

War News

Stalin Orders City Defended to Death

Premier Josef Stalin placed Moscow under a state of siege today (Monday) and ordered it defended to the death in what promises to be one of the bloodiest and most destructive sieges in world history.

A vast people's army, carrying "Tommy guns" and backed by processions of heavy tanks, poured westward from Moscow to reinforce the hard-pressed Red army which admittedly had given ground before the armored German war machine.

German sources claimed that storm troops had crushed through Moscow's extremely strong defense system at "many points" and Stalin's order for a state of siege admitted that fighting was in progress 62 to 75 miles west of Moscow.

Rapidly Close Gap
Apparently the city was not yet completely encircled, with limited communications still open to the east. But strong Nazi forces were on three sides of the Communist metropolises, were fast closing the gap to the east.

Eleven Members Kearny Crew Lost

WASHINGTON (AP).—The torpedoing of the United States destroyer Kearny resulted in the death of 11 men and injuries to 10 others, the navy disclosed last night in an announcement which laid the attack to "a submarine, undoubtedly German."

This information, supplementing with meager but significant details the initial announcement of the engagement which occurred 350 miles southwest of Iceland Friday, became available after the crippled destroyer limped into port. What haven the vessel reached was not disclosed.

Thus, for the first time since the European war started, the Navy Department was constrained to issue a bulletin concluding with such words as "the next of kin of the missing—have been notified."

Blame Placed
It was the first time, too, that the navy had so directly placed the responsibility for an attack at sea upon Germany. When the destroyer Greer was attacked by a submarine off Iceland—a foray in which it went unscathed and dropped depth charges at its antagonist—the navy made no direct charge that the submarine was German although this fact later was established by comment from Berlin charging that the Greer had been the aggressor.

Proctor Speaks In Wilkesboro

Superintendent Of Masonic Orphanage Delivers Inspiring Message

Rev. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford, threw out a strong challenge to Masonry and church members to hold up the torch of righteousness, in a stirring message delivered last night from the pulpit of the Wilkesboro Methodist church.

Rev. Mr. Proctor's visit was sponsored by Liberty Lodge No. 45, A. F. and A. M., which is located in Wilkesboro, and was heard by a large congregation, among those present being a large number of members of the Masonic order.

Prior to Dr. Proctor's sermon, the quartet composed of J. B. Henderson, W. A. Stroud, R. R. Church and Dewey Minton, sang two selections with Mrs. C. S. Hudson, accompanist. The quartet was followed by the Carolina Trio, composed of Misses Edwina and Francis Elledge and Miss Janette McGrady, with Miss Lucille McGee being their accompanist. The trio also sang two songs.

The service opened with a song, followed by prayer by Prof. T. E. Story, who later in a most appropriate manner, introduced the (continued on page four)

Revival At Beaver Creek Progressing

Revival services are in progress this week at Beaver Creek Baptist church with Rev. R. M. Edminsten, of Sugar Grove, doing the preaching. Services are being held each evening at seven o'clock, featured by excellent preaching, fine music and much interest.

Large crowds are attending each service and the church cordially invites all to attend the real old time revival.

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District Defense Meeting Will Be In Wilkesboro

Canal Defense Chief



Mrs. F. M. Andrews pins the third star on Lieut. Gen. F. M. Andrews. His appointment as commander of the Caribbean defense area (embracing the Canal zone) marks the first time an air corps general has commanded the field forces of combined arms.

Defense Bonds Are Subject Address At Kiwanis Meeting

A. C. Smith, Station Examiner At Charlotte, Gives Information On Bonds

Kiwanis club here heard on Friday noon an address by A. C. Smith, of Charlotte, station examiner, explaining the defense bonds now on sale at postoffices, banks and many retail stores throughout the country.

He said the country needs more money for defense and the individual has no better place to lend money than to the government. He explained the series E bonds in denominations from \$25 to \$1,000. No one individual can buy more than \$5,000 of that series. Other defense bonds are offered from \$100 to \$10,000.

Defense stamps, which range from 10 to 25 cents, may be purchased and exchanged for bonds when a sufficient amount is accumulated.

The program was in charge of J. H. Rector, who called on Postmaster J. C. Reins to introduce the speaker. The program was received with much interest by the club. President J. B. Carter announced that Ladies' Night will be observed on November 14.

Guests at the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Charlotte, and J. C. McDiarmid, who was a guest of H. H. Morehouse.

Patrolmen Will Arrest Pedestrians Who Violate Law While On Highway

Carlyle Ingle, Highway Patrol Sergeant, Cites Violations By Walkers

Carlyle Ingle, highway patrol sergeant stationed here, said today that much attention will be given to enforcing the law relative to pedestrians, in an effort to lower the automobile death toll in this part of the state.

He pointed out that two recent fatalities involved pedestrians. It is a violation of the law, he said, to walk on the pavement or traveled portion of the highway

Lions Club Goes Into Scrap Paper Business; Cooperation Is Asked

Lions Club here has gone into the scrap paper business in a big way.

And if the public cooperates in the manner hoped for by the club the business will be carried on in a bigger way.

Paul Cashion, Lions secretary, found there was a market for scrap paper of all kinds. Instead of going into the business himself he turned the field over to the Lions Club, which will use all the profits in carrying out its commendable civic activities here.

Prices for scrap paper range from \$12.50 to \$23 per ton, depending on quality. The paper must be collected and baled.

Paul Cashion and Don Wadsley

Representatives Of Ten Counties To Gather There

Agricultural Authorities To Map Production Of Food and Feed In 1942

Moving swiftly to gear North Carolina's agricultural resources for an all-out Food for Freedom drive to attain production goals suggested by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, member of county USDA Defense Boards of ten counties will meet Tuesday in Wilkesboro in the County Court Room to consider plans for launching the program in this area.

Between now and December 1, every farmer in North Carolina will be given an opportunity to enroll in the greatest national food production program in the history of the nation, states J. M. German, Chairman of the Wilkes County USDA Defense Board, who is making arrangements for the Wilkesboro meeting. T. Weaver Cathey, representative of the State AAA, will preside at the meeting.

State production goals of designated foods, including milk, eggs, pork and others are being broken down to county goals, which in turn will be adjusted to various communities and individual farms. A farm canvass will be made later by AAA committee men to acquaint each farmer with the program and to assist him in making out a farm production plan for 1942.

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\$150 In Treasure Chest For Event

'Appreciation Day' Celebration Will Be Held On Wednesday Afternoon

Next "Appreciation Day" celebration will be on Wednesday afternoon here.

The North Wilkesboro high school band will furnish music and there will be other entertainment features.

There will also be the selection of a goodwill ambassador at four p. m. and it has been announced that there is \$150 in the treasure chest. Last week Mrs. Sherman Shumate, of Crickets, was awarded \$5 and the "Appreciation Day" award on Wednesday of this week may be much greater.

Leningrad Youths Learn Art of Fighting



Youths of the Leningrad metal works learn the art of bayonet fighting, and how to surmount barriers after working hours. At any moment, says the Moscow censor-approved caption, the young patriots are ready to join the ranks of the Soviet in defense of beleaguered Leningrad. Picture shows a youth clearing a fence while others look on.

Children Would Invest In Bonds Of Injuries Caused By A Falling Tree

Washington. — If given \$100 "all his own", one out of every three youngsters in the United States would invest the entire amount in United States Defense Savings Bonds, results of a nation-wide poll just made public indicate.

William T. Reed, Chicago manufacturer, informed the treasury that ten thousand children between the ages of eight and thirteen were included in the poll conducted by his organization with the cooperation of the Y. M. C. A. and other groups sponsoring summer camps. Children from families of all income groups were included in the poll.

Kincheloe Speaks To Lions Here On Friday Evening

'American Freedom And American Responsibility' Is Subject Of Address

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist church here, delivered an inspiring address before the Lions Club Friday evening on the subject of "American Freedom and American Responsibility."

Prior to the program an interesting business session was held. C. C. Faw, Jr., was received as a new member of the club and was presented with the membership button by Grady Church, President Emmet Johnson announced that the club had secured a coin

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ATTRACTIVE SILO COMPLETED



County Agent J. B. Snipes and D. B. Swaringen, of Traphill, are shown here with Mr. Swaringen's big stone silo which has just been completed and filled with 50 tons of silage. The silo, of native stone construction, is ten feet in diameter and 30 feet deep. It was erected at a cost of about \$400. In the background is a most modern barn, which contains over 35 tons of cowpea and lespedeza hay. Feed compartments of the barn have hardwood floors. (Photo by Dwight Nichols)

Wilkes Republicans Will Hear Martin

Party Leader To Address Rally In Charlotte, Oct. 25

N. B. Smithey, Wilkes G. O. P. Chairman, Urges Large Attendance

N. B. Smithey, chairman of the Wilkes Republican executive committee, said today that many Republicans from Wilkes are expected to go to Charlotte Saturday, October 25, to hear an address by Representative Joseph W. Martin, Chairman of national Republican executive committee.

Announcement that the House Minority Leader will visit North Carolina and will address the rally in Charlotte has created much interest locally and several Republicans in Wilkes have already stated their intention to attend. Those who plan to attend should make reservations soon as possible.

Following is the Martin itinerary in the state:

Friday morning October 24.—Arrive in Fayetteville from Washington. To be met by a reception committee composed of party leaders and taken to Clinton.

Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.—Address by Mr. Martin in Clinton.

Friday night at 8 o'clock.—Address by Mr. Martin at University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill under auspices of Carolina Political union.

Saturday at 12:30 p. m.—Address by Mr. Martin in Lexington.

Saturday at 3 p. m.—Republican rally, with attention centering largely on campaign plans, at Hotel Charlotte. Informal talk by Mr. Martin.

Saturday night at 7 o'clock.—Dinner meeting at Hotel Charlotte, with address by Mr. Martin.

"Our Democratic friends are invited to join us at the dinner meeting here on the night of October 25," said Jake Newell, who however, suggested that all prospective banqueters should make early reservations.

Citizens Finley Park Addition Ask Boulevard

Want Finley Street Made Into Boulevard With Lane Between The Drives

In response to a petition by citizens asking a paved street and a two-lane boulevard in Finley Park addition to North Wilkesboro, the city council has employed K. M. Allen to make surveys and preliminary estimates of cost.

It is expected that no definite action will be taken until his report is completed and studied by the city authorities.

In the October meeting ten home owners in the Finley park addition, a new residential section, petitioned the board to gravel and make ready for surfacing (continued on page four)

Young College Dean



Mrs. George Stewart, 22, who is dean of women at Mary Hardin-Baylor college, Belton, Texas. Mrs. Stewart is one of the youngest deans of women in the United States.

Federal Officer And Ashe Deputy Hurt By Dynamite

Roy Reese Has Broken Leg and Other Injuries; Lynn Miller Loses Leg

Roy Reese, in charge of the alcohol tax unit officers stationed at Wilkesboro, sustained a broken leg, and Lynn Miller, Ashe county deputy of the Idlewild community lost his right leg in explosions at a moonshine still near Idlewild late Friday evening.

Reese, who suffered numerous cuts on both legs as well as the break in his right leg above the ankle, said the still was located on property of Roy Blackburn, according to their information. With Reese were Federal Officers E. E. Webster, F. A. Reilly and G. H. Gilbertson, and Ashe Deputies Lynn Miller, Wiley Burgess, Walter Phillips, Chief Deputy Goodman and one other deputy whose name he did not recall.

They found the still, which had been in operation earlier in the day, and proceeded to prepare dynamite to destroy it.

Thirteen sticks were prepared with fuse supposed to burn one and one-half minutes. The dynamite was divided among four officers to place in various parts of the still. Fifteen seconds were required to place the explosive and a stick placed by Reese in a box of mash exploded prematurely.

Reese and Miller were knocked to the ground by pieces of the box and impact of the explosion. They crawled about 12 feet and lay flat while the other sticks of dynamite exploded in rapid succession. The second stick to explode was in the boiler and did not throw any debris. That allowed an instant for Reese and Miller to crawl away and the remaining explosive threw parts of the still over their positions on the ground.

Reese and Miller were brought to the Wilkes hospital here. (Continued on page four)

North Wilkesboro Beats Taylorsville

The North Wilkesboro high school eleven (the Mountain Lions) roared to a glorious victory here Friday afternoon when Taylorsville went down in defeat by the score of 6 to 0. The local eleven was master of the occasion throughout the entire game, and only once did Taylorsville even threaten to score, and this one threat was stopped cold on the North Wilkesboro eighteen yard line.

The second period had hardly gotten under way when Joe Hunt passed 25 yards to Jack Hall for the only score of the game. It was a beautifully executed play that clicked perfectly, and when Hall took the long pass no opposition player was anywhere near him. He had no difficulty, whatever, in carrying the pigskin over for the six points

Hunt also made several long gains on the ground, giving him good blocking and interference. A big feature of the inter-high school game was the appearance of the high school hand which performed in real collegiate style throughout the game and especially during the half when it paraded on the gridiron with Major-ette Nellie Gabriel, and Annie Ruth Blankenship, carrying the flag of our country, leading the way.

The game was hard fought, with no quarters asked, and Taylorsville put up a stiff fight. But, North Wilkesboro was ready to go and defied all opposition. Officials were: Dick Bason, referee, and Bill Brame, head line-man; Don Wadsley, field judge, Blair Gwyn, umpire;