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### National Guard And Many Sponsoring Organizations Will Participate

Third annual Memorial Day service at Mount Lawn Memorial Park north of this city on highway 18 will be held Tuesday, May 30, six p. m.

The service, instituted to honor fallen heroes from Wilkes in all wars for the cause of liberty and justice, will be sponsored by Battery C, 112th FA Bn. of the National Guard here, Major Roy W. Forehand, battalion executive officer, announced.

The program will open by "Dawn Patrol" by the North Wilkesboro high school band. Major Forehand will introduce the program participants. Prayer will be by Rev. Russell L. Young, pastor of the First Methodist church here, and Dr. John T. Wayland, first Baptist pastor and former armed services chaplain, will deliver the Memorial address. After the firing squad salute by Battery C taps will be sounded by the high school band.

The entire program will be less than one-half hour. Last year attendance was estimated at 1,500 people. This year an even larger attendance is anticipated. Announcements are being made in churches throughout the county urging all to attend this memorial service.

Cooperating with the National Guard are the following sponsoring organizations: Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary, American Legion and Auxiliary, North Wilkesboro high school band, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Daughters of the Confederacy, Daughters of the American Revolution, churches of Wilkes county, Radio station WKBC, The Journal-Patriot, city and county schools, Reins-Sturdyant Funeral Home, city councils and boards of commissioners of Wilkes county, North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro, police of towns and county and highway patrol, veterans of Spanish-American War, Wilkes Chamber of Commerce.

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### Clarence Duncan Home Destroyed

The home of Clarence Duncan in the Oakwoods community was totally destroyed by fire which started Wednesday morning about nine o'clock.

North Wilkesboro fire department rushed a truck to the fire and saved an automobile and smoke house. The car, which was parked near the house and between the house and smoke house, was burning when firemen arrived.

All furnishings of the home were destroyed in the fire.

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Mrs. Sherrill was the wife of the late James Sherrill, surviving one brother, John Pearson.

Optimist Albert Garwood and E. R. Eller gave reports of the eighteenth district convention in Charlotte, which they attended last week.

Guests at the luncheon included: M. B. McNeil with Optimist Johnson Sanders; Julius C. Hubbard, Jr. and John W. Hubbard with their father, Optimist Julius C. Hubbard; W. G. Gabriel with Optimist Maurice Walsh; John Daniels, of Salisbury, J. R. Priestler, this city, and Jack Daniels, of Burlington, with Optimist Lewis Jenkins.

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### Andrews Farm And Tomlinson Farm To Be Stops On Tour

### Farmers And Business Men To View Results Of Modern Practices

Plans have been completed for the annual Wilkes farm tour to be held on Friday, June 2, under auspices of the General Agriculture committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce and cooperating farm agencies.

Farmers of Wilkes county will be invited guests of chamber members on the tour, which has a dual purpose of education about approved farm practices and to promote goodwill and public relations between farmers and business men.

Announcements have been mailed farmers by County Agent Paul Choplin. Those who can attend are asked to send in their reply cards immediately in order that proper preparations may be made for lunch and that arrangements can be completed to care for all on the tour.

Starting place of the tour will be Wilkes Implement company at North Wilkesboro at nine a. m. Those who find it more convenient may join the tour at John Andrews' farm near Boomer at 11:15.

Morning demonstrations and discussions will be at the Andrews farm. Lunch will be served at noon at the V. F. W. hall in North Wilkesboro and afternoon demonstrations and discussions will be on the Tomlinson farm five miles west of North Wilkesboro on highway 421.

The morning program will open with distribution of land use maps on the Andrews farm by Station Melver, district Soil Conservationist. Subjects and discussion leaders will include: Fescue Seed Production, Dr. E. R. Collins, agronomist of the Extension Service; Pastures and winter Grazing, Norman Wilson, state PMA official, and Dr. Collins, consultant; Strip Cropping, Terracing and Road Bank Improvement, R. E. Duan, soil conservationist; Beef Cattle, J. S. Buchanan, animal husbandry specialist of Extension Service; summary by John Andrews, farm owner.

At the Tomlinson farm the subjects and discussion leaders are scheduled as follows: Small Grain, Dr. Collins; Artificially Bred Calves, John F. Brown and F. R. Farnham, extension diarymen, and Avery Gaston, extension field man of Southeastern Breeders Association; Dairy Barns and Silos, John F. Brown and F. R. Farnham; Production of Quality Milk, W. A. McLendon, of Coble Dairy Products company.

At the end of the program will be a period open for questions and discussions from framers and chamber of commerce members.

Replies from chamber members relative to the number who will go on the tour are expected in the chamber office by May 29.

A number of interesting pictures or projects to be visited on the farm tour are contained in section 3, pages six and seven of this newspaper.

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All records for primary voting in Wilkes county may be shattered Saturday, May 27.

Spirited county races by both parties add to the keen interest in senatorial and congressional contests for nominations and there is also a contest of much local interest for the Republican nomination for solicitor of the 17th judicial district.

J. Allie Hayes, North Wilkesboro attorney, is seeking Republican nomination for solicitor in opposition to Avalon E. Hall, Yadkin Republican, in the counties of Wilkes, Yadkin, Davie, Avery and Mitchell.

In county races the principal interest is centered around the nomination for sheriff in both parties.

Three Republicans are seeking the nomination for the sheriff's job now held by C. G. Poindexter, who is not a candidate. They are: Claude Billings, Jr., Fred Myers and Walter W. Gambill. This contest is attracting much interest.

This year the Democratic party has four candidates in a spirited race for nomination for sheriff. They are Dave Hall, Fred C. Johnson, Genio Walsh and Carlyle Ingle. Candidates and their supporters have been very active during the past month and will attract a record vote.

In the Republican primary is a three-way contest for nomination for clerk of court, the position now held by C. C. Hayes, who is not a candidate. This primary race has the first woman contestant in Wilkes county. She is Miss Cora Caudill, who for the past several years has been deputy clerk. The other candidates are M. W. Green and W. S. Fletcher.

Polls will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m.

State Ticket

Two races on the state primary ticket hold major interest in Democratic circles. U. S. Senator Frank Graham has opposition from three candidates: Willis Smith, Robert R. Reynolds and Olla Ray Boyd.

There is also a spirited contest for the Democratic nomination for congress in the eighth district, Representative C. B. Deane has opposition from W. E. (Bill) Horner, Sanford publisher who lost to Deane by a narrow margin two years ago.

For the first time in history voters in the primary will choose between a Justice of the Supreme court and his opponent. Justice Emery B. Denny has as his opponent Oscar O. Efrid, of Winston-Salem.

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