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County Hospital Plan Approved By Wilkes Chamber

Chamber Commerce Directors Back Solicitations Control Committee

Directors of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce in meeting Tuesday noon passed a resolution endorsing the proposal for construction of a county hospital with the aid of state and federal funds.

The hospital proposal was placed before the board of directors from the report of the Health Committee, which acted unanimously in favor of Wilkes taking advantage of the opportunity to secure a 100-bed hospital with the county providing only 22.6 per cent of the total cost.

Following is text of the resolution passed by the directors: "Whereas, the need of additional hospital facilities is apparent in Wilkes county, and

"Whereas, the federal and state governments have made available funds to aid counties in the building of hospitals, be it therefore resolved that the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce go on record endorsing the building of a county hospital and recommending to the Wilkes county commissioners that arrangements be made for the voting of bonds sufficient to finance the county's proportionate part (22.6) of the cost of this hospital."

R. M. Brame, Jr., chamber president, presided and directors present were W. O. Asher, Gilbert Bare, J. B. Carter, D. V. Deal, R. G. Finley, R. E. Gibbs, J. R. Hix, Dr. F. C. Hubbard, Richard Johnston, Presley Myers, C. J. Swafford, J. B. Williams. Also present were Tom S. Jenrette, chamber secretary-manager, and John E. Justice, Flood Control committee chairman who made a report on recent flood control developments, particularly the Rivers and Harbors Congress action in approving the Yadin project.

President Brame announced annual convention of the United States Chamber of Commerce to be held in Washington April 26-29. W. K. Sturdivant, national counselor, and Tom S. Jenrette were named as delegates from the Wilkes Chamber and other members were urged to attend if possible.

J. B. Williams and Vernon Deal were named members of the chamber executive committee. The other members are the officers—president, vice president, treasurer, secretary-manager.

A report from the Education committee revealed that educational talks are being given by Chamber members in ten schools in Wilkes county, at which school building needs and economic value of education are being stressed to patrons.

The Industrial committee brought before the directors the subject of investigating local freight rates and the secretary was instructed to obtain all necessary information for study of rates with a view of seeking a reduction. A committee composed of R. G. Finley, J. R. Hix, J. B. Williams, and E. F. Gardner was named to study the material.

The chamber directors endorsed the Trade promotion committee's report fully supporting the setting up of a committee for control of solicitations. The committee explained that the plan now being followed is for study and control of solicitations. Persons planning solicitations of any type in the community are asked to submit facts at the chamber of commerce office for study by the solicitations committee. If the request is deemed worthy and just, an approval card will be issued, which solicitors may present to those approached. Business men are asked to cooperate by asking solicitors to show their certificate of approval and by responding with donations or aid only to those whose requests have been approved.

The requests will be passed on only on Fridays, and any persons seeking action of the committee are asked to get their requests in to the chamber office for study and approval on Fridays. The committee is made up of busy people who cannot be called into meeting any and every

Skyland Textile Company Installs Music In Factory

Believed to be the first installation of its kind in Wilkes county, the Skyland Textile Company has added music for the pleasure and entertainment of its employees. The system consists of a record player and through a sound-amplifying system the music is set out through several speakers located in the mill to give a good and even distribution of sound throughout the plant.

It has been proved that a person does more work better work, and goes home at the end of the day less tired when there is some diversification of thought.

The new installation has been very enthusiastically received by the employees.

Student Millers Creek Is Winner Speaking Contest

Four Students Awarded Prizes In Contest Held By K. of P. Lodge

Oliver Elledge, son of Mrs. Esther Elledge, of Millers Creek, won first place and prize of \$25 here Monday night in the Knights of Pythias annual oratorical contest.

Second prize of \$15 was awarded Miss Marie Minton, of Wilkesboro; third of \$10 to Keith Bentley, also of Wilkesboro; fourth, \$5, to Bill Staley, of Roaring River school.

First prize winner will represent the North Wilkesboro lodge in the state contest and if successful will go on to regional and national contest, where the prize will be a \$1,000 college scholarship.

Russell Hodges, speaking contest chairman, presided at the Monday night meeting, which was attended by more than 100 members and guests. While the judges were compiling votes Mr. Hodges spoke briefly on the subject of "Principles of Pythianism."

Subject for the orations was "The Debt of the Modern World To Ancient Greece." The addresses by the students were received with much interest by the assembly. Judges were T. E. Story, Miss Rebecca Moseley and James F. McAlister.

Easter Monday To Be Holiday In Wilkesboros

In accordance with the holiday plan adopted for the year by the Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, Easter Monday, March 29, will be a holiday.

Stores, banks and other business houses will be closed on Easter Monday, which will generally be observed as a holiday throughout the country.

Offices in the county courthouse will be closed Monday and it was also announced that the state revenue department will be closed. It is expected that practically all public offices will be closed for the holiday.

The plan here was adopted after careful study of plans being used in many other towns.

A secret committee will handle requests for minor solicitations. For county-wide campaigns application should be filed 30 days prior to the date the committee's decision is needed, in order that the quotas and other information may be given ample study and investigation.

It was the committee's expressed opinion that projects for solicitation, program or manual advertising and other projects strictly of a community nature and by which benefits would not be county-wide would not be given approval. Requests have become so numerous that the committee decided that some action must be taken for control in order that worthy projects of widespread public benefit can be carried out. Within the past few days there have been 12 applications for solicitation, of which eight were not approved.

There is nothing compulsory about the plan, but the committee points out that public cooperation will assure its success and that it will be beneficial to all concerned.

"Keep Your Red Cross Ready" Is Campaign Slogan

Red Cross Drive Renewed And Extended Because Of World Crisis

Because of the international crisis, the Red Cross campaign slogan today was changed to "Keep Your Red Cross Ready." "As the voluntary auxiliary to the armed forces, it is essential that the Red Cross be kept strong as the nation's agency for disaster relief," a telegram from national Red Cross officials said today.

National Red Cross officials today asked that chapters which have reached their minimum goal continue the campaign and that chapters which have not reached their quotas double their efforts during the next few days. A report today from the Wilkes chapter stated that \$5,239.17 of the county's quota of \$8,151, had been turned in. All workers are now asked to make special efforts to reach the people in their respective areas.

Those who are asked from work-camp have completed their campaign, what progress the county is making throughout the Wilkes county is being reported by the Red Cross at North of the Red Cross at North of the Red Cross.

Following the disaster in Wilkes county and disaster in Cross spent \$10,49 the Red 221 families. They are in aiding on the job before Cross was ended. In 1930 and 1931 Red Cross aided 372 families. Red Cross county who were in circumstances because of circumstances and the amount of aid was \$2,742.49.

These disaster services rendered Wilkes people in connection to the every day rendered by the Red Cross.

Last year in the Texas disaster the Red Cross spent eleven million dollars. That community this year has already more than doubled its quota.

Eller's Bluejackets Win League Title In Final Playoff Game

Eller's Bluejackets won the championship of the Wilkes Industrial Basketball league Wednesday night at Millers Creek in the final game of a three-game series with Millers Creek all stars, winners of the first half schedule.

Whittington with 19 points was high scorer for the victors while McLean led for the all stars with 22. The all stars held a one-point lead at half time but slumped in the final period with M. Eller and Bumgarner out on fouls. The Bluejackets played their smoothest game on the Millers Creek court this year.

- Lineups follow:
- Eller's 62 M. Eller 59
- H. Eller 2 Bumgarner 1
- Livingston 11 Clark 6
- Whittington 19 Vannoy 12
- Wiles 2 McLean 22
- E. Eller 12 M. Eller 9
- Substitutes: Eller's—McMillan 1, Staley 10, Snider 2, Holder; M. Creek—Garland 6, Church 2, Parsons 1.

On behalf of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the league, trophies were presented the winner and runner-up teams by P. W. Greer, principal of Millers Creek school.

The Millers Creek all stars won the first game of the playoff series Friday night 70 to 59 and on Monday night Eller's evened the playoff score by taking a 59 to 50 victory. The second game lineups follow:

- Bumgarner 7 H. Eller 12
- M. Eller 15 Livingston 14
- McLean 9 Whittington 13
- Vannoy 16 E. Eller 13
- Parsons Wiles 1
- Substitutes: M. Creek—Church, Garland 1, Sebastian; Eller's—Staley 2, McMillan 1, Snider, Holder.

Matilda Rector Is Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held on Monday at New Hope Baptist church near Purlear for Matilda Rector, age 73, who died Sunday at her home in that community. Rev. A. W. Eller and Rev. Glenn Huffman conducted the last rites. Cleoro Rector, a son, is the only surviving member of the immediate family.

Actress In Japan



With the Eighth Army in Kokura, Japan.—Ann Craven, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burnette, and wife of M. Sgt. Lawrence A. Craven of the 3rd Engineer Combat Battalion, a unit of the 24th Infantry Division, is presently starring in a play presented by the Third Engineer Combat Battalion. Mrs. Craven arrived in Japan on June 15, 1947 to set up housekeeping for her husband, M-Sgt. Craven. Late in the fall, when the call went out for persons with talent to appear in a play, Mrs. Craven was the first to volunteer her services. Mrs. Craven is a graduate of the Cricket and Millers Creek high school. She also has two nephews in the service, one, Elmer Cooper in the navy and James Cooper, also stationed in Japan.

Easter Drama On Radio Saturday

The churches of North Wilkesboro will present "Resurrection" an Easter radio drama starring Ralph Bellamy, over station WKBO March 27 at 5:15 p. m. This fifteen-minute dramatic program was prepared with a professional cast and directed by Church World Service, official relief and reconstruction agency of the Protestant and Orthodox churches.

Meeting Citizens Who Want Roads Be Held Tuesday

Highway Commissioner and Engineer Will Meet With Citizens at Town Hall

Citizens of Wilkes county are interested in highway action and road improvement invited to a meeting on Tuesday night, 7:30 p. m. at the town hall in North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Bellamy is a professional actor and director of Church World Service, official relief and reconstruction agency of the Protestant and Orthodox churches.

The program presents in dramatic form the story of a town in Europe, where the people are sunk in despair and hopelessness caused by hunger and lack of spiritual leadership. They are aroused from their lethargy by the attempts of the town bell-maker, played by Mr. Bellamy, to hammer brass shell casings into church bells.

Aided by supplies and help from American churches, the people of this town manage to realize the inspiration given them, by the bell-maker, and the meeting will prove to be very interesting for people throughout Wilkes.

The Chamber of Commerce is naturally interested in construction or improvement of any road or highway leading into the Wilkesboros, and it is expected that many local business men, as well as people in rural areas, will attend the meeting.

Samuel Rhodes Suicide Victim

Funeral service will be held on Friday at Bethel church near Hays for Samuel A. Rhodes, 56, citizen of that community who died Wednesday. Rev. Ernest Blevins will conduct the last rites. The body of Mr. Rhodes was found in a road near his home about 11 a. m. Wednesday. With his body was a rifle and it was presumed that he took his own life. He had been in ill health for sometime, members of the family said, and when he left his home he said he was going to visit a neighbor.

Mr. Rhodes is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nora Rhodes, and the following sons and daughters: Grant Rhodes, Hays; Mrs. Gilbert Milton, Boomer, W. Va.; Edgar D. Rhodes, Ohio, N. C.; Miss Ruth Rhodes, Winston-Salem; Miss Nellie Rhodes and Allen Rhodes, of Hays.

Vivian Kerbaugh Now With Baptists In Elizabeth City

Pastor W. W. Finlator of the First Church, Elizabeth City, announces that Miss Vivian Kerbaugh on February 27 began her work in the church as director of religious education. Miss Kerbaugh, a native of North Wilkesboro and a member of the First church here until her college days, is an honor graduate of Wake Forest College. During her four years there she was very active in the religious organizations on the campus and in other phases of campus life also. She was a member of the Glee Club for three years, and she served as secretary of the Woman's Student Government Association. She was a charter member of Tassels, honorary leadership society for women, and was elected to serve as its president. She was also one of those chosen to represent Wake Forest in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

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Without News

Wilkesboro high school's Ramblers ended weeks of spring practice Monday afternoon with a regulation game between two evenly matched squads picked from the 45 who had been engaged in practice. How evenly the squads were matched was evidenced by the score, which was one touch-down each with the "greens" getting the extra point for a 7-6 victory. Jack Groce and Malcolm Gambill, two of eight seniors not participating, directed the teams in the game as Head Coach Ed Winkler is director for the indoor and outdoor cooking. Mr. Winkler will be arts and crafts leader. Other day camp will be published later.

Freezer Locker Stockholders To Meet Friday Eve.

Stockholders of the Carolina Refrigeration Corporation are asked to meet Friday evening, 7:30, at the Wilkes county courthouse.

Churches to Have Special Services

Hospital Births

The following births were reported at the Wilkes hospital during the past week: son, James Earl Trivette, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. James Earl Trivette, of North Wilkesboro, March 18; son, Elmer Stephen, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith Rich, of Boomer, March 18; son, Robert Bruce, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis Bowers, of North Wilkesboro, March 18; son, James Stephen, to Mr. and Mrs. James Harrison Johnson, of Roaring River, March 18; son, Danny Vernon, to Mr. and Mrs. Sebon Vernon Walker, of North Wilkesboro, March 19; son, Bruce Wendell, to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Reece Byrd, of North Wilkesboro route 2, March 20; daughter, Betty Lou, to Mr. and Mrs. James C. Shepherd, March 20; son, William Richard, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Watson, of North Wilkesboro route 1, March 20; daughter, Peggy Sue, to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hawkins, of Hays, April 21; son to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wesley Johnson, of North Wilkesboro route 2, March 22; daughter, Wanda Faye, to Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Monroe Adams, of North Wilkesboro route 1, March 22; son to Mr. and Mrs. Wade Howard, Jr., of North Wilkesboro route 3, March 25; son to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gregory, of Ronda, March 25.

Forming Credit And Collection Bureau This City

Business Firms Being Contacted For Membership In New Organization

In an organization meeting on Friday night decision was reached to organize a Credit and Collections Bureau in North Wilkesboro.

For the organization period, Charles H. Day was named organization chairman and the temporary board of directors is composed of Charles Jenkins, Carl W. Steele, M. B. McNeill, William Gray, L. S. Spainhour, W. G. Gabriel, J. C. Allen, Wayne Foster, Wm. A. Hardister, and Bob Kite.

Letters have been sent out to merchants in the community explaining the organizations and the services planned. Initial membership fee will be \$10 and monthly dues of \$2.50 with a charge of 50 cents for each credit report in excess of five per month.

In connection with the credit bureau will be a collection department, with a collector to handle collection of old accounts for members. Merchants in the organization meeting stated that the need of a credit bureau here is increasing and much enthusiasm was shown in instituting the organization movement.

Ramblers Have Football Game

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As shown by the number participating, the Ramblers will be without manpower in the notwithstanding the many men graduating. The cited much interest in the student body and there are other spectators who boys are now engaged in baseball practice and season next week.

Sunrise Services For Easter Sunday

Wilkesboro, Moravian Falls, Mountlawn and Bluff Park Sunrise Services

Churches throughout this community have planned special services for Easter Sunday, March 28th.

This week a series of pre-Easter services have been held in the churches of the Wilkesboros with ministers exchanging pulpits before large congregations.

The Sunrise Service will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal church on Easter Day at six a. m. This service has been held consecutively in St. Paul's church for the past seventeen years. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon by the rector, Rev. Boston M. Lackey. The choir will sing Easter hymns in the churchyard before the service begins in the church. The special Easter offering at this service will go to the organ fund. A cordial welcome is extended to everyone to attend this service.

Thirteenth annual sunrise service will be held Easter Sunday morning at 6:15 at the Moravian Falls cemetery.

Rev. R. C. Gwaltney, pastor of the Moravian Falls Baptist church and Rev. Joe Green, Moravian Falls Methodist pastor, will conduct the service. In event of rain, the service will be held in the Moravian Falls Community House.

Everybody is invited to the service which is now being held in the Moravian Falls cemetery, maintained by the Moravian Falls cemetery association, is one of the most beautiful rural cemeteries in the state.

Easter Service 7:30 A. M. Mountlawn Cemetery

Mountlawn Memorial Park, located north of this city on highway 18, will be the scene of an annual Easter morning service at 7:30 o'clock.

This service will be for all who will attend. Dr. John T. Wayland will be in charge and Jay Anderson will direct the music. Choirs from all the churches are invited to participate.

Easter Music At First Baptist At the morning worship service at the First Baptist church Sunday, the Easter sermon will be "A Timeless Event." The music for the service, in keeping with the day, will be "Come, ye faithful" by R. S. Thatcher, and "Galleean Easter Carol" by R. Deane Shure by the Adult Choir and "Alleluia! Christ is Risen" Arrangement by Ralph L. Baldwin by the Junior Choir. The Adult Choir, under the direction of Miss Helen Caldwell, is composed of Helen Eller, Betty Lou Foster, Mrs. Gwyn Gambill, Mrs. Ray Harris, Doris Ruth Kerbaugh, Joyce Kilby, Betty Jean McNeill, Joanna McNeill, Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant, sopranos, Mrs. Tal Barnes, Mary Ann Casey, Patsy Hawkins, Mrs. R. T. McNeil, Mrs. A. G. Yates, altoes, Dean Minton, tenor, and Edwin Chipman, D. E. Elledge, and W. R. Harmon, basses. The Junior Choir includes Mary Blankenship, Sarah Lou Chipman, Abigail Church, Billie Jean Cox, Dorris Darlington, Martha Jane Greath, Jo Ann Johnson, Betty Lue Lyall, Colleen Moore, Patricia Morgan, Billie Ann Pardu, Wanda Patrum, Betty Chloe Payne, Lorane Shumate, Nancy Sturdivant, Jean Wayland, Patricia Woodward, Frank Bentley, John Bentley, David Day, Barry Henderson, Sonny Lyall, Reggie Moore, Buddy Triplett, and T. A. Wellborn. Miss Marie Eller is organist for both choirs.

Presbyterian Young People Plan Sunrise Service

Young people of the First Presbyterian church will conduct a sunrise service Sunday morning at Bluff Park on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Following the service breakfast will be served in the park.

Regular services, featuring Easter music, will be held in the church Sunday.