

GROUP OF CHINESE OFFICIALS TO TOUR WILKES SOIL PROJECTS ON NOVEMBER 28; STUDY PROGRESS

Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk, assistant chief of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, recently returned from China where he helped the Chinese government set up a soil and water conservation program to increase food production as a part of the war effort, will visit Wilkes county Tuesday, Nov. 28, to observe the soil conservation program of the Tri-Creek Soil Conservation district, as well as to see some of the leading agricultural enterprises in the county.

Dr. Lowdermilk, who visited China at the request of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, will be accompanied by a group of outstanding Chinese officials, who are observing conservation farming in farmer-operated soil conservation districts, work of state agricultural experiment stations, and other agricultural activities in the Southeast.

The group includes Dr. P. W. Tsou, representative in the United States of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of China; N. F. Chang and Chi Chen, members of Dr. Lowdermilk's party in China; Y. C. Ku, president of the Farmers' Bank in China; and Dr. C. Yeh, agricultural economist and counsellor of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on marketing and planning, and a member of the Chinese Mission to UNRRA. Mr. Chang was chief soils man of Dr. Lowdermilk's party and is now a member of the Chinese mission to UNRRA. Mr. Chen has been sent to the United States by the Province of Kansu for training in soil conservation. E. B. Garrett, State Soil Conservationist, and Stator Melver, district conservationist of the Soil Conservation Service with headquarters here, will be with the group.

Besides observing the work of the soil conservation district, the group will visit the milk and egg drying plant at Wilkesboro and one of the large poultry farms of the county.

Liberty, N. C., on July 1, 1888. He received his training in forestry and geology at Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes scholar, and later took his Ph. D. at the University of California. He began his career as a forest ranger in Arizona, where he first realized the significance of soil erosion as a result of observations on the overgrazed ranges of the west. Deeply impressed by evidences of land destruction in his youth, he has since devoted his life to soil erosion investigations and planning for conservation of agricultural lands in many countries. After serving two years with the engineers of the A. E. F. in the first World War, Dr. Lowdermilk went to China on a project of the University of Nanking for famine prevention. For five years he made agricultural explorations throughout the vast loessial regions, studying the ancient engineering works of the Yellow River basin, charting the incredible course of erosion in the uplands which was clogging the great rivers with silt, and starting a series of experimental studies of accelerated erosion audits effects on human communities and ancient civilizations. Dr. Lowdermilk assisted Dr. Hugh Bennett in organizing the nationwide soil conservation program for the United States in 1933 and has since traveled widely as a representative of the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture to study the soil conservation problems of the world and to discover erosion control and water saving practices adaptable to the soil conservation program of farmers in the United States. Dr. Lowdermilk believes that the best interests of all nations to conserve and build up the fertile soil resources of the world and thus provide a bounty of good things for all people will go far toward removing one of the causes of war and toward helping to establish secure social structures and the basis of a lasting peace.

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TOKYO GETS 2 BOMBINGS IN THREE DAYS

Late reports today told of the second 100-superfortress raid on Tokyo in three days.

The huge bombers pestered Japan in the capital city with an increased tonnage of bombs. The first big raid was on Thursday and the second followed so closely caught the Japs by surprise, radio reports said.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

Carolina Boomerang



Sgt. Roster F. (Blackie) Blackburn, writes from France (or Germany) and sends the picture above to let the people of the Mountain View community and all Wilkes county know that a modified version of the "Carolina Boomerang" is still in action in Europe. "Carolina Boomerang" was the name of a flying fortress on which Lt. Edwin Blevins, of Hays, served before he was killed in action over Germany several months ago. Lt. Blevins, Pvt. Edward M. Templeton and Sgt. Blackburn were neighbors and close friends before entering the army. Lt. Blevins was killed over Germany last year and Pvt. Templeton was killed while serving in a tank destroyer battalion November 1 this year. Sgt. Blackburn, who is a signal corps soldier, has named his jeep "Carolina Boomerang" in memory of Lt. Blevins.

YANKS PRESS BIG ASSAULTS AIMED AT RHINE

Four American armies smashed forward on the Western front in battles of undiminished fury to breach the Germans' Vosges mountain positions with a 10-mile thrust through the Saales pass to the Alsace plain, captured Weismeller on the road to Cologne and overran 10 Nazi-held fortresses in the old Maginot line.

Those were the most spectacular accomplishments as Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Allied armies hurled the Germans back all along the sprawling front. The ground forces had the aid of tactical air forces which, taking advantage of clear weather, poured bullets, bombs and rockets into German strong points and communications lines.

At the southern end of the front, the 4th and 79th divisions of the U. S. Seventh Army widened the Saverne Strasbourg corridor despite vicious counterattacks from the north while Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Sixth corps sped through the remaining 10 miles of the Saales pass.

PEARSON BROTHERS SERVE IN ARMY AND MARINE CORPS



CPL. RAYMOND S. PEARSON

Groups of Men Sent From Here To Army, Navy

Both Selective Service boards in Wilkes on Friday sent groups of men to the induction center for induction into the army and navy. The lists of men sent by the two boards follow:

BOARD NUMBER 1— Clint John Wilcox, Mont Hendrix Nelson, Turner William Church, Vernon Spencer Church, Paul Woodrow Swalm, Charles Bruce Walsh, J. C. Pinnix, Bill Phillips, Vaughn Walter Brown, Bert Harley Byers, Steward Vernon Faw, William Vaughn Moore, Willard Alton Williams, Richard Brame Mathis, Joseph Stephen Spears, Samuel David Shatley, Charles Edgar Caudle, Beauford Odell Shores. The following failed to report for induction as ordered: Eugene Brooks, Calvin Carl Combs, George Millard Johnson, Arthur Bruce Miles, Arnold Bruce Cooper.

BOARD NUMBER 2— Freelin Reeves, William Barnett Wyatt, Harvey Edgar Haynes, Vernon Eubanks Johnson, Albert Harvey Spicer, William Clay Alexander, Ruffin Dale Gambill, Julius Paul Brooks, Lonnie Blaine McCann, Wilfred Guy Reeves, Clarence Robert Triplett, J. W. Smith, Richard Filmore Winger, Robert Glenn Davis, Eugene James Moore, Jr., Jessie Paul Childress, Billy Wagoner Turner, Kern Eyridge Church, David Otis Brooks, Mack Ather Settle, William Amos Lyon, Lawrence Kerley, (Claude Rex Dancy, Jack Combs, Wayne Matthew Mayne.

Billy Joe Shumate, Chester Elwood Darnell, Charles Dawkins Osborne, Bramlet Alfred Spicer, John Robert Foster.

TRANSFERS— Claude Ellodge Billings, Don Wyatt, Claude Evert Hall.

CONTINUE FIGHT FOR FLOOD CONTROL

Senator Josiah W. Bailey has removed the proposal for erection of a hydro-electric dam on the Yadkin from the rivers and harbors bill pending in congress.

Senator Bailey objected to the proposal because the plan recommended by engineers would call for construction of a gigantic dam with a high water level lake for generating electricity and additional reservoir space for flood control. Such a dam, Senator Bailey said, would flood more homes than it would protect, but he indicated his willingness for construction of a dam purely for flood control, or for some other flood control plan which would not flood such a great territory.

But the fact remains that flood control in the Yadkin Valley is highly essential. It may be impractical to fight for the dam as

proposed by army engineers, over objection of Senator Bailey, who is chairman of the committee, but people interested in flood control may continue their efforts to secure flood control.

Senator Bailey stated that he would approve a project calling for a smaller dam, purely for flood control, at the Wilkesboro site. And there are also indications that he would approve construction of dams on tributaries of the Yadkin.

As we understand it, the people have six months to get a flood control project into the pending bill, and no time should be lost in letting those in authority know that North Wilkesboro and all the Yadkin valley wants flood control. It has been estimated that a dam purely for flood control

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Wounded In France



Opl. Marcel Clint Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Foster, of this city, was seriously wounded in France on November 11. Opl. Foster served in a tank destroyer battalion. He entered the army December 23, 1942, and went overseas in August this year. His wife, the former Miss Margaret Craven, makes her home in Asheboro.

Millers Creek Man Is Killed In Philippines

Pvt. James Andrew Whittington, of Millers Creek, was killed in action in the Philippines on November 8.

Pvt. Whittington, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Whittington, of Millers Creek, had been in the Pacific area for several months. News of his death was received Thursday in a War Department message received by his wife, the former Miss Mattie Ashley.

He is survived by his wife, his father and mother, several brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Vern Johnson is visiting her husband in Baltimore, Md.

Complacency Is Blamed For Lagging Bond Sales In Drive

Christmas Seal Sale Campaign Woman's Club

The North Wilkesboro Woman's Club will again sponsor the Christmas Seal sale in cooperation with the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association. Mrs. J. E. Johnson, president of the club, appointed Mrs. Jack Swofford, Mrs. T. H. Waller and Mrs. Thurmond Kenerly, Seal Sale committee this year.

Miss Lula Belle Highsmith, field secretary of North Carolina Tuberculosis association, spent Monday in town working with the committee. She also met with the Woman's Club and gave a very interesting talk on the work of the association in fighting tuberculosis.

Members of the Senior Troop of Girl Scouts and Mrs. L. S. Spainhour, troop leader, recently joined volunteer workers to assist with preparations of the stamps for mailing. The girls work for the association each year as part of their contribution to civic activities.

The quota for Wilkes county this year is \$1,000.00. Every package, every letter, every postcard you send out this Christmas should bear your own personal good wishes in the form of Christmas Seals. You've taken a bit of insurance out on your health and the health of the nation when you buy Christmas Seals.

Rationing Boards Be Closed Friday

Rationing board offices in Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro will be closed on Friday, December 1, and on the first day of each following month. The office personnel may have time to make regular monthly reports.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

Killed In France



Pvt. Edward M. Templeton, age 26, was killed in action in France on November 1. Pvt. Templeton entered the army December 14, 1942, and went overseas in August this year, being a member of a tank destroyer battalion. Pvt. Templeton was a member of one of Wilkes' best known families, being a son of the late W. J. Templeton, of Hays, and Mrs. Templeton, who has made her home here for the past several months. Pvt. Templeton's wife is the former Miss Sadie Johnson, surviving are his mother, his wife, and six sisters; Miss Audrey Templeton, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Harold Madison, Kings Park, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Alfred Leveque, Brentwood, Long Island, N. Y.; Misses Era and Faye Templeton, North Wilkesboro; and Miss Dianna Templeton, Newark, N. J.

Total E. F. G. Bonds to Date Only \$33,290

Some Good Reports Received; Maple Springs Community Exceeds Quota

A dangerous attitude of complacency and a mistaken belief that the war is practically over are blamed for the poor showing to date in the Sixth War Loan campaign.

The Federal Reserve report of sale of E, F, and G bonds in Wilkes county through November 24th, which included all bonds in those series sold since November 1 in the county, showed a total of only \$33,290.25.

Attention is called to the fact that the attitude of complacency and belief that the war is just about over is by no means justified. The war in Europe is by no means over. The most difficult undertaking lies ahead, and that is successfully crossing the Rhine river. General Eisenhower in a statement Sunday said the problem is as big as the invasion of Normandy. In a radio appeal he said that guns have had to remain silent because of the lack of ammunition, which can be provided only by loaning money to the government with which to manufacture and ship ammunition.

The public must keep in mind that the European war is expensive beyond anything previously undertaken and that the war in the Pacific will become even more expensive than the offensive in Europe. The cost of transportation will multiply by many times the cost of shipping across the channel from England into France. Long distance freighting into the Pacific area is 75 per cent more expensive than to Europe, and many more transports are needed.

An army of from 11 to 12 million must be housed, fed, clothed, and supplied with munitions and the cost will continue even after the war until the men are demobilized. The biggest job lies ahead and the people on the home front must not and cannot fall those on the fighting front who are not falling them.

Each retail store in North Wilkesboro has accepted a quota of \$100 in bond sales for every member of the personnel, including the manager and office help. The stores have been supplied with materials for taking bond orders and some of the stores have already exceeded their quotas.

There are 17 districts in the county with a chairman and committee for each and each district has been assigned a quota.

T. C. Osborne, chairman for the Maple Springs district, has already reported sales of \$2,343.75, issue price, in "E" bonds, which exceeded the quota of \$2,000. That amount of "E" bonds was sold by Mr. Osborne and associates on the first day of the campaign by canvass of the people of the district. W. D. Halfacre, bond sale chairman, today extended congratulations to Mr. Osborne and associates for being the first district to go "over the top" and predicted that splendid reports will be received from other districts in the next few days.

Mr. Frank Cranor, Jr., of Raleigh, is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Cranor.

RATION NEWS

SHOES — Airplane Stamps Nos. 1, 2, and 3 in book three good for one pair of shoes each indefinitely.

GASOLINE—Coupons No. 13 in A book good for four gallons being effective Nov. 9 and will expire December 21.

SUGAR—Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 (book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue A8 through W5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS — Red A8 through Z8 and A5 through F5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds causing sugar until February 28, 1945.

Mail Christmas Gifts This Week Distant Points

This week is your last chance to mail out-of-town Christmas gift packages.

That last minute reminder came yesterday from Mr. L. F. Maneschmidt, district manager of the Charlotte district office of defense transportation.

Heavily overburdened transportation facilities can handle the enormous volume of 1944 Yule gift sending only if the December 1 deadline set by the government is met, the ODT official emphasized.

So, the ODT district manager urged, if you haven't mailed your gift package yet, get them off at once.

Packages mailed after the December 1 deadline may not be delivered in time for Christmas, he pointed out.

N. G. Snyder, 81, Is Claimed By Death

N. G. Snyder, 81, a well known and highly respected citizen of the Wilkesboro route one community in Reddies River township, died at 11 a. m. Sunday at his home. He became ill Friday.

Mr. Snyder, a son of the late Noah and Sallie Stout Snyder, is survived by six sons and one daughter: R. B. Snyder, Wilkesboro route one; W. E. Snyder, Winston-Salem; W. T. Snyder, Wilkesboro route one; R. F. Snyder, Winston-Salem; John B. Snyder, North Wilkesboro; D. V. Snyder, Millers Creek; and Mrs. R. G. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Funeral service was held today, two p. m., at Reddies River church, of which Mr. Snyder was a member. The service was conducted by one of his sons, Elder W. E. Snyder, of Winston-Salem, and his sons were pall bearers.

GERMANS LOSE 122 FIGHTERS OVER MISBURG

At least 1233 Nazi fighter planes of approximately 200 which rose to protect Germany's largest natural oil refinery at Misburg were shot down in aerial combat Sunday by an American fleet of 700 fighters and 1,100 heavy bombers.