

Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

LET SWEDEN ALONE London.—Russia and Germany have agreed on their mutual "interest" in the preservation of Sweden's neutrality as result of negotiations conducted last week in Moscow, the Moscow radio announced last night.

THREE BODIES FOUND Pittsburgh.—Headless bodies of three men, with the word "Nazi" carved on the chest of one in five-inch letters, were found yesterday in box cars assigned to the scrap heap at the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad yards in nearby Stowe township.

GERMANS VICTORS London.—Great Britain last night announced the abandonment of Namsos and Central Norway to the Germans—an acknowledgment that added new force to unrest surging within the very foundation of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's government.

CHALLENGES CRITICS Washington.—President Roosevelt yesterday challenged his Republican and anti-new deal Democratic foes to "quit condemning each and every act of the administration and tell us just how you propose to do it."

SIGN ARMISTICE Stockholm.—The Norwegian army on the Trondheim battlefield, bitterly accusing their British and French Allies of leaving them in the lurch, last night concluded an armistice with the Germans to avoid "total destruction."

Court Session Is In Second Week Wilkes superior court term for trial of civil cases began the second week this morning with Judge W. H. Bobbitt, of Charlotte, presiding.

Four Divorces Were Granted Last Week; Land Case Ends In a Mistrial

Wilkes superior court term for trial of civil cases began the second week this morning with Judge W. H. Bobbitt, of Charlotte, presiding.

During the first week a number of cases of minor interest were tried, including the following divorce actions: Blane Whitley versus Lura Whitley; C. L. Smoot versus Betty Smoot; Grace Phillips versus Fred Phillips; Ina May Collins versus James Collins.

In the case of Barney Teague versus W. E. Johnson the verdict was in favor of the defendant and the plaintiff recovered nothing. A closely contested action was the trial of a land case between Brewer, plaintiff, and Dewey Combs, defendant. Much time was spent on the case, which ended in a mistrial.

BANKS TO BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, MAY 10TH Both banks here will be closed on Friday, May 10, Southern memorial day and usually observed as a holiday.

THE JOURNAL-PATRIOT

VOL. XXXIII, No. 41 Published Mondays and Thursdays. NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C. MONDAY, MAY 6, 1940 \$1.50 IN THE STATE \$2.00 OUT OF THE STATE

For mutual advantage do your buying in North Wilkesboro, the trading center of Northwestern North Carolina.

Officers Course Closes Friday; Very Successful

G-Men Instruct City, County and State Officers On Proper Methods

A ten-days' officers course for law enforcement officers of Northwestern North Carolina ended here Friday afternoon. Following the last session Wilkes officers served dinner to officers from several other counties attending.

District Meet Of Home Clubs Here May 30th

Home Agent Outlines the Responsibilities of Clubs In Wilkes County

Annual meeting of the third federation district of Home Demonstration clubs will be held in the home demonstration club women co-hostesses.

Plans for the event have been under way for some time among Wilkes clubs and are now nearing completion with the following community groups assuming their respective responsibilities: Moravian Falls and Boomer (all clubs contributing) lunch; Mountain View and Ferguson, decorations; Roaring River, flowers; Roaring Gap and Pores Knob, corsages; Gilreath and Purllear, arrangements; Ronda, programs.

Curb Market Will Re-open Saturday In N. Wilkesboro

Curb market to be operated by members of the Home Demonstration clubs in Wilkes will re-open on Saturday, May 11, Miss Harriet McGoogan, home demonstration agent, said today.

Miss McGoogan said that the market will be located on a lot on B street next to R. & O. Grocery store, where the club women, with cooperation of their husbands, are erecting a temporary building.

Miss McGoogan said that the club women are very appreciative of the donation of the use of the lot by S. Tomlinson and also wish to express their thanks for the offers of lots from J. B. McCoy and W. K. Sturdivant. The cooperation of the home makers and business men of North Wilkesboro in behalf of the market is deeply appreciated, she said.

Singing School At Boomer School

Paul B. Collins, of Lincolnton, will conduct a singing school at Boomer school, beginning on Monday night, May 13, 7:30 p. m. and continuing with a session each night for a week or more. It is a community undertaking and all are invited to attend and take part.

England, Too, Has Census Problem



A house-to-house census, ordered by the ministry of home security, is under way in England. Warden have been instructed to visit every home to find if residents still have their gas masks, and whether or not they are in good condition. A lost or damaged gas mask is replaced without charge. Here a checkup is being made in a typical London home.

Wilkes Farmers Can Get \$122,886 In Payments

Increase of \$30,000 Over Last Year; \$20 Is Minimum Allowed Any Farmer If Practices Are Carried Out.

Farmers in Wilkes county may earn a maximum of \$122,886.94 for compliance with the farm program this year, Lawrence Miller, chief clerk of the Triple A for the county, said today.

This means that if every farmer earned the maximum amount allowed for his farm the county total would be that figure, he said. The maximum earnings for this year represents an increase of approximately \$30,000 over the maximum amount which could have been earned under the farm program for last year.

Juniors Planning Interesting Meet For Tuesday Night

North Wilkesboro council of the Junior Order has planned a most interesting meeting for Tuesday night as a part of the council's attendance campaign.

85 Attend Meet Of Masons Here

Third Degree Conferred By Team From Winston-Salem Friday Night With third degree work being conferred by a degree team from Winston-Salem, what was freely described as one of the finest meetings of Masons ever held here took place Friday night with the North Wilkesboro lodge.

Pens Going Fast--Get Yours!

The offer by The Journal-Patriot to give a genuine high quality Morrison fountain pen with each new or renewal subscription has met with such favorable response that it has become necessary to order additional shipments every few days.

4,098 Farms In Wilkes Signed Up For Year

A total of 4,098 growers of Wilkes county will cooperate with the 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program, E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College, announced following receipt of signed Farm Plans signifying such intention. The Triple-A lists 4,769 farms in this county.

The "sign-up" for the 1940 program is an increase over the 1,400 farmers who earned payments under the 1939 Agricultural Conservation program. Floyd expressed himself as highly pleased over the participation indicated in this county.

Every farmer in the county was given an opportunity to sign a Farm Plan, on which he listed the soil building practices he intends to carry out. He received a copy of the Farm Plan which showed the type of practices in the program, and how much he could earn from each. The Plan also listed the individual grower's allotments for soil depleting crops, which he must plant within to earn payments.

Floyd said that in the State as a whole, Farm Plans were signed by 223,104 out of the 236,546 eligible farmers. This is an approximate 94 per cent "sign-up" and is a decided contrast with the 113,598 farms on which payments were earned in 1939.

"A preliminary check of the Farm Plans shows that more farms will be operated under conservation methods than ever before," Floyd declared. "The approved practices, such as the application of lime and phosphate, seeding legumes and grasses, the use of cover and green-manure crops, and tree planting will have their greatest use in the State this year."

Hiatt Is Speaker At Club Meeting On Friday Night

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, of Elkin, who in addition to being superintendent of the Elkin district of the Methodist church is one of the most entertaining after-dinner speakers in the state, addressed the North Wilkesboro Lions club and a large number of guests in a banquet meeting held Friday evening at the Woman's club-house on Trogon street.

Good Program at Kiwanis Meeting

In the Kiwanis club meeting held here Friday noon it was decided to move up the May 17 meeting to May 15 in order that Admiral Percy Foote might address the club. Admiral Foote is a native Wilkes citizen and the club looks forward to his visit with anticipation. The program on that date will be in charge of J. R. Finley.

Friday's program was in charge of W. D. Halfacre. He opened his program by calling attention to the account of an article in the North Carolina Public School Bulletin concerning the recent employment survey conducted in this city by a class of the North Wilkesboro high school.

He then presented E. R. Spruill, principal of Ronda school, who introduced Miss Ina Lee White, a Ronda school student. She rendered very effectively her oration on "The Constitution," which she gave in the county, district and division contests sponsored by the American Legion.

In her oration she pointed out how the United States constitution had been a help to the world as well as America and how it stood as a safeguard for the rights of every citizen. It was an excellent presentation and drew favorable comment from many members of the club.

Is A Candidate

Robert H. McNeill, Wilkes native and widely known attorney who is seeking the Republican nomination for governor in the primary to be held May 25, is a son of the late Rev. Milton McNeill, of Wilkesboro.

Residents Must Register to Vote In Primary 25th

Saturday, May 11, Last Opportunity to Register For May Primary

To cast a vote in the primary May 25 every resident of Wilkes county must register. Previous registrations do not count as this is a new registration.

Books will be open at the polling places Saturday, May 11, which will be the last registration date before the primary May 25. Registration has been in progress two weeks and books have been open at various places since Saturday, April 27, and Saturday, May 4, at the various polling places.

In spite of the fact that registrars were busy on the two days for registration, the registration so far in Wilkes is very light in comparison with the number who voted two years ago, reports from many precincts indicate.

Surfacing Under Way on Route 421

Highway 421 between this city and Millers Creek will soon be in condition to carry its heavy traffic.

Bituminous Surface Is Being Applied on Widening Strips Along Road

The shoulders were widened, graded and stone surfaced during the winter months and the task of surfacing is now well under way. The priming coat of bituminous surface has been applied on the north side of the highway all the way to Millers Creek and with weather conditions favorable it is expected that the other side will be completed in a few days.

The strips are three feet on each side except on the inside of curves, where the width was increased to from six to ten feet in order to further improve the thoroughfare.

WAGE LAW STANDS

Washington.—President Roosevelt won an impressive victory in the House last night when the chamber killed all chances of revising the wages-hours law at this session. The action came after seven days of turbulent debate when members voted, 205 to 175, to recommit a bill by Chairman Mary T. Norton (D), New Jersey, of the labor committee, which proposed comparatively moderate changes in the law.

Democrats Hold Precinct Meets Thruout County

Delegates Elected to County Convention to Be Held Saturday, May 11

Democrats of Wilkes county gathered at the polling places in the various precincts Saturday to perfect precinct organizations and to elect delegates to the county convention to be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Saturday, May 11, 1:30 p. m.

Reports from many precincts indicate that the meetings were largely attended and that much interest was shown. At the county convention on May 11 the county organization will be perfected and delegates and alternates to the state convention to be held in Raleigh on May 17 will be elected.

Residents Must Register to Vote In Primary 25th

Saturday, May 11, Last Opportunity to Register For May Primary

To cast a vote in the primary May 25 every resident of Wilkes county must register. Previous registrations do not count as this is a new registration.

Books will be open at the polling places Saturday, May 11, which will be the last registration date before the primary May 25. Registration has been in progress two weeks and books have been open at various places since Saturday, April 27, and Saturday, May 4, at the various polling places.

In spite of the fact that registrars were busy on the two days for registration, the registration so far in Wilkes is very light in comparison with the number who voted two years ago, reports from many precincts indicate.

Good Program at Kiwanis Meeting

In the Kiwanis club meeting held here Friday noon it was decided to move up the May 17 meeting to May 15 in order that Admiral Percy Foote might address the club. Admiral Foote is a native Wilkes citizen and the club looks forward to his visit with anticipation. The program on that date will be in charge of J. R. Finley.

Surfacing Under Way on Route 421

Highway 421 between this city and Millers Creek will soon be in condition to carry its heavy traffic.

The shoulders were widened, graded and stone surfaced during the winter months and the task of surfacing is now well under way. The priming coat of bituminous surface has been applied on the north side of the highway all the way to Millers Creek and with weather conditions favorable it is expected that the other side will be completed in a few days.

The offer is open to new subscribers as well as those who are already receiving the paper. If it is not convenient to pay a personal visit to The Journal-Patriot office to subscribe or renew a subscription the remittance may be forwarded by mail and the pens will be mailed out promptly.

The time when these pens may be obtained must, of course, be limited. That is why we urge that those who would like to secure one of the pens free take advantage of the offer now while we know the pens are available.

Democrats Hold Precinct Meets Thruout County

Delegates Elected to County Convention to Be Held Saturday, May 11

Democrats of Wilkes county gathered at the polling places in the various precincts Saturday to perfect precinct organizations and to elect delegates to the county convention to be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro on Saturday, May 11, 1:30 p. m.

Reports from many precincts indicate that the meetings were largely attended and that much interest was shown. At the county convention on May 11 the county organization will be perfected and delegates and alternates to the state convention to be held in Raleigh on May 17 will be elected.

In North Wilkesboro township the meeting was held Saturday at the city hall and the auditorium was filled.

The township committee was elected as follows: J. E. Walker, R. G. Finley, Mrs. Carlyle Ingle, Monroe Eller and U. L. Sebastian.

Delegates and alternates to the county convention from North Wilkesboro township were as follows:

- Delegates: J. C. Reins, James M. Anderson, W. S. (Bill) Tomlinson, L. G. Caldwell, J. G. Hackett, R. G. Finley, Cyrus McNeill, Fred Burgess, Gilbert Bare, E. E. Eller, T. S. Kenerly, Q. A. McNeill, H. S. Carter, S. V. Tomlinson, D. J. Carter, J. R. Rousseau, J. H. Whicker, Jr., J. B. McCoy, Floyd C. Forester, R. M. Brame, W. J. Bacon, Mrs. T. G. Perry, Mrs. R. G. Finley, A. A. Cashlon, Glenn Cox, Mrs. T. A. Finley, Mrs. J. A. Rousseau, Mrs. Rufus Church, Mrs. O. B. Eller, Mrs. W. R. McArthur, Mrs. Julius Hollars, W. J. Kelly, Weaver Starr, J. R. Hix, J. L. Wells, John Walker, J. O. Emerson, L. M. Nelson, Watson Brame, R. M. Brame, Jr., Z. V. Stewart, Ben Estes, S. B. Moore, C. O. McNeil, T. J. Halgwood, Ernest Beahrs, W. D. Halfacre, J. V. Baugess, George Forester, W. A. McNeil, F. C. Tomlinson, Miss Lois Scroggs, Miss Winnie McLean, E. C. Johnson, John Sykes.

Graduation At Traphill May 2

Eighteen Receive High School Diplomas; Abrams Delivers Fine Address

Eighteen graduates received their diplomas at Traphill high school Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The commencement address was delivered by Dr. Amos Abrams, of Boone.

Four of the seniors, Billy Castevens, Dwight Blackburn, Ava Holbrook and Rosa Hutchinson, are to receive 11-year perfect attendance medals. The medals were not on hand to be given out on graduation night, but will be delivered to these boys and girls later. Dwight Blackburn was awarded the American Legion medal along with a Citizenship and Athletic medal. Nina Yale received the Balfour medal for scholarship, achievement and loyalty; and Sally Baugess, the Citizenship medal for the girls.

The list of graduates was as follows: Nina Yale, Ava Holbrook, Dwight Blackburn, Billy Castevens, Tally Baugess, Nora Adams, Maynard Harris, Warren Cox, Mae Sparks, Maxine Sparks, Rosa Hutchinson, Anna Lou Collins, Everet Lowe, Stella Casey, Olene Cooper, Sallie Gilliam, Mary Belle McGrady, Gertrude Gambill.