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# DIES OF BURNS

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Bethel church near Hays for Mrs. Charles Brewer, 32-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.

The fire in the Brewer fiveroom residence near Rock Oreck church originated when Mrs. Brewer was starting a fire with kerosene. The fluid exploded, setting her clothing on

Mr. Brewer said that he had ne from the house to the spring to get a bucket of water whom he heard his wife scream. He ran toward the house and saw his wife, with her clothing in flames, run from the house into the yard.

Meanwhile, with the flames enveloping the inside of the

### Wikesboro G y in **Fund Is Nearing** Half Way Mark the Millers Creek athletic field

Response Good; Square Dance, Baby Contest and Minstrel Planned

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

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 proress made, although realizing that the campaign now stands at only the halfway point.

thusiastic meeting Monday night and lists of prospects for gymnas-

ium 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 gymnasum fund.

### **Penney Managers** Meet Here Today

North Wilkesboro store of J. C. Wilkesboro, and Mr. Williams Penney company store, who just was authorized to erect 40 to 50 returned from a regional meeting additional street markers. of managers in Atlanta, today conducted a group meeting of lines extension in Finley park Penney store managers, which and order was issued for street was held at Hotel Wilkes.

Other managers present for the meeting included: Ben Adair, partment to be used at the staof Elkin; Marty Thomas, of Mt. tion on top of the hill to pump Point; Mr. McBrady, of Reids- a city's pickup truck for a new ville; and Mr. Icenhour, of Bur- one.

## Wilkesboro to Play

Wilkesboro high school base- Journal-Patriot. ball team will open the season against Lenoir high at Lenoir Tuesday night and Lenoir will return the game at Wilkesboro Fri- Buchanan Cabs from Claude Buday of next week.

### First Baseball Game For School 9 Friday

baseball team, which looks good the corner of Main and Sixth town hall all this week for the despite the fact that only two street, where a truck belonging purpose of registering voters. boys on the team had played to the J. W. Coble company, of haseball before this year, will Greensboro, was on fire. Little play the strong Kannapolis nine damage resulted from the fire. at Kannapolis Friday afternoon.

the Easter holidays in Charlotte 7, at the Wilkes Hosiery Mills with his brother, Mr. R. C. Well- after a three weeks stay at home man and family.

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# MOTHER OF FOUR

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. Re-

> Surviving Mrs. Brewer are her husband, four children, Charles Ray, Tony Dean, Patsy Ruth and Jerry Brewer; her father and mother, Tommy and Flora Watkins Higgins, three brothers and three sisters.

Rev. Jimmie Bryant conducted the funeral services, assisted by Rev. Milo Huie and Rev. Clarence Miller. Burial was in the church semetery.

### Millers Creek Is To **Have Square Dance** Benefit Playground

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 accomodate 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

face; 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. Mc-Niel, Commissioners A. F. Qilby, 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 vices. Clyde Pearson asked surfacing of parts of J, Wade and Solomon 2 Candidates For streets. The delegation was heard 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 R. E. Gibbs, manager of the the map of the Town of North

Contract was let for water drain pipe. An auxiliary pump was purchased for the water deiry; C. V. Rogers, of Martins- water to higher elevations. H. M. Va.; Mr. Cox, of High Hutchens was authorized to trade

The city council passed the ordinance for parking meters soon to be erected here and the ordinance in full full will be pub-Lenoir On Tuesday lished in an early edition of The

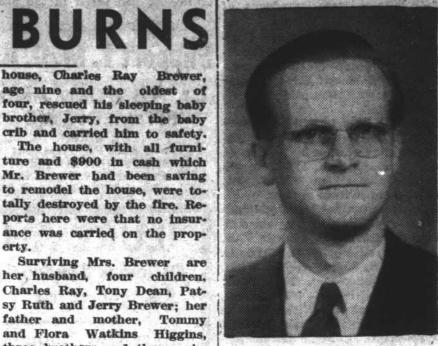
> A taxi operating permit was granted to E. R. Eller and Ernest Eller, who recently purchased

### Truck Fire Tuesday

The North Wilkesboro fire de-North Wilkesboro high school partment was called Tuesday to Pierce, registrar, will be at the

Miss Nina Fay Eller returned Mr. Howard Wellman spent back to her work Monday, April

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.

### **Four Methodist** Revivals 13-18

Seven vistling ministers will assist in the four Methodist re-curate in professional circles, vival meetings announced last cancer killed approximately 181,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 | year. 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, Sturgills, will assist with these services and visit in the various communities during the day. The ministers during the day. The ministers At Coulicil Witt will stay at the Millers Creek parsonage at night and have Delegation Asks Street Sur- 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. Bumgarner, pastor Millers Creek, announced the ser-

## 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 Wilkesboro board of education, C. J. Jones, chairman of the Wilkes county board of elections, Scout Leadership said today.

R. T. Pardue, well known local magistrate, was the latest addition to the mayoralty 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

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.

### 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.

### **Cancer Takes Big Toll of Lives Every** Year In Wilkes

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

Cancer killed 25 persons in Wilkes in 1946, according to the Cancer Society which is conduct- days with her parents, Mr. and ing the annual campaign for Mrs. J. Glenn McNeil. funds in this community.

tinue its three-pronged attack on relatives. cancer through research, education and service.

first compiled. The national toll Wednesday. of cancer in 1946 will not be known for some months because of the work involved in compiling figures from all 48 states. However, according to an estimate made by the statistics department of the American Cancer Society and accepted as ac-000 persons in the United States last year.

In 1947, according to the same estimate, cancer will take the lives of 184,000 Americans. This will include approximately 95,000 women and 88,000 men. age of 15 will die of cancer this

Because cancer is not a reportable disease in many states, it is impossible to determine the number of people who are suffering from cancer at this time, a statement from the American Cancer Society declared. However, national health authorities would mean that in the United States today, there are about 646,000 cases of cancer.

In this county the number of people suffering from cancer can be estimated by multiplying the number of deaths last year by

four or 100 people. The campaign for funds to be conducted in April by the local American Cancer Society unit generously so that research can go ahead as rapidly as possible in an effort to find a cure for cancer and wipe out this ever in-

creasing death rate. Sixty per cent of the funds collected here will be retained by the state organization and used locally for service and educa-

Forty per cent of the funds will go to the national organization of the American Cancer Society for administration and the research work.

### Dokies' Meeting

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

fice of Duke Power company. All McNiel. The Ellers will visit in asked to attend.

### Wright, of the Rhodes-Day Furniture Co., attended a Leonard electric appliance sales meeting in Winston-Salem Tuesday after-

Rev. Wiley Carroll will conduct a service at the cemetery near the home of Mrs. Bell Ham-In by Saturday, April 19, 2:30. The ico, proprietor, and also in Mrs. public is cordially invited to the

Miss Ruth Louise McNeil has returned to Mary Washington College at Fredericksburg, Va., Wilkes Division of the American after spending the spring holi-

Mrs. Junnie Eller and three Faced with a rising death rate sons, Glenn, Carl and L. P., refrom cancer throughout the na- turned to their home Sunday afttion, the American Cancer Soci- ernoon after spending the Easter ety is appealing for funds to con- holidays here with friends, and

Mr. J. C. Williams, Jr., and Mr. Tom Shumaker were among Nationally the cancer death those who witnessed the New rate has shown a continued in- York Giants and Cleveland Increase ever since figures were dians baseball game in Hickory

Friends and relatives are glad to know that Mrs. Vera Pierce Ennis, of Charlotte, has now gone back to her work after a serious case of pleurisy. Mrs. Ennis is a former Wilkes resident.

Capt. Fred M. Wyatt left Sunday for Camp Kilmer, N. J., after spending two weeks at home with his family. Capt. Wyatt is to leave for Germany soon. He will be joined by his family soon as J. C. Lowe and family, Mr. and housing is available.

Mr. Lynn Kerbaugh and Miss Vivian Kerbaugh have returned to Wake Forest College after spending the spring holidays Miss Laurene Sebastian, of North About 1,300 children under the here with their parents, Mr. and Wilkesboro; and Miss Mary Hel-Mrs. J. T. Kerbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clifford Minton and son, James Clifford, Jr., and Mr. Earl Lytle, of Sax-onburg. Pennsylvania, spent the ATU Agents Get onburg, Pennsylvania, spent the Easter holidays with Mr. Minton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Minton, of Wilkesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Church and er, national health authorities granddaughter, Little Virginia are agreed on a method of esti-Brinegar, of Coal City, W. Va.,

Dr. T. L. White and Mr. Claude Hutchens witnessed the exhibition baseball game yesterwas played between the New York Giants and the Cleveland Indians.

Friends regret to learn that going back to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Don Coffey, Jr., and their son, Mr. Don Coffey, III, student at Davidson College, and Mrs. Coffey's nephew, Mr. Lewis Mann Nelson, Jr., of this city, spent the Easter holidays at Wilmington, Myrtle Beach, and Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Edward F. Jones spent the Easter holidays at home with her wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Jones. He was accompanied to Winston-Salem by his wife, the former Miss Heloise Billings and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bauguss. He has spent 4 years in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Chal McNiel and Training Tonight phia, Pa. The McNiels are going T. E. Sherrill. up to Washington for the cherry Final session of the Scout blossom festival and will be ovated, remodeled and made into Leadership training course will guests of Mr. and Mrs. John adequate quarters for the combe held tonight, 7:30, in the of- Ward, uncle and aunt of Mrs. adults interested in Scouting are Philadelphia with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Eller.

## **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 protect-

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.

# Goal \$1,500 LOCALS RED CROSS FUND

The Right Way Shoe shop, lo-ated near Forester Avenue, will \$7,817.11 Total cated near Forester Avenue, will be closed a few days due to illness in the family of C. G. Plex-Plexico's family. The shop will open again soon.

Mrs. J. W. White left yesterday for Richmond, Va., to attend the marriage of her niece, Miss Florence Burtford Sydnor, and Mr. Charles Maurice Carr. The ceremony will take place Saturday evening, April 12th, at six o'clock at Saint Stephens Episcopal church.

Mr. J. Roby McNeil of North Wilkesboro, will be among the top producers of the Occidental Life Insurance Company in attendance at the company's annual convention in Havana, Cuba, next week, stated Mr. W. H. Trentman, executive vice president, in Raleigh today. The Havana convention of the top producers of the company coincides with the formal opening of the company's branch office in Cuba.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ward, of North Wilkesboro Route 2, was the scene of an outdoor Easter dinner. Dinner was served on the lawn at a beautiful appointed table to the following: Mrs. J. M. Lowe, mother of Mrs. Ward; Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. E. L. Lowe and sons, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Waugh, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Benfield, all of Statesville; Mrs. Dottie Brewer and en Ward, of Winston-Salem.

# Six Stills, Make **Arrests of 3 Men**

Stills Taken In Several Parts Annual Spring Concert City Of County Had Total Capacity 550 Gallons

Agents of the Wilkes office of the Federal Alcohol Tax Unit, rapidly improving North Wilkeslocated in the federal building in boro high school band will be day afternoon at Hickory which Wilkesboro, destroyed six illicit held Friday, April 11, eight p.

ing the past week. made in various sections of the ed to be the best ever rendered Mr. John Henry Johnson is ser- county, the agents arrested Otis by a local band, will be as foliously ill again and has returned Ellis, of Mertié, Wesley Ander-lows: will again urge the public to give to Davis hospital in Statesville. son, of North Wilkesboro route He had been at home with his three, and Percy Martin, colored, Song," Beethoven; "The Footparents, Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. J. of Roaring River. The defend- lifter," March, Fillmore; "Man-H. Johnson, for two weeks before ants filled bonds for trial in the tilla Overture," Paul Yoder: "The

Ralph Davis. whisky were destroyed.

# Johnson-Frazier

Johnson-Frazier Motor company, local dealer for Kaiser and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Eller are leav- Frazer automobiles and farm ing Friday for a few days visit at machinery, has purchased two Washington, D. C. and Philadel- buildings on A street from Mrs.

> The two buildings will be renpany, 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.

merchants association, is engaged in the furniture business in Waynesboro.

WILKESBORO AND UNION Methodist Churches Rev. H. M. Wellman, Pastor. Wilkesboro Church

son Sanders, Supt. Preaching 11:00 by the pastor. Union Special Revival services begin Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. Ellis Greene, of Harris, will do

the preaching. The public is

cordially invited.

Sunday School, 10:00; John-

# 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 Rebec-

ca Moseley, executive secretary. The total as of today, with a few scattered reports yet to be received from some rural workers, was \$7,817.11, or \$317.11 over the quota set for the cam-

A. F. Kilby, chapter chairman, and Cecil Adamson, fund campaign chairman this year, joined in an expression of appreciation to the people of the county who contributed to the fund, and especially to all workers. Excellent cooperation was accorded the campaign, which reached many people through a splendid organization of workers.

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.

### **Good Program For Band Concert On** Friday Announced

High School Band Is

Annual spring concert of the distilleries in Wilkes county dur- m, in the North Wilkesboro high school auditorium.

In the still raids, which were The program, which is expect-

National Anthem; May term of court, following Old Lamp Lighter," Briegel; hearings before Commissioner Saxophone trio, "Anvil Polka," Parlow; Trumpet solo, Imogene The six stills seized had a to- Smith; Baritone solo, "On Wings tal capacity of 550 gallons and a of Song," Mendelssohn; Trumpet mash capacity of 4,700 gallons. trio, "Comrades," Buchtel; Clari-A total of 2,800 gallons of fer- net solo, "Adagio Religioso," Arr. mented mash, 500 gallons of by Andraud; BB flat bass solo, spent mash and 12 gallons of "Rocked in the Cradle of The Deep," Hume; Clarinet quartet, "The Shepherd's Hymn." Beethoven; "The Student Prince," overture, Romberg; "American Patrol," Meacham; "Americans

We," march, Fillmore. Personnel of the band this year include: Clarinet, Frances Harris, Betty Jo Reavis, Carolyn Deans, Doris Wiles, Patsy Hawkins, Becky Reins, Doris Godby. Phillip Lomax, Eric Duncan, Tommy Turner, Ann McGinnis, Lila Duncan; E Flat Clarinet Jane Cragan; Flute, John Gibbs Jane Carter, Patricia Hutchison; Oboe, Betty Jo Reavis; Saxophone; Betty Jean Wells, Norma Gabriel, Clate Duncan, Jimmie Caldwell, Charles Lee Crook; Coronets, Carl Swofford, Peggy Harris, Betty Whicker, Jimmie Carter, Christine Godby, John H. Emerson, Pattie Gabriel, Gladys Sebastian, Charles Summers; Mellophone, Nell G. Brame, Bobby Brame; Trombone, Tony Marlow, Kenneth Phillips, Ann Carl-John Kermit Blackburn, son of ton, Jimmie Swofford, Frank E. M. Blackburn, of North Wil- Pearson; Baritone, Gordon Finkesboro, was elected president of ley, T. C. Billings; Bass, Tommy the Waynesboro, Va., retail Johnson, Calvin Hayes; Drums, merchants association on April 1. Tyre Sidden, Corrina Finley, Dot Mr. Blackburn, who is also a Powell, Dot Winters, Betty Blackdirector of the Waynesboro burn; Bells, Dot Jenkins; Majorette, Ann Wells.

Everybody has a cordial invitation to the concert.

**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 Bumgarner spent the week-and in Greensboro with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Capps.