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ONE OF MANY EXHIBITORS FOR HORSE SHOW JULY 2-3



Eleven-year-old June Fisher, of Salisbury, is shown here on his great jumper, "Reckless," at a recent Carolina horse show. June will exhibit at the annual Wilkes Kiwanis horse show July 2 and 3, for two performances daily, Friday and Saturday at 1:30 and 8 p. m.

WKBC To Observe First Anniversary Sunday Afternoon

Radio station WKBC in North Wilkesboro will observe its first anniversary with a special anniversary program Sunday afternoon, 2:30.

The anniversary program will include representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and local civic organizations.

Mrs. Doris Brown in general manager of station WKBC, owned and operated by Wilkes Broadcasting company, John Cashion is program director and Roland Potter is commercial director. This management personnel has served the station during its one year of successful operation in serving this and adjoining counties.

WKBC maintains studios in North Wilkesboro and Elkin. In addition to activities here, daily programs are given for Elkin, Boone, West Jefferson and Taylorsville.

Ray V. Church Heads Junior Optimist Club

New Organization For Boys Gets Off To Splendid Beginning

Under the supervision of the Boys' Work Committee of the Optimist Club of North Wilkesboro, a Junior Optimist Club was organized last night at the American Legion hut. There were a large number of boys present whose ages range from eight to seventeen, and the club's membership thus far is thirty.

The meeting was in charge of J. C. Williams, Jr., chairman of the Boys' Work Committee.

Officers of the club for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Ray V. Church; vice president, Buddy Tugman; secretary-treasurer, R. S. Johnson; sergeant-at-arms, John Hubbard. A board of six directors is to be appointed by the newly-elected president.

The club will meet hereafter each Thursday evening at the Woodlawn Community house at 7:30 o'clock. Prospects are bright for the junior Optimist club to have a membership of fifty members.

Senior Optimist, Millard Wine-coff delivered a splendid talk to the boys before the meeting came to an end. His remarks were very impressive and were appreciated by everyone present.

At the close of the club's business session refreshments were served.

Baseball Practice
All members of the Junior Optimist Club who want to play baseball are requested to report to Memorial Park tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Practice and baseball game will begin then and continue until 4 p. m.

"MISS WILKES" TO BE CHOSEN IN CONTEST FINALS ON FRIDAY NIGHT

"Miss Wilkes—1948" will be selected Friday night, 8:45 p. m., at the Allen theatre from ten finalists chosen at the "Miss Wilkes" ball held June 11 under sponsorship of the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Bill Stauber, of Darham, formerly with radio station WKBC here, will be master of ceremonies by popular demand, following his very successful handling of the contest here a year ago.

Judges will be Dan Berini, president of Statesville Jaycees;

Jim Julian, director of Hickory Jaycees; and W. G. Dunham, president of Winston-Salem Jaycees.

Girls to compete for the title will be Misses Jerry Caldwell, Jackie Merritt, Mary Taylor, Betty Billings, Frances Gilreath, Lea Walsh, Wanda Campbell, Betty Jean Whitaker, Virginia Caudill and Betty Kendall.

The winner will be given a wardrobe by the Wilkes Jaycees and will represent Wilkes at the beauty contest finals to be held at Wrightsville Beach.

Miss Pat McNeil Is Case Worker Wilkes Welfare



MISS PAT MCNEIL

Charles C. McNeill, superintendent of the Wilkes County Welfare department, announced today the appointment of Miss Pat McNeil, of North Wilkesboro, as case worker assistant with the Wilkes County Welfare department. Miss McNeil began her work with the department on June 15. She replaces Miss Corine Faw, who resigned several months ago.

Mr. McNeill stated that Miss McNeil was well qualified, from the standpoint of training, for the position of case worker assistant. She received her early training in the North Wilkesboro city schools, and during the past four years she has been a student at Meredith College, Raleigh, where she received her AB degree with a major in sociology in May of this year. While at Meredith Miss McNeil participated in various activities on the campus. She was a member of the Social Club and Philarelin club during all four years of her work at Meredith.

Miss McNeil is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. McNeil, of North Wilkesboro.

Breakfast Postponed

The breakfast planned to be held at the First Presbyterian church Sunday, June 27, has been postponed.

W. D. Halfacre and Dr. J. W. Davis To Address Ellers 27th

Dr. James W. Davis, of Statesville, and W. D. Halfacre, executive vice president of the Bank of North Wilkesboro, will be the afternoon speakers for the annual Ellers family reunion to be held Sunday, June 27, at Bolling Springs Baptist church near Pears, E. R. Ellers, chairman, announced today.

The morning program is being arranged and there will be dinner spread picnic style at noon. All Ellers and their relatives and friends are invited.

Optimist Club Met On Tuesday Here

The Optimist Club of North Wilkesboro met Tuesday at Hotel Wilkes with a good attendance of members present.

The luncheon meeting opened with invocation being spoken by Chaplain H. M. Wellman. During the business part of the meeting excellent reports were made by J. C. Williams, Jr., chairman of the Boys' Work committee, and by D. T. Trivette, chairman of the membership committee. Both reports were well received by the club membership and showed much activity.

The program was in charge of C. M. Brown, Jr., who presented through the courtesy of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. the technical picture, "Liberia, Africa's Only Republic." This picture was most educational and entertaining and presented a history of rubber production from the time the seedling is planted to the finished rubber product. H. T. Clark, of the Wilkes Armature Co., was the efficient projectionist.

Guests at the luncheon were: L. C. Miller with Howard Strader; L. P. Schealy with C. M. Brown, Jr.

The club voted to meet in the future from 12 to 1 o'clock, instead of the hour 12:30 to 1:30 p. m. The club meets on each second and fourth Tuesday in the month.

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Recruiters Located At City Hall Here

Army and navy recruiting officers are now located at North Wilkesboro city hall. They moved their headquarters there today from the Crow building on C street, and all interested in enlisting in either branch of service are asked to contact the recruiters at the city hall.

Interest Growing In Scott, Johnson Primary June 26

Democrats Will Name Candidate For Governor In Run-Off Primary

Going down the home stretch in the second primary campaign, candidates Charles M. Johnson and Kerr Scott succeeded this week in working up some interest in the contest for the Democratic nomination for governor in the primary to be held Saturday, June 26.

Johnson and Scott were high men in the voting for the nomination for governor in the first primary May 29, with Johnson the high man but lacking a majority over the field of six candidates. Albright, Barker, Stanley and Boyd were the eliminated candidates. Scott called for a run-off primary as provided by law.

The elections machinery has been overhauled for the second primary, in which Democrats only will be permitted to vote and all election officials will be Democrats. The Republican judges for the precincts will continue their appointments for the fall election but will not participate in the second primary.

Polls will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m.

As the primary date draws near both candidates, and their supporters have been busily engaged trying to line up voters who voted for the candidates eliminated in the first primary and both sides are claiming victory in the forthcoming contest.

Report Autopsy Mrs. Miller Not Received To Date

No report has been received relative to findings from an autopsy performed on the body of Mrs. Leonard Miller, it was learned today from Sheriff O. G. Poindexter, who is conducting an investigation to ascertain cause of the sudden death of Mrs. Miller at her home at Millers Creek February 22.

The body was taken from Pleasant Home church cemetery June 6 and sent to Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem for autopsy and analysis of contents of her stomach.

Mrs. Miller, age 28, died in a few minutes after taking what was supposed to have been a headache powder handed her by her husband.

A physician engaged in the autopsy informed Sheriff Poindexter that several days might be necessary to make a complete analysis of contents of the stomach in the body of Mrs. Miller.

Baptist Pastors To Meet Monday

The Wilkes Baptist Pastors Conference will meet at 10:00 a. m. Monday, June 28, at Reins-Sturdivant Chapel.

Rev. Dean Minton will bring the devotional message at 10:00 a. m. The business session will be at 10:20. Miss Madge Lewis will speak on "Building Through Church Cooperation," at 10:40. Dr. John T. Wayland will bring a homiletical study at 11:10. The meeting will close with a message by Rev. J. G. Huffman.

Bob F. Day With Shields & Hayes

Bob F. Day, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Chas. G. Day, has accepted a position with Shields & Hayes, Inc., local insulating firm, as manager of the company's branch office here.

Mr. Day, who attended National Business College at Roanoke, Va., and A. S. T. C., at Boone, is well qualified for the position. He will have his office temporarily at the Wilkesboro Manufacturing company plant.

Republicans Begin Voting Today For Eight Candidates

Governor Dewey on the first ballot today received 434 votes, lacking 114 votes having the necessary 548 for nomination. Taft received 224 and Stassen 187. Next highest on the first ballot were Warren with 59 and Vandenberg with 62.

Convention Hall, Philadelphia.—The G.O.P. last night pitched into its main business of picking a presidential candidate and amid boos and cheers—it nominated the following: Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York; Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio; Governor Earl Warren of California; former Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota; Senator Raymond Baldwin of Connecticut; Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan; General Douglas MacArthur of Wisconsin. Voting on the nominees will take place today.

Convention Hall, Philadelphia.—Thomas E. Dewey's power drive for the G. O. P. presidential nomination smashed ahead last night as the strategic Indiana delegation put its full 29 votes behind the New York Governor.

But the Pennsylvania delegation angrily split wide open and Governor James H. Duff carried 27 votes to Senator Robert A. Taft. Dewey snagged 41 of the Pennsylvania votes. Harold E. Stassen and Senator Arthur Vandenberg got one apiece.

Duff's swing to Taft was a blow to Vandenberg's supporters. Duff had long been leaning toward the Michigan Senator.

Dr. Gilreath Rites Conducted Monday In Lexington, Va.

Funeral services were held Monday in Lexington, Va., for Dr. W. H. Gilreath, who died early Saturday morning in Lexington.

Dr. Gilreath for many years practiced medicine in the Wilkesboro and vicinity and was one of the best known physicians in this section of the state. He retired from active practice ten years ago and last year moved to Lexington, where his son, Prof. Esmarch Gilreath, resides.

Surviving Dr. Gilreath are his wife, Mrs. Mamie Williams Gilreath, one son, one brother and one sister, Attorney C. G. Gilreath, of Wilkesboro, and Miss Florence Gilreath, of Moravian Falls.

Funeral service was held at a funeral home chapel in Lexington and burial was in the Presbyterian cemetery there. Those from here attending the service were Attorney C. G. Gilreath, Miss Florence Gilreath, Mrs. Charlie Elledge, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Roberts.

Bill Lee With Bank At Spruce Pine, N. C.

Bill Lee, who has been connected with the Northwestern Bank's home office here, has been transferred to the bank's branch at Spruce Pine, where he will be acting cashier. He began his duties in Spruce Pine this week.

Important Meeting Of V. F. W. Friday

Commander S. L. Whitaker has announced an important meeting of Blue Ridge Mountain post of Veterans of Foreign Wars to be held Friday, 8:00 p. m., at Carolina Restaurant. Every member is asked to attend.

Girl Scout Meeting Next Monday Night

Girl Scout association of Wilkes county will meet Monday, eight p. m., at the Presbyterian religious education building. Leaders are asked to turn in records and materials at the meeting. Mrs. Robert Gibbs, Girl Scout director, said.

Singing Sunday 27th Liberty Grove Church

A community singing will be held Sunday, June 27, eight p. m., at Liberty Grove Baptist church. All singers are cordially invited to attend and take part.

President of Lions



J. H. WHICKER, JR.

Wilkes Chapter For Polio Helps Equip Hospital

\$50 Given To Help Equip Polio Ward; Only One Case In This County

Wilkes chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in meeting this week appropriated \$50 toward equipment for a polio ward in Kate Bittings Reynolds hospital in Winston-Salem for treatment of colored victims of polio, Sam Ogilvie, chapter chairman, reported today.

Arrangements are being made to equip and staff a ward of Kate Bittings Reynolds hospital for treatment of acute cases among colored people, and the funds are being furnished by chapters according to colored population in their respective areas.

Some time ago chapters helped purchase equipment for a polio ward for white patients at the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem. The other hospitals set up to serve acute cases from this area are Grace hospital in Morganton and the State Orthopedic hospital in Gastonia.

Polio cases continue on the increase in some parts of the state, with the largest number cases being reported from Guilford and Burke counties.

To date there has been one case reported in Wilkes, that being Howard Paul Shumate, son of Tracy Shumate, of Hays. The boy is a patient at Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem and his condition was described as not being critical at the time of admission.

Charter Is Granted Local Kiwanis Club

Secretary of State Thad Eure has granted a charter to the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club to operate as a non-profit corporation. Incorporation of the club here is in keeping with the policy now being followed by many civic organizations engaged in sponsoring varied projects.

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CATCH BIG FISH OFF N. C. COAST



Bob Damschroder, left, and George Forester, right, are shown with a few of the fish they caught recently while fishing off the coast at Southport. In the catch were two large amber jack, the one shown in the middle of the picture with weight of 37 pounds; four king mackerel, the first caught off the North Carolina coast this season; 1 dolphin, 1 baricuda and six bonitas. They did their fishing on rough waters from Captain Watts Idle-On boat.—(Photo by Lane Atkinson, Jr.)