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Board Will Meet As Equalization Body March 28th

Commissioners Will Hear Complaints And Necessary Changes

The Wilkes county board of commissioners and J. C. Grayson, tax supervisor, will meet at the Wilkes courthouse on Monday, April 28, as an equalization board.

At that time the board will hear complaints and requests for changes in assessed valuation of property for taxation and will make any necessary adjustments in valuations for this year. This procedure is provided by law and any citizen having a request for change will be heard.

Wilkesboro Men's Club In Meeting

The regular March meeting of the Wilkesboro Business and Professional Men's club was held Tuesday evening at the Woman's clubhouse. The meeting was called to order by J. B. Williams in the absence of both the president and vice president. Dr. G. T. Mitchell, immediate past president of the club, came in later and presided for the remainder of the meeting.

As no program had been arranged for the club meeting, a round table discussion was held with members taking part. Matters before the club for comment were the Red Cross campaign now in progress; the organization of a Salvation unit in the county; and the promotion of the band recently organized at the Wilkesboro high school.

The program for the April meeting will be in charge of the civic committee, of which Fred Henderson is chairman.

In spite of inclement weather, club attendance was good, and the members of the Woman's club served another one of their fine dinners.

Faculty Game Mar. 29 At Gymnasium Here

Basketball season will close Tuesday night at North Wilkesboro high school when the faculty teams, men and ladies, will play the winning teams from the student body tournament.

The public is invited to these games, which will begin at 7:30 and plenty of entertainment is assured all spectators.

Pie Supper Friday At Roaring River

There will be a pie supper at Roaring River School, Friday night, March 25th, at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Pearl Davis, Bill and Sam Higgins will entertain with string music. The proceeds will be used for the gymnasium. Everybody come.

Bee Specialist To Visit In Wilkes

By PAUL OROPLIN, County Agent

Wilkes County is noted for the fine quality of sourwood honey. With practical and improved methods of beekeeping, we should produce over twice the amount of honey produced at present.

In order to assist the beekeepers with their problems, we have invited W. A. Stephen, Extension Beekeeper of N. C. State College, to spend two days in Wilkes County.

The following meetings are being arranged for the convenience of beekeepers and others interested in beekeeping:

C. C. Nance, Rt. 2, N. Wilkesboro; Monday, March 28, 10:30 a. m.; Vocational Agriculture Department, Monday, March 28, 1:15 p. m. and 7:00 p. m.; C. C. Alexander, Roaring River, Tuesday, March 29, 10:30 a. m.; Oren Parsons, Parsonville, Tuesday, March 29, 2:00 p. m.

All farmers, beekeepers, veterans, and others are invited to attend one or more of these meetings.

Opening Game Of Season Here May 3 For Flashers

First game of the season for the North Wilkesboro Flashers in the Blue Ridge league in Memorial Park here will be on Tuesday night, May 3, which will be promotion night for fans and many valuable prizes will be given away.

The Flashers will open the season on May 30 in Galax and will also play in Galax on Sunday, May 1. On the night of May 2nd Flashers will be in Mount Airy and on May 3 Mount Airy will furnish the opposition for the gala opening night game here.

Several exhibition games are being arranged for the spring training period from April 15 to April 30. Among the teams scheduled for exhibitions is the House of David bearded athletes, nationally famous for their play and exhibitions on the diamond. Lincolnton and Morganton of the Western Carolina league will also be exhibition game opponents.

Manager Tom Daddino continues busy in searching for rookie material for the 1949 edition of the Flashers. Pitchers and catchers will begin training April 10.

Evangelist Keyes Will Preach Here

Evangelist Charles E. Keyes will preach Sunday, 11 a. m., at the Church of God here.

Revival services are in progress at the Church of God with Rev. Mr. Puett as guest minister. Services are being held daily at 7:15 p. m. The pastor, Rev. C. D. Spake, in behalf of the church extends a cordial welcome to all who will attend the services.

E. RICHARD ELLER HEADS OPTIMIST CLUB COMING YEAR

E. Richard Eller, local insurance man, was unanimously elected president of the Optimist Club of North Wilkesboro at the regular semi-monthly meeting Tuesday noon at Hotel Wilkes. Other officers re-elected were Julius C. Hubbard, vice president; Forrest Tugman, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Eller will succeed Maurice E. Walsh, who has led the club successfully during the first year of its existence. Resolutions were placed on the minutes of the club thanking President Walsh and Secretary Tugman for the fine service they have given the club during the past year.

Prof. Woodward Speaks To Club Members

Prof. J. Floyd Woodward, superintendent of the city schools, appeared before the club as guest speaker. His subject was: "Making Men Out of Boys", and was a very timely message since movements are now on foot in the city to provide better leadership for boys, and more recreational facilities.

Prof. Woodward said: "We are interested in developing superior leaders; concerned about all boys and girls, and want to do all we can to make them good citizens; giving maladjusted students more attention in order that they might make better citizens."

Prof. Woodward's address was logical, sound, and was heard with much interest by the Optimists.

W. C. Wood, 42, Is Claimed By Death

Willard Clarence Wood, 42, died Monday in Wilkesboro. Funeral service was held Wednesday at Rook Springs church near Darby with Rev. Levi Green and Rev. Ed Hodges in charge.

Surviving Mr. Wood are his wife, Mrs. Della Mae Wood, and three children, Kent, Judy and Jerry Wood, of Akron, Ohio.

Pairings Table Tennis Set Up

Tournament Will Begin Tonight And Continue To Finals In Week-end

A new amateur sport makes its appearance here this week when the first table tennis tournament in the history of the county will be run off with ten participants.

Working through the recreation committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, a committee composed of Bill Carrigan, Tom Jenrette and Dwight Nichols arranged pairings for the tournament, which will begin tonight and be concluded during the week-end on a single elimination basis. First round losers will participate in a consolation tournament.

Starting play tonight will be James Garwood versus Gene McNeill, and John Garwood versus Buddy Sloope. In the matches Friday will be Joe Garwood versus winner of James Garwood and Gene McNeill; Ray Landsberger versus Harry Hettiger; Bill Carrigan versus winner of John Garwood and Buddy Sloope; Marvin Huffman versus Jerry Derr.

Semi finals will be played Saturday and finals on Sunday or date to be set by participants. Entrants in the tournament may contact Mr. Carrigan or their opponents to arrange place and exact time of play.

North Carolina now has 41 artificial breeding associations serving 50 counties. The associations have a membership of 7,450 farmers who have signed up 35-

Saturday Date Vacation Bible School Meeting

A Vacation Bible School Clinic will be held at Wilkesboro Baptist Church, Saturday, March 26, at 10:00 A. M. The churches of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association are requested to send those who are interested in leading the Sunday Schools to have Vacation Bible Schools this season.

Conference periods will be held for the pastors, Sunday School superintendents, and Vacation Bible School principals concerning the promotion of the schools in the churches. In addition, conference periods will be held for each department, in which the work of each age group will be studied, textbooks, methods, and other elements of Bible School work will be considered. A demonstration of the Joint Worship Service will be held.

Workers are requested to bring a lunch. Other refreshments will be served by the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the host church.

Those churches that have no Bible Schools are especially encouraged to send their prospective workers to learn how to promote and hold the schools in their churches.

This clinic is particularly designed to help the churches to hold their own schools without outside help, if possible.

Lands Big Fish

Coolidge Pardue, who resides on 8th street in this city, landed a fine carp Wednesday while fishing in Henry's fish lake near Elkin. After an exciting battle the large fish was reeled in by rod and reel from the bank. Weight of the fish was 8 and 3-4 pounds and length was 27 inches.

Wilkesboro Church Has Building Plan

All members of the Wilkesboro Baptist church are urged to be present Sunday at the morning service to consider plans for beginning an educational building for the church.

Dr. Ellen Winston Explains State Welfare Program

Dr. Ellen Winston, Commissioner of Public Welfare for this state, was the guest speaker before the North Wilkesboro Woman's Club, Monday afternoon at the Woman's clubhouse.

The subject of her address was the broad program and field of service which the welfare department embraces. She used the figures pertaining to Wilkes county throughout her talk.

The primary purpose of the department is to care for the aged and dependent children. There are 100 aged persons receiving aid from the old age grant. The average amount received in counties for this purpose is \$21.00, while Wilkes aged receive only \$16.50 per month, which is the lowest of any county in North Carolina.

There are 900 dependent children recipients of aid, which are under 16 years of age. The welfare department continues to aid them until they are 18 if the child continues his schooling. The first thought of the department is to keep the dependent children in their own home wherever possible.

Most counties have grants of \$14.50 per child, per month, while Wilkes county's grant is under \$10.00, which is next to the bottom in the state.

Dr. Winston says that the welfare department gives priority to seeing that dependent children have adequate clothes, food, and healthy environments because the child is our best investment. She cited cases of children who had received aid, and had made good records in later life. She said the department program includes placing children for adoption. There were 5000 placed in N. C. last year. There are 8 being adopted in Wilkes county. Foster homes are also sought for children. There are 240 licensed boarding homes for children in state. There are 2 in Wilkes county where children are being cared for in this manner.

A relatively new program has been added to the Welfare service which is called the "home-maker service". This type of aid is used when a home is temporarily upset by illness, death or other causes. The department will send a foster mother in such homes until further plans can be made for the children. She said North Carolina was the first state to render this type of service.

She also stated that she hoped the vacancy in the Wilkes Welfare department would be filled very soon.

Other fields on which she touched were correctional institutions; keeping children out of jail, having jail inspectors come to visit jails, also seeing that the supervisor of aged institutions come to each county to inspect county homes, hospital, etc. She said we had come a long way toward helping our aged by opening up a county tuberculosis center and cleaning up our county home.

Dr. Winston said "by all means know your welfare department and its program. She was delighted to say we now have adequate facilities for this work by the additional space in the county court house.

Mrs. W. R. Absher introduced Dr. Winston. Representatives from the Woman's Club of the third district were extended invitations to attend this meeting.

Spring Festival Is Now In Progress

Purebred Hog Sale To Be Held March 31 At Sheep Pens Here

There will be a purebred Hog Sale at the Sheep Pens in North Wilkesboro, Thursday, March 31. The sale will start at 1:00 p. m.

There will be 23 purebred hogs for sale in the Tamworth, Duroc, Berkshire, O. I. C., and Poland China breeds. Harry Hamilton, of Boone, will be auctioneer.

Stores Showing Latest Styles; Better Values

Many Extra Special Values Are Offered During Three-Day Event

Spring Opening Festival opened in the Wilkesboro today and will continue through Saturday with merchants in many lines of business showing the very latest in merchandise and at better values.

Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring this event with many firms participating. Attractive window cards designate the participating firms.

Featured during this event are the latest styles, fashions and patterns in clothing and department stores, and in other lines all the newer merchandise and staple items particularly seasonable at this time of the year.

Spring weather was here today for opening of the festival and early today began an influx of visitors to the city. As an added convenience Wilkes Transportation buses, in conjunction with the Trade Promotion committee, gave free transportation to North Wilkesboro on incoming buses this morning from nine until 12 o'clock.

Merchants are offering many extraordinary specials for the event from special purchases of new merchandise being shown for the first time.

Everybody is invited to visit the stores during this event with the assurance that they will see the very newest in styles and fashions, and at better values than have been available since the war.

Man Gets Term In Pen For Assault; Many Cases Tried

Guy Walls, resident of eastern Wilkes who plead guilty to assault on his mother, including striking at her with a knife and firing a gun at her seven times, received two years on the roads in Wilkes court in a judgment by Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., and was ordered turned over to authorities of the state of Maryland for violation of parole.

Walls' only defense, the judgment by Judge Pless said, was that he was drunk. Walls must first answer to Maryland authorities before beginning his sentence on the assault charge.

Alec Jarvis, convicted in four cases for stealing chickens, drew a sentence of three to five years in one case and suspended road sentences of two years each in three other cases.

Other judgments rendered in court were as follows:

Mack Joines, manslaughter, mistrial because jury could not agree.

John L. Foster, non-support, two years suspended on condition he pay \$18.50 weekly for support of children.

Richard Anderson, non-support, six months suspended on condition he support his family.

James Lincoln Campbell, reckless driving, prayer for judgment continued while he makes payment on hospital bills and damages.

J. P. Roberts, assault with deadly weapon, guilty.

Garney Church and Dean Powers, assault with deadly weapon, four years in penitentiary. Notice of appeal given.

Odell Shepherd, assault, two to three years in penitentiary.

Granville Coffey, non-support, two years on roads.

Billie Parsons, housebreaking and larceny, two years suspended five years.

Clifford Joe Brown, reckless driving and violation prohibition laws, 12 months suspended on payment \$100 fine and costs; driver license revoked two years.

Jack Williams, reckless driving, three months suspended on payment \$25 fine and cost; driver license revoked one year.

Ernest Harrison Taylor, manslaughter of Dock Anderson, two years suspended on condition he pay \$2,500 for benefit of Mrs. Mabel Anderson and children.

James Howard Land, operating car while intoxicated, four months suspended on payment \$100 fine and costs; driver license revoked one year.

Divorces were granted Monday in two cases: Grace Byrd versus James B. Byrd; and Bessie G. Foster versus John L. Foster.

Laverne (Vernon) Pruitt, abandonment, not guilty.

City Primary Is To Be April 18th

Wilkes county board of elections has called the North Wilkesboro primary to be held April 18th and the election May 3.

Candidates must file at least five days before date of the primary.

A. M. Handy, register, Glenn Cox and Joe Godby, Judges, will be election officials.

Registration books will open at the city hall March 26 and be open for three consecutive Saturdays.

Call of the election by the election board appears elsewhere in this newspaper.

Squad Game Friday To End Grid Drills

Spring football practice at Wilkesboro high school will end Friday afternoon with a regulation game between teams picked from the large squad of boys participating in the spring drills.

Bill Whittington and Jack Groce will coach the two teams in the game to be held at one p. m.

Marine Recruiter Coming Mar. 28-29

Master Sergeant J. L. Barnes, Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Marine Corps Recruiting Station in Winston-Salem, has announced that a representative of the U. S. Marine Corps Recruiting Service will spend the 28th and 29th of March in North Wilkesboro, interviewing and accepting applicants for enlistment in the Marine Corps.

Staff Sergeant G. B. Grayson will establish headquarters at the local Post Office Building on Monday and Tuesday, March 28th and 29th.

All young men of eighteen years of age are urged to get complete information from the Marine Corps Representative, concerning a one year enlistment in the service.

Sergeant Barnes also announced that high school graduates may enroll with the Marine Corps Institute for courses which are good for college credits, and that men who did not complete their high school education may do so while serving in the Marines.

WHAT DO YOU WANT CLEANED UP DURING CAMPAIGN APRIL 24-30?

Civic Activities committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce is laying the ground work for a county-wide clean-up and beautification campaign April 24-30.

In order that everybody may have a voice in the campaign, a suggestion box has been placed at the Chamber of Commerce office in the Call Hotel Building. Everybody is asked to write on the space below suggestions for specific clean-up jobs and drop the suggestions in the box or mail to the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce. The suggestions will be turned over to a survey committee headed by Mrs. Ivey Moore and Dr. A. C. Chamberlain for their consideration to be included in the program.

For this campaign I suggest that the work described below be carried out:

BLUE RIDGE LEAGUE—OFFICIAL PLAYING SCHEDULE 1949						
	At Radford	At N. Wilkesboro	At Wytheville	At Galax	At Abingdon	At Mt. Airy
Radford	Follow	May 10-18-24 June 3-15-23 July 4-10-27 Aug. 15-23 Sept. 1	May 6-14*23 June 2-12-26 July 6-15-26 Aug. 4-8-26 Sept. 2	May 2-8-31 June 8-16-20 July 1-18-24 Aug. 3-12 Sept. 5-5	April 30* May 12-20-28* June 10-18*29 July 16*29 Au. 6*16-20*30	May 4-16-26 June 6-21-25* July 2*9*21 Aug. 1-10-19-29
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* Denotes Saturdays. Double numerals indicate double headers. July 12-13 open dates for All-Star Game.