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Watch Your Label—Keep Your Subscription Paid In Advance

Colored Man On Trial On Capital Charge of Rape

J. C. Sale Being Tried For Life for Criminal Assault On Minnie Love

Wilkes superior court today began trial of J. C. Sale, 18-year-old colored man charged with rape of Miss Minnie Love in the Roaring River route two community last month.

The state is asking the death penalty for the alleged criminal assault, which is said to have taken place near the home of Miss Love. A special venire of 50 men reported in court today, from which a jury was being chosen for the case. Solicitor Avalon E. Hall is being aided in the prosecution by attorneys J. H. Whicker and J. Whicker, Jr. Attorneys Eugene Hette, of this city, and J. E. Thouser, of Boone, are the defendant's counsel.

Court began the second week of the two-weeks' term today. On Thursday and Friday of last week judgments were rendered in the following cases:

Charlie Ferguson versus Gena Gerson, divorce granted.

Ellenora Phillips versus Leroy Phillips, divorce granted.

James Porter, assault, 18 months on roads suspended on payment of \$100 to Major Hawkins and for good behavior.

Dave Wilcox, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, not guilty.

Donald Shelton Harris and Gerald Ander Watkins, housebreaking and larceny, 18 months for Harris and 12 months for Watkins.

A true bill charging criminal assault on Lura Absher was returned against Freeman Garris. The bill charged the assault took place on July 2.

Pvt. Claude Wallace Is German Prisoner

Mrs. J. C. Wallace has received a telegram from the War Department that her son, Pvt. Claude Wallace, who was reported missing in France June 12, is a German prisoner. Pvt. Wallace entered the army February, 1943, was assigned to the infantry at Camp Wolters, Texas, and was sent overseas July, 1943.

On Philippine Raid



Lieutenant Theodore Huffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Huffman, of the Congo community, was a co-pilot on one of the army bombers which raided the Philippine islands for the first time last week. The Associated Press dispatch of the raid quoted Lt. Huffman relative to the success of the bombing of Jap airports on the Philippines and the lack of air opposition encountered.

Seriously Injured



Pfc. James Howard Lowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lowe, former residents of Pores Knob now making their home at Landis, was seriously injured recently in New Guinea, according to news received by relatives.

2 New Members On Wilkes County Election Board

C. J. Jones, M. B. McNeill and J. C. Grayson Now Compose The Board

Two new members have been appointed on the Wilkes county board of elections.

C. J. Jones, local magistrate, was appointed to succeed James M. Anderson, chairman of the board who recently resigned.

M. B. McNeill, local automobile dealer, was named on the board to succeed C. E. Jenkins, Jr., who was appointed sometime ago but who declined to serve. Mr. Jenkins had been named to succeed W. O. Absher, who resigned.

Jones and McNeill are the Democratic members of the board. J. C. Grayson remains as the Republican member.

It was announced today that the office of the board of elections will be over North Wilkesboro Hardware company in the Moose Hall opposite the North Wilkesboro postoffice on C street.

The board organized today by electing Jones chairman and McNeill secretary.

It is expected that the board of elections after organizing will have the ballots printed for the fall election. Early printing, this year is essential in order that absentee ballots may be mailed to men in the armed forces and who are serving in many parts of the world.

Orchard Tour Is Planned Aug. 17 In The Brushies

The Brushy Mountain Fruit Growers have arranged an orchard tour on Thursday, August 17, instead of their usual summer picnic which has been called off on account of the infantile paralysis epidemic.

The orchard tour, for adults only, will start from the Apple Research Laboratory at 9:30 a. m. and visit the orchards of R. C. Adams, J. M. Crawford and Clarence Hendren then will return to the Moravian Falls community house where a lunch will be served by the home demonstration club followed by a program of speakers on subjects of interest to growers.

Dr. J. R. Magness, horticulturist, in charge division of fruit and vegetable crops and diseases, U. S. Department of Agriculture will be the principal speaker and will use as his speech "Recent Advances in Fruit Production Practices". Dr. Otto Verhoff, in charge of the peach investigation in the Sandhills, Dr. M. E. Gardner and Mr. H. R. Niswonger will also be there.

In the afternoon the tour will continue to the orchard of I. J. Broyhill, at Boomer.

All fruit growers are cordially invited.

Reunion of Walsh-McGee Postponed

Annual reunion of the Walsh-McGee families has been postponed from the usual date until Sunday, October 1. The reunion will be held at Beaver Creek Baptist church.

Goes Overseas



Pfc. Albert B. (Bevo) Raymer, who recently left Camp Davis, has been assigned an overseas address. Pfc. Raymer entered service May 19, 1943, and has been in training at Camp Hulien, Tex. 5, Camp Campbell, Ky., and Camp Davis, N. C., in aircraft units. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Raymer, of this city, and his wife is the former Miss Minnie Greer.

Nazis Retreating Rapidly

Gets His Wings



Cpl. Rex Handy entered service in May, 1943, at Fort Jackson, S. C. From there he went to Keesler Field, Miss., where he received his airplane mechanic schooling. He was then transferred to a flexible gunnery school at Loredo, Texas, from which he received his ground wings and was also presented the good conduct medal at the final exercises. From Texas he was shipped to Lincoln Nebraska, to await further assignment. For several months he has been stationed at the overseas training unit in Tucson, Arizona, and at this time he is awaiting overseas shipment from Topeka, Kansas. Cpl. Handy is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Handy, of this city. His wife, the former Miss Delta Welch, and son, Eugene, reside at Valle Crucis.

More Fine Gifts To Polio Fund Being Received In Wilkes

Hosiery Mill Employees Give \$183.06; Ronda Baptists \$28.50; W. E. Pharr \$5

A number of gifts to polio funds have been made in Wilkes during the past few days.

Employees of the Wilkes Hosiery Mills company have voluntarily and without solicitation raised a total of \$183.06, which has been forwarded to the State Orthopedic hospital at Gastonia and the emergency hospital at Hickory to be used for treatment of patients from Wilkes which are hospitalized at those hospitals.

Yesterday the Ronda Baptist church, of which Rev. Iredell Osborne is pastor, raised a total of \$28.50, which was turned in to The Journal-Patriot today to be forwarded to the emergency hospital at Hickory.

Previously W. E. Pharr, of Wilkesboro, made a donation of \$5.00 to the fund being received here by the Journal-Patriot for the emergency hospital at Hickory.

In response to an appeal from Hickory, The Journal-Patriot is receiving donations here for the fund now being raised for buildings and equipment for the emergency hospital which is caring for about 150 cases.

Polio Ban Is Still In Force; No New Cases In Wilkes

Dr. A. J. Eller, Wilkes health officer, today praised the people of Wilkes for their cooperation in precautions to prevent spread of infantile paralysis and urged that they continue to keep their children at home and away from public places.

The last case reported in Wilkes was on August 2, and health authorities are hopeful that there will not be other cases. The total for the county since June 1 remains 35.

Early planted crops of small grains produce larger yields. Fertilizer at planting helps reduce winter kill and increases spring growth.

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SOVIETS KILL 60,000 NAZIS IN 11 DAYS

Russian troops crumbled powerful Nazi defenses on a 60-mile front northeast of Warsaw yesterday and smashed to within 11 miles of the Polish capital while other Soviet forces drove to within 17 miles of Lomza, great Nazi bastion south of East Prussia's Muzurian lakes.

Simultaneously, Russian Baltic troops raced across the waist of Estonia west of Pskov to within 93 miles of the Gulf of Riga as Moscow revealed that Soviet forces had killed 60,000 and captured 9,636 of Nazi Gen. George Lindemann's 30-odd Baltic divisions, once numbering some 300,000 men in 11 days of fighting.

Surging forward in a great flanking movement immediately below the Bialystok-Warsaw railroad, Marshal Konstantin K. Rokossovsky's First White Russian Army captured Mostowka, 11 miles northeast of Warsaw's great industrial borough of Prage and were closer to the city than they apparently had been for some time.

8,000 PLANES RAID NAZIS IN 28 HOURS

Five giant Allied air forces, sending more than 8,000 planes against the Germans in 28 hours in the greatest air operations in history, yesterday smashed at Nazi armies, transport and war industry from the Mediterranean across the French battlefield to deep inside Germany.

A three-fold offensive since midnight saw:

1—some 1,500 U. S. 15th Air Force heavy bombers and fighters from Italy blast bridges, military installations and an airdrome along the Southern French coast to the Italian Riviera, in the 10th powerful attack in 11 days on that area.

2—Thousands of American bombers, fighter-bombers, and fighters thunder down from Britain over France in a climatic effort to seal the German Seventh Army in an escape-proof vacuum and block enemy supply lines feeding a 25,000-square-mile triangle bounded by La Havre, Le Mans, and Vitre, with no opposition from the Luftwaffe.

3—The R. A. F. keeps up its blows on the concrete U-boat pens at Brest with 12,000-pound bombs, after almost 1,000 giant Lancasters and Halifaxes hurled 2,640 tons of explosives on aircraft and engineering plants at Brunswick and Russelsheim, and on Kell and Frankfurt.

Arvil Phifer Visiting Family Here

Seaman Second Class Arvil A. Phifer, United States Navy, is spending a few days leave here with his family. He has just returned from a sea cruise.

Returns to Duty



Irvin M. Rhodes, petty officer and g.m.-3c, has returned to duty in San Francisco, Calif. Rhodes received the first leave since he joined the navy December 10, 1942, and spent it with his parents at Hays. He saw action on several fronts in the Pacific, both North and South. He is in the armed guard and mans the guns aboard merchant ships. He likes his work fine and is now returning for more.

Dies of Wounds



Staff Sergeant Andrew Clyde Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Parker, of North Wilkesboro, was reported by the War Department August 4th, to have died July 14th, as result of wounds received in action on July 7th over Germany. The report was received from the German Government through the International Red Cross. Staff Sergeant Parker received his wings after graduating from the aerial gunnery school at Harlingen, Texas. He entered the service June 25th, 1943, and was sent overseas June 1st, 1944. He was stationed in Italy with the 464th Bomber Group of the Fifteenth Army Air Force. He is survived by his mother and father, one brother and three sisters. Buster and Ethel Parker, of the home, Mrs. Clarence Sebastian, of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Buster Nichols, of Purlear.

Kiwanians Have Interesting Meet Here Friday Noon

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held a most interesting meeting Friday noon at Hotel Wilkes.

Program Chairman Ed Caudill presented Rev. T. Sloane Guy, Jr., who addressed the body on the subject of "This Business of Living". He stated that it is agreed by the medical profession that a large per cent of all people's ailments are functional, or mental and spiritual, rather than physical. Symptoms of the condition may be observed in the conduct of the individual. Some of the symptoms are: Non-attendance at church, failure to render service, cantankerousness, alcoholism, divorce, irreverence, incompetence, delinquency, etc. Causes for these difficulties may be grounded in the following: Heredity, unfortunate childhood experience, reconditioning, or choice.

Counteract these conditions by service to the underprivileged and friendliness to everyone, was the advice given by the speaker.

Prior to the program, Gordon Finley, Scout Commissioner, made a report on the scrap paper canvass, saying that Kiwanians pinch hitting for the Boy Scouts on Monday evening collected about 4,500 pounds of paper, which netted \$18.26 for the Scout fund.

John Prevette announced that a meeting of persons interested in the proposed flood control dam would be held on Monday evening, August 14.

T. O. Minton, proprietor of the Champion Poultry Farm, was inducted into membership in the club Friday and the membership lutton was presented by J. B. Snipes.

Wounded In France

Pvt. Granville G. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Myers, of North Wilkesboro, has been wounded in action somewhere while enroute from Southern England to France, according to word received by his parents. He has a fractured bone beneath the left eye and is now recuperating in an army hospital in England. Before entering the service Pvt. Myers had worked at Ervin's Men's Shop and just prior to his enlistment he was manager of the Economy Oil Company, of Lenoir. He has been overseas about 15 weeks.

Capt. McElwee In England

Capt. Wm. H. McElwee is now in England, according to a recent letter received by The Journal-Patriot. Capt. McElwee is serving in the Judge Advocate's department of the army.

ESCAPE GAP IS NARROWED TO 13 MILES

American troops lunged forward in a powerful attack against the center of the French front Sunday and drove two German armies into the closing arms of a mighty allied pincers that had narrowed the enemy's escape gap to 13 miles and cut his main lifeline in that sector.

Legions of planes turned the resulting pocket of choked enemy traffic and milling troops into a cauldron of death and destruction along a 40 mile stretch from Vire to the fast-sealing bottleneck between Argentan and Falaise.

Late front dispatches said that Yank armored forces advancing from Le Mans had driven to positions north of Argentan, cutting the main highway from Vire and spearing within 13 miles of Anglo-Canadian soldiers driving down in the Falaise area.

At least 12 divisions, which Berlin identified as the Seventh and Fifth Armies, totaling well over 100,000 men and possessing several hundred tanks, were impaled on the two offensive prongs. A field spokesman said late Sunday that they had virtually no chance of getting out.

NAZIS PROBE ALLIED LINES SOUTH OF ARNO

German armies in Italy—their morale bolstered by a proclamation by Adolf Hitler telling them the Nazis will be ready to assume an offensive in six weeks—sent many patrols probing into the Allied lines south of the Arno River, Allied headquarters said yesterday.

The Allied Military Government, meanwhile, speeded its efforts to bring relief to citizens of Florence, after withdrawal of Nazi troops from the city.

The headquarters of Gen. Sir Harold Alexander reported indiscriminate sniping within Florence was complicating the task of transporting food, water and medicine across the Arno. Strenuous efforts are being made to curb the shooting by both patriots and Fascists who have been battling each other for over a week.

S. Sgt. C. Green Is Missing In Action

St. Sgt. Curtis Green, who had been reported missing over Germany since June 21, is a prisoner in Germany, according to a War Department message received last week by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Green, of Stony Fork.

St. Sgt. Green was a waist gunner on a bomber and it is presumed that he bailed out when the plane was disabled. Members of crews of other planes reported they saw a number of parachutes open as the plane lost altitude.

The enrichment of bread and the increased use of milk are improving the diet in important vitamins and minerals.

Serving In France



Pvt. Roland Gray is now in France, according to a letter received by his wife, the former Miss Margaret Mathis. Pvt. Gray is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gray, of High Point. Before entering service in March, 1943, he was employed at Silver Knit Hosiery Mill in High Point.

MASTER SERGEANT GEO. SMOAK GAINING INVENTOR'S REPUTATION

An Air Service Command Depot, England—Master Sgt. George H. Smoak, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Smoak, Wilkesboro, N. C., now working in the parachute and textile repair shop at an Air Service Command depot in England, recently found a new use for rubber cement and electrician's tape that saves sending rubber flying boots all the way back to America to be fitted with new zippers.

Besides taking up valuable cargo space, the badly needed boots were weeks enroute and produced a bottle-neck in the shop out-put. Sergeant Smoak, dissatisfied with this system, began studying the possibilities of making these repairs right in his own shop.

Since the boots were rubber, sewing in a new zipper was impossible. The factory installed them by using a vulcanizing process, but there was no such equipment at the depot.

The answer to Sgt. Smoak's problem was rubber cement. By applying several coats at intervals and allowing them to dry slightly before putting on the zipper, he

discovered that it would hold just as strongly as a factory job.

After cutting out the old zipper, Sgt. Smoak sticks the new zipper to the outside of the original flap, and then, with strips of rubber electrician's tape, makes a new flap which is affixed with rubber cement.

This operation was slow at first, but by setting up a production line system, repaired boots began rolling through the shop at a rate that soon whittled down the big surplus of damaged boots and sped them to our airmen now fighting over France.

Court Honor Meet Here Is Postponed

August meeting of the Boy Scout court of honor has been postponed until the third Thursday in September because of the polio epidemic.

Garden-fresh carrots have a high vitamin content. Under average storage and when cooked too long, they lose most of the vitamin C.

RATION NEWS

SHOES — Airplane stamps No. 1 and No. 2 (Book 3) valid indefinitely.

GASOLINE—Coupons No. 11 in A book good for three gallons became effective Aug. 9 and will expire November 8.

SUGAR — Sugar stamps 30, 31, and 32, (book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue A8 through F5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS—Red A8 through Z8 and A5 through C5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds canning sugar until February 23, 1945. Apply to local boards for supplemental rations.

On Duty In Navy



Seaman First Class R. O. Church, who volunteered for the navy in July, 1943, is now on active sea duty out of New York. Seaman Church is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Church, of this city.