

WAR FUND CAMPAIGN WILL OPEN MONDAY

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSES WAYS TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS, HAVE BETTER CONDUCT ON STREETS

North Wilkesboro city council in meeting Tuesday night instructed Police Chief J. E. Walker to confer with owners of places which sell beer and wine and try to work out some plan which will be satisfactory in improving conditions.

Chief Walker reported that complaints had been made to him by many citizens, some of them being residents and part of them being non-residents, about disturbances in and around places in Wilkesboro where beer and wine are sold, and about men and women going into these places and coming drunk, using profane and indecent language, etc. The opinion has been expressed that the discontinuance of the sale of wine would greatly improve these conditions.

Chief Walker also reported that complaints had been made to him by citizens of the town about various kinds of rubbish, such as tin cans, paper, cigarette wrappers, decaying vegetable matter, etc., being thrown and scattered upon lots, streets, sidewalks and other places in the town causing an unsightly and unsanitary condition instead of being placed in cans, barrels or other containers, as required by town ordinances. Chief of Police Walker called particular attention to trash that is being thrown on the street and sidewalk at the northeast corner B and 9th streets, in front of the Bank of North Wilkesboro, especially on Saturday nights.

The town clerk was instructed to order some garbage containers to be sold to citizens of the town at wholesale price. Also to have Section 8 of Chapter 4 of Town Ordinance governing nuisances published in a newspaper.

Section 4 of Chapter Four of town Ordinance governing nuisances reads as follows:

"Trash not to be thrown on the streets—It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm or corporation to throw or sweep into the street or alley of the town, any paper, hay, straw, tin cans of any description, any other rubbish, refuse or trash, decaying vegetable matter of any kind, or scatter any such articles on any vacant lot of his own, or that of another. The occupants of all business houses or residences shall be required to keep a barrel or box at some convenient place on the back or his, her or their lots in which to deposit all such rubbish as above mentioned, so that the same may be gathered up by the town garbage wagon and hauled off."

The board ordered that the sum of \$200.00 be appropriated toward paying for the expenses of another rat eradication campaign in North Wilkesboro. It was pointed out that a campaign earlier this year had excellent results and that it should be repeated in order to reduce the rodent menace to a minimum in the town.

Maurice Walsh, representing the First Baptist church, appeared before the board and requested that trucks be routed away from the vicinity of the churches on Sixth street during service hours. The matter was referred to the police department.

Crystal Williams, former town employe who was recently discharged from the army, was returned to his former position with the street department and E. A. Shook was transferred to the water department.

Mayor R. T. McNeil, Clerk W. Kelly and all members of the board of commissioners were present for the meeting. Members of the board are Ralph Duncan, R. G. Finley, J. R. Hix, H. M. Hutchens and A. F. Kilby.

JAPS LAND ON CHINESE COAST

Chungking. — Imperial headquarters in Tokyo announced in a broadcast communique yesterday that Japanese troops were driving on Foochow, last big seaport in Chinese hands, after a "surprise landing" in Fukien province.

The enemy pushed toward the city of 400,000 population on China's east coast was regarded by observers as a logical action to counter any American plans for landing and indicated possible Japanese nervousness over such intention.

Pfc. Elmer Roten Is German Prisoner

Pfc. Elmer Roten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roten, of Wilbar, is a prisoner of Germany, according to a recent telegram received by his wife, Mrs. Fannie Roten. He entered the army on September 25, 1942, and was sent to England April 1st, 1944. He was later sent into France.

Returns to Ship



Garrette E. Wyatt, seaman second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wyatt, of McGrady, returned to duty on Tuesday after spending a 21-day leave with his parents. He has been on duty in the Pacific for the past 21 months and has seen plenty of action on Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima and a large group of other islands.

S.Sgt. E. C. Miner Killed In Action In France July 17

S.Sgt. Elbert C. Miner, 27, son of Mrs. John Miner and the late Mr. Miner, of Ronda, was killed in action in France, July 17, according to a message received Tuesday by his sister, Mrs. S. S. Flynt, of Elkin. In a previous message received by Mrs. Flynt on July 29, he was reported missing since July 17.

S.Sgt. Miner entered service in the Air Corps in April, 1942, trained at Lowery Field, Colo., graduated from gunnery school at Wendover Field, Nevada, afterward, and was stationed at Topeka, Kan., Salt Lake City, Utah, and Harvard, Neb., before assignment to overseas service last April.

He was tail gunner on a Flying Fortress at the time of his death. Surviving are his mother, who has been in a hospital many months; two brothers, Glen Miner, now stationed at Camp Wolters, Texas; Garland Miner of Las Vegas, Nevada; three sisters, Mrs. S. S. Flynt of Elkin, Mrs. Mary Bennett of Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Tommie Phelps of New York City.

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, 32, 33 (book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS — Blue A8 through R5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS — Red A8 through Z8 and A5 through K5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds canning sugar until February 28, 1945. Sugar coupons R-325 issued for canning sugar are valid indefinitely and did not expire October 1.

Wounded In Italy



Pfc. Conrad Reeves was wounded in action in Italy on September 14, according to a message received from the War Department by his mother, Mrs. Docie Reeves, of North Wilkesboro route one. Pfc. Reeves' wife, the former Miss Lella Shumate, received a letter from him stating that he had received a wound on high right arm and that he was in a hospital and was getting along fine. Pfc. Reeves entered the army October 17, 1942, and went overseas in April this year.

TANKS PLUNGE THROUGH HOLE IN SIEGFRIED

U. S. tanks with doughboys firing from their turrets rumbled through an infantry-won breach in the Siegfried Line north of Aachen Wednesday, and in three powerful columns against the emergency "Rhine line" against weakening enemy resistance.

Scores of General Sherman's, following the victory pattern used in Normandy, tanned out north, south and east from Uebach, shell-quaking center of the breach, as a hostile armored force swept past the Reich's outer defenses for the first time in history. Official confidence was expressed in front dispatches that the makeshift line would prove no more impenetrable than the main West Wall.

The tank thrusts threatened to complete the encirclement of the German cities of Gellenkirchen to the north and Aachen to the south and American guns already dominated almost the entire 12-mile stretch of the highway connecting them.

The skies of Eastern Germany broke clear following a gray dawn, favoring the tanks thrust and enabling American dive-bombers and mediums to blast out German artillery positions back of the West Wall which had been hurling shells into the breach all night.

At least six counterattacks were turned back, including three strong ones in the break-through area between Pfenketh and Frelenberg, seven and 11 miles north of Aachen, where the U. S. First Army's infantry had pierced the line.

Panama has a construction boom.

Serves In France



Pfc. Huie Speaks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Speaks, of Union Grove, is now in France. He entered the army November 17, 1942, and was in training at Camp Adair, Oregon, and in Arizona.

Goal For Wilkes \$18,000; Drive Now Organized

Sum To Be Raised Includes Funds Community Chest; Give Once For All

Campaign to raise \$18,000 in Wilkes county for the United War Fund and Community Chest activities will open on Monday, October 9, C. J. Swafford, county chairman, said today.

Stressing the great need for funds to carry on the many activities of the United War Fund for aid to service men and war stricken people, Mr. Swafford expressed confidence that the people of Wilkes will rally to the call and that the goal will be reached in the two weeks set aside for the drive.

Other members of the United War Fund of Wilkes county serving with Mr. Swafford on the county organization are as follows: W. J. Caroon, treasurer; J. B. Williams, publicity chairman; James M. Anderson, North Wilkesboro chairman; Russell Gray, Jr., Wilkesboro chairman; J. B. Snipes and C. E. Eller, rural chairmen. In addition to the above named, the following are on the executive committee: J. B. McCoy, Rev. Fred H. Shinn, R. G. Finley, W. K. Sturdivant, J. R. Hix, W. D. Halfacre, T. E. Story, J. B. Carter, P. W. Schelman, Edd F. Gardner and Vernon Deal.

Sufficient workers and canvassers will be named to contact the people and all will be given an opportunity to have a part in raising the fund.

Attention is called to the fact that with the exception of the annual Red Cross campaign, no other canvasses will be made in Wilkes county because all others are included in the United War Fund and Community Chest drive to begin Monday and that liberal contributions are urgently requested.

Mrs. Carol Mott X-Ray Technician At Wilkes Hospital

Mrs. Carol Mott has accepted a position as X-Ray technician at the Wilkes hospital and has entered on her duties in that capacity.

Mrs. Mott, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. C. H. Cowles, of Wilkesboro, recently completed a course of training as X-Ray technician at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, where she was trained under direction of Dr. J. P. Rousseau.

Chipman, Roope, Opening Furniture Store In Allegheny

J. G. Chipman and W. M. Roope, owners and operators of Wilkes Furniture Exchange in this city, are establishing the Sparta Furniture company in Sparta.

The new store in Sparta will be open for business next week. Messrs. Chipman and Roope will continue to operate their store here.

Four Wilkes Girls Joining WAVES

One Begins Service Today and Three Others Will Report On Nov. 2nd

Four Wilkes girls are entering service in the WAVES, navy recruiter J. E. Huffman said here today.

Miss Edna Louise Pennell, who was accepted several weeks ago, left today to enter training at Hunter College, New York City. Miss Pennell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam P. Pennell, of Moravian Falls, has held a position with the rationing board office here.

Miss Margaret Hix and Mrs. Dorothy Hix Hendren, of Moravian Falls, and Miss Grace Dean Hall, of North Wilkesboro, have been accepted and will report at Hunter College for training on November 2.

Recruiter Huffman stated while here yesterday that any other young ladies who wish to go to Hunter College to begin training on November 2 should file application with him at the North Wilkesboro postoffice on Wednesday, October 11.

Killed In Action



John Thomas Byrd was killed in action in Italy on September 4, according to an official War Department message received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Byrd, of North Wilkesboro route three. John Thomas Byrd volunteered for service in the army on March 11, 1942. He received training in Texas and went overseas in November, 1942. He served during the North African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns.

Mountain View, Ronda, Mulberry Are Accredited

Three of Wilkes' Central Elementary Schools Now On Accredited List

Ronda, Mountain View and Mulberry elementary schools have been placed on the accredited list by the State Department of Public Instruction.

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, director of the division of instructional service of the state department, notified C. B. Eller, Wilkes county superintendent of schools, of accrediting of the three schools and made the following comment:

"I take pleasure in informing you that Ronda, Mountain View and Mulberry elementary schools have been placed on the list of accredited elementary school. I congratulate you, the principals, the teachers and all others who have had a part in this worthwhile enterprise. Meeting the requirements for accredited rating indicates that the pupils in the school are being given a real educational opportunity.

"The names of these schools will occur as accredited schools in the educational directory for the session 1944-45. Let me express the hope that these schools will continue to render a high order of service and will be increasingly responsive to the needs of the boys and girls of the communities."

In South Pacific



Isaac S. Davis, seaman first class, is serving in the South Pacific area. He entered the navy in June, 1943, was in training at Bainbridge, Md., and Norfolk, Va., and went overseas in December. His wife, the former Miss Edith Johnson, and son, Wayne, make their home with her mother, Mrs. Spurgeon Johnson, of North Wilkesboro route three. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Davis, of North Wilkesboro route three. In recent letters home he stated he was getting along fine and to tell all his friends "hello".

TIME FOR ALL FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF SERVICE MEN TO COME TO AID UNITED WAR FUND

Lion Club Picnic Friday Evening

Members of the North Wilkesboro Lions Club, with their families and friends, will gather at Smoot Park Friday evening, 6:30, for the club's annual picnic. A picnic dinner and other features will be included on the program.

Cadet Nurse



Cadet Nurse Bernice Mitchell, of the cadet nursing corps, spent the week-end with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mitchell, of North Wilkesboro. Cadet Mitchell is stationed at Rossmore Hospital, Rossmore, Mo.

At Boomer Is Off; Books Are Found

Books Appear as Mysteriously As They Disappeared, And In Order

Registration books for Boomer township have mysteriously showed up and the new registration called for Boomer has been called off by the County board of elections.

C. J. Jones, election board chairman, said today the Boomer registration books were found among the books for the other 29 precincts in the county. But the books mysteriously showed up after two previous searches through the books had failed to disclose any for Boomer township.

Mr. Jones said that the books were in good condition and in order and that a new registration in Boomer township will not be held.

Registration books will be open in all precincts on October 14, October 21 and October 28. The following Saturday, November 4, will be challenge day and the election will be on Tuesday, November 7. The registration will be for those not previously registered.

Mr. Jones said today that ballots had been mailed to 1,400 service men for absentee voting.

Scrap Paper Will Be Collected Here Friday This Week

A canvass of North Wilkesboro for scrap paper will be carried out on Friday this week by the waste paper dealer.

Those who have paper are asked to place it in plain view in front of their homes or places of business in order that it may be picked up.

Attention is called to the fact that hundreds of pounds of paper are wasted in North Wilkesboro and are hauled away in garbage almost daily. The need for paper in the war program is so great that every scrap of paper should be saved.

Those who do not find it convenient to get paper ready when the canvass of the city is made, or who live outside of the city, are asked to bundle the paper and carry it to the North Wilkesboro fire department, the Wilkesboro Manufacturing company, or the Wilkesboro fire department.

People Asked to Give In Appreciation Of Service By Men On Battle Fronts

United War Fund is a federation of the leading war-related appeals—Red Cross excepted—taking in USO, United Seamen's Service, War Prisoners Aid (particularly designed to help and comfort our own service men and women) and the many societies dedicated to the relief of our allies—UWF services extend around the globe—six continents, ninety-one countries. And of the money raised, more than 50 per cent goes to our own men.

Wilkes county's drive starts October 9th—and it doesn't have to mean a block-buster subscription from each of us who has or knows a man in the service—though that would be pretty swell, all the same. It just means, once again, looking after those thin, slippery little dimes so that more competent dollars can begin looking after themselves.

It means that if every last man, woman, and child in the "State of Wilkes" would give according to his means, all the little donations heaped together would make a sizeable gift. Maybe you will spare up the change you'd spend on cokes for a day; or some part of your egg or berry or apple money; or even the odd pennies out of your pay-envelope.

We can all find a bit more, especially when we think of the BIG more our soldiers and sailors and marines are doing every hour.

All over the world, young men and their days are missing minutes, the hours, the months of peacetime living. All over the world, our allies are feeling deprivation most of us here in America will never know. Our generous gifts can help our own men know we are behind them. Our generous gifts will assure our allies that we really do believe in the brotherhood of man.

These organizations, represented by the National War Fund, are doing just so much of a job as we here behind the lines will pay for. Let's give our boys as close an approach to home-town fun and sociability in their free hours as USO can provide. Planned amusement, intelligent recreation for free time provides the pep that swings the job—winning the war—better, more easily, faster.

Let's give our friends on the six continents, in the 91 countries the care, the clothing, the food, the shelter, the medical aid, the many aids and assistance which will prove materially what we men when we say America is backing them.

Money makes the mare go. This mare's name is National War Fund—and your county committee likes a fast race.

Ever go around collecting pennies? One day two women con-

North Wilkesboro Democrats Meet At City Hall 7:30

Democrats throughout the state are holding precinct meetings tonight. The meeting for North Wilkesboro township will be held at the town hall here at 7:30 this evening. A large attendance is urged.

Those from Wilkes attending a state-wide Democratic rally Tuesday in Raleigh were Judge and Mrs. J. A. Rousseau, J. R. Rousseau, member of the state committee, Watson Brame and F. C. Forester.

County Council Of Home Clubs To Meet Monday, October 9

County Council of Home Demonstration clubs will meet Monday afternoon, October 9, 2:30 o'clock, in the North Wilkesboro town hall.

Mrs. Annie H. Greene, home demonstration agent, said in announcement of the meeting that plans will be made for next year's work and that Achievement Day plans will also be discussed. A large attendance is earnestly requested.