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Special Events, Sunrise Services Easter Features

Early Morning Services At Number Of Places; Cantata Scheduled

Sunrise and early morning services and an Easter Cantata are among the special events planned by churches and other groups for Easter Sunday morning.

The Easter morning events in this community will include the annual sunrise services at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Moravian Falls cemetery and an Easter morning service at 7:30 at Mount Lawn Memorial Park, which will be followed by a Cantata at eight o'clock at the First Methodist church. Other churches plan special Easter music for regular services.

Easter Morning Service At Mount Lawn

Annual Easter morning service will be held Sunday morning, 7:30, in Mount Lawn Memorial Park north of this city on highway 18.

Rev. Watt M. Cooper, pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, will be the speaker, and music will be by the combined choirs from churches in the Wilkesbosos. The service will be brief, which will allow time for those attending to attend the cantata at the First Methodist church at eight a. m. The public is cordially invited to this annual service.

Easter Sunrise Service At Moravian Falls

Fourteenth annual sunrise service will be held at sunrise, six a. m., Sunday at Moravian Falls cemetery, which is one of the most beautiful rural cemeteries in this part of the state.

W. R. Hubbard, a lifelong citizen of the Moravian Falls community, is in charge of arrangements for this impressive service, to which the public is invited.

St. Paul's Sunrise Service

The Sunrise, Easter Festival 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 eighteen years. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon by the Rector, Rev. B. M. Lackey. The choir will sing Easter hymns in the churchyard before the service begins in the church. A cordial welcome is extended to everyone to attend this service.

Easter Cantata At First Methodist

The senior choir of the First Methodist church of North Wilkesboro will present an Easter Cantata on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. This Cantata, "Calvary," is by Henry Wessel, and John Cashion will sing the words taken by Christ prior to theifixion.

The numbers by the choir and soloists are as follows: Prelude, "Christ, the Lord, is Risen Today," followed by the invocation by Dr. Gilbert Combs. "Father, Forgive Them," and "Today Thou Shalt With Me In Paradise," Mr. Cashion and the choir. "Woman, Behold Thy Son," Mrs. Wake Clark, Mr. Cashion and the choir. "I Thirst," Mrs. Clark, Nellie Gabriel, Mr. Cashion; "Father, Into My Hands," Mr. Cashion and the choir. The final word uttered by Christ, "It Is Finished" will be sung by Mr. Cashion and Miss Gabriel. Dr. Combs will read the Easter story from the story by St. John.

"As It Began to Dawn," Margartio "Consider the Lilies," Mrs. Doughton, Jo Lassiter and Robert Morrow. The final chorals, the Lord Is Risen Today" will be followed by the choir and congregation singing, "Onward Christian Soldiers," the benediction, and the recessional will be "The Strife Is O'er," by Palestrina.

Members of the choir are Margaret Anderson, Dorothy Clark, Jo Lassiter, Dot Powell, Betty Lou Kenerly, Deannie Gaddy, soprano; Mrs. C. T. Doughton, Jo-anne Byers, Nellie Gabriel, Myrtle Norris, Lois Scroggs, alto; Forrest Jones, W. G. Gabriel, Robert Johnson, tenors; and Richard Johnson, Robert Morrow, Chas. Starnes, basses. J. Jay Anderson is organist-choir director.

Following the Cantata, a breakfast will be served by the church school to all members of the congregation and choir. All are extended a cordial invitation to attend the Cantata and remain for breakfast.

At First Baptist

At eleven o'clock Easter morning at the First Baptist church

Rites Sunday



PVT. HANSFORD T. CHURCH

Pvt. Church Rites To Be Held Sunday

Funeral service for Pvt. Hansford T. Church, who was killed in action in Montanor, France, October 10, 1944, will be held Sunday, April 17, 2:30, at Pleasant Grove (Bucks Arbor) Baptist church. Rev. R. F. Day will conduct the service. Burial will be in the church cemetery with full military honors.

Pvt. Church was born October 1, 1922, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Church. He attended Millers Creek school and before entering the army was employed at North Carolina Shipbuilding company at Wilmington.

Surviving Pvt. Church are his wife, the former Miss Cora Pruitt; his father and mother and the following brothers and sisters: Rozel, Wayne, Glenn, Clate and Donnie Church and Mrs. Mack Nichols.

The body will arrive here Friday at 10:30 and will be taken Saturday, two p. m., to the home of his parents.

Dokies Club In Enjoyable Meet At Roaring River

North Wilkesboro Dokies club held a most enjoyable meeting Friday evening in the Roaring River luncheon room.

President J. Q. Adams presided and W. K. Sturdivant spoke the invocation. A highly enjoyable dinner was served by the ladies of Roaring River Baptist church, and the club voted to meet there again June 10.

Reports were given on plans for Dokies and K. of P. Ladies night to be held Friday, May 13, at the Carolina restaurant. A most interesting program, details of which will be announced later, will be put on. Members should secure tickets early from Presley Myers, Bill Marlow or Bill Johnson.

Charles H. Day, who received his degree at the ceremonial in Greensboro last week, was welcomed as a new member, George Wells and Dr. A. C. Chamberlain reported on the ceremonial, which was one of the most successful in several years in the Birland Temple.

At the meeting Friday Karyl Edwards was the guest of J. O. Emerson, and W. R. Harmon was guest of L. G. Critcher.

C. of C. Contact Club Is Working

Contact Club of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, of which Arthur Venable is chairman, met this week to plan its work for the year.

One purpose of this committee is to maintain and increase membership in the chamber, to contact members who have not paid dues, encourage good fellowship and to study new projects for the organization.

Regular meetings of the club will be held every other Monday, 4:30 to 5:00 p. m.

A junior choir of more than thirty children's voices will join the church choir in the singing of "In Joseph's Lovely Garden," an anthem arranged by Diskinson from a traditional Spanish air. The church choir will also render "Come, Ye Faithful," written by R. S. Thatcher. Mrs. A. F. Kilby will direct the choirs and Miss Marie Eller will accompany them at the organ. The pastor, Rev. John T. Wayland, will preach an Easter sermon entitled "Early Dawn."

City Salary Bill Passes House and Is Before Senate

Status Of Other Wilkes Legislation In Assembly Reported Today

Two bills introduced in the lower house of the legislature, dealing with the North Wilkesboro court and salaries, have passed the house and are now before the senate, it was learned today from Wilkes Representative T. E. Story.

The bill providing for appointment of a city court judge and solicitor by the city commissioners passed in the house and has passed second reading in the senate.

A bill providing slight change in the schedule of superior court terms, criminal and civil, has passed both houses and has become law.

The bill to permit the county commissioners to levy a ten per cent tax of motor vehicle race admissions passed the house and is before the senate finance committee.

On Monday Representative Story introduced by request a bill which would set the salary of the North Wilkesboro mayor at \$150 per month, and set a salary limit of \$2,400 for city judge and \$1,800 limit for city solicitor. Full text of this bill, which has passed the house and is now before the senate, is as follows: The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Sec. 1. The judge of the town court of the Town of North Wilkesboro, provided for in Chapter 144 of the private laws of 1913, as amended, and the solicitor of said court shall receive as compensation for their services a sum which shall be fixed by the city council of the town. The salary of the judge shall be fixed at a sum not to exceed \$2,400 per year. The salary of the solicitor shall be fixed at a sum not to exceed \$1,800 per year.

Sec. 2. The mayor of the Town of North Wilkesboro shall receive as compensation for his services as mayor of said town the sum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per month, which amount shall be paid from the general fund of said town on the first day of each and every calendar month.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective from and after its ratification.

Local Baseball Business Manager Addressed Optimist Club Tuesday

Larry Moore Predicts Good Club For 1949; Asks Support Of Public

Attorney Larry S. Moore, business manager of the North Wilkesboro baseball club, delivered an interesting address to the members of the Optimist club of North Wilkesboro at the club's luncheon meeting held Tuesday noon at Hotel Wilkes. Attorney Moore's subject, naturally, was about baseball and the prospects for a good Flasher baseball team for 1949.

President Maurice E. Walsh was present and presided over the meeting. The luncheon opened with the singing of two stanzas of "America," followed by repeating The Optimist Creed in unison, and invocation spoken by Dr. John T. Wayland.

W. A. Vannoy was a guest of Optimist E. R. Eller, and the club members were happy to have him as a club guest.

President Walsh announced that the meeting of the board of governors would take place on Tuesday night, 8:30, in the office of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Moore Talks Baseball

Attorney Moore was introduced to the club by President Walsh, and forthwith he gave an interesting address on the operation of a ball club such as the Flashers who play in a Class D league. He said that while he regretted the club lost the services of last year's manager, "Flash" Lowman, he felt that the club was indeed fortunate in obtaining the services of Tom Daddino as manager for the coming season. Mr. Moore told about the prospects for baseball material stating that the club would have eight veterans and seven rookies, all of whom could be expected to play a good brand of baseball. He sketched the progress that had been made in league baseball here in a year's time, point-

New Industries Committee Asks Full Cooperation

All Asked To Aid In Efforts To Secure Industrial Expansion

Aggressive, concerted action and full cooperation from all members of the Chamber of Commerce and others interested are needed in the work to obtain new industries in Wilkes county, was the consensus of opinion as expressed in meeting of the New Industries committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce held here this week.

J. B. Williams, committee chairman, presided over the meeting, during which a number of important matters were given much consideration.

The committee is working steadily on contacts with industries which could advantageously locate here, and every member of the chamber is urged to notify the committee of any information about industries which may contemplate movement or expansion. Merchants are asked to make contacts with manufacturers from whom they purchase merchandise with the aim of trying to get them to locate an industry in this community.

By letter and by personal contact the chamber is continually working on efforts to secure industry, which is a very highly competitive business with numerous towns at work in the interest of their own progress.

In addition to trying to secure new industries from outside sources, the chamber of commerce will lend every possible assistance to local people who desire to enter any type of manufacturing suited to this area.

The committee now is investigating the possibility of a fruit processing plant in Wilkes county.

Personal interviews are being arranged with industrial heads at several points relative to industrial advantages here.

Millers Creek Plans Bingo Party Friday

There will be a bingo party at Millers Creek school Friday, April 15th, at 7:30 p. m. In addition to the bingo games there will be string music, cake walks and refreshments. Many valuable prizes have been secured and will be given away to the winners in the bingo games. Everyone is invited. There will be no admission charge.

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ing with pride to beautiful Memorial Park, and the baseball record of last year.

In closing, Mr. Moore asked the co-operation of the people throughout this section in order that the 1949 season may be a successful one. He stated that season tickets were now on sale and that Boy Scouts were selling tickets for the opening home game.

Mrs. Sallie Gentry Last Rites Friday

Mrs. Sallie Carter Gentry, 64, well known resident of the Benham community, died at her home early Wednesday.

Funeral will be held Friday, 11 a. m., at Cool Springs church. Revs. David Day, Richard Day and Carl Cockerham will conduct the service.

Only surviving member of Mrs. Gentry's immediate family is a daughter, Mrs. Gelena Gentry Absher, of Benham.

Sandra Anne Church Funeral On Tuesday

Funeral service was held Tuesday at New Hope Baptist church for Sandra Anne Church, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Church, of North Wilkesboro route one. The child died Monday morning. Revs. C. J. Poole, A. W. Eller, Glenn Huffman and Vernon Eller conducted the service. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the father and mother and one brother, Mickey Church.

Two North Carolina 4-H Club members have been selected to go to Europe this summer under the International Farm Youth Exchange Project. They are Carolyn Durham Smith of Andrews, who will go to Norway, and Coyte Joseph Sigmon of Catawba, who will go to France.

Candidates Ronda Offices File Here

A ticket of one for mayor and five for commissioners has been filed for the Ronda town election. C. J. Jones, chairman of the Wilkes board of elections, said today.

A. C. Hendrix is the candidate for mayor and the candidates for commissioners are R. C. Martin, D. Frank Johnson, William W. Carter, C. C. Tharpe and Glenn E. Gollhofer. There will be no contest.

Stores Will Be Closed Easter Monday, April 18

Stores and many other business houses in the Wilkesbosos will be closed on Easter Monday, April 18.

Closing on Easter Monday is in accordance with a schedule of holidays adopted following a poll among merchants by the Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

As a result of a majority vote in the poll, it was decided that stores would be closed Easter Monday, July 4, Thanksgiving Day and be closed for Christmas December 25 through 27. It was voted that stores would not be closed on New Year's Day and Labor Day. Wednesday afternoon closing was adopted January through September.

Both banks here will be closed on Easter Monday. The Employment office will be closed on Easter Monday and persons scheduled to report on that date will report the following Monday.

A majority of auto dealers and garages will be open Easter Monday.

Sunrise Service At Blowing Rock

From the crest of the Blue Ridge, an Easter Sunrise service will be echoed into the valleys and plains. The community of Blowing Rock is planning an inspirational service of music, prayer and meditation; to be conducted in cooperation with the churches of Blowing Rock. A choir of over 30 voices will render anthems and familiar hymns from the most beautiful spot on the Blue Ridge from which to watch the sunrise.

WKBC To Carry Sunrise Service

Easter Sunday morning WKBC will carry the famous Moravian Sunrise Easter service from Winston-Salem. The broadcast will begin at six o'clock Sunday morning and last until seven. This Easter sunrise service is an annual event, and has gained national and international recognition as being one of the most beautiful Easter services in the country. For those of you who cannot attend this service, tune to WKBC Sunday morning at six o'clock and hear a description of this service.

L. Chap Ferguson Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held today, 11 a. m., at Sharon Walker Baptist church for L. Chap Ferguson, 67, a well known citizen of Beaver Creek township who died at his home Tuesday. Burial was in the Ferguson cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Ferguson are his wife, Mrs. Colleen Ferguson, and the following sons and daughters: Edna Marie, Elizabeth, Lowell, Larry and Angelle Ferguson.

Baptist Pastors To Meet Monday

The Wilkes County Baptist Pastors Conference will meet at Reins-Sturdivant Chapel, Monday evening, April 18, at 7:00 p. m. Rev. W. N. Brookshire will lead in the Devotional.

Dr. H. G. Duncan will discuss "Methods of Preparation and Teaching of Sunday School."

Rev. John L. Wells will discuss "Problems Faced in Ordaining Ministers."

Contests Slated In City Primary

Final Service In Old Baptist Church At Moravian 17th

The last service to be held in the present Moravian Falls Baptist church building will be on Easter Sunday night, April 17, beginning at 7:45.

Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, a former pastor, will deliver the message and everybody is invited. The church building is to be torn down and a new and more spacious building will be erected on the site.

Joe R. Barber Buys Somers Interest In Barber-Somers Firm

Joe R. Barber has purchased the interest of James H. Somers in the Barber-Somers Motor company, Plymouth and DeSoto dealership located at Midway in Wilkesboro.

The deal became effective on April 1. Previously Mr. Barber and Mr. Somers had operated the business as a partnership. Mr. Barber is now sole owner of the firm.

Wheat, Cotton Allotment Plan May Be Returned

Wilkes office of the Production and Marketing Association, formerly known as the Triple A, is engaged in preliminary work necessary for setting up allotments for wheat and cotton farmers should crop control be returned for those crops in 1950.

The office is mailing to every farmer in Wilkes county a card asking whether or not they have produced cotton or wheat since 1942. It is important that the cards be filled out and returned to the office, an officer in the PMA stated, and called attention to the fact that no postage is required.

After that information is received, each cotton and wheat grower must be contacted and a history of those crops must be prepared before any acreage quotas can be established.

College Grads On List Applicants For Jobs In '49

The North Carolina Colleges are turning out more graduates this year than ever before in history. In order to keep as many of these graduates as possible in our own state and to help develop and continue the development of our own resources, the State Employment Service has sent to each of its offices registrations of these seniors. In the North Wilkesboro office are qualifications on a number of those who graduated in March as well as on others who will graduate in June.

If any North Wilkesboro firm has an opening in which a North Carolina College graduate could be employed, Mrs. Kathryn Lott, manager, requests that such firm get in touch with the local employment office.

Eastern Star Meet

Wilkes chapter number 42, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet this evening at 7:30. All members are asked to attend. Mrs. Emma Hinshaw, W. M., and Mrs. Lorena Webber, secretary, said in the announcement.

V. F. W. Meeting

The Blue Ridge Mountain post of Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet tonight at the post's club house. All members are asked to attend.

Theft Of Bicycle Gets Man On Road

Raymond Sparks, 21, a local resident, was sentenced in city court here to six months on the roads on charge of larceny, Police Chief J. E. Walker said today. Sparks was convicted of stealing a bicycle which belonged to Harry Pearson, Jr. The theft occurred several weeks ago.

Three For Mayor, 8 Commissioners Will Be On Ticket

Primary Will Be Held Monday At North Wilkesboro City Hall

Contests for offices of mayor and city commissioners developed with the filing of candidates for the North Wilkesboro election to be held Monday, April 18, it was learned today from C. J. Jones, chairman of the Wilkes county board of elections.

Mayor T. S. Kenerly has filed for re-nomination and the new candidates for mayor are R. T. McNeil, a former mayor, and Quince Winger.

Yesterday all five members of the city board of commissioners filed for re-election. They are: Frank H. Crow, C. J. Swofford, J. C. Reins, Max Foster and Gilbert T. Bare. The new candidates are I. H. McNeill, Jr., Glenn R. Andrews, and C. E. Jenkins. They, with Charles H. Day, filed earlier this week. Yesterday, Mr. Day withdrew his name after the incumbent members of the board had filed.

There are only three candidates filed for membership on the North Wilkesboro board of education to fill the three places of those whose terms expire this year, and there will be no contest for membership on the board. The candidates are W. H. McElwee, Lewis Vickery and O. K. Pope. The retiring members are J. B. McCoy, Blair Gwyn and Ray Hoover.

The primary will be held Monday at the North Wilkesboro town hall, six a. m. to six p. m. A ticket of one mayor and five commissioners will be selected for the election to be held May 3rd.

Revival Services At Union Church

Revival services are in progress this week at Union Methodist church west of this city and will continue through Sunday, April 17.

Rev. C. J. Winslow, pastor, is conducting the revival and is delivering inspiring messages at the services, which are held each evening at 7:30. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

Food Sale Saturday

The Wesley Bible class of the North Wilkesboro First Methodist church is sponsoring a food sale on Saturday, April 16, at Belk's Store beginning at nine o'clock. Various kinds of Easter food will be on sale.

Flashers Begin Fast Training

Baseball practice, hampered by rain all week, got under way in earnest today in preparation for the first exhibition game here with Lincolnton April 19.

Pitchers and catchers have been working for a week, with little heavy work to claim their attention. Today infielders and outfielders took the field for the first time and work will be stepped up rapidly by Manager Tom Daddino.

Yesterday rain drove the squad indoors and practice session was held in Wilkesboro gymnasium. Pitchers who have been working out are Worth Cuthbertson, Lee Bentley, Richard Long, Frank Emerson, Gordon Duffey and Leslie Rhoades. Bentley and Rhoades are Wilkes prospects. Dexter Rominger is expected from Watauga and Jerry Dolan will report about June 1. Dolan is a class man and one of the leading pitchers of the 1948 staff. Johnny Mercak and Arnold Davis are catchers.

The infield got a boost this week when Tom Black, of Chattanooga, Tenn., arrived to try out for second base. Previously signed by a Class B club, where he did not report and gained his release, Black comes highly recommended.

Gordon Duffey is a new rookie pitcher, coming here from his home in Greensboro. He is a portside, along with Bentley, Emerson and Rominger.