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LOCATION NEAR LINCOLNTON . . .

Shorewood Furn. Inc. To Build Large, New Plant

Approximately 11 acres of land fronting on the new bypass and lying between the Maiden highway and Goodsonville road has been purchased by Shorewood Furniture, Inc., of Lincolnton as the building site for a new furniture plant of the company, it was announced today.

BUSINESS GOOD
Recent and present good business enjoyed by the firm and prospects for a brighter future were cited as reasons for the expansion program being undertaken by the company.

Stearn W. Warlick, general manager and treasurer of the firm, reported that work on the new, one story, brick and steel building as dated to begin within the next few days. He added that it is hoped that construction work may be far enough advanced by late January or early February so that the wood-working (machine) phase of the company's operations, now located on the Lincolnton-Cherryville highway, can move in.

When completed, the main building will contain approximately 40,000 square feet of floor space. The building design is planned for maximum of efficiency and production. It was stated that rough lumber will enter at

the extreme rear (North) end of the straightline building, and as this progresses through each phase of manufacturing, all operations will progressively move forward towards the front (South) end of the plant for final phase of inspection, packing and shipping.

Offices and show rooms will also be located in the main building. Shorewood Furniture, Inc., produces a medium to higher price line of modern and early American upholstered living room furniture. The company's product is sold throughout most of the eastern and midwest sections of the United States, with a few accounts in Canada.

EMPLOYES 60 PEOPLE
Mr. Warlick said the plant presently employs 60 people, and added that it is not known at this time how many additional employees the new plant will require.

It was pointed out that the sales of Shorewood Furniture, Inc., have consistently shown a gain until a point has been reached where it is almost impossible to maintain required production in the firm's present frame-producing plant. So, officials of the company, after much thought and consideration for future expansion,

decided in favor of the complete new factory located on ground sufficient for plenty of expansion.

The company officials, after investigation, study, and considering all details, believed the tract of land purchased is the most desirable to be found in or around Lincolnton for this expansion project.

FIRM OFFICERS
Officers of Shorewood Furniture, Inc., are J. C. Cloniker, of York, S. C., president; S. W. Warlick of Lincolnton, treasurer and general manager; M. E. Shore of New York city, sales manager.

The company was founded in 1948 in the present manufacturing plant of frame construction.

In 1951, the cloth cutting, sewing, upholstering, shipping departments, and office were moved into their present location on East Church Street.

The new plant, when completed and occupied, will embrace all operations and divisions of the company.

In addition to the production plant, the Shorewood project will include installation of a water system, a 150 H.P. steam boiler plant, dry-kiln and lumber yard with conveyor track system.

Tait Yarn Co. Plant Building Being Renovated

Tait Yarn Co., E. Water street, is this week undergoing some remodeling work that is designed to afford additional comfort and advantages for employees and lend to the general appearance to the plant's physical features.

Every other window on the first floor of the plant building is being closed up by brick construction, and other windows will be partly closed-leaving the top portions for ventilation and light purposes.

Jim Sigmon, treasurer of the company, stated that this outside work and interior improvements are designed to provide better heating and lighting of the plant in the winter months, cooler in the summer months.

A. L. Tait, Mayor of Lincolnton, is president of Tait Yarn Co.

R. B. Gates Goes To Tax Meeting At Chapel Hill

R. B. Gates, Tax Supervisor of Lincoln county, is in Chapel Hill this week where he is attending the state convention of North Carolina Tax Supervisors Association at the Institute of Gov. ernment.

Mr. Gates is president of the organization, and will preside over the three-day program scheduled for yesterday, today and Friday.

Attending the convention with Mr. Gates are Mrs. Calvin Mosteller, clerk in the tax supervisor office; Mrs. O. H. Venter, county tax lister; Blair Abernethy, Jr., who this week was named assistant to Mr. Rake in the county property revaluation work.

The Lincolnton group went to the Chapel Hill meeting with Ray Pitts, Tax Supervisor of Catawba county.

Mrs. Ida Hewitt Dies At Maiden

Mrs. Lydia Hoyle Hewitt, eighty-three, of Maiden, died at a Newton hospital Monday night at seven o'clock, following a lingering illness. She was the widow of the late J. L. Hewitt of Maiden.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock at the Mt. Ruhama Baptist church, with the Rev. L. B. McClure officiating, assisted by the Rev. L. R. Williams. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. M. P. Taylor, and a number of nieces and nephews. Mrs. Hewitt was born Oct. 31, 1873, a daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Hoyle of Catawba county.

Chicken Supper For High School Band

There will be a chicken and dumpling supper Saturday night, November 12 at the Band's High School, in Catawba county, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Plates will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Proceeds will go to the high school band.

Local Religious Campaign Is Being Sponsored By Jaycees

The opening of the local Religion in American Life (RIAL) campaign during November was announced by a proclamation of Mayor A. L. Tait today to encourage everyone to attend regularly the church or synagogue of his choice.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE
A committee composed of representatives of local religious and civic groups is sponsoring the campaign with Alex S. Bar-

Rotarians See Timely Film On Air Alert System

A timely and instructive motion picture in color and sound was shown to Rotarians at the club's dinner meeting Monday night in the High School cafeteria.

Rotarian Champ Land was program leader.

The film dealt with the Conelrad system of air raid alert on radio and the need of planning ahead for the possible evacuation of your respective city or town. The importance and use of the automobile was stressed in the evacuation operation.

This film was made possible by the National Automobile Dealers Association. Before the film was presented, Mr. Land spoke briefly relative to the operation of the Conelrad air alert system.

Andrew Rhyne, member of the Gastonia Rotary club, was a visitor at Monday's meeting of the local club.

County Employees Will Get Additional Holidays

COMPANY PLANNED LINCOLNTON MILL . . .

Talks Go On Regarding Sale Bell Company Property Here

The Axelrod interests in Boston are still negotiating for the purchase of The Bell Co., worsted manufacturer, Worcester, Mass., James Axelrod, spokesman for the group, made known. Mr. Axelrod is head of Lippitt Worsteds Mills, Woonsocket, R. I.

The sale would include acreage in Lincoln, near the old Smith mill, where Bell intended to erect a wool processing factory.

Mr. Axelrod said his group had made a proposal for the firm. He said he expected Bell to make a counter proposal which then would be considered.

Mr. Axelrod said that the "Axelrod interests" is the correct description of the potential purchaser. He said his name is used in such negotiations but it definitely was the "Axelrod interests" which are involved.

FINES ARE ASSESSED . . .

Traffic Violators Top Recorder's Court Docket

Disposition of cases tried in Monday's Recorder's court, Judge Thomas Wilson presiding, as taken from the records in the office of Clerk of Court Joe Ross follow:

James S. Bennett, speeding 55 mph in 45 zone. Service of warrant ordered.

Douglas Rickard, assault on female, adw. Not guilty.

Ralph Davidson Sherrill, reckless driving involved in accident. Not guilty.

Ira Gene Sherrill, reckless driving involved in accident. Not guilty.

John Lineberger Cooper, failed to grant right of way being involved in accident. Not guilty.

Fay Ernest Hallman, exceeding safe speed involved in accident, MVL 20-141 (A) C. Not guilty.

Donald Duke Sherrill, reckless driving involved in accident, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$25 fine and costs.

Johnnie (nmn) Morrison, reckless driving involved in an accident causing personal injury and property damage, six months, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs.

Howard Anderson Lowe, driving drunk, six months, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs, and further condition defendant not operate a motor vehicle upon public highways of N. C. for a period of 1 year from date. Defendant appeals to Superior court.

Harold (nmn) Logan, driving drunk, six months, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs and further condition that defendant not operate a motor vehicle upon the public highways of N. C. for a period of 1 year from date. Defendant appeals to Superior court.

Lester Clay Mauldin, reckless driving involved in accident, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$25 fine and costs.

David Jack Dellinger, speeding 80 mph, 30 days, suspended upon payment of \$15 and costs; given until Nov. 12, 1955, to pay.

The following were ordered to pay the costs on the charge of speeding: Carl Sidney Dennis, Martin August Joyner, Dwight Thomas Petera, Vernon Theodore Garrison, Lee Ellis Edwards, Walter Lee Nicholson, Thomas Murray Mayfield, Daniel Cline Falls, Robert Lee Campbell, Robert Lee Hoke, William Oliver Williams, Gary Lee Ray, Sam Avery Carpenter, Louise Wright Barkley, Bobby Ray Nantz, Melvin Leroy Bowman, Jerry Odell Buff.

Cases on indictments for assault, adw. slander of woman, reckless driving involved in accident, were continued to other terms of court.

Oscar J. Earl, 68, Of County, Taken By Death

Oscar James Earl, 68, of Lincolnton Route 4, Massapoag Mill section, died around 10 p. m. last night at the Crowell Hospital.

Mr. Earl, a textile worker by profession, became suddenly ill at his home Wednesday night and was rushed by ambulance to the hospital where he succumbed shortly after admittance. Death was reported due to a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a. m. at Lawings Chapel Baptist Church with the Rev. L. A. McClure in charge. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Earl was the son of Martin Earl and Frances Frye Earl of Haywood county. He was born June 9, 1887.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Kate Saunders Earl; two daughters, Mrs. Junius Seagle and Mrs. Robert Carpenter of Lincolnton, Route 2; one son, Fred Earl of Lincolnton; one sister, children; and one sister, Mrs. Joe Beal of Lincolnton, Route 5.

The body will remain at Drum Funeral Home Chapel until the hour of the service.

New Jail Reported In Prospect For County

Employees of Lincoln County will be getting more "time off" or holidays from their work in the future than they have in the past, the County Commissioners so decreed this week.

And, prospects are that the County Jail will definitely be condemned for further use if no effort is made by the county in the near future to replace it.



HAROLD EIDE

Harold Eide To Be Executives Club Speaker On 17th

Not since the days of Jack London has a more colorful figure come out of Alaska than the next speaker who is scheduled to address the Lincoln Executives Club.

Harold Eide, gold-miner, trader, trapper and rough-and-ready soldier of fortune who is at home everywhere, will be here on Thursday night, November 17.

Eide is an adventurer par excellence, having been just about "everywhere" in the north, Alaska, Norway, Iceland, the Carribean, too; they're all home to him. He's a delightful storyteller, and captivates his audience with his stimulating experiences.

On the County Jail matter, a Mr. Early, State Inspector of city and county jails, met with the commissioners to give information and recommendations to them on the aged basille which has long been considered out moded. It was agreed that the inspector would issue a statement at an early date to the commissioners as to the future use of the jail.

The county commissioners have in past sessions have studied and discussed the possibilities of thoroughly remodeling the present jail, or having a completely new one built. Sentiment now, it is understood, favors a new jail.

Commissioner Warren was willing to be quoted on the jail situation. He said: "We've found the cost of remodeling the present jail would amount to around \$40,000, and a new one can be built for around \$75,000. I see more advantages and benefits for the county and the future is building a new jail rather than trying to do anything expensive about the old one."

Carolina Oil Truck Ablaze, Firemen Called

City firemen led by truck driver Paul Brackett, were called out on the Lincolnton-High Shoals highway about 3 p. m. Tuesday, where a Carolina Distributing Co. truck had caught fire.

Pete Crow, driver of the truck, reported to firemen that he first noticed the truck ablaze when he looked through the vehicle's rear mirror. He quickly pulled the blazing truck off the highway and an emergency call made to the fire department. The fire originated at the rear of the truck near the booster hose. Only fuel oil, no gasoline, was in the truck tanks when the blaze flared up, it was stated. Damages were estimated at possibly several hundred dollars.

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Commissioner Warren stated that it was decided that the county jail would be continued temporarily.

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VFW Ham Supper Set For Monday

Lincoln Post 1706, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a ham supper for members at the post's regular meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the post home.

Commander Dick Mullen announced that ham and all the trimmings will be served free to all who attend and asked for a full attendance of members.

These decisions were made and other matters discussed and agreed upon when the County Commissioners met in monthly session on Monday in the county courthouse. Commissioners present were: B. P. Costner, chairman; James W. Warren, Lee O. Bess, Rodney Sherrill and Loui M. Aderholt.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
On the setting of holiday dates for county employees, the motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Sherrill and unanimously passed by the board, that the following days be observed the county employees as holidays:

January 1 (New Year's day, or Monday following), Easter Monday, July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in September), November 11th (Armistice, now known as Veterans Day), Thanksgiving day, and three work days at the Christmas season (these three days to be designated by the commissioners).

This means the courthouse will be closed on the above listed holiday schedule.

This holiday schedule for the county's approximately 35 employees will give them seven "extra" holidays that they haven't enjoyed in the past. In recent years, the only "days off" observed by county employees have been July 4th, Thanksgiving day and Christmas.

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Pollock Will Preside At State Soil Group Meet

Stanley Z. Pollock, Lincoln county soil conservationist, will preside at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Chapter No. 45, Soil Conservation Society of America, to be held at the Vance Hotel in Statesville Friday and Saturday of this week.

Mr. Pollock is president of the group. Others connected with soil conservation program in Lincoln county will accompany Mr. Pollock to the two-day event.

The meeting begins with registration at 12 noon Friday, and in attendance will be soil conservationists from all parts of the state.

A demonstration on soil sampling by Iredell County 4-H'ers, D. W. White, Jr., and Allen Williams will be given at the Statesville City hall at 1 p.m. Friday, followed at 2 p.m. by a tour of the Third Creek watershed.

Dr. Harry B. Caldwell, master of the N.C. Grange, will present the special awards at the luncheon meeting Friday, at which Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, former chief of the Soil Conservation Service will be the principal speaker.

Various reports will be heard at the Saturday session, officers elected, with the main address at the luncheon meeting to be delivered by H. Wayne Pritchard, executive secretary of the Soil Conservation Society of America.

VFW Dance Saturday Night

Another Saturday night dance is planned for this Saturday night, Nov. 12, at the VFW Club on the country club.

The dance, sponsored by the Shipp-Lockman VFW Post, will be for VFW members and their guests. There will be dancing, both round and square, from 9 until 12 midnight.

Music will be by the popular Rhythm Masters.

Admission: \$1.50 per couple.



HIS TITLE PICKED . . . From more than 250 suggested subjects submitted by agricultural workers over the state for the 1956 Cooperative Essay Contest, that of P. E. Shoulers (above), agriculture teacher at the Southwood School near Kinston, was selected. His title was "How Our Farm Surplus Can Help Win the Battle for World Peace." The contest is open to all rural high school boys and girls and is sponsored annually by the Farmers Cooperative Exchange and the N. C. Cotton Growers Association.

KIWANIS CLUB SPEAKER . . .

More Businessmen Using Christian Principles Now, Says Dr. Henry

Dr. Harry D. Henry of Hickory, retired Methodist minister, gave an interesting and humorous talk before Kiwanians at the club's weekly dinner meeting on Tuesday night in the High School cafeteria. He was introduced by Rev. J. W. Braxton.

Dr. Henry served as a Methodist minister for 32 years, most of the time in Minnesota, prior to his retirement. When he first retired, he moved to Florida to live but later found North Carolina more to his liking and moved to Hickory.

RADIO ANNOUNCER
In recent years, in his desire to keep busy at some avocation, he has served as a news announcer over radio station WHKY in Hickory and conducts his own programs on Sunday afternoons and each morning at 8:30.

The speaker told of his work in the radio broadcasting field in Hickory, and expressed the opinion that "everyone should make a resolution to laugh more, enjoy life more." He related that in preparation for his radio work he read many magazines and newspapers and tried to select new items for his programs that made good news.

"I like to find things that people do that s'ack up against the judgment of eternity," he said. His centered much of his talk on his findings in the human relations field, and reported that he has found that the American businessman has changed his way of thinking and acting—with a decided shift in his attitude towards social responsibility.

"More and more businessmen," Dr. Henry explained, "are using Christian principles in their business." He emphasized that you can now see "tracing of Christ's teachings in the business world and market place."

SPONSOR GIRL SCOUT FUND DRIVE

Kiwanian Jule Ward made a club announcement that the Kiwanis club is sponsoring the Lincoln county Girl Scout Fund Drive, and that it was hoped the drive could be completed by next Tuesday. Club members will contact the various town organizations and individuals for contributions to the fund, he said.

Post Office, Courthouse Offices Will Close Friday, November 11

Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, will be observed Friday, Nov. 11, as a holiday by the Lincolnton post office, the driver's license examiner office, and other federal offices here. All county offices in the courthouse will be closed on Friday as a holiday. The stores, banks and other business will open as usual tomorrow.

Lincoln Farmers With Hay For Sale Asked To Contact The County Agent's Office

The following announcement from the Lincoln county farm agent's office will be of interest to farmers who have hay for sale:

A number of farmers from the eastern part of the state have requested names of farmers from Lincoln County who have hay for sale. Hurricanes damaged most of the hay in the coastal areas, causing an acute shortage.

Livestock farmers in that area are now buying hay from this

(Lincoln) area.

All Lincoln County farmers having hay for sale are asked to contact the Lincoln County farm agent's office and give the following information: Amount for sale, quality, kind, and price wanted per ton.

This in no way guarantees the sale of the hay, but the county agent's office will do its best to help local farmers find a purchaser.

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Variety Show Nov. 18th For Benefit Of LHS Band

Plans have been completed for the Variety Show to be held on Friday night, November 18, in the Lincolnton High School auditorium.

The show, beginning at 8 o'clock, will be sponsored by the Band Boosters Club of Lincolnton.

All proceeds will go for the benefit of the High School band.

As the High School band is dependent upon the proceeds of this program for its operational

expenses, it is very urgent that there be a "sold out" house. All tickets are 50 cents each.

Carl Smith, popular announcer at radio station WLON, will emcee the program and an evening of superb entertainment has been arranged.

Everyone is urged to "back the band" by coming out to the show. If you can't come, the request is made that you buy a ticket anyway and thus show your appreciation of the fine L.H.S. band.

The highest rank in Scouting, the Eagle Rank, was awarded Don Smith, of Troop 1, Crouse at the October 20 Court of Honor. Eagle Scout Smith is a junior in the Tryon High School where he is president of his class. He is also vice president of the M. Y. F. of the Crouse Methodist church. Don is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith of the Crouse community. The Scoutmaster of Crouse Troop 1 is Ause Harvey.