

**LOCAL NEWS**

Mrs. Ethel Helms of Charlotte spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Bertha Thompson of the Prospect community. Miss Thompson has been sick for the past three weeks and her condition remains about the same.

Mrs. Ernest King of R2, Monroe, brought to The Enquirer office, Saturday, one of the largest sweet potatoes ever seen in this section and the largest thus far, this season. The potato weighs nine pounds, and what's more, Mrs. King says she has plenty more like the one she left The Enquirer.

Born to First Sgt. and Mrs. John H. Edmondson, a daughter, Virginia Ann, on October 8, 1944 in the Ellen Fitzgerald hospital. Mrs. Edmondson is the former Miss Maude Yarborough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Yarborough, R4, Monroe. Sgt. Edmondson is stationed at Camp San Luis, Obispo, Calif.

Approximately one third of the \$14,208, War Fund quota for Union county, has been reached, according to an announcement made today, by E. H. Broome, Chairman of the drive in Union county. While no definite figures were available, Mr. Broome stated that thus far, Monroe is making an excellent showing, while contributions from over the county have not been as brisk as had been expected. He urged all who have not as yet been contacted for donations in the various communities to either send a check to their school principal for the United War Fund who will see that it reaches the local office or mail it to him in Monroe.

The Briarhoppers, with WBT's famous Tennessee Hamblers will appear in person at Alton school on the Wolf Pond road, on Wednesday night, November 1st at 8 o'clock. This is sponsored by the Trinity Home Demonstration club. A small admission will be charged and the public is invited.

Dan S. McCollum of Wingate special agent for the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, in his report released today shows that cotton ginnings in Union county from the 1944 crop is 4,594 bales less prior to October 18th this year, as compared with 1943. Total ginnings in Union county, thus far as of October 18th were 13,320 bales, compared with 17,554 bales to the same date last year.

Revival services will begin at the Wingate Baptist church Monday, November 6th, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. Roy Clifford of the First Baptist church of Lexington, will assist the pastor, Rev. W. C. Link, Jr., in the services. Rommie Pierce will lead the singing. The meeting will close Sunday night, November 12th. There will be morning services Tuesday through Friday at 10:30. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend the services.

Union county schools will continue to operate on the short schedule for this week instead of the long schedule as had been originally planned by school officials. The recent storm in this area, delayed to a certain extent cotton picking in the county and it was decided by school authorities to continue the short schedule this week to allow school children more time to aid in harvesting the crop. The long schedule is expected to start next week.

M. C. Long has many friends throughout the city and county who will regret to learn that he is confined to his bed at his home on East Windsor street and although he is very weak, there appears to be a slight improvement in his condition today.

Spot cotton prices sagged last week. The 10-market average price for middling 15-16 inch was 21.42 cents per pound against 21.58 a week earlier and 20.19 a year ago. The movement of cotton is being hampered in many areas by congestion at compresses and warehouses. Reported spot sales in the 10 markets totaled 219,000 bales for the week against 281,500 in the preceding week and 193,300 a year earlier.

The Office of Price Administration Saturday announced the dates when additional food stamps in ration book Number Four will become valid. On October 29th, red stamps L-5, M-5, N-5 and P-5 will become valid for buying meats and dairy products. These stamps will be good for a total of 40 points, and they will have to last over the five-week period from October 29th to December 3rd. On November 1st, blue stamps S-5, T-5, U-5, V-5 will become valid. Each of these stamps is good for 10 points for the purchase of processed foods and will be the last issued until December 1. All of the stamps validated are good indefinitely.

Mrs. Kate Capehart and Mrs. Geo. F. Rutzler, Jr., attended the State Welfare Institute in Raleigh last week. Miss Margaret Laney accompanied them home. As they were returning Mrs. Rutzler's car which she was driving, got off the pavement and partly on the wet sand shoulder and turned over on its side just beyond Hoffman. A bus was passing just at that time and passengers helped the ladies from the car immediately. All sustained minor bruises and stir muscles but no one was seriously hurt. A sailor who was on the bus volunteered to drive them home and they were able to complete the trip in their car.

Mrs. Hoyle Wilkes and family had as their week-end guest, Mrs. Walter N. Cosley of Hamlet.

Announcement is made by Secret Drug Company of its annual Fall One Cent Retail Sale in an advertisement appearing elsewhere in today's issue of The Enquirer. The sale starts Thursday, November 2 and will continue through Saturday, November 4.

**BIG BATTLESHIP N. C. REAL PACIFIC POWER**

The battle record of the U. S. S. North Carolina, the Tar Heel state's namesake battleship, was released in connection with the observance of Navy Day Friday.

The 35,000-ton North Carolina was commissioned April 9, 1941, the first of its class. She sailed for the Pacific war area during the early summer of 1942 under the command of Rear Admiral (then captain) George H. Fort. The Carolina's first duty was to support the U. S. landings on Guadalcanal and Tulagi as carrier planes attacked these objectives. Her first taste of real action came August 24, 1942, when the Japanese were turned back in a major attempt to land reinforcements on Guadalcanal. In the battle of the eastern Solomons the Carolina and other support vessels helped drive off enemy planes attacking the carrier Enterprise.

United States aircraft struck the first blow late in the afternoon, sinking a carrier and a destroyer of the Japanese invasion fleet. About an hour later the enemy planes swarmed down, attacking the Enterprise in strength. Dive bombers made the North Carolina their target, scoring several near hits and killing one man by strafing. The battleship retaliated by downing six of the attackers and getting several probables.

The North Carolina remained in the Solomons area, engaged in patrolling against enemy surface craft, usually attached to carrier task groups. During the campaign to secure the New Georgia group she was a part of the covering force which operated under the direct command of Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr.

Her next major action was in the Gilberts when she accompanied a carrier group on an air strike against the Japanese-held atoll of Makin. Moving to the assault on the other islands in the group, the battleship shot down two attacking enemy planes and acted as support for landing operations in the waters south of Tarawa. She bombarded the mines, the airfield and phosphate mines of Japanese-held Nauru island.

Early in 1944 the North Carolina acted as support for carriers during an air strike on the enemy base of Kavieng, New Ireland.

The North Carolina led the task force which bombarded the atoll of Kwajalein in advance of the troop landings. On January 29 she sped to the northern end of the atoll to lay down a preliminary barrage. Late that evening she opened fire on an enemy supply ship, setting her afire and sinking her with direct hits from her main and secondary batteries. That night she bombarded an enemy air strip, and the following morning continued pounding enemy positions with heavy caliber artillery.

Not until February 4 when the islands were finally secured did the North Carolina cease her support activities. The big battleship then moved into the captured base of Majuro. Her subsequent activities have not yet been released by the Navy department.

**OBITUARIES**

**MRS. LILLIAN PRESLAR MANGUM**  
Mrs. Lillian Preslar Mangum, 77, widow of the late J. B. Mangum, died at her home on the Pageland road, near here Sunday afternoon at 12:30 after a long illness. Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning at Macedonia Baptist church, conducted by Rev. R. M. Hagler. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The body will lie in state at the church thirty minutes before the hour of the funeral.

Active pallbearers will be: Triss Williams, Jody Eudy, Zeb, Cuthbertson, J. Cliff Williams, Herman Moore and Harold Moore. Honorary pallbearers were: Aaron F. Funderburk, T. A. Ashcraft, Dr. E. J. Williams, Dr. J. W. Ormand, R. W. Gaddy, Brad Winchester, Bob Small, Joel Griffin, Lee Medlin, Earl Williams, Coble Funderburk, Vernon E. Polk, E. E. Eudy.

Mrs. Mangum is survived by five daughters: Mrs. C. S. Hatfield of Hamlet, Mrs. Harry Hobbs and Mrs. I. M. Sawyer of Charlotte; Misses Mollie and Mattie Mangum of the home; four sons, W. M. O. L., and P. B. Mangum, all of Monroe; three sisters, Mrs. L. C. Polk of Wingate, Mrs. G. W. Parker of Monroe and Mrs. J. Davis Helms of the county; two brothers, S. W. Preslar of Concord and J. E. Preslar of Durham; also 17 grandchildren.

**CHARLES EUGENE MCNINCH**  
Charles Eugene McNinch, 61, died at his home in Sandy Ridge township, Thursday night after a brief illness. He came to Union county three years ago. He was a retired employe of the American Telegraph and Telephone company, was a Mason and a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the McEwen funeral home here with Jack Knell, first reader of the Church of Christ, Scientist, of Charlotte, officiating.

Mr. McNinch is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lottie Pate McNinch, and two sisters, Mrs. George B. Wilson of Charlotte and Mrs. H. A. Rensford of Birmingham, Ala.

**WILLIAM SAMUEL HOWARD**  
William Samuel Howard, 63 years old, died in the York County Hospital, Rock Hill, S. C., after a three-day illness October 28, 1944 at 9:00 p. m. Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Tuesday at Union Grove church. Rev. Mr. Pierce and Rev. Mr. Cox will officiate. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The body will remain at the Harris-Wells Funeral Home until the hour of the funeral.

Surviving are the following: His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Coney Howard; three sons, Thomas Howard of Charlotte, W. S. Howard, Jr., of the U. S. Army overseas, Harry E. Howard of the U. S. Army overseas, Paul M. Howard of the U. S. Army overseas, James, Robert and Frank Howard of the home, Catawba, S. C.; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Rockwell of Lando, S. C., Ethel and Margaret Howard of the home.

**JAMES WASHINGTON MORRIS**  
James Washington Morris, 73 years old, died at his home in Lanes Creek township Friday night at 6:25, after a ten-day illness. Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at Sandy Plains Methodist church in Anson county. Rev. Mr. Faulkenbury and Rev. Douglass Smith officiated. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are as follows: the wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Burr Morris; three daughters, Mrs. Cull Sherrin of Pageland, S. C., Mrs. Wilson Melton of Pageland, S. C. and Miss Sarah Morris of the home; two sons, James W. Morris of Fort Mill, S. C., Oscar Morris of the home; three brothers, John Morris of Morven, B. W. and Jewell Morris of Cheraw, S. C.; one sister, Miss Lucy Morris of Morven.

**ALLEN JOHNSON BENTON**  
Allen Johnson Benton, 67, of Indian Trail, died suddenly of a heart attack Thursday while on the way from his home to his store, nearby. Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at Shiloh Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Walter Hill, assisted by Rev. J. R. Warren and Rev. T. J. Huggins. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Active pallbearers were nephews of the deceased. They were: Wiley Conder, Wade Conder, Willie Sutton, B. H. Funderburk, Madison Barker and Reed Funderburk. Honorary pallbearers were: Joe Rogan, C. M. Rogers, Hiram Secrest, Carl Helms, Albert Funderburk, Stanley Polk, Brady Helms, Preston Baucom, Scott Long, Irwin Simpson, V. A. Moore, George Goforth, R. E. Crowell, E. E. Austin, J. B. Smith, Carl Orr, H. M. Orr, C. W. Harkey, R. S. Deese, W. A. Hemby, B. M. Yandle, O. S. Hemby, W. Williams, S. B. Howard, Will Howard, Cecil O. Rogers, Charlie J. Conner, L. J. Morris, J. R. Harts, E. J. Stinson, Frank Moore.

He is survived by two sons, Angus of the home and F. Bentley Benton of Camp Hood, Texas; four daughters, Miss Gladys Benton of Apex, Miss Tompety Benton of Tabor City, Misses Myrtle and Allee of the home; one brother, T. B. Benton of the county; four sisters, Misses Margaret and Estelle Bentons of the county; Mrs. Cora Funderburk of Charlotte and Mrs. Mary Conder of Hamlet.

**REV. DAVID WOLFE**  
Rev. William David Wolfe, 62, pastor of historic New Hope Presbyterian church near Gastonia dropped dead in his pulpit at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning as he was hearing the conclusion of his sermon. As he slumped to the floor, members of the church rushed to his aid only to find that death had come to him suddenly. Although none of his family knew it, Mr. Wolfe suffered a severe heart attack three weeks ago but it did not prevent his going ahead with his pastoral work.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete word from a son, William David Wolfe, Jr., of the Navy. Young David was known to be in New York a few days ago while his ship was docked there but so far it is not known whether he has gone to sea again.

Mr. Wolfe was born in Union county near Monroe, son of the late Samuel S. and Mrs. Dora Winchester Wolfe, and a grandson of the late Squire J. H. Winchester. He was graduated from Davidson college and Union Theological seminary, Elizabeth, Va. He married Miss Bertha Smith of Burlington, W. Va., who survives with the following children: Wm. David Wolfe, Jr., in the Navy, Mary Elizabeth Davis of Burlington, W. Va., Ellen, Glenn and Houston Wolfe at home. Also surviving are the following brothers and sister: Henry Wolfe of Shelby, Thomas R. Wolfe of Spray, J. Carl Wolfe of Hickory, Samuel Wolfe of Farmer, Tenn., Oscar E. Wolfe of Greensboro, Frank Wolfe of Spencer, Cyrus Wolfe of the Veterans hospital at Keocoughton, Va., Houston Wolfe of Burlington, Lee Wolfe of Spencer and Mrs. A. G. Blalock of Spencer.

Mr. Wolfe had served churches at Burlington and Thomas, W. Va., and Tellico Plains, Tenn., prior to going to New Hope church, Gastonia, ten years ago next month.

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**TUESDAY—7:30 P. M.** "GOD'S LOVE IN A TEST TUBE!"  
Everyone should hear this soul-stirring message. Sinners will be made to think! Christians will appreciate their Lord more! Don't miss it!  
**WEDNESDAY—7:30 P. M.** "WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY CHRIST?"  
You say, nothing, preacher. Then why aren't you serving Him? Are you? If not, why not? You will be made to think! Sinners need to think!  
**THURSDAY—7:30 P. M.** "I FIND NO FAULT IN CHRIST."  
The Faultless Christ! He's worthy of our Love, Worship and Praise! Bring the whole family to hear this Dynamic Message!  
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