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WILKES HOSIERY AND COBLE'S GET SAFETY AWARDS



Wilkes Hosiery Mills company and Coble Dairy Products company received outstanding safety awards at the Piedmont Safety Council meeting in Lenoir. Top photo shows T. A. Wilson, chairman of the North Carolina Industrial Commission, with P. W. Eshelman, of Wilkes Hosiery Mills company, C. A. Erickson, of Coble Dairy Products, and Fred Murphy, of Hickory Manufacturing company. The lower photo shows Mr. Erickson on left, T. A. Wilson presenting award to Herbert Marshall, of Coble Dairy Products company, and Miss Bryte Glascoe, of Coble Dairies general staff.

Rousseau Is On All-Conference Football Team

Mountain Lions' Backfield Ace In Conference 11 Named By Coaches

Julius Rousseau, Jr., son of Judge and Mrs. J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, was named to the all-conference football team by coaches of the South Piedmont conference in meeting Wednesday night at Barium Springs.

Until he was injured and out of play for the remainder of the season, the North Wilkesboro backfield star was one of the leading ground gainers in the conference and his ability was highly respected by opposing coaches as well as by Howard Bowers, North Wilkesboro coach.

In conference play he played against Monroe, Spencer and Barium Springs and was injured on the first play in the Thomasville game. Julian King, of Children's Home, was named captain. The complete list of members of the all-conference team named were:

Engs: Withers, Spencer and Pittman, Thomasville, and Clark, Lexington, tied for second place.

Tackle: King, Children's Home, and Walser, Lexington.

Guards: Alexander, Mooresville, and Cook, Concord.

Center: Chambers, Kannapolis.

Backs: Gantt, Albemarle; Klutz, Concord; Crews, Children's Home; Rousseau, North Wilkesboro; Eanes, Lexington, and Clark, Barium Springs.

NWHS Honor Roll Here Is Announced

North Wilkesboro high school students who made the honor roll for the second period of six weeks were Margaret Anderson, Esther Lee Barnette, Bill Bason, Mary Ann Casey, John Gibbs, Doris Ann Godbey, Mary Johnston, Agnes Kenerly, Mildred Pruitt, Betty Jo Reavis, Peggy Sebastian, Betty Jean Wells. To make the honor roll students must make "A" grades throughout and must have satisfactory grade on conduct.

Christmas Tree, Holiday Events Are Planned Here

Town of North Wilkesboro will add a beautifully lighted Christmas tree to holiday decorations.

A large cedar has been erected on the city hall grounds on Main street, which will be lighted not later than December 19.

At five p. m. on the evenings of December 19, 20, 22 and 23 and 24 various groups under direction of Jay Anderson will sing Christmas carols about the tree. These programs will be broadcast over station WILX.

At one hour intervals from December 18 to 24 Christmas carols will be played over a loud speaker from the Call Hotel building.

On December 23 at ten a. m. Liberty Theatre will give a free movie to all of high school age who participated in the Christmas opening parade here November 28. In addition to those in the parade, other children will be admitted until the theatre is filled.

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Dave Hall Harvests 180 Bushels Corn From Acre of Land

Dave Hall, proprietor of Merrymont Farm in the Yadkin valley near Wilkesboro, produced 180 bushels of corn on one acre this year.

Mr. Hall has just harvested his highest producing acre, which was planted to yellow hybrid N. C. 26.

On a two-acre test plot at another place on Mr. Hall's farm 300 bushels of that variety were harvested. The two-acre plot was grown under supervision of the Extension Service and the goal was 400 bushels, but flood waters during the summer partially covered the growing corn and the flood damage was estimated to have cut the yield at least 25 per cent.

L. Vyne, Widely Known Citizen This City, Dies

Died Wednesday Morning After Two Weeks Illness; Funeral Friday

Leonard Vyne, 73, for several decades a prominent northwestern North Carolina business leader and one of Wilkes county's best known citizens, died at 10:30 Wednesday morning in a hospital in Statesville, where he had been a patient for two weeks.

Mr. Vyne was born April 4, 1874, at Zealand, Ottawa county, Michigan, a son of the late Garrett and Joanna Vyne. He received his business education at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and came to Wilkes County in his youth.

Mr. Vyne in his early years in Wilkesboro and he and his father operated a lumber manufacturing business.

For many years Mr. Vyne was actively engaged in the lumber business in North Wilkesboro and was in the theatre business, being a part owner of the Orpheum theatre. Ten years ago he retired from active participation in business, except for real estate and personal business.

Noted for his ability in financial matters, Mr. Vyne was elected chairman of the Wilkes county board of commissioners and served with distinction in that capacity. He was also the leader in the good roads movement in Wilkes in the early days of highway construction and became so endeared to the people that he was presented with a shiner diamond pin which was purchased by the people of Wilkes with no one contributing more than 25 cents.

In fraternal organizations Mr. Vyne was nationally known. He was a former grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias lodge in North Carolina. He was also a Royal Arch Mason and Shriner.

For many years Mr. Vyne was a leader in the First Presbyterian church in North Wilkesboro, being one of the elders at the time of his death.

Mr. Vyne was married to Miss Lula Saunders, who died in 1945. The only surviving member of his immediate family are one daughter, Mrs. William A. Vannoy, of North Wilkesboro, and one sister, Mrs. Jennie V. Underwood, of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Funeral service will be held Friday, two p. m., at the First Presbyterian church here with Rev. Watt M. Cooper, pastor, conducting the last rites. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery, and elders of the First Presbyterian church will be honorary pallbearers and Masons will conduct burial rites.

The body will lie in state at the church from one until two o'clock.

Christmas Cheer In Wilkes Is Expanded

HUSBAND SOUGHT FOR WIFE'S DEATH



IREDELL MAN SOUGHT FOR MURDER OF WIFE, FORMER RESIDENT HERE

Law enforcement officers over a wide area are searching for Russell Walls, 38, tall Iredell farmer sought for the multiple shooting of his wife, Mrs. Irene Burchette Walls, at his home seven miles north of Statesville on the night of November 23.

The slain woman was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Burchette, of North Wilkesboro route two, and the former wife of Clinton Shew, of North Wilkesboro. For several years she was employed in North Wilkesboro.

On the morning of Monday, December 8, Mrs. Walls was found in bed with five bullet holes. Two bullets had entered her chest, one in her abdomen, one in her right hip and one in her right wrist. She had been dead about eight hours when found.

Mrs. Prudie Mae Bumgarner, sister of Mrs. Walls, said Mrs. Walls stayed for three weeks at her home in North Wilkesboro before she was killed, and that during the stay at her house she was recovering from two pistol wounds which she said were inflicted by her husband. She told Mrs. Bumgarner that her husband had fired on her twice with a pistol and inflicted flesh wounds in the calves of both legs. On November 17 she drove her car back to her home, telling Mrs. Bumgarner that she was

Mrs. Walls was a sister of Mrs. Mildred Dowell, Mrs. Amos Alexander, Robert Burchette and Mrs. Prudie Mae Bumgarner, all of North Wilkesboro. She had no children.

First Baptist Elects Director Education Work

Miss Peggy Nichols To Assume Duties With First Baptist January 1

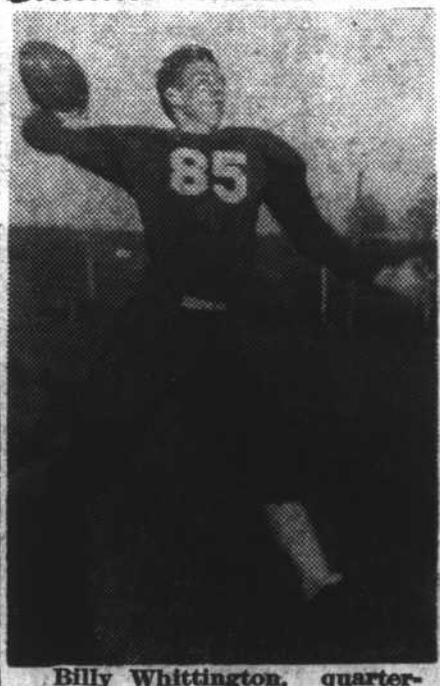
Miss Peggy Nichols, of this city, was elected educational director of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro at the annual business meeting of the congregation on Wednesday evening, Miss Nichols, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Nichols, of this city, was born in Elkin and educated in the schools of North Wilkesboro. She is a graduate of Mars Hill College. Miss Nichols has dedicated her life to special Christian service, is interested in church music, has worked with the Sunday school department of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention two summers in enlargement campaigns, and Vacation Bible School work in the state. Miss Nichols has served as secretary to the Superintendent of Public Schools of this city and is at present employed at the Bank of North Wilkesboro. She expects to begin her work at the church on January 1.

Mrs. O. E. Triplett will continue as financial and church secretary and secretary to the pastor.

W. A. Bullis was unanimously elected an honorary member of the Board of Deacons.

Among other officers named were: clerk, J. E. Caudill; treasurer (Current Expenses), C. B. Lomax; treasurer (Missions and Benevolences), E. E. Eller; and choir director, Mrs. A. F. Kilby.

In Optimist Bowl



Billy Whittington, quarterback of Wilkesboro's undefeated Ramblers football team, will play on the West's team in the Optimist bowl Saturday at High Point. Bill Craig, Wilkesboro end, was also invited to play in the game but was prevented from going for practice because of illness. Many Wilkes people are expected to see the game in High Point, which will begin at two p. m. Wm. T. Long, Wilkesboro principal, has tickets for the game. Prices are two dollars for adults and one dollar for students.

National Guard Enlistment Now Well Under Way

Part of the personnel of the field artillery company being organized here as a unit of the National Guard were sworn in Wednesday night, Major Roy Forehand, battery commander, said today.

Twenty members were enlist-

Gifts Are To Be Received Next Week For Needy

All May Help By Taking Gifts To Christmas Tree At City Hall Here

Representatives of various organizations and groups met Wednesday in the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce office to map plans to extend the White Christmas efforts to cover as nearly as possible all needy families in Wilkes county.

It was learned at the meeting that many organizations are planning to assist in providing Christmas cheer and making sure that Santa Claus will call on everybody.

To make it convenient for everybody to participate, it was decided that the large Christmas tree erected at the city hall would be the receiving point for gifts from all who wish to help and who are not participating in the plans by several organizations.

All next week, from December 12 through 20, persons may take their gifts of food, clothing, toys and other items to the tree, where they will be collected and turned over to the city and county welfare departments to be distributed before Christmas eve to the most needy throughout the Wilkesboros and all Wilkes county.

Some of the work planned by different groups was reported in the meeting as follows:

on the club by welfare departments.

The North Wilkesboro Woman's Club has taken as a special project providing for inmates at the Wilkes county home. Members are asked to carry sheets, towels, men's and women's clothing, magazines and books for this purpose to the club meeting Monday afternoon, three o'clock, at the Woman's clubhouse.

Junior Woman's Club: To provide Christmas cheer for three families.

Girl Scouts: To provide cookies and other delicacies for patients in county tuberculosis hospital.

First Baptist, First Presbyterian, First Methodist churches: To provide for needy families.

North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro schools: Home rooms and other groups to help number of families.

It was agreed that names of all families to be helped would be cleared through welfare departments to prevent duplication and spread results.

J. B. Williams, president of the Chamber of Commerce, made an appropriate plea for community groups to make every effort to provide Christmas cheer for the needy in every community in Wilkes county.

Present for the meeting Wednesday were the following: Mrs. L. D. Cooke and Mrs. W. C. Marlow, of the Junior Woman's Club; W. C. Marlow, Lions club president; Mrs. Robert Gibbs, Girl Scouts director; J. Floyd Woodward, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools; Dr. John T. Wayland, First Baptist pastor; Rev. Watt M. Cooper, First Presbyterian pastor; John Cashlon, of radio station WKBC; Jay Anderson, of Radio station WILX; Mrs. P. W. Eshelman, of the First Methodist church; T. S. Kenerly, mayor of North Wilkesboro; J. B. Williams and Tom Jenrette, president and executive secretary of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce; Wm. T. Long, supervisory principal of Wilkesboro schools; Charles C. McNeill, welfare officer, and Mrs. W. R. Asher, also of the Wilkes Welfare Department; Mrs. E. A. Shook, North Wilkesboro welfare officer; Chief of Police J. E. Walker; Dwight Nichols, editor of The Journal-Patriot.

Oakwoods Service

Rev. Clate Brown and the Evangelical club of Gordon Baptist church will conduct services at the Oakwoods Baptist church Saturday night, Dec. 13 at 7 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Brown will also have some special singers with him for this service.

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