

# War News Italians Invade Greece As War Spreads Today

Belgrade, Yugoslavia.—Ten divisions of perhaps 200,000 Italian troops were reported driving into Greece today all along the Albanian frontier in an attack timed with Italian naval blows at the Greek island of Corfu.

Skirted Greek troops battled with the invading motorized forces in the border mountain passes.

Details of the naval action at Corfu, off the Greek-Albanian coast, were not known immediately but observers here wondered whether British naval units, backing up England's guarantee of Greek independence, had reached the scene.

The reported firing, however, might have been between Italian warships and Greek shore batteries on the island, they said.

**Waters Mined**  
Greek waters off Corfu in the northern Ionian Sea were reported mined last August. The Greek fleet had scheduled "naval maneuvers" there today.

Meanwhile, Yugoslavia quarters said the Italian attack on Greece violated the Yugoslav-Italian pact of 1937 because Yugoslavia was not informed in advance of the move.

London.—Great Britain, responding to an appeal by Greece, will make good its pledge to defend Greek liberty and the admiralty already is dealing with the problem of assistance, it was made known today as the war cabinet met to consider the outbreak of a Greek-Italian war.

It was believed that British man-of-war already were racing to Greece from their Egyptian bases and that Britain's naval and air forces soon would be in the fight.

Britain said that Italian charges of Greek "provocations" and favoritism toward Britain were "merely part of the familiar axis routine preceding aggression."

## Aycock To Remain Methodist Pastor In N. Wilkesboro

J. C. Stokes At Wilkesboro; Other Pastors in Wilkes Are Returned

Rev. A. L. Aycock was returned to North Wilkesboro Methodist church for his fourth year by the Methodist conference last week in High Point.

Rev. J. C. Stokes will replace Dr. W. J. Plint as pastor of the Wilkesboro church, which includes Wilkesboro and Union churches.

Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner was returned as pastor of the Millers Creek circuit and Rev. J. M. Green will serve another year as pastor of the Moravian Falls charge.

Rev. M. Dellenger is supply pastor of the Traphill charge.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs replaces Rev. J. S. Hiatt as superintendent of the Elkin district, of which the Wilkes churches are a part. H. F. Duncan is the district missionary secretary.

## Girl Scout Week Being Observed

Service Held In Wilkesboro Sunday; Sermon By Rev. P. W. Townsend

Girl Scout Week is being appropriately observed this week. Sunday at 11 o'clock, an impressive Girl Scout Service was held at the Wilkesboro Methodist church, featured by a splendid sermon delivered by Rev. Paul W. Townsend, pastor of the Boone Methodist church for the past four years.

The service was attended by the Girl Scout Troops of the Wilkesboro and their leaders. The following program was carried out: Prelude; hymn, "Battle Hymn of the Republic"; Apostles' Creed; prayer, Dr. W. J. Plint; Doxology; Scripture Reading; Gloria Patri; offertory; solo, "Bend Low Dear Lord," Lucile Casey; sermon, Rev. Paul W. Townsend; hymn of Dedication—Girl Scouts; benediction. Dr. W. J. Plint; postlude.

The Girl Scouts will have a bonfire at their hut Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, and everybody is invited, especially the Girl Scouts' parents.

A parade through the business session this afternoon by the Girl Scouts and Brownies, led by the North Wilkesboro high school band, also focused attention on Girl Scout Week, and the attention of the public is also called to the attractive display prepared by the Brownies in the show window of the Duke Power Company.

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## Strict Absentee Ballot Statute For The Election

Application Must Be Made In Writing To Chairman Of County Election Board

All voters in this county and in North Carolina who desire to vote by absentee ballot because of absence from the county on the day of the election, November 5, or by reason of sickness or other physical disability, must make application in writing to the chairman of the county board of elections by Saturday, November 2, according to the requirements of the new absentee ballot law.

The new law that is designed to eliminate abuse of the absentee ballot, is rigid in its provisions.

The applications must be made in writing and on a blank form as prescribed by the statute and the application must be delivered to the chairman of the board of elections by the voter, or by a member of his or her immediate family or mailed to the election chairman.

Upon receipt of the application, the election chairman certifies the receipt of the application, issues ballots that are specially marked and numbered, gives the applicant a container envelope that has an affidavit which the voter must sign before an official officer, such as notary public and clerk of court.

The ballots must be marked by the voter in front of this officer, folded and put into the envelope and sealed. On the other side of the envelope is written by the election chairman, the number of the application, name of voter and precinct of voter.

These ballots must be returned to the election chairman before the day of the election and he is required to make four copies of the absentee voters, one of which is sent to Raleigh, one to each precinct election official and one posted at the courthouse.

The ballots can be returned by mail, by the voter or by an immediate member of his family.

On the day of the election, applications for sick absentee ballots can be made in the same way, as outlined above, and must be voted by three o'clock, if they are to be counted.

The penalty for violation of the law is a fine of not less than \$100 or imprisonment of for not less than 60 days, or both.

A number of people have already made application to Chairman W. H. McElwee for absentee ballots. His office is in the North Wilkesboro Bank building, second floor.

Chairman McElwee said that he will be glad to give any information and assistance to persons seeking absentee applications.

## ATTENDS CONFERENCE

A conference of national farm association presidents in Columbia, S. C., was attended by Vice President B. L. Johnson, of the Moravian National Farm Loan Association.

At this conference operation methods of the national farm loan associations, policies and other topics of mutual interest were discussed, according to Mr. Johnson, who said that he had found the conference quite helpful. The Moravian National Farm Loan Association serves Wilkes county. The conference in Columbia was also attended by O. H. Bracey, secretary-treasurer.

## Patriotic Dinner At Woman's Club

Judge Hayes And G-Man Are Speakers At Banquet On Thursday

The North Wilkesboro Senior Woman's club celebrated its twentieth anniversary at a patriotic dinner and program given at the Woman's clubhouse on Trogon street Thursday evening, October 24, having as guests speakers Mrs. Clyde Price, of Hickory, district president; Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, N. H. McCabe, of Charlotte, a FBI man, and C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes county schools. A turkey dinner with all accessories was served at seven o'clock.

Sixty some guests were present to enjoy the dinner and the following program, over which Mrs. (Continued on page eight)

## WILL SPEAK HERE



Charles A. Kirby, regional director of Moose, will speak at the Mooseheart celebration here Wednesday evening. Mr. Kirby is a well informed speaker and colorful character. He spent 20 years in the U. S. Navy and nearly two score years ago was in Admiral Dewey's fleet on that memorable trip around the world.

## Mooseheart Day Will Be Observed Here Wednesday

Charles A. Kirby, Of Supreme Lodge, To Address Joint Meeting

Loyal Order of Moose lodges here and at Lenoir will join in celebration of Mooseheart Day on October 30 by a joint meeting at the lodge hall, 910 C street in this city. The program will open at 7:30 p. m.

Large classes of candidates of both lodges will be admitted into the defending circle under direction of A. Jack Mount, membership director. Ritualistic work will be exemplified by the degree team from Charlotte lodge 1113. The ladies chapter will also be guest at the meeting. The visiting degree team and ladies chapter will be headed by J. H. Fullerton, governor, and Goldy Dean, who is state dean of the Women of the Moose of North Carolina.

Local Moose leaders said today that delegations from several other lodges have been invited to join (Continued on page eight)

## Numbers Given Registered Men Wilkes County

Draft Boards Complete Numbering Task; Drawing in Capitol Tuesday

The two draft boards in Wilkes county have completed the task of assigning numbers to cards of men who registered for the draft on October 16.

The board for Wilkes district number one, with headquarters at Wilkesboro, has 2,003, with the possibility that a few cards from other districts might come in.

The board for district two with headquarters here has 2,609 for the high number.

Drawing of numbers will take place in the nation's capitol Tuesday. Secretary of War Stimson will draw the first number.

The first draft call will take only a small number from each draft board area. It has been estimated that the first call will not take more than an average of five men per board.

However, there will be other calls frequently as the army gets into position for additional trainees.

The Journal-Patriot plans publication of the entire list of registrants and numbers for Wilkes county in Thursday's edition.

## Church Pastor At Waughtown

Wilkes Minister Extended A Call to Waughtown Church In Winston-Salem

Rev. Avery M. Church, who is taking a post graduate course at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., has been given a call to accept pastorate of Waughtown Baptist church in Winston-Salem.

Rev. Mr. Church is a native of Wilkes county, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Church, of Wilkesboro route one. He was for seven years pastor of the Wilkesboro Baptist church and is now working for a Ph. D. degree from the seminary, where he graduated some time ago.

If he accepts the call to the Waughtown church he will succeed Rev. J. F. Carter, who died several months ago.

## Ship Torpedoed—But They're Here!



Capt. Thomas Stewart of the British freighter, Corrientes, in Philadelphia talking with the 50 members of his crew who were saved after their vessel, part of a North Atlantic convoy, had been torpedoed while 500 miles off the British coast. The men took to lifeboats and were picked up four hours later by a Swedish freighter.

## Draft Boards Of Ten Counties In Meeting Friday

Captain Charles R. Jonas Instructs Boards Relative To Their Duties

Captain Charles R. Jonas conducted a meeting of draft board members of ten northwestern North Carolina counties at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Friday.

The meeting was one of several held in the state to instruct draft boards and advisory board members concerning their duties in the draft. Captain Jonas outlined duties of the boards in detail, after which a round table discussion was held with the officer answering questions raised by members.

While all board members in the ten counties specified for the meeting were not present, each board in Wilkes, Watauga, Yadkin, Alexander, Ashe, Davie, Caldwell, Allegheny, Avery and Surry counties was represented by one or more members.

Various board members reported that the boards were making good progress on numbering cards and preparation of lists for posting, publication and forwarding to state headquarters.

Mr. W. W. Harris, of Roaring River, was a North Wilkesboro business visitor today.

## AUTHOR HERE



Ray Wood, author of "American Mother Goose," is spending several days in Wilkes gathering material for a third volume of "Mother Goose" rhymes and original American folk lore.

## "Mother Goose" Author Is Here

Ray Wood Spending Some Time In Wilkes In Search For Folk Lore

Ray Wood, of Ray Wood, Texas, author of "Mother Goose" and "American Mother Goose," is spending several days in Wilkes collecting material for his third "Mother Goose" book.

His latest edition, "American Mother" goose, has been going like wildfire and the publishers are now printing the second edition. Mr. Wood was brought up on American folk lore. He is a former miner, blacksmith, printer, cowboy, soldier of fortune and country newspaper editor.

He has collected rhymes and riddles which stir almost forgotten memories. His publications have won acclaim from many of America's most prominent statesmen and writers.

Because so many people of his native part of the country went west from North Carolina, he has come here to get the original in folk lore and folk music for his next and larger book. He will be here this time for only a few days but will return for a more extended stay in this part of North Carolina.

## Telephone Line Being Rebuilt

Company Makes Provisions For Expansion Of System West Of The City

Work of rebuilding telephone lines along highway 421 west of this city a distance of six miles to Millers Creek is progressing satisfactorily, it was learned here today from officials of the Central Electric and Telephone company.

The line will have heavier poles to accommodate expansion in the system planned soon for the communities along the route. The reconstructed line will be a greater distance from the highway, which has recently been widened.

## 3 Wilkes People Killed Saturday In Auto Accident

Mrs. Mack Griffin And Two Griffin Children Killed Near Winston-Salem

Three Wilkes persons were killed, two others were seriously injured and five others were released from the hospital after first aid treatment following an automobile crash Saturday afternoon at Reynolds and Polo roads near Winston-Salem.

The dead are from Chicket, Wilkes county. They are Mrs. Pauline Ross Griffin, wife of Mack Griffin; her two-year-old daughter, Anne Griffin, and Jean Griffin, age 3, sister of Mack Griffin.

Funeral service for Little Jean Griffin will be held Tuesday, one p. m., at Welcome Home Baptist church. Last rites for Mrs. Pauline Griffin and child will be held at the Clary home at Reddies River at 11 a. m. Tuesday.

Injured are Mack Griffin, 24, driver of one of the cars; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffin; Blain Griffin, 20; his sister, Cecelia Griffin, 5; and W. P. Grubbs, 1812 Johnson street, High Point, driver of the other car, and Mrs. Grubbs.

Mack Griffin and Blain Griffin remained at the hospital. The condition of neither was regarded critical.

Mack Griffin suffered an injury to his left shoulder.

Blain Griffin suffered injuries to his head and face.

J. T. Griffin sustained internal injuries. His wife and daughter, Cecelia, were shaken up.

Grubbs received a cut and extensive abrasion over the right eye and Mrs. Grubbs was bruised and suffered slight cuts.

Mack Griffin was driving west on Polo road and his automobile, light coupe, was in collision with the club coupe driven in the direction of Bethania by Grubbs.

The impact sent both automobiles tumbling diagonally up onto the banks of the highway, scattering occupants of the Griffin automobile like ninepins.

Jean Griffin was killed instantly. The two others who were fatally injured survived only a matter of minutes. There was no time to admit them to the hospital, although ambulance service was made available.

Dr. D. C. Spears, whose clinic is located within a half city block from where the cars crashed, was on the scene within a few moments and gave emergency medical assistance.

Eight members of the Griffin family were crowded into the small coupe. It is understood that the driver and his parents were in the driver's seat, Cecelia and Jean were seated on the ledge just behind the driver and Mrs. Mack Griffin, Blain Griffin and little Jo Anne Griffin were in the rumble seat.

Grubbs indicated he and Mrs. Grubbs were on their way into the Bethania community where they were to pay him for some lumbering work done on their farm near Walkertown.

The Griffins were looking for the home of Mrs. Verna Dixon, a relative, in Montview. Apparently they were confused in their directions, as the Dixon home is several miles east, on Tise avenue.

Sheriff Ernie G. Shore and several deputies were on the scene of the accident within a few minutes after it occurred. The sheriff said Mack Griffin, who had no driver's license, would be charged with manslaughter. Grubbs was prepared to make bond, but was permitted to go without surety.

The bodies of the three who were killed were removed to Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home, North Wilkesboro, pending completion of funeral arrangements.

Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, announced today that Wednesday, October 30, has been designated as the date for men who registered for military service on October 16 to receive blood tests at the health office in the courthouse.

## SAMPLE BALLOT Official Ballot for State Senator, House of Representatives and County Officers

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1. To vote a straight party ticket, make a cross (X) mark in the circle of the party you desire to vote for.
  2. To vote a mixed ticket, or in other words for candidates of different parties, either omit making a cross (X) mark in the party circle at the top and mark in the voting square opposite the name of each candidate on the ballot for whom you wish to vote; or, make a cross (X) mark in the party circle above the name of the party for some of whose candidates you wish to vote, and then mark in the voting squares opposite the names of any candidate of any other party for whom you wish to vote.
  3. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another.

<b>DEMOCRATIC</b> FOR A STRAIGHT TICKET <input type="radio"/> MARK WITHIN THIS CIRCLE	<b>REPUBLICAN</b> FOR A STRAIGHT TICKET <input type="radio"/> MARK WITHIN THIS CIRCLE
For State Senate, 24th Senatorial District: <input type="checkbox"/> J. B. McCOY	For State Senate, 24th Senatorial District: <input type="checkbox"/> MILES F. SHORE
For House of Representatives: <input type="checkbox"/> A. A. (DICK) CASHION	For House of Representatives: <input type="checkbox"/> T. E. STORY
For Register of Deeds: <input type="checkbox"/> CECIL HOWELL	For Register of Deeds: <input type="checkbox"/> C. C. SIDDEN
For County Surveyor: <input type="checkbox"/>	For County Surveyor: <input type="checkbox"/> EARL S. CAUDILL
For County Commissioner: Division No. One <input type="checkbox"/> C. E. LENDERMAN	For County Commissioner: Division No. One <input type="checkbox"/> DAVE MINK

Election November 5, 1940.

*W. A. McElwee*  
Chairman Wilkes County Board of Elections.

(NOTE: The above sample ballot carries the names of candidates for commissioner in division one. In division two the Democratic candidate for commissioner is Vilas Walsh and the Republican Grover Hamby. In division three the Republican candidate is M. F. Absher and the Democrat is W. W. Harris).