

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, June 18 — President Roosevelt disclosed today that he was working on a huge plan for eventual government service for all of America's young men, some of whom would be in the fighting forces and the rest in such vital activities industrial production and conservation of resources. Young women, too, may be included in the plan, he said at a press conference, at which he emphasized that a period of disciplined training, say a year for each youth, would be good for the young people of the nation, besides promoting the national defense.

WASHINGTON, June 18 — Congress served virtual notice on the world today that the United States would fight to uphold the Monroe doctrine. By a vote of 382 to 8, the house passed a resolution, already approved by the senate, declaring that this country would not "acquiesce" in the transfer of territory in the western hemisphere from one non-American nation to another. The resolution, before going to President Roosevelt for his signature, must return to the senate for action on minor amendments.

### INTERNATIONAL

BORDEAUX, France, June 18 — The unconquered French clung fiercely to their fields and hills today in desperate engagements along a broken front, fighting on under orders of the man who asked the fee for peace and now awaits reply. In an order of the day, as dramatic in its way as his world war order to defend Verdun with courage and valor, Premier Marshal Henri Philippe Pétain calmly told the men in the field to carry on against the Nazi invader.

ROME, June 18 — The war has been reduced to a struggle between the United States and Great Britain on one side and "a large part of the rest of the world" on the other, an authoritative fascist spokesman declared today. Fascists contemplated a "second Munich," which, they said, must wipe British influence from continental Europe for all time. With France in collapse, and Britain fighting with material assistance from the United States, Virginia Gayda, premier Mussolini's sometime editorial spokesman, said the war had settled into a "purely Anglo-Saxon struggle against a large part of the rest of the world."

MUNICH, June 18 — It was taken for granted in informed circles here tonight that the axis demands in granting peace to France would begin with the "lost provinces" of Alsace and Lorraine for Germany and Corsica, Tunis and Nice for Italy. Mussolini may also ask other concessions beneficial to Italy's African colonies, it was said. The real question mark appeared to be "what will happen to France herself?" after these apparently obvious requirements have been exacted. Whatever happens, it seemed certain tonight that the French army would be rendered impotent—if the axis terms are accepted by France—and that the republic would be shoved into the status of a second-rate power.

BERLIN, June 18 — Striking on against broken France, the German military experts tonight declared that "fighting can be stopped only when the armistice is signed." The German press threatened to add that Britain would be next. "The military collapse of France is swiftly progressing under the pressure of our relentless pursuit," said the high command. "England," said the newspaper Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, "now stands completely alone. This is the reality of the hour in which Hitler and Mussolini sit together in Munich as representatives of the Europe of tomorrow."

## Jonesville School Bond Decision Is Reversed By Court

### ACTION COMES AFTER MATTER IS RE-HEARD

Go-Ahead Signal Is Given School Program

RESULT OF LONG FIGHT

Jonesville Would Issue Bonds to Build Needed School Facilities

MINORITY IS OPPOSED

The Yadkin county board of education and the Town of Jonesville received the go-ahead signal Wednesday concerning the building of additional school facilities in Jonesville, when the North Carolina supreme court reversed a previous supreme court decision, and a decision of Judge S. J. Irvin, which held that the establishment by act of the state legislature of local or private school districts was unconstitutional.

The decision of the court was announced at noon Wednesday following a re-hearing of the case in which the Town of Jonesville seeks, through issuance of bonds, to provide adequate school facilities for its children. W. M. Allen and Hoke F. Henderson, attorneys for the defendants in the case, were notified of the court's decision shortly after noon.

The litigation concerning the Yadkin school matter started following an election held in Jonesville on June 13, 1939, wherein bonds were voted in the amount of \$40,000 for the construction of new school facilities. The bond election was carried by a vote of 635 to 355.

Immediately following the election, J. S. Hinson, Carl Rose, Hubert Evans, and others opposed to the bond issue, brought an action to declare the act by the state legislature providing for school bond elections unconstitutional on grounds that the legislature could not pass local or private acts establishing new school district lines.

Shortly thereafter the plaintiffs, represented by Barker and Hampton, of Elkin, and Folger and Folger, of Mount Airy, secured a temporary restraining order from Judge Wilson Warlick, and later, in a hearing before Judge Irvin, at Newland, a decision declaring the act of the legislature unconstitutional, and making the restraining order permanent.

Attorneys for the Yadkin county board of education, Allen and Henderson, of Elkin, and David Lee Kelley, of Yadkinville, immediately appealed the ruling to the state supreme court, which handed down a split decision of 3-3, thereby deciding with the plaintiffs. Chief Justice Stacy did not sit on the case due to the fact that he is a relative of L. S. Weaver, superintendent of the Jonesville school, who was active in the fight for better school facilities. Due to the fact that the court's opinion was evenly divided, the decision of Judge Irvin was upheld.

Following this action, Attorneys Allen and Henderson, of the attorneys representing the defendants, applied to the supreme court on February 6, this year, for a new hearing. The re-hearing was granted the following day.

Under the decision handed down Wednesday, the court reversed Judge Irvin's decision and its own previous decision by declaring the act of the legislature constitutional, and dissolving the restraining order so that Jonesville may issue bonds and proceed with their school building program.

### WATER BILLS TO BE PAID AT CITY HALL

The Elkin Water Department has announced that on and after July 1, all water bills will be payable at the city tax office, located in the city hall. Heretofore, water bills have been payable at The Bank of Elkin.

### Is Called



Rev. Stephen Morrisett, above, a native of Winston-Salem, and now serving a pastorate in Indiana, has been called by the Elkin Baptist church to fill the vacancy recently created by the resignation of Rev. Eph Whisenhunt.

## CHURCH HERE CALLS PASTOR

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### HOPE FOR ACCEPTANCE

At a business meeting of church members and officials at the close of the morning hour of worship at the First Baptist church Sunday morning, Rev. Stephen Morrisett was called as pastor without one dissenting vote. Rev. Mr. Morrisett is a native of Winston-Salem, and is at present serving a pastorate in Indiana. He was graduated in April of this year from the Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He is also a graduate of the school of music at Columbia University and before his entrance into the ministry served as director of the Westminster choir, Princeton, N. J. He also served for a time as director of the choir and organist at the First Baptist church in Winston-Salem.

Mr. Morrisett, who is 34 years old, is married, his wife being a native of Dayton, Ohio. They have two sons, one six and one three years of age. During the time Mr. Morrisett was studying at the seminary Mrs. Morrisett took a W. M. U. Training School course.

The call has been extended to Rev. Mr. Morrisett and if he accepts it is the hope of the church that he will arrive in time to begin his duties by the first of July, since the church has been without a pastor since early in May.

### CHATHAM CONTRIBUTES \$500 FOR SURRY X-RAY

Thurmond Chatham, president of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, has contributed \$500 toward the purchase of a new X-ray machine for the Surry health department.

Accompanying the check, which was sent to Dr. E. C. B. Franklin, Surry health officer, was the following letter, signed by Mr. Chatham himself:

"I have been away almost ever since I saw you and that is why you haven't heard from me long ago. We will be glad to donate \$500 toward your new X-ray equipment."

### CHATHAM TO PLAY IMPORTANT GAME

The Chatham Blanketeers will meet Adams-Mills, of High Point, here Friday afternoon at 4:45 in a game which will determine which of the two teams will participate in the North Carolina State Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament, which will be held in High Point beginning Saturday of this week. The winning team will be eligible to enter the tournament.

Sunday the Blanketeers will meet the Hanes Knitters here in a game called for 3:00 p. m.

## NAZIS SEEKING SURRENDER "OR ELSE" RUMORED

Axis Powers Would Place France in Bondage

DETAILS STILL SECRET

Negotiators Expected to Meet at Madrid at Home of Francisco Franco

FRENCH ENVOY NAMED

June 19—A picture of France in bondage—stripped of her gold, factories and raw materials, with German-Italian armies camped on her soil—was given today in unconfirmed reports of the "axis peace" terms dictated by Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini.

Authorized Nazis in Berlin emphasized that the German-Italian price for an armistice are not open to negotiation. They must be accepted or rejected as they stand.

The official Italian news agency said Hitler demanded capitulation "pure and simple"—apparently meaning unconditional surrender.

While the details remained secret, Bordeaux reported that French and German negotiators would meet at Madrid at the residence of Generalissimo Francisco Franco of Spain.

The French radio said Germany notified France today that she would disclose her peace terms only to a special plenipotentiary. President Albert Lebrun immediately appointed an envoy to meet the axis negotiators.

Fascists in Rome warned that French rejection of the Munich would unleash a swift "final assault" by the combined German-Italian armies—now nearing a junction near the south Swiss border—to crush France to the ground.

## WILL SUPPORT WEED PROGRAM

Group Favors Three-Year Tobacco Curtailment Program at Raleigh Meet

### WARNING IS ISSUED

Raleigh, June 18—Faced with a warning that should farmers reject tobacco crop control, prices might be forced to 10 cents a pound or less this year, 200 warehousemen, bankers, merchants and growers voted today to support a three-year leaf curtailment program.

The group met here to discuss the July 20 referendum, in which tobacco growers will decide whether they want control only for next year, for the next three years or no control at all.

The warning was made by J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administrator, who described the tobacco situation as the darkest in the history of the crop.

Only an adequate program of controlled production will keep prices from dipping to rock bottom, he said.

He asserted that if quotas were imposed only for 1941, prices this fall may nose dive even below last year's average of 14.8 cents. With a three-year program, he said, the government can guarantee a price range of between 15 and 16 cents.

In a unanimously adopted resolution, the tobacco men, merchants and bankers pointed out that a three-year plan would cause the trade to be more likely to offer reasonable prices; the government could give maximum support for export grades, which now have practically no markets; normal credit could be more intelligently extended, assuring growers financial aid necessary to production, and growers could make their plans without fear of drastic changes from year to year.

### COUPLE SLIGHTLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson, of Charleston, W. Va., received bruises and minor lacerations near Thurmond Monday evening about dark when their car skidded upon the slippery, oil treated highway and slid into a house located near the road.

The car suffered considerable damage about the front.

## Monroe Doctrine To Be Upheld, Germany And Italy Are Warned In Message By U. S. Government

ENGLAND BOMBED The photo below, made in Yorkshire, England, shows cottagers searching the debris of their houses which were wrecked recently by bombs during one of the many Nazi raids on English villages. Scenes such as this, multiplied thousands of times, are expected by the British when Hitler launches his threatened blitzkrieg against the British Isles.



## IN CONNECTION WITH ISLANDS OF HEMISPHERE

Exact Form of Warning Not Made Public

FROWNS ON TRANSFER

Action Is Motivated by Collapse of French Defenses and Peace Plea

INFORM OTHER NATIONS

Washington, June 19 — The United States has officially warned the governments of Germany and Italy that it will support the Monroe doctrine in connection with the belligerent island possessions in this hemisphere, the State Department said today.

The American diplomatic representatives in both Rome and Berlin were instructed to inform the government to which they were accredited of the United States attitude last Monday.

The exact form of the warning was not made public immediately.

The action was motivated by the collapse of the French defenses and overtures for peace instituted by the Bordeaux government.

Since then reports of the possible annexation by other European powers of French possessions in the Western Hemisphere has made the situation more acute in the minds of United States officials.

The State Department made no formal announcement of the move but an authorized spokesman said that the position of the United States as outlined to the axis governments is "identical with the joint resolution passed by both houses of Congress and now before the President for signature."

The governments of France, Great Britain and Holland have been informed simultaneously of the United States views relative to any possible transfer of territory, the department said.

## BENHAM MAN PASSES AWAY

Burns Prove Fatal to Coy Ledbetter, 46; Had Been in Hospital

### BITES HELD TUESDAY

Burns, sustained when he accidentally fell into an open fire in December of last year, proved fatal Wednesday to Coy Ledbetter, 46, of the Benham community. The burns, which were extremely severe, necessitated hospital treatment for several months, and his condition had been regarded as hopeless since his injury. He was removed to his home several months ago.

He was a lifelong resident of the Benham section, where he was engaged in farming. He was a son of James Ledbetter and the late Mrs. Ledbetter and a member of the Charity Methodist church in Wilkes county.

He is survived by seven children, McKinley Ledbetter, Misses Connie, Bonnie Louise, Mozelle, Carol, and Denver and Odell Ledbetter, his father, two sisters, Mrs. Boyd Luffman and Miss Pearl Ledbetter, and one brother, Bramlett Ledbetter.

### TWO ARE ARRESTED ON WHISKY CHARGE

Barney Rhodes and Buster Lyons, Elkin young men, have been arrested following a raid here last Saturday by Officers Corbett Wall, C. S. Foster and Chesco Sprinkle, which netted a small amount of liquor. The two men are under \$200 bond each on a charge of possessing whisky for purpose of sale. They are scheduled to face a hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall on July 1.

## Says Attention Pledged to Elkin School Program

Superintendent of Schools John W. Comer said Wednesday that the State had pledged immediate attention to the proposed building program of the Elkin schools. It is expected that some definite step will be taken in regard to the building program at an early date. Mr. Comer, accompanied by Frank Folger, county tax supervisor, spent some time in Raleigh last week attending to matters in regard to the Surry school system.

The State also provided burial expenses for the Mountain Park school child, who was accidentally killed by a school bus last winter.

## TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

North Wilkesboro Planning Big Things as City Observes 50th Birthday

### TO PRESENT PAGEANT

North Wilkesboro, June 19 — Plans are well under way here for the staging of a big celebration June 30 through July 4 commemorating the 50th anniversary of North Wilkesboro.

North Wilkesboro's Commerce Bureau, a city-wide organization of business and professional interests, is sponsoring the event and headlining the celebration will be the presentation of a historical spectacle entitled "On Wings of Time," at the fairgrounds here the nights of July 1, 2, 3, and 4, beginning at 8:00 o'clock.

Although the detailed program for each day of the celebration has not been announced fully, it was learned here today that Governor Clyde R. Hoey will deliver an address on July 4, closing day of the celebration.

Other features which will provide entertainment during the event will include a mammoth parade with all the fanfare and gaiety which goes with a happy celebration.

John B. Rogers Producing company, of Fostoria, Ohio, will stage the historical pageant each night, using a cast of local people numbering more than 500.

North Wilkesboro has been enthusiastic in preparations for the event and has even gone so far as to print "wooden nickels" as souvenir tokens of the celebration. The "wooden nickels" are circulating freely in North Wilkesboro and, strange as it may seem, are actually in demand instead of being shunned.

### BOONVILLE PEOPLE HURT IN ACCIDENT

A wreck of serious proportions occurred at East Bend Monday afternoon when a sedan driven by Mrs. J. A. Speas, of Boonville, overturned. The cause of the wreck could not be entirely ascertained, but the slippery roads were a big factor in the mishap and probably caused Mrs. Speas to lose control of the car. Mrs. Speas and the other two occupants of the car, Miss Mollie Lou Cox and Bobby Lee, both grandchildren of Mrs. Speas, are in the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem. Mrs. Speas suffered five broken ribs, and lacerations and bruises. Bobby Lee suffered a broken collar bone and a cut across the forehead that took 19 stitches to close. Mollie Lou, it was thought Monday night, was less seriously injured than the others. She suffered a bad bruise on the forehead, and an apparent back injury.

Members of the board of directors are J. A. Tilley, J. S. Key, S. A. Holder, W. L. Smith, W. T. White, all of Surry county; G. T. Dorse, of Forsyth; and N. P. Bryant, H. W. Dab and Joe Pendry, of Yadkin county.

The first compulsory education law was passed in Massachusetts in 1642.

The common garden snail can pull a load 50 times its own weight.

Sheep ticks are not ticks. They are flies.