

War News

Hamburg Is Hit By R.A.F.'s New, Powerful Bombs

London.—The R. A. F. dumped cargoes of Britain's powerful new bombs on Hamburg, Germany's biggest port and second city, Saturday night in a raid which one pilot said left a half-mile area "a huge, heaving mass like a volcanic eruption."

The air ministry said an assault almost as violent was made on the big German shipbuilding yards at Bremerhaven and that other R. A. F. units pounded Emden and Cuxhaven in Germany, Le Havre, France; and IJmuiden, The Netherlands.

"Berlin, Kiel and Bremen already have felt the force of our latest and most powerful bombs," the air ministry said. "Now Hamburg has experienced the devastation which they can cause."

One participating pilot brought back this account:

"I had with me one of the powerful bombs, and after it burst I could see a circle of red and on the rim of it, quite a distance from the center, I saw buildings going up in the air."

"Although I have been on 31 raids I have never seen anything to match the effect of this bomb."

Prime Minister Hails U. S. War Assistance

London.—Prime Minister Winston Churchill, announcing evacuation of the British army from Greece, last night told Adolf Hitler and his "malignant Huns" that Germany's doom is sealed now that the United States is prepared to put vast shipments of weapons "within reach" of Britain.

In a scarcely-veiled prediction of U. S. convoys, the prime minister asserted in a world-circling radio broadcast that he is confident that the American people will not be "frustrated and allow the materials they manufactured to be sent to the bottom of the sea."

Churchill predicted "fierce and widespread" war in the Mediterranean now that Greece has fallen and warned that the conflict may spread like a sweeping conflagration "to Spain, Morocco, Turkey and Russia."

Nazi Swastika Is Now Over Acropolis

Athens.—Adolf Hitler's green-grey conquerors occupied ancient Athens at 10 a. m. (3 a. m. e. s. t.) yesterday just three weeks after the launching of Germany's crushing Balkan blitzkrieg, and hoisted the Nazi swastika over the crumbling columns of the Acropolis.

Those who remained of the city's 700,000 persons greeted the advance guard of the Nazi "panzer" forces with proud calm as they rode in a mechanized victory parade past the temples of Athenian glory that have stood since centuries before Christ.

The last of Britain's imperial troops had gone after a valiant rear-guard battle against overpowering odds, and the people had been told to meet the Nazi conquerors "as a people before whose eyes the vaders pass and fade away."

"Athenians will meet the Nazi army with a stoic smile upon their lips, knowing that everything passes away," newspapers told them.

Richard Johnston, Robert Taylor In Army Air Corps

Richard Johnston and Robert Taylor will leave on Wednesday morning for Camden, S. C., where they will enter the U. S. Army air corps to become flying cadets.

After ten weeks at Southern Aviation school at Camden they will be assigned to some field of the U. S. Army air corps.

They are prominent young men of this city. Mr. Johnston is prominently connected with American Furniture company and Mr. Taylor is a member of the North Wilkesboro high school faculty.

2 Morrison Pens Stolen From Home of J. M. McGlamery

J. M. McGlamery, Boomer citizen who for many years has been a regular subscriber of The Journal-Patriot, called at this office Saturday and reported that some one had broken into his home and had stolen two Morrison fountain pens, which had been given him on two separate occasions with renewal subscriptions. The thief also took a bottle of ink, Mr. McGlamery said.

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Jurors Are Drawn For Federal Court To Begin May 19th

Judge Johnson J. Hayes To Preside Over Regular May Term Here

Jurors have been drawn for the May term of federal court to convene in Wilkesboro on Monday, May 19.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes will preside over the term, which will try cases originating in Wilkes, Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties.

Jurors were drawn from the counties as follows:

Wilkes—George Poplin, Ronda; Z. O. Eller, P. E. Dancy, T. N. Haynes, B. H. Wood and H. H. Jennings, North Wilkesboro; Jake M. Felts, Hays; Franklin Harris, Purlear; H. C. Kilby, North Wilkesboro; Isom Coleman, Cycle; E. C. Foster, Purlear; D. C. Sebastian, Hays; A. M. Holbrook, Abshers; Paul Church, North Wilkesboro; Edgar German, Boomer; R. L. Profit, Goshen; Roy Bumgarner, Wilkesboro R-1; Walter Blackburn, Walsh; H. E. Billings, Traphill; Sam Triplett, Purlear; Elbern Brown, Hays.

Ashe—Charles F. Francis, Grassy Creek; Romulus Phillips, Idlewild; D. C. Bare, Wagoner; W. F. Brown, Sly; Clyde Gentry, West Jefferson; W. M. Southerland, Creston; Jesse Dixon, Wagoner; Walter Halsey, Grassy Creek; S. C. Arnold, Fig; Todd Price, Fig; Mack R. Vannoy, Oval; Claude Calhoun, Grayson; T. R. Weaver, Lansing; Charlie Campbell, West Jefferson; Russell Barr, West Jefferson.

Alleghany—Ray V. Smith, Cherry Lane; Emery Blevins, Sparta; Fred Edwards, Glade Valley; Carl Hampton, Stratford; A. A. Myers, Sparta.

Watauga—E. B. Hagaman, Beech Creek; M. H. Cornell, Zionville; L. M. Cook, Stony Fork; J. E. Young, Blowing Rock; Ed Yates, Matney; Charles Trivette, Beach Creek; Grady McNeill, Zionville; John W. Hodges, Boone; Voyne Edmisten, Boone; Walter Edmisten, Boone; Battle Norris, Boone.

District Junior Meeting Is Held

Bradley Dancy Re-Elected Councilor; C. B. Eller Trustee Of Home

District officers were elected in the Jr. O. U. A. M. district meeting held in this city.

Bradley Dancy, of North Wilkesboro, was re-elected district councilor and C. B. Eller, of North Wilkesboro, was elected trustee for the Junior Order children's home at Lexington. Mr. Eller is superintendent of Wilkes schools.

Mr. Cooper, of Elkin, was named district recording secretary with B. F. Bentley, of this city, assistant. T. H. Waller, of North Wilkesboro, was named warden and J. T. Martin, of Elkin, chaplain.

Speakers at the meeting, which was well attended, included J. L. White, of Oxford, state councilor; Forrest E. Sherrin, state secretary; and N. Sankey Gaither, of Harmony, past state councilor.

Announcement was made that North Wilkesboro council will have an interesting meeting Tuesday night in the new lodge hall over Reins-Sturdivant Funeral home. Degree work will be featured at the meeting.

Parkway Boards For 18 Counties

Story, McCoy and Dr. Smith Named For Wilkes On 54-Man Commission

Raleigh, April 25.—Governor Broughton today appointed 54 men—three each from 18 western counties—to the Blue Ridge parkway commission.

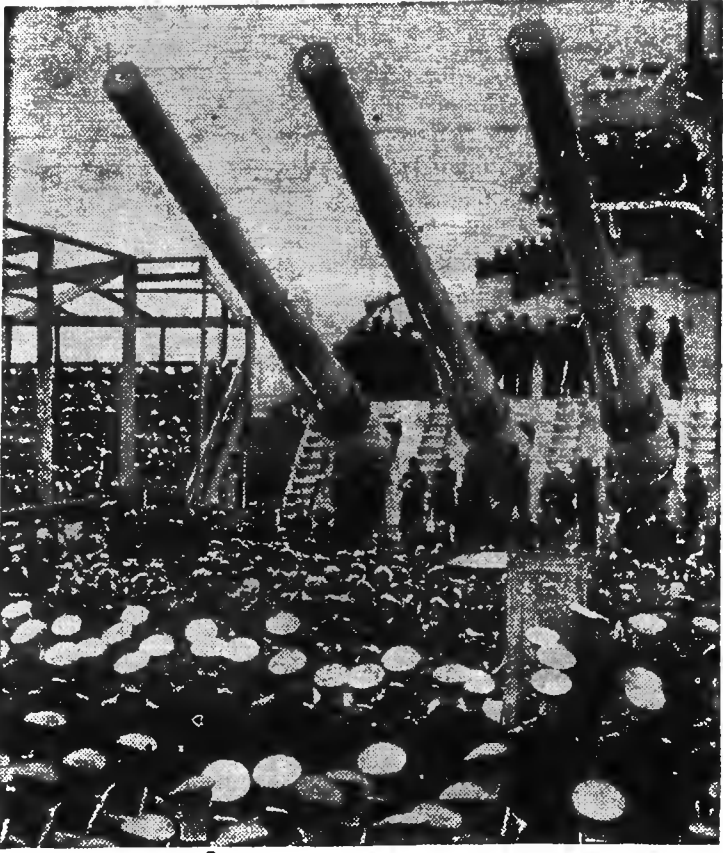
The commission was authorized by an act of the 1941 general assembly in order to "contact and co-operate with agencies of the federal government in matters affecting the parkway which has been under construction in western North Carolina for several years."

The act authorizes the Governor.

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Mother Held For Death 3 Children

Mighty Battlewagon for Uncle Sam



Scene on the deck of the U. S. S. North Carolina, as the 35,000-ton battleship was commissioned six months ahead of schedule. Three of the battleship's nine 16-inch rifles form an impressive backdrop for the ceremonies at Brooklyn, N. Y. The North Carolina is the first of 17 capital ships authorized under the two-ocean navy program.

Judge Sims Tells Eshelman Is Vice Kiwanians Of 5th Chairman Hosiery Column Activities Makers In Nation

Says Subversive People And Organizations Are At Work In Country

Judge Frank K. Sims, of Charlotte, in an address Friday noon before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club warned of the danger of fifth columnists in America.

He said he "was sick at heart because of the conditions of the world, and ill at ease because of conditions in our own state and nation." He referred to labor conditions as being perplexing. He said he feared this country is following the example of France. In Charlotte, he said, there is a German Bund having regular meetings. The F. B. I. knows the members and where they live but can do nothing but watch their movements.

He recounted an incident of a German named Wagner in Charlotte, who is drawing unemployment compensation, having been heard to remark when he saw a flag passing: "I hope to live to see that thing torn to pieces and when he was taken to the police he said that he was drunk and did not know what he was saying."

The speaker, whose subject was "We Build," said: "We must build from within, and we must not tolerate any interference with our defense program. Let us build this government, this country, this citizenship so that no outside interference can tear it down." His address closed with quotation of the poem entitled "The Bridge Builder."

The program was in charge of J. C. Reins. He presented Bob Scroggins, of Charlotte, who introduced Judge Sims.

At the meeting W. F. Brownlee was a guest of Gordon Finley; F. H. Gray, of Richmond, was a guest of Edd Gardner; J. A. Arey was a guest of J. B. Snipes; E. B. Page, of Raleigh, was a guest of R. G. Finley; Bob Scroggins and Judge Sims, of Charlotte, were guests of J. C. Reins.

An excellent report was made on the directors meeting, which was held on Thursday night at Hotel Wilkes with Gordon Finley as host.

Square And Round Dance Friday Night

American Legion and Auxiliary are sponsors of square and round dancing at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse on Friday night, nine o'clock. Script will be 50 cents per couple and an enjoyable evening is assured, all who will attend.

Children Perish In Burning Home; Two Tied To Wall

Maggie Wyatt, Mother, Left Two Tied To Wall, Other In Box, House Burned

Three children, helpless because they were tied in the home by their mother, perished Saturday noon when the home of Maggie Wyatt, age 26, mother of the children, burned in the Daylo community.

Maggie Wyatt told Coroner I. M. Myers and Sheriff C. T. Doughton that she tied Jimmie, age four, and Claude, age three, to the wall by a string and placed the baby, Clara Mae, age two, in a box before she left the house to go two miles to Daylo postoffice Saturday morning.

When she returned two hours later the house had burned down and the children had been reduced to ashes.

The women told the officers that she had been accustomed to tying the children in the house when she left so that they would not get out and get hurt. She said that she had no one to leave with them and that neighbors would not keep them. (Some of the neighbors later told a representative of The Journal-Patriot that they had repeatedly offered to keep the children when it was necessary for the mother to be away).

Charlie Wyatt, a brother of Maggie Wyatt and an uncle of the fire victims, was the first to reach the scene of the fire. His home was about 300 yards from Maggie's home and he saw the smoke from where he was working. He ran to the burning structure but found the walls and roof falling in. He said he almost knew the children were in there but he was powerless to do anything about it.

The sheriff and coroner were called and when they reached the scene the fire had died down somewhat and they located the charred remains of the bodies of the three children. Heads, legs and arms were totally burned and only charred bones were found.

The remnants of the body of Claude, age three, were found at a place which corresponded to where the mother said he was tied. Bodies of the oldest and youngest were found at the kitchen range in another part of the house. Officers believed that Jimmie had been able to break loose from his bonds and had tried to take the baby out through the kitchen but was unable to make their escape before the flames trapped them.

Neighbors helped officers gather the charred bodies, which were placed in a box and buried Saturday afternoon in the Wyatt family graveyard on the hill above the house.

The house which burned was the old home place of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wyatt, parents of Maggie Wyatt. She had lived there alone with the children since her brother who formerly lived there moved away two years ago.

The sheriff and coroner left the mother at the home of a neighbor Saturday afternoon. Later Coroner Myers conferred with Solicitor Avalon E. Hall, who advised that a warrant charging the woman with the death of the children be issued and that she be arrested and held pending further investigation.

A warrant was issued Sunday and she was arrested and placed in jail.

A hearing has been set for Tuesday morning, ten o'clock, before Magistrate R. C. Jennings in Wilkesboro.

The mother said she did not know what started the fire. She said that when she left the house there were a few live coals in the open fireplace.

Notice To People On R.F.D. Routes

Mrs. Sallie Vannoy, postmaster at Reddies River, calls attention to the fact that next week, May 5 through 10, will be paint-up and straighten-up week on rural mail routes and all patrons are urged to paint and straighten-up their mail boxes during that week.

Arrives in U. S.



Gen. Wladislaw Sikorski, prime minister of the independent Polish government in England, and commander-in-chief of the free Polish army, shown on his arrival in Washington, D. C.

Work Progressing On New Structure Woodlawn Section

Community House May Be Completed In Month, Pro- ject Foreman Says

Work is progressing rapidly on construction of a community house in the Woodlawn community of the eastern part of North Wilkesboro.

The structure is being erected as a WPA project, sponsored by North Wilkesboro. However, the greater part of the sponsor's share of the cost, \$1,200 was raised by private contributions. The total cost of the project was estimated at \$3,500. Lot on which the new building will be situated was donated by N. B. Smithley.

Churches of North Wilkesboro started and backed the drive to erect the community building. Need for a building became evident last summer when over 100 children gathered on Sunday afternoons for an inter-denominational Sunday school conducted under the trees by local church leaders.

The first floor, of concrete construction, has already been built. The building will be 30 by 42 feet. The second floor will be of frame construction. P. G. Smithley is foreman of the project, which may be completed within 30 days.

Wilkes Youth Is Marble Champion

Sherrill Pendry, Mountain View Student, Takes Championship

Winston-Salem.—Freckled-faced Sherrill Pendry, seventh-grade Mountain View School pupil of Wilkes county, put his trained thumb and accurate eye into action Saturday at Central Park to capture tournament final also the Journal and Sentinel marble tournament and won the right to compete in the southeastern finals at Asheville.

Matching shots with six other county champions, from Davie, Forsyth, Surry, Rockingham, Yadkin and Stokes, the 13-year-old crack mibster found his toughest opposition in Forsyth's champion, Jack McHone Jr., who won five straight games, including one with Pendry, in the round robin series in which every contestant met the other once.

Each boy competing is the champion of his respective county. The games were played in twosomes and every boy played the other once in round robin fashion. McHone and Pendry were forced to play off the tie in two other games.

Maybe you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, but a silk stocking certainly improves a calf.

More Food, Feed Is Theme of Farmer Business Man Meet

Held At Roaring River Fri- day Night; Over 100 At- tend; Goodman Speaks

More than 100 farmers, business men and guests at the annual Wilkes Farmer-Business Man banquet at Roaring River Friday night heard John W. Goodman, assistant director of extension service of State College, say that with the food and feed program now being put on North Carolina agriculture is entering a new era.

The banquet was the most successful of its kind ever held in Wilkes. Farmers were hosts to business men for the banquet, purpose of which is to promote goodwill and better understanding between rural and town people.

J. M. German, chairman of the Wilkes Triple A committee, was toastmaster. The program opened with singing of "America," and invocation by Rev. R. R. Crater. Music was furnished by Curley Street colored quartet. Each farmer introduced his guests.

Lawrence Miller, Triple A secretary, welcomed ladies to the banquet and response was by Mrs. J. B. Snipes.

J. B. Snipes, county agent, introduced the speaker. Mr. Goodman said that farmers and business men are usually called separate classes of people but the farmer is very much in business and there is a close economic relationship. A greater part of urban people, he said, were reared in the country.

Agriculture is taken too much for granted, the speaker said, and proceeded to explain that there are thousands of farms which do not have sufficient income to maintain the high standard of living desired.

He spoke of the national crisis which he described as imminent and urged that farmers be not discouraged because discouraged people are easily defeated. He urged that farmers produce their own food and feed as nearly as possible, produce nutritious foods which are conducive to good health, and thus be prepared for whatever period of emergency or readjustment the future may hold.

He said that 45 per cent of the people of the nation are undernourished, yet a greater part of those have ample food. About all farmers have gardens, many have cows, but less than one-third have sufficient cows to provide adequate milk. Good soil, abounding in proper minerals and plant foods, will produce good foods to grow vigorous bodies and alert minds.

Speaking of Wilkes, he said the county has great resources, good land which responds wonderfully well to good treatment, and great people. The need, agriculturally speaking, is dependable sources of cash income. He urged soil improvement, greater livestock production, more widespread poultry production and better use of resources which the county has. In a very few years, he said, Wilkes farmers can double the agricultural income of Wilkes county.

After his address short talks were made by the following: J. A. Arey, dairy specialist; Tom Cornwall and W. H. White, members of the state Triple A committee; Miss Elizabeth Williams, home demonstration agent; T. W. Ferguson, Grange master; R. R. Church, member of board of education; J. B. Carter, manufacturer; Attorney T. E. Story and Attorney W. H. McElwee.

R.M. Brame Home Damaged Sunday

Fire Sunday morning did extensive damage to the home of Dr. R. M. Brame on the corner of 9th and F streets here.

The fire occurred about nine o'clock. Its origin was not definitely determined, although it appeared to have originated on the back side of the house on the first floor.

Fire men extinguished the flames but parts of the building were badly burned inside and furnishings were badly damaged by fire, smoke and water.

Some insurance was carried on the property.