

# War News

Athens.—Greek soldiers in a surprise attack launched during a snowstorm have blasted the Italians out of important high positions in the central sector of the Albanian front and held them against several counter-attacks, the government spokesman declared last night.

The speedy arrival of Greek reinforcements helped the attackers retain their grip on the positions, he said.

Mortars, machine guns, munitions and other material were captured in this action. In another part of the front the Greeks captured three guns in good condition.

London.—London had a minor bombing blitz air raid just before midnight and early today—the first air attack after dark since Sunday, but the show put on by the German bombers and challenging British night fighters surpassed any previous midnight performance over the capital.

The raid began at an unusually late hour for attacks on London and the rattle of machinegun fire overhead indicated the fighters were in action.

The "all-clear" sounded during the early morning hours.

Another alarm about two hours later was preceded by a series of heavy explosions.

During the clear interval, the pin-points of distant bursting shells could be seen on London's outer defense as a new wave of night raiders approached. However, the defenders apparently were so confident in the strength of the new fighter forces and the anti-aircraft barrage that no sirens were sounded and the Germans flew away.

Shortly before the air alarm in the capital, gunfire burst out over one London district.

Before London was attacked, raiding Nazi planes were in flight over other areas of England.

Washington.—Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. warned Congress yesterday that the United States will be imperilled unless it supplies all-out aid to Great Britain in her fight against Germany and Italy.

Both appeared before the House foreign affairs committee in support of the administration's far-reaching British aid bill. Hull's testimony was devoted largely to a portrayal of the gloomy international situation which he attributed to the ruthlessness of totalitarian powers.

Morgenthau submitted a balance sheet of British finances which was equally gloomy in respect to Britain's ability to pay for continuous purchases of munitions in this country—the only land in which the treasury secretary said she can obtain them.

He reported that war purchases and other orders in this country to be met by Britain in 1941 total \$3,919,000,000. Britain's total dollar assets were given at \$1,775,000,000 as of January 1, 1941 and an additional \$1,555,000,000 will be available in dollar receipts toward liquidation of this obligation.

## Relief Warehouse For County Moved

Surplus Commodities For Wilkes Cases Will Be Distributed In Wilkesboro

The Surplus Commodities storeroom for Wilkes county has been moved from North Wilkesboro to the Jarvis building in Wilkesboro across the street from the front of the county courthouse.

Charles McNeill, welfare officer, said that all relief clients in Wilkes entitled to surplus commodities should call at the storeroom in Wilkesboro instead of North Wilkesboro.

The warehouse which serves a district of about ten northwestern North Carolina counties will remain in the Scott Cheese factory building in North Wilkesboro, Mr. McNeill said, but Wilkes cases will be served from the storeroom in Wilkesboro.

## Miss DuBose New Music Teacher Here

Miss Lucille DuBose, of Lamar, S. C., has been secured as public school music teacher for North Wilkesboro schools and has assumed her duties.

Miss DuBose succeeds Miss Mary Helen ZumBrunnen, who resigned prior to the holidays because of ill health.

Miss DuBose has several years experience, having taught music in Gastonia and China Grove schools and was a private instructor for a few years.

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## Nineteen Wilkes Men Called To Army 20th

Italian Meets Greek



An Italian prisoner of the Greeks sits at the remains of his prison-camp dinner as he chats with one of the Greek fighters to whose prowess he owes his present plight.

## 55 Wilkes Boys Enroll In C.C.C. Camps Friday

Enroll At Laurel Springs, Go To Madison And Then To Western States

Fifty-five Wilkes county boys will be enrolled in the Civilian Conservation camps Friday, Charles McNeill, superintendent of public welfare, said today.

The boys, selected from needy families, will go to the camp at Laurel Springs for examination and enlistment and will then be transferred to the camps at Madison. The welfare officer said that he had been informed that the group will eventually be transferred to camps west of the Rocky Mountains for service.

The welfare officer also explained that requirements for distribution of the pay of the boys has been changed until it is now possible for a member of a camp to save some money during his period of camp service.

## Postal Receipts Total New Record In Last Quarter

Over \$10,000 In Three Months; Receipts For The Year Increase \$941

North Wilkesboro postoffice experienced a record breaking fourth quarter which helped swell postal receipts to a gain of \$941 over receipts for 1939. Postmaster J. C. Reins said today.

The postal receipts here for several years have gained about \$1,000 per year. Curtailed activity during the flood season in August lowered receipts for that particular period but the last quarter made receipts for the year almost up to the usual \$1,000 increase mark.

During the final quarter of the year receipts were \$10,065.12, being the first quarter that receipts had ever reached the \$10,000 mark.

Total receipts for the year were \$35,239.82, a gain of \$941 over the 1939 total.

## Receipts Seal Sale \$415.17 Now

Mrs. Boyd Stout, chairman of the Christmas Seal campaign for Wilkes county, reported today that receipts so far have totaled \$415.17.

The goal for the county, Mrs. Stout said, is \$450. She explained that a number of people in the county have not responded to the Christmas seal appeal and an urgent request is made that they make their contributions before February 1 and that all reports be in by that date. Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Boyd Stout, Wilkes chairman of the Christmas seal fund, North Wilkesboro.

## Both Draft Boards Select Men To Fill County's Quota

Seven From Board Number One and 12 From Board Number Two Notified

Both draft boards in Wilkes county have notified the men who are to fill the county's January quota of 17 men and two to replace two volunteers sent in December and who failed to pass the examination at Fort Bragg.

Wilkes board number one, with headquarters at Wilkesboro, had five volunteers for the call of six men on January 20 but it was necessary to use one to fill a replacement of one who was sent back last month and the board found it necessary to draft two men.

Number 13 got into the news again when it was found that the first man drafted by the board had order number 13. He is Owdis Lloyd Johnson, of Oakwoods. Charlie Cicero Call, of North Wilkesboro route three and with order number 14, was the other drafted. The volunteers to go from board number one Monday are: Blaine William Nichols, Millers Creek; Albert Lee Hamby, Parsonville; Buel Lonzo Houck, Wilkesboro; Archie Weldon Laws, Parsonville; Arnold Franklin Bumgarner, Wilkesboro route one. The board has instructed them to report at the office of the board in the federal building at Wilkesboro at 9:30 a. m. on Monday, January 20.

Wilkes board number two, with headquarters here, had a quota of 11 men and one replacement on January 20 and they are to report here at 8:30 a. m. of the 20. There are 12 volunteers: William Bud Burchette, Robert Ford Adams, Howard William Carrigan, Claude Allen Taylor, Paul Eugene Rhodes, Woodrow Bain Wood and Sanford David Brown. The five drafted men with local order numbers are: Old Edward Shumate, 6; Jessie Oliver Caudle, 29; James Harvey Holler, 40; Thurman Franklin Bowlin, 51; Willie Parsons, 72.

The board also notified four to report as replacements in the event any of the above are not inducted into the army: Ronald Boyd Sturgill, 32; Clinton Ray Smoot, 53; Rudy Walker, 55; Albert Bentley Parsons, 106.

Preparing for another call, draft board number 2 has mailed questionnaires to order numbers 301 to 350 as follows:

Albert Lee Caudle, John Arthur Sebastian, Clark Lee Howell, William Roy Burchette, Collin Joshua Couch, Phola Ernest Layell, Joseph Staley Darnell, Guy George Perry, David Eugene Carrigan, Clarence Emanuel Lewis, Arlis Ray Combs, Robert Lee Gryder, Charles Earnest Crose, Page Manard Hutchinson, James Wilson Martin, John Richard Crawford, Paul Franklin Warren, Doctor Marvin Stanley, Robert James Bauguess, Robert Hampton Williams, Clyde Wilson Tilley, Roy Tracy Lavel, George Wesley Logan, Joe Beecher Neely, Vance Handy, Vester Monroe Perry, Doctor Commodore Myres, Thomas Jefferson Hodge, Homer Elledge, Willie Moody Pruitt, Claude Paver Galloway, Raymond Talmage Petty, James Fred Kennedy, Harvel Pearson Howell, John Howard Brown, Sebon Vernon Walker, Rufus Floyd Phifer, James Carl Barlow, Lester Dewitt Wiles, Daniel Luther, Harvey Clinton Blackburn, Willie Oscar Wyatt, William Cruse Owens, James Lafayette Ross, Paul Douglas Reinhardt, Warnie Eugene Poplin, James Sylvester Elledge, R. V. Carlton, James Edward Holleman, Fred Wyatt.

## Milk Fund Dance Highly Successful

A substantial sum was raised Thursday night by the North Wilkesboro Dokies club for the milk fund in local schools, a member of the club said today.

Ladies night was observed with a good dinner and entertaining program at Roaring River, after which the milk fund dance was held at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse with a large attendance.

## With the Air Arm of the Royal Navy



These photos, released by the British admiralty, give the layman an idea of what goes on behind the scenes communique. Top left, scene in the below-deck hangar of an aircraft carrier of the royal navy. Top right, the ground crew takes to its heels as the motors rev up for the takeoff. Lower left, the port wing of a Walrus plane gets its load of bombs before the takeoff. Lower right, a war bird comes home to roost.

## Three White Men Held For Death Of Negro On Sunday

Sinclair Adams Dies In Jail Of Injuries Received Saturday Night

After a lengthy investigation a jury empaneled by Wilkes Coroner I. M. Myers late Monday ordered three white men held under bonds of \$2,500 each for the death of Sinclair Adams, local negro who died in Wilkes jail early Monday from injuries received Saturday night.

The accused, Ed Shaw and 'Mud' Shew of the Call community, were ordered held under bonds of \$2,500 each and Walt Becknell, local negro was placed under \$500 bond for his participation in the affair.

Adams, age 21, was found staggering on the street here early Sunday morning by Policeman Harold David. Adams appeared to have been badly beaten and had been drinking. He was taken to the hospital, where his cuts and bruises about his face were dressed and the physician asked that he be brought back later for more thorough examination. He died in jail some time after two a. m. Monday morning when other prisoners said he appeared to have been taking fits.

Examination of his body disclosed concussion of the brain as if he had been hit on the head with considerable force.

The story of the affair as was later brought out in the inquest was that Adams went into the Call community with Becknell and that he was drinking. Becknell is said to have hit him with his fist and set him afoot. Later he met up with Williams and the two shew boys and they took him to the home of Min Shew, where they hit him with various objects, including a blackjack made by putting a piece of iron in a piece of overall galley.

Adams made his escape and a passing motorist on the highway brought him back to North Wilkesboro, where police found him in a dazed and drunken condition.

Forty-five per cent of cedar chests sold today are purchased by men.

## Formal Opening And "Open House" For Duke Power Co. Here Today

North Wilkesboro branch of the Duke Power company is observing "open house" at the formal opening of the company's new offices, showrooms and demonstration room at 309 Ninth street this afternoon and night.

The "open house," during which visitors are cordially invited to visit the offices, will continue until 9:30 tonight. Favors will be given and refreshments will be served under direction of Miss Addie Malone, home economist of Duke Power company.

The new quarters provide space for all departments of the branch, assuring prompt and efficient service to the several

## Phosphate Orders Wanted This Week

Lawrence Miller, secretary of the Triple A in Wilkes, said today that farmers who plan to use super-phosphate obtained through the farm program purchase plan should make application this week if possible.

Mr. Miller hopes to be able to order two full carloads this week and needs only 15 to 20 more tons to complete the order.

## Varied Projects Planned In Drive For Polio Funds

Chairman Announced Plans For Raising Funds In Wilkes This Year

John Kermit Blackburn, chairman of the President's Birthday Party fund drive in Wilkes county, said today that a number of projects have been put into motion to raise funds to fight infantile paralysis.

Present plans for January 30 include a square dance at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse, a round dance at the Woman's club house and a dance at the community house in Wilkesboro.

But several community projects which will reach a climax on January 30 have already been set in motion. Coin boxes have been placed in places of business to receive small donations in the campaign and on January 25 metal tags labeled "Fight Infantile Paralysis" will be sold in this city.

Chairman Blackburn has accepted six community chairmen to assist in carrying the drive to all parts of Wilkes county. Four who have accepted their appointments are Mrs. R. G. Finley for North Wilkesboro, E. R. Sprull for Ronda, Miss Zelle Harris for Roaring River; Mrs. J. L. Gregory for Hays. R. V. Day has been named for Millers Creek and Mrs. William Barber for Wilkesboro but their acceptance has not been received today, Mr. Blackburn said.

A large crowd of people witnessed the showing of "The Life Method" church Monday night.

## Directors Of Northwestern Bank Re-elected

Excellent Business And Big Growth For Year Reported At Bank's Meeting

Stockholders of the Northwestern Bank, which has home office here and branches in eight other northwestern North Carolina towns, held their annual meeting Tuesday.

Reports of the officers showed that the bank had made much progress during 1940. The year ended with resources totaling \$5,247,548.41, which represents an increase of over \$1,500,000 over total resources two years ago.

The bank was formed in July, 1937, by merger of the Deposit and Savings bank here with banks at Sparta, Boone and Bakersville and with branches of the Boone and Bakersville banks at Blowing Rock and Burnsville. Since that time branches were added by taking over banks at Jefferson and Taylorsville and by addition of a new branch at Valdesa.

Former Lieut. Governor R. A. Doughton, of Sparta, president of the bank, presided at the meeting.

The directors, who were re-elected by the stockholders, are: R. A. Doughton, Harry Bailey, W. C. Berry, W. B. Collins, R. L. Doughton, Ralph Duncan, W. D. Farthing, G. W. Greene, M. A. Higgins, W. W. Mast, J. T. Prevette, M. E. Reeves and N. B. Smithey.

Bank executives expressed satisfaction relative to the bank's growth during the past year and predicted good business conditions for the ensuing year.

## No Epidemics In North Wilkesboro

School Attendance Has Been 97 Per Cent Since The Christmas Holidays

Absence of any serious epidemic of flu or other contagious disease in North Wilkesboro is shown by the school attendance record.

Paul S. Cragan, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools, said today that attendance since the school resumed work after the holidays has been 97 per cent of school membership and 97 per cent is not had by any comparison.

About two weeks ago there were a few cases of mumps and one faculty member was out for a few days with swelling jaws but mumps have subsided. There were also a few isolated cases of chickenpox but that threat is also gone.

Everybody here is hoping that the city and community can be spared an epidemic of flu such as has caused many school systems to close and has disrupted industrial production and payrolls.

## Story, Shore On 16 Committees In The Legislature

State Legislature Begins Work And Comparative Short Session Expected

T. E. Story, Wilkes representative in the 1941 legislature, is a member of nine house committees. Miles F. Shore, of Yadkin county, who represents this senatorial district composed of Wilkes, Yadkin and Davie counties, is on seven senate committees.

Story was placed on the following committees: Corporations, Courts and Judicial Districts, Drainage, Federal Relations, Higher Education, Journals, Judiciary number two, Library and Trustees of the University.

Shore was placed on Appropriations, Counties, Cities and Towns, Election Laws, Enrolled Bills, Insurance, Pensions, Soldiers Home and Senatorial Districts committees.

The Budget Commission has recommended a budget totaling \$163,635,382 in state money for the next two years.

Governor Broughton urged the General Assembly to maintain a balanced budget, lengthen the list of sales tax exemptions, and increase no taxes.

The record expenditure, contained in the unanimous report of the advisory budget commission and former Governor Hoey, goes as far "as prudence would dictate." Governor Broughton said. The budget would be balanced and practically every state agency and institution would receive increased funds.

The two measures went before their respective joint committees.

General Fund Expenditures. General fund expenditures next biennium would total about \$92,500,000, compared with \$83,750,000 this biennium and \$50,250,000 in the 1933-35 depression period.

Expenditures would be \$70,061,000, in addition to \$3,815,397 yearly expected in federal aid. Provision would be made in the highway budget for reserving \$2,500,000 yearly for possible diversion to the general fund—though the budget showed only \$2,203,907 as likely to be diverted.

Governor Broughton has expressed opposition to such diversion, while provision was made this biennium for diversion, no money has been transferred from the highway to the general fund. Schools would receive a record budget of \$57,939,193. No general salary increases were proposed—but the usual provision was made for increases in teacher pay through the earned increment plan. The budget commission's recommendation stated that a proposed retirement program would be of far greater benefit "than any small salary raise."

This retirement program was provided in the largest new item. It would receive \$3,408,152 for the biennium for all state employees, including teachers.

## Group Studying Home Guard Plan

Committee Will Meet Soon To Make Definite Plans For Company Here

J. B. McCoy, named chairman of a committee in a recent mass meeting here to lay plans for organization of a Home Guard unit, said today that his committee will meet soon to make recommendations of men to be appointed officers of the company.

North Wilkesboro was one of 35 North Carolina cities picked by Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts to have Home Guard units if such organizations were desired and at a mass meeting here unanimous approval was given the proposal.

Mr. McCoy said that he and other members of his committee have been considering the matter for the past few days and definite action is expected at the committee meeting. The other members are A. F. Kilby, W. J. Bacon, W. G. Gabriel and Mayor McNeil.

In a nitrate of soda demonstration on the farm of Mrs. Blanche Walker, Roanoke Rapids, corn from which the fodder was not pulled yielded 8.1 bushels more per acre than did the check plots.