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**Late News Of
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Told Briefly**

INCREASES ARMY

Rome, Nov. 12.—Premier Mussolini ordered 5,000 non-commissioned career officers and 18,000 volunteer specialists added to the army today to strengthen Italy's military might. It was the second expansion of Italy's large standing army within a week. Last Monday Duce ordered 1,500 officers and 1,500 non-commissioned officers recruited. (The Italian army has been estimated at about 1,300,000 men). Recruiting will begin immediately.

ODD ADVERTISEMENT

Raleigh, Nov. 12.—Although all tickets for the Duke-North Carolina football game in Durham Saturday have been sold since November 1, advertisements of the game appeared in North Carolina newspapers today. But the ads didn't urge people to attend—they urged them to stay home. "All tickets sold," the ads read. "It is requested that only those who now have tickets plan to attend the game. No standing room tickets will be sold." A crowd of approximately 51,000 is expected to see the contest.

SHORT CAMPAIGN

Washington, Nov. 12.—Republican leaders disclosed today that they were considering concentrating their efforts to capture the presidency in 1940 in a short, intensified campaign of eight or nine weeks, ending with the November election. Senator McNary, of Oregon, the Republican senate chieftain, said he expected this proposal to be given major attention when the Republican national committee meets soon to discuss plans for the 1940 convention. The date for the committee meeting has not yet been set, but it is expected to be in December or January.

PARTY HARMONY

Washington, Nov. 11.—Influential senate Democrats are discussing methods to delay until after the 1940 election some of the congressional issues which might develop bitter controversy and bring new splits in party ranks. One highly-placed leader, who would not permit quotation by name, told reporters today that the "political truce" on the neutrality legislation had been highly beneficial to party morale. He added that if all factions of Democrats could continue to work together during the next session the chances of a 1940 presidential victory would be greatly improved.

ARMISTICE TALK

Under the grim pall of a new war in Europe, President Roosevelt led the nation Saturday in prayerful commemoration of the end of the last great conflict by calling for a "new and better peace" in the world—"a quiet peace under liberty." "We work for peace, we pray for peace and we arm for peace," the chief executive said in an address, delivered by long distance telephone from the White House to Virginia Military Institute on the occasion of that school's 100th anniversary celebration. Mr. Roosevelt spoke shortly after he returned from the autumn-hued, sun-drenched slopes of Arlington National cemetery where he participated in wreath-laying ceremonies at the tomb of America's unknown soldier.

BRITAIN'S POSITION

London, Nov. 12.—Britain responded to a Belgian-Netherlands mediation offer today with a pledge to give "most earnest consideration" to any German proposals which might "afford real prospect of achieving" Britain's avowed war aim to halt German "aggression." The British reply was made in a note from King George VI to Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands and King Leopold of the Belgians, who on November 7 offered their good offices to Britain, France and Germany to work for restoration of Europe's peace. Britain's war aim was set forth again as the "redemption of Europe from the perpetually recurring fear of German aggression so as to enable the peoples of Europe to preserve their independence and liberties."

Woman's Club Dance On Thursday Night

Junior Woman's club of Wilkesboro is sponsor of a "round dance" to be held at the community house on Thursday night, Nov. 23. "Come and bring your friends," announcement of the dance said. Admission will be 25 cents.

City and County Booklet Is Soon To Be Published

10,000 32-Page Booklets To Tell Advantages Here

Advertising Publication Will Contain Approximately 80 Photographs

Material for an attractive 32-page booklet setting forth the advantages of North Wilkesboro and Wilkes county is about ready for the press. W. P. Kelly, executive secretary of North Wilkesboro's Commerce Bureaus, said today.

Plans call for a cover printed in colors and for illustrated inside pages covering all phases of life and activity in the city and county. Approximately 80 pictures taken in the city and county will be used in composition of the book, Mr. Kelly said.

The front cover will have a panoramic view of the business section of North Wilkesboro, which is fully described as an industrial and commercial center in this section of the state.

The back cover will have photos of two impressive mountain scenes.

Publication of the booklet, which will necessitate the expenditure of several hundred dollars, will be financed by the city, county and by the Bureaus.

Those in charge of compiling the materials have endeavored to correctly and attractively tell of the advantages which the city and county have to offer industrialists, agriculturists, tourists and others who may wish to visit Wilkes or locate here.

Public spirited people in the city and county who have long realized the need for such material await the publication of the booklet with much interest.

It is expected that 10,000 copies will be printed in the first order.

Hugh Mitchell Kiwanis Speaker

Statesville Attorney Points To Dangers From Un- desirable Aliens

Hugh Mitchell, prominent Statesville attorney, addressed the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday, making a challenging talk on the subject of the "German Bund and Communists in America."

He said that because of these and other alien sympathizers America is facing serious trouble from within. He said that they were spreading doctrines favorable to foreign forms of government and that children in metropolitan schools are often taught such doctrines and some of them wear swastikas and other foreign symbols. The speaker urged that such trouble makers be collected and deported from the country.

He also pointed out that five million foreigners are illegally in this country. They are mainly antagonistic people seeking to overthrow our government and at the same time are depriving American citizens of jobs which should justly be theirs and adding:

Rural Electric Meeting Held

People Of Dehart Commu- nity Show Interest In Pro- posed Rural Line

Citizens of the Dehart community in a meeting with Duke Power company officials Wednesday night at Mountain View showed much interest in a proposed rural electric line extension into their community.

Farmers and housewives showed much interest in a lecture and demonstrations given by Miss Adelle Malone, home service specialist, L. L. Ray, agricultural engineer, and Bill Burton, of Greensboro, lighting specialist.

The meeting was also attended by Robert S. Gibbs, Jr., manager of the Duke Power company branch here, and other members of the branch office personnel.

Brawlers, Keep Out!



Determined to preserve her neutrality, Sweden keeps a constant vigil on her territorial waters. Here is a 25 mm. anti-aircraft gun mounted on a Swedish submarine cruising in coastal waters. And the gunners are ready for action.

Verdict Collision Case Is Set Aside

New Trial Ordered In Suits For Damages In Auto- Truck Crash

Judge Frank Armstrong in Wilkes superior court last week set aside a verdict allowing ten dollars for personal injury to one and \$200 for the death of a child in suits growing out of an automobile-express truck collision at Millers Creek two months ago.

The verdict previously rendered in court awarded R. C. Davis, of Grassy Creek, \$10, and Arnold Chandler, administrator of Ronald Chandler, \$200. Fred Staley, driver, and C. B. Yates, owners of the express line, were defendants.

The motion to set aside the verdict and order a new trial was made by plaintiff's attorneys.

Felix Davis, also of Ashe county, and Mrs. Ollie Jones, of Arkansas, who was staying in the Davis home at Grassy Creek and was operating the car which collided with the truck at the junction of highway 16 and 421, were also killed. Damage suits brought for their deaths are calendared for trial in federal court to convene in Wilkesboro on November 20.

All Reminded Of Bundle Day Sunday

"Bundle Day" On Sunday, Nov. 19th

Truck Will Begin Picking Up Bundles At 1 O'Clock Sunday Afternoon

Civic sponsors have completed plans for "Bundle Day" to be observed in the Wilkesboros and adjoining communities on Sunday, November 19.

The event is planned for the benefit of underprivileged and needy families in Wilkes and is being sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis, Lions and Dokies clubs.

The sponsors are asking that people of North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, along highway 18 southward to Moravian Falls and north to Mulberry school, and west of this city along highway 421 to Millers Creek, save and collect discarded clothing of all kinds and sizes, broken or discarded toys, any and all discarded household furniture and kitchen ware, tie the collection in a bundle and leave on the front porch of the truck which will call and collect them, Sunday afternoon. The truck will begin its route at one o'clock, when it is asked that all bundles be ready for collection.

The bundles thus collected will be taken to a storage place, and repaired as much as possible and

Annual Armistice Day Dinner Held Here Friday Night

Dr. J. S. Hiatt Speaker At Joint Banquet Of Legion And Auxiliary

Dr. J. S. Hiatt, of Elkin, district superintendent of the Methodist church, addressed the American Legion and Auxiliary and guests in the annual Armistice Day supper held Friday night at the clubhouse north of this city.

The meeting, attended by 85 Legionnaires, members of the Auxiliary and guests, was opened by Post Commander L. M. Nelson, who turned the meeting over to Frank Johnson, program chairman for the occasion.

Dr. Hiatt spoke in a humorous vein but his closing remarks were on the subject of "Peace" and was received with much interest.

Another feature of the program consisted of numbers by a quartet composed of Russel Hodges, John K. Blackburn, Bryan Higgins and Richard Johnson.

Cricket baseball team, winners in the Junior league sponsored by the Legion in Wilkes during the past season, were guests at the meeting.

It was also announced that the Legion had made its quota of 67 members this year and the good news was wired into state department headquarters.

Vocational Guidance Conference Nov. 15

A Vocational Guidance Conference sponsored by the Student Activities Council of North Wilkesboro schools and the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club will be held at North Wilkesboro high school on Wednesday, November 15, beginning at 12:50 p. m.

All the North Wilkesboro high school students and seniors from the other high schools in Wilkes county are expected to attend the conference, which is planned as an aid to youth in choosing a vocation.

Walter Call is president of the student body and will preside at the assembly meeting preceding the conference. Miss Nellie Gabriel is secretary of the student council and Miss Lilyan Miller is faculty advisor. Rev. W. M. Cooper is chairman of the Boys and Girls Work committee of the Kiwanis Club, co-sponsor.

The assembly program will begin with music and group singing, followed by devotional by Rev. A. L. Aycock, pastor of the Methodist church. Miss Lilyan Miller will tell briefly the purposes of the conference and the principal address will be by R. S. Proctor, superintendent of Davis county schools on the subject of "Choosing A Vocation."

Group conferences on several

Ferguson Man Killed By Unknown Assailant

All for Safety



No—the picture isn't upside-down. This pilot is merely testing a new airplane safety belt at Wright field, Dayton, Ohio. The belt is protection against crash landings.

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Burchette Killed With Slugs Cut From Bolt; Fired In Shotgun

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Burchette, 63-year-old resident of the Ferguson community who had been engaged as a salesman of household articles in rural communities, had undressed and was proceeding to retire for the night when a load of slugs from a shotgun crashed through the window and into his chest. He dropped dead at the feet of his wife standing nearby.

Officers were summoned and the place was well guarded until bloodhounds could be taken to the scene.

Starting where tracks were found only a few steps from the window through which the shot was fired, the hounds trailed a distance of about five miles over nearby hills and bluffs but finally reached a spot where trailing was no longer possible. The trail was followed to where tracks were found leading into Stony Fork Creek and it was believed that the dogs had trailed so closely to the assailant that he took to the stream to make trailing impossible.

The dogs were handled by Deputy Sheriff Wade Gilbert and other officers aided in the search. Coroner I. M. Myers conducted an investigation at the home on Saturday night. He questioned a number of people on whether or not Burchette had any enemies who had had trouble with him and made a minute examination of the home and grounds.

The shotgun charge which killed Burchette went through the window screen, the glass and curtains.

On Sunday afternoon the objects which killed Burchette were taken from his body under direction of Coroner Myers. They found four slugs which apparently had been sawed from a threaded one-quarter inch bolt and each slug was about a quarter inch in length. Two of the slugs entered his chest close together and the other two made holes less than an inch apart. The objects went through his lungs, cut the jugular vein just above the heart, went through the liver and lodged in the back, one going almost through his body.

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It is understood that some promising clues have been uncovered which may lead to a solution of the case.

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Survivors include the widow, who before marriage was Miss Dessie Triplett; one daughter, Mrs. Eloise Blankenship; four brothers, G. P. Burchette, of Winston-Salem; J. A. Burchette, Sparta; J. N. Burchette, Ronda; and D. I. Burchette, Jonesville; one sister, Mrs. C. C. Foushee, Riddgeway, Va.; and one grandchild.

The funeral was conducted at 11 o'clock this morning at Macedonia Baptist church, near Ronda. Rev. B. F. Peeler conducted the services.

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Annual Red Cross Roll Call Started In Wilkes County

Liberal Response Needed Because Of Relief Needs In The War Areas

CANVASS TOMORROW

Efforts Will Be Made To Get Red Cross Appeal To Many Citizens

The annual Red Cross roll call began here today.

Rev. Eugene Olive, roll call chairman, said that the special gifts committee was working today and that the canvass of the residential and business districts of the city would be carried out Tuesday.

The Red Cross drive will be carried to the rural sections of the county later this week following a meeting of the principals of the eight central districts of the county.

In discussing the roll call the chairman explained that because of the war in Europe the Red Cross is badly in need of funds to carry on its great humanitarian work wherever disaster strikes.

Need for refugee clothing, hospital garments, hospital and medical supplies in several European countries is acute, Red Cross officials said, and the response to the roll call now will determine whether or not a special drive will be made for war disaster relief funds.

A special effort will be made to carry the roll call message to a great number of people in Wilkes this year and chapter officials are expecting liberal response. Special letters were prepared for mass distribution today and tonight.

Industrial establishments are being asked to urge that their employees join this year and canvassers will also work the business and residential districts of the Wilkesboros.

Postmaster Reins President of New Publishing Co.

Officials Of New Organiza- tion Are Announced; To Issue Weekly

The Northwestern Publishing company, Inc., has been organized here to publish a weekly newspaper, according to an announcement made Saturday in The Charlotte Observer by J. C. Reins, president, North Wilkesboro's postmaster.

The first issue of the paper is expected to be published on about December 10. Machinery and equipment have been bought and will be installed some time this week.

The following are officers and directors: J. C. Reins, president; R. M. Brame, Sr., vice president; J. R. Prevette, secretary-treasurer; executive committee: T. M. Foster, chairman, Ralph Duncan, and W. H. McElwee; directors: J. C. Reins, R. M. Brame, Sr., J. R. (Continued on page five)

Wilkesboro Plays Maiden Tuesday

Ramblers Will Seek To Avenge Defeat Received Friday Afternoon

Wilkesboro high school's football team will play Maiden on Wilkesboro's field Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock.

Wilkesboro lost to Maiden Friday by the score of 6 to 0 when Maiden recovered a fumble and executed a pass play, and the Ramblers will be-out for revenge tomorrow.

All football fans are invited to witness the contest, which is expected to be one of the best of the season.

Merchants To Meet Wednesday, 4 P. M.

Announcement has been made that all North Wilkesboro merchants and others interested are asked to meet at the city hall Wednesday afternoon, four o'clock, to discuss Christmas decorations and other matters pertaining to holiday trade.