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HOME GROWN WILKES WATERMELONS DEVoured



The crowd shown here fully enjoyed evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jennings, owner of Valley View nursery, gave melons can be grown commercially in Wilkes. Jennings and R. Don Laws, who recited a melon. Also on the program for the gathering was a quartet composed of Bentley and R. Davis, with Miss Annie Broyhill as accompanist.

Good Revival At Oakwoods Church

Revival services are now in progress at Oakwoods Baptist church with Rev. Olate Brown and Rev. Fred Blevins, the pastor, in charge of the services.

Everyone is urged to attend the services, which began Sunday evening, September 7. Rev. Mr. Brown has brought some soul stirring messages that have been an inspiration to all who have had the pleasure of hearing him. There has been a good interest in the meeting with a number of conversions and rededications.

Services begin each evening at 7:45 with special singing by visiting quartets.

Youth Tried Here For \$32 Store Theft

William Bill Parsons, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Parsons, was tried in city court here Monday on charge of breaking into Riverside Grocery, where \$32 cash was taken from the cash register.

Police Chief J. E. Walker said that entrance to the building was gained through the rear. The youth, who had no court record, was given a sentence of 12 months suspended on condition that the money be re-imbursed.

Parking Meters Took In \$1,600 In Past Month

Number Of Meters Installed Increased To 202; More On Tenth St.

Parking meters in North Wilkesboro, installed several weeks ago, are taking in from \$1,500 to \$1,800 monthly, according to information received from W. P. Kelly, city clerk and treasurer.

The "take" for July was \$1,527.91 and for August was \$1,600.03.

According to the purchase contract made with the city and a meter manufacturing company, three-fourths of the gross taken in goes to pay for the meters at the installed price of \$54.50.

There are now 202 meters in operation in North Wilkesboro. Recently a number were added on Tenth street where meters were originally omitted because of objections by businesses located there.

Since parking meters were installed in North Wilkesboro and met with little objection on the part of the public, a number of other northwestern North Carolina towns, including Elkin and West Jefferson, have decided to install meters to alleviate parking conditions.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jones and daughter, Miss Margaret Jones, left Monday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Hulcher at Fresno, Ohio, after which they will go to Farmville, Va., where Miss Jones will resume her studies at the State Teachers College as a member of the Senior class. Mr. and Mrs. Jones plan to be away about two weeks.

Stone Mountain Baptists Group Meet Sept. 26-28

Program For 51st Annual Session Of Association Is Announced

Fifty-first annual session of the Stone Mountain Baptist association will be held with Haymeadow Baptist church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 26, 27 and 28. J. A. Gilliam, moderator, announced this week.

The association will open on Friday morning with devotional by Rev. Woodroe Wishon, introductory sermon by Rev. Watson Bryant.

Heads Polish Relief



MEMORIAL PARK LIGHTS WILL BE USED ON FRIDAY

Friday night will make history in North Wilkesboro as the opening of Memorial Park athletic field, located on the old fairgrounds.

Unless weather conditions are abnormally bad, the work on the lights will be completed and lights will be on for the game between North Wilkesboro and Sparta.

Dedication of Memorial Park in honor of those who died in the war is planned for the near future.

The park is the result of contributions made by many people and business firms. Additional funds are needed for grading, fencing and seats, and possibly a grandstand with dressing rooms in the near future. All who have not given and are interested in this great community improvement, as a memorial to fallen heroes are urged to give now. Blair Gwyn is treasurer of the Memorial Park fund.

STONE MOUNTAIN POST OF FOREIGN WARS TO LARGE CLUBHOUSE NOW

and a number of applications are being held until the next financial year starts in a few days, in order to save the applicants one year's dues. The local post stands sixth in percentage of potential members in the state, and is expecting to go to the top in 1948. All men with foreign service records, and good character, are urged to get in line with the V. F. W. now. "The nearly three million members now in the U. S. are proving to the world that the same men that met and crushed stubborn foes on land, sea and in the air, are just as much united in times of peace, as they were in the bitter days, that we all hope will never come again. So boys, your V. F. W. invites you to do your part as well here as you did 'Over There,'" Commander Whitaker said.

Wilkes Man Dies From Accident Tuesday Night

Otis Armstrong Pardue Killed In Crash at Cycle On Highway 421

Otis Armstrong Pardue, a young man of the Ronda community, was killed just after midnight Tuesday night when his car crashed into a service station on highway 421 at the intersection of highway 421 and the Swan Creek-Jonesville road.

Mr. Pardue was alleged to have been driving the car, which entered highway 421 from the direction of Swan Creek. The car failed to make the curve into the highway, crossed the pavement and crashed into Mrs. Bessie Myers' service station. Mr. Pardue died on the way to the hospital in Elkin. William D. Rumble, who was with him, was not seriously hurt. Yadkin County Sheriff Inscore conducted investigation of the accident.

Funeral for Mr. Pardue will be held Friday, two p. m., at Pleasant Grove Baptist church, with Rev. R. R. Crater in charge of the service.

Surviving Mr. Pardue are his father and mother, M. J. and Julia Brannon Pardue, and the following brothers and sisters: Thomas Pardue, Cycle; Joseph and Arvil Pardue, Ronda; Mrs. Garnie Pruitt and Mrs. Harold Bell, Elkin; Mrs. Kermit Pardue, Cycle; Miss Kate A. Pardue, Ronda.

Welcome Service For Dr. Wayland

Churches of the Wilkesborsos will unite in a union service Sunday night, 7:45, at the First Baptist church here to welcome Dr. John T. Wayland, new First Baptist pastor, to this community.

Rev. Gilbert R. Combs, First Methodist pastor and president of the Ministerial Association, will preside. Rev. Watt M. Cooper, First Presbyterian pastor; Rev. H. M. Wellman, pastor of Wilkesboro Methodist, and Rev. W. N. Brookshire, Wilkesboro Baptist pastor, will participate in the service, to which everybody is invited.

Dr. Wayland recently assumed his duties as First Baptist pastor, coming here from Baltimore. He is widely recognized as an outstanding minister in the Baptist denomination.

Tobacco should be hung at least 1-2 feet above the ground level in the tobacco barn.

DIVISION OF YADKIN PROJECT

Proposed improvement of Yadkin-Pee Dee River announced Monday by W. Gillette, CE, District Engineer for the Corps of Engineers, South Atlantic Division, Georgia, in an address before the North Carolina River Society summer meeting held at Asheville. Colonel John Hughes, Engineer at Charleston, Carolina, who will be in charge of the project, introduced the project to the Corps of Engineers.

Colonel Gillette stated in 1936 the Flood Control Act authorized a survey of the River from the eastern end of the Blue Ridge Mountains to the mouth of the River near Badin, where it comes to the Pee Dee River.

The survey included power development and after reports had been submitted by the Chief of Engineers forwarded by the Secretary of War, the Senate Commerce Committee presented a comprehensive plan to develop the Yadkin-Pee Dee Basin, including a purpose reservoir at Wilkesboro, Tuckertown, Junction, M. Greater Blewett and Ford for flood control and electric power.

The total cost at that time was estimated at about \$840,000, with the initial cost at Wilkesboro to cost about \$400,000. Considerable local opposition to the proposed project was manifested by Congress representatives and citizens in the area, and Congress rejected the comprehensive plan.

Additional hearings resulted in a compromise and in 1946 Congress authorized building of four dams along the Yadkin River for flood control only.

The four flood control dams authorized are to be located at Wilkesboro; at Upper Wilkesboro in the vicinity of Ferguson; on the Reddies River northwest of North Wilkesboro; and on the Reddies River in the vicinity of Mulberry. The Corps of Engineers has reported that the only practicable method of controlling floods in the upper waters of the Yadkin River is a system of detention reservoirs on the Yadkin River and its tributaries above North Wilkesboro.

The estimated first cost to the Federal Government in May 1946 for the construction of these four dams was \$7,194,000, with \$25,000 required annually for maintenance and operation.

The Colonel stated that the Corps of Engineers estimated, that if the money were appropriated at one time, the four dams could be constructed in about 3 years. The Corps of Engineers has recommended that this development as the first phase of the development of the river system be developed as a whole. The flat, lowlands along the

port on Reddies No. 1 and No. 3 during the fiscal year, and construction will be initiated when funds are provided by Congress for these first two dams. The work scheduled to be accomplished, will be under the direction of the Charleston District Corps of Engineers.

Executive Board Of P.-T. A. Meets

Executive board of the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association held a meeting yesterday with full attendance of members. The board expressed satisfaction with the splendid start of the North Wilkesboro schools.

The annual membership drive will be conducted during the coming week and full details will be announced in the next few days. It is expected that the association membership this year will reach a new high here.



C. M. Brown, Jr., is manager of the new Firestone store which had a most successful preview opening on the corner of Tenth and O streets Wednesday night. Owners of the new store are Mr. Brown, H. P. (Pat) Eller and Cecil Kilby. A large crowd attended the preview opening and were favorably impressed with the establishment. (See story on Sports page).

To be CONTINUED

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11:40 Annual Sermon, Rev. J. G. Huffman.
 12:10 Noon hour recess, dinner on grounds.
 1:15 Devotional, Dr. John T. Wayland.
 1:25 Christian Education in State and South. Report, Miss Mildred Kilby; Discussion, M. H. Kendall.
 1:50 Education Through Christian Literature. Report, James Triplett; Discussion, Dr. L. L. Carpenter.
 Missions
 2:10 In the Association, report, Miss Madge Lewis; In the State, report, Mrs. R. T. McNeill; In the Home and Foreign Fields, report, Rev. John Wells.
 2:25 Cooperative Program Report, Rev. W. N. Brookshire; Discussion, M. A. Huggins.
 Social Service and Civic Righteousness
 3:00 Report, J. Allie Hayes; Discussion, L. A. Martin.
 Wednesday, September 24
 10:00 Devotional, Rev. L. T. Younger.
 Benevolent Institutions
 10:10 Orphanage Report, Charles W. Proffit; Discussion, Representative from Orphanage.

For Farmers Day Here October 1st

Splendid Program Of Entertainment Will Await Farmers Here Oct. 1

The Tennessee Ramblers, popular hill billies of radio, stage and screen, will help entertain the crowds expected here for Farmers Day, October 1.

The Ramblers were here last year and provided the center of entertainment for the day's festivities, including the street dance at night.

This year the Farmers Day committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce is planning many entertainment features for the big day, which will also be the opening day of the Wilkes Agricultural fair to be held by the Kiwanis Club.

Further announcements relative to Farmers Day and the fair are expected next week.

The current outlook for North Carolina's commercial peanut crop is exceptionally good.