ritish Pilote Rake Italians West Of Derna

Cairo, Egypt.—Reyal sir force phases leading the way for the British desert forces aimed at a cleanup of the Libyan port of Derne were reported by the R. A. F. command yesterday to have ground-atrafed Fascist troops retraiting all the way to Barce, 100 miles west of the menaced town.

With British mechanized forces received operating south and west of Derna and threatening Raly's hold on all eastern Libya, the Faciat retreat indicated Mussolini's men apparently had decided against making a fight of it at Dorna.

Instead, observers here believed the Italians would keep on 1940. past Barce and make a stand at Bengesi 150 miles beyond Derna on the western side of the Ciren- 281-a ratio of about four to aican Hump which juts into the one. Mediterranean.

#### Nazis Resume Night Attacks Upon London

London.-German bombers returned to the attack on London last night, their first raid in ten nights, on the eve of the eighth anniversary of Adolf Hitler's assumption of power in the Reich, and Nazi big guns simultaneously bombarded the Dover Strait from across the English Channel. In Dover there were no known

casualties. The aerial assault here was in-

termittent for four hours; the allclear came before 10 p. m. Explosives, flares and fire bombs

Other areas of Britain were hit in a widespread, if scattered, assault: German planes appeared over the western and northern sections of England, East Anglia, central Scotland und the northeast coast.

In a southeastern town several houses were smashed by bombs and there were casualties.

#### Invasion Attempt May Be Postponed, England Is Told

London.-A British militar authority suggested yesterday that the expected early attempt of the Germans to invade England might be abandoned because of the necessity of giving largescale help to the Italians and the exigencies of Nazi military adventures in the Balkens.

If the Germans do in fact try the thrust across the Channel, he added, they will time it to begin "before American aid becomes too pronounced."

As to the Balkans, the informant declared that Nazi mechanics and technical troops in civilian will begin at seven o'clock and a dress were preparing airfields in large attendance of basketball Bulgaria and that there were fans is expected. eight to ten German divisions in Rumania.

might signal a Nazi drive southwards to Selonika to isolate the Greeks in Albania and, with a strong concentration of bombers. to attempt to close the Mediterranean to large British convoys.

# Small Percentage Tests Are Positive

Few Whites In Wilkes Are Shown To Have Syphilis; Colored Is Higher

Prestically all reports of blood tests taken of men registered for military duty have been mailed dent of public instruction, told out, it was learned today from the committee that restoration of

Attention was called to the fact, however, that some of the to private employment. reports have been returned due to changes of address, etc., and that those who have not received a report should call at the health office in the courthouse.

Wilkes had a low percentage of syphilis cases, there being only 34 out of 1,647 white registrants and eight out of 39 colorec. White percentage positive cises was 2,1 and colored was 8 per cent. Sixteen whites were classed as doubtful and four colored received the dubious classification.

## Cooper Attends Salisbury Course

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Births Outnumber Deaths In County

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Vital Statistics Figures For County Revealed By The Health Department

By Four To One

Four times as many were born in Wilkes county as died, according to vital statistics figures released by the Wilkes county health department today for

Births during the year number 1.037 while deaths totaled only

Other figures contained in the yearly report of the health department showed that the health department had been very active in prevention of communicable diseases. Typhoid immunizations for the year reached a new high total of 10,415 while 1,141 were vaccinated against diphtheria and 862 for smallpox. Schick tests totaled 1,863, of which 245 were classed as positive.

The venereal disease clinic was active throughout the year, treating 335 syphilis cases.

Something for Nazis to Ponder Over



At the left Winston Churchill inspects the American mechanized squadron in Lendon. The squadron is con sed of Americans from the United States. Right: A demonstration of the various methods of getting troops and vehicles across a river is given by the British royal engineers. The troops are making the pressing in cellapsible boats. For bringing heavy equipment across, the boats are used as pontrons for a plank bridge.

# Wilkes Man Dies Questionnaires In Freak Accident MondayAfternoon

Pole Which He Was Carry. ing Kills Clarence Higgins Near His Home

Clarence Higgins, 40-yearold citizen of Walnut Grove towaship, was killed instantly by a log of wood which he was carrying on his shoulder, Coroper L' M. Myers, who investigated the death, said.

The coroner said there were no known eye witnesses to the freak and fatal accident but indications clearly showed that the man's head was crushed by a log 12 feet long and 6 to 8 inches in diameter, which he was carrying to place beside a water ditch at his barn.

Higgins, a bachelor who lived alone, was found dead near his barn about four o'clock Monday afternoon. The back of his head showed signs of having received a heavy blow and blood was oozing (Continued on page four)

Mailed To 99 Men By Boards

Wilkes Boards Make Ready To Fill Quota Of Men For February Call

In order to have an adequate supply of men classified for the next call. Wilkes' two draft boards mailed out additional questionmaires this week.

Draft board number one, with office in the federal building in Wilkesboro, mailed questionnaires to men with order numbers 241 to 288. The men, in consecutive order according to order numbers, were:

Sherrill Ervin Earp, Finley Quinton Yates, Edmond Don Ashley, Joseph Sylvester Curtis, John Grinton, Maynard John Dewey Robinson, J. P. Harris, Basil Jarvis, Herman Paul Higgins, Theodore Marshal Roberson, Nogle Richard Walker, Granville Monroe Goforth, Marsh Hubert Myers, Harold Vincent Bumgarner. Rector Roosevelt Hayes, Charlie Wake Church, Spencer Brownlow Blackburn, John Gentle, William Bryant Johnson, Russell W. Miller, James Monroe Combs, Denver Woodrow Johnson, William Ernest Linney, Quincy Adam Brown, Joe Pearson, Jr., Ralph Lelon Carter, John David Somers, Albert Marlow, Albert Lee Hamby, Willard Brown, Joseph Washington Porter. Charles Edwin Faw. Hayden Burke Hayes, Charlie Guy McGlamery, John Royal Auderson, Millard Staley, Columbus Herbert Sturdivant, Albert Ray Staley, Ronda Woodrow Russell, Robert Lonnie Baity, John Dixon Junior Costner, Carlis Gregory, Andrew Toy Greene, Andrew Phlix Nichols, Mack Tom Joins, A. A. Yates, Spencer Otto Yates, James Lee Pierce.

Draft board number two, which ing here, maried questionning to men with local order number 401 to 450, and to one volunteer, Charlie Howard Owens, of North Wilkesboro. The men's names, in consecutive order, who received questionnaires mailed Monday,

Charlie Robert Creed, Theodore Roosevelt Harrold. Irvin Sidney Adams. Lonnie Thomas Cothren, Lonnie Robert Brown, Lincoln Day Meet Boyd Johnson Caudill. Richard Gray Collins, John Colvin Wyatt, R. Don Laws, editor of the na- Jr., Linville Eugene Brown, The-Irden ard Absher, Arthur William Havener. John William Hurt. Raymond Woodrow Rhodes, Charles Watson Bryant, George Harvey Sale, Lee Roy Transou, Theodore Roosevelt Grayson, James Comie Waiker, Jessie Lenord Brown, Eugene Eller, Floyd Parks, Joseph Phillip Stone, Monroe Dotson, Marshall Vicent Sebastian, Ranzo Lyon. Claude Jefferson Sneed, Ora Marvin Wyatt, Bart James Anderson, Roosevelt Maxwell, Edward Oscar Dancy, James Lex Meadows, Ulysses Grant Wagoner, Jomey Absher, Wake Orvill Tinsley, Guy Conrad Jolly, James Harlie Billings. Ben Dun Busic, Garvie Winfred Adams, William King Newton, Ralph Vernon Bumgarner, Ulyess Grant Lawrence, Dewey Hampton Welborn, Eugene Coleman Nichola.

Wilkes' first colored volunteer, Edward Cockerham, left today for Fort Bragg.

#### Appeal Made For Old Subs to Guard Harbor Entrances Transferred at Demand of Germans Memberships For



Leigh W. Hunt, second consular secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Deegan of Asheville, N. C., and Cecil M. P. Cross, consul of Providence, R. I., executive board of the associall members of the U. S. embassy staff in Paris who were transferred ation, which is being sent to at German official demand on charges of having aided a British officer, thousands of people in Wilkes They returned to America aboard a clipper.

North Wilkesboro ..igh school's varsity and junior basketball teams will play Taylorsville here on Friday night. The first game

# These preparations, he added, Legislators Hear **Appeals Increase** Of Teachers Pay

Boost Of 10 Per Cent And 9th Increment Are Urged In State

Raleigh .- - Pleas for a ninth increment of \$5.33 a month and a general teacher pay raise of 10 per cent keynoted the appeal yesterday of school forces appeartions committee.

Clyde Erwin, state superintenthe Wilkes county health depart- salaries to the pre-depression level was needed to prevent an

> "We must keep the budget of whether we belance any other budget or not," Erwin declared ralysis tags" on the streets here the children in our schools by successful, approximately . \$87 such a defection in our person-

"We shall never be able to raise the program of public education above the level of those who work in the classroom."

Rising Prices Cited The state superintendent also cited "rising prices" as another regson why teachers, whose maximum state sclary is \$1,024 a year, need a raise

The cost of a ninth increment wm. H. Cooper, member of the of \$5.33 a month for teachers with nine years of experience was sent, attended a life saving settimated to be \$661 464 for the 710,208 for 1941-43.

# Play Taylorsville For Friday Night time ago. They must include not only the books that never die but also those that gather fresh wis-

Junior Dance At Woman's Clubhouse; Senior At Legion Auxiliary Clubhouse

The drive in Wilkes to raise funds to fight infantiles puralysis will reach a climax Friday night with junior and senior balls in North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. R. G. Finley, chairman junior dance will be at the Womfor high school and junior high school ages.

The senior dance, for which an orchestra has been engaged, will he at the American Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse from nine ing before the joint appropria- until twelve. A floor show of 15 minutes duretion, to be furnished by the Finley Studio of Dance. will add to the entertainment at both balls.

Tickets are being sold by the "exodous of our best teachers" and Parent-Teacher association

Other activities to raise funds childhood opportunity balanced are also being carried out and ance your contribution will give the sale of "fight infantile pa-"Irrevocible harm can be done Saturday was reported highly having been raised by that means. many points for collection of oth-jut Vannoy Friday afternoon, er small contributions.

It is expected that Wilkes will make an excellent showing in the drive this year, which is receiving good support from public spirited people who wish to have ten children. some part in the fight against a disease which annually cripples so many of the nation's people.

## 1 Marriage License

during the past week from the are invited to attend, office of C. C. Sidden, Wilkes register of deeds, to Isaac Wagoner, of McGrady, and Minnie A. Caudill, of Springfield.

# **Benefit Of Library** People Of County May Join Library Association; Dues Only 25 Cents Up

The Wilkes county library association, striving for continuation of growth and progress of the public library here, is this week making an appeal for funds or the purchase of additional

dues for which are a minimum of 25 cents up as high as a member may wish to contribute. Text of the letter from the

follows: "Libraries are never finished.

Mountain Lions To President's Balls wrote Dr. John H. Finley in a AAAFarmersMeet Laws Speaker For dom out of the present and look Here dom out of the present

"So it is that we are again approaching the friends of the Wilkes County Public Library for membership contributions to meet the continuing needs of the institution.

"Since our last membership campaign great progress has been made not only in the number of book on our shelves, but in the service rendered the reading public. In these two years our readers have been increased by more for North Wilkesboro, said today than six-hundred, and the circu-that arrangements have been tion of books has doubled. Our completed for the two bills. The primary need now, 28 always, 13 books, and more books. The Li- county farmers participate in the an's clubhouse on Trogdon street brary Board hopes to use the money from membership to buy that they might secure greater reference books and books on payments in 1941 than they did specialized subjects in order .0 in 1940, as an indirect result of make the library of greater service to school children. One hun- ried out on their frams. dred broks have just been purchased out of money on hand and these will soon be available to res ders. These include much called for adult fiction, fiction for boys and girls, and a collection for every small child. Also a number of the newest books of adult Woman's Clubs, Legion Auxiliary fiction and non-fiction for the rent shelf. It is our hope that more and more people will use the Library. We seek the ussistus in promoting its welfare."

## Todd Darnell Dies

Funeral service will be held two o'clock, for Todd Darnell, age 57, a citizen of the Vannoy community who died Wednesday evening.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Annie Wingler Darnell, and

# Episcopal Service

Vesper service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, February 2nd. at A marriage license was issued four o'clock. Visitors and friends

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#### been gathering sea mess and barnacles. Twenty of these or similar craft are expected to join the Atlantic fleet for duty as guardians of barbor entrances along the eastern seaboard.

Old submarines of the World war "O" and "R" types are shown

at rest in back channel at the Philadelphia navy yard, where they have

Agencies' Leaders

Plan To Encourage Greater Number Of Farmers To Participate In Program

Today the community commit teemen and county committeemen of Wilkes county, with represenand other associated agencies me at the courthouse and discussed methods that could be used to help a greater number of Wilkes AAA program and the manner more improvements being car-

The meeting was held in the courthouse and Mr. Cornwall, J. Alvin Propst, who is a district field man for the AAA organiz)- rectors. tion went into details as to the manner that the Wilkes county farms might be improved.

A very interesting talk was made by Miss Elizabeth Williams, home demonstration agent, on home grrdens and discussion of the muttress centers in the county, which are under her control.

onstration agent's office, and AAA office, in addition to the as- end A. H. Casey, attorney. sociated organizations and interested farmers, attended this meet-

## TURNIPS

spent 50 cents for enough turnip grees were made by J. M. Anderseed to plant one acre from which son, Julius C. Hubbard, W. D. he harvested \$130 worth of turnips, reports Assistant Farm Agent P. H. Satterwhite.

PROFITABLE

tionally known Yellow Jacket, of odore Roosevelt McCunn, Moravian Falls, will deliver the Theodore Watkins, George Washaddress at a Lincoln Day dinner ington Palmer, Hazel Lance Elto be held at the Alumance Hotel ledge. Walter Joseph Cox, Kermit in Burlington on the night of Raymond Spicer. Lonnie Buel January 10. The dinner there will Kilby. Rex Wilson West. Gilmer be under auspices of the Ala- Woodruff Caudill, William Richmance County Republican club.

# **Building And Loan** tatives from the Soil Conserva-tion office, Farm Security office, Continues Growth **During Past Year**

Over \$62,000 Added To Assets Of North Wilkesboro Association In Year

North Wilkesboro Building and Loan association held its annual meeting on Monday night at the city hall, heard a comprehensiva strte committeeman, assisted by report of business during the past year, and re-elected all the di-

The directors are: S. V. Tomlinson, J. C. Reins, A. H. Casey, D. J. Carter, H. M. Hutchens, J. B. Snyder, R. G. Finley, W. H. H. Waugh, J. H. Rector, C. E. Jenkins, C. P. Walter and J. B. Williams.

J. C. Reins was re-elected president and the other officers nam-The entire personnel of the ed for another year were: S. V. county agent's office, home dem- Tomlinson, vice president; J. B. Williams, secretary - treasurer;

opened by the president and C. P. occurrences are considered very Walter was asked to preside and rare. tary of the meeting. Short talks WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET D. D. Pope of the Woodleaf commending the association for community in Rowan county its continued growth and pro-Moss, John E. Justice, Jr., S. V. Tomlinson, R. G. Finley, J. H. Rector and Mr. Walter.

The year 1940 ended with assets totaling \$879,759.72, repre-A small flock of 60 White senting an increase of \$62,175.83 Leghorn hens is returning Mrs. over the total reached at the close

## Jenny Gives Birth To Jack Wednesday

A young jenny-Ida Mae-at W. O. Watkins farm on North Wilkesboro route two Wednesday did the unusual and gave birth to a fine jack colt. Such

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Wilkesboro Woman's club will meet tonight at the home of Mrs. Wm. T. Long with Mrs. C. T. Doughton and Mrs. R., B. Phare associate hostesses. Mrs. L. B. Dula, chalrman of the art departs ment, will be in charge of the program.

# U. D. C. TO MEET

Miss Kitty Beckett, of Charles a month, reports ? S. Blaim ton, S. C., has been spending a country again of the State College few days with relative here.

Wilkes Valley Guards of the previous year.

The annual report of the sec- of the United Daughters of the United Daughters of the American State of the State College (Continued on page four)

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