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Four Field Days Feature Forestry Week In Wilkes

High School Boys And Farm Veterans At Demonstrations

Forestry Experts Teach Boys and Men Best Methods Forest Handling

With approximately 500 people participating, Forestry Week was observed in Wilkes county November 7 through 11 with four field days sponsored by the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

In field day demonstrations November 8, 9 and 10, a total of 192 4-H and F. F. A. boys and 150 veteran farm trainees and other adults gathered in the forests at a number of points to view demonstrations on thinning, stand improvement, selective cutting and forest management, conducted by forestry experts from agricultural agencies.

The week's observance was concluded Friday with a sawmill operators field day, with more than 125 participating. At E. F. Edwards' farm November 8 at nine a. m. boys from Ronda, Roaring River, Clingman and Benham schools were led in demonstrations by Walter Keller, district extension forester, and Howard Colvard, assistant county agent.

At the same time boys from Mountain View and Mulberry schools, with no students reporting from Traphill, met at Charlie Harrold's farm. John Gray, assistant extension forester, and County Agent Paul Choplin were in charge. Charles Higgins, of Mountain View school, was the contest winner.

In the afternoon of November 9 veteran farm trainees from Ronda, Clingman and Mountain View group two, with other adults, met at the Edwards farm and were led in demonstrations by John Gray and Walter Keller.

On the morning of November 9 boys from Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro schools, with none reporting from Ferguson, viewed demonstrations at the B. S. Call farm. Also in this group was a large class of vocational agriculture students from Fred Davis' department at Wilkesboro high school.

Instructors were John Gray, Walter Keller, Howard Colvard, Paul Choplin and Fred Davis, vocational agricultural teacher and head of veterans farm training in Wilkes. Fred Wellborn, of Wilkesboro school, was the contest winner.

With the same group of instructors carrying out the demonstrations farm veteran trainee groups from Wilkesboro, Mountain View district 1 and other adults met at the call farm in the afternoon of November 9.

Millers Creek and Mt. Pleasant boys met at the W. O. Huffman farm on the morning of November 10 with Walter Keller and Howard Colvard as instructors. Rush Elledge, of Millers Creek, won the prize in the contest.

Colored F. F. A. boys and veterans attended demonstrations on the farms of Dien Harris and J. G. Bumgarner on November 10 with John Gray, Paul Choplin and George Corbett, vocational agriculture and farm trainee instructor, in charge of the program. The chamber of commerce has a prize for the boy in this group doing the best job of tree planting.

Health To Be Topic At P.-T. A. Meeting On Thursday Night

The monthly meeting of the North Wilkesboro P.-T. A. will be held in the school auditorium Thursday evening, 7:30 o'clock. The program will feature an open discussion on "Health", conducted by the health committees of the school faculty and the P.-T. A. J. Floyd Woodward, superintendent of the school, is to lead the discussions.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson Last Rites Today

Well Known Wilkesboro Resident Died Saturday Night

Mrs. Mollie McEwen Johnson, 78, died Saturday midnight at the home of a daughter, Mrs. George Kennedy, in Wilkesboro. She had been in ill health for several months and critically ill during the past week.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of one of the Northwest North Carolina's best known families. She was born August 1, 1871, a daughter of the late John E. and Sarah Kimball McEwen. She was married to J. H. Johnson, former Wilkes sheriff, farmer and industrialist, who died in October last year.

Surviving Mrs. Johnson are three daughters: Mrs. Henry Reynolds, of Greensboro; Mrs. George Kennedy and Miss Sam Johnson, of Wilkesboro; and one step-daughter, Mrs. R. C. Shields, of Winston-Salem. Funeral service was held today, 11 a. m., at Wilkesboro Baptist church, where for many years Mrs. Johnson was a member. Rev. W. N. Brookshire, pastor, was assisted in the service by Rev. C. C. Holland, a former pastor. Burial was in Mt. Lawn Memorial Park north of this city.

Pall bearers were Roy Barnes, John D. Shields, Ralph Shields, Howell Shields, Wm. O. Johnson, Claude Kennedy, Herman Guyer and Vernon Highfill.

I. O. O. F. Meeting

All members of the Odd Fellows lodge are advised that the sixth district meeting will be held with Lincolnton lodge Saturday night, November 19.

Union lodge at Mulberry will meet Friday night, November 18, to make plans to attend the district meeting. A free supper will be served to the members of Union lodge Friday night and all members are asked to be present.

MOUNTAIN LIONS TAKE GAME FROM MOORESVILLE HERE 7-6

North Wilkesboro's Mountain Lions defeated Mooresville's Blue Devils 7 to 6 in a well played South Piedmont Conference football game in Memorial Park here Friday night.

The victory was not all told in the score, because North Wilkesboro so far outplayed the visitors that the score could have been by a greater difference except for fumbles and a tight goal line defense by the Blue Devils.

Halfback Jim Moore, who ripped off substantial gains throughout the game, plunged over for a touchdown in the second period from the one-yard line after he had made nine yards in three tries to get the ball in scoring position. Carl Swofford ran around left end for the extra point.

The visitors were held well in check until the fourth period when Mooresville advanced to the 29-yard line on a Griffith to Freeze pass. From that point Griffith, a small tailback wearing number 22, swivelhipped his way through the entire defending team to score. Griffith's kick for extra point was wide and that was the ball game.

North Wilkesboro's line charged well, as shown by the statistics giving Mooresville only 15 yards net in rushing while North Wilkesboro picked up 113 net yards from scrimmage. In passing the Mountain Lions also had an edge with 29 to 25 yards gained through the air. However, Mooresville completed the

Rep. Deane Will Spend Two Days In This County

Congressman Will Talk To Constituents In This Area Nov. 21-22

Representative C. B. Deane, of Rockingham, eighth North Carolina district congressman, is going to give his constituents an opportunity to talk to their congressman.

On the afternoon of Monday, November 21, Representative C. B. Deane will be at the Wilkes courthouse in Wilkesboro.

Representative Deane will then spend the morning on Tuesday, November 22, at the North Wilkesboro city hall.

These dates will give all an opportunity to talk over their problems with their congressman and to give him their views on legislation expected to face the next congress.

Representative Deane issues a cordial invitation for people to meet and talk with him on the dates stated above.

Ray Triplett On Shrine Bowl Team For Game Dec. 3

Ray Triplett, Wilkesboro Ramblers' backfield ace and a top candidate for all-state football honors, has been invited to play for the North Carolina team in the annual Shrine Bowl game in Charlotte December 3.

The annual Shrine game pits a North Carolina all-star high school team against all stars from South Carolina and is one of the south's outstanding games for high school players.

Ray has accepted the invitation. He was chosen on the basis of his record of high school play, which has been outstanding in every phase of the game.

Turkey Dinner At Mulberry Nov. 24

There will be a Turkey dinner served at the Mulberry Community House Thanksgiving day from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p. m. Price per plate will be \$1.00 for adults and 50c for children. Proceeds will go to the building fund of Baptist Home church. Tickets in advance may be purchased by contacting the ladies of the church. The public is cordially invited.

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Enjoys Fruits From Philippine Islands

E. L. Derrick, of the J. C. Penney store personnel here, recently received a gift package of fruits from a friend at Bam Bam Tarlace in the Philippines. Included in the package was a new and delicious fruit new to this part of the world and is known as South Pacific Pomgranate. The package was received from a friend Mr. Derrick met while in service in the Pacific area during the war.

Little Theatre Soon Will Stage Broadway Hit

"Night Must Fall" was first presented in London, where it completed a run of a year and seven months. So successful it was that the theatrical wise acres were sure it would duplicate its triumph on the New York stage. Immediately a half-dozen producers began the fight for American rights. Sam Harris was finally the successful bidder; and after the first performance the "Brooklyn Citizen" said:

"... as fascinating a play as you are likely to see in a month of Sundays. For an evening of thrills in the theatre, I recommend 'Night Must Fall'."

On the 2nd and 3rd of December, the Community Little Theatre will give you the opportunity to see this Broadway hit here in North Wilkesboro with your friends and neighbors in the leading roles.

Mary Jane Billings Funeral On Saturday

Miss Mary Jane Billings, 22, died Thursday following an extended illness.

Miss Billings was the daughter of Charlie Roosevelt Billings and Mrs. Blanche Johnson Billings, of Hays. In addition to her parents she is survived by six sisters and five brothers: Mrs. K. G. Carter, Nae, Muriel, Pansy, Betty Sue, Hope, Theodore, Ray, Bettie, Ben and Wayne Billings.

Rev. Monroe Dillard and Rev. Hillery Blevins conducted the funeral service which was held Saturday afternoon at Dehart church.

Mrs. Gertie Medlock Rites Held Friday

Funeral service was held Friday at Little Rock Church for Mrs. Gertie Jane Medlock, 65, resident of that community who died Wednesday in a Lenoir hospital. Rev. A. W. Eller and Rev. W. N. Brookshire conducted the last rites.

Mrs. Medlock, widow of the late Lloyd Medlock, is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Lelia Walker.

Liberty To Give Football Trophies After Game 18th

The Liberty Theatre has on display in the lobby of the theatre the beautiful trophies to be given the winning team of the Wilkesboro - North Wilkesboro game and individual trophies to the player on each team selected as the best blocker for the season.

The presentation of the trophies by the Liberty Theatre was begun last year, and Clarence (Ace) Parker, former all-American and now backfield coach at Duke, was here for the presentation.

The trophy for the winning team of the Wilkesboro-North Wilkesboro game went to Wilkesboro last year. Three years' consecutive winning make it the permanent property of a school.

The blocking trophies are given yearly and are kept by the recipients.

After the Wilkesboro - North Wilkesboro game November 13, the Liberty Theatre will present the trophies in an assembly period at the school winning the game trophy. Blocking trophies will also be presented at that time. The player on each team to receive the blocking trophy will be selected by vote of team mates.

Cancer Exams Are Offered Free In Clinic Tuesdays

Once again health authorities are calling attention to the cancer detection center, which is operated every Tuesday morning at the Wilkes courthouse in Wilkesboro.

At this clinic examination for cancer is made by competent physicians with the most modern type of equipment.

No attempt is made at the clinic to treat cancer, but it is highly important for people who have cancer to learn that fact as early as possible if they want to live.

Any woman age 35 and over, and any man over 40 who wants the examination can get it free by going to the clinic any Tuesday morning at 9:30 a. m., regardless of whether or not they have any symptoms of cancer.

Any person of any age who has symptoms which many indicate cancer is urged to be examined in the clinic, and if cancer exists it may be discovered in time to begin treatment to save a life.

The clinic is open to colored people as well as white.

Those from a distance may write for appointment, but must enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope for reply. Letters should be addressed to Mrs. C. M. Williams, secretary of the Cancer Detection Center, Wilkesboro, N. C.

D. L. Crook Buys R. & O. Grocery

D. L. Crook, who has been manager of the R. & O. Grocery for the past several weeks, has purchased the business from the S. V. Tomlinson estate, and is now not only manager but owner of the business.

The name of the firm has been changed to R. & O. Cash and Carry and the telephone number of the store has been changed to 765.

Production of certified seed crops in Georgia this year has increased more than 20,000 acres over last year.

RESERVED SEATS FOR WILKES GRID CLASSIC ARE ON SALE

The annual football game for the championship of Wilkes county—the Wilkes grid classic—will be played in Memorial Park here Friday night, November 18, eight o'clock.

Tickets for reserved seats between the 40 yard lines are now on sale at North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro schools. These seats are the best in the park and will be sold at \$1.50 each. Holders will be assured of their seats regardless of what time they arrive at the game.

WILKESBORO TOP SCORING TEAM IN STATE AFTER 47-12 VICTORY

By soundly trouncing Spencer, a South Piedmont conference team, 47 to 12 here Saturday night, Wilkesboro Ramblers entrenched themselves as the top scoring high school football team in North Carolina.

Going into the game Saturday night the Ramblers were trailing Children's Home by 14 points for state scoring honors, and they now lead Children's Home by 33 points to take over top place. Children's Home completed the season with the Wilkesboro game here last Monday night.

Here Saturday night the Ramblers had Spencer so badly outclassed that it ceased to be a contest. After four minutes of play Bill Byrd found Claude Nichols in the end zone with a 22-yard pass. Later in the first period Nichols took off on a 52-yard gallop around right end to score. Early in the second period Byrd passed to Emerson for ten yards on the five and Ray Triplett, all-state candidate who gained almost at will, blasted over left tackle to score. Continuing to slash off long gains through the heavy but slow Spencer team, Harold Dancy darted through the Spencer team for a dazzling 28-yard run for another touchdown in the TD parade. Ray Triplett showed

E. I. Ball Funeral To Be Held Tuesday One P. M. At Home

E. I. Ball, 68, for many years a well known citizen of the Gilreath community, died at the Wilkes hospital here Sunday afternoon. He suffered a stroke earlier in the day and did not regain consciousness.

Surviving Mr. Ball is one son, Hansford D. Ball, proprietor of Quality Food Store in North Wilkesboro, and three grandchildren. His wife died in May this year. Also surviving are four brothers and one sister: Matthew and A. Y. Ball, of Jackson Springs; J. A. Ball, of Kannapolis; W. A. Ball, of Gilreath; Mrs. Joe Marlow, of Gilreath.

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, one p. m., at the home. Elder D. L. Hiatt will conduct the service.

1950 Ford To Be Shown Here 18th

The new 1950 model Ford car will be on display Friday, November 18th, in the showrooms of the local dealer, Yadin Valley Motor Co. The local Ford dealers issues a cordial invitation to the public to see the new model.

A. F. Kilby, president and manager of the company, was in Myrtle Beach, S. C. last week to see a pre-showing of the 1950 Ford Models.

Forester, Soots Injured Players

J. S. Soots, tackle, was added to the injured list of North Wilkesboro players in the Mooresville game here Friday night when he sustained a bad bruise and sprain of one foot and may not be able to play here Friday.

Gordon Forester, Jr., guard sustained a foot fracture in the Barium game and is definitely out. Jim Moore, backfield ace, has a shoulder injury. C. L. Kemp, on the reserve team, has a broken foot.

A duro sow owned by O. H. Williamson of Columbus county has farrowed her third litter of pigs in a single year.

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Sawmill Operators Have A Field Day At Frazier's Friday

Best Methods Of Cutting Timber And Lumber Manufacture Shown

A field day for sawmill operators and timbermen climaxed Forestry Week in Wilkes county and was held November 11 at Ralph Frazier's lumber plant in North Wilkesboro under auspices of the Forestry division of the Agricultural committee of Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of all the events.

The program was opened at Mr. Frazier's sawmill with remarks by Paul Choplin, Wilkes county agent, John Gray and Walter Keller, extension foresters demonstrated log scaling. R. A. Campbell, of the southeastern forest experiment station, demonstrated log grading rules.

Earl Sidden demonstrated proper use of a sawmill to get the most lumber from a log. Other phases of sawing and mill maintenance were demonstrated by J. E. Bannerman, of Meadows Mill company, North Wilkesboro; Roy M. Carter, pro-Carolina State College; and R. W. Graeber, head of the forestry division of State College.

Lunch, consisting of barbecue prepared by Claude Buchanan and Roy Spainhour, was provided by P. E. Brown, Wilkesboro Manufacturing Co., American Furniture Co., Forest Furniture Co., Key City Furniture Co., Oak Furniture Co., and Meadows Mill Co.

In the brief program at lunch time County Agent Paul Choplin presented extension service representatives and demonstrators for saw and tool manufacturers.

Tom Jenrette, manager of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, spoke briefly, pointing out the great importance of forest conservation, development and protection. The manufacture of forest products constitutes the leading industry in the county. On behalf of the chamber of commerce, sponsor of the events, Mr. Jenrette stated appreciation to all who participated.

The afternoon program consisted of demonstrations and contests on Mr. Frazier's woodlands near Carolina Mirror Corporation plant.

A. H. Maxwell, farm forester, led a demonstration and discussion of tree marking and scaling. John Gray and Walter Keller explained why and how idle lands should be planted in trees. Representatives of various tool manufacturers demonstrated their products.

In the crosscut sawing contest Paul and Claude Brooks, of the Fairplains community, won first prize, a crosscut saw given by Ralph Frazier and an axe given by Jenkins Hardware company.

J. C. Spears and Claude Triplett placed second, A. X. Wyatt and J. W. Brooks third, with Ed Osborne and R. D. Darnell fourth. In the log chopping contest Claude Brooks took first prize, an axe given by North Wilkesboro Hardware Co.; second, an axe given by Frazier Lumber Co.; went to R. D. Darnell; third, an axe given by Church Hardware store, went to J. W. Brooks; and Paul Brooks placed fourth.

A brief radio program was broadcast from the sawmill with John Cashion in charge. Those participating were R. W. Graeber, Roy M. Carter and E. G. Finley, chairman of the Forestry committee of the chamber of commerce.

Chamber of commerce members who visited the field day demonstrations and were there for lunch included R. M. Brame, Jr., J. B. Williams, C. Arthur Venable, P. E. Brown, A. B. Johnston, John E. Justice, R. G. Finley, E. G. Finley, Edward S. Finley, C. B. Eller and Paul Church.

For the past several years the chamber of commerce here has sponsored field events in the interest of forestry and the events held during the past week were by far the most successful ever held in this work. Tom Jenrette, chamber manager, said.

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