

War News

Big Nazi Army's Push Expected Soon

Budapest.—Germany has already moved an advance force of 30,000 troops into Bulgaria and it may be "only a matter of days" before a big Nazi army pushes forward, according to unconfirmed diplomatic reports received here last night.

At least 72 hours at least German transports— to transport an estimated 100,000 soldiers—have flown over Budapest.

About 100 passed over the Hungarian capital yesterday, speeding on into the Balkans.

Asked to send further details of the aerial movements Peters replied that "I am told that hereafter I will not be allowed to discuss such movements at all."

Information to Belgrade from Sofia said that Bulgarian Premier Bogdan Filoff, speaking before leaders of the opposition in parliament, had confirmed that German technicians were in control of Bulgaria's air fields "in the mutual interests of Germany and Bulgaria."

Britain To Have 4 Million Under Arms

London.—Britain dipped deep into her manpower reserve last night, disclosing youths 19 years old will be called for military service almost immediately, and pressed the pre-spring air offensive against industrial Germany with waves of bombers.

In the House of Lords, Lord Moyne, the government leader and new colonial secretary, disclosed the imminent call-up for 19-year-olds. Oldsters of 37 to 40 will be summoned soon afterward, he said, to swell the 4,000,000 men Britain already has under arms for the defensive—and offensive—campaigns to come.

British Pound Down Again Toward Cheren

Cairo, Egypt.—British reinforcements were reported pounding down the northern coastal plain of the Italian East African Colony of Eritrea yesterday for an assault on the besieged rail center of Cheren.

Forces advancing southward from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan now are well past the captured Red Sea port of Mersa Taclai and are within 120 miles of Messaua, chief Eritrean seaport. The middle east command announced these troops Tuesday captured Elgena, inland town 25 miles southwest of Mersa Taclai and 30 miles south of the Sudan border.

Gwyn Rhoades Found Dead In Bed at Home Near City Wednesday

Ollie Gwyn Rhoades, 54, was found dead in his bed Wednesday morning at his home near this city. He and Mrs. Rhoades had both been ill with flu for several days but his condition was not considered serious. Corner I. M. Myers said death was apparently due to flu and complications, probably heart disease.

Carolina Trio On Air 13 Weeks Over Hickory Station

The Carolina Trio, composed of three young ladies of the Fair-plains community near here, will go on the air over radio station WHKY, Hickory, on Sunday, February 16, for the beginning of a series of 13 weeks programs under sponsorship of North Wilkesboro firms.

Fire And Water Gut Gaddy Motor Company Building

Fire and water gutted the Gaddy Motor Company building on Tenth Street this afternoon. The blaze started from gasoline which had leaked from a tank on one of the automobiles under repair on the first floor of the building.

The blaze spread rapidly following the tank explosion, and windows in the building were shattered. Two cars and two trucks were damaged by the blaze, a car and a truck being practically destroyed.

Smoke and water did considerable damage to the building, and equipment, and other contents of the building. Estimate of damage had not been made as The Journal-Patriot went to press, but the loss is covered by insurance.

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Wilkes Individuals Receive \$422,331.69 Of Social Security

Figures Of Social Security Operation Through December Are Released

Raleigh.—Operation of four major divisions of the Social Security Act's ten divisions has resulted in the distribution of \$34,902,030.74 to individuals in North Carolina through December, 1940, it is shown in figures released by Charles G. Powell, Chairman of the N. C. Unemployment Compensation Commission.

These four major divisions, including Unemployment Compensation, Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and Aid to the Blind, account for about 82 per cent of the amount distributed through the ten Social Security program divisions to the end of the year. The other six divisions are the five "services," including Maternal and Child Health, Crippled Children, Child Welfare, Vocational Rehabilitation and Public Health services, and Old Age and Survivors Insurance, which is destined through the years to become one of the more important of the five major divisions.

Distribution of funds in North Carolina through the four divisions in three years for Unemployment Compensation and 3 1-2 years for the other three have been as follows: Unemployment Compensation, \$16,792,820.20; Old Age Assistance, \$12,168,506.71; Aid to Dependent Children, \$4,795,909.19; and Aid to the Blind, \$1,144,794.64.

Broken down by sources, this \$34,902,030.74 was furnished, \$16,792,820.20 or 48.11 per cent, by North Carolina employers; \$8,558,164.43, or 24.52 per cent, by the Federal Government; \$6,021,683.82, or 17.25 per cent, by the State of North Carolina; \$4,529,362.29, or 12.96 per cent, by the 100 counties of the State.

The unemployment figures do not include \$378,040.59 paid to former N. C. residents, with wage credits in the State, who received benefits while living in other states.

This information is supplied by the Public Assistance Divisions of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, the State Commission for the Blind and the Research and Statistics Division of the U. C. C. Mr. Powell said.

Wilkes county individuals have received \$422,331.69 from these funds through December, 1940, divided as follows: Old Age Assistance, \$156,530; Unemployment Compensation, \$193,661.81; Aid to Dependent Children, \$53,623; Aid to the Blind, \$18,516.88.

Total funds distributed through four divisions of Social Security act in counties adjoining Wilkes for the period were as follows: Alexander, \$150,797.50; Alleghany, \$63,480.90; Ashe, \$114,772.86; Caldwell, \$411,975.61; Iredell, \$582,422.81; Surry, \$496,050.16; Watauga, \$98,240.73; Yadkin, \$99,574.15.

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German and Italian Prisoners of War



A though the censor does not reveal the city, the name on the train verifies the fact that it is in Canada that these German prisoners (left) are being marched to their train from the prison ship at an east coast port. Right: Some of the thousands of Italian prisoners made captive as the doughty Greek warriors and their assistants, the British, pressed farther and farther into Albania.

Expecting Large Attendance At Poultry School

Short Course For Poultrymen To Be Held Monday At The Courthouse

Plans are being made to accommodate a large number of poultrymen at the poultry short course to be held at the county courthouse in Wilkesboro on Monday, February 17, J. B. Snipes, Wilkes farm agent, said today.

Poultry specialists from State College and the extension service will discuss several topics which should be of vital interest to every poultryman and in consideration of the fact that Wilkes is one of the leading poultry counties in the state and that adjoining counties also produce large quantities of poultry and eggs for market, there should be a large attendance at the meeting, the county agent said.

The course will be one of several being conducted in the state and is for poultrymen of Wilkes and all adjoining counties—Yadkin, Surry, Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Caldwell, Alexander and Iredell.

The dry's program will open at ten a. m. C. F. Parrish, extension poultry specialist, will discuss "Mistakes Made Last Year and How to Avoid Them This Year."

C. J. Maupin's topic will be "Performance Improvement Through Breeding." Dr. Roy Derristyne, head of the poultry department of State College, will speak concerning the research program at State College.

T. T. Brown will have "Eggs and Markets" as his subject and it is expected that he will deal principally with grading and marketing of eggs for top market prices.

In connection with the school will be an egg show with several prizes offered for best dozen white eggs and best dozen brown eggs. The first prize will be 100 baby chicks, the second 75 baby chicks and other prizes consisting of feeds and other poultry necessities.

The Bookmobile which operated in 1939 was forced to cease operations on account of lack of funds. This Bookmobile contacted those in the county who found it inconvenient to visit the library. Stations were set up in different townships and the Bookmobile stopped at these places at given dates. People flocked to the stations to receive books and magazines and it was difficult to complete the rounds. The magazines did not have to be returned and often they were passed from one family to another in a community until they became so tattered and torn they were not readable.

Individuals in the more remote sections of Wilkes county are this hungry for reading matter, surely it behooves the reading public to supply this demand. The request for more funds is being made through the schools, by personal letter and by personal solicitation. Also through the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county. However, it will be difficult to contact every person who is interested in the library, so whether solicited or not, please send your membership fee or donation to The Wilkes County Library Association.

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R.A.F. Pays Call



A rare picture, passed by the German censors, showing some of the extensive damage caused by raiding planes of the R.A.F. on the residential section of Wurttemberg, Germany.

County Library Drive To Begin

Voluntary Membership Contributions Asked For Support Of Library

The Wilkes County Library Association starts its annual membership drive on Monday, February 17. This campaign for funds is scheduled to run through the entire week of the 17th.

With little money, a few books, but with an enthusiastic group of workers, the Library was organized in 1937. In the four years of its existence, the Library has gained a reputation, met its requirements, and has more than doubled its capacity. Now more demands are being put on the organization and in order to continue stepping forward, more money is needed.

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Big Moose Frolic To Be Held On Saturday, Sunday

Members Of Legion Division Of Order From Four States To Gather

Midwinter conference of Legion of the Moose will be held in North Wilkesboro on Saturday and Sunday, February 15 and 16.

It is expected that there will be a large attendance of Legionnaires of the Moose, which is the second degree of the order, from lodges in the Carolinas, Tennessee and Virginia.

Headquarters will be at Hotel Wilkes, where registration will take place on Saturday afternoon. There will be a street parade late Saturday afternoon, followed by a dance until midnight at the Woman's club house on Trogon street until midnight.

Sunday's program will open with a fellowship breakfast by Pilgrims and Fellowships, two highest degrees of Moose, at Hotel Wilkes. At 9:45 all members will attend Sunday school at the Methodist church and at 11 o'clock a large class of candidates from Lenoir and other lodges will join the defending circle.

A big banquet will be held at Hotel Wilkes at one o'clock. The program there will open by address of welcome by Mayor R. T. McNeil. Following the banquet women of the Moose will hold a session at Hotel Wilkes under direction of the Charlotte chapter, at which time plans for a women's chapter here will be discussed.

A meeting of Legion of the Moose will be held at the lodge hall on C street, at which time a large class of Moose will be advanced to the second degree. After the meeting will be a big frolic.

Among the principal speakers will be the following: Pilgrim, Charles C. Ricker, herder of Wenooca Legion; Pilgrim Ben Hill Brown, supreme councillor, of Spartanburg, S. C.; Pilgrim Walter L. York, district deputy supreme governor, of High Point; Pilgrim Charles A. Kirby, regional director of Moose in North and South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee.

Hayes & Hayes Law Offices Are Moved; Now On 9th Street

Offices of Hayes & Hayes, well known local law firm, were moved this week from the second floor of the Northwestern Bank building to the second floor of the Duke Power company office building on Ninth street.

The firm, composed of Attorneys Kyle and Clyde Hayes, has an office suite of three large rooms in the new building, which was erected recently by Attorney Kyle Hayes, senior member of the firm.

Other offices in the new building, in addition to those of North Wilkesboro branch of the Duke Power company, are those of the North Wilkesboro branch of the North Carolina State Employment Service and the Farm Security Administration.

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Men Selected For Draft Call Thursday, Feb. 20

Dr. Kincheloe Will Preach Here Sunday

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., newly elected pastor of the First Baptist church in North Wilkesboro, arrived here today and will assume his duties as pastor Sunday, February 16.

Dr. Kincheloe comes to this city highly recommended and with a splendid background of training and experience in the ministry. For the past six years he has been pastor of two churches at Emporia, Va.

186 Farm Checks Are Given Out

Latest Payments Distributed Brings Total So Far For Year To \$12,000

Government vouchers numbering 186 and representing \$2,729.57 were received during the past week at the office of the Wilkes county agent and distributed to farmers participating in the agricultural conservation program.

Checks received during the week brought total amount of cash received by Wilkes farmers for compliance last year to approximately \$12,000. Total earnings for the year were about \$80,000, including lime and other materials and seeds purchased and for which pay was deducted from earnings. However, only a small per cent of the checks have been received and others will arrive at frequent intervals.

Lawrence Miller, clerk of the Triple A, said that each farmer for whom a check is received is notified by mail on which date to call for his check and that it is unnecessary to call for a check before notification is received by mail.

Earnings for the year 1940 set a new record of over \$30,000 for the county. Commenting on the program this year, Mr. Miller said there is no reason why farmers cannot earn sufficient units this year to make the total \$150,000.

Arthur Shook Taken By Death

Funeral service was held at the residence here Wednesday for Arthur Shook, member of a widely known family here, who died Monday afternoon in the government hospital near Johnson City, Tenn.

Mr. Shook, a veteran of the World War, had been a patient in the hospital during the last several months. Prior to that time he was associated with business firms here.

He was a son of the late J. W. Shook, prominent hardware merchant, and Mrs. Shook, who survives. Also surviving are one brother, E. A. Shook, and two sisters, Mrs. Nell Fisher, of Mississippi, and Miss Lucy Shook, of this city.

Rev. Watt M. Cooper, Presbyterian pastor, conducted the funeral service and burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

Rev. Sloan Guy Called By Church

Wilkesboro Baptists Extend Call To Assistant Pastor Statesville Baptist

The Wilkesboro Baptist church has extended a call to Rev. Sloan Guy, assistant pastor of the First Baptist church at Statesville, to be pastor of the Wilkesboro church.

Rev. Mr. Guy will attend a church conference in Wilkesboro Thursday night to make known his decision relative to the call.

He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and has a good reputation as a minister, speaker and religious worker. It was learned today from leaders in the Wilkesboro Baptist church.

Vesper service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, February 16th, at four o'clock. Friends and visitors are invited to attend.

Nineteen To Leave On Feb. 20th For Year Of Training

Thirteen Will Be Volunteers And Six Will Be Conscripts From Wilkes

Both draft boards in Wilkes have selected men for the Selective Service call to service this month, it was learned today.

Men from both draft board areas in Wilkes will leave here by bus for Fort Bragg on February 20. The quota for the county this month is 14 but replacements of men rejected from the last call will swell the number to 19, seven from board area number one with headquarters at Wilkesboro, and twelve from board area number two, which has headquarters in the city hall building here.

Board number one had sufficient volunteers from whom to select the seven and some left over for another call. The volunteers from board area number one for the February 20 call are as follows: James Garvey Huffman, Wilkesboro route one; Raymond Earl Greene, Deep Gap route one; Borne Madison Lane, Pores Knob, Felix Lunsford, Cycle; William Earl Estep, Oakwoods; Ben Joseph Parrish, Pores Knob; James Harley Minton, Wilkesboro route one.

Board number two has notified the following that they will go into training on the 20th; the first six named are volunteers and the others are conscripts: Rufus Hall, Howard Cothren, Howard Landon Frazier, Lawrence Alonzo Handy, Charlie Howard Owens, Joseph Gwalt Owens, James Harvey Holler, Ronald Boyd Sturgill, Clinton Ray Smoot, Edward Lee Gregory, Robert Winfield Church and Albert Bentley Parsons.

James Harvey Holler was the conscript who failed to appear for the January call. It was later learned that he did not receive his notice in the mails until after the date to leave because of change of address.

Mrs. D. J. Carter's Mother Stricken By Death Wednesday

Mrs. B. Lewis, aged resident of Dunn, died Wednesday evening, seven o'clock, at her home. She was the mother of Mrs. D. J. Carter, of this city, who had been with her since Monday. Pneumonia following an attack of flu was the cause of her death.

Funeral service was held this afternoon, 3:30 o'clock, at Dunn.

Larkin L. Walsh Claimed By Death; Rites Wednesday

Larkin L. Walsh, one of Wilkes county's oldest citizens, died Tuesday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. A. Jones, in Wilkesboro, with whom he had made his home for the past several years.

Mr. Walsh, age 87, was a native of the Elk Creek community. He retained his good health until he was stricken ill with flu about two weeks ago.

Funeral service was held at Elk Baptist church Wednesday 2:30 p. m., with Rev. R. L. Isbel in charge and assisted by Rev. Mr. Benfield, of Lenoir.

Surviving are two daughters and one son, Mrs. W. A. Jones, of Wilkesboro; Mrs. C. R. Triplett, of Lenoir, and T. A. Walsh, of Ferguson; also one brother, Alvie Walsh, of Lenoir, 21 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Laws Speaker At Alamance Dinner

R. Don Laws, of Moravian Falls, editor of the nationally known Yellow Jacket, was the principal speaker at a Lincoln Day dinner in Burlington Monday night. The dinner was held under sponsorship of the Young Republicans club of Alamance county and was well attended. Mr. Laws' address was enthusiastically received by the audience.