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Rev. John W. Luke Be Honored Sunday At Glendale Springs

Sunday, August 31, will be observed as "Rev. John W. Luke Sunday" at Glendale Springs Presbyterian church in appreciation of 20 years of unselfish service rendered by Rev. Mr. Luke in Ashe and Wilkes counties as a Presbyterian minister.

The 11 o'clock service will be conducted by Dr. E. E. Gillespie, superintendent of home missions in the Presbyterian synod of North Carolina. Dinner will be spread picnic style at noon and Rev. R. H. Stone will preside at the afternoon program.

Rev. Mr. Luke graduated from Hampden-Sydney College with A. B. degree, and entered Union Theological seminary in Richmond, Va., where he received his B. D. degree in 1927. He went to Ashe county to work with Rev. R. H. Stone, who had preceded him three years.

Briefly are listed some statistics which show the extent of Rev. Mr. Luke's ministerial accomplishments:

Baptisms, 500; marriages, 250; funerals, 600; vacation Bible schools, 150; attendance at the above services, 60,000.

Revival services, 160; attendance at the above services, 102,000.

He has been organizer and scoutmaster of three Boy Scout troops.

He has held 4,160 services (averages 4 services per Sunday); built 5 churches—Low Gap, Laurel Fork, Bethel, Miller, and most recently, Glendale Springs; built a manse at Glendale Springs.

He was chairman of Local Draft Board of Ashe County for 5 years—received a citation from Washington for this service. As chairman of the draft board he gave away 2000 New Testaments, one to every draftee from the county, and always had a brief devotional with the boys before they left for camp.

Rev. Mr. Luke is a member of the American Legion Post of West Jefferson. He was in World War I.

Rev. Mr. Luke has sent 120 young people to Glade Valley high school. He has sent a number of children to Barium Springs Orphanage. He has sent 6 young people to college.

Has been associate editor and publisher of "The Ashe Presbyterian" (published quarterly) for 20 years.

Rev. Mr. Luke's hobbies are athletics, chicken raising and gardening.

He has travelled over 500,000 miles in 20 years. He has refused to accept numerous calls from other churches during these years.

Rev. Mr. Luke married Miss Mary Shaw of Wagram, N. C. in 1933 and they have two children, Mary Frances and John W. Luke, Jr.

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Wilkes 4-H Boys To Camp In Forestry

By JOHN E. FORD
(Farm Forester)

As a reward for their interest in 4-H Forestry projects two Wilkes County boys have been selected to attend a Forestry Camp to be held at Singletary Lake Camp in the Bladen Lake State Forest near Elizabethtown. The Camp is made possible through the several pulp and paper companies in North Carolina and the camp itself will be under the direction of the North Carolina Forestry Division. Twenty-five 4-H boys and 25 FFA boys are selected every year to attend this camp on the basis of the boys interest and accomplishments in their farm woodlands. The two boys selected from Wilkes county are Edwin McGee of Purlair and Charlie Blackburn of Ronda. Edwin was the first prize winner of the recent held woodlands thinning contest while Charlie won second prize in the same contest. Charlie in addition helped to plant 5000 tree seedlings on his father's farm. While at Camp the boys will be instructed in various forestry subjects by foresters furnished by the North Carolina Forestry Division and by the Pulpwood Association.

Mrs. Johnson Is Taken By Death

Funeral Service Held Wednesday For Member Of Prominent Family

Funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at the First Baptist church for Mrs. Alma Shoaf Johnson, wife of Gorman A. Johnson, of this city.

Mrs. Johnson died Monday night following an illness of several months.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of one of the northwestern North Carolina's best known families, being a daughter of the late R. S. Shoaf, and Mrs. Shoaf, of this city. Her husband has been principal of Roaring River high school for the past several years.

Surviving Mrs. Johnson are her husband, two daughters, Dorothy Louise and Carolyn Elizabeth Johnson; her mother, Mrs. R. S. Shoaf, all of North Wilkesboro; one sister, Mrs. Glenn Green, of North Wilkesboro; and one brother, Paul Shoaf, whose home is here but who now has a position in Okla., Japan.

Mrs. Johnson had been a member of the First Baptist church here since childhood. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. R. Wagoner, interim pastor, assisted by Rev. Roger C. Gwaltney, of Statesville, who is pastor of Roaring River Baptist church where Mr. and Mrs. Johnson frequently attended services during the school term.

Many beautiful flowers at the funeral were fitting tokens of respect and esteem for the life of Mrs. Johnson in this community. Burial was in Mount Lawn Memorial Park.

John Stewart Wood Claimed By Death

Funeral was held today, 11 a. m., at Cranberry Baptist church for John Stewart Wood, Jr., 72, better known as J. A. Wood, who died Tuesday at his home on Ronda route two. A stroke of paralysis was the cause of his death.

Mr. Wood is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mamie Ray Wood, and the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Ollie Sullivan and John Mayford Wood, of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Ruby Jurney, Taylorsville; Mrs. Oca Sparks, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Grace Hall, North Wilkesboro. Also surviving are seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two children in infancy. All of his children with the exception of Mrs. Sullivan were present at the time of his death.

Rev. Ralph Miller 2nd Baptist Pastor

Rev. Ralph Miller newly elected pastor of the second Baptist church will preach there each second and fourth Sunday. Rev. Mr. Miller states that the preaching dates have been changed from the first and third to the second and fourth Sundays.

Everyone is invited to attend each and every service.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Williams, of West Jefferson, visited relatives in the Wilkesboro route one community Sunday.

Memorial Park Work Begins

13 From Wilkes At 4-H Club Week In Raleigh Aug. 18-23

Wilkes County was represented in Raleigh last week, August 18-23 at 4-H Club Week by 6 girls and 7 boys. 4-H Club Week is held annually at State College, Raleigh and is the high light of 4-H Club work. Miss Ruth Moore, State 4-H Council President of Pitt County presided at all sessions.

The thirteen boys and girls from Wilkes, along with the 1,400 other 4-H Club members from nearly every county in North Carolina, attended classes in homemaking, and farming during the morning. The afternoon were devoted to demonstration, recreation and tours of the State College Campus and the city of Raleigh, particularly the Governor's Mansion, Our State Capitol building and the museum.

Sue Bumgarner, of the Millers Creek 4-H Club, and winner of the Wilkes County 4-H Dress Revue competed in the State Dress Revue on Thursday. She modeled a tailored blue gabardine dress with black accessories. Miss Bumgarner was in a group singled out by Misses Hunter and McIver, clothing specialists as having a very neat and striking outfit, and ranked near the top. Several of the contestants, including Miss Bumgarner had individual pictures made to be used by the clothing specialist in illustrative material.

Others attending 4-H Club week included Peggy Bumgarner, Rex Lovette, and Josephine Crane of the Millers Creek club; Buddy Mathis, Lucille Mathis, and Royce Mathis of the Wilkesboro Club; Edith Marie Ferguson of the Ferguson Club; Charlie Blackburn and Betty Anthony of the Ronda Club; Ken Woodie of the North Wilkesboro Club and Mack Foster and Edwin McGee of the Mt. Pleasant Club. Miss Margaret Morrison, Assistant Home Agent was with the group for the week.

Special vesper programs were conducted by Hyde, Edgcombe, Stanly, and Cabarrus counties.

The crowning of the State Prince and Princess of Health was the climax of the Health Pageant, which was presented on Thursday night under the direction of Mrs. Willie Mae Currin, Assistant Home Agent in Nash County.

During the week the delegates heard speeches by Governor Cherry, and Secretary of War, Kenneth Royall. Also outstanding 4-H Members spoke at various times during the week. Talks were made by Bryan Coates of Johnston County, who told of the National 4-H Club Congress; Mildred Hendrix of Cherokee, whose topic was the National 4-H Camp in Washington, D. C., and Lindberg Bunn of Franklin talked on the Danforth Camp in Michigan.

The State 4-H Club Council officers for 1947-48 elected during the week and installed on Friday night and they are as follows: President, D. G. Harwood, Jr., Stanly county; vice president, Margaret Putman, Gaston county; Historian, William Moore, Edgcombe county; and Frances Lancaster, secretary, of Edgcombe county.

The State 4-H Dress Revue winners were Sophia Perry, Bertie county who modeled a navy blue suit and hat to match made from her brother's discarded service uniform and flat hat. Runner-up was Margaret Putman, Gaston county. First place winner in the school dress division was Joyce Bell Williams, Chatham county. Hazel Dickerson of Vance county was winner in the formal dress division.

Revival Services At The Holiness Church

Revival services will begin Sunday, August 31, at Zion Hill Pentecostal Holiness church. Rev. Woodrow Smith will be doing the preaching, there will be special singing at each service and all are invited to attend. Services will begin at 7:30 each evening.

The word sausage as used today is derived from the Latin "salsus," meaning salted or literally, preserved meat, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

A Toast to Wilkes County

By R. DON LAWS
Here's to the grand old "State of Wilkes."

Where the Native brooks no odds,
But forges ahead with a beaver's zeal,
And sleeps in the laps of the gods.

'Tis here the farmer tickles the soil
That laughs with abundance and more
Which largely maintains the people who work
In office and factory and store.

The breath of her dew and the kiss of the sun
Paint blushes on Apples (Delicious)
That beggar the poet and rival the rose,
And make Wilkes maidens suspicious.

Her valleys and hills, her rivers and rills,
Her orchards, her gardens and farms,
Her poultry plantations and other creations,
Comprise a vast Eden of Charms.

North Wilkesboro Public School To Open On Monday

The North Wilkesboro Public Schools will open Monday, September 1 at 8:30.

The day is to be spent in organization of classes and distribution of books and material.

All elementary pupils in grade, one through six should return to their rooms of last year in order to find out to what teacher and section they should go. Beginners should go to the first grade rooms. New pupils should bring report card or records with them and should go to the same grade they were in last year.

High school pupils and teachers should assemble in the auditorium at 8:30.

The school cafeteria will be open for pupils on Tuesday. Lunch will be served on Monday for teachers only.

The faculty for 1947-48 is complete with one exception. A seventh grade teacher is to be employed.

High school teachers are: Mr. James Sanges, principal; Mrs. Pauline Woodward, Mr. Howard A. Bowers, Mr. Wayne Church, Miss Ruby Dancy, Miss Mary Jo Ragan, Miss Mary Speer, Miss Mildred Hughes, Mrs. Helen Bell, Miss Blanche Irwin, Miss Cora E. Ingram, and Miss Eva Bingham, band.

Elementary teachers are: Miss Lena Long, Miss Minnie Haire, Mrs. Sarah Pearson, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Harris, Miss Julia Gray, Miss Elizabeth Finley, Miss Etta Turner, Mrs. Mary W. Kilby, Mrs. Susie Williams, Mrs. Hazel T. Spainhour, Miss Ruby Blackburn, Mrs. Beattie Clo Kerbaugh, Miss Myra Sale, Miss Mabel Hendren, Miss Mae Sue Pegram, Mrs. Nell M. Helms, and Mrs. Edna S. Bivens.

Wilkesboro Church Will Have Revival

Dr. J. C. Stokes To Be Guest Minister At Wilkesboro Methodist

Revival services will begin Sunday, August 31, at the Wilkesboro Methodist church.

Rev. H. M. Wellman, pastor, has announced that Dr. J. C. Stokes, pastor of the Maiden First Methodist church, will be guest minister for the revival.

Dr. Stokes is a former pastor of the Wilkesboro and Union Methodist churches, having served them before entering service as a chaplain in the navy. He has many friends in the community who will welcome the opportunity to hear him during the series of revival services.

Services will be held each evening at 7:30 p. m. through Friday and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Miller and family, of Jefferson, visited Rev. and Mrs. James T. Nichols, of Wilkesboro route one, Sunday.

Lights Being Put Up On Athletic Field This City

Hope To Complete Lighting Project In Time For Game On Sept. 12

One of this community's most badly needed projects got under way Monday when work began on construction of Memorial Park on the old fairgrounds field.

First work in development of the park is the erection of athletic lights.

Contract was executed by the Memorial Park committee with Delta, Inc., a contracting firm in Charlotte, to do all labor on erection of floodlights on the combination football and baseball field. That firm was currently engaged in the construction for Duke Power company in this area and they were loaned to the park committee for this job. Mr. Gaither, a member of the Delta firm, is in charge of construction.

The ten 80-foot Douglas fir croqueted poles arrived Tuesday afternoon and were moved to the park Wednesday, where they are now being erected. Poles at the back of the football field, which will be outfield for baseball, will have 12 floodlights each. The double poles down first and third base lines will have 24 lights to each location and the two poles back of home plate will have 12 each, making a total of 120 floodlights of 1,500 watts each.

Left, center and right field distances on the baseball field will be 350 feet each, which is 100 feet more than the minimum allowed in official baseball rules.

Funds Needed
A report from W. Blair Gwyn, Memorial Park fund treasurer, today indicated that the total contributed to date is somewhat short of the total estimated cost for lighting and grading on the athletic field and to date there are no funds for erection of seats for the coming football season or a grandstand for baseball.

The committee respectfully asks for more donations in order that the project may be fully completed and thus fill a long-recognized need in this community. Organizations are asked to help by sponsoring benefit events for the park and individuals are continuing to be solicited for contributions.

Five Are Attending Farm - Home Week

Five Home Demonstration Club women from Wilkes county are in Raleigh this week attending the annual Farm and Home Week Program.

Special features of the weeks program will include the unveiling of the Portraits of Dean, I. O. Schaub and Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, Pioneer Extension Workers. Addresses on Thursday by Dorothy Thompson, Historian and General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Miss Margaret Morrison, Assistant Home Agent will go to Raleigh Wednesday of this week to attend a business meeting of the State Home Agents Association. She will return to Wilkesboro on Friday.

Wayne J. Caudill Has Master of Arts Degree

Mr. Wayne J. Caudill, son of Mrs. H. B. Douglas, of North Wilkesboro, N. C., received his Master of Arts Degree from George Peabody College for Teachers.

Mr. Caudill, who received his B. S. degree from Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, in December 1946, is an Army Air Force overseas veteran, a member of Kappa Delta Pi, National Honor Education Society and Pi Gamma Mu, National Honor Social Science Fraternity.

Mr. Caudill has accepted a position as critic and instructor at Appalachian Demonstration School, Boone, N. C.

Mr. Robert E. Eller, who has a business in Los Angeles, California, is spending a few weeks in the home of Rev. and Mrs. James T. Nichols, with whom he spent the early part of his life, in the Wilkesboro route one and Rurair community.

Midget Watermelons, Osage Orange, Apple Are On Display Here

The Journal-Patriot freak department has had a big week. Among the interesting items brought in this week were three midget watermelons grown by F. M. Jennings at his Valley View nursery at Pines Knob.

Housewives had so much trouble getting melons into refrigerators that producers decided to do something about it, so they developed a midget size watermelon which grows smaller and in greater numbers than the usual varieties. A midget melon, which has a rind about one-fourth of an inch thick, occupies about the same space as a gallon pail or jar and are readily chilled in a home-type refrigerator. Mr. Jennings will grow them on a commercial scale next year.

What is thought to be an osage orange was brought in by Mrs. Richard Minton, of Wilkesboro route one. It came from a tree near Winston-Salem. It is the size of a grapefruit, green in color and with a corrugated, rough surface. Rev. John Blackburn, of Wilkesboro route two, brought in one of his big apples.

Scouts Advance At Meet of Court

Seventeen Scouts Advanced In Rank At Court Of Honor Thursday

The regular Court of Honor session for the Wilkes District for Boy Scouts was held at the Presbyterian hut Thursday, August 21, with the following members present: Paul Osborne, Gordon Finley, Cyrus McNeil, Joe McCoy and Rev. H. M. Wellman.

Awards for the previous session were given and the Board of Review passed on advancements as follows:

Troop No. 35—E. G. Wyatt, second class; Billy Phillips, second class; J. D. Saylor, second class; Tyre Sidden, second class; Billy Bumgarner, second class; Wayne Absher, second class; Dannie Pruitt, second class; James Sidden, second class; C. L. Wyatt, second class; Calvin Hays, first class; Bobby Lee Anderson, star; R. Ivey Moore, wood carving; R. Ivey Moore, conservation; Calvin Hays, home repairs.

Troop No. 34—William A. Hardister, second class; Harry Steele, second class.

Rollerdrome to Open On Friday Night For Skating; Is Modern

The Rollerdrome, a new skating rink for clean and wholesome recreation, will open Friday night on the top floor of the Farm Center building between Midway Pontiac company and Banber Motor company between the Wilkesborsos.

Red Morrison, professional hockey skater formerly with the Washington Blades and who was for three years manager of Paramount Rollerdrome in Hollywood, California, will be floor manager and instructor. Free instructions will be given beginners.

All are cordially invited to visit the Rollerdrome at any time.

Local Song Writer On Radio Weekly

Jimmie Childress, singer and song writer who makes his home here, is heard each Sunday afternoon, 2:45, over radio station WKBC in North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Childress recently came to North Wilkesboro from Mount Airy and is employed at Horton's Drug Store.

A baritone singer, Mr. Childress has sung over WSJS and WAIR in Winston-Salem and WBT in Charlotte. He has written more than 50 songs and on each Sunday afternoon program here he sings one of his own composition, all of which are popular music. The public is cordially invited to hear his broadcasts.

State Tax Office To Be Closed Monday

Mr. Harry L. Summers, Deputy Collector N. C. revenue, states his office will be closed Monday, Sept. 1st, Labor Day, but that he will be in his office all day Tuesday, Sept. 2nd.

Dr. J. T. Wayland Is the New Pastor Of First Baptist

Was Formerly Pastor At Monroe, Durham, and Was Navy Chaplain

Dr. John Terrill Wayland, an outstanding minister in the Baptist denomination, has assumed his duties as pastor of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro.

Dr. Wayland came this week to North Wilkesboro from Baltimore, Md., where he was pastor of Pimlico Baptist church since receiving his discharge from the navy, in which he served as a chaplain.

A native of Missouri, Dr. Wayland was born March 2, 1907, at Moberly, Mo. At the age of ten he dedicated his life to the ministry. He attended William Jewell college, senior Baptist college in Missouri, and graduated in 1928. For two years he attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and later Yale divinity and graduate school, where he received his Ph. D. degree in 1933.

Dr. Wayland's first pastorate was at the First Baptist church in Monroe from 1933 until 1937. For two years he was moderator of Union County Baptist association. From 1937 until 1944 Dr. Wayland was pastor of Temple Baptist in Durham. He served as president of the Baptist Training Union in North Carolina and was a director of the Biblical Recorder, official Baptist publication in North Carolina. During his Baptist Training Union work in the state he visited North Wilkesboro and gained a favorable impression of the community.

In the navy Dr. Wayland served as chaplain at Fort McHenry, Md., and on the cruiser Houston.

Dr. Wayland married Miss Eunice Fowler, of New Haven, Conn., and they have three children: Bruce, 13; Terrill, 11; and Jean, 6. Today they moved into the Baptist parsonage here.

The new pastor was greeted by a large congregation at his first appearance at the church Wednesday night for prayer service. After the service a reception for Dr. Wayland and family was held at the home of R. T. McNeil and many greeted the new pastor there.

Here Dr. Wayland succeeds Rev. W. R. Wagoner, who has been interim pastor since Dr. David E. Browning resigned to become pastor of a newly organized Baptist church in Richmond, Va.

Thousands of Fish Killed In A Very

Local Sportsmen Are Interested In Outcome Case In Court

According to reports brought back from Avery county by local sportsmen, thousands of fish were recently killed in the Linville section when poison is alleged to have been placed in small streams running into the state fish hatchery.

This alleged crime, which local fishermen think is just about the foulest that could possibly be committed against the game life of the northwest section of the state, did damages estimated to amount to \$15,000 or more, and will result in a big setback to the sport of fishing in the Linville section.

It is understood that arrests have been made and that several parties of Avery county now await trial in court. The case was placed on the calendar of a recent term of Avery superior court but was not called up for trial, it is said.

Local sportsmen, it is reported, are not only incensed over the alleged crime, but they are eagerly awaiting prompt court action and sufficient punishment meted out to all guilty parties.

Southside Singing At Boomer On Sunday

Southside singing association will convene Sunday at Zion Hill Baptist church at Boomer. Chairman F. J. McDuffie announced today. The singing program will open at 11 a. m. and continue through the day. All are invited to attend and take part and are asked not to forget baskets of dinner for the picnic lunch at noon.

Story Addresses Forsyth G. O. P.

Wilkes Representative Feature Speaker At Dinner Meeting Friday

Attorney T. E. Story, Wilkes representative in the legislature for the past several years and minority leader during the past session, was the feature speaker at a joint meeting of the Forsyth county Young Republicans and executive committee held Friday night at Downtown Cafeteria in Winston-Salem.

Representative Story praised the record of the Republican congress in the last session and criticized the Democratic administration in North Carolina for failure to adequately finance the school system and failure to improve the election laws.

Sim DeLapp, state chairman, W. L. Stafford, state vice chairman of Young Republicans, and others prominent in the party in the state were on the program of the dinner meeting.

Kindergarten Will Open On Sept. 15

Mrs. J. L. Clements kindergarten will open on September 15. Mrs. Clements has very successfully operated kindergarten classes at her home on Sixth street for the past several years.