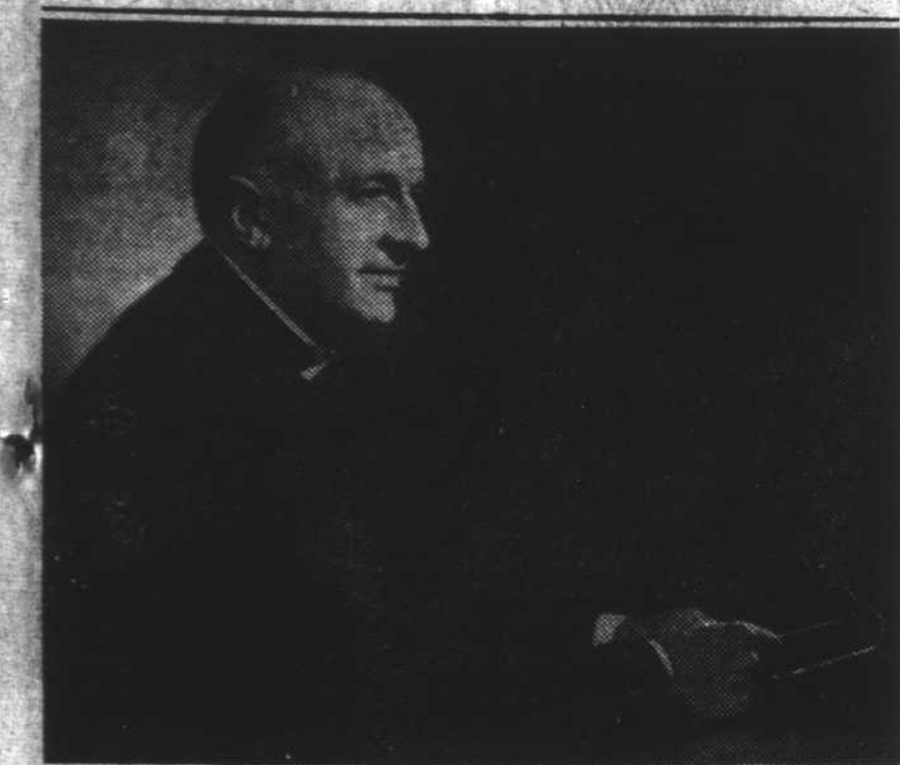


100-BED HOSPITAL IS PROPOSED FOR WILKES IN MEETING HERE

Episcopal Bishop in Relief Broadcast



The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, who is asking Episcopal Church members to give a million dollars in 1948 for the relief of needy peoples in war-devastated countries of Europe and Asia. The Church raised a million dollars for this purpose in 1947, and will attempt to give a similar amount in 1948 and a third million in 1949. Relief is given through Church World Service in Europe and the National Christian Councils in the Oriental countries.

World Relief Day
Episcopal Church
Sunday, Feb. 29

On Sunday February 29, substantially every member of the Episcopal Church will hear the voice of their Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, by means of a new and extraordinary use of radio. In all Episcopal Churches which have facilities for broadcasting the congregations will sit in their pews and at exactly 11:32 1-2 a. m., the Presiding Bishop's voice will be heard, telling of the needs of war-devastated countries in Europe and Asia, and urging Episcopal Church members everywhere to accept their plain duty and privilege of helping these suffering millions.

The Episcopal church gave more than a million dollars in 1947 through its Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief, and it intends to raise the same amount or more in 1948. The entirely new use of radio opens what is expected to be a very brief and highly successful campaign.

At national church headquarters in New York City it was stated recently that "Our 1,600,000 people can raise \$1,000,000 for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief in One Day if each parish and mission will do its share."

The radio address is "live" that is, it is given by Bishop Sherrill in New York at the time it is heard, with the exception of some remote places where the radio hookup is impossible. In such instances, electrical transcriptions and phonograph records will be used.

As Episcopal Church people are being told of the forthcoming event, and parish organizations are busily engaged in getting promises of attendance, it is expected that congregations will be extremely large, so that most members of the Church will hear the message. Certainly well over a million people, seated in Episcopal Churches will hear Bishop Sherrill tell of what he has seen personally in Europe, and what is the Church's task at this critical period in the world's history.

This is the first time radio has been used by any Church in such a way, to convey a message to its whole constituency at one time.

As there will be no morning service in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Wilkesboro, on February 29th, the congregation may listen to the Presiding Bishop over the radio in their homes at 11:32 1-2 a. m., and also through the courtesy of Radio Station WILX, a recording of this message will be heard in St. Paul's at the four o'clock vesper service Sunday afternoon, February 29th. At this time the members of the congregation will be given an opportunity to make their contribution to the Presiding Bishop's Fund.

Return that Book to the Library.

Advent Christian
Conference 29th

The quarterly conference of the Piedmont Advent Christian Conference will convene at the First Advent Christian church of Lenoir on Sunday, Feb. 29th, beginning with Sunday School at 9:45. The young people will have charge of the 11 o'clock service, a basket lunch will be enjoyed at noon together, a business session will convene at 1:30. At 2:30, Rev. A. Hodges, former national evangelist of the denomination, will speak. Several churches in Wilkes county are members of this conference, including the churches at Ferguson, Lewis Fork and the Boomer Advent Christian church. It is expected that these churches will be represented by delegates at this meeting.

Hi-Y Club Meets
In Elkin Y.M.C.A.

On Wednesday the Hi-Y club of the North Wilkesboro high school held its regular weekly meeting at the Y. M. C. A. in Elkin. Dinner was served in a spick and span, beautifully decorated dining room of just the right size. The president, "Chip" Caudill, presided. After a brief business session, T. C. McKnight made a fine talk on the great influence for Christian living that a group like the Hi-Y could and should have on a student body. After the banquet Mr. McKnight showed the boys around the building. They were particularly interested in the kitchen, the camera club's dark room, the woodworking shop and library. Many activities were going on to emphasize the intense use that is being made of the building. Two other groups were served supper. Four basketball games were scheduled with teams coming from adjoining counties. Probably 75 young people, including this group, were bowling, playing pool or table tennis.

Those attending the supper were: Bill Absher, Eddie Shook, Julius Rousseau, Jr., Jimmy Moore, Chip Caudill, Robert Gibbs, John Gibbs, Lewis Mann Nelson, Dan Hudson, Jack Strader, Bill Bason and Wayne Davis.

4-H Council To
Meet Feb. 28th

The County Council of the 4-H Clubs of Wilkes county will meet on Saturday, February 28 at 11 a. m. in the town hall in North Wilkesboro.

This is a very important meeting and all members are urged to be present. The council is composed of officers of each local 4-H Club in the county plus the County Council officers.

Damascus Singers

Damascus Choral Club will give a service of religious music at the First Baptist church Sunday evening at 7:30.

Optimist Club Is
Organized; Plans
For Charter Night

Maurice Walsh President; Organization Efforts Highly Successful

Optimist Club of North Wilkesboro was organized Wednesday night when officers and directors were elected in a meeting at the Princess Cafe.

Maurice E. Walsh, North Wilkesboro acting postmaster and temporary chairman during the successful organization period, was elected president of the newly formed civic club, which is a unit of the fourth largest international civic organization.

At the meeting, the constitution and by-laws were adopted. This document sets out in the beginning the objects of the organization: (a), to develop optimism as a philosophy of life; (b), to promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs, to inspire respect for law, to promote patriotism and to work for international accord and friendship; (c), to engage in and encourage juvenile welfare work.

With Mr. Walsh as president, the other officers of the club are: Julius C. Hubbard, vice president; Forrest Tugman, secretary-treasurer; E. R. Eller, sergeant-at-arms; Herbert McLendon, historian. The board of directors is composed at present of the officers and Howard Strader, D. T. Trivette, Herbert Marshall, and Albert Garwood. Other members of the board will be elected after all the charter members have been secured.

C. W. Hancock, president of the Winston-Salem Optimist club, L. B. Dimmette, Lenoir club president and three other members from Lenoir, were guests at the meeting. Organization of the club here was sponsored by the Lenoir Optimists and the charter membership campaign is being carried out successfully by Benton Riddett, of Charlotte, Optimist organizer.

Short talks were made by the visitors and a number of the local members, who predicted a most active year for the club.

Charter night has been tentatively planned for March 16th. The minimum number of members in order to secure a charter has already been exceeded and other memberships are expected before the charter night date.

President Walsh postponed appointment of committee chairmen and members until a later date.

Director Available
For Girl Scout Work

Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs, director of the Wilkes Girl Scout Association, is regularly available for consultation and help in Scout matters each Wednesday at the following times and places: home of Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Wilkesboro, 9:30 to 10:30 a. m.; Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home, 2:00 to 3:00 p. m.

Groups are requested to consult with Mrs. Gibbs on the following schedule: first Wednesday each month, Brownie troop leaders; second Wednesday, Intermediate troop leaders; third Wednesday, senior troop leaders and all consultants; fourth Wednesday, council and committee members.

It is hoped that many will avail themselves of the opportunities offered at these hours for discussion and help in Girl Scout work. Mrs. Gibbs is eager to be of any service possible and the hours stated above were arranged for the convenience of all.

Wilkesboro Cubs
To Meet Friday

Wilkesboro cub pack number 32 will meet Friday, 7:30 p. m., at the Baptist church in Wilkesboro. All cubs and parents are urged to attend. Paul Osborne, cubmaster, announces that there will be no den meetings Friday.

Gordon Avenue Is
One-Way Street Now

North Wilkesboro police department today designated Gordon Avenue as a one-way street and traffic may enter Gordon Avenue from Main and C streets and travel only in north direction toward D street.

Important Meeting
V. F. W. Friday, 7:30

S. L. Whitaker, commander of the Blue Ridge post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced today that a very important meeting of the post will be held Friday, 7:30 p. m., and asked all members to be present.

Wilkes District
Wins Silver Cup
In Scout Council

Wilkes Far Ahead In Old Hickory Council With 27 Per Cent Gain

Wilkes district of Boy Scouts was awarded a silver cup at the council meeting held in Winston-Salem Tuesday afternoon and evening.

The silver trophy was presented by W. E. Vaughn-Lloyd, head of the Old Hickory Council, and accepted on behalf of the Wilkes district by L. M. Nelson, district chairman.

The award was for the greatest percentage of increase in Scouting for the past year. Wilkes easily led all districts in the council with an increase of 27 per cent in Scout and Cub membership and registered Scouters. Forsyth district was second with seven percent.

The yearly report showed that Wilkes had 15 Boy Scouts units with a membership of 286 Scouts and Cubs and 111 Scouters and Cubbers. The year's increase in number of units was two, while Scout and Cub membership rose 70. A total of 19 Scouters and Cubbers were added for the year.

The Old Hickory Council meeting was held at Salem Moravian church, with dinner served in the church dining room to 200 attending. Ladies at the meeting were shown through the Moravian museum at a special entertainment feature.

Those from Wilkes attending were Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn R. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Duncan, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bumgarner.

Scout districts in the Old Hickory council are Forsyth, Stokes, Mount Airy, Elkin-Yadkin, Wilkes, Watauga, and Ashe.

The silver cup won by the Wilkes district is now on display in a show window of the J. C. Penney company store here.

Monday Will Be
Last Day To Name
Pro Baseball Club

All Entries For Season Pass Prize Must Be In Patriot Office By March 1st

Monday, March 1, will be the last day for receiving names in the contest for the best nickname for the North Wilkesboro professional baseball club in the Blue Ridge league.

Club owners, Tai J. Pearson and Jack Johnson, are offering a season pass for the best name submitted, and all entries must be in the office of The Journal-Patriot by six p. m. on Monday, March 1. Entries may be mailed or carried in person to this office.

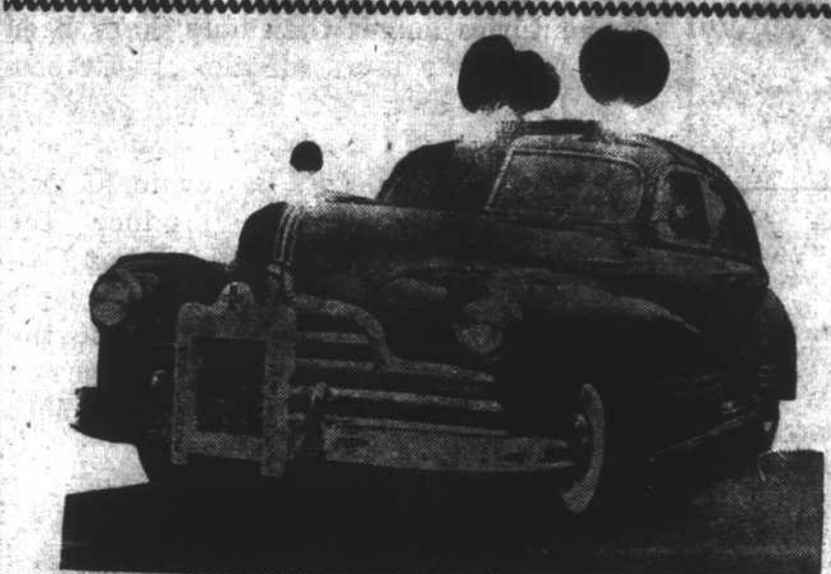
Judges will be Tom Jenrette, secretary-manager of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce; Joe McCoy, chairman of the Civic Affairs committee, and the members of the Chamber of Commerce baseball committee composed of Glenn R. Andrews, Maurice Walsh and Dwight Nichols.

In the event the name selected as best suitable is submitted by more than one person, each person submitting that name will be given game passes with the total number given not to exceed the number of home games on the 1948 schedule.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

(Rev. B. M. Lackey, Rector) Vesper service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon, February 29th, at four o'clock. The offering at this service will go to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief.

SPECIAL CAR FOR DEMONSTRATION

DEMONSTRATIONS ON HIGHWAY
SAFETY AT SCHOOLS MONDAY

Under sponsorship of Farm Bureau Insurance companies, a signal showing how long it takes the driver to apply the brakes and another will show how long it takes the car to stop at various speeds. A 30-minute program in the auditorium will precede the actual demonstrations.

The program is scheduled for ten a. m. at Wilkesboro school and 2:00 p. m. at North Wilkesboro school. In addition to the students, the public is invited to attend.

Rites Friday For
W. A. Shumate, 42

Funeral service will be held Friday, two p. m., at Closer Walk With God Baptist church in Wilkesboro for Wayne Albert Shumate, 42, who died Wednesday at his home near Wilkesboro. Rev. Graham Smith will conduct the last rites.

Mr. Shumate was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Shumate and in addition to his parents he leaves his wife, Mrs. Electa Elmore Shumate; five children, Albert, Bessie, Luther, Carl and Rosa Lee Shumate; one brother, Luther Shumate; and one sister, Mrs. Bessie Hawkins.

Fire Alarm Today
At County Garage

Wilkesboro fire department answered a call at 7:30 a. m. today to the county school bus garage located in the western part of Wilkesboro. A blazing oil can was cause for the alarm but the flame was extinguished without damage to building or vehicles.

K. of P. Meeting
On Monday Night

Knights of Pythias lodge will meet Monday night, 7:30, and as a special feature the rank of second degree will be conferred on Howard Strader. All members are asked to attend.

LOCALS

Mr. H. G. Nichols, a member of the mechanical force of The Journal-Patriot, is a patient at the Wilkes hospital. Friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Church and daughter, Mrs. W. I. Norwood, have returned home from Florida, where they spent two weeks going by the way of the west coast and returning by the east coast.

Mr. Vernon Broyhill, of N. C. State College, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Broyhill, of Boomer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Inscore, Mrs. Jay Brookshire, Mrs. Earl Mitchell and Mr. T. Y. Inscore, attended the funeral of Mr. L. P. Nicholson at Mebane Wednesday, February 25. Mr. Nicholson was the son-in-law of Mr. T. Y. Inscore.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Crook and daughter, Miss Mary Evelyn Crook, of Winston-Salem, and their two sons, Lieut. Lomax Crook, a marine engineer with the Gulf Oil Company, and Charles Crook, left today for Norfolk, Va., where on Saturday Lieut. Crook will be married to Miss Delphine Virginia Land. The ceremony will take place in the afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in the Freeman Street Baptist church. Mr. Crook is to be best man for his son and Miss Crook is to be one of the bridesmaids.

State, Federal
Funds Would Pay
77.4 Per Cent

Cost Of Modern and Adequate 100-Bed Hospital Estimated \$1,200,000

Movement to establish an adequate hospital for the needs of the people in this county and immediate section gained added impetus Tuesday in a meeting of the Health Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. F. C. Hubbard, committee chairman and chief of staff of the present Wilkes Hospital, presided at the meeting and in his opening remarks pointed out that present hospital facilities are inadequate for the community. The Hospital now has 60 beds and could use many more now, as well as much space for needed facilities.

The committee chairman explained in general the provisions of the Hill-Burton bill and the Good Health Plan in North Carolina.

Under these provisions, he said, a modern hospital could be constructed with the county contributing 22.6 per cent of the cost. It is no longer possible, he explained, for a group of doctors to construct and operate a hospital.

Citing cost estimates, Dr. Hubbard said that a modern 100-bed hospital could be constructed with proper facilities and be fully equipped for \$1,200,000. On that estimate Wilkes county's 22.6 per cent would be \$271,000, the federal government would pay \$400,000, and the state would pay \$529,000.

The seventeen members of the committee present for the meeting were unanimous in their approval of the proposal and asked the chairman to appoint a fact-finding committee, which will contact Dr. John A. Farrell, executive secretary of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, for detailed information relative to financial aid, application blanks and necessary forms. This committee will also arrange for a meeting with the Wilkes county board of commissioners to discuss the proposal.

Named on the committee by the chairman were J. R. Hix, W. B. Somers, W. H. McElwee, J. B. Williams, R. G. Finley, Paul Osborne and J. B. McCoy.

It was pointed out that the provisions of the Hill-Burton bill are in effect for only five years, and that two years have already passed. Counties and cities, which do not take advantage of the hospital aid offer in the next three years will not receive any of the funds allocated for that purpose.

Members of the committee expressed the opinion that the county should take advantage of the opportunity for expanded hospital facilities and that a special tax levy or short term bonds should be used to finance the project as far as the county's part of the money is concerned.

A strong resolution was passed by the Chamber of Commerce Health Committee approving the proposed hospital expansion program. This resolution will be presented to the board of county commissioners.

Dancing, Cake
Walks Saturday

Round dancing has been added to the program for the square dance to be held Saturday night, 7:30, in the North Wilkesboro gymnasium for the gymnasium improvement fund.

Wilkes entertainers will furnish music for the square dancing and there will also be round dance music. Six cake walks will be carried out and there will be attendance prizes.

Seventh and eighth grades are selling tickets and the winning room will be given a theatre party. Second place room students will get an ice cream and cake party.

A few hundred dollars are needed to complete the dressing rooms project for the gymnasium and sponsors are asking all to attend the dance and entertainment program. Admission is \$1 per couple with 50 cents each for students.