

War News

Soviets Check Nazi Drive Upon Moscow

British Torpedoes Hit Seven Enemy Vessels in the Mediterranean

British imperial forces pouring through and around axis forces have captured Bardia and two other strongholds and driven the entire axis tank army of Libya into four extermination pockets, while on the eastern front the Russians said they had checked the newest and greatest Nazi assault on Moscow.

On the sea side of the co-ordinated British offensive, seven or more axis ships in the Mediterranean have been sunk or damaged, the British said. Two of the axis ships were Italian cruisers, at least one of which was sunk.

Seize Cities
New Zealand and Indian troops seized Sidi Azeiz and Sidi Omar Nuovo in addition to Bardia. Cairo dispatches announced. The main tank battle, now raging in its sixth day, was said to have moved across 80 miles of desert to the Tobruk area where it has reached a critical stage with the axis almost completely hemmed in.

The eastern front situation was more critical than for several weeks, with the Germans hurling tens of thousands of troops forward regardless of losses in a desperate attempt to smash the Moscow defense arc. At some points the Russian lines were bending, although Soviet resistance was furious and Nazi gains were admitted in a few sectors.

Hitler Calls Allied Group For Meeting

DNB Declares Leaders Will Express Spirit Against Bolshevism

Berlin.—A Berlin conference of 10 or more powers to discuss renewal and extension of the first anti-Comintern pact signed by Germany in 1935 will begin Tuesday, the day the pact expires it was announced today.

Many leading statesmen of the powers united in the fight against Communism will arrive in Berlin Monday and Tuesday to express their fighting spirit against world Bolshevism, the official German news agency DNB said.

The statesmen's meeting begins Tuesday (tomorrow) with a solemn state ceremony.

Joe Gambill Home Burned On Friday

The home of Joe Gambill, located near the Union Methodist church two miles west of this city, was destroyed by fire early Friday night.

Flames of undetermined origin had made much headway before being discovered by members of the family and but little furniture was salvaged from the six room residence. No insurance was carried on the property, according to reports here.

B. T. U. Meeting At First Baptist Tuesday Evening

Associational meeting of the Baptist Training Union in the Brushy Mountain association will be held Tuesday evening, November 25, at the First Baptist church in this city.

Officers conference will take place at 6:30 and the general meetings and conferences will begin at 7:30 p. m. All B. T. U. officers, workers, pastors, church leaders and others in the association who are interested are urged to attend, Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr., associational B. T. U. director, said today.

7 WHITE, 2 COLORED—9 Wilkes Boys Enroll In C C C

Nine Wilkes boys, seven white and two colored, were enrolled in C. C. Camps last week, Charles McNeill, Wilkes welfare officer in charge of selection of C. C. C. applicants, said today.

The seven white men who were enrolled at Buffalo Cove were: John Turner Baldwin, David Junior Caudill, Richard Gwyn Johnson, Joe Leonard Reavis, Elmer Lee Roten, Estradie Roten and Lonnie Elmore Waggoner.

Two colored, James Marshall Davenport and Maynard Walker, were accepted at the Danbury camp.

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HIT WITH THREE BULLETS—

Moravian Falls Man Killed Here Saturday

Special Venire Of Wilkes Men Going To Newland Court

Sheriff C. T. Doughton today was summoning a special venire of 35 Wilkes men to report in Avery county court at Newland tomorrow morning to serve in a murder case. Several local men were among the number summoned.

FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS—Christmas Seal Drive Is Started In Wilkes County

Three-fourths of Funds Raised Will Be Used To Buy Fluoroscope For Hut

The 35th annual Christmas seal sale opened today, Monday, November 24.

The campaign in Wilkes county will have added significance this year because 75 per cent of the proceeds will be used in the county and will be used for the purchase of a fluoroscope for the county tubercular hospital.

Physicians for several months have pointed out the need of a fluoroscope there but on account of a lack of funds the need has not been filled.

Mrs. Boyd E. Stout of North Wilkesboro, is chairman for Wilkes county. She said today that seals have been mailed to people in the Wilkesboros and that rural people may secure seals through the schools.

Bangle Day will be observed in the schools and children may give any amount for business. The Junior Chamber of Commerce will have charge of the bond sale.

The goal for Wilkes county is \$450. Seventy-five per cent of the amount raised will be used in the county to fight tuberculosis and the remainder goes to other funds for the same purpose throughout the county.

"We hope you will buy and use as many seals as possible," Mrs. Stout said in announcing beginning of the campaign.

BAD START FOR THESE—Get 12 Hunters Without License

County Game Protector, Homer Brookshire, Makes Arrests Thanksgiving

Twelve Wilkes county hunters get off to a bad start when the quail and rabbit season opened on Thanksgiving day.

Homer Brookshire, county game protector, apprehended an even dozen who had gone into the fields and forests without a major item of equipment—hunting license.

The county game protector said the hunters had ample warning to secure license and that persons going hunting without license may expect to be prosecuted according to law.

CHARLOTTE THIS WEEK—Sheriff, Police Chief at School

Doughton and Walker Receiving Training in Civilian Defense This Week

J. E. Walker, North Wilkesboro police chief, and C. T. Doughton, Wilkes county sheriff, will attend the civilian defense school all this week in Charlotte.

The school will be conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will give law enforcement officers valuable training for civilian defense in case of war. A member of the F. B. I. was in North Wilkesboro Saturday and contacted the officers relative to attendance at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Eshelman and son, Tom, went Friday to Woodberry Forest, Va., for their son and brother, Ward Eshelman, Jr., who accompanied them on a week-end trip to Washington, D. C.

Ora Jay Holder Is Victim Shots Fired By Jesse Ward Here

Killing Saturday Night Grew Out Of Quarrel Over Automobile Repair Bill

Ora J. Holder, 28-year-old garage mechanic at Moravian Falls, was fatally shot on Main street here in front of the Allen Theatre Saturday night about ten o'clock by Jesse Charles Ward, 20, of Roaring River, who admitted the shooting.

Holder, who died at 4:45 a. m. Sunday in the Wilkes hospital, was hit by three bullets of four fired from Ward's gun, Police Chief J. E. Walker said. Holder was hit in both shoulders and in the upper part of his left thigh, where a main artery was cut. Ward used a .32-calibre revolver.

The killing is said to have resulted from an argument over a garage bill which Holder had said Ward owed him.

Prior to the shooting Holder and his wife had occupied seats in the theatre in front of Ward and Wilton Litton, also of Roaring River. Ward told officers afterwards that all four left their seats in the theatre about the same time and that during the show Holder and Ward had carried on some conversation. Ward and Litton paused before going out of the theatre and when they reached the sidewalk Holder and his wife were there.

After exchange of a few words Ward pulled his gun and Mrs. Holder, who tried desperately to prevent her husband being shot, grabbed Ward's gun but could not keep him from shooting, she said. Holder was shot in the chest and the theatre lobby and collapsed at the foot of the balcony stairs, where he was picked up and carried to the hospital.

Ward walked about the distance of one block to Dixie Barber shop on Ninth street where officers found him. He offered no resistance to arrest. He told Chief Walker that Holder had his hand in his hip pocket and was advancing on him when he fired his gun. Officers did not find any weapons on Holder.

Ward is being held in jail without privilege of bond pending a court hearing. He is a son of Charlie Ward, of Roaring River, and was employed at Wilkes Hosiery Mills.

Hearing for Ward will be held Tuesday afternoon, one o'clock, before Mayor H. T. McNeil at the city hall.

Funeral service for Holder was held today, two p. m., at Moravian Falls Baptist church with Rev. E. V. Bumgarner and Rev. J. H. Greene conducting the service. Burial was in Moravian Falls cemetery.

Holder had been in the garage business with his father, Felix Holder, at Moravian Falls. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Charlotte Setzer Holder, his father and mother and the following brothers and sisters: Felix, Jr., Billie and Betty Holder, of Moravian Falls, and Mrs. R. W. Wall, of Radford, Va.

MUST SERVE TERM—Shepherd Appeal Is Turned Down

Supreme Court Confirms Superior Court Trial of Ambrose Shepherd

Ambrose Shepherd, prominent farmer of the Reddies River community, must serve in the penitentiary for the fatal shooting of George Johnson at the Shepherd home in June this year.

The supreme court in a decision handed down last week confirmed the judgment of the Wilkes superior court in the August term, when he was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced by Judge Hoyle Sink to from three to five years in the penitentiary.

Johnson was shot by Shepherd in the road in front of the Shepherd home. In his defense Shepherd said that he shot Johnson as Johnson was advancing toward him with a rock in each hand. They had been quarreling a few minutes before the shooting, according to the evidence in the trial.

'Blitz Troops' in the Making



The second corps provisional anti-tank battalion, commanded by Maj. E. B. Johnson, Wadesboro, N. C., was organized as a weapon of opportunity to combat hostile mechanized threats at any part of the front where the enemy might break through. Photo shows battery D returning fire on advancing "enemy" tanks, supported by machine guns.

TO ATLANTA, CHILlicothe, LEWISBURG, ETC.—

11 Sentenced In U. S. Court

Crom D. Absher Taken By Death; Last Rites Today

Crom D. Absher, age 62, well known citizen of the Fairplains community near this city, died at his home early Sunday morning. He had been in ill health for several months and seriously ill for some time.

Funeral service was held Monday afternoon, 2:30, at Cross Roads church with Rev. Eli Long in charge.

He was a member of a widely known Wilkes county family. He was a son of the late Eli and Sally Absher and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ida Absher, and five sons and one daughter: Clarence Absher, who lives in Montana; Numa, Ivan, Hort and Claude Absher, and Mrs. Tyre McNeill, all of North Wilkesboro.

\$10.00 IS MINIMUM—Farmers' Truck Plates 1/2 Price

J. C. McDiarmid, manager of the Carolina Motor Club branch here in charge of sale of automobile license plates, calls attention to an error which appeared at one point in the license plate article in Thursday's Journal-Patriot.

The article stated that license plates on farmers' trucks used solely for farm purposes would be ten dollars. That is the minimum for any farmer's truck license and the price is one-half the regular price, which in many instances would be more than ten dollars.

License plates for 1942 will go on sale December 1 and early purchase is urged.

Men's Fellowship Dinner On Friday

Men's and young men's classes of the First Baptist Sunday school will have a fellowship dinner Friday evening, 6:30, at the fraternal hall in Reins-Sturdivant building. Tickets at 25 cents each are now on sale by committees of the classes.

Rev. A. S. Hale, pastor of Mt. Airy First Baptist church will be the speaker.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND—

Gaddy Motor Company Formal Opening Friday

Formal opening of Gaddy Motor company's modern plant located four blocks west on the Boone Trail (highway 421) will be held on Friday, November 28, eight a. m. to nine p. m.

Formal opening of the latest major addition to North Wilkesboro's business life is expected to be an occasion of much interest and the company is making arrangements to welcome a record number of visitors on that day and evening.

The huge building, 150 by 250 feet dimensions, is superbly equipped throughout and is rapidly being made ready for the formal opening.

OVER DOUBLE AMOUNT LAST YEAR—

\$1,264 Collected In Red Cross Roll Call

Election Officers Of Junior Order On Tuesday Night

Local council of the Junior Order will elect officers in the meeting Tuesday night, 7:30. In addition to the election of officers, there will be degree work and all Thanksgiving committees are asked to report. An interesting meeting is anticipated and all members are asked to attend.

MORE MILK SOUGHT—Farnham Talks To Kiwanians Here on Subject of "Milk"

F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist of the North Carolina experiment service, addressed the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday on the subject of "Milk" which is very timely in Wilkes at a time when efforts to secure a Coble Dairy products plant appear to be reaching a successful culmination.

Friday was the day for Carl E. Vandeman, orchard research specialist, to have charge of the program and J. B. Snipes, county agent, introduced the speaker. Farnham spoke first about apples, pointing out that apples unprofitable for market should be manufactured into sweet cider or vinegar and sold.

He stated that he is particularly interested in food for defense. He pointed out that America has a plan to send much food to England for the war effort.

that the foods necessarily must be in concentrated form. He told of the importance of milk in the defense program, saying that 125,000,000 pounds of milk must be produced next year. That means 28,000,000 pounds more in North Carolina than last year and for Wilkes county an increase of about 1,000,000, adding 270 cows to get the increase.

Dairymen are assured, he said, of high prices through 1942. The speaker did not advocate going into debt heavily to get the increased milk production, only as far as the farmers can see their way out and to increase their herds as rapidly as they can and pay out in a few months. There will still be a market for milk, he said, after the war is over. He pointed out that lack of milk in the diet was presumably responsible for many people being under par, physically, and predicted a greater consumption of milk in normal times as a result of findings in the selective service draft examinations.

Directors meeting for Thursday evening, 6:30, was announced.

IN DEFENSE COURSES—

Three Wilkes Boys Get NYA Training

Mrs. Maude S. Miller Says Several More May Get Resident Center Courses

Three Wilkes boys have been accepted for defense courses in the NYA resident center at Durham, Mrs. Maude S. Miller, of Wilkesboro, personnel director for the NYA, said today.

They are: Paul John Hule, of Moxley; Van R. Bowers, Moxley; and Carl Miller, Wilbar. They will get sheet metal and machine shop training and should be ready for jobs in defense industries in from three to four months.

Mrs. Miller said there are other vacancies in NYA resident centers for Wilkes boys and any who are interested may get further information from Mrs. Miller on Wednesdays and Fridays at her office in the Wilkes court house.

Mrs. Miller explained that at NYA resident centers the boys receive room, board, work clothes and a small amount of money in addition to their training.

Mr. Bob McCoy, student at the Citadel at Charleston, S. C., spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCoy.

Number Reports To Be Received From the County

Lineberry Foundry Second 100 Per Cent Industry In Membership Drive

More than two times the amount raised last year has already been collected in the current Red Cross roll call and many reports are yet to be received, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., roll call chairman, said today.

The amount received to date by the treasurer, W. Blair Gwyn, is \$1,264.25.

Reports from some of the industries and from several workers in various communities have not been received, the roll call chairman said.

Lineberry Foundry was the second local industry to report 100 per cent of its employees as Red Cross members. International Shoe Company had reported 100 per cent earlier in the campaign.

Efforts will be made to secure all reports this week. Workers and others may report to W. Blair Gwyn, Red Cross treasurer, at the Bank of North Wilkesboro. Any who have not been contacted during the campaign are asked to carry or mail their Red Cross membership donations to Mr. Gwyn, treasurer, Dr. Kincheloe said.

FELL INTO HOT WATER—Burns Fatal To Campbell Child

Joe Alvin Campbell, Age 4, Succumbs; Funeral Held On Friday

Funeral service was held Friday afternoon at Church of Christ church in Rock Creek township for Joe Alvin Campbell, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Melvin Campbell, who died Thursday at the Wilkes hospital from burns received Monday when he fell into a tub of boiling water in the yard of their home on North Wilkesboro route two.

The child was badly burned on his legs and body and little hope was held for his recovery. Surviving are his father and mother and one sister, Shirley Ann Campbell.

ALSO COAT HANGERS—Scouts To Collect Paper Tuesdays

Boy Scouts To Make Rounds Of Homes Each Tuesday Afternoon, 3 O'Clock

Boy Scouts will collect waste paper here each Tuesday afternoon about three o'clock. It was announced today by Paul Cashion, secretary of the Lions Club, which has been carrying out a paper collection project here for several weeks.

All residents are asked to have old newspapers, magazines, cardboard boxes and other forms of waste paper on their porches ready for the Scouts at three o'clock on Tuesdays. Gaddy Motor company will donate trucks for the Scouts to use in the canvass.

And all people are also reminded that the Scouts will also collect coat hangers. The Scouts can put them to a very good use in furthering Scout work and all donations will be appreciated.

At the Lions meeting Friday night the program was in charge of Dr. H. B. Smith and Dr. J. S. Deans.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of the Methodist church, was presented and he spoke very interestingly.

The theme of his address, which was received with much interest, was that a person should not let minor obstacles stand in his way once he has selected a goal of accomplishments.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Canter spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Independence, Va.