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## LIONS CLUB LIGHTING HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIES IN WILKES



This view of the North Wilkesboro high school library shows the lighting system installed by the North Wilkesboro Lions Club. This lighting is typical of the lighting which is being installed by the club in every high school library in Wilkes county as part of the club's activities for prevention of blindness and defective vision. The lighting systems installed are fully approved by lighting engineers and represents near perfection for indoor lighting and reading comfort.—(Photo by Link's Studio).

## American Cancer Society Unit Is Formed In County

W. C. Grier Commander; Other Officers Named In Meeting Here

W. C. Grier was elected commander of the Wilkes unit of American Cancer Society in organization meeting held here with representatives of many civic groups participating. Other officers elected were: Russell Hodges, cancer funds campaign chairman; W. D. Half-acre, treasurer; Dr. G. T. Mitchell, medical chairman. Other directors will be representatives of civic organizations and such others as the commander may designate. An executive committee will be named from the board of directors.

Presiding at the meeting here was Mrs. George E. Marshall, of Mount Airy, commander of the North Carolina division of the American Cancer Society. Accompanying Mrs. Marshall was Miss Anne Osborne, field worker, and Mrs. Ed Early, office manager.

It was explained that a cancer detection center is to be established here by the Wilkes Medical Society and the county and state health departments and that the Wilkes unit of the American Cancer Society can be of inestimable help in establishing and helping to operate the center.

Mrs. Marshall told the group that the big task of the organization is education, and teaching people the importance of early diagnosis of cancer in order that the appalling death toll may be reduced. The county unit will encourage people who have any symptoms of cancer to be examined in the cancer detection center.

Each year the American Cancer Society conducts a fund campaign, with part of funds received being retained locally for activities of the county unit and part going to the national organization for financing continued research in efforts to obtain a cure for cancer.

## Regular Meeting Of Ministers Held

May meeting of the Ministerial Association of the Wilkesboros was held today at Carolina Restaurant. Members attending were Dr. John T. Wayland, chairman, Rev. C. D. Spake, Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, Rev. Watt Cooper, Rev. C. J. Winslow and Rev. W. N. Brookshire.

The ministers meet on the first Monday after the first Sunday, and the meetings are held regularly at Carolina Restaurant.

## Page In House



Gordon Forester, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Forester, of Wilkesboro, is enjoying life in the nation's capital as a page in the House of Representatives in congress. Gordon received his appointment from Representative C. B. Deane, of the eighth district, and began his duties Tuesday.

## To Address Deacons

M. A. HUGGINS

## Huggins Speaker For Deacons Rally Be Held Friday

General Secretary Baptist Convention To Address Meeting Sixth

M. A. Huggins, General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, will address a rally of the deacons of the Baptist churches of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association on Friday night of this week at Pleasant Home Baptist church. This rally will start at 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited to hear this outstanding Christian layman, who for seventeen years has served as General Secretary of this convention of Baptist churches in North Carolina. The deacons and the Woman's Missionary Union of the host church, in cooperation with the Woman's Missionary Unions of other churches in the Association, will be host to the deacons of all the churches at a supper to be served at 7 p. m.

This rally will be the climax of a series of meetings in honor of the deacons, being held at 8 o'clock each evening this week at various churches of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association. All the people of the churches are urged to attend all of these meetings, which will feature a continuous Bible study of the origin and nature of the deaconship, and will be an occasion of great fellowship among all the churches.

The following is a schedule of the meetings for the entire week, May 2-6:  
Monday, Beaver Creek Baptist church.  
Tuesday, Wilkesboro Baptist church.  
Wednesday, Bolling Springs Baptist church.  
Thursday, Hinshaw Street Baptist church.  
Friday, Pleasant Home Baptist church.

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## Tuesday Date Of 3 Town Elections

Tuesday, May 3, is date of municipal elections in the three incorporated towns in Wilkes county. There are no contests in the elections, which will be routine formalities.

In North Wilkesboro R. T. McNeil is the candidate for mayor. Commissioner candidates are Max Foster and C. J. Swofford, incumbents, C. E. Jenkins, Glenn Andrews and I. H. McNeill, Jr., new candidates, O. K. Pope, Lewis Vickery and W. H. McElwee are on the ticket for members of the city board of education.

In Wilkesboro the present officers are unopposed. Mayor W. E. Smithy and Commissioners Johnson Sanders, Russell Gray, Jr., A. A. Triplett and Joe H. Pearson are on the ticket.

In Ronda A. C. Hendrix is candidate for mayor and commissioner candidates are R. C. Martin, D. Frank Johnson, William W. Carter, C. C. Tharpe and Glenn E. Gollher.

News has been received here of the birth of a daughter, Paula Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. McNeill, of Fort Pierce, Florida. Mrs. McNeill is the former Miss Alma Wyatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roby M. Wyatt, of near this city.

## Shows Employee Dies Suddenly

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## Farm Improvement Project Is Planned As Demonstration

Committee Of Chamber Of Commerce Lays Preliminary Plans Here

A farm improvement demonstration will be carried out in Wilkes county, probably about October 1, it was decided here in meeting of the soil conservation division of the Agricultural committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, of which Lawrence Miller was named chairman.

Plans are in the formative stage, but call for selection of a farm to be given a rapid working over to show what improvements can be accomplished. Such demonstrations in other areas have been highly successful and have attracted much attention.

Farm machinery and equipment men are expected to play a highly important part in the project, and extent of improvements planned will be determined largely on the type of farm selected for the demonstration.

Present for the initial meeting were G. G. Wellborn, Glenn Greene, Paul Billings, Lawrence Miller, Stotom McIver, O. H. Bracey, Bill Lewis, R. H. Trantson, Paul Choplin. Others who will be invited to membership on this project committee are E. G. Finley, E. E. Vaught, Glenn Dancy, Sam Winters, C. E. Thorpe, Glenn Andrews, C. E. Jenkins, Fred Davis, H. C. Roberts, Charlie Miles and Paul Vestal.

The committee discussed some of the things which may be included in the demonstration, such as use of farm machinery, seeding practices, forestry, planting, timber thinning and stand improvement, terracing, meadow strips, lime and fertilizer, home improvement and landscaping.

Needs of the farm selected will have a great bearing on the type of work to be included in the plans.

The committee issued an open invitation for participants in the demonstration, asking all dealers and others who can take part to file their names, along with type of work or machinery they wish to demonstrate. It was explained that if home improvement is included that representatives of many lines may take part.

## Laffoon President Elkin Ball Club

Elkin, April 30.—Harvey P. Laffoon, Elkin publisher, was named today to head Elkin Blanketeers, Inc., the Blue Ridge League's franchise replacement of 1949.

Heavy rains prevented the Blanketeers' opening game scheduled here tonight against Radford, Va.

Elkin's inaugural home contest in organized baseball will be held Monday night when Manager Tige Harris' incomplete line-up meets Wytheville, Va. Elkin is scheduled to go to Radford for its first contest tomorrow.

Laffoon announced that Monday night's official home opener would honor the special tickets already sold for Saturday night's game. If rain again postpones the contest, the tickets will be valid for the first home game thereafter.

The election of Laffoon as president came this morning at a meeting of stockholders at which a charter was adopted. R. G. Chatham was elected vice president; E. F. Harris was named secretary, and R. C. Freeman, treasurer. Directors, in addition to the four officers, are Dr. Eeth Beal, George E. Royall, E. S. Spainhour and Edward R. Snyder. Charles Neaves was appointed business manager.

This is Elkin's first attempt at professional baseball. Last year the Blanketeers, operating as a semipro club, finished as runners-up in the national tournament at Wichita, Kan. Harris, manager then, has picked up several players from the club, including Pitcher Red Powers who was scheduled to hurl tonight's game.

Elkin replaced Abingdon, Va., which surrendered its franchise only little more than a week before the season was scheduled to open.

Dry milk is widely favored by food processors as an ingredient in prepared foods and confections.

## Winners In Art Contest Shown Exhibit Now On

The Art Contest-Exhibit sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club is being held at the Public Library this week from Monday through Saturday. The public is cordially invited. The winners for this contest, which was held throughout the Wilkes County Schools, are as follows:

(First Group First — Third Grade).  
1st prize \$3.00, Vergie Royal, Mountain View School; 2nd prize, \$2.00, Dicky Pardue, North Wilkesboro school; 3rd prize, \$1.00, Shirley Lowe, Moravian Falls school. Honorable mention: Harold Dean Nichols, Mt. Pleasant; Gwendolyn Martin, Lincoln Heights.

(Second Group Fourth — Eighth Grade).

1st prize \$3.00, Margie Anne Dancy, Mountain View school; 2nd prize \$2.00, Virginia Watkins, Mountain View school; 3rd prize, \$1.00, Jerry Venable, North Wilkesboro school. Honorable mention: Robert Holloway, Lincoln Heights school, Molly Ann Ellledge, Mulberry school.

The judges were Misses Helen Phillips, Peggy Finley and Mrs. Watt Cooper.

"The contest is the first of a series which we hope to sponsor again next year and for its first year, we feel we have met with success and the schools have shown their interest by their response. The participants in the contest-exhibit who wish to collect their prize checks and entries please call at the library Friday or Saturday and their entries will be returned to them. We wish to thank the Public Library for allowing us to display our exhibit in their room. We also wish to thank the judges and all the county schools for cooperating with us so wholeheartedly," the Junior Woman's Club committee said.

## Mrs. Claude Bell Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held Friday at Piney Grove church for Mrs. Annie Hutchinson Bell, 34, wife of Claude Bell, of Moxley. Mrs. Bell died Wednesday.

Surviving Mrs. Bell are her husband and one son, Bruce; parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hutchinson; two brothers and two sisters: Byron and Frank Hutchinson, Miss Ruth Hutchinson and Mrs. Myrtle Holloway.

Rev. L. E. Sparks, Rev. Arthur Gambill and Rev. A. B. Hayes conducted the funeral service.

More than 200 Tar Heel farmers attended a dairy field day held recently at the Willard Experiment Station in Pender county.

## Spelling Champion



Miss Jessie Alexander, eighth grade student of Mountain View school, was spelling champion among Wilkes schools and represented Wilkes in the Journal-Sentinel spelling bee held in Winston-Salem Saturday, where she made an excellent showing in competition with winners from many counties. Jessie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander, of Hays.

## Wayland Heads Regional B. T. U.

Dr. John T. Wayland, pastor of the First Baptist church here, was re-elected director of the regional Baptist training Union held Friday and Saturday in Lenoir. The region is composed of several northwestern North Carolina counties and meets annually.

About thirty from the First Baptist church here attended. Linda Jo Godbey, Bland Minton and Patricia Woodward, of the First Baptist church here, and Karen Bishop, of Reddies River, participated in the regional contests.

## Two New Justices Appointed By Law

In an amendment to the omnibus bill in the legislature, two additional justices of the peace were added in Wilkes county. They were Mrs. Bob Miskelly, of North Wilkesboro, and W. S. Fletcher, of Purlear. Mrs. Miskelly was administered the oath of office here Friday. Appointments of both were effective when the measure introduced by Representative T. E. Story was ratified April 23.

## American Legion To Elect Officers

The American Legion Post 125 will meet at the Legion Hut Thursday night, May 5, at 8:00. There will be election of officers. Entertainment has been planned and all members and veterans are urged to be present.

## Local District Of Legion Auxiliary Met On Tuesday

The meeting of the 15th District of the American Legion Auxiliary was held in North Wilkesboro Tuesday with the North Wilkesboro unit as hostess. It was a luncheon meeting and convened at noon. Units represented in the district were Statesville, Taylorsville, Mooresville, West Jefferson and North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. Wayne Rogers of Statesville, 15th District committee-woman, presided. The unit reports showed that much work has been accomplished in the district. Mrs. Karl Broome of Hickory, department president of the auxiliary, was the principal speaker. Her talk dealt primarily with rehabilitation of disabled veterans and service to their families. Poppy Day was emphasized and attention was called to Girl State to be held this Summer.

Past president of the state department, Gold Star Mothers, wives and sisters were given recognition. Mrs. Richard Finley, president of the North Wilkesboro unit, gave the welcome and Mrs. J. W. Hendricks of Statesville, a past department president, responded.

During elections, Mrs. Edward B. Barr of West Jefferson was named to succeed Mrs. Rogers as 15th District committee-woman. Formal election is to be held at the department convention in Raleigh in June. Mrs. Richard Finley of North Wilkesboro was nominated as alternate to Mrs. Barr. Mrs. Rogers' term of office expires this Spring.

## V. F. W. Carnival To Continue Here

The Mighty Page Shows Carnival sponsored by Blue Ridge Mountain Post 1142, Veterans of Foreign Wars will continue this week at the V. F. W. grounds. Because of the inclement weather experienced most of last week it was decided at a special meeting of the post Saturday evening to continue the carnival this week.

All the attractions of last week will be continued including the eight rides, shows and other attractions.

The major attraction of the show—the death defying jump of Capt. Shen Songer from a height of 110 feet into a blazing tank of water, four feet deep, will be shown each night.

The public is once again cordially invited to visit the show each night this week, Monday through Saturday.

Martin county sweet potato growers have set up a marketing organization to provide washing, waxing, and packing facilities.

## Rain Washes Out Baseball Games

Flashers Open Here Tuesday Night; To Play In Mount Airy Tonight

Rain washed out all scheduled opening season games in the Blue Ridge league Saturday night and only one game was played Sunday, when Wytheville defeated Mt. Airy 13 to 2 at Wytheville. Tonight North Wilkesboro goes to Mt. Airy and Wytheville will play in Elkin.

Mount Airy will be the opponent for the opener here Tuesday night, which will be the promotion night for the North Wilkesboro club. Prizes of a \$100 bill, a \$50 bill and three season passes will be given among those who purchase tickets for the game and tickets are now on sale by Boy Scouts and at Brame's Drug store.

Manager Tom Daddino is well pleased with his club here for the year. Bill Weston from University of Richmond was scheduled to arrive today to bolster the pitching staff and Jerry Dolan will be here early next month. Richard Long has opening game assignment against Mt. Airy unless Manager Daddino makes a last minute change.

Worth Cuthbertson will get the pitching assignment here Tuesday night.

League schedule for the coming week appears on page ten of this newspaper today.

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