

## Leaders Red Cross Drive Are Named

### To Raise \$18,200 in Wilkes County Will Get Under Way March 1

Leaders for the 1944 Wilkes County Red Cross War Fund campaign were announced by the Red Cross War Fund chairman, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., at a meeting of local Red Cross workers early this week. The Wilkes County campaign will begin on March 1, and will seek to achieve its assigned quota of \$18,200. The commencement of the local campaign will coincide with the beginning of the national campaign throughout the United States which is seeking to raise two hundred million dollars to meet the greatly increased military needs this year.

The important "Special Gifts" committee, whose responsibility is the solicitation of large gifts from corporations, business concerns, etc., will be composed of P. W. Kinsman, R. G. Finley and J. R. Hix. The corps of canvassers for the North Wilkesboro business district will be under the leadership of Andrew Kilby, chairman. Mrs. Gordon Finley will be in charge of a large group of house-to-house solicitors in the North Wilkesboro residential area. The Wilkesboro area will be under the general supervision of Rev. Howard Ford, with Mrs. Hadley Hayes as leader of the residential canvassers; Dr. M. G. Edwards, chairman of the campaign in the business district; and J. B. Snipes, chairman of the canvass in the courthouse. J. R. Edelin, principal of the Lincoln Heights high school, will be general chairman of the canvass among the colored people of Wilkes county.

Solicitation for the Red Cross War Fund in the large rural area of twenty-five chairmen in the various townships. Each township chairman will have about ten assistants, bringing the total number of Red Cross solicitors in the rural area to about two hundred. C. B. Eller, county school superintendent, is general chairman for the rural area.

## FORCES STAND 8 MILES FROM KRIVOI ROG

Russian troops, skulking thru the black mud of the southern Ukraine, pushed to within eight miles southeast of the iron center of Krivoi Rog yesterday by capturing the town of Radushnaya in a general advance through the connecting German lines inside the Dnieper River bend.

## ATTENTION

If any member of a family enters service in the nation books, including ration coupons, for the person entering service must be turned in to the rationing board.

## Has Jap Diary



John I. Myers, pharmacist mate third class, home on leave recently after serving in the North Pacific, brought with him a copy of a diary taken from the body of a dead Japanese medical officer. John I. Myers, of Charlotte, and the late J. I. Myers, of North Wilkesboro. He volunteered for naval service in December, 1942. The Jap diary appears elsewhere in this newspaper.

## Diary of Japanese Medical Officer Tells of Capture of Aleutian Isles

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## Wilkes Baptist Pastors to Meet

Wilkes county Baptist pastors will meet at Reins-Sturdivant chapel Monday, Feb. 14, at 10:00 a. m. An interesting program has been arranged and all pastors are urged to attend.

## Many Will Attend Lincoln Day Meet

Wilkes will have a large number of Republicans in the crowd attending the Lincoln Day dinner Friday night at the Robert E. Lee hotel in Winston-Salem, local Republican leaders said today.

## Carl Sidden Is To Undergo Operation

Carl, 13-year-old son of Registrar of Deeds and Mrs. C. C. Sidden, of this city, was carried to the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem this morning where he will undergo a serious operation for removal of a tumor from his brain.

## Mrs. W. C. Linney Is Taken By Death

Mrs. Mary Evelyn Linney, age 92, member of a well known northwestern North Carolina family, died Wednesday at her home in Alexander county.

## Eichulberger Is S. S. Missionary

Rev. W. A. Eichulberger, missionary of Atlanta, Ga., to the secretary of the American Lutheran School Union for the northwestern North Carolina counties and has headquarters at Wilkesboro.

## NEED \$118,476 FOR BOND GOAL

### County Schools' Total in War Bond Sales Shows Substantial Increase

Ronda district is still in the lead in war bond sales for the Fourth War Loan but other districts are also making an excellent showing, according to the report which covered sales last week.

Ronda District, E. R. Spruill, Principal	\$13,550.00
Benham School, Coy Durham, Principal	300.00
Moravian Falls, E. I. Elledge, Principal	2,950.00
Clingman School, J. R. Calloway, Principal	100.00
Mt. Pleasant, E. M. White, Principal	3,975.00
Mtn. View, P. W. Greer, Principal	2,450.00
Millers Creek, R. V. Day, Principal	3,775.00
Mulberry, Grady Miller, Principal	1,350.00
Ferguson, O. M. Proffitt, Principal	2,100.00
Wilkesboro, W. T. Long, Principal	1,750.00
Roaring River, G. A. Johnson, Principal	1,550.00
Lincoln Heights, J. R. Edelin, Principal	75.00
<b>Total Sale of E Bonds, Combined Schools</b>	<b>\$33,925.00</b>

## Jurors Are Drawn For March Session Of Superior Court

### Judge J. A. Rousseau Will Preside Over 3-Weeks' Term Beginning 6th

Wilkes county commissioners in session this week drew jurors for the three-weeks term of Wilkes court which will open on Monday, March 6, with Judge J. A. Rousseau, of this city, presiding.

**First Week:** Carr Clary, Rock Creek; C. L. Smoot, Walnut Grove; Everett Porter, Rock Creek; Bob Church, North Wilkesboro; Columbus Wells, New Castle; O. H. Royal, Reddies River; L. T. Riddle, Rock Creek; J. E. Eller, Lewis Fork; Elmore Kilby, Reddies River; W. M. McGee and C. M. McNeill, Elk; J. F. Coffey, Mulberry; J. T. Wyatt, Mulberry; Lee J. Church, Jobs Cabin; W. C. Johnson, Rock Creek; J. T. Redding, R. O. Cheek, New Castle; J. R. Mosley, Brushy Mountain; F. D. Miller, Union; T. A. Finley, North Wilkesboro; G. C. Gray, New Castle; Fred Miles, Walnut Grove; W. F. Billings, Traphill; C. C. Walker, Mulberry; R. C. Crabb, Rock Creek; W. S. Phillips, Reddies River; S. L. Blevins, Mulberry; R. L. Marlow, Brushy Mountain; J. C. Clarence, North Wilkesboro; A. R. Faw, Union; J. R. White, Elk; John W. Kilby and T. H. Settle, North Wilkesboro; V. T. Walsh, Elk; R. A. Sidden, Walnut Grove; Millard Laws, Boomer; John Cranfill, Beaver Creek; R. D. Holbrook, Traphill; Guy Brown, Rock Creek; J. C. Morrison, New Castle; E. H. Wiles, Rock Creek; Smith Roper, Union; Chestley Higgins, Walnut Grove; Charles Adams, Rock Creek; J. P. Casey, Jobs Cabin; J. P. Casey, Somers; Ray Parsons, Boomer; Andrew Chambers, New Castle; J. P. Wellborn, New Castle; J. C. Forester, North Wilkesboro; Ralph Rash, Roaring River; G. C. Green, New Castle; Henry White, Elk; C. E. Queen, Brushy Mountain; W. R. Brooks, Reddies River; E. T. Whittington, Union; W. O. Poole, New Castle.

## DRAW CURTAIN IN MARSHALLS, NOW CUT OFF

New and secret blows against Japan's remaining holds in the Marshall Islands are being struck by the United States air and naval forces which hit the defenses of Kwajalein Atoll so hard that it virtually fell of its own weight into the lap of ground troops.

## Ferguson's Team Is A Winning One

### Boxing Team In Coast Guard Coached By Paul Ferguson Makes Record

Paul (Country) Ferguson, welterweight boxing champion of the South and now athletic instructor for the Coast Guard beach patrol at Charleston, S. C., spent a few days at his home near Wilkesboro this week after his team had won such remarkable success in the boxing tournament at Greensboro.

## Basketball Games

North Wilkesboro Night Raiders found their stride Tuesday night and defeated Mount Pleasant 25 to nine in a well played game. On Friday night they will play Boone at Boone and on Tuesday night will play Millers Creek in the local high school gymnasium.

## Serving Overseas

Pvt. Arville D. Eller, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Eller, of Purlear, is now stationed somewhere in North Africa. Pvt. Eller entered service in March, 1943, and received training at Camp Hood, Texas. In recent letters home he said he was well and getting along all right.

## Dr. Caudill Gets Call to Memphis

### Wilkes Native, Pastor of Augusta, Ga., First Baptist, Is Undecided About Move

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist church of Augusta, Ga., has received a call to be pastor of the First Baptist church in Memphis, Tennessee, which is one of the largest churches in the Southern Baptist conference.

## W. C. Bentley Is New Policeman

North Wilkesboro board of commissioners in session Tuesday night transacted routine matters. Mayor R. T. McNeil and Commissioners J. R. Hix, R. G. Finley, Hoyle M. Hutchens, A. F. Kilby were present for the meeting.

## Dokies to Meet

North Wilkesboro Dokies Club will meet Friday evening, seven o'clock, at the Princess Cafe, Paul Osborne, president, announced that Dr. A. C. Chamberlain will have charge of the program.

## Another Way That We Can Serve And Help In Doing Our Bit In Global War

By J. B. WILLIAMS  
This week the Boy Scouts of North Wilkesboro will begin on Saturday, to collect scrap paper, and every one of us here a considerable amount of scrap paper and can handle it up and place it on our front porches so that the Boy Scouts can collect it on Saturday. Business houses will be visited on other week days.

## \$724,204 Is Total Sold to Date in Fourth War Loan

### All Urged to Buy Extra Bond And Put Wilkes Over The Top Again

Wilkes has \$118,476 to go to make the quota of \$843,000 in the Fourth War Loan campaign, according to figures released today by W. D. Halfacre, chairman.

Visit of the caravan of captured German equipment here Monday in the interest of the Fourth War Loan was very successful and thousands viewed the equipment, which was on Main street for one hour Monday afternoon.

Included in the caravan was a tank destroyer captured from the Germans in Tunisia, a German field kitchen taken in Sicily, a big searchlight and machine guns from the U. S. army. Officers explained to the crowd the use of the various machines and armament in the caravan.

Mr. Halfacre said today that reports from Wilkes Hosiery Mills company and Grier Mills to the effect that employees are buying many extra bonds during the campaign are most encouraging. Those buying bonds regularly are asked to buy an extra bond this month.

Mr. Halfacre also recognized some additional bond purchases by outside corporations doing business here. The West Virginia Pulp and Paper company, which buys large quantities of pulp, has bought \$10,000 of bonds, buying agent, allocated \$10,000 in bonds to Wilkes' credit. Central Electric and Telephone company allocated \$6,000 to Wilkes and the State of North Carolina \$68,000.

People in rural communities who find it more convenient may purchase bonds from their district school principals, Mr. Halfacre said.

## BIG BARRAGE LASHES ALLIED BEACH STRIP

German artillery has opened a heavy barrage on the "fish-bowl" Allied beachhead below Rome. It was reported yesterday, while Allied planes, flying 1,500 sorties, hammered growing enemy tank concentrations around Cassino. On the southern front American troops battered 50 yards deeper into Cassino.

(A German DNB broadcast heard in London said the Nazis had launched a "concentric" offensive in the Apulia or British sector of the beachhead from the west, north and northwest, and had broken through Allied positions at a number of points, reaching "assigned objectives.")

The exposed beachhead forces had thrown back repeated German armor-supported jabs of rising intensity without yielding further ground but it appeared a showdown battle could not much longer be delayed.

Pine seedling trees set three years ago, by R. M. Rhyne of Stanley, route one, Gaston county, grew so well that he is seeding another eight acres this winter.