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WILKES COUNTY BOY FIRST AT STATE FORESTRY CAMP



Edwin McGee of Purlear was selected as the best camper at the recently held State Forestry Camp at the Bladen Lake State Forest near Elizabethtown. As a reward for being selected the best camper by vote of the boys attending, Edwin received an Indian Fire Pump. There were forty-nine boys from all over the State attending the camp which was held during the last week in August. The boys were picked on the basis of their interest and of their accomplishments with forestry projects they had concluded as a project in the 4-H Club or through FFA clubs. Twenty-five 4-H boys and twenty-five FFA boys were selected to attend the camp which is held yearly at Singletary Lake. This year two Wilkes County boys attended the Camp, Edwin McGee of Purlear and Charlie Blackburn of Ronda. Edwin seems to have a habit of being selected first in forestry projects as his thinning project won first prize in the recently conducted Wilkes Chamber of Commerce Thinning Contest. He is shown above receiving the pump from John Ford, Farm Forester.

Devotional Programs By Local Ministers

Ministers of the Ministerial Association of the Wilkesbros are alternating in conducting devotional programs each morning over radio stations here.

This week Rev. W. M. Cooper, First Presbyterian minister, is conducting the programs over station WKBC 9:15 to 9:30 a. m.

Next week Dr. Gilbert R. Combs will conduct the programs over station WILX, 8:30 to 9:00 a. m.

The ministers will alternate each week and stations will be alternated each month.

Brushy Mountain Baptists In 74th Session This Week

Two-Day Session Held At Boiling Springs Baptist Church; Many Attend

Seventy-fourth annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association was held Tuesday and Wednesday very successfully at Boiling Springs Baptist church 12 miles west of this city.

With but one exception all 34 churches in the association were represented at the two-day session. New Hope church in Caldwell county withdrew to join the Caldwell association, leaving the membership at 33 churches.

Moderator T. E. Story was re-elected, along with Clerk J. F. Jordan. Rev. C. J. Poole was named vice moderator and Dr. H. G. Duncan historian. The nominating committee was composed of Rev. W. N. Brookshire, Hubert Canter and N. C. Church.

The 1948 session will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September at Little Rock church. Dr. John T. Wayland, North Wilkesboro First Baptist pastor, was selected for the introductory sermon with Rev. A. W. Eller as alternate. For the sermon on the second day Rev. John Wells was named with Rev. W. N. Brookshire as alternate. The committee making these arrangements was composed of W. A. Jennings, Rev. E. C. Hodge and Jim Eller.

Rev. J. G. Huffman delivered the annual sermon on Tuesday morning. Other baptist leaders on the Tuesday program were J. F. Jordan, Miss Lunda Hendren, Mrs. G. G. Foster, Rev. A. W. Eller, Dr. Avery M. Church, Dr. John T. Wayland, Miss Mildred Kilby, Claude F. Gaddy, James Triplett, Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Miss Madge Lewis, Mrs. R. T. McNeil, Rev. John Wells, Rev. W. N. Brookshire, R. M. Hauss.

Rev. A. W. Eller opened the Wednesday morning session with devotional and Rev. C. J. Poole delivered the morning sermon.

Others on the Wednesday program included Charles W. Profit, Rev. T. O. Walton, Rev. W. S. Luck, Miss Nora McGee, Dr. W. K. McGee, Rev. Clate Brown and Dr. H. G. Duncan, who gave a history of Boiling Springs church and the association.

Serving on the resolutions committee for the association were Rev. W. S. Luck, Miss Florence Miller and Roy Parsons.

MEMORIAL PARK WORK GOING ON

Construction in Memorial Park this week continued with preparation for erection of football bleachers and grading of the baseball infield.

Some of the lumber was donated toward erection of seven rows of seats to accommodate 1,600 football fans. However, the Memorial Park committee found it necessary to purchase several thousand feet of lumber, which must be paid for by contributed funds.

Jaycees Helping Work

Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce has volunteered labor for erection of the football seats on the south side of the field. Rain yesterday delayed opening of the work, but all materials had been placed on the field awaiting weather conditions suitable for work. Every effort will be made to have seating facilities for the game Friday night between North Wilkesboro and Spencer.

Work On Baseball Field

On Monday the task of filling in the baseball infield was begun and was near completion when rain halted the work temporarily Wednesday. Local observers are of the opinion that the baseball field, like the football field, will be one of the state's best when completed.

Auxiliary Lighting

A system of auxiliary lighting was installed in the park this week. This system will be used for the convenience of the crowd before and after the field flood-lighting system is used.

P. A. And Radio Facilities

In addition to the auxiliary lighting, poles were placed for public address system and wires for the broadcast of games by radio station WILX.

Will Build Fence

Next development for Memorial Park and slated for early construction will be the erection of a board fence around the combination football and baseball field. When the fence is erected, fans will find it convenient to park within the ground and buy their tickets at box offices instead of having to purchase tickets before driving into the park.

Much Already Accomplished

Members of the Memorial Park committee are pleased with the development of the park, which has been entirely with donated funds. At times it has seemed that little progress was being made, but much has been accomplished since the campaign for the park was started in June, and much more development is planned as additional donations are received.

Baseball Next Year

After erection of the board fence, the next planned development will be the construction of seats or a grandstand for baseball next year. Meanwhile baseball enthusiasts are laying plans for professional baseball next summer, either with a major league team tie-up or on an independent ownership basis.

Dedication Planned

Developed to serve this and future generations, Memorial Park will be dedicated soon in memory and honor of all Wilkes men whose lives were lost for the cause of freedom and justice. A committee has been assigned to work out a dedication program, which will be held at one of the football games this fall, probably at the Wilkesboro-North Wilkesboro game on November 14.

More Contributions Needed

With much work yet to be done, more contributions are needed. Bills for all work done to date have been taken care of, but money is needed now for additional work to make of the park something to which all citizens can point with pride. Attention is also called to the fact that the park will benefit all people of Wilkes county in furnishing wholesome recreation, which has been sadly lacking in past years. W. Blair Gwyn is treasurer of the park fund, and will gladly accept your contribution.

Thos. David Hall Funeral Tuesday

Last rites were held Tuesday at the family cemetery at Darby for Thomas David Hall, 82-year-old citizen who died Sunday.

Mr. Hall is survived by the following sons and daughters: Mrs. C. C. Simmons, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Z. V. Triplett, Denny; Mrs. F. F. Watson and R. C. Hall, both of Darby.

Crowds Expected For Farmers' Day And Wilkes Fair

Many Entertaining Programs And Excellent Exhibits Lined Up

Large crowds are expected in North Wilkesboro for the annual Farmers' Day celebration Wednesday, October 1, and the Wilkes Agricultural Fair to begin with Farmers' Day and continue through Saturday, October 4.

For Farmers' Day top-notch entertainers have been secured for the two shows to be presented on a stage on Ninth street at 1:30 and 3:30 p. m.

The Tennessee Ramblers will be back again and this year will have as their special guest star Little Miss Bobby Nell Cooper, six-year-old star of screen, radio and stage. Bobby Nell and her mother, Mrs. Howard Cooper, of Hollywood, are now vacationing at Purlear with Bobby Nell's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dixon Cooper.

Also on the show program will be Officer Pressley's show with highly trained dogs. This show is put on as a safety feature and has been acclaimed at many places as a wonderful performance.

Farmers' Day program will be continued at the Wilkes Agricultural Fair on Wednesday night, 7:30, when the Tennessee Ramblers will perform at the fair at the horse show grounds. Plans are being made to accommodate a great array of exhibits at the fair, which will be sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club. Williams shows and rides will be on the midway.

There will be a change of program each day for the fair, which will end with a horse show on Saturday afternoon and night.

As an added feature of the horse show, Actress Bobby Nell Cooper will ride a pony in the pony show.

T. P. A. POST REORGANIZED

At a dinner meeting held Tuesday night at White Pine Farm post L of the Travelers Protective Association was reorganized.

C. O. McNeil was named president; J. B. McCoy, vice president; and Watson Brame, secretary-treasurer.

A membership campaign is planned in this community in the near future. The present membership of the post is now 65.

State officials attending the meeting Tuesday night were J. R. Teague, of Henderson, state president; and Thomas R. Yates, of Winston-Salem, state secretary.

Remodeling Now At Cash Fertilizer And Seed Store In City

Remodeling is now under way at Cash Fertilizer and Seed Store, which is located on A street and operated by Glenn Greene.

The remodeling includes a new front to the building. The new front will have plate glass windows, new doors and loading platform and will add much to appearance of this well known store.

MANY ATTEND P. T. A. MEETING HERE



This picture shows a few of the many who attended the Parent-Teacher association meeting held Thursday night at North Wilkesboro school. In the foreground is Mrs. Stator McIver and the others in the picture include Mrs. Weaver Starr, Mrs. Emma Day, Mrs. Palmer Horton, Mrs. Buren Yates, Mrs. Gordon Forester, Mrs. J. B. Carter, Mrs. Lewis Vickery and Miss Ruby Dancy. The meeting was one of the most successful ever held here and a new record in attendance was set for an opening meeting.—(Photo by Lane Atkinson, Jr.)

Welfare Board Meeting Is Held; Report Is Given

The Wilkes County Welfare Board met in regular session in the Welfare Office in the courthouse on Tuesday evening, September 2, 1947, at 7:00 p. m. All three members of the Board, composed of P. J. Brame, chairman, F. C. Johnson, and C. C. Sidden, were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary, Mr. Charles C. McNeill, advised the Board that "We were now within a few dollars of our monthly allotment on both OAA and ADC. The Board was also advised that we had approximately 60 pending OAA applications and 30 ADC applications. The Board expressed some concern over the possibility of not having sufficient money to give assistance to the new applicants that might be approved during the next several months. The Board was advised that our monthly allotment would probably be sufficient to take care of the new cases and revisions which would be passed on by the Board at this meeting."

The Secretary discussed with the Board the expenditures of the Department for the month of August. This report indicated a total expenditure for all purposes of \$19,516.13. A breakdown of these figures indicated that 771 received OAA in the amount of \$11,974, with an average grant of \$15.53 monthly. 208 families received ADC in the amount of \$5,698.00, making an average monthly payment per family of \$27.95. 37 received aid to the Blind in the amount of \$997.00, giving an average monthly grant of \$26.95. Other expenditures including medical care, hospitalization, boarding home care, and general assistance totaled \$847.13.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to hearing reports from the case workers, Mrs. Inez Bowles, Mrs. Vera Casey, Miss Corinne Faw, Miss Clara Ogilvie, and the Superintendent, who presented a number of cases for approval, revision, and termination.

Pie Supper Planned At Ferguson School

A pie supper and pretty girl contest will be held at Ferguson school on Saturday night, September 27, eight o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. Proceeds will go for construction of a new lunchroom for the school.

Asks Cooperation In Parking Cars At Game Friday Night

Members of the North Wilkesboro fire department have volunteered to assist police in parking cars at the football game to be played Friday night, eight o'clock, between North Wilkesboro and Spencer at Memorial Park.

The public is asked to cooperate in order that the cars may be parked quickly and in an orderly manner.

The two gates to the grounds will open at 6:45 and all who can are urged to go early in order that all the crowd may be admitted and all the cars can be parked by game time.

County Council Home Demonstration Clubs To Sponsor Cook Book

The members of Wilkes County Home Demonstration Clubs are sponsoring a cook book for the benefit of the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs. Already a large number of prized recipes have been sent in to the Home Agent's Office in Wilkesboro by members of the various clubs in the county.

Mrs. E. R. Eller, President of the Cricket Club, is chairman of the advertising program, and the members of the Cricket Club will be responsible for selling the advertisements, which will begin October 1, and continue throughout the month.

Loyalty Day At First Methodist

Next Sunday will be observed as annual Loyalty Day at the First Methodist Church of North Wilkesboro. At this service the budget that is recommended by the Board of Stewards for the Conference year 1947-48 will be presented to the congregation and an opportunity given for all present to make their pledges to this budget.

The Board of Stewards and Minister of the church request that each member of the church who can possibly do so be present for the morning worship. They are anxious that each member of the church know the plans of the church for the coming year. In the afternoon of next Sunday the members of the Board of Stewards will call upon those who found it impossible to attend the morning worship and secure their pledges.

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Scout Awards In Court Of Honor

The Court of Honor and Board of Review of the Wilkes district Boy Scouts of America was held Sept. 18th, with the following members of the board present: Paul Osborne, Gordon Finley, R. G. Finley and R. M. Brame, Jr. The Court of Honor was opened and awards given to the Scouts present who had previously been passed by the Board of Review. The following Scouts were then certified by the board for the following advancement:

Troop 35—Second Class: J. W. Hays, Emmett Elledge, Jerry McNeil.

Firemanship Merit Badge: Clayton Bumgarner, C. L. Wyatt, E. G. Wyatt, Donnie Pruitt, Calvin Hays, Billie Bumgarner, J. W. Hays, Emmett Elledge.

Home Repairs: Emmett Elledge, Billie Bumgarner, Clayton Bumgarner, E. G. Wyatt, C. L. Wyatt.

Safety Merit Badge: Emmett Elledge, Donnie Pruitt, J. W. Hays, Billie Bumgarner, C. L. Wyatt.

Life Saving Merit Badge: R. I. Moore.

Swimming Merit Badge: Bobby Lee Anderson.

Troop 34—First Class: Charlie Crook.

Second Class: Bobby Wells, Bobby Poteate.

Local Pythians at Regional Meet

The following members of North Wilkesboro Lodge No. 87 Knights of Pythias attended a regional meeting of the Grand Lodge held at Lincolnton, N. C. last Wednesday, September 17: J. Q. Adams, A. C. Chamberlain, Cecil Hauss, Max Foster, Paul Osborne, R. I. Moore, Clifford Moore, S. S. Hunt and Russell Hodges. Messrs. Adams, Hauss, Foster and Clifford Moore, having completed the required service in their local lodge, were given Grand Lodge honors and received into membership of the Grand Lodge, the other five who attended are already members of the Grand Lodge. Mr. R. I. Moore is a member of the Credentials Committee and has received appointment on the Youth Committee of the Grand Lodge.

A barbecue luncheon was served at one thirty after which a business session was held. Among the matters of business passed on was the public speaking contest to be held in early spring. This contest will be open to all high school students regardless of age and anyone else born after September 1st, 1929. A grand prize of a one thousand dollar scholarship and five two hundred and fifty dollar scholarships will be awarded to six regional winners plus a free trip to Milwaukee, Wis. Complete information on the contest will be given at a later date.

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Mrs. Nancy Brown Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Rachel church for Mrs. Nancy Blevins Brown, who died Monday at her home in that community. Revs. John Burcham and L. E. Sparks conducted the last rites.

Mrs. Brown is survived by three daughters: Mrs. T. O. Marsh and Miss Sallie Brown, Winston-Salem, and Mrs. W. M. Dimmette, of Roaring River; also two sisters, Mrs. G. W. Curry, of Traphill, Mrs. Mary Bell, of West Virginia, and one brother, Eli Blevins, of Hays.

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