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MANY ATTRACTIONS FOR FARMERS' DAY 14th

Mammoth Parade Opening Feature Day's Activities

Many And Varied Floats To Participate In Parade Through Wilkesboro

A mammoth parade with many and varied interests will be the opening feature of Farmers' Day annual event staged here under auspices of the Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

September 14, opening day of the Wilkes Agricultural Fair, will be date of Farmers' Day.

Link Spahnour is general chairman for the parade, and preliminary work indicates that Farmers' Day parade this year will be the greatest in the history of the community.

Units of the parade will form on Wilkesboro's Main Street west of the courthouse. The line of march will be through Wilkesboro to North Wilkesboro by way of Memorial Park to Fifth street, to B street, west on B street to 10th street, over 10th to D street to ninth street.

Following are units for the parade and the chairman assigned to be responsible for each: Motorcycle escort by private owners of motorcycles, John Walker; color guard, Major Roy Forehand; mounted horses, J. B. Carter; North Wilkesboro town council, Mayor T. S. Kennerly; Wilkesboro town council, Russell Gray; county commissioners and sheriff, C. C. Sidden; Chamber of Commerce officials, R. M. Brame, Jr.; agricultural officials, Stamon McFryer; Wilkes board of education, J. Floyd Woodward; band, Major Roy Forehand; National Guard, Major Roy Forehand; veterans, Ray Stroud and S. L. Whitaker.

Ten finals in the Junior Chamber of Commerce Beauty Contest will be carried in the parade on a beautiful float now being made for the occasion. Sam Vickery, Junior Chamber President, will be in charge of this feature.

Many business firms will place floats in the parade and where practical, floats will be made to represent the many and varied types of business in the Wilkesboro. The chairmen and co-chairmen for each type of business named to prepare floats for the parade are as follows:

Seed, feed and fertilizer, John Leyshon and Hight Helms; poultry and hatcherymen, Forrest Jones; farm machinery, Sam Winters and Guy Wellborn; orchard equipment, J. B. Williams; dairies, Herbert Marshall; hardware, Charles Jenkins and John Vagnon; furniture, Charles Day and Russell Gray; automobile dealers, Oliver Absher and R. N. Church; bottlers, R. T. McNeil and N. S. Forester; manufacturers, Richard Johnston; grocers, Presley Myers, Warner Miller; jewelers, C. T. Burke; electric appliance dealers, Paul Cashion; clothing and general merchandise, W. C. Marlow; automobile parts, C. Arthur Venable; florists, Mrs. J. M. Palmer, Fred Henderson; banks, W. D. Half-acre and D. V. Deal; cleaners, Jim Hauser and S. B. Moore; Duke Power Co., Robert S. Gibbs; Reins-Sturdivant, W. K. Sturdivant; drug stores, Palmer Horton.

Paul Church and Paul Choplin are chairmen for the farm equipment phase of the parade, which will include tractors, other farm equipment, 1-horse wagon, 2-horse wagon; 1-seated horse-drawn passenger vehicle; 2-seated horse-drawn passenger vehicle.

Special prizes will be given farmers for their entries in the farm equipment part of the parade.

Next unit in the parade will be the North Wilkesboro high school band, followed by Don Walker and His Blue Ridge Boys' string band on a decorated truck. Roland Potter is chairman for this parade feature.

Exact order of the parade will be arranged after all entries are determined. Advance interest indicates that the parade will be a highly successful event and will get the day's full program underway in a highly satisfactory manner.

\$175.50 Given Polio Fund At Drive In Movie

In appreciation for patronage during his first year of operation, R. B. Adams, owner of the North Wilkesboro Drive-In Theatre, gave a free show on Monday night and patrons were permitted to give instead to the polio fund.

Sam Ogilvie, chairman of the Wilkes chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, was at the gate to receive polio fund donations, which totaled \$175.50 for the night.

Mr. Adams expressed gratitude for splendid patronage and cooperation from the public during the year. New speakers with individual volume control were in operation on anniversary night.

Grand Jury Has Recommendations After Inspections

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Mountain Lions Are Working Out

Coach Jack Sparks has the Mountain Lions football squad working out twice daily and rapidly getting in shape for the season's opener scheduled here for September 10.

With about 35 boys reporting, workouts are being held at Smoot Park field. To date the work has been light with the view of conditioning the boys for the tough work ahead. Uniforms were to be issued today and it is expected that contact work will be forthcoming in the next few days.

Coach Sparks here finds a seasoned crew of lettermen, with the principal problem apparently the development of an adequate number of capable reserves to carry part of the load through a long and strenuous 11-game schedule with South Piedmont Conference teams and nearby schools, which include Elkin, Boone, Wilkesboro and Mocksville outside the conference.

Buggaboo Club To Meet Tuesday, 24th

The Buggaboo Home Demonstration Club will meet with the County Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Annie H. Greene, in the home of Miss Ila Tharpe on Tuesday, August 24th, at 2 p. m. All members are cordially invited to attend.

Revival At Pilgrim Will Begin Monday

Revival services at Pilgrim Baptist Church will begin Monday night, August 23. Rev. Roger C. Gwaltney, pastor, will be in charge and the public has a cordial invitation to all services.

Polio Total In Wilkes To Date Is 22; 1 Death

Epidemic Apparently Has Passed Crisis; Lankford Child Casualty

Total of infantile paralysis cases in Wilkes county during the summer has reached 22. It was learned today from the office of the Wilkes Health Department.

However, cases have not been reported as frequently during the past two weeks and health authorities believe that the threatened epidemic in the county has passed its peak.

Precautions to prevent spread are continuing in effect, including the ban on children attending public gatherings. Date of opening of county schools has been postponed from August 30 to September 6.

Most recent case of infantile paralysis reported in Wilkes was Bon Lee Staley, 20-year-old son of Mrs. Lelia Staley, of Wilkesboro Route 2. The young man has been placed in a polio hospital in Greensboro.

Kathryn Marlene Lankford, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Claude Lankford, of Reddies River, was the one casualty of polio in Wilkes County this year. The child died Thursday, August 12, while in an ambulance on its way to a hospital. The illness had been diagnosed as infantile paralysis.

Valuable Property At Auction Saturday

Thirty beautiful homesites located just east of Highway 18 in the Fairplains community will be sold at auction Saturday, August 21, by Williams and Clark Land Auction company. The sale will open at 3:30 p. m. and there will be free cash prizes. Detailed information concerning the property may be obtained from M. C. Woodie of P. E. Dancy, local selling agents.

Western Auto Is Winner Over Boone

Western Auto softball team defeated Boone 12 to 1 at Boone Wednesday with Buster Bush pitching a three-hitter for the North Wilkesboro team. Wiles hit a homer with two on and McNeill led in scoring with three runs.

Announce Revival Oak Forest Baptist

Revival services will begin Sunday, August 22, at Oak Forest Baptist church and will be held each evening at 7:30. Rev. Johnny Luffman, pastor, will be assisted by Rev. Marvin Burchette. The public has a cordial invitation to all services.

Hunting Creek Home Coming August 29th

There will be a homecoming at Hunting Creek Baptist Church Sunday, August 29. Everyone is invited to come and bring picnic baskets. All singers are cordially invited to attend and take part in the program, which will begin at 10 a. m.—Reported.

Singing Aug. 29 Hinshaw Church

Southside Singing Association will convene with Hinshaw Street Baptist church in North Wilkesboro on Sunday, August 29, Chairman F. J. McDuffie has announced.

The day's program will open at 11 a. m. and all singers are invited to bring lunch and spend the day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clements, of Greensboro, are spending a month on the Brushy Mountain. Mrs. Genie Cardwell, sister of Mr. Clements, is staying most of the time with them, and Mrs. W. N. Huff, another sister of Mr. Clements, returned to Burlington Monday after a two weeks' visit on the mountain.

Liberty Grove To Have Home Coming

Liberty Grove Baptist church will have homecoming with an all-day program Sunday, Aug. 22. Rev. C. S. Wellborn, pastor, will preach at 11 a. m. and dinner will be spread picnic style at noon. Singers are invited to take part in the afternoon program and everybody will be welcome.

The revival will begin Sunday night with Rev. L. M. Cook, of Elkin, as guest minister.

Communion service will be held Saturday night, August 21, at 8 o'clock.

Rites Wednesday For Mrs. Staley

Funeral service for Mrs. Tate Duncan Staley, 42, wife of Carlyle Staley was held at the Roaring River Baptist Church Wednesday at 11 a. m. The pastor, Rev. Roger Gwaltney of Statesville, was assisted in the service by Rev. D. W. Temple, of Arlington. Music was rendered by the Wilkesboro quartet. The body lay in state from 10 to 11 a. m.

Mrs. Staley was born April 25, 1906, and passed away Monday, August 16, at 7:45 a. m. She was married to Carlyle Staley November 8, 1930. To them was born one child, Mary Francis, of the home.

She became a member of Roaring River Baptist Church early in life. She gave her time and talents to her home, the church and the Home Demonstration Club work. Helpful, cheerful, and ever faithful are words depicting her outstanding personality. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Mrs. Tate Duncan Staley, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Duncan, is survived by her husband, Carlyle Staley, one daughter, Mary Frances Staley, and the following brothers and sisters: C. C. Duncan, of Charlotte; Luther and Millard Duncan, of Roaring River; Clate Duncan, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. C. E. Church, of Summitville, Ind.; Mrs. L. E. Whitley, of Winston-Salem; and Mrs. Elmer Ward, of Roaring River.

Pallbearers were: John Walker, J. P. Pardue, Clint Alexander, Eugene Parks, Sam Parks and George Adams.

The beautiful floral offering was carried by members of the community Home Demonstration Club and like members from all over the county. Also the Woman's Missionary Society, nieces, cousins, and other relatives.

Church Trial For Norris Death Is In Wilkes Court

Cecil Church, resident of near this city, is now on trial in Wilkes superior court on second degree or manslaughter charge of fatally shooting Douglas Norris, brother-in-law, June 6 at the Norris home two miles west of this city.

Church is alleged to have shot Norris with a .22 calibre rifle after they had some trouble at a nearby cafe.

Defense witnesses were on the stand this morning and the trial may be completed late today.

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Rev. David W. Day, Rev. Carl Cockerham and Rev. Charlie Miles officiated. Rev. Mr. Adams died at a Winston-Salem hospital Monday.

Pores Knob Second In Wilkes League

Pores Knob baseball team edged out Fairplains 9 to 8 in the ninth inning here Monday night to become more firmly entrenched in second place in the league with four wins and one loss. There was an error in the Pores Knob record published last week.

The schedule for the coming week will have Fairplains and Pores Knob playing again Friday night, Mulberry and Clingman Saturday; Purllear and Boomer Monday night; Purllear and Mulberry on the 26th and Clingman and Purllear on the 27th.

First Methodist Church Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, Minister 9:45 a. m. Sunday School. 11 a. m. Morning Worship. Theme: "The Challenging Hour." message by Rev. W. P. Combs. 8 p. m. Union Service, First Presbyterian Church.

Melvin G. Stahl Wilmington School Assistant Principal

Mr. Melvin G. Stahl has gone to Wilmington, where he will be assistant principal of the New Hanover High School, which is the only high school in New Hanover County and the largest high school in the state.

Mr. Stahl has recently received his Masters degree from Harvard University. He was principal of the North Wilkesboro High School two years ago and did outstanding work here.

Mrs. Stahl, the former Miss Elizabeth Jennings, of Pores Knob, and their small son, Johnnie, went to Wilmington last week and moved into their new home on Wrightsville Sound.

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Broughton To Speak; Many Contests and Prizes To Be Given

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The event will be staged by the Trade Promotion Committee of the Chamber of Commerce as a day of entertainment for farmers, in appreciation of their loyal patronage during the year.

The committee, of which W. G. Gabriel is chairman, have spared nothing in arranging for a day of entertainment for visitors here. Hubert Canter and Gilbert Bare are co-chairmen on arrangements for the day.

First event, of course, will be the mammoth parade, which is described in a separate article on this page. The parade will form in Wilkesboro and will end at 11 a. m., with a band concert to be held in Yadin Valley Motor company's used car lot on the corner of Ninth and C streets.

At 11:30 at that point will be the contests with valuable prizes in each. The contests will include sack race, balloon bursting contest, nail driving contest, pie eating contest, hog calling contest, husband calling contest, baby bottle contest, patch contest, male beauty contest, tug-of-war, greasy pole climbing, and harmonica contest.

From 12:30 until 2:00 p. m., barbecue lunch will be sold at Yadin Valley Motor company's new building.

The afternoon program will be on Ninth street between Main and C streets, where a platform will be erected.

J. Melville Broughton, former governor and now nominee for the U. S. Senate, will be the principal speaker. He is an outstanding speaker and is sure to entertain as well as inspire the audience.

Forestry awards to nine winners in a recent timber thinning contest for 4-H club members will be presented on the platform by W. K. Sturdivant, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Agricultural committee. R. W. Graeber, extension forester, has been invited for this phase of the program and is expected to attend.

At 3 p. m. will be a special program and string band music.

As an added feature many prizes will be given away among those attending in afternoon and night periods. Merchants will give away valuable prizes and all merchants who give prizes will explain to their customers how they may win.

Streets in Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro will be attractively decorated prior to Farmers' Day. A committee is now contacting merchants on decorations for their places of business in addition to community-wide decorations.

Merchants will offer special values in Farmers' Day specials to make the visit of everyone worthwhile as well as entertaining.

With the program planned it is confidently expected that attendance for Farmers' Day this year will set a new record for a special event in the Wilkesboro.

Mrs. T. J. Frazier and Mrs. I. E. Pearson plan to leave Sunday for an extended visit in New York City and while up there they will attend the Annual Convention of the Christian Alliance at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, of which the noted Doctor J. W. Baxter, of Edinburgh, Scotland, will be the guest speaker.

Mr. T. C. Wagner returned Saturday to his home on the Millers Creek highway after undergoing a successful operation at the Wilkes Hospital. Mr. Wagner, a member of the personnel of the Wilkes Barber Shop, is expected to be back on the job within the next few days.

OFTEN RAISED

"How was it, Ophelia, that you raised three such well-behaved boys?"

Ophelia—"Well, Mis' Mary, I raised 'em with a barrel stave, and I raised 'em frequent."