

War News

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Report Nazis Driven From Vital Highway

Russian forces, on the counter-offensive against the Germans by land, sea and air, have driven the Germans from a vital highway leading to Leningrad, delivered "massive" aerial blows at the base and captured a submarine in the Barents sea, it was reported today in Moscow.

The red armies hold the initiative on a broad section of the western front. It was announced in the soviet capital, with some of the fiercest fighting of the war, now in its 13th week, taking place around the clock on the mud-crumbed, fog-shrouded battlefield before Leningrad.

Today's early morning soviet war report said red airmen yesterday backed up the embattled land forces with one destructive attack after another upon the Germans at the front and ranged far beyond the lines to hammer home telling raids on nazi air-dromes.

In Berlin, the news agency DNB reported that hundreds of German combat planes and dive bombers attacked the defenders of Leningrad in the area south of Lake Ladoga and only one German plane was acknowledged lost in the assault.

In the extreme southern sector of the big Russian-German front, the luftwaffe directed blows against troop concentrations and columns in the area between the Dniester river and the sea of Azov, the official news agency said.

RAF Leaves Great Fires In Boulogne

London, Monday, Sept. 8.—The sky over Boulogne reddened early today with the glow of fires started by RAF night raiders who crossed paths with German bombers pounding widespread sections of Britain.

The RAF assault upon the German-held invasion port started around midnight with subsequent waves of bombers adding new fires to those set by the initial formations swinging out across the channel.

While this raid was in progress the RAF struck back, bombing a southeast coast town on the northeast coast, East Anglia, a town in the east of England and northeast Scotland.

Some casualties were reported in the southeast coast town where two taverns were wrecked by direct hits and a large number of houses and shops were damaged by German dive bombers. One northeast coast village was raked by machine gun fire and bombs were reported dropped near an isolation hospital in northeast Scotland.

Sub Has Slim Chance, Officer Thinks; Nazis Term Navy Story 'Lie'

Reykjavik, Sept. 7.—(Passed by Field Censor)—British and United States warships criss-crossed the tumultuous north Atlantic today, hunting the German submarine which clashed last Thursday with the U. S. destroyer Greer.

The U-boat has a "slim chance," according to one American naval officer. He expressed little doubt that it already had been damaged by the Greer and that its crew was weary from 72 hours of dodging depth charges dropped by planes and destroyers.

Many British and American naval officers here say they believe the submarine which was attacked by the Greer, was sunk in the action with the American destroyer and the Berlin announcement, indicating that it escaped, was intended to cover the loss.

Another theory is that the U-boat was damaged but not sunk by the Greer and that after diving to escape the destroyer it surfaced during the night. Its commander may then have taken a desperate chance and wirelessly his account of the engagement to the German submarine base at Brest.

Byrd Family Will Have a Reunion

Reunion of the Byrd family will be held on Sunday, September 21, at the home of Luther Byrd at Ronda.

A full day's program is being planned to include singing, speaking and a basket dinner spread in picnic style will be a noon-day feature. All members of the family, their relatives and friends are invited.

Preaching Appointment
Elder Ariel West of Ireland, Texas, will preach at Reddies church Wednesday, September 10, at 8 p. m. The public cordially invited.

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PRESIDENT'S MOTHER DIES



Mrs. Sara Delano Roosevelt, mother of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, died Sunday, 12:15 p. m., at her home at Hyde Park, N. Y. She would have been 87 on September 21 and the family physician attributed cause of her death to advanced age. She had been declining in health for some time and was unconscious for 12 hours preceding her death. President Roosevelt postponed until Thursday night, 10 p. m., an important radio address, which was originally scheduled for tonight, because of the death of his mother. The president and Mrs. Roosevelt spent Saturday night and Sunday morning at the bedside of his dying mother, having gone there Saturday.

Thirty-One Wilkes Men To Be Called To Army Sept. 16

15 From Board Number One and 16 From Board Number Two Are Notified

Wilkes draft boards have notified 31 men to report here on September 16 to leave for Fort Bragg to be inducted under the Selective Service Act.

Wilkes board number one will furnish 15 men as follows: William Clayton Miller, Lester James Keaton, Claude Lester Spears and Frank Alonzo Pearson, volunteers; Ernest Lee Johnson, Odell Clarence Bentley, Glenn Harrison Shoemaker, Garland Frank Farrington, Thomas Woodrow Russell, Hugh Livingstone, James Virgil McLean, James Washington Howell, Isaac Curry, Armstrong Pardue, John Oscar Robinson and Royal Edward Barnett, conscripts.

Wilkes board number two will send 16. Carl Patrick is a volunteer and the others notified to go are Archie Franklin McNeill, Carl Blackburn, Harvey Odell Holbrook, Frank Hampton Watson, Ansel Randon Gentry, Stacey Brewer, Albert Dewey Wood, Bernie Reeves, William Joshua Couch, Herbert Paul Watson, Chester Chelch Sparks, Granville Fred Baldwin, Jasper Thurman Walker, Bradie Hilery Cothren and Weldon Robert Hogan. Hogan was transferred from McDowell county here for induction.

Today the Wilkes boards received calls for men on October 3. Board number one will furnish 21 and board number two will send 16 on that date.

Air Observation Posts To Be Set Up In Wilkes

EVER SEE A WHITE SQUIRREL?



A white grey squirrel should be classed as "something new under the sun." That is what C. G. Glass, of near Wilkesboro, is pictured holding here. The albino squirrel was killed by a boy with Mr. Glass in a hunting party in the northern part of Wilkes county last week. The squirrel was totally white, not a speck of any other color. Its eyes, claws and nostrils were snow white, same as its fur. (Photo by Dwight Nichols).

Will Spot Planes During Maneuvers Early In October

Observers Will Be Trained For Defense In Case of Emergency

Wilkes County Civilian Defense Council in meeting Friday evening laid preliminary plans for the establishment of air observation posts in Wilkes county.

The meeting was held at the office of Attorney W. H. McElwee, chairman of the council.

A map had been sent Chairman McElwee, showing approximate location of ten air observation posts to be set up in the county.

Regulations call for posts to be established where telephones are available. Civilians will be in charge with a chief operator and as many assistant operators as needed. No funds are appropriated for these services but it is expected that civilians will gladly donate a little time in the interest of national defense.

The air observation posts will get their first tests during the army maneuvers early in October, when military planes will fly over Wilkes. The air observers will report to North Wilkesboro the progress of the planes and their respective locations.

Present at the council meeting on Thursday night were the following members: Chairman McElwee, A. F. Kilby, J. B. McCoy, J. B. Snipes, Paul S. Cragan, C. B. Eller, J. E. Walker and Dwight Nichols.

It is expected that another meeting will be called soon for appointment of observers.

Members of the Wilkes council expect to attend a district meeting of defense councils at Dobson Monday night, at which time Theodore S. Johnson, state director of Civilian Defense, will address members of several county councils.

No New Cases Of Polio In Wilkes

Health Officer Says Threatened Epidemic Has Passed For The Year

No new cases of infantile paralysis have been reported in Wilkes county in the last four weeks, Dr. A. J. Eller, Wilkes health officer, said today.

Nine cases were reported in the eastern part of Wilkes county in July and the early part of August. The homes were quarantined and the usual precautions against spread of the disease were taken, the health officer said.

Dr. Eller also commented on the fact that all the cases were of an apparently mild nature and no serious physical handicaps have resulted from the disease so far in any case.

The nine cases represented the largest number during any one season in Wilkes county.

Widening Of Fill D Street Begins

V. P. A. Project Calls For Widening Fills and Construction Sidewalk

Work began today on widening the fill and street pavement on D street through the block west of Sixth street.

The street will be widened by means of a WPA project sponsored by the town of North Wilkesboro.

The fill will be widened sufficiently to construct pavement as wide as the street at other points and a sidewalk will be constructed on the north side.

The project represents one of the most badly needed street improvements in the city and will remove a traffic "bottleneck" of several years standing.

National defense has caused the glass container industry to take on a new significance, since no raw materials essential to armament are used in making the containers.

4,108 Mattresses Manufactured At Centers In Wilkes

Large Number Of Mattresses and Comforters

Mattress project in operation in Wilkes county under sponsorship of the extension service has a production to date of 4,108 mattresses, according to figures released today from the office of Miss Elizabeth Williams, home demonstration agent.

In addition to the 4,108 mattresses, 860 comforters have been made.

A total of 6,187 applications have been filed by low income families and have been approved. It is expected that the applications will be filled before the project is discontinued.

Mattress making centers have been in operation at Wilkesboro, Mulberry, Roaring River, Ferguson, Joynes, Boomer and Champion.

Eight Are Taken In Raids On Stills

Federal Agents Makes Successful Raids In Wilkes County Last Week

Eight Wilkes men were arrested and placed under bond for appearance in federal court on liquor charges following still raids made during the week by alcohol tax unit investigators.

On Friday Lester Johnson, John Gregory and Clint Johnson were arrested during a raid in the Hunting Creek part of the county and were placed under \$500 bonds in a hearing before U. S. Commissioner J. W. Dula in Wilkesboro. Officers Roy C. Reese, Charlie Steelman and G. H. Gilbertson made the raid. Wake E. Souther was also arrested on the same day and bound to court on liquor charges.

On Wednesday Clay Holbrook, Willie Holbrook, Walter Holbrook and Curley Pruitt were taken in a still raid near Trap-Hill and were placed under bond after commissioner's hearing. Officers C. S. Felts, J. H. Whitesides and R. J. Russell, accompanied by Wilkes Sheriff C. T. Doughton, made the raid and arrests.

FERTILIZER
More commercial fertilizer was used by American farmers in 1940 than in any previous year, according to a report issued by the National Fertilizer Association.

Rifle And Pistol Club To Organize Here Friday Night

Announcement was made today that a rifle and pistol club will be organized in a meeting to be held Friday, 7:30, at the city hall.

Plans have been made to secure indoor and outdoor ranges for rifle and pistol target practice. All who enjoy shooting are asked to attend the meeting Friday night.

R. Harvey Greene Is Taken By Death

Prominent Clingman Merchant Succumbs Here; Funeral Held Sunday

R. Harvey Greene, prominent merchant and farmer of the Clingman community, died Friday evening, seven o'clock, at the Wilkes hospital. He had been in ill health for two months and seriously ill several days prior to his death.

He was 50 years of age and was a son of the late Thomas M. Greene, who for fifty years was a

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American Trust Co. President Is Kiwanis Speaker

Word H. Wood Talks On Subject Of "Service To Community" Friday

Word W. Wood, of Charlotte, president of American Trust Co., delivered an inspiring address Friday noon before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club. Clarence Kuester, secretary of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, also talked interestingly as another feature of the program.

R. G. Finley was program chairman and he presented Kuester, who spoke optimistically relative to outcome of the present world conditions. He stressed the need of vision, courage and faith.

J. R. Hix, president of the Bank of North Wilkesboro, presented Mr. Wood, who outlined the following five keys to success: work, honesty, the best policy, service, loyalty and ideals. "Service to one's community should be one's chief business. The young man should catch a vision of the future, ten, fifteen or

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CLOTHES FOR FARM CHORES



Women, now doing many farm chores, may do more as boys are called to army camps. For these active jobs, home economics workers of the U. S. Department of Agriculture have designed a group of functional, attractive clothes, says Miss Willie Hunter, extension clothing specialist of N. C. State college. On the left in the above picture is a coverette for lighter farm chores such as milking, tending chickens, and gardening. This one-piece outfit has steepled and reaching room built in. It's easy to make, simple to put on, has low safe pockets, and snaps at the ankles. Made of good cotton seersucker, the coverette is cool and easy to handle. For heavier farm work, the field suit on the right has been designed. Made of inexpensive cotton suiting, this outfit has slide fasteners that close the legs at the ankle, and half sleeves that snap on and off. The hat is washable and easy to make.