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NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C., Thursday, December 9, 1948

Make North Wilkesboro Your Shopping Center







North Wilkesboro high school band will give its first concert of the season Friday night, eight o'clock, in the North Wilkesborg school auditorium. The program will consist of classical and popular numbers by the band and the two trios pictured above. In the top photo is the trumpet trio, left to right: Betty Whicker, Carl Swofford, and Christine Godbey. In the lower photo is the clarinet trio: Frances Harris, Carolyn Deans and Doris Godbey. Admission charges will be 50 and 25 cents. (Photos by Lane's Studio).

Are Presented By

and Wilkesboro teams were pre- possible.

winner trophy was presented to the do you're going to get hurt. Don't

annual grid classic here Thanks

Ace Parker Here stage opened with "America" by a of the top cage attractions of the service. part of the North Wilkesboro high year in Wilkes. school band. Roy Forehand, theatre Clarence "Ace" Parker, former manager, was master of ceremonies. All American back and now back- C. B. Eller, county superintendent ing Eller's Bluejackets 61 to 59 in with his mother, Mrs. Victoria field coach at Duke University, pre- of schools, Wm. T. Long and J. sented the Liberty theatre trophies Floyd Woodward, respective heads

Tuesday evening before a large of the Wilkesboro and North Wil
a closely contested game at Millers Creek.

Pos. Eller's (59) (61) Millers Cr.

Wall, at Boomer. audience at the Liberty Theatre. kesboro schools, spoke briefly and Blocking trophies for outstanding thanked the theatre for giving the blockers in the North Wilkesboro trophies and making the occasion

sented to Daniel Linney, Wilkes- Ace Parker made an interesting boro's T formation fullback, and to talk. He enumerated the principal Jim Hadley, end on the Mountain benefits of athletics as: competitive Lions team. These players were se- spirit, good sportsmanship, physical cted by team mates to receive the improvement and mental alertness. He urged the use of the competitive The Wilkesboro-North Wilkesboro spirit. "Don't ever let up. If you

Merchants Of Wilkesboros
To Vote On Question
Christmas Holidays

tee of the Wilkes Chamber of which is December 14th. Every-Commerce in meeting today rec- one make plans to attend this ommended that stores in the Wilkesboros be closed on Christmas and Heart Sisters will be an-Day, December 25, Sunday, De-nounced. cember 26, and Monday, December 27.

Previously it had been stated Kenneth Gillean. that stores would re-open on Monday, December 27, but the usual custom is to allow two working days as holidays and the de-

This recommendation was made by the committee with the understanding that the final decision rests on a vote to be taken. All merchants in the Wilkesboros may vote on the proposal, along with the suggested holiday schedule for 1949.

The committee recommended for 1949 that Easter Monday, July 4, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas holidays of December 26 and 27 be observed as store holidays. They voted not to observe January 1 and Labor Day.

The committee also recommended that Wednesday afternoon closing be January thru September.

All of these recommendations will go out on ballots to be mailed from the Chamber of Commerce office for vote by all the merchants of the Wilkesboros. Early returns of the ballots are expected in order that definite decisions may be reached.

Any merchant who does not receive a ballot is asked to contact ficials are Republicans. the Chamber of Commerce office.

Bluejackets To Play

Jack Groce, halfback and co-captain. tonight, eight o'clock, in Wilkes and special singers. The public is The program on the Liberty boro gymnasium. This will be one cordially invited to attend the North Wilkesboro route one. Mrs.

Last night Miller's Creek All

Wey 13 6 Clark 4 Livingstone .Daddino 14......20 J. Vannoy Mercak 12 12 Bumgarner McLean 11 .. . 17 Eller Half-time score-Eller's 26, Millers Creek 25.

Substitutes: Eller's - H. Eller. Church, Watkins, Staley, Whittington, Floro. Millers Creek-Crysel 2. Sebastian, Church, W. Vannoy.

Wilkesboro team for winning the ever let up a bit," he admonished. Support the Y. M. C. A

Recommended That Food Asked For Overseas Aid Stores Be Glosed Food Asked For Overseas Aid

25th Through 27th Fairplains H. D. Club C. C. Wingler To Meet December 14 Fairplains Home Demonstra-

tion Club will hold their Christmas meeting in the home of their president, Mrs. Wiley Brooks. The Trade Promotion Commit- Please note the change of date, meeting. Gifts will be exchanged

Recreation will be planned by Mrs. Harold Bumgarner and Mrs.

cision to recommend the change Take Oaths Office, Begin New Terms Mr. Wingler is a veteran of World War II, in which he served

Wilkes county officials elected in the November election were ad- into mercantile business. ministered oaths of office Monday by Clerk of Court C. C. Hayes. All re-elected were Troy C. Foster, register of deeds, four-year

term; Tyre G. Casey, surveyor, two years; Commissioners M. F. Absher, C. C. Sidden and I. J. Broyhill.

Foster as register of deeds is ex- pastor, Rev. Watt M. Cooper. officio clerk to the board. J. Allie Hayes was employed as

county attorney. In that capacity he succeeds F. J. McDuffie.

J. C. Grayson was re-appointed ed as his assistant.

were not up for re-election this stated. year. All Wilkes county elected of-

Preaching Service

Mr. J. H. (Coot) Wall has re-Stars pulled a surprise by defeat- turned to Akron, O., after a visit

Victim Gunshot Wound Near Here

C. C. (Chess) Wingler, merchant who operates a store two miles east of this city on highway 268, is a patient at the Wilkes hospital today because of a bullet wound which was presumed to have been self-inflicted.

The bullet entered the top part of his forehead and ranged backward through the upper part of his brain. There were powder burns on his

An ambulance was called and Mr. Wingler was quickly carried to the Wilkes hospital, but he was in a dying condition.

a long period overseas. Soon after returning from service he entered

Church Broadcast First Presbyterian

Radio station WKBC will broadcast the eleven o'clock ser-The board of commissioners in vice Sunday from the North Wilorganization meeting re-elected M. kesboro Presbyterian church. The F. Absher as chairman. Troy C. message will be delivered by the

Union Lodge To Meet

Union Lodge number 331, I. O. county accountant and tax super- O. F., will meet Saturday night, visor and L. B. Dula was re-appoint- December 11, for work in the first degree. All members, es-Sheriff C. G. Poindexter and pecially the degree team, are urg-Clerk of Court C. C. Hayes are in ed to attend, the announcement the midst of four-year terms and by John R. Jones, noble grand

Funeral and burial services for Mrs. Mary Lou Bullis, widow of R. J. Bullis, were held Friday Fairplains Baptist afternoon at Buffalo church near Rev. David Day will conduct a Sanford. Those attending from Davidson 5 Tonight service at Fairplains Baptist Wilkes were Mr. and Mrs. Carl annual grid classic here Thanksgiving Day 25 to 6, and was accepted for the Wilkesboro team by

Lock Groce helfback and accepted in Wilkesboro, Mr. C. G. Horton, of Seek More Members

Church Saturday, December 11th, Bullis, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kulynych and daughter, Brenda, of Wilkesboro, Mr. C. G. Horton, of Seek More Members

Lock Groce helfback and acceptain this city, and Mrs. Kinsa Ellis, of Bullis was the mother of Mr. Carl Bullis.

> World cotton production will exceed consumption this year for the first time since the end of World War II.

BY CO-OPERATIVE ACTION HERE

Construction of a maintenance operation in agreeing to pay for

boro business and civic leader,

North Wilkesboro. The plot selected and approved is Before the commissioners Mr. 300 by 300 feet, fronting on the dirt Brown explained the project, and road which intersects with highway stated that the National Guard is a 115 between Wilkes Implement valuable asset in the community.

Valentine, who is now assigned to ing to statement by Major Roy responsibilities in order to get the structor for 105th Engineers, North eexcutive officer, is that the gov- a map of the property involved. P. Valentine enlisted in the army on building at a cost approximating spoke briefly and highly endorsed \$35,000 to be used for National the project. At the close of the Guard purposes and any community hearing the commissioners took community or industrial group inevents when not in conflict with favorable action and passed the apmilitary use. The site was obtained propriation motion. with the aim in view of construc- R. M. Brame, Jr., and Tom S. Jen-

ton McNeill will be associate

The Special Committee from the

agreed to sell land for an approved chamber of commerce who appeared lotte News during World War II: site at exactly one half of its ap- before the county commissioners in "Proceed at once to Balingaysig," praised market value; that is, he the interest of the project was tary authorities, is a plot of the man, R. G. Finley, W. K. Sturdiformer Barber farm just outside of vant, R. M. Brame, Jr., J. B. Carter, North Wilkesboro near highway G. Sam Winters, R. R. Church, Joe 115 in what is called the East Main Barber, W. B. Somers, Tom Jen-Street extension development of rette, Major Roy Forehand and Jack Swofford.

tion of an armory at a later date on rette, president and secretary-North Wilkesboro Dokies club require a site with six-inch main and the property owners, town of

Funeral Sunday



Funeral service for Pfc. Robert L. Jones, who was killed in action in Italy April 15, 1945, will be held Sunday, December 12, two p. m., at Center Baptist church near Mulborry school. Rev. Ed Hayes will be in charge. Pfc. Jones was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jones, and prior to entering service made his home with an aunt, Mrs.Ruie Brown, of North Wilkesboro route two. He is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Johnnie Wallace, Mooresville; Mrs. Annie Lowe, Lincolnton; Mrs. Goldie Key, Laurel Springs; Lance Jones, Hays; Homer Jones, North Wilkesboro; Ancil Jones, in Kansas.

Wilkes Chamber New Membership Drive This Week

This is Chamber of Commerce Week in Wilkes county.

Members of the board of directors, with several other members, compose a membership committee which is seeking new members among business firms and individuals in the county.

A dinner meeting of this committee was held Monday night dren; Boomer, Mr. and Mrs. Earl at Hotel Wilkes, at which time German, Mr. and Mrs. John Annames of prospective members drews; Pores Knob, Mr. and Mrs. for benefit of the entire community and county.

contact is earnestly desired.

Basketball League Will Be Organized

Representatives of community

an eight team league this year. off with Millers Creek all stars. tain View, and Clevenger Business year include Roaring River, Ronda, North Wilkesboro and any other

The project is sponsored by the Recreation committee of the Wilkes Creek, Kermit Souther, Mr. and Chamber of Commerce, of which Mrs. Ralph Wright. Glenn Andrews is chairman. This year the proposal calls for a \$5 Plan Square Dance entrance fee from each team, and the amount will be matched by the committee. Funds will be used for purchase of trophies and for indifor players on the two top teams.

Mr. Ed Waugh, of Akron, O. toria Wall, at Boomer.

In Wilkesboros Sunday, Dec. 12

Foods In Tin Cans To Be Accepted; Extensive Canvass County Is Plan

Under the leadership of local

churches, a canvass will be made of

the Wilkesboros Sunday afternoon, December 12, beginning at two p. m., to pick up food in tin cans. This will be a part of the Christian Overseas Relief program, which is to be carried to all parts of Wilkes county during the next several days. Junior Chamber of Commerce and Boy Scouts will make the canvass of homes in the Wilkesboros. Those who will contribute are asked to place cans on their front porches by two p m. The campaign in the [county will be for grain, food in tin cans, sugar, salt, dried fruits, lard and other items but the canvass in the Wilkesboros is being limited to food in tins because it is generally conceded that whatever is given must be purchased and that purchases of food in tins would be convenient as any other items that

could be shipped. Chairmen have been named for entral communities in Wilkes county. They are asked to secure trucks and drivers for each community and to canvass all homes and farms between December 9 and 19. The foods collected are to be carried to the garage back of Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home for storage until a carload shipment leaves here December 20 to join the Friendship Train. Attention has been called to the fact that the shipping date was changed from December 13 to December 20 and the foods may be carried to the central collection point here any time prior to the 20th.

In the county canvass non-shippable foods will be accepted, and will be sold to help defray shipping

Community chairmen are asked to make announcements in churche and schools relative to the canvass of their respective localities, and to urge people to give freely that starving peoples in war torn areas may be fed. Grady F. Miller is county chair-

man; W. K. Sturdivant is vicechairman; and Mrs. Earl German is secretary-treasurer. The community chairmen are as follows: Gilreath, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hen-

were distributed for contact this J. M. Bentley; Moravian Falls, Mr. week. In addition, the firm list and Mrs. Lawrence Critcher, Mr. of memberships was carefully and Mrs. Perry Lowe; Ferguson, studied, with recommendations Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ferguson; Mt. made for memberships according Pleasant, J. C. McNeil, Mr. and to the stake of each firm in the Mrs. Taft Foster; Lewis Fork, V. C. community. The number of mem- Elledge; Purlear, Mr. and Mrs. ington; Vannoy, A. R. Miller; Mc-Grady, W. M. Absher; Long Bottom, John A. Absher; Piney Grove, Arthur Gambill; Radical, Oscar The members of the member- Rhoades; Mountain View, Miss Era ship committee are donating their Gilliam, Mr. and Mr. Claude Johntime for good of the community son; Hendrix, W. O. Barnette; and county, and the utmost in Millers Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Clate co-operation from persons they Bumgarner, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Bumgarner; Cricket, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Eller; Mr and Mrs. Dewey Turner, Mr and Mrs. Dick Thompson, Mrs. W. E. Jones; Oakwoods, Walter Stroud, W. H. H. Waugh, H. H. Morehouse; Cub Creek, Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Duncan; Roaring River, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scroggs, Mrs. J. P. Pardue, Mrs. Ted Carpenand industrial group basketball ter, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Alexander, teams will meet Tuesday, 4:30 p. m., Mr. Winfield McCann; Fairplains, at the office of the Wilkes Chamber Mrs. Wiley Brooks, Mrs. Claude Deal; Mulberry, Mr. and Mrs. John Last year the league operated R. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Eller. Last year the league operated Grady Miller, A. R. Myers; Halls very successfully with six teams, Mills, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sebastian; Benham, George Smith; Macedonia, Among the 25 men who first ar- tank sewerage system for the build- municipalities. Major Forehand Eller's Bluejackets at Miller's Creek Mr. and Mrs. John Hurt; Bugaboo, won the trophy last year in a play- Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Key; Pleasant Hill, Rev. David Day, Mr. and Mrs. Other teams in the league were J. B. Bell; Ronda, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Wilkesboro, Mount Pleasant, Moun- Moore, Rev. R. R. Crater; Thurmond, Mr and Mrs. C. C. Calloway, Carolina National Guard. Sergeant ernment will erect a maintenance W. Eshelman and R. G. Finley College. Additional prospects this Mrs. R. C. Gentry; Clingman, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greene, Mr. and Mrs. James Pardue; Windy Gap, C. W. Hendren; Somers Cross Roads, L. P. Somers, H. C. Roberts; Hunting

At Moravian Falls

Another old time square dance vidual gold and silver basketballs will be held Saturday night at eight o'clock in the Community House at Moravian Falls for the Community House fund. All who is visiting his mother, Mrs. Vic- attend are assured an enjoyable



Sgt. I. E. Valentine, for more than 40 years a soldier ad now a member of the North Wilkesboro police ce, has the distinction of having served in three wars Spanish-American, World Wars I and II, and he would like to get in touch with any other veteran of similar record. He entered the army April 4, 1899, and retired September 30, 1943, at Camp Claiborne, La. After four years at Moore General Hospital, Sgt. Valentine returned to North Wilkesboro.

Many requests have been made for publication of the following article, which was written by Reed Sarratt, and was first published in the Char-

came the terse order to the small donated half the cost of the land. headed by Ex-Sheriff P. E. Brown. detachment of 25 American soldiers The site, already approved by mili- Other members were P. W. Eshelstringing a telephone line between Passi and Balingaysig on the Isle of Samar in the Philippines.

At double time the detachment made its way to Balingaysig, a thriving Phillipine village of 1,500 inhabitants, where Company "C" of the Ninth Infantry was stationed.

But Balingaysig was no longer a thriving village; it had become a city of the dead. The 25 soldiers found themselves to be the only living beings there. Around them were the mutilated bodies of the the victims of a brutal massacre.

Worst Sight In 40 Years Soldiering rived on the scene of the massacre, ing. was Technical Sergeant Isaac E. the office in Charlotte of the in-April 4, 1899. Of all his experiences as a soldier the one which re-See—SGT. VALENTINE—Page 3

American Legion Auxiliary

Auxiliary To Meet

Dokies To Meet

building for the 112th battalion of placing a six-inch water main the National Guard here was vir-through their property to replace berships for each is a suggested Wayne Yates; Parsonville, Lee Betually assured this week by cooperative action on the part of Wilkes funds will be used to pay for that to follow the suggestions unless Woodie; Reddies River, Odell Whitttive action on the part of Wilkes funds will be used to pay for that to follow the suggestions unless County Commissioners, property part which will not be paid by prop- they feel it is their proper share owners in a suburb of North Wilkes- erty owners. The town of North of the responsibility for mainboro, and a special committee of the Wilkesboro has already agreed to taining an up-to-date chamber Miles, Claude Pardue; Dockery, Wilkes Chamber of Commerce. extend the six-inch main from W. K. Sturdivant, a North Wilkes- Smoot Park to the Yadkin River.

Wilkesboro showed excellent co-cooperation.

Company and the Parkway Cafe. He also pointed out that the main-The Wilkes commissioners made tenance building to be erected and an appropriation of \$6,500 in county the armory planned for later confunds, which are to be used for one- struction will be excellent commen of Company "C," all of them half price of the land, approxi- munity assets from many standmately 560 feet of six-inch water points, and that the buildings will and prospects are good for having main, and installation of a septic not be of any cost to the county or stated the proposal and Mr. Jenrette Proposal for the building, accord- itemized estimated costs for local Forehand, National Guard Battalion building. G. Sam Winters displayed

the same plot. Under the proposal manager of the chamber of comwill meet Monday night, 7:30, local funds must provide water, merce, praised the successful culwith Mrs. Harry Hettiger. Mrs. sewer, landscaping, electric lines to mination of the project as being one Ralph Bowman and Mrs. Hamp- the location, and road to building. of the best examples of cooperative A two-inch water main from the action in chamber of commerce town of North Wilkesboro now ex- work here. They commended highly tends to a point near the proposed the action of the commissioners in building site, but federal authorities making the county appropriation will meet Friday, 6:30, at Dan Hud- because of fire hazard. Property North Wilkesboro and committee son's place near Roaring River on owners across the river from North members for their assistance and