, 7:30, at the Legion clubhouse. All veterans will be welcome at the meeting.

Training Course For Scouters 27

Here is what you have been waiting for. Another step toward the Scouters Award or the Scoutmaster's Key.

The District Leadership and Training Committee wishes to announce the Scoutmasters Basic Training Course to be held March 27th, April 3rd and April 10th. The meeting is set for 7:30 p. m. each evening and will be held at the Duke Power company office.

Men who are trained in the technique of the Boy Scout program and in Scout Troop leadership not only use the program to better advantage in their troops but make possible for the boys to get more pleasure from their Scout experiences and to absorb in their daily living more of the spirit of the underlying principle of Scouting.

This is a practical course designed to give Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Troop Committeemen, Commissioners and District Committee members an advantage for the benefit of the boy, they can acquire in no other manner. We feel it is important that every Scout leader in the district should take advantage of this course.

Subjects to be discussed in this course are: Opening and Closing ceremonies, Troop programs, Patrol and Troop organization, Advancement, Troop records, Budget plan, hiking and camping, where and how to find program material, health and safety, uniform and many others.

Following is the complete schedule of the course:

First Session, March 27: Pre-opening, Ralph Harbison; Opening ceremony, 3 minutes, Isaac Duncan; Patrol methods, R. I. Moore; Film, Ralph Harbison; 30 minutes; Patrol spirit, organization and meetings, 45 minutes; Gordon Finley; troop leadership, 15 minutes; E. P. Bell; Local council program, 15 minutes; J. B. Carter; Closing ceremony, 2 minutes, Isaac Duncan.

Second Session, April 3: Pre-opening, Ralph Harbison; Opening ceremony, 3 minutes, Hubert Dancy; Troop program, 15 minutes; Gordon Forester; Advancement, 15 minutes; L. M. Nelson; Patrol features and advancement, 15 minutes; R. I. Moore; Where and how to find program material, 25 minutes; Ralph Harbison; Recruiting and receiving new Scouts, 20 minutes; Carl Vandeman; Closing ceremony, 2 minutes, Hubert Dancy.

Third Session, April 10: Pre-opening, Ralph Harbison; Opening ceremony, 3 minutes; P. W. Greer; Troop budget plan and troop records, 16 minutes; Paul S. Cragan; Hiking and camping, 20 minutes; Carl Bullis; Patrol Hikes, 25 minutes; Edward Finley; Patrol camping, 25 minutes; Isaac Duncan; Health and safety, 15 minutes; Dr. H. B. Smith; Good turn, civic service and the uniform, 15 minutes; W. D. Halacre; Closing ceremony, 2 minutes; P. W. Greer.

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First Purebred Hog Sale To Be Held Thursday

20 to 30 of Finest Purebred Hogs In State Will Be Included In The Sale

By R. D. SMITH (County Agent)

The first purebred hog sale to ever be held in Northwest North Carolina will be held at the sheep loading pens in North Wilkesboro Thursday, March 20, 1:00 p. m. This sale will be sponsored by the N. C. Swine Breeders Association and N. C. Extension Service. The sale will feature bred gilts, open gilts and boars.

Some of the best breeders in North Carolina have assigned hogs. They are as follows: Poland Chinas, R. R. Clineard, Harmony, N. C.; Spotted Poland Chinas, C. L. Ballance, St. Paul, N. C.; Durocs, E. V. Vestal, Kenansville, N. C.; Hampshire, White Farms, Salisbury, N. C., and Long Creek Farm, Surry County; Tamworths, Lewis W. Hine, Winston-Salem, Karl M. Linville, Kernersville, N. C., and Joe W. Watkins, Winston-Salem; Berkshires, Oland F. Peele, Pikeville, N. C.

Farm Ownership Annual Meeting FHA Held Here

The annual Farmers Home Administration meeting of Farm Ownership families was held in the reception room of the Duke Power Company on Wednesday, February 19, 1947. Eight FO borrowers and five homemaker wives were in attendance. Also present were the Wilkes County FHA Committeemen: Mr. Charlie Miles, Mr. Curtis M. Welborn, and Mr. William O. Barnett.

During the morning a business meeting was held on annual progress made. Business analysts charts and summaries were studied. The meeting was in the nature of a round-table discussion led by Mr. Paul E. Church, County FHA Supervisor. Mrs. Mary H. Gale, FHA Home Supervisor, summarized the Good Health program and progress being made by Wilkes FHA families on food production and conservation. Mr. Charlie Miles gave an excellent talk on the importance of family record keeping.

Luncheon was served providing an excellent opportunity for all to get better acquainted.

The afternoon session was attended by Mr. R. D. Smith, County Farm Agent; Mr. Dwight Williamson, Assistant County Agent; Mr. John Ford, Farm Forester; Mr. Lawrence Miller, Secretary to Wilkes County Agricultural Conservation Association, and Mr. Staton Melver, District Soil Conservationist. Each gave a very interesting talk on timely subjects connected with their work. Mr. Sam Winters officiated at the drawing of valuable prizes donated by local dealers.

At the close of the meeting a tour was made of the new freezer locker plant located near Wilkesboro. Mr. Carl Vandeman, Manager, conducted the tour and explained the various processes involved in this revolutionary type of food preservation.

Enlarged Rural Service Object Public Library

Miss Kate Finley Has Been Employed In Public Library Improvement

Miss Elizabeth Hughey, supervisor of rural libraries in North Carolina, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in the Wilkes County Library.

The board of directors of the local library, with Miss Hughey's assistance, have laid the foundations for a county-wide service which will take the books into the various communities rather than necessitating the individual from that community coming to the county library, which is located in the town hall, North Wilkesboro.

While waiting for the facilities for taking the books to different centers it has been decided to place stations in such neighborhoods as can supply transportation for the books, and a civic-minded person to house them where they will be available to all in the vicinity.

As this program will greatly increase the work of the Librarian, Miss Kate Finley has been employed. Enlarged rural service will be her particular objective.

Miss Lizette Stone, who has served the patrons of the library for many years, will still be at the desk in the library in the town hall to welcome any and all residents of Wilkes who wish to borrow books.

Needless to say, the library board and administrators are hoping to hear from those in the county who would like a collection of books in their localities. A card sent to the Wilkes county library or to C. Arthur Venable, chairman of the circulation committee, North Wilkesboro, or to the chairman of the board of directors, C. B. Eller, Wilkesboro, will show your interest and assist in placing the books where they will be wanted and used.

P.-T. A. to Meet On Thursday Evening

The Parent-Teacher Association of North Wilkesboro will meet Thursday evening 7:30 in the school auditorium.

The play, "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow", which was to be given last month and was postponed because of snow, will be presented. It is under the direction of Mrs. Richard Finley. Those taking part in the play are Mrs. H. F. Banknight, Mrs. A. H. Clark, Mrs. C. B. Lomax, Miss Wilson and Mrs. J. W. Baily.

All parents and teachers are expected to be present.

Community Singing Arbor Grove Baptist

There will be a community singing at Arbor Grove Baptist church near Roaring River on Sunday night, March 23, seven o'clock. Reece Mastin, chairman, and Mrs. L. W. Wood, secretary, have invited all singers to attend and take part.

New Shoe Store To Open On Thursday

The Family Shoe Store, newest addition to North Wilkesboro's business district, will open on Thursday morning in the building formerly occupied by The Hub, between the G. P. Store and Prevette's.

W. C. Marlow and E. C. Wellman are owners of the shoe store, which will be under management of Howard Wellman, who was formerly associated with Pollock's, a large shoe store chain organization.

Shoes of all desired types for every member of the family are to be featured at the Family Shoe Store; and the management will endeavor to fill the most discriminating needs. The building has been attractively refurnished and new fixtures have been installed for the shoe store. The Hub has moved to the Better Homes Furniture store between Crest Store and the Dixie Home Store. A new building for the furniture store is under construction on the Blair Block.

The public is cordially invited to visit the Family Shoe Store at any time.

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MURDER CASES OFF CALENDAR

Blue Ridge Singing Convention Mar. 30

Next session of the Blue Ridge Singing Association will be held at Gospel Mission church on Pads Road west of this city on Sunday afternoon, March 30, beginning at one o'clock, according to an announcement by T. A. Eller, chairman. All singers are invited to take part in the program.

Subscription Date 4-47? Renew Now

All subscribers of The Journal-Patriot whose address labels bear the date of 4-47, meaning April 1, 1947, are respectfully requested to renew their subscriptions before April 1, 1947, in order that they will not miss any issues of the paper.

The subscription price of \$2.00 per year applies to all in Wilkes and counties adjoining Wilkes. The subscription rate elsewhere is \$3.00 per year.

It is also asked that the old address and new address be given in every request for change of address for mailing The Journal-Patriot.

Keith Bentley Is Winner In Legion Speaking Contest

Wilkes Finals Held Friday Afternoon at North Wilkesboro School

Keith Bentley, student of Wilkesboro high school, won first place in the American Legion's oratorical contest for Wilkes county held Friday afternoon at North Wilkesboro school. Second place went to Bill Stanley, of Roaring River school.

Bentley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Parks Bentley, of Pores Knob, will represent Wilkes in the 15th Legion district contest to be held Thursday, March 20, at the Piedmont Test Farm at Statesville. The contest there, with representatives of Iredell, Alexander, Wilkes, Ashe and Alleghany counties participating, will be at five p. m.

Rev. Watt M. Cooper, assisted by W. C. Grier, conducted the contest here, and judges were Mrs. W. J. Bason, Richard Johnston and Miss Inez Wilson.

Subject of the orations was "The American Constitution."

Young Mr. Bentley was presented with the Legion oratorical medal by Rev. Mr. Cooper and he will receive a \$25 government savings bond when he delivers his oration next month before a meeting of the Wilkes post of the American Legion.

Parking Meters Now Going Up In North Wilkesboro

Parking meters are being erected on North Wilkesboro's downtown streets.

Workmen from a parking meter manufacturing firm arrived Friday and began erecting posts on Main streets. Parts of streets to have meters in the downtown area are Main, C, Ninth and Tenth streets.

The meters are being installed on a trial basis. If they prove satisfactory, the town has option to buy.

Parking toll will be five cents for one hour, but the meters will accept pennies for fractional parts of an hour.

William C. Walsh Last Rites Sunday

Last rites for William Calvin Walsh, well known citizen of the Summit community who died Saturday, were held today, one o'clock, at Blue Ridge church on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Rev. Ed O. Miller conducted the service.

Surviving Mr. Walsh are his wife, Mrs. Julia Ann Walsh, and four sons and daughters: Mrs. C. T. Walker, Rocky Mount; Mrs. G. M. Watson, Summit; Chester Walsh, Parsonville; Mrs. P. E. Parsons, Germantown; and one brother, T. J. Walsh, Parsonville.

Number of Long Prison Terms Are Given In Court

Youth Given 10 to 15 Years For Assault With Intent To Rape Child

For the first time in several years, no murder cases are pending trial in Wilkes superior court.

In the March term which closed last week all homicide cases on the docket were tried. Judge H. Hoyle Sink presided over the court, which will extend through this week for trial of civil cases.

Sentence of Johnny Horace Correll, Lenoir tavern operator convicted of manslaughter for the fatal shooting of Charles C. Baker, operator of Club 40 & 8 near this city December 28, was changed to three to seven years. Original sentence by Judge Sink was five to seven years. Cling Minton, of Boomer, received 12 to 15 years for the shooting of Atwell Wilson Parsons, Boomer youth, at Minton's place of business December 7.

Emma Howell Hedrick, Boomer colored woman on trial for murder for the shotgun slaying of her estranged husband, Robert Hedrick, at the home of the woman's mother January 27, was freed by directive of Judge Sink after he heard the evidence on a nolo contendere plea. The homicide was called justifiable because the man was trying to enter the home occupied by the woman over her repeated protests.

Roy Estel Mabe, local taxi driver indicted for manslaughter for the death of Charlie Horton, 75-year-old colored man here November 9, was freed by directed verdict. Evidence was that the aged man walked into the car driven by Mabe. In a civil action Horton's administrator received \$700 in a consent judgment.

John Baker, Ashe county man indicted for manslaughter for the death of William A. Johnson, also of Ashe, in a collision on highway 16 November 25, was judged not guilty.

George Brown, 17-year-old white youth, received 10 to 15 years in prison after he entered a plea of assault with intent to commit rape on the person of Brenda Osborne, six-year-old child. Evidence was that he met the child on a road, carried her into nearby woods and made the rape attempt. Brown received a concurrent sentence of five to ten years for breaking into the home of Isaac Eller, Jr., here and taking a number of articles and cash.

Charlie Boyd, previously put on probation for violation of the prohibition law, has his probation revoked and was ordered to serve a 15-months sentence. Raleigh Horton, colored, got 15 months for assault with deadly weapon; and Clem Fletcher, colored, got two years on the same charge in another case.

Attorneys tried unsuccessfully to get a more lenient sentence for Jim Foster, Dobe Powell, Charlie Combs and Joe Holland, who were sentenced to one year on the roads for gambling. They pleaded guilty to being participants in a poker game from which Cola and Carl Keaton were alleged to have taken \$28,000 in a holdup. The Keatons got 15 to 20 years for robbery.

Divorces were granted by the court in the following cases: Elizabeth Denny versus Jesse Lee Denny; Arthur Rush versus Kate Rush; Metta E. Vannoy versus George N. Vannoy; N. G. Shepherd versus Tate Shepherd; Halcy Justus versus Lola Justus; Lela Faye Rogers versus Everett Roy Rogers.

V. F. W. Auxiliary To Meet Tuesday

There will be a special meeting of the V. F. W. Auxiliary in the V. F. W. Hall Tuesday evening, March 18th, at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Grace Williams, department president, from Charlotte, and Mrs. Mae Cooke, ex-department president, from Winston-Salem, will be present at this meeting to install the new officers for 1947 and to give special instruction in the floor work of the organization. This meeting will take the place of the regular one that was to have been held Thursday