

War News

Soviets Check Nazi Push On Central Front

Russian forces on the vital central sector today appeared to have fought Adolf Hitler's blitzkrieg troops to a momentary standstill but the Nazis claimed a breakthrough into the Stalin fortifications defending the Ukraine.

The German high command claimed the capture of Cernauli and said Nazi forces had driven forward to the Dniester River. To the south, it asserted, Russian counter-attacks were beaten off by German-Rumanian forces while to the north German troops were said to be thrusting toward the upper reaches of the Ovina River.

Nazis Tighten Noose On 52,000 Russians

Berlin, July 6.—Tightening of a Nazi noose upon 52,000 isolated soviet troops west of Minsk—a roundup apparently intended to clear the way for an all-out assault upon the Stalin line—was declared by the German high command today to have increased its toll of Russian prisoners to about 300,000.

(A German soldier war reporter wrote that Minsk, capital of White Russia, had been in German hands for three days, but the high command has not yet announced its capture. He said a German panzer division rolled through smoking ruins after bitter street fighting and took the city of 140,000 inhabitants.)

"Under pressure of the German pliers," a special Berlin communique phrased it, the 52,000 Russians "deserted" the red army cause. (These apparently were among units of two Russian field armies, totaling perhaps 500,000 men, which were decared July 1 to have been surrounded between Bialystok and Minsk, the White Russian capital.)

Efforts Of Germans To Cross Important Dnieper River Failed

Moscow, Monday, July 7.—Fierce red army counterattacks have thrown on the defensive some German blitzkrieg columns driving for Moscow and Leningrad and all Nazi attempts to cross the vital Dnieper river on the Stalin line have failed, it was reported early today.

The soviet information bureau communique on fighting yesterday and last night indicated the Germans had not gained an inch in their pushes in the Baltic states and in White Russia, although heavy fighting was in progress all along the jagged Europe-long front.

The red army reported Sunday that it had taken the initiative against German troops it said were weakened by heavy losses and the communique early today indicated the soviets were pressing their counterattacks on wide fronts.

Many mechanized units were involved in the battling and the Russians told of one battle in the continuing action in which 300 German tanks were destroyed.

Draft Registrants To Go On Rolls

Washington, July 6.—Names of the newest draft registrants—the 21-year-olds who were signed up July 1—will be mixed in with those of older men registered a year ago.

This was announced officially today by Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, deputy director of selective service, who said it had been decided to integrate the names of the new registrants instead of placing them in a single group either ahead of or behind the list of the men previously signed up.

Before local selective service boards can undertake the integration process, a new national draft lottery must be held in Washington. Officials indicated that it would be ordered for late this month.

In the lottery, the new registrants in each draft board area learn their relationship to other by having "sequence numbers" drawn.

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For metal ornaments do your buying in North Wilkesboro, the trading center of Northwestern North Carolina.

Everett Wiles Will Be Tried For The Murder Of Wyatt

Wilkes Man Being Brought From Federal Pen To Be Tried For His Life

Everett Wiles, former Wilkes desperado who yesterday completed seven years in the federal penitentiary for counterfeiting, will be returned to his native county to face a first degree murder charge.

Sheriff C. T. Doughton and Deputy George Holland left Sunday for Atlanta, Ga., where they were to take Wiles into custody when released from the federal penitentiary.

Wiles is charged with the murder of Nathan Wyatt, Rock Creek township constable, on March 24, 1932, at the home of Wiles' mother, Mrs. Janie Wiles, in Trapp-hill township.

Wiles is alleged to have shot Wyatt as Wyatt was attempting to arrest Wiles. Wyatt had arrived on the scene with S. M. Shumate and Jim Nicholson. Wiles was seated on the ground with five other men and some liquor was in a jug in the circle made by the seated men. When the officers arrived some of the men ran and were followed by Officers Shumate and Nicholson. In the meantime Wyatt was attempting the arrest of Wiles and was fatally shot.

For two years Wiles not only dodged officers but engaged in other criminal activities. On one occasion when he was found near Hays he and Deputy George Holland exchanged a number of shots but neither was hit. In 1934 agents of the United States secret service began trailing Wiles on charges of counterfeiting and Wiles led the officers on a rapid chase over parts of six states.

He was finally captured in a tourist cabin near Mount Airy. Federal agents said Wiles had unprecedented record for passing counterfeit money in bogus ten dollar currency and had passed thousands of spurious dollars. At the time of his arrest he had a quantity of the counterfeits and some counterfeiting equipment. He was sentenced in federal court at Greensboro to seven years in the penitentiary.

It was reported at the time of the murder of Wyatt that the officers were at Wiles' home to look for some property which Wiles was alleged to have stolen. Wyatt was a former police chief in North Wilkesboro.

It is expected that trial of Wiles for the murder of Wyatt will be called during the August term of Wilkes court.

Guard Training Now Progressing

Field Day In Near Future Is Planned For North Wilkesboro Company of Guard

North Wilkesboro company of the North Carolina State Guard needs five men to replace those recently discharged, it was learned today from Harry Pearson, captain.

Training of the company is progressing according to plan and has advanced to the point where it is planned to give them one day of actual field work in the near future. It is hoped that some club in the county will undertake to feed the company one meal on field day.

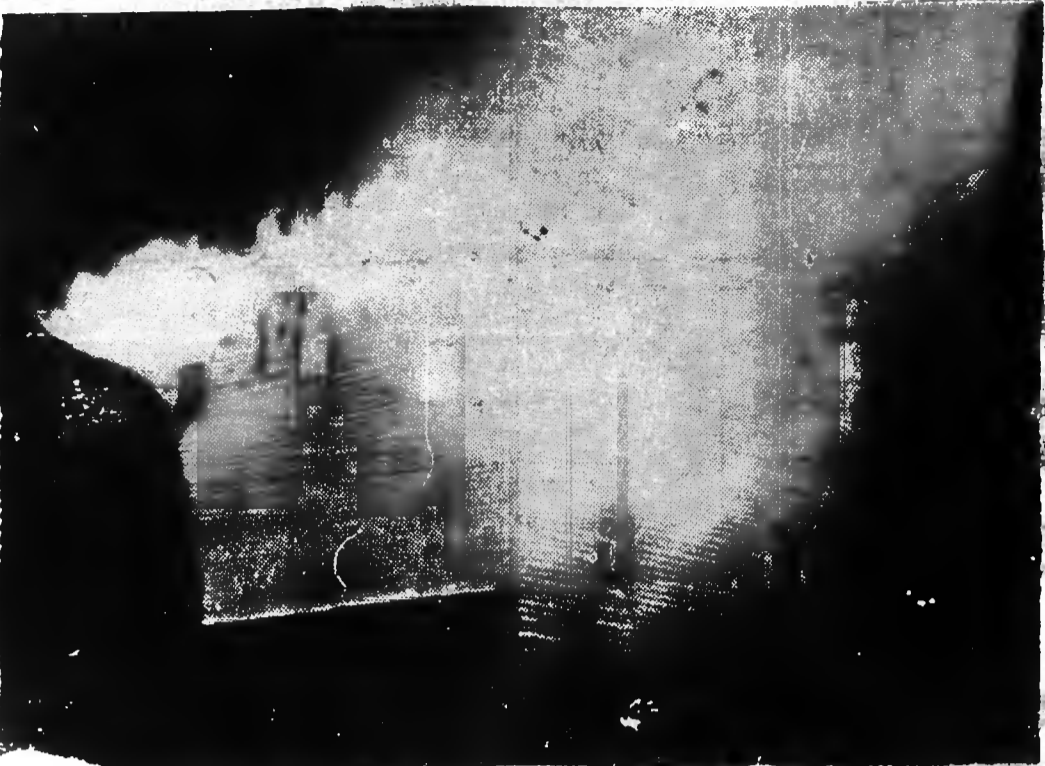
The regulation state guard uniforms are to be delivered to the North Wilkesboro company this week and every member of the guard is anxiously awaiting their arrival, as well as many other interested people of the city and county.

The committee composed of Mayor R. T. McNeil, J. B. McCoy, A. F. Kilby, W. G. Gabriel and R. G. Finley has done a splendid job in raising funds to buy equipment not furnished by the state and federal governments, for which all members of the company are sincerely grateful, Captain Pearson said today.

Any man interested in becoming a member of the guard company here is asked to get in touch with Captain Pearson, First Lieutenant Malcolm L. Wyatt, or Second Lieutenant John L. Wells.

Miss Elizabeth Duncan has returned to Richmond, Va., after a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Duncan.

FIRE DAMAGES WILKES MILLING COMPANY



This picture was taken late Saturday night as flames were doing considerable damage to Wilkes Milling Company plant in this city. The fire was discovered about 11:30 p. m. and had gained much headway. Local firemen fought the flames valiantly and succeeded in saving the two lower floors.

Holiday Is Quiet In Wilkes Despite The Heavy Traffic

One Accident In North Wilkesboro Early Saturday Morning; Four Hurt

Wilkes county, long famous for happenings unusual and sometimes awful, as usual had a quiet holiday period.

During the long holiday week there were no automobile fatalities from holiday traffic and there were no major disorders to mar the holiday season.

Hamp Eller, of Wilbar, died Sunday morning but the fatal injuries were received Thursday afternoon before the holidays began. He died of a broken neck received in a fight or automobile accident with Charlie Faw, of the same community. Officers were unable to know today the exact cause of his fatal injuries.

Early Saturday morning about 2:30 a. m. a car driven by Herman Garber, of Roanoke, Va., and occupied by one other man and two women crashed into Dick Cashion's building in the northern part of this city. They received minor injuries which were treated at the Wilkes hospital. The driver was jailed for reckless driving after his injuries received attention.

Officers reported only a slight increase in the number of drunks jailed. Traffic on all highways leading into this city and on the Blue Ridge Parkway near here was exceedingly heavy Friday, Saturday and Sunday but there were few accidents, notwithstanding frequent showers and steady rains which kept the pavements wet.

Annual Reunion Of Hubbards Held

On Sunday, July 6, the Hubbards held their annual assembly with sixty-five members present. On account of the rain the crowd gathered at the home of W. R. Hubbard at Moravian Falls instead of at the old Hubbard homestead near Moravian Falls.

After the bounteous dinner, Mrs. Dorothy Hubbard Kearns read an interesting paper written by Mrs. Lella Hubbard Surratt. Those attending the reunion from out of the county were, Mrs. R. L. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harris, and daughters, Nancy and Elizabeth, of Elkin; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Scroggs, and daughter, Miss Virginia Scroggs of St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mr. William Hubbard, of Salisbury; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loftis, of Mayodan; Mrs. W. W. Greer and son, William, of Newport News, Va.; Mrs. W. S. Surratt, Washington, D. C.; Miss Hope Hubbard, of Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Kearns and daughter, Elberta, of Greensboro.

Mr. Henry Leckie, of Lumberton, spent last week in Wilkesboro with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Leckie.

Regional Meet Of I. O. O. F. July 12

Members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows from Jefferson, Lenoir and Statesville, will meet with the local Lodge, Union No. 331, Saturday night, July 12th, to greet Grand Lodge



AL M. LANE



JOHN W. CLAPP

Officers, Al M. Lane, Grand Master; John W. Clapp, Grand Secretary, both from Greensboro, and W. H. Strickland, Deputy Grand Master of Lenoir, will be present at the meeting.

The meeting was planned by the Grand Master, who is covering the state organizing the lodges for a campaign to improve attendance and add new members. This plan was approved by the Grand Lodge which met in May and was presented by Mr. Lane, who is an advertising man on the staff of the News-Record in Greensboro. Many of Mr. Lane's ideas have been adopted by the members in past years with resulting benefits to the Order. Mr. Lane has been Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the I. O. O. F. Home for the past twelve years and was again elected to the of-

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Wilkes Milling Company Is Badly Damaged By Fire

Fire Late Saturday Night Destroys Two Floors Of Milling Co. Plant

Fire of undetermined origin late Saturday night almost demolished the building and plant of Wilkes Milling company here, causing damage estimated to exceed \$20,000.

Flames which started from the windows of the second floor under the roof when the fire alarm was turned in and firemen began a fight which continued for three hours before all fire was extinguished. The two upper floors were almost completely demolished and water did extensive damage to the two lower floors and destroyed the stock of wheat, corn, flour and feed on hand.

The building and plant was the property of W. H. H. Waugh and for many years had been used in manufacture of flour and feeds here and has been the leading grain market in Wilkes. Mr. Waugh said today that an accurate estimate of the damage now is impossible but may exceed \$20,000. He said he hoped to re-establish the plant. The loss, he said, is only partially covered by insurance.

Cause of the fire was not known, although firemen expressed the belief it could have been from electricity or from spontaneous combustion. Flames had evidently made much headway before the fire was discovered and extinguishing the fire before the building was totally destroyed was a difficult task.

Jobs Found For 116 During June

Employment Office Has A Busy Month; 1,193 Registered For Employment

Employment office here placed 111 on jobs in its territory last month and sent five to jobs at outside points. B. G. Gentry, manager, said today.

During the month the office registered 1,193 persons, which was a record month for registrations. However, much of the increase was due to the requirement that all WPA workers be registered.

The unemployment compensation division of the office handled 111 new claims and 848 continued claims during the month of June.

Brotherhood To Meet On Tuesday Evening

North Wilkesboro Methodist brotherhood will meet at the church Tuesday evening, 8:30. Dr. W. A. Kale, Methodist minister, of Kannapolis, will be the guest speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pardue, of Fayetteville, visited Mr. Pardue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pardue, at Moravian Falls Friday.

Farmers To Attend Annual Field Day

J. B. Snipes, Wilkes farm agent, said today that several Wilkes farmers are expected to attend the annual field day at the test farm near Statesville on July 17. Clyde R. Hoey, former governor, will be the principal speaker, announcement of the field day said.

Senator Bailey Asks Completion Of Flood Survey

Senator Wants Survey For Consideration By Commerce Committee Soon

Washington.—Speedy completion of flood control surveys of Yadkin River was urged Thursday by Senator Josiah W. Bailey in a letter to General Julian L. Schley, chief of army engineers.

Pointing out the tremendous interest in this project proposal in North Carolina, Senator Bailey stressed his desire to have the surveys ready for the consideration of the Senate commerce committee when it begins work on new flood-control legislation in the near future.

The survey of the Yadkin was authorized nearly a year ago and was said to have been completed by July 1. It was tied up, however, with some other surveys and its completion has been delayed.

Senator Bailey urged the chief of the engineer corps to exert every effort to expedite work on the report and transmit it to the committee which he heads at the earliest possible moment.

Engineers Return To Fort Jackson

Wilkes Soldiers In 30th Division Maneuvers In Tennessee Few Weeks

Wilkes soldiers, members of Co. A., 105th Engineers, returned to Ft. Jackson, at Columbia, S. C., last week after a month of large-scale maneuvers in western Tennessee. Traveling by motor convoy the 30th Division started some of its companies back to Ft. Jackson on Monday, with the last of the companies expected to reach the camp Thursday. Small detachments were sent to prepare for the arrival of the main forces.

The 30th Division, of which the 105th Engineers is a part, remained at Fort Jackson from the time the national guardsmen were called into active duty last fall until they left late in May for the Tennessee war games.

Then termed the nearest ready of any division in the entire army for actual combat duty, the famed 30th took part in the mimic battle which raged over the Tennessee hills and got a taste of mechanized warfare. The 2nd division, armored unit of the regular army, took part in the mock war both with and against the Wilkes county soldiers.

With their stay in service due to be prolonged beyond the one year previously ordered, members of the local company have no inkling of what their next move might be, after they get a brief rest at Fort Jackson with probably a bit of brushing up on any weaknesses which the maneuvers may have revealed.

Charter Night Jaycees Planned

Will Be Held On July 17th; Club To Make Final Plans In Meet Thursday Night

July 17 has been set as the date for charter night for North Wilkesboro Junior Chamber of Commerce, which was organized a few weeks ago.

In a directors meeting held during the past week the date of charter night was set and the entire club will meet on Thursday, July 10, to complete arrangements. The meeting will be held at the city hall, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Grady Church has been elected secretary of the Jaycees, succeeding Charles Day, who resigned.

Mr. "Red" Fulp, of Cleveland, Tennessee, spent the week-end with friends here.

Hampton Eller Dies Of Broken Neck; Faw Jailed

Wilbar Resident Is Charged With Death Of Hamp Eller On Sunday Evening

George Hampton Eller, age 47, citizen of the Wilbar community of Wilkes, died at five a. m. Sunday in the Wilkes hospital from a broken neck received Thursday evening.

Charlie Faw, also of Wilbar, is being held in Wilkes jail in connection with the death and is charged with murder.

Wilkes officers said investigation of the complicated case is in progress and that a hearing for Faw may be held soon. Officers have been investigating a number of reports, some of which were conflicting.

It was first reported to the officers that Faw and Eller had been fighting, that Eller was hurt and Faw started to North Wilkesboro from near Wilbar with Eller to the hospital. On the way the car wrecked at Deep Ford Hill on Highway 16 about 10 miles northwest of here. When Eller reached the hospital examination disclosed a bad fracture of the spinal column in his neck and little hope was ever held for his recovery.

Another report being investigated by officers was that Faw hit Eller with his car as Eller was walking on the highway and that he was on the way to the hospital when the auto accident occurred at Deep Ford Hill. Officers also were looking into reports that Eller and Faw had been quarreling earlier in the day. Eller reached the hospital here Thursday about six p. m.

Officers said today there was evidence that Eller was hurt prior to the auto accident.

The car was practically demolished in the accident. Officers said it had been traveling at high speed.

It crashed at right angles into the high road bank. Faw was not badly hurt. Officers were seeking to determine whether Eller's neck was broken in the auto accident or in a previous altercation with Faw.

Faw was arrested soon after the auto accident by Highway Patrol Sergeant Carlyle Ingle but he was released under bond of \$1,500. On Saturday Wilkes officers again took Faw into custody when it was learned that Eller was in a dying condition. The highway patrol officer charged Faw with driving while under influence of intoxicants.

Funeral service for Eller was held today, two p. m., at Reddies River church with Rev. Ed O. Miller in charge, assisted by Rev. Dave Roten. Surviving Eller are his widow, Mrs. Alice Virginia Taylor Eller, three daughters and one son: Mrs. Charles Cothren, Roaring River; Faye, Junior and Minnie Eller, of Reddies River.

Plan Farm Tour Tuesday, July 15

TVA Demonstration Farms In Various Parts County Will Be Visited

A tour of TVA demonstration farms in Wilkes county will be held on Tuesday, July 15.

The purpose of the tour, County Agent J. B. Snipes said, is to acquaint farmers with results of demonstrations which have been carried out. It is especially desired, he said, that all TVA demonstration farmers and all others interested be in the tour. The group will leave the county courthouse at eight a. m. and visit each demonstration farm.

The following farmers are active in TVA demonstration work: B. L. Johnson, Roaring River; Janie Spicer, Ferguson; N. C. Andrews, Boomer; Paul E. Church, North Wilkesboro route two; Coy Durham, Lomax; T. W. Ferguson, Ferguson; J. M. German, Boomer; C. C. Hayes, Purlear; Mrs. Addie Howell Jones, Cricket; G. C. Vannoy, Purlear; Paul J. Vestal, Moravian Falls; C. E. Therap, Ronda; Bruce Billings, Dockery; John William Hurt, Ronda; Grady F. Miller, North Wilkesboro route one; W. K. Sturdivant, North Wilkesboro route one.

Those on the tour will carry lunch and spread it picnic style at some point during the tour. At lunch time Mr. Collins, TVA specialist, will address the group.