

War News

Hitler's aerial armada, now ready in the opinion of Nazis to deliver a "knockout blow," furiously attacked England's great naval and shipping base at Portsmouth at dawn today against defending British R. A. F. fighting planes and anti-aircraft guns.

DNB, the official German news agency, said that the raids inflicted "new severe blows" and that the battle was still under way.

The Nazi high command asserted 90 British planes were destroyed in yesterday's spectacular air fights, with three others shot down by anti-aircraft fire. Twenty-seven German planes were reported missing. The official British score was 60 German planes shot down; and 26 British craft.

More than 100 planes clashed in this morning's first sky battle, staged over the English Channel and the hills of the southeast coast.

At least 13 Nazi raiders were reported shot down since Sunday midnight, and a British air ministry communique said tersely:

"Large scale enemy activity is taking place over a wide area in the channel and Thames Estu-

Urge Wider Draft Plan For Country

Washington. — Overwhelming Senate passage of the bill authorizing the President to muster the National Guard and Army reserves emboldened conscription advocates today to propose a broader registration program under the Burke-Wadsworth compulsory service measure.

Just before the Senate began its momentous debate on the conscription issue, Senator Burke, Democrat, Nebraska, disclosed that he had drafted an amendment calling for registration of all men from 21 through 44. The bill approved by the military committee fixed the ages at 21 to 30, inclusive.

71 to 7 Vote
Burke said the Senate's 71 to 7 vote yesterday in favor of legislation which could put the

service was encouraging to those who want to increase the number of men subject to possible conscription.

His proposed change, he explained, would make 24,000,000 men subject to registration, instead of the 12,000,000 contemplated in the committee-approved measure. In either case only those from 21 through 30 would be liable for immediate draft and military duty.

The guard-reserve bill was sent to the House with only minor changes. Seven Senators voted against passage: Bulow, Democrat, North Dakota; Donahay, Democrat, Ohio; Gillette, Democrat, Iowa; Holt, Democrat, West Virginia; Danaher, Republican, Connecticut; Nye, Republican, North Dakota; and Lundeen, Farmer-Labor, Minnesota.

Some Can Quit
The Senate adopted unanimously an amendment by Senator Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, to permit guardsmen and reservists with dependent wives or children to resign within twenty days after enactment of the measure. Only the day before the chamber defeated a proposal to let any enrollee quit the service.

Administration forces, aided by some Republican votes, beat off 39 to 43 an amendment by Senator Adams, Democrat, Colorado, to restrict use of the guard to the Continental United States, American possessions and the Philippines.

As the bill now stands, its operations would be authorized anywhere in the Western Hemisphere. Had Adams' amendment been adopted, the guard could be sent to Latin America.

District Meeting Masons On 23rd

Masonic district meeting for Wilkesboro district number 33 will be held at the city hall in North Wilkesboro on Friday night, August 23, eight o'clock.

Announcement of the meeting was issued by J. W. Nichols, district deputy Grand Master. The meeting will be open and the program will feature moving pictures of the Masonic orphanage at Oxford and the Masonic and Eastern Home at Greensboro. Most respectful Grand Master Thomas J. Harkins, of Asheville, will be present at the meeting.

Mr. Nichols said that all Masons of the district are urged to attend and that ladies of the Eastern Star and friends are cordially invited.

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\$8,371 Paid Out In U. C. C. Checks By N.C.S.E.S. Office

1,668 Unemployment Checks Paid Out At Office Here During July

Raleigh.—Benefits to unemployed eligible workers in North Carolina amounted in July to \$805,486.61, included in 93,809 checks, distributed through the 46 white and 10 colored branch Employment offices in the State—less 1,541 checks for \$13,930.50 sent to residents of other states who had previously established wage credits by work in this State, Charles G. Powell, chairman of the N. C. Unemployment Compensation Commission, announces.

Cumulative benefits in the 31 months of distribution, through July, amounted to \$15,408,734.88, included in 2,400,939 checks, of which 26,178 checks for \$287,576.82 went to former North Carolina workers later residing in other states.

The North Wilkesboro Employment office distributed \$8,371.17, included in 1,668 checks in the month of July, while in the 31 months of "distribution, 39,676 checks for \$250,570.23 were delivered through this office.

Veterans Foreign Wars Will Meet On Tuesday Night

There will be a regular meeting of Blue Ridge Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in the municipal building in Wilkesboro Tuesday night, August 13, at eight o'clock. All members are asked to present as there is some new business to be taken up at this meeting.

Ralph A. Haynes Now In The Navy

Ralph Allen Haynes, of this city, has completed the course of preliminary military training at the Naval Training Station, Norfolk, Va., and is now home on leave of absence, visiting friends and relatives. Ralph enlisted at the Navy Recruiting Station, Salisbury, June 5th, and upon his return to the Navy Training Station he will be assigned to one of the many Navy Trade Schools maintained by the Navy to teach young men useful occupations.

Today, more than ever before, due to the program of Naval expansion, the Navy offers splendid opportunities to learn a trade, quick promotion and many other advantages.

Mrs. Wellborn's Sister Succumbs

Mrs. R. L. Wellborn, of Wilkesboro, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pearson, of this city, attended funeral services in Demarest, Georgia, Sunday for Mrs. Frank E. Moore, a sister of Mrs. Wellborn, who died Friday in an Atlanta hospital.

She was 68 years of age and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. P. H. McDonald; one brother, R. W. Mitchell, both of Chicago, and one sister, Mrs. Wellborn.

CAN BE BOTH

Mrs. Fisk—Have a good time at the party, dear, and be a good girl.

Alvadine—Make up your mind mother.

Grand Jury Recommends Seizure of Slot Machines

Is Visitor Here



Leola M. Byerly, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star, made her official visit to the O. E. S. chapter here Thursday night.

Grand Matron Is Visitor At Local Chapter Of O.E.S.

North Wilkesboro Wins The Highest Honor Of Any Subordinate Chapter

Wilkes Chapter Number 42, Order of Eastern Star, was honored by the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Leola M. Byerly, of Salisbury, when she made her official visit to the local chapter at seven o'clock Thursday. Mrs. Byerly and about a dozen other guests enjoyed a sumptuous dinner at the Williams House.

The regular meeting, which convened at eight o'clock, was well attended by members of the local chapter. After introduction of guests, the regular routine of business was followed, after which Mrs. Byerly gave a very instructive talk on the work of the Order of The Eastern Star, along with requirements for Honor Roll for the year 1940-41. Each year since its organization in February, 1937, Wilkes chapter has been on the honor roll list and this past year it attained the Gold Seal Standard, which is the highest rating given any subordinate chapter.

Various visitors commented on the grand work done by the local chapter. A small gift as a token of friendship and appreciation of Mrs. Byerly was appropriately presented by Mrs. H. T. Clark. Honorary membership certificates were presented to Mrs. Byerly and Worthy Grand Patron of N. C., Mr. Orr, who was represented by a substitute, Mr. H. R. Moaz. Mrs. Gilbert Foster, assisted by Mrs. Rom Pearson and Mrs. Lucy Pearson Killian, presented these certificates.

Miss Mable Hendren is Worthy Matron of the local chapter and Mr. T. E. Story is Worth Patron.

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And Indictment By Sheriff Of Their Operators

Grand Jury Makes Term Report To Judge Allen Gwyn In Wilkes Court

Grand jury in its report to Judge Allen Gwyn now presiding over Wilkes superior court recommended that the sheriff and his deputies immediately seize all illegal slot machines and indict the owners, operators or persons in charge of them.

The grand jury also requested that the next grand jury make an "Investigation along this line" and report to the court.

In a special charge to the grand jury on Tuesday of last week Judge Gwyn read the law defining illegal machines and told the grand jury to make presentment of known cases of violation of the law.

With reference to the court's charge on gambling devices, the report of Charlie Brown, foreman of the grand jury, said: "The members of the grand jury knew of numbers of instances whereby illegal gambling devices are being operated but, realizing that to make presentments would somewhat delay these cases, and the grand jury not having time to investigate each case, we recommend that the sheriff and his deputies immediately seize all illegal slot machines and indict the owners and operators or persons in possession of them."

In addition to the routine work of examining bills of indictment, the grand jury divided into two groups and visited the prison camp, jail, court house and county school bus station.

Relative to school buses the grand jury report said 44 school buses were found in reasonable condition and the report also included a recommendation that "the county school board hire men, sober, of sound mind and body and over 21 years of age for drivers of school buses."

The report of the visit to the county home listed 23 white and two colored inmates well cared for; 25 milk cows, 10 helters, 21 shoats, one stock hog, three brood sows, 17 pigs, two mules, two horses, 200 chickens, 35 acres in corn, 17 bushels of small grain.

The county tubercular hospital was found in good shape with eight white and three colored inmates. Nine new mattresses, 12 chairs and 24 towels were ordered purchased immediately.

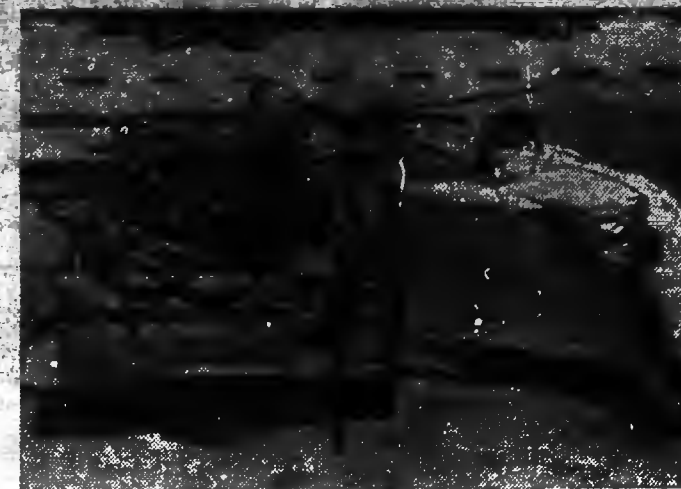
At the prison camp the grand jury found 102 prisoners and everything was in good shape.

County jail inmates were listed as four white women, one colored woman, 12 colored men, one colored juvenile and 18 white men. Recommendations were made for repairs to plumbing and for purchase of new cook stove.

Courthouse offices were found in good condition but it was recommended that the roof be repaired because of leaks.

Ninety bills were examined with 83 found true and seven not true. Five were continued for lack of evidence.

Young Briton Inaugurates Big Push



This young citizen of Southgate, England, is doing his bit for king and country, following a call by the mayor of his city for citizens to turn in their old scrap metal and help make the shovels of war for the defense of Britain. The youngster went from door to door with his homemade cart collecting odds and ends. The campaign in Southgate was duplicated in other English towns with citizens turning in scrap metal.

\$200 Is Raised For Oxford Orphanage

Masons Issue Statement Of Appreciation For Cooperation Extended

As a result of the recent visit of a concert class from the Masonic orphanage at Oxford to North Wilkesboro and the work done by local Masons, \$200 was turned over to the institution to contribute to its support.

In appreciation for the splendid cooperation from many sources, Masons here today issued the following note of thanks: "North Wilkesboro lodge number 407 and the Masons of Wilkes county wish to thank the orphanage committee, of which G. G. Foster is chairman, for its fine work; the families for entertaining the children in their homes; The Journal-Patriot for their fine cooperation and every person who contributed to the advertisement of the concert or made a donation. Appreciation is also expressed to the City Barber Shop for cutting hair of the 14 children in the class, and thanks to Paul S. Cragan, city school superintendent, and T. J. Haiswood, custodian of the school buildings, for the use of the auditorium for the concert. By the fine cooperation from the several sources, it was possible that every penny collected was turned over to the orphanage."

Orders Austrian Peas Accepted

Farmers Will Be Notified When Peas Arrive At Warehouse Here

Lawrence Miller, clerk of the Triple A committee in Wilkes, said today that all orders for Austrian winter peas in connection with the farm program have been approved for early delivery.

Farmers will be notified when the seed arrives, he said, and they will be allowed about two days to move them from the warehouse, which is located in the Brame building on Ninth street in North Wilkesboro.

J. B. Snipes, Wilkes county farm agent, has advised that seed be inoculated before sowing and a supply of inoculation will be available at the warehouse where the peas will be delivered.

Troop 35 Returns From Camp Trip Lake Waccamaw

Longest And Most Successful Camping Trip In History Of Troop

Twenty-one tired, but happy boys of Scout troop 35, arrived in North Wilkesboro Saturday evening, after one of the longest and most successful camping trips in the troop's history.

The troop was in camp five days, after setting up their camp on the shore of Lake Waccamaw, eight miles from the nearest resident.

The troop campers were under the supervision of Isaac Duncan, scoutmaster, James Ritchie, life saving examiner; Lomax Crook, junior assistant scoutmaster; and Wayne Gentry, senior patrol leader.

Here are a few of the accomplishments of the Camping Trip: a total of 68 Scout tests were passed, seven scouts advanced to the next rank, six Scouts will receive junior life saving certificates from the American Red Cross, seven scouts passed advanced swimming and will receive swimming merit badges and experience in preparing their own camp site.

Troop 35, one of the largest in northwestern North Carolina, which is sponsored by the Baptist and Methodist churches, has enjoyed constant growth. It is active in all phases of scouting, specializing in the out-of-doors.

The troop is fortunate in having a beautiful camp only two and one-half miles east of North Wilkesboro, which is known as Camp Mulberry. They own a 20 x 40 feet hut on this site. One of its members, Effner Eller, assistant scoutmaster, is now in charge of Camp Lassater, Winston-Salem Council, and two more members of the troop are his assistants.

Troop leaders arrive at all times to train the Scouts in leadership, and better citizenship, basing their program around the great out-of-doors.

Jr. O. U. A. M. Notice

All members of the local Jr. O. U. A. M., and especially the degree team, are urged to be present at a special meeting of the Order on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Degree work will be a feature of the meeting.

Pleas Of Guilty Plentiful Today In Wilkes Court

Continued Progress Is Being Made On Trial Of Large Docket Of The Court

In Wilkes court today several defendants entered pleas of guilty and received judgment pronounced by Judge Allen Gwyn, who is presiding over the term.

The cases in which pleas were entered today follow:

W. D. Elledge, operating car while intoxicated, six months suspended, \$50 fine and costs.

Phillips Parks and Marshall Dowell, colored, breaking, entering and larceny; 12 months each on roads and four years suspended.

Noah Pearson, stealing four hens, eight months at county home.

Blaine Griffin, stealing clothes, plea of guilty, judgment not pronounced.

Claude Reavis, breaking and entering, plea of guilty. Shelton Anderson, breaking and entering, plea of guilty. Howard Delarue, carrying concealed weapon and assault, six months on roads suspended on condition he return to U. S. Army, from which he deserted several months ago.

Cases tried Thursday and Friday follow:

Linville Wiles, trespass, six months suspended on condition he pay \$25 for benefit of Mrs. Billings, prosecuting witness, and pay \$25 fine and costs.

A true bill charging rape was returned against Eugene Vannoy, colored. The capital offense was said to have been on August 6 against Lula Harris, also colored.

Graybelle R. Prevette, operating car while intoxicated, to serve nine months imposed in another case; also six months suspended five years.

Charlie Hague, colored, prostitution and adultery, two years.

Jake B. O'Neal, abandonment, 12 months suspended five years on condition he provide support for wife and children and violate no laws.

C. L. Parsons, carrying concealed weapon, fine \$50.

Lawson Parsons, assault, prayer for judgment continued three years; Freeman Eller, six months suspended on payment \$50 for benefit Lawson Parsons.

Howard Eller, assault with deadly weapon, six months suspended five years.

Josie Wyatt versus Ronza Wyatt, divorce granted.

Plans Completed For Picnic 16th

Sam Levering To Address Fruit Growers At Annual Picnic Meeting

Plans have been completed for the annual picnic of the Brushy Mountain Fruit Growers to be held this year at Perry Lowe's home across the road from the Apple Research Laboratory near Kirby's Gap on Friday, August 16.

The morning program under the direction of H. R. Niswonger and Carl E. Vandeman will be field and demonstration work and it is hoped that a program for women can also be arranged.

After dinner, always the event of the day, an able speaker, Sam Levering, of Virginia, will give the fruit growers the benefit of his experience as a practical orchard man.

Invitation is extended to all fruit growers whether members of the organization or not, also to the Kiwanis Club of North Wilkesboro and the Rotary Club of Taylorsville.

Officers of the Brushy Mountain Fruit Growers are: president, Clarence W. Fletcher, Wilkes; vice president, Roscoe Lowe, Alexander; secretary, Mrs. C. F. Bretholt, Wilkes; directors—S. C. Stewart, Wilkes; Robert L. Morehouse, Wilkes; E. F. Lowe, Wilkes; D. E. Davis, Alexander; Walter Russell, Alexander.

Thieves Take Cash Box From Theatre

One or more persons entered the Orpheum Theatre some time Sunday or Sunday night and took the cash box, which contained six or seven dollars. Police have made an investigation but have uncovered no clues which would indicate the identity of the thief.

CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP IN MIXED DOUBLES OF TENNIS TOURNAMENT



At left are Dr. Carolyn Taylor and Bill Brame, who won the mixed doubles championship Friday evening over Harry Pearson and Miss Frances McNeill (right) in that division of the Lions Club tennis tournament for the county. It was an extremely close match with the first set going to Pearson and McNeill 6-3 and the second to Brame and Taylor by the identical score. The third went to 7-5 after Pearson and McNeill failed on the set point with the score 5-6 and love-40. Brame and Taylor advanced to the finals by defeating Lawrence Ortker and Miss Lucille Scroggs on Thursday 6-4, 3-6 and 6-1. The concluding match of the tourney will be played early this week when Miss Frances McNeill and Miss Margaret Paw play for the Women's singles title.—(Staff photos by Dwight Nichols).

