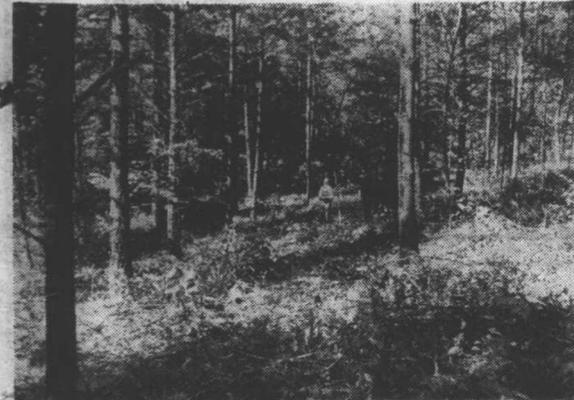


## Forestry Thinning Winners in Wilkes



Clyde Adams, Ronda student, won the \$50 first prize given by the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce for top honors in the 4-H club timber thinning contest in Wilkes county, which is one of several major projects in the forestry development work of the chamber of commerce. Fifteen boys took part in the contest and were judged on the basis of thinning one acre. The first prize winner shown here on his project cut 10 1-2 cords of wood and 1,550 board feet of logs, valued at \$110.35. A total of 130 hours of labor were required, with a value of \$65, leaving a net return of \$45.35.



This picture shows Edwin McGee, of Mt. Pleasant school, and his principal, O. M. Proffit, in the acre thinned by Edwin, which won second prize of \$40 cash from the chamber of commerce. Edwin cut 10 cords of wood and 615 board feet of logs, with a value of \$64.90. Labor of 116 hours was figured to total \$58, leaving a net return of \$6.90.



Here is shown Kenneth Jordan, of Roaring River, who won third prize of \$30, also given by the chamber of commerce. Kenneth's acre yielded 4 1-2 cords of wood valued at \$42.50. Hours of labor were 48, valued at \$19.94, leaving a net return of \$22.56. John Gray and Walter M. Keller, forestry extension specialists, judged the work of the boys. Excellent training was provided in forestry thinning and stand improvement.

## FLASHERS IN SECOND PLACE BY DROPPING 3 CLOSE ONES

By dropping the last three games by margin of one run each the North Wilkesboro Flashers dropped into second place behind Wytheville.

On Friday night Galax took a 4 to 3 game in Galax. Frank Fazio, stocky right hander from New Brighton, Pa., made his mound debut for North Wilkesboro and was effective, the difference in score being brought about by two Galax home runs which cleared the fence by inches. Escitell was the Flashers' batting leader with three.

Wytheville won the battle of home runs at Wytheville Saturday night 3 to 2 as both teams fought hard for the league lead. In the third Winklespect tripled and was driven in by Stanley's double. Frank Subb evened up the score with a home run over left field fence. Two innings later Doug Shores put North Wilkesboro ahead with a homer over the left field wall. Subb again was equal to the occasion and lined his second homer of the game over left. With the game tied in the bottom of the ninth Hannelly hit one over left field fence to win the game.

Bob Thompson allowed Wytheville only five hits, but the three homers won the game. North Wilkesboro collected five hits off Dahlinger.

Here Sunday both teams played loosely as Elkin won another close one 5 to 4. Elkin scored two unearned runs in the second and another in the sixth. Daddino singled in the second and scored on an infield out. In the eighth the Flashers knotted the count when Davis and Cuthbertson crossed the plate on Patterson's wild throw to the catcher. In the ninth Proscia singled and scored on Davis' smash to shortstop, which was thrown low to first. Cuthbertson pitched for the Flashers and was touched for seven hits. Hicks for Elkin allowed only two hits in seven innings but put two on in the eighth and was pulled for Mostak, who received credit for the win.

The Flashers to go Elkin tonight, to Radford Tuesday night and will play Radford here Wednesday night. Galax will play here Friday night.

## TEACHER IS BURNED TO DEATH

John Sherman Sebastian, 40, school teacher and member of a well known Wilkes family, was burned to death late Thursday afternoon when his home in the Haymeadow community near Hays was destroyed by fire.

He was alone at the time and cause of the fire was not determined, Wilkes Coroner I. M. Myers, who termed the death accidental, said following his investigation.

Mrs. Sebastian and children on Thursday afternoon were visiting in the home of her father, Haggie Faw, near North Wilkesboro. The charred remains of Mr. Sebastian were found after the house had burned down and the location corresponded to the position of a davenport couch. It was believed that he was asleep and suffocated in the flames before awakening sufficiently to escape.

The home, which had been the home of his father, the late D. C. Sebastian, was an eight-room structure. The building, with all furnishings, was destroyed. The fire was discovered by neighbors passing the road, but had gained much headway. They did not know anyone was in the house until after it burned down.

Surviving the accident victim are his wife, Mrs. Ruth Faw Sebastian; sons, John S., Curtis Reid and Louis C. Sebastian; his mother, Mrs. D. C. Sebastian, of North Wilkesboro route one; one brother, Lorenzo Sebastian, of North Wilkesboro; and four sisters, Mrs. Hattie Elledge, of Erwin, Tenn., Mrs. Clint Smoot, of Hays, Mrs. Beatrice McNeill, of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Beulah Porch, of York, S. C.

Funeral was held Saturday, 11 a. m., at Maymeadow Baptist church with Rev. Troy Blivins in charge of the service.

## Mrs. Sarah Webster Is Taken By Death

Mrs. Sarah A. Webster, 87, wife of the late J. L. Webster, died at 12:45 a. m. today at the home of a son, Paul Webster, in Wilkesboro.

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 2:30, at Wilkesboro Baptist church, with Rev. C. J. Winslow, Rev. W. N. Brookshire and Judge Johnson J. Hayes conducting the service.

Mrs. Webster is survived by four sons and one daughter: S. C. Webster, Kernersville; Felix Webster, Winston-Salem; Wiley Webster, Wyo, W. Va.; Paul Webster, Wilkesboro; Mrs. H. S. Brown, Fairfield, Ala.; and one brother, C. L. Laws, of Pores Knob.

## County League Ready To Open

Millers Creek and Boomer To Play Exhibition Game On Tuesday Night

The Wilkes County Baseball League, sponsored by the Wilkes Junior Chamber of Commerce, will play a 30-game schedule in Memorial Park this summer to determine the county championship.

Four teams are entered in the league: Millers Creek, Fairplains-Mulberry, Boomer and Walsh's Lumber company, which is also located in the Boomer community.

J. C. Williams, Jr., who is directing the league for the Jaycees, said today that all four teams are strong and predicted a good season with close race among the teams.

In an exhibition series Millers Creek will play Boomer Tuesday night, eight o'clock, in Memorial Park, and on Saturday night Boomer will play Fairplains-Mulberry. The regular championship schedule will open June 20.

This year admission has been dropped to 40 and 20 cents, to encourage greater attendance of fans at the games. Each community is asked to give good support to its representative team.

The 1948 output of farm machinery and repair parts was one-fifth larger than the previous record in 1947, and over twice the pre-war volume.

## Mrs. Anderson To Address Club 17th

Mrs. Edd M. Anderson, of West Jefferson, state president, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Wilkesboro Woman's Club to be held Friday, June 17, eight o'clock. Mrs. J. B. Henderson, American Home chairman, will be in charge of the program, assisted by Mrs. R. E. Prevette, Music chairman, and Mrs. C. T. Doughton.

Hostesses will be Mesdames C. H. Hulcher, Albert Garwood, W. W. Miller, Sr., Zeb Dickson, George Parlier, Quincy McNeill, E. E. Vaught and Miss Blanche Ferguson. All members of the North Wilkesboro senior and junior Woman's Clubs are cordially invited.

## June Session Of Superior Court Gets Cases Off

Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., Presiding Over Trials Of Criminal Docket

Wilkes superior court today began on the second week of the June term for trial of criminal cases.

Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, is presiding over the court, during which many cases have been tried and disposed of.

Following are cases in which judgments were rendered last week:

Chessie and Ila Greene, assault with deadly weapon, verdict of not guilty.

Orpha Elizabeth Cardwell, forgery, 12 months suspended on payment of \$50 and costs, which will include \$60 to be paid for Jean's Dress Shoppe in North Wilkesboro.

Roy William Rose, operating car while intoxicated, four months on roads.

Troy Church, false pretense, not guilty.

Jimmie Parks, assault, 18 months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

Ralph Barnes, second offense operating car while intoxicated, four months suspended on payment \$200 fine and costs, driver license revoked two years.

Lee Wyatt, assault with deadly weapon, six months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs, which included \$200 for benefit of Ray Brown.

Noah Hall Watkins, assault with deadly weapon and resisting arrest, four months on roads.

Lester Smith and Tony White, assault, prayer for judgment continued.

Roy Bynum, public nuisance, prayer for judgment continued.

O. M. Gilreath and Mary G. Jarvis, assault and forcible trespass, prayer for judgment continued.

Edward Gregory, speeding, \$10 fine and costs.

Richard A. Riggs, worthless check, two years on roads.

Trial of Hugh West, a former clerk in a drug store here, for the abortion death of Miss Pearl Jenkins, of Winston-Salem, near here July 31, 1947, was slated to begin today. The case had previously been continued six times.

## Carl Swofford Hurls Fine Game

Juniors Defeat Spruce Pine 5 to 1 In Good Game Here Friday Night

By RAY CHURCH  
North Wilkesboro American Legion team won their first game of the season here Friday night from Spruce Pine 5-1 behind the seven-hit pitching of Swofford. The Wilkes team gathered only four hits off Murphy, Spruce Pine ace who fanned eleven batters in six innings, but they made their hits count when needed to push five runs across the plate. The North Wilkesboro team showed speed which it hadn't uncovered until now. The infield came up with one double play.

Jones, Spruce Pine's left fielder, was the only player of the night to get two hits. All hits by both teams were singles.

Swofford, pitching for North Wilkesboro, struck out five hitters and showed perfect control, not walking a player. Pardus and Brooks were catchers for North Wilkesboro. Murphy was on the mound for Spruce Pine with T.

## Brushy Mountain Baptist Minutes 3 Years Wanted

J. F. Jordan, clerk, or Dr. H. G. Duncan, historian of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association desires copies of associational minutes for the years 1910, 1914 and 1920. Any who have any of the copies desired are asked to get in touch with Mr. Jordan or Dr. Duncan as early as convenient.

## Undergraduates Seek Work This Summer

The Employment Service has a number of undergraduates who are anxious to earn some money during the summer vacation. A number of these young girls have expressed a desire to work as nursemaids. Call 336 if you can use any of these young girls.

## Makes Good Record



Mrs. John T. Baity, under whose leadership the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association has just closed a highly successful year. An article on page three of this newspaper sets out the fine record of the organization during the past year.

## Kilby Area Chairman Automobile Dealers

A. F. Kilby, local Ford and Mercury dealer, has been appointed Area Chairman for the National Automobile Dealers Association to stimulate active participation in the Association's national programs throughout Wilkes county.

Mr. Kilby was selected as Area Chairman by a committee of NADA and North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association officials. The appointment was announced by P. L. Abernathy, the National Association's Director for North Carolina.

Nada is the largest retail trade association in the country with a membership of more than 34,000 new automobile and new truck dealers. The national organization is widely known for its sponsorship of highway safety and other public interest programs and its policy of supporting the highest standards and ethics of retail automobile merchandising.

## Cancer Center Is Operating To Full Capacity Tuesdays

45 Present At Last Session; More Expected At Center Tuesday Morn.

The Cancer Detection center operating in Wilkesboro had 45 people present for examination Tuesday morning and is preparing for another busy session tomorrow, Tuesday, June 14.

The center was able to examine 33 Tuesday morning and the 12 not reached were given priorities for examination tomorrow. In addition, letters were received from five people at distant points asking for priority tomorrow and those will be taken.

Of the 33 examined Tuesday, five were referred to the diagnostic center at Winston-Salem for further examination and possible treatment.

One unusual occurrence was examination of the six-year-old boy, who had a foot infection with cancer symptoms. Surgical treatment was recommended.

All over 40, and those of any age who have reason to believe they may have cancer are urged to be examined in the detection center. No charge is made and members of the Wilkes-Alleghany Medical Society donate their services as examining physicians.

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In a resolution passed by the North Wilkesboro board of commissioners in June meeting, the board declined to set up a recorder's court as provided by an act of the 1949 General Assembly and directed that the city court continue with mayor presiding.

Full text of the resolution, which was presented to the board by Attorney J. H. Whicker, follows:

"Whereas by act of the General Assembly of North Carolina at the 1949 session, the charter of the town of North Wilkesboro, N. C., was amended to establish a recorder's court in the town of North Wilkesboro and directing the commissioners of said town to set up said court and appoint the officials thereof; and whereas since said act was passed by the General Assembly the commissioners have been advised that said act is unconstitutional and the Attorney General of North Carolina has rendered an opinion that said act is unconstitutional and any court established thereunder would be unconstitutional; and whereas the commissioners of the town of North Wilkesboro desire to act in behalf of the public interest and to save the taxpayers of the town the unnecessary expense of setting up a court which would be invalid;

"Now, therefore, be it resolved that the commissioners of the town of North Wilkesboro, N. C., at a regular meeting decline to establish a recorder's court under the act of the General Assembly at the 1949 session, for the above reasons; and

"Be it further resolved that the present court shall continue to function, operate and carry out its duties as it has heretofore done.

"This 7th day of June, 1949."

The act as passed by the legislature provided that the commissioners appoint a judge and solicitor for the court and stipulated that the judge should hold no elective office of the town of North Wilkesboro or Wilkes county.

A letter from the office of the Attorney General to J. Allie Hayes, secretary of the Wilkes Bar Association, stated that it was the opinion of the writer that the act relating to appointment of a judge was unconstitutional.

The city council passed the license privilege tax ordinance and ordered it be published.

A tax permit was granted Lester (Bill) Hayes.

Auditing contract was awarded to Frank P. Buck company, of Salisbury.

Clerk W. P. Kelly was authorized to accept pre-payment of 1949 taxes at the rate of \$1.85, which is same as last year.

The clerk was ordered to order ornamental lights for the Yadkin and Reddies river bridges.

## Ham Supper 18th

There will be a fried country ham supper at the Mulberry Community house Saturday night June 18th from 6:00 to 8:00 p. m. Price per plate will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12 years. Proceeds of the supper will go to the building fund of Baptist Home Church. The public is cordially invited.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE N. C. A. F. C. HAS MEETING IN CITY

Mr. Caroon, were present for the committee meeting. They represented finance companies in Charlotte, Greensboro, Hickory, Raleigh, Lenoir, Salisbury, and Shelby.

The business session of the committee was held Wednesday afternoon in the office of I. S. & C. Corporation.

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**CIVIC CLUBS' SCHEDULE**

Civic clubs of the city are meeting this week as follows at Hotel Wilkes:

Optimist Club—Tuesday at 12 noon.

Kiwanis club—Friday at 12 noon.

Lions club—Friday at 6:30 p. m.

## 49 Graduate At North Wilkesboro Finals Held Friday

North Wilkesboro high school seniors presented a very impressive program Friday night here, when high school diplomas were awarded to 49 seniors by Mrs. Palmer Horton, chairman of the North Wilkesboro board of education.

The program opened with invocation by Mrs. Sue Absher Elder, and salutatory address by Mary Johnston. Mary Ann Casey played a piano solo, "Romance."

"The Living Present" was the theme of the program, with Julius Rousseau, Jr., presiding. Seniors taking part were Esther Lea Barnette, June Finley, Margaret Anderson, Peggy Sebastian, Betty Jo Lovette, Margie Cleary. Vaudeictory was by Mildred Pruitt.

The Balfour medal, given on the basis of scholarship, loyalty and achievement, was presented by Principal R. N. Wooten to Bill Bason. A book entitled "I Dare You," given by the William H. Danforth foundation, was presented by Mr. Wooten to Julius Rousseau, Jr., and Mary Johnston, who were voted the two most likely to succeed.

Mrs. A. F. Kilby presented a state music diploma to Mary Ann Casey.

## American Legion Auxiliary Picnic

Wilkes county post 125 of the American Legion and the Auxiliary will hold a picnic at Bluff Park on the Blue Ridge Parkway on Wednesday, June 15th. All members of both organizations and their families are invited to attend.

It is planned to leave the Baptist Church at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon and everyone desiring transportation is urged to be at the church not later than two-thirty. Members of either organization who may have room in their car for one or more additional passengers are urged to contact either Mrs. R. G. Finley, president of the Auxiliary or Mr. E. P. Robinson, Commander of the post. Sufficient transportation will be provided for everyone in need of same.

Supper will be spread at seven o'clock so that anyone who will not be able to leave in the afternoon may drive out to Bluff Park in time for the supper.

An interesting program has been arranged, particularly for the children and it is hoped there will be a large group present at the picnic. If the picnic is a success it is planned to hold more joint get-togethers between the Post and the Auxiliary.

In case of rain the picnic will be held the following Wednesday.

## Bible School Begins

Daily vacation Bible school opened today at Welcome Home Baptist church west of this city, with classes to be held each morning.

## Return That Book to the Library

See LEGION BASEBALL Page 4