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MOTHER OF FOUR DIES OF BURNS

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Bethel church near Hays for Mrs. Charles Brewer, 82-year-old mother of four who died Monday midnight at the Wilkes hospital from burns received at noon Monday when her home was destroyed by fire.

house, Charles Ray Brewer, age nine and the oldest of four, rescued his sleeping baby brother, Jerry, from the baby crib and carried him to safety. The house, with all furniture and \$900 in cash which Mr. Brewer had been saving to remodel the house, were totally destroyed by the fire.

In Revivals



Rev. G. E. S. Miller, of Hickory, one of several ministers who will speak in revival services to be held next week at Union, Arbor Grove, Friendship and Millers Creek Methodist churches.

Goal \$1,500 Cancer Takes Big Toll of Lives Every Year In Wilkes

Cancer Society Now In Midst of Campaign To Raise \$1,500 in County

Cancer killed 25 persons in Wilkes in 1946, according to the Wilkes Division of the American Cancer Society which is conducting the annual campaign for funds in this community.

Nationally the cancer death rate has shown a continued increase ever since figures were first compiled. The national toll of cancer in 1946 will not be known for some months because of the work involved in compiling figures from all 48 states.

LOCALS RED CROSS FUND OVER IN WILKES

\$7,817.11 Total Is Reported By Wilkes Chapter

Chapter And Campaign Chairmen Thank People For Splendid Record

Wilkes county maintained a perfect record in Red Cross campaigns this year by exceeding the county's quota of \$7,500. It was learned today from Miss Rebecca Moseley, executive secretary.

With a greater part of the funds to be retained by the Wilkes chapter, the Red Cross is expected to carry on its many services in various departments in Wilkes. Last year was an especially busy period for the chapter, due to the many services rendered veterans and members of their families.

Wilkesboro Gym Fund Is Nearing Half Way Mark

Response Good; Square Dance, Baby Contest and Minstrel Planned

Gymnasium fund at Wilkesboro school is expected to top \$6,000 — halfway mark — this week.

With enthusiasm running high and with every one of the 1,000 students of this largest school in the county system participating, leaders in the movement to raise funds for immediate erection of a gymnasium today expressed themselves as pleased with progress made, although realizing that the campaign now stands at only the halfway point.

School patrons held an enthusiastic meeting Monday night and lists of prospects for gymnasium fund gifts were distributed.

Response on the part of the students who were all asked to turn in a donation this week has been good and the 100 per cent expected goal will be reached, showing that the students no longer want to be handicapped with lack of a gymnasium.

Each high school grade has a special project for the fund. The juniors began the fund with \$700 raised in a Valentine party.

The sophomore class on Friday night, eight o'clock, will sponsor a square dance at the school with proceeds all going into the fund.

There will be three halls for square dancing, including one for beginners where square dance instruction will be given. Everybody is invited.

The freshman class is planning a baby contest on Saturday night, April 19.

Instead of usual class day exercises, the senior class is planning a minstrel show for commencement, and proceeds will go into the gymnasium fund.

Millers Creek Is To Have Square Dance Benefit Playground

Committee to raise funds for the Millers Creek athletic field has planned a square dance to be held Saturday night, eight o'clock, in the gymnasium.

A popular string band has been engaged to furnish music and the spacious floor will accommodate a large crowd. Admission will be \$1.00 per couple or 50 cents each and all who attend are assured an enjoyable evening. Plans are to make the square dance a weekly event for the athletic field fund.

Other events planned for the athletic field grading fund are moving picture shows at the school on April 22, 23 and 24.

Much Business Is Transacted Here At Council Meet

Delegation Asks Street Surface; Parking Meter Ordinance Is Adopted

North Wilkesboro city council in April meeting Tuesday night transacted a number of items of public interest. Mayor R. T. McNeil, Commissioners A. F. Kilby, R. G. Finley, H. M. Hutchens, Ralph Duncan and J. R. Hix and Clerk W. P. Kelly were present.

A delegation composed of Rufus Church, Dr. A. C. Chamberlain, Frank H. Crow and Clyde Pearson asked surfacing of parts of J. Wade and Solomon streets. The delegation was heard and was requested to prepare a petition.

Chris Williams, street superintendent, requested that the city purchase a street roller and A. F. Kilby was authorized to make the purchase. An order was also issued to purchase a power lawn mower for use in cemeteries and in Smoot Park.

Clerk W. P. Kelly was instructed to write a map company relative to proposed revision of the map of the Town of North Wilkesboro, and Mr. Williams was authorized to erect 40 to 50 additional street markers.

Contract was let for water lines extension in Finley park and order was issued for street drain pipe. An auxiliary pump was purchased for the water department to be used at the station on top of the hill to pump water to higher elevations. H. M. Hutchens was authorized to trade a city's pickup truck for a new one.

The city council passed the ordinance for parking meters soon to be erected here and the ordinance in full will be published in an early edition of The Journal-Patriot.

A taxi operating permit was granted to E. R. Eller and Ernest Eller, who recently purchased Buchanan Cabs from Claude Buchanan.

Miss Nina Fay Eller returned back to her work Monday, April 7, at the Wilkes Hosiery Mills after a three weeks stay at home with measles.

Four Methodist Revivals 13-18

Seven visiting ministers will assist in the four Methodist revival meetings announced last week for the Wilkesboro-Millers Creek area the week of April 13-18. Rev. Joe Taylor, of the Cool Springs charge, near Statesville, will do the preaching at Arbor Grove church, Rev. G. E. S. Miller, of Highland church, Hickory, will be the preacher at Millers Creek, Rev. Jack Cooke, of Boulevard church, Statesville, will preach at Friendship (Millers Creek), and Rev. Ellis P. Greene, of the Broad River charge, Harris, N. C., will preach at Union church. Rev. F. J. Stough, Westview, Hickory, Rev. G. C. Garham, Statesville Circuit, Statesville, and Rev. Claude Eastridge, of the Helton Circuit, Sturgilla, will assist with these services and visit in the various communities during the day. The ministers will stay at the Millers Creek parsonage at night and have meals in the homes of the members of the churches where they work during the day.

The people of the different communities are most cordially invited to the services in their church. All of these services will begin at 7:30 Sunday evening, April 13th, and continue through Friday evening, April 18th.

Rev. H. M. Wellman, pastor of Wilkesboro and Union, and Rev. J. L. A. Bungarner, pastor Millers Creek, announced the services.

2 Candidates For Mayor, and 4 For Board Education

April 15 Last Date To File Candidacy In North Wilkesboro Primary

Two candidates have filed for mayor and four for the three places to be filled on the North Wilkesboro board of education. C. J. Jones, chairman of the Wilkes county board of elections, said today.

R. T. Pardue, well known local magistrate, was the latest addition to the mayorality race. Harry Kerley opened the city political pot by filing for mayor several days ago.

W. Blair Gwyn and Rufus Church, two of the three incumbents whose terms expire on the city board of education, have filed for re-election. The two new candidates are Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs and Mrs. Palmer Horton. The term of Dr. J. S. Deans will also expire this year but he has not filed for re-election. Mr. Gwyn filed on March 31.

Mr. Jones said that April 15 will be the last date for filing notices of candidacy for the primary to be held on Monday, April 21.

Saturday of this week will be the last date to register for the primary and election. L. B. Pierce, registrar, will be at the town hall all this week for the purpose of registering voters.

Fire Alarm Today

The North Wilkesboro fire department just before noon today answered a call to extinguish a roof fire at the home of Myrtle Davenport, colored, on B street. Little damage was done.

Dokies' Meeting

An interesting program is in store for members of the Dokies club who attend the meeting to be held Friday, seven p. m., at John Brown's White Pine Farm.

Scout Leadership Training Tonight

Final session of the Scout Leadership training course will be held tonight, 7:30, in the office of Duke Power company. All adults interested in Scouting are asked to attend.

ATU Agents Get Six Stills, Make Arrests of 3 Men

Stills Taken In Several Parts Of County Had Total Capacity 550 Gallons

Agents of the Wilkes office of the Federal Alcohol Tax Unit, located in the federal building in Wilkesboro, destroyed six illicit distilleries in Wilkes county during the past week.

In the still raids, which were made in various sections of the county, the agents arrested Otis Ellis, of Mertie, Wesley Anderson, of North Wilkesboro route three, and Percy Martin, colored, of Roaring River. The defendants filled bonds for trial in the May term of court, following hearings before Commissioner Ralph Davis.

The six stills seized had a total capacity of 550 gallons and a mash capacity of 4,700 gallons. A total of 2,800 gallons of fermented mash, 500 gallons of spent mash and 12 gallons of whisky were destroyed.

Johnson-Frazier Be On 'A' Street

Johnson-Frazier Motor company, local dealer for Kaiser and Frazier automobiles and farm machinery, has purchased two buildings on A street from Mrs. T. E. Sherrill.

The two buildings will be renovated, remodeled and made into adequate quarters for the company, which is now operating in temporary quarters.

A complete dealership with showrooms, offices and garage and service departments is planned by the firm.

Blackburn President Of Retail Merchants In Waynesboro, Va.

John Kermit Blackburn, son of E. M. Blackburn, of North Wilkesboro, was elected president of the Waynesboro, Va., retail merchants association on April 1.

Mr. Blackburn, who is also a director of the Waynesboro merchants association, is engaged in the furniture business in Waynesboro.

Knights of Pythias Meet Monday at 8

Knights of Pythias Lodge meeting has been changed to eight o'clock. All members are urged to attend Monday night, April 14th. There will be two candidates for first rank.

Miss Vera Bungarner spent the week-end in Greensboro with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Capps.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Birds add to the beauty and cheerfulness of their surroundings, and

Whereas, The Garden Department of the North Wilkesboro Woman's Club has taken an interest in bird conservation, and, with numerous other citizens, has requested that this action be taken, I do hereby proclaim that the entire corporate limits of the Town of North Wilkesboro be declared a bird sanctuary.

In accordance with this proclamation, all citizens and residents of the Town of North Wilkesboro, and all visitors are encouraged to afford every reasonable protection to the birds which are protected by law.

Suitable signs designating North Wilkesboro as a bird sanctuary shall be erected on the main highways entering the Town of North Wilkesboro, and the cooperation of all people in this movement is earnestly solicited.

R. T. McNIEL, Mayor of North Wilkesboro.

Wilkesboro to Play Lenoir On Tuesday

Wilkesboro high school baseball team will open the season against Lenoir high at Lenoir Tuesday night and Lenoir will return the game at Wilkesboro Friday of next week.

First Baseball Game For School 9 Friday

North Wilkesboro high school baseball team, which looks good despite the fact that only two boys on the team had played baseball before this year, will play the strong Kannapolis nine at Kannapolis Friday afternoon.

Mr. Howard Wellman spent the Easter holidays in Charlotte with his brother, Mr. R. C. Wellman and family.