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AGRICULTURAL PROGRESS RELATED

Value of Dairy Production And Crops Increased

John W. Goodman Tells Kiwanians Of Room For Much Improvement

Value of agricultural products produced in Wilkes county more than doubled since 1940 and great progress has been made. However there is room for plenty of improvement, John W. Goodman, assistant director of the Extension Service in North Carolina, told in an address here Friday noon before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club.

Mr. Goodman was presented to the club by Paul J. Vestal, program chairman for the day. The speaker first paid tribute to the people of the county and then proceeded to cite some figures.

Wilkes' dairy products increased from \$551,000 in 1940 to \$2,415,000 in 1945. In the same period field crops increased from \$364,000 to \$1,154,000.

The speaker then cited some of the other side of the picture. The state average on value of farm lands is \$53 per acre compared to a \$39 average in Wilkes. Fifteen per cent of rural homes in the state have running water while the average in Wilkes is only six. But Wilkes is exactly on the average for electricity in rural homes with 37 per cent.

Wilkes county, Mr. Goodman said, should produce more feed and pointed out that in 1945 1,741,000 bags of feed were purchased by Wilkes people.

In the matter of erosion prevention and control he said we have a long way to go and cited figures of the number of acres with one-third to two-thirds inch erosion. He particularly stressed the fact that pastures should be improved for erosion prevention.

Guests Friday were: Troy C. Foster with H. P. Eller; Sig Holcomb, of Elkin; with Joe Barber; F. B. Saunders with Robert S. Gibbs; John E. Justice, III, with John E. Justice, Jr.; John D. Wimberly, of Kingsport, Tenn., was a visiting Kiwanian.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Allen

An impressive funeral service was held Friday afternoon at the First Baptist church in this city for Mrs. Ella Campbell Allen, 65, wife of W. J. Allen, prominent local business man.

Mrs. Allen was one of the most highly esteemed residents of this city. In early life she was an orphan and was adopted into the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Combs in North Wilkesboro. She received her education at Barber's school in Wilkesboro.

For a number of years Mrs. Allen held the position of assistant cashier in the Deposit and Savings Bank in North Wilkesboro.

She was a member of the First Baptist church here and was very active in church work until her health failed a few years ago. Although she had been in declining health for years, death early Thursday morning was attributed to a heart attack.

Surviving are her husband, two sons, James and Frank Allen, three grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Sallie Journey, of Rock Hill, S. C.

Dr. John T. Wayland, pastor, conducted the funeral service, assisted by Rev. J. H. Armbrust, former First Methodist pastor and now superintendent of the Statesville district of the Methodist conference. Burial was in Mount Lawn Memorial Park north of this city.

Many and beautiful floral tributes were fitting tokens of respect from a wide circle of friends.

Pall bearers were W. J. Bacon, J. H. Hauser, R. G. Finley, Richard E. Gibbs, J. R. Hix, W. D. Halfacre and Vernon Deal.

Governor Candidate To Speak On Friday

Olla Ray Boyd, a candidate for governor of North Carolina, will address the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club here Friday noon, February 13.

Leaders of Girl Scouts Will Meet

Girl Scout leaders club will meet Tuesday night, 7:30, at Duke Power company office. All leaders are asked to be present, the announcement by Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs, director, said.

Mrs. C. H. Cowles Rites On Saturday

Wilkesboro Civic Leader Died Early Friday; Had Led Very Active Life

Mrs. Louise Lunn Cowles, wife of Charles H. Cowles, of Wilkesboro, died at six a. m. Friday at the Wilkes hospital. She had been ill for several days and critically since Thursday, when she entered the hospital.

Born in Winston-Salem, Mrs. Cowles was the daughter of the late L. L. Lunn and Mrs. Lula Haliburton Lunn. She was educated at Woman's College in Greensboro and on September 6, 1916, she was married to Mr. Cowles, a former member of the house of representatives in congress and who for decades has been a prominent citizen in Northwestern North Carolina.

After coming to Wilkesboro Mrs. Cowles taught for a number of years in Wilkesboro school, where she was greatly devoted to her work. Numbered among her former pupils are many of northwestern North Carolina's leading citizens.

In civic and church activities Mrs. Cowles' splendid accomplishments were an inspiration to all her associates. She was president of the Ladies' Auxiliary in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Wilkesboro, and a former president of the Wilkes Valley Guards chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy, in which she held from time to time practically every position of leadership. She was particularly active in grave decoration work, serving dinners to Confederate veterans, and historical work in schools over a long period of time.

In Rendezvous Mountain chapter of Daughters of American Revolution Mrs. Cowles was very active and during the past year was chapter historian. Her historical papers on early history of this section have received wide attention. She was also a member of Daughter of American Colonists.

Mrs. Cowles was not only active in work of the Wilkesboro Woman's club, which she had headed as president, but during her long civic career had held a number of district and state offices in the Woman's Club organization.

Mrs. Cowles had served as president of the Wilkesboro Woman's Club and served with distinction as citizenship chairman for the third district of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Mrs. Cowles is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Carol Cowles Mott, and one grandson, Josiah Cowles Mott, of Wilkesboro, and one brother, Frank Lunn, of Winston-Salem.

Funeral service was held Saturday, two p. m., at St. Paul's Episcopal church in Wilkesboro with the rector, Rev. B. M. Lackey, in charge. Burial was in the Episcopal cemetery.

Numerous beautiful floral tributes evidenced esteem and friendship for Mrs. Cowles by many friends, here and elsewhere. Pall bearers were Dudley S. Hill, Paul Osborne, Joe Barber, Robert Morehouse, L. B. Dula, J. B. McCoy and Hadley Hayes.

Among those from a distance attending the funeral were: L. L. Lunn, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Rouseau, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Horton, Mrs. Bailey Lipfert, Mrs. Thomas Barber, all of Winston-Salem.

Daniel V. Tedder Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held Saturday at Reins-Sturdivant chapel for Daniel Vance Tedder, 87-year-old citizen of the Oakwoods community who died Friday. Rev. Fred Eblevin conducted the last rites and burial was in Duncan cemetery on the Brushies.

Surviving are three children: Mrs. George Ashley and Mrs. Hattie Anderson, of Oakwoods, Jessie Tedder, of Statesville.

H. D. and 4-H Club Schedule For Week

Tuesday, Feb. 10—Ronda Home Demonstration Club, Mrs. T. W. Hanks; 2 o'clock. Traphill 4-H club, 9:45.

Wednesday, Feb. 11—Mountain View Home Demonstration club, Mrs. Charlie Wood; 2 o'clock.

Benham 4-H Club, 9:30. Thursday, Feb. 12—Ferguson Home Demonstration Club, Ferguson school; 2 o'clock.

Friday, Feb. 13—Pores Knob Home Demonstration Club, Mrs. Plato Hendren; 2 o'clock.

Monday, Feb. 16—Boomer Home Demonstration Club—Mrs. Charlie German; 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, Feb. 17—Mulberry Home Demonstration Club, 7:30 p. m.

North Wilkesboro And Wytheville In Baseball Circle

Blue Ridge League Now Has Six Teams, May Be Expanded To Eight

North Wilkesboro, N. C., and Wytheville, Va., were admitted into the Blue Ridge League of professional baseball in a meeting of league directors held Sunday at Radford, Va.

S. F. Radke, of Roanoke, Va., league president, said that an option is being held for Maydan, N. C., and that the league will be expanded to eight teams if another city wants pro ball.

The member cities now are Radford, Wytheville and Galax, Va., Mount Airy, Leaksville and North Wilkesboro, N. C.

The season will open on May 1 and close on Labor Day, September 6.

Tal J. Pearson, of this city, and Jack Johnson, of Greensboro, are owners of the North Wilkesboro team. Henry (Flash) Loman, of Greensboro, has been employed as player manager and he is assembling talent for the team here.

Funeral Service For Mrs. Brown

Held Friday Morning At First Baptist Church In This City; Died 4th

Funeral service for Mrs. John A. Brown, 55, was held Friday morning at the First Baptist church in this city with a large congregation attending.

Mrs. Brown, the former Miss Gertie Tuttle, died Wednesday afternoon in the Wilkes hospital following an illness of several weeks. She was well and favorably known throughout this community and had many friends in this part of the state.

Dr. John T. Wayland, First Baptist pastor, conducted the funeral service and burial was in Mount Lawn Memorial Park. Floral tributes were many and beautiful.

Mrs. Brown's brothers were pall bearers. They were Dewitte, Dewey, Bill and Robert Tuttle, of Stoneville, Dave Tuttle, of Winston-Salem, and T. W. Tuttle, of Pine Hall.

COUNTY SCHOOLS CLOSED

With exception of Mulberry, all schools in Wilkes county were closed today because bad weather last week made county roads impassable for school bus travel.

Wednesday was set as tentative date for re-opening of schools but snow today may delay opening. Snow began falling here today at noon.

North Wilkesboro and Mulberry schools are expected to continue in operation.

Like a man's arm, the soil is built up through proper use, not abuse or disuse. When land is either abused through bad cropping systems or left to lie idle and erode, it deteriorates rapidly.

G. O. P. Favors Hobert Morton Committeeman

Members State Committee and Other Party Leaders Here Endorse Morton

Republicans in Wilkes, for many decades a G. O. P. stronghold in North Carolina, today endorsed G. Hobert Morton, Alameda lawyer and former assistant U. S. district attorney, for national committeeman to succeed Charles A. Jonas, of Lincoln, who has resigned.

Mrs. W. B. Somers and Presley E. Brown are the Wilkes members of the state Republican executive committee. Both have endorsed Morton for committeeman, and all party organization leaders here are also under the Morton banner.

Morton, they pointed out, is geographically located near the center of the state, is one of the party's most outstanding speakers and has been one of the party's most valiant workers during the lean years, when the opposition has been in power.

Leaders here predicted today that Morton would have widespread support by the time of the state Republican convention, when the national committeeman will be named.

Adamson Speaks At Lions Meeting Held Here Friday

Cecil F. Adamson, office manager at Wilkes Hosiery Mills company, delivered an interesting address Friday evening before the North Wilkesboro Lions Club.

"Hobbies" was the topic used by the speaker, who was presented by Dr. J. S. Deans. Mr. Adamson defined hobbies as an adventure in living, pointing out that people need something to retire to as well as something to retire on. He spoke of many interesting hobbies, some of which are inexpensive. He urged that hobbies be formed and followed in youth in preparation for retirement age.

At the close of his address some very interesting color photographs which had been taken by himself, Shoun Kerbaugh and Dr. Deans were projected on a screen. The photos were of varied subjects in many parts of the country and proved to be highly interesting.

Dr. Deans made a report for the Committee for the Blind, of which he was chairman, and members agreed to furnish needed articles of clothing for four needy cases among blind in Wilkes county.

W. D. Jester brought to the attention of the club the need of a fund for hospital treatment of Linney Hamby, Jr., age 17, who became an invalid following an auto accident in May last year. Piteful conditions in the home were described and Mr. Jester said that the Wilkesboro Baptist church, The First Baptist here, the Red Cross and the Kiwanis club are contributing to a fund for hospital treatment for the invalid youth.

President W. C. Marlow read to the club a letter of appreciation from J. R. Edelin, principal of Lincoln Heights school, for the library lights installed in that school by the club. Library lighting in Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro and Lincoln Heights has now been installed by the club and other schools will be reached in this project soon.

Miss Nellie Gabriel was presented to the club and she explained that the Junior Woman's club is sponsoring Wilson Humber and his orchestra at the Liberty Theatre on February 16, and that tickets are now on sale.

I. H. McNeill, Jr., who was president of the club at the time he was called into service in the army prior to hostilities in World War II, was welcomed back into the club. He recently returned from Italy. C. L. Owen was received into the club and was presented by J. H. Whicker, Jr. Forrest Tugman was a guest of Dorman Payne and Charles Sink was a guest of C. C. Paw, Jr., at Friday's meeting.

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Marriage License

During the past week marriage license were issued by Troy C. Foster, Wilkes Register of Deeds, to the following: Stacy Clyde Eggers, Jr., Boone, and Elizabeth Nash Bingham, Sherwood; Fred Allen Inscore and Jean Brewer, both of North Wilkesboro; Claude Dancy, North Wilkesboro route one, and Winnie Sue Yates, Wilkesboro route one; Clint Rhoades, North Wilkesboro, and Reba Hlucher, Hays; Ford Mastin, Roaring River, and Cora Billings, North Wilkesboro; James G. Haynes, Hays, and Irene Blackburn, North Wilkesboro; William Elizabeth Hodge, Mountain Park, and Mary Ella Benge, Dobson; Ralph Smithey, Moravian Falls, and Sylvia Fletcher, Pores Knob.

Wilkes Chamber Group Chairmen Announced Here

President R. M. Brame, Jr., Announces Committee Chairmen for Year

Robert M. Brame, Jr., newly elected president of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, today announced appointment of committee chairmen for the year.

The chairmen were appointed by President Brame, with the assistance of Vice President Joe Barber and Past President J. B. Williams. The board of directors approved the appointments.

The chairmen are as follows: W. K. Sturdivant, agriculture; E. F. Gardner, aviation; Joe McCoy, civic activities; Glenn Andrews, community recreation; Arthur Venable, education; John E. Justice, Jr., flood control; P. W. Eshelman, governmental affairs; A. A. Cashion, housing; J. B. Williams, industrial; D. V. Deal, membership; Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, meetings, visitors and tourists; Dr. F. C. Hubbard, public health; Watson Brame, roads; Cecil F. Adamson, safety and fire prevention; Richard E. Gibbs, solicitation and review; W. G. Gabriel, trade promotion.

The four new committees added to the standing organization this year were membership, roads, solicitation and review, and meetings and tourists. List of full committee appointments will be published soon. Tom S. Jenrette, secretary-manager, said today.

Valentine Dance For Gym Benefit

Will Be Held Saturday Night In Wilkesboro's New Gymnasium

A Valentine dance for benefit of the Wilkesboro gymnasium fund and sponsored by Wilkesboro Woman's Club will be held Saturday night in Wilkesboro's new gymnasium.

Heating facilities in the gymnasium will be completed in time for the dance and all arrangements will be completed for comfort and convenience of the large crowd expected.

The Appalachian College orchestra will furnish music for the dance.

High school students and members of the Woman's Club are now selling tickets for the dance and all proceeds will go into the gymnasium fund, which now needs a substantial amount to pay current bills on gymnasium construction.

Wm. Hardin Spicer Funeral On Sunday

Last rites were held Sunday at Round Hill church for William Hardin Spicer, age 90, who died Thursday. Rev. L. E. Sparks was in charge of the service.

Surviving are the following sons and daughters: Carl Spicer, Erwin Spicer, Cambridge City, Md.; Mrs. Virginia Absher, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Minda Absher, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Izora Rigney, Mammoth, W. Va.

Howard Chas. Stone Funeral On Tuesday

Last rites will be held Tuesday, two p. m., at Rock Creek church for Howard Charles Stone, 35, resident of that community who died Saturday. Rev. Jimmie Bryant will conduct the service.

Mr. Stone is survived by his father, James Stone, one brother, Truman Stone, and one sister, Velma Stone, all of Roaring River.

Relief Collection Successful Event

World Day of Prayer On Friday, Feb. 13th

An observance of World Day of Prayer will be held at the North Wilkesboro First Baptist church Friday, February 13, beginning at three o'clock in the afternoon. Sponsoring the program are the churches of Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro.

"If Christian women of many denominations the world around did not gather on the first Friday of Lent to pray, and if by their prayers of praise and thanksgiving and intercession they were not moved to give, then the cause of Christian leadership the world over would suffer the consequences.

"World Day of Prayer offerings make a difference to Christian college students in India and China and Japan; to foreign students in the United States, who must be guided to seek out the best in American culture and American Christian family life in order to serve in their own countries; to masses of people in the Orient, in Africa, in the Near East who hunger to read of Christ and his message in words they can understand.

"World Day of Prayer offerings make a difference to the American Indian in government school or hospital; to negro sharecroppers of the South; to migrant families following crops around the calendar and around the country. All of these six projects derive a substantial share of their support from annual World Day of Prayer offerings."

—The Methodist Woman.

V. F. W. To Have Open House On Tuesday Night

Ralph Williams Will Present Post With Deed To Clubhouse Site

Blue Ridge Mountain Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars will observe "open house" at their regular meeting Tuesday night, 7:30, in the V. F. W. hall over Frank Crow's wholesale store on C street opposite the North Wilkesboro postoffice.

Ralph Williams, member of the post, will present deed to the site for the clubhouse to be erected by the post. Mr. Williams and family have donated to the post a valuable plot of land on highway 421 just west of this city to be used as a clubhouse site.

Construction plans are well under way and it is expected that actual construction will begin at an early date. One feature of the meeting Tuesday night will be an interesting round table discussion of clubhouse plans.

The Tuesday night meeting will be jointly with the V. F. W. Auxiliary and the public, as well as post and Auxiliary members, is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Rites On Saturday For Mrs. Lillie Gray

Funeral service for Mrs. Lillie Armstrong Gray, 73, widely known resident of the Ronda route 2 community who died Thursday in the hospital in Elkin, was held Saturday, 11 a. m., at Pleasant Grove Baptist church near Clingman. Rev. R. E. Crater conducted the service.

Mrs. Gray was the wife of the late Thomas S. Gray and is survived by five sons: Thomas Gray, Ronda; Francis Gray, Winston-Salem; Burriss Gray, Jonesville; Armstrong Gray, Ronda; Paul Gray, Wilkesboro. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mary Adams Dies

Last rites were held today at Covenant church for Mrs. Mary Adams, resident of the Hays community who died Saturday. Rev. D. M. Dillard and Rev. Jimmie Bryant were in charge of the service.

Mrs. Adams leaves two sons and one daughter, Shober, Wheeler and He Adams, all of Hays.

Mrs. Carlton Dies

Over 3,000 Pounds Clothes, Materials Collected Sunday

Jaycees And Boy Scouts Reach Homes In Wilkesboro With Trucks

According to Jerry M. Derr, president of the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce, the clothing drive for overseas relief which was conducted Sunday afternoon, under sponsorship of the North Carolina council of churches, was very successful. A total of 375 bundles were collected and delivered to the C. & S. Motor Freight terminal by the Boy Scouts and Jaycees, who worked together quickly and efficiently as a team.

Trucks were furnished by Model Chair Co., Eller Brothers, Worth Tomlinson, Rhodes-Day Furniture Co., Gray Brothers, Barber-Somers Motor Company, G. R. Andrews and Charles Sink. In spite of the bad road conditions in some parts of the two towns a gallant effort was made by the crews on each truck to reach each home and ferret out bundles from porches that were inaccessible to truck travel.

Ed Caudill, of the C. & S. Motor Express company, this city, estimated conservatively that the bundles would aggregate 3,000 pounds. Mr. Caudill also stated that bundles were still coming in this morning.

Men of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro will meet tonight at the C. & S. Motor Express terminal to separate and repackage the bundles preparatory to forwarding them to their final destination.

Gymnasium Fund Is Now \$2,494.55

Good Progress Being Made Toward Raising \$3,000 For Improvement

The North Wilkesboro school gymnasium improvement fund today had reached \$2,494.55. J. Floyd Woodward, school superintendent, reported this morning.

This amount leaves slightly more than \$500 to be raised to reach the \$3,000 goal for construction of dressing rooms and installation of heating facilities, which have already been completed.

Donations were received from the following since the last published report: Wilford Church, Dr. Wm. L. Bundy, Mrs. Nora Hutchison, W. J. Bowles, W. C. Grier, Sam Ogilvie, Midway Pontiac company, H. D. Ball, Elizabeth Finley, W. C. Hauss, Roy Reins, Mabel Hendren, Jay Hartley, Etta Turner, Julius Brock, M. A. Vickery, M. E. Walsh, Sentinel Insurance Agency, Paul Williams, Archie J. McNeill, James C. Reavis, Tam Hutchison, F. P. Blair, senior class.

LIST OF FUNDS HELD BY CLERK OF COURT HAYES IS PUBLISHED

In this newspaper today is the annual report of C. C. Hayes, clerk of Wilkes superior court, listing all funds being held in the clerk's office for various parties. Those who have reason to believe that funds may be held by the court for them are asked to read the report carefully. Those who call for their funds are requested to note the judgment number and docket number as shown on the report. This will make it possible for the clerk to find the record in question without delay.