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## Hospital Trustees To Meet Sept. 6th To Accept Plans

Architects Have Completed Work On Plans For 100-Bed Hospital Here

Board of Trustees of the Wilkes General Hospital, authorized by voting a \$275,000 bond issue of the Town of North Wilkesboro last year, will meet on September 6 to adopt plans, J. R. Hix, chairman of the trustees, said here today.

J. N. Tease and company, Charlotte architects, have completed plans for the 100-bed hospital, which is to be located on the hill just west of Gaddy Motor Company.

Recently the town of North Wilkesboro sold a bond anticipation note in the sum of \$50,000, to defray architectural costs and other pre-construction expenses. Only a small part of that money has been expended to date.

The hospital proposal was based on estimated cost of \$1,200 per bed for the hospital, completely and fully equipped. Since those estimates were made construction costs have declined to some extent. The total cost of the project was estimated at \$1,200,000, with the town's part to be about \$275,000. State and federal funds make up the greater part of the cost.

## Wilkesboro To Play Wilmington Eleven

Wilkesboro high school Ramblers, who amassed one of the best high school football records in the state during the past three years, will ramble all the way to the coast for a game on Friday night, September 9th, against the high ranking double A Wilmington Wildcats.

Arrangements for the game were completed last week by officials of the two schools.

Thirty-three players of the Wilkesboro squad, a student manager, Coach Marvin Hoff and Principal Wm. T. Long will leave Wilkesboro school Thursday morning, traveling in a special charter bus, and plan to arrive in Wilmington Thursday afternoon in time for a short workout on the football field where the game is to be played Friday night, eight o'clock.

On Friday morning the group will tour Wilmington and will spend Saturday and Sunday night at Carolina Beach, returning to Wilkesboro Sunday.

The past year undefeated champions of the Highland conference, the Wilkesboro Ramblers rolled up 20 consecutive victories before losing to Children's Home last fall in their lone setback in two seasons. During the seasons of 1946, 1947, and 1948 the Ramblers won 21 of 22 consecutive games. The Ramblers' fast-breaking T attack this year will be spearheaded by Ray Triplett, one of the fastest halfbacks in state high school competition. Other returning veterans will give the Ramblers a fast charging line, and new material will add to reserve strength.

Wilmington for years has been a power in high school football. The high school is by far the state's largest, and has 85 teachers. With a wealth of material for the gridiron, Wilmington is a pre-season favorite to cop the AA football championship in the state this season.

Greensboro defeated Wilmington 13 to 12 at Wilmington Saturday night. Coach Hoffman scouted the game for the Ramblers.

## Aaron M. Blackburn Rites On Wednesday

Funeral service was held Wednesday at Macedonia church for Aaron Minton Blackburn, 74-year-old resident of Edwards township who died Sunday. Rev. L. M. Cook conducted the last rites.

Surviving Mr. Blackburn are his wife, Mrs. Annie Curry Blackburn, one daughter and three sons: Marvin Walls and A. J. Blackburn, of Ronda; T. Blackburn, of Elkin; Ford Blackburn, of Baltimore; one sister, Mrs. Dina Little, of Wilkesboro route 1; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Monroe Williams and daughters, Anne and Lynn, have returned from two weeks vacation in Philadelphia.

## Wilkes District Scout Meeting On Tuesday, 7:30 P. M.

Regular monthly meeting of Wilkes District of the Old Hickory Scout council will be held Tuesday, September 6, 7:30 p. m., at Duke Power company office on Ninth street.

Robert Gibbs, district chairman, said the meeting will be highly important and urged all members of the district organization to attend.

## Ask Cooperation In Fight Here On Mosquito Hordes

Since the flood waters on the Yadkin several days ago mosquitoes have been very troublesome in this community. Several requests were phoned in to the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce that some action be promoted to remedy the situation.

The town of North Wilkesboro today began spraying at several nearby points in the valley, using knapsack sprays which were used here last year for polio prevention.

Citizens of the community are asked to cooperate by immediately removing any barrels, cans or other things containing stagnant water, and which are breeding places for mosquitoes, and to clean their premises of any stagnant ponds which would provide places for mosquito breeding.

## Trade Promotion Committee To Meet

Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce will meet Tuesday, two p. m., at the office of the chamber of commerce to make final plans for Farmers Day. Arrangements for holiday lighting will also be discussed at the meeting.

## Mountain Lions Have Tough Foes

Hanes, Mt. Airy, 6 Conference Foes, Wilkesboro and Elkin Stalwarts

Mountain Lions of North Wilkesboro high school number among their opponents this season some of the titans of high school football in North Carolina.

Being a member of the South Piedmont conference brings on plenty of woe because every high school coach knows that the South Piedmont is a tough league. In addition to playing six conference foes, the Mountain Lions will take on Mt. Airy and Hanes, and two of the strongest teams in the Highland conference, Wilkesboro and Elkin.

Coach Tom Boyette, beginning his career here, and Assistant Lott Mayberry have their work cut out for them. They are building a team with but few returning letter men and with several new boys who lack both weight and experience.

The Mountain Lions will open the season against Hanes high in Bowman Gray stadium in Winston-Salem at eight p. m. on Saturday, September 9. Remainder of the schedule follows:

September 16—North Wilkesboro at Mt. Airy.

September 23—Spencer at North Wilkesboro.

September 30—Mt. Pleasant at North Wilkesboro.

October 7—North Wilkesboro at Kannapolis.

October 14—Appalachian at North Wilkesboro.

October 31—North Wilkesboro at Statesville.

November 4—Barium Springs at North Wilkesboro.

November 11—Mooreville at North Wilkesboro.

November 18—North Wilkesboro at Elkin.

November 25—Wilkesboro at North Wilkesboro.

Miss Nancy Felts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Felts, on September 1 began her duties as secretary at the First Baptist church.

Miss Felts is a graduate of North Wilkesboro high school and Mars Hill College.

## Wilkes Will Get \$549,840.86 IN State School Aid

\$57,321.59 Of That Amount Is For North Wilkesboro Charter Unit

The State Board of Education in meeting Thursday made allocation of state school building funds made available by a \$25,000,000 appropriation of surplus funds and a \$25,000,000 state bond issue approved by the people in a special election.

The state board allocated \$492,519.27 to Wilkes county and \$57,321.59 for North Wilkesboro special charter schools, making a total of \$549,840.86.

Amounts allocated to counties adjoining Wilkes and to city systems in those counties were as follows: Alexander, \$352,851.14; Alleghany, \$300,501.88; Ashe, \$408,817.54; Caldwell, \$431,383.05; Lenoir, \$111,856.84; Iredell, \$374,945.88; Mooreville, \$97,290.18; Statesville, \$141,016.79; Surry, \$392,615.01; Elkin, \$57,475.48; Mt. Airy, \$129,118.52; Watauga, \$368,467.29; Yadkin, \$402,205.54.

## DIRECTORS OF LOCAL CREDIT CO-OP PLAN FOR COMING YEAR

Directors of the North Wilkesboro National Farm Loan Association met with officials of the Federal Land Bank here Thursday, August 25th, for the purpose of reviewing the past year's operations and outlining a program for the coming year. One of the major actions taken was the adoption of a contract between the association and the bank covering the making and servicing of Federal Land Bank loans during the coming year. Under the new contract the association will have an opportunity to further build up its reserve and surplus.

Mr. S. C. Eggers, of Boone, president of the association, presided at the meeting. Other directors attending were: Max C. Wilson, Lenoir; Donald C. Portin, Ronda; Carlis Lee Mitchell, Sparta; and Eugene S. Shatley, Jefferson.

The new plan was outlined by T. M. Baker, Assistant to the President of the Federal Land Bank. O. H. Bracey, secretary-treasurer, who is acting manager of the association presented reports on the past year's operations. These reflected a very successful year with more than \$850 added to reserve and surplus. Mr. Bracey reported Federal Land Bank loans made through his office during fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, totaled approximately \$100,000. More than half of these loans were to refinance existing debts, which will give these borrowers a lower rate of interest and longer terms for payment. The balance were for the purchase of farms, machinery, buildings, livestock and other sound agricultural purposes.

In commenting on the service contract with the Federal Land Bank, Mr. Eggers said, "It is the best contract we have ever had with the bank. It places more responsibility on the directors and provides greater incentive to build the association into a stronger farmer-owned cooperative."

The association has total assets of more than \$46,000, of which approximately \$32,500 represents capital stock owned in the Federal Land Bank of Columbia.

## FLASHERS HAVE TWO-GAME LEAD OVER ELKIN FOR PLAY-OFF SPOT

Continuing the type of spirited play which enabled them to take four of the last five games from Elkin, the North Wilkesboro Flashers defeated Galax here Sunday 4 to 1 behind the four-hit pitching of Leslie Rhoades, who hung up his 11th win of the season.

The Flashers jumped on Bud Masinick, Galax ace, for two runs in the second and two more in the third and coasted the rest of the way on Rhoades' pitching and excellent fielding. Cooper and Jacobson batted in two runs each.

The victory put North Wilkesboro two full games ahead of the Elkin Blanketeers, who split with Radford.

Today the Flashers play Mt. Airy two games and end the regular season against Galax at Galax Tuesday night. If North Wilkesboro finishes in fourth the Flashers will play the second place team, which will probably be Wytheville, in the first play-off game at Wytheville Thursday night, with Wytheville playing here Friday night, and alternating daily between the two towns until one team has won three games.

Playing inspired ball such as never been seen before in class D circuits in this state, the North Wilkesboro Flashers and Elkin Blanketeers played down to the wire and then some in a two-game series Friday and Saturday with North Wilkesboro taking both games, 3 to 2 and 1 to 0.

The Saturday night game here was a master piece in defensive baseball and it was not until two were out in the bottom of the 14th that a run crossed the plate to end the scoreless marathon. Lefty Lee Bentley, one of Wilkes' own players on the team, hurled 11 scoreless frames before being relieved by Ray Blevins, of Lansing, Ashe county.

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## In Air Force



Pvt. George L. Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Adams, of North Wilkesboro route one, enlisted in the army air force August 8 and is now at Lockland air force base at San Antonio, Texas, where he is squadron leader. G. L. graduated from North Wilkesboro high school in the class of 1949. He was a tackle on the varsity football team while in high school here.

## Forestry Work Is Wilkes County Planned By Group

Five Forestry Field Days Will Be Held For High School Boys

Forestry division of the Agriculture committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce in meeting here Tuesday night laid plans for extensive forestry during the remainder of this year.

E. G. Finley, chairman, presided. Others attending were Paul Choplin, county agent; H. C. Colvard, assistant county agent; Fred Davis, vocational agricultural teacher; H. C. Roberts, Triple A chairman; Paul Vestal, committee member; Stanton McIver and R. E. Dunn, of Soil Conservation Service; Paul Osborne, committee member; J. B. Eller, superintendent of county schools; J. Floyd Woodward, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools; R. W. Graeber and John Gray, Extension Service forester and assistant.

The entire group highly commended the Wilkes Triple A for including forestry in practices for which farmers will receive payment. Farmers will receive \$5 per acre for timber thinning and \$6 per acre for tree planting. However, it was pointed out that farmers must sign up for the Triple A program before the practices are carried out in order to qualify for payment.

Chairman Roberts of the Triple A said that the organization heads was glad to include forestry practices, which had been urgently requested by the chamber of commerce because of the great importance of forest products in the economy of the county. Chairman Roberts asked the chamber of commerce to promote interest among farmers and woodland owners in complying with provisions of the Triple A for forestry payments.

Plans were made to enlist aid of schools, press, radio, Soil Conservation contacts, extension service personnel, 4-H clubs and rural ministers in this work.

## Forestry Field Day

A new plan will be used for forestry field days for high school boys. The plan used in previous years was to select 50 boys from all the schools for one central field day. In order to have a much greater number of boys participating, there will be five field days this year, probably in November. The five groups will be composed as follows: Ronda and Roaring River, Mountain View and Traphill, Millers Creek and Mt. Pleasant, Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro and Ferguson, Lincoln Heights.

Extension foresters, farm foresters and other authorities will direct activities on those days, under supervision of Mr. Graeber. The afternoon of forestry day at each of the five places will be for adults, with particular emphasis on veterans in the farm training program.

The sawmill field day will be held late in November or early in December. A site where a sawmill is in operation will be chosen in order to have more effective demonstrations.

## Watch Presented To T. M. Whittington, Jr.

In appreciation of the unceasing efforts on the part of T. M. Whittington, Jr., to assist veterans in obtaining benefits rightfully theirs under the G. I. Bill of Rights, Wilkes County Chapter No. 33 of the Disabled American Veterans presented him with a beautiful Hamilton pocket watch.

Mr. Whittington was instrumental in organizing the local chapter of the D. A. V. and he has worked untiringly in the interest of the physically handicapped and disabled veteran.

Mr. Whittington is district commander of the third district of the Department of North Carolina, D. A. V.

He entered Swanannoa V. A. hospital on Monday for treatment of his own disabilities incurred when wounded in the service during World War II.

The watch, an open face, railroad model is inscribed as follows:

"Presented to T. M. Whittington, Jr., Commander, 3rd District Department of North Carolina Disabled American Veterans by Wilkes County Chapter No. 33 For Voluntary Service rendered to Disabled Veterans, 1949."

Support the Y. M. C. A.

## Commercial Exhibit Space Is Available At The Wilkes Fair

All requests for individual and commercial exhibit space at the Wilkes Agricultural Fair to be held the week of September 19 should be made in writing as early as possible. Requests, along with data of exhibits, may be made to G. Sam Winters, secretary of the fair, or to Tom Jenrette at the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce office.

## Enrollment For Sales Institute Over 100 Mark

With more than 100 enrolled, the Sales Institute being conducted here under sponsorship of the Trade Promotion committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce is progressing well and those enrolled are showing much interest.

"Textiles" is the subject of the courses offered each morning at Hotel Wilkes for employees of department and general merchandise stores. Mrs. Delle Putnam, of the distributive education division of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, is the instructor.

"Supervisory Techniques" is the topic of the course at 7:30 and 26 have been attending the sessions. The evening enrollment includes store owners, managers, assistant managers and department heads.

The Sales Institute will continue through Friday.

## Crook Is Manager R. & O. Grocery

D. L. Crook, who for the past three years operated Crook's Esso station and tourist home between the Wilkesbros, is now manager of R. & O. Grocery store in North Wilkesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Crook have moved to 507 Ninth street, where Mrs. Crook is operating the Guest House for tourists and commercial travelers.

## Annual Reunion Of Welborn Clan 11th

The Welborn family reunion, an annually anticipated event, will be held at Temple Hill church on September 11th, beginning at 10:30 a. m.

The morning program will feature a sermon by Rev. Selder Welborn. Everybody is invited with well filled baskets for the picnic dinner at noon.

There will be singing by Sunlight and Rosemont quartets and Pleasant Hill men's chorus. All Welborns, their relatives and friends are urged to attend.

## Blevins Reunion Near Cricket Sunday

There will be a Blevins reunion at the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Blevins near Cricket, N. C. on Sunday, September 11. All relatives and friends are invited to carry lunch and attend this reunion.

## V.F.W. To Meet Thursday, Sept. 8th

There will be a regular business meeting held at Veterans of Foreign Wars headquarters on Thursday evening, September 8th, at eight o'clock p. m.

Commander Ralph Williams announced that the building committee is to make reports on the progress of the new building and that there will be several matters of importance to be discussed.

All members are urged to bring guests who are eligible for membership.

## Presley Yates Rites Held On Wednesday

Funeral service was held Wednesday at New Hope Baptist church for Presley David Yates, 69, who died Sunday. Rev. A. W. Eller conducted the service.

He was a son of the late M. W. and Alpha Summerlin Yates. Surviving are three brothers and two sisters: Vance and Mastin Yates, of Purlear; Mrs. James Church, of Mardella Springs, Md.; Mrs. C. F. Yates, Purlear; George Yates, Kannapolis.

## Horse Show Will Be A Feature Of Fair Two Nights

Horse Show Will Be Held On Last 2 Days, Sept. 23 and 24 Here

A complete horse show will be one feature of the Wilkes Agricultural Fair to be held here the week of September 19.

The horse show complete with all classes, will be the featured event for Friday and Saturday nights, September 23 and 24, eight o'clock.

In previous years the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club had sponsored the two-day horse show on or about July 4, and the fair in September. In order to make a bigger event for northwestern North Carolina, the club has combined the fair and horse show for this year.

Many entries have already been received for the horse show, including some of the finest show horses in this and adjoining states.

Trophies will be presented the championship winners in each class.

Committee in charge of the horse show is composed of G. Sam Winters, W. K. Sturdivant and J. B. Carter.

## Give Apple Program Over Station WSJS

County Agent Paul Choplin along with Carl Vandeman, assistant county agent, D. S. Broyhill and Boyd Campbell, prepared and delivered a radio program on the production and distribution of apples in the Brushy Mountain area, over station WSJS, Winston-Salem, Tuesday, August 30. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Broyhill are producers of apples in the Brushy Mountain area and the program gave information on how quality apples were produced, packed and marketed.

## Mrs. Volley Minton Funeral On Saturday

Funeral service was held Saturday at Pleasant Home Baptist church for Mrs. Laura Virginia Minton, 69, wife of Volley I. Minton, of Wilkesboro route one. Rev. A. W. Eller conducted the last rites.

Mrs. Minton was a daughter of the late Alford and Mariah Bullis McNeill. Surviving are her husband, two daughters and three sons: Mrs. T. H. Buckner, Durham; Mrs. R. B. Johnson, Burlington; R. F. Minton, Wilkesboro; J. W. Minton, North Wilkesboro; D. W. Minton, Winston-Salem.

## Red Cross Annual Meeting Sept. 12

All members of the Wilkes County Chapter of the American Red Cross and all interested persons are urged to attend the annual meeting to be held in the City Hall on the afternoon of September 12th at four o'clock. Reports on chapter activities will be given by the Chapter Chairman, Larry S. Moore, and the election of executive officers and members-at-large on the Board of Directors will take place. Every person who has contributed as much as \$1.00 during 1949 is entitled to one vote.

At this open meeting three proposed revisions to the Chapter By-laws will be adopted. In 1946 the Chapter By-laws were revised in accordance with the Code of Procedure as outlined by the American National Red Cross. The National Society now recommends three revisions to be adopted at this time, changing the number of regular board meetings to be held during the year to four instead of twelve, regulating the length of term of officers, and providing for the election of the Fund Chairman at the annual meeting to serve as a regular member of the Board of Directors through the year.

It is earnestly hoped that the public will show its interest in the Red Cross and its support of the board members by being present at this meeting.

## Music Studio To Open

Miss Ellen Robinson will open her music studio Monday, September 12, at the home of Mrs. J. S. Zimmerman, 402 D street. Registration is in progress this week.