

# War News

## U. S. Captures Nazi Cargo Ship

Washington.—An axis-owned merchant ship, sailing under the colors of the American flag, was captured by a U. S. Naval cruiser on November 6 in the South Atlantic after two explosions had been touched off on the craft, the Navy department announced last night.

Navy officials withheld much pertinent data concerning the incident. They would not divulge the name of the cruiser nor would they identify the merchantman or its owners beyond saying that she was owned by "subjects of one of the axis powers." They withheld information about the scene of the capture and also about the port to which the vessel is being taken for repairs.

The fate of the crew of the merchantman was not revealed, but it was presumed they were safe since members of the cruiser's crew are bringing the ship to port. As soon as it arrives it will be turned over to a U. S. marshal and held for Justice department action under charges of sailing under false colors.

## Winter Paralyzing Hitler's Invaders

Snow and "Napoleon weather" balked the Germans yesterday along the whole Russian front, as the Moscow radio reported for the first time the finding of German soldiers frozen to death.

Even the usually balmy Crimea, where Hitler's armies were battling for bitterly defended key points in the Russian outer defenses of the vital Caucasian oil supplies, was blanketed with heavy snow. Stockholm dispatches said the temperature in the Crimea had dropped to five degrees above zero Fahrenheit. Even if the snow turned to slush, British war experts thought it would slow Nazi tank operations on the peninsula.

The far northern reaches of the front the setting in of winter made fighting next to impossible although a Finnish communiqué said that about 100 fortified Russian positions on the Eastern front had been destroyed and reported artillery dueling in various sectors. British dispatches from Stockholm, however, said the Finnish Karelian offensive had been stopped.

## Captive Coal Talks Are Off; Up To F. D. R.

Washington.—Union and management conference on the captive coal mine dispute broke off negotiations yesterday, still deadlocked on the union shop issue, and John L. Lewis, standing firmly on his order for a work stoppage of 53,000 miners, checked the next action up to President Roosevelt—and maybe Congress.

With this development it was apparent that government-labor relations in the light of the defense program had reached a crisis, for Mr. Roosevelt had declared only Friday that production from the coal mines—owned by steel companies—busy with armament orders—must continue without delay.

Highly volatile elements in the explosive situation were the hanging threat, of an industry-wide strike in the soft coal fields and the possibility of an open break between the government and the C. I. O.

## Japan Warns Her Patience Near End

Japan pushed the Pacific crisis toward the point of peace or war today (Monday).

Tokyo warned the United States that her patience was nearing an end and laid down terms for keeping the war out of the Pacific.

They were that the economic blockade must be lifted; that the (military encirclement) of Japan through agreements of America, Britain, China and The Netherlands, be abolished; that normal trade relations be restored.

These points were pronounced by Premier Hideki Tojo, who declared to the diet that the United States-British economic freezing measures were only a "little less hostile than carrying on armed warfare."

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## MEN FOR NEXT DRAFT CALL—

# Thirty-Three Notified Of Army Induction Date 26th

## Board Number 1 Will Send 17 and Number 2 Sixteen

## Will Be Second Call In November For Wilkes County's Two Draft Boards

Thirty-three Wilkes men have been notified by the two Wilkes boards to report on November 26 to go from here to Fort Bragg for induction as selectees.

Board number one will send 17, including Clay David Brookshire, whose name was transferred from another county board for induction. The others are: York Eugene Dyer, Joe Calloway Ashley, Vaughn Jefferson Walker, Roy Patterson Pennell, William Troy Bumgarner, Deward Sherman Mash, Newel Herman Mash, Richard Eugene Yates, James Walter Holcomb, Clarence Soots, Bill Church, Arnold Robert Wilson, James Russell Brooks, Ray Wilson Moore, Charlie Ashley and Augustus Flake Robbins.

For Wilkes board number 2 those notified were as follows: Clyde McKinley Key, Quinton Osborne, Dewey Edward Holloway, Roy Clifford Duncan, Bradie Hillery Cothren, James Hillery Burchette, Glenn Jackson Adams, Edward Forester Taylor, Norce Brooks, James Eller, William James Higgins, Oliver Houston Absher, Everett Edmond Johnston, David Monroe Hall and Ranzie M. Harrold.

Wilkes boards sent 23 to Fort Bragg Wednesday of last week in the first of two calls for November. Five of those sent by Wilkes board number one returned because of failure to pass the physical examination. They were Hansford Lee Bentley, James Franklin Church, Swan Odum Hayes, William Jackson Massagee and Rollo Asbury Queen.

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## Grayson Nominated District Attorney

District Attorney J. Luke Grayson was renominated for district attorney of the extreme eastern Tennessee district in the primary Saturday. He has held the office for eight years and reelection is expected in the predominantly Republican district.

He is a brother of Mr. J. C. Grayson, of Wilkesboro, who, with his son, Jay, spent from Thursday until Sunday with District Attorney Grayson. He carried three of the four counties and won the nomination by a big majority.

## Revival To Begin At Mt. Pleasant

Revival services will begin at Mount Pleasant Baptist church on Sunday, November 23, and continue for one week with services each evening at seven o'clock.

Rev. Grady Hamby, pastor who has resigned, effective December 21, will conduct the services and all are invited to attend.

# Mountain Lions County Champs

In a game which reached its climax in the last three minutes, North Wilkesboro won over Wilkesboro 6-0 here Friday afternoon before a throng of frenzied supporters of both teams.

It was the running and defense work of Joe Hunt, North Wilkesboro's brilliant quarterback, which won and saved the game for the Mountain Lions in the waning minutes.

During the first half both teams put up a stiff defense and neither team made any serious threat to score. But it was evident that before the end of the game somebody would get going.

In the third period Wilkesboro got a break which looked like a scoring opportunity when Hunt punted from North Wilkesboro's 17 to the 45 and the ball took a crazy rebound back to the

## Thursday, Friday School Holidays

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, and Friday, November 20 and 21, will be school holidays. Schools will adjourn Wednesday until Monday, C. B. Eller, county superintendent, said today.

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## Red Cross Drive Well Under Way All Over County

## Several Business Houses and One Industrial Plant Hundred Per Cent

As reports continued to arrive today it was evident at Wilkes Red Cross headquarters that the annual roll call is progressing splendidly.

Several business houses and one industrial plant, the International Shoe company branch here, have enrolled 100 per cent and other good reports are expected when pay day arrives at other industrial plants.

Meanwhile, the house to house canvass of residential districts here is going forward under direction of Mrs. Gordon Finley and is well under way in several leading rural communities.

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., roll call chairman, said the complete reports are expected by the end of this week on the roll call. The goal for Wilkes this year is 2,100 members, a larger amount than previously because of increased Red Cross needs in a period of national crisis.

## Federal Court Now In Session

## Court Convenes In Wilkesboro With Judge Johnson J. Hayes On Bench

November term of federal court began in Wilkesboro today with Judge Johnson J. Hayes presiding.

After an instructive charge to the grand jury by Judge Hayes the court began work on a lengthy docket of criminal cases which may take the greater part of the two weeks term.

A big majority of the cases on the docket are for violation of the federal liquor laws, there being few cases in which other counts are charged.

Sentences were meted out by Judge Hayes today to the following for liquor law violations: George Lowe, 15 months in Atlanta prison; Elbert Wiles, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio, reformatory; Charlie Samuel Johnson, year and a day in Chillicothe; Fred Stailey, year in Lewisburg, suspended.

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## Night Attack in Mediterranean



This photograph, one of the most striking of its kind ever taken, shows a battleship of the British Mediterranean fleet in action as an Axis attack is repelled. Tremendous flashes from anti-aircraft guns firing simultaneously to port and starboard outline the superstructure of the battleship in lurid flame.

## AT LADIES NIGHT—

# Kiwanians Honor Ladies With Excellent Program

## Gentry Recovers From Hurt In Game

Wayne Gentry, North Wilkesboro fullback who played well against Wilkesboro Friday, has been released from the Wilkes Hospital, where he was a patient for injuries received in the game.

Gentry played throughout the game but part of his playing was after he had been knocked into a dazed condition and he knew little of what was going on. His injury was described as a slight concussion but he has recovered.

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## Big Forest Fire Rages In Eastern Part Of Watauga Mountains Between Upper Elk and Stony Fork Creeks Burned

A big forest fire was raging today in the mountains of the eastern part of Watauga county between Elk and Stony Fork Creeks.

The fire, which started early Sunday near the headwaters of Elk Creek spread rapidly toward Stony Fork before a driving wind and burned over several hundred acres. No information was immediately available as to the origin of the fire.

Citizens of the Stony Fork community expressed grave concern about the progress of the flames in their direction and said they feared that some mountain homes between Stony Fork and Elk creeks were in danger.

Prolonged drought has made the woods dry as tinder and recent frost killed the leaves on the forests. Heavily wooded sections of the fire area late Sunday afternoon was a blazing inferno.

Some Stony Fork residents said that as far as they knew Sunday afternoon, there was no organized effort to fight the fire. Watauga county has no forest fire organization, they said, but hoped that the CCC members might come to help because the fire was in a few miles of government lands acquired for parkway use. Some of the land burned over Sunday was heavily timbered, they said.

Late Sunday afternoon the fire had passed the top of Osborne Mountain and was progressing down the east slope of Lihu Knob about two miles west of Deep Gap. Flames and great pillars of smoke were plainly visible from highway 421 a short distance east of Deep Gap.

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## Women Of Moose To Meet

Women of Moose will meet on Wednesday evening, November 19, 7:30 at the lodge hall. Miss Goldie Dean, of Charlotte, will be a special guest and a large attendance is asked.

## Furr Tells Club Struggle Now Is Fight To Finish

## Kiwanis Official Deplores Lack Of Unity and Morale In The Nation

Ray Furr, of Rock Hill, S. C., district governor of the Carolinas district of Kiwanis, told a Ladies night crowd at the meeting of the North Wilkesboro club Friday evening that the present international struggle is a fight to the finish for the democratic way of government.

Ladies night was held at Hotel Wilkes with a total attendance of 164, including 45 club members, 105 ladies and 11 men guests. Eleven 1941 members and lady guests were introduced by Secretary T. E. Story.

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., welcomed the guests and response was by Mrs. Edd F. Gardner.

Music for the program was furnished by Miss Louise Younce, music teacher in North Wilkesboro schools, and the high school girls chorus, which rendered two delightful numbers. Paul Craigan introduced the speaker.

District Governor Furr said "we have two jobs to do; dispel the threat which is being made on our American way; and take a leading part in rebuilding the world after the conflagration is over."

He described the world struggle as a fight to the finish between England, America, China and smaller republics against Germany, Italy and Japan representing the nationalistic ideology. He said that oceans three to five thousands of miles in width are no certain bulwarks and that the Nazis have an attack in espionage and other secret forms just as dangerous as armed forces to our way of living, "and this is the attack we must be prepared to meet," he said.

In speaking of the lack of unity and morale he cited the fact that there are now more than 50 strikes in progress in the nation at a time when production should not have any obstacles. He said, however, that morale cannot be manufactured and that it comes with unity of interest.

He urged the establishment of international morale with unity of interest after the war.

Every feature of the program was well received by the large assembly and the opinion was frequently expressed that the meeting was one of the most successful and enjoyable in the history of the club.

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## EXPECT ARMORED DIVISIONS—

# Army Men 'Mine' 3 Yadkin Bridges

## Thursday, Nov. 20, Thanksgiving Day

Just in case you hadn't noticed it, Thursday, November 20, will be Thanksgiving in North Carolina. Governor J. M. Broughton followed President Roosevelt in proclaiming the third Thursday in November for Thanksgiving.

Following the usual custom, it is expected that business houses and offices here will be closed Thanksgiving Day.

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## Special Services For Thanksgiving Are Planned Here

## Churches Invite All To Thanksgiving Services; Orphanage Offerings

Churches of North Wilkesboro have planned special services for Thanksgiving.

The Methodist church will not have prayer service on Wednesday night but will have a special Thanksgiving service at the church on Thursday morning from nine until ten o'clock. The pastor, Rev. A. C. Waggoner, will be in charge.

At the First Baptist church the Thanksgiving service will be held on Wednesday night, beginning at 7:30. Special music will be under direction of Mrs. A. F. Kibby and the pastor, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., will speak on "Americans and Thanksgiving."

The North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church will have its annual Thanksgiving day service on Thursday morning, ten o'clock, with the pastor, Rev. Watt M. Cooper, in charge. It will be a regular worship service with emphasis on Thanksgiving and the Thanksgiving offering for Barium Springs orphanage will be taken.

Several rural churches in Wilkes plan special Thanksgiving services.

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## Baptist Pastors Meeting Is Held

## Met Today In This City; Reports of Baptist State Convention Heard

Wilkes county Baptist Pastors Conference in session today at Reins-Sturdivant chapel in this city heard reports from ministers who attended the Baptist State convention last week in Asheville and individual reports from the ministers attending relative to their respective churches.

In attendance were several pastors from the Brushy Mountain and Stone Mountain Baptist associations. Rev. G. W. Sebastian conducted the devotional.

Those who gave reports on the state convention were Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist church here; Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr., pastor of Wilkesboro Baptist church; and Rev. A. W. Eller, pastor of New Hope Baptist church.

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## Campbell Child Is Badly Burned

## Son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell In Critical Condition At The Hospital

Joe Campbell, small son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell, of North Wilkesboro route two, was critically burned today in some water which had been heated for washing in the yard of the home.

The child was carried to the Wilkes hospital for treatment and little hope is held for his recovery.

## Bethany Revival

Revival services will begin at Bethany church on Sunday, November 23.

Rev. Jimmie Bryant, pastor, assisted by other ministers, will conduct the revival, which will continue for a week or longer, and all are invited to attend.

## Guards Placed At Three Bridges On Yadkin River Here

## Blue Forces Trying To Keep Reds Mechanized Divisions Out Of Areas

Bridges on the Yadkin river here are in possession of the Blue Forces and have been "mined", presumably to retard progress of two "blitz" divisions expected to proceed from the northwest toward the Carolinas' maneuver area.

A small force of the 38th Engineers from Fort Jackson, S. C., came into the Wilkesboro Sunday morning and "took possession" of military objectives.

While a machine gun crew on an armored truck manned their guns and gave the men "protection", the engineers placed "mines" under the big Yadkin bridge between the Wilkesboro, the old and new lower Yadkin bridges at the east end of North Wilkesboro.

About 10:30 a. m. Lieut. A. L. Shuping, of the Salisbury company of 105th Engineers, Fort Jackson, umpire of the proceedings, inspected the work, passed it and recorded the bridges "mined" about 10:30 a. m. Sunday.

A one-man guard with rifle, pack and all necessary supplies was placed on each bridge. Their duty is to report any appearance of the "enemy". Red armored forces, and to "blow" the bridge if necessary to retard their progress.

The work here was described by officers as a "precautionary" measure, taken while scout planes and scout cars scanned the highways of all northwestern North Carolina for any appearance of the "enemy". They said they did not know until the enemy was located and their route ascertained just how long the guards would stay on duty at the bridges here.

The first guards placed remained on duty 24 hours without relief, due to the fact that the bridge mining force did not have any extra men to place as relief for the guards. The guards had canned food and drinks in their packs but they sincerely appreciated some gifts of hot food and drink carried them last night.

It was the first work of any forces on maneuvers in this territory and excited much interest among local people. Now they express the hope that the armored divisions, or some part of them, will come this way so they can get a glimpse of some of America's latest armed might.

Stationed at the Yadkin bridge between the Wilkesboro is Pfc. R. S. Carpenter. He is a member of the 28th Engineers at Fort Jackson, S. C. He is a selectee and his home is in Drayden, N. Y.

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## 1941 TAXES ARE DUE— Notices Of City Taxes Are Sent

## North Wilkesboro City Tax Notices Are Mailed; Payment Now Is Urged

Notices of taxes for 1941 have been mailed to North Wilkesboro taxpayers, W. P. Kelly, town clerk and treasurer, said today.

Taxes for this year may now be paid at the exact amount on the tax notices. However, penalties will be added later according to law and all taxpayers are urged to pay now and by so doing do themselves and the town a favor.

## Forrest Church With I. S. & C.

Forrest Church, who is well and favorably known in Wilkes, has accepted a position with Insurance Service and Credit Corporation here and began his duties there today.

Mr. Church is a well experienced automobile man, having been connected with Yadkin Valley Motor company for some time and with Commercial Credit company for the past year.