

# War News

## U. S. May Place Pressure On Japan

Washington.—Japanese occupation of strategic air and naval bases in French Indo-China appeared imminent last night, if not actually under way, bringing nearer a possible clash with the United States and Great Britain over Singapore and the Netherlands East Indies.

Responsible quarters here accepted as virtually an accomplished fact the Vichy government's capitulation to Japanese demands which were expected to put Indo-China under almost complete domination of Tokyo.

Thus the Japanese, already entrenched to some extent in the French Far Eastern colony, would gain better striking positions for an attack on British Malaya (Singapore) and the immensely rich Netherlands East Indies.

The apparent French readiness to accept not only Japanese "protection" of Indo-China but Tokyo's viewpoint as well—that it was necessary to avert a British-Free French-Chinese attack—put a new strain on American relations with both the Vichy and Tokyo governments.

## New R. A. F. Units To Guard Outposts

London.—"Singapore and other British Pacific outposts were reported last night to have been 'forewarned and forearmed' with new R. A. F. contingents to meet a Far-Eastern climax expected here to arise within 24 hours from Japanese demands on French Indo-China.

R. A. F. reinforcements which arrived in Singapore from Britain last Saturday were said by British sources to have been ordered distributed to outlying posts for any eventuality.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden expressed Britain's official concern as well-authenticated reports from the Orient said Japan was making sweeping demands on Indo-China, presumably for military bases in the south.

British and United States governments were said to have issued this week by the Highway Safety Division covering the first six months of this year. This report showed a grim toll of 545 human lives reaped on North Carolina streets and highways the first half of this year, against 363 persons killed in the same period last year. This increase of 50 per cent is well above the increase for the country as a whole.

## Nazis Admit Drive Slowed By Russians

Berlin.—A German military spokesman acknowledged last night that masses of fresh Russian troops fighting with "fanatical obstinacy" have slowed down the Nazi armored drives on Moscow and Leningrad.

The German spearheads pointed at the two great Russian cities are not only trying to force their way eastward but are constantly compelled to fight off "extremely ferocious Soviet counter-attacks," he said.

The spokesman told of large "bockets" of Russian troops held out deep in the rear of the German advance forces, forcing Nazi supply columns to make extensive detours along the main highway from Smolensk to Moscow and in some instances preventing these columns from catching up with the panzer vanguard.

Further aggravating the advance of the Germans upon Moscow and Leningrad, it was said, was extremely unfavorable weather including cloudbursts that turned roads into quagmires and mired mechanized equipment.

The fighting front was said officially to be 30 miles deep in some places as the Germans attempted a series of encircling attacks in an effort to wipe out the strongly resisting Russian forces before the approaches to Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev.

## Poultry Growers Must Keep Record Wheat Purchases

It was announced by the county Triple A office today that poultrymen who purchase wheat from farmers must keep the required records of such purchases. Poultrymen are warned not to purchase wheat from farmers who do not have allotment cards because the wheat would be subject to a penalty of 49 cents per bushel, for which the buyer could be held liable.

## Footwashing Service At Bethany Church

Annual communion and footwashing service will be held at Bethany church in Rock Creek Township Sunday, 11 a. m. The service will also be the beginning of the revival. The pastor, Rev. Jimmie Bryant, will be assisted by Rev. C. E. Bartley and Rev. G. W. Curry. All are invited.

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For mutual advantage do your buying in North Wilkesboro, the trading center of Northwestern North Carolina.

## Union Services To Begin Sunday In Churches Here

### Congregations To Join In Union Services For Six Sunday Evenings

In accordance with the custom for the past several years, the Methodist, First Baptist and Presbyterian churches of North Wilkesboro will conduct union services on Sunday evenings during July and August, beginning on Sunday evening, July 27.

Rev. A. L. Aycock, Methodist pastor, will deliver the sermon in the first of the union services, which will be held at the Presbyterian church.

The remainder of the union service schedule will be as follows: August 3, Rev. W. M. Cooper, Presbyterian pastor, at First Baptist; August 10, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., at Methodist; August 17, Rev. A. L. Aycock at First Baptist; August 24, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., at Presbyterian; August 31, Rev. W. M. Cooper at Methodist.

Pastors of the individual churches will preach in their own pulpits on Sunday mornings as usual.

## Five Auto Deaths In Wilkes County To Date In 1941

### Auto Fatalities For Entire State Fifty-Per Cent Above 1940 Toll

Five traffic fatalities were reported this week by the Highway Safety Division covering the first six months of this year. This report showed a grim toll of 545 human lives reaped on North Carolina streets and highways the first half of this year, against 363 persons killed in the same period last year. This increase of 50 per cent is well above the increase for the country as a whole.

In the face of this steadily rising slaughter, ten North Carolina counties succeeded in having clean traffic fatality records for the six-month period; these being Alexander, Alleghany, Avery, Camden, Cherokee, Dare, Hyde, Jones, Polk and Yancey.

Nineteen counties with 10 or more traffic deaths each accounted for an almost even 50 per cent of the total. These were: Wake, with 29; Cumberland with 24; Mecklenburg, 22; Guilford, 20; Buncombe and Columbus, 18 each; Halifax and Durham, 14; Robeson, 13; Rockingham and Alamance, 12; Davidson and Gaston, 11; and Harnett, Henderson, Johnston, Pender, Sampson and Wilson.

Fifty-seven of the 100 counties in the state showed increases over the first half of last year.

The greatest increases were recorded in Wake, Columbus, Cumberland, Henderson, Halifax and Rockingham.

The report showed further that 94 persons were killed in traffic accidents in the state during the month of June. This was a 50 per cent increase over the 62 traffic deaths in the state last June. The state's 1941 traffic toll to date is averaging three lives a day.

## T. L. Blalock Plans Lectures

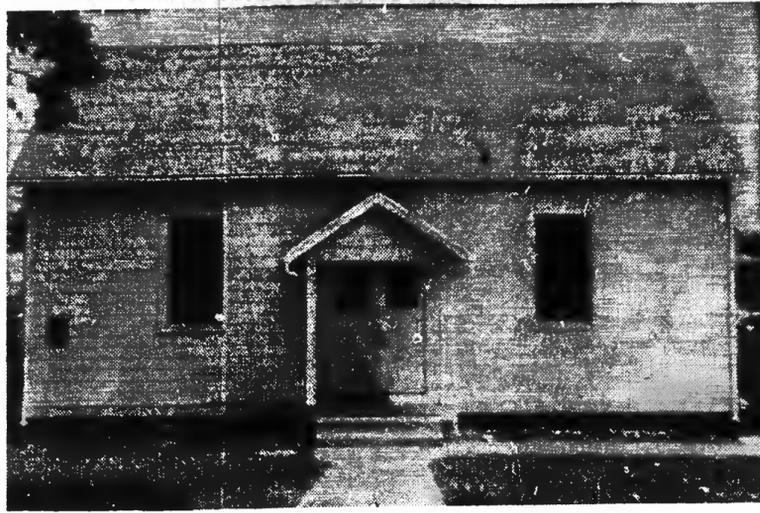
### Missionary To China For 47 Years To Speak At Six Baptist Churches

Rev. T. L. Blalock, for forty-seven years a missionary to China, has announced a lecture tour of six Baptist churches.

All the lectures will be at 7:30 p. m. and the schedule will be as follows: Antioch church in Alexander county on July 29; Zion Hill Baptist church at Boomer on July 30; Moravian Falls Baptist church on July 31; Cub Creek Baptist church on August 1; Oakwoods Baptist church on August 2; Bethany Baptist church on August 3 at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The lectures will deal with mission problems, especially the situation in China where the war is raging. Pastors of all the churches are urged to attend and the public is invited.

## WOODLAWN COMMUNITY HOUSE COMPLETED



Woodlawn community house, now completed and in use, is a striking example of cooperative effort on the part of many people in North Wilkesboro. The building is entirely completed and furnished. A Bible school is in progress this week and other community activities are planned. (Photo by Dwight Nichols).

## Community House For Woodlawn Is Now Being Used

Woodlawn community house, erected by cooperative effort of North Wilkesboro for the benefit of the people of the Woodlawn community, has been entirely completed, furnished and placed into use.

The project is one of the best examples of cooperative efforts ever put forth here and all the sponsors have been extremely well pleased with the interest

The need of a building for the Woodlawn community became apparent a year ago when local church leaders went there to conduct afternoon Sunday school and as many as 200 children would gather in the grove for the service, there being no building available.

Interested people from the Presbyterian, First Baptist and Methodist churches in the city formed the organization which put the movement for the building before the people. Rev. Watt M. Cooper, Presbyterian pastor was general chairman of the finance committee which raised the money for the sponsor's contribution to the project. It was carried through the WPA with North Wilkesboro as the sponsor.

Other members of the committee were as follows: P. M. Williams, chairman committee on industries; J. B. Williams, chairman committee on business district; A. A. Cashion, chairman committee on fraternal organizations; Carl Vendeman, house to house canvass chairman; W. K. Sturdivant, chairman committee on professional people. Each committee chairman had several assistants.

Rev. W. M. Cooper was purchasing agent for the sponsor's committee. J. B. Carter was treasurer of the fund and W. H. McElwee, attorney, aided in transactions with the WPA, services of both being very valuable to the movement.

Work at the Woodlawn community house, which is well under way with the people of the community showing much interest, is in charge of the three downtown churches, members of which have contributed much in time and money to make the work a success and have cooperated splendidly.

Activities in the community house are well under way. Presbyterian young people are conducting a Sunday school. On Monday a two-weeks vacation Bible school began with Miss Ruth Webb, Miss Mary Elizabeth Foutz, Miss Mary Louise Clements and Miss Corinne Faw in charge. Attendance is excellent and the children are showing great interest.

The Baptists plan to begin work among the boys and girls there soon and the women of the Methodist church have planned work among women of the community.

Mrs. J. L. Clements, town welfare worker, is spending three afternoons each week at the community house. She directs play, reading and other recreation and activities. Her work is received with appreciation.

Statement of contributions and disbursements for the community house fund will be published Monday.

## 'Tuning Up'



Soldiers of the Sixty-first field artillery "tuning up" a huge anti-aircraft gun for maneuvers, during which more than 66,000 men will move into simulated warfare over 600 square miles of central Tennessee.

## Sixteen Boys To C.C.C. Thursday

### All Eligible White Applicants Accepted; Others May Apply Now

Charles McNeill, Wilkes welfare officer, said today that applications may be made now at his office by young men who are interested in enlisting in the Civilian Conservation camps.

It is possible now to place all eligible white applicants, he said, and the next enlistment will be in the next few weeks.

On Friday, July 18, Mr. McNeill carried 16 white boys to the Laurel Springs camp for enlistment. They were: Willard Anderson, Clifford Ford Baugess, Claude Wane Blevins, Van Herbert Blevins, Walter Odell Brookshire, Arnold Wesley Eller, Percy Jane Livingstone, Percy Wren Minton, Thomas Elzie Parsons, Paul Thomas Waddell, J. E. Wiles, Delos Casey, Erwin Shepherd, Harlow Sheets, Hanzel Sheets, Johnnie G. Glass.

## Edward S. Finley Assigned To Base At Orlando, Fla.

Edward S. Finley, a first lieutenant in the army reserve officers corps who was called to service early this month, has been assigned to the air base at Orlando, Florida.

Lieut. Finley, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Finley, of this city, received his training at Davidson College. At present he is taking a special course at Washington, D. C., and on completion of the course will be stationed at Orlando, Florida.

Spain wants its railways to modernize their signal systems.

## Boys and Girls Chosen For Short Course Next Week

### Four Boys and Seven Girls Plans To Attend Annual 4-H Short Course

Wilkes boys and girls have been selected to attend the annual 4-H club short course to be held at State College in Raleigh next week, J. B. Snipes, county agent, and Miss Elizabeth Williams, home agent, said today.

Mountain View club, Irene Sheets, of Millers Creek, and Lucy Burchette, of Ronda. Boys selected are as follows: Jack Howard and Haywood Miller, Wilkesboro; J. E. Smith, Jr., of Ronda; Earl Fairchilds, Champion; John Absher and Jack Brewer, Traphill; and Joe Elledge, Mountain View. The young people will be accompanied to the short course by H. C. Colvard, assistant county agent, and Miss Elizabeth Williams, home demonstration agent.

## Aluminum Collection Drive Gives All Opportunity To Aid Defense

The aluminum collection drive is being carried out this week in such a manner that every person will have an opportunity to donate some aluminum and aid in national defense, W. H. McElwee, chairman of the defense council for Wilkes, said today.

This afternoon Boy Scouts of the Wilkesboro are making a house to house canvass to collect aluminum.

Two aluminum collection moves where admission will be a piece of aluminum have been announced by the theatres. The show at the Liberty theatre will be on Friday morning, 10 o'clock, and at the Allen theatre Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

In addition to these activities

## Aluminum Show At Allen Sunday

### Admission to Show At Allen Theatre Will Be Piece of Aluminum Sunday

A motion picture show will be shown Sunday afternoon, three o'clock, at the Allen theatre as part of the drive to collect aluminum for national defense.

The show will be under sponsorship of the North Wilkesboro Lions club.

W. J. Allen, proprietor of Allen theatre, said today that all facilities of the theatre will be given in the interest of national defense and that the showing of the picture will be donated by the theatre.

Admission to the show, which will be a complete movie, will be aluminum, and all who see the show must put one or more pieces of aluminum in the box at the front in order to enter. There will be no cash admission charge, the show being put on entirely for the purpose of collecting aluminum.

## Governor Asking Daylight Saving Time Start Sunday

Raleigh.—Governor Broughton yesterday directed all state officials, agencies and institutions to put daylight saving time into effect Sunday, July 27, and issued a proclamation urging local governmental agencies, firms and individuals in North Carolina to set their clocks up one hour on that date.

His action followed President Roosevelt's request last week that all southeastern states adopt daylight saving time as a measure to conserve electricity needed in vital defense activities.

If Broughton's proclamation is followed, North Carolina will go on daylight saving time at midnight Sunday and continue through midnight on September 28.

Immediately following the President's request, Broughton sent messages to mayors, chairmen of county commissioners and various statewide organizations asking their views on the proposal.

He stated yesterday that response to the suggestion indicated that the change not only would be adopted by the state as a whole but that it would be done willingly.

## J. B. Williams' Leg Is Broken In Freak Accident

J. B. Williams, prominent insurance and building and loan executive here, sustained a broken

Mr. Williams was in a Charlotte hotel when he arose from a chair and he was tripped as his shoe caught in a carpet on the floor. His ankle turned and he fell.

Examination disclosed a break just above the ankle. On Wednesday he was moved from a Charlotte hospital to the Wilkes hospital. After a few days there he plans to return to his home in this city but will necessarily be confined for some time.

## Aluminum Show At Liberty Friday

Liberty Theatre will present an aluminum collection show on Friday morning, ten o'clock, Ivan D. Anderson, manager, announced today.

The show will be given by the theatre for the purpose of collecting aluminum for national defense and admission will be a piece of aluminum. No money will be needed, just drop an old aluminum pot, pan or any kind of scrap aluminum in the box in front of the theatre and go in and see the show.

"Buried Alive," a full length feature picture, will be shown. The theatre is donating all its facilities for the performance in the interest of national defense.

All are invited to the show but are reminded that in order to be admitted they must give a piece of aluminum.

Scallops have ears but cannot hear.

Instead of following the original plan to inaugurate the new time August 1, the proclamation set the beginning of Sunday in order that industries might adjust their shifts during the idle day.

Certain to be followed by all state employees, the change will mean that Capitol employees, highway workers, teachers and others will report for work an hour earlier—by the sun—and will leave their jobs an hour earlier.

Of the 75 mayors he messaged regarding the time change, Broughton said, 74 responded favorably. He said 35 boards of county commissioners had indicated they would place their county administrations on the new time and that merchant associations in 30 of the larger communities had reacted favorably.

He quoted Secretary Willard Dowell of the state merchants association as saying that all local units were unanimously favorable to the change but that commitment had been delayed until they polled their membership.

"I think that automatically the rest of the population will fall in line," Broughton said.

## Change In WPA Office Personnel

### New Setup In Winston-Salem Office For Combined

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 22.—Two major local changes have been made in the community service division of WPA, formerly known as the professional and service division, with the promotion of Mrs. Josephine Shaffner Requilam and the transfer of Miss Ila Holman, it was learned Friday.

Under the new setup recently authorized Mrs. Requilam, who formerly was assistant director of the seven-county district that had its headquarters in Winston-Salem, is now assistant state supervisor of the cumulative records project. This is the state-wide project arranged for the state board of instruction. It provides for the installation of a record system, and bringing the records up to date, so there will be a record as complete as possible of all individual students who have attended the public schools of the state.

Miss Ila Holman was formerly in charge of the division that had its headquarters at North Wilkesboro prior to the consolidation.

Miss Euzelia Smart, who formerly was head of the seven counties that had headquarters here, is district director of the newly created seventeen-county division. Included are Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Davie, Davidson, Forsyth, Guilford, Iredell, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, and Yadkin counties.

Administrative division heads serving under Miss Smart in district four are: Miss Holman, assistant director; A. L. Fristoe, director division of employment; Miss Wilmot Doan, assistant; Leo Lawrence, director division of finance.

Under the new setup the division is divided into three departments. These departments and the project supervisors for the district are: Welfare program: lunchroom, gardening and canning, Mrs. Annie H. Cragan; sewing and house-keeping aids, Mrs. Irene F. Gambill; public health assistance and augmented service, Mrs. Myrtle F. Leonard; cleaning, renovating and light landscaping, W. Lane Barksdale; commodity distribution, Charles Wilson.

Community service programs: library, Mrs. Olivia M. Anderson; arts and crafts, Mrs. Cecile H. White; adult education, W. Lane Barksdale; recreation, Miss Zula Pierce; music, Talmadge Henry.

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Inspects Buses  
J. W. Smith, who is connected with the state utilities commission, was here today inspecting the buses used by the Wilkes Transportation Co. Mr. Smith states that he found the company's buses in good condition.