

War News

Germany Renews Widespread Bombing

London.—The German Luftwaffe smashed twice at London last night and early today and sent its bombers roaring over Britain in a spurt of widespread raiding such as Britons have not seen for weeks.

High explosive bombs thundered down on London in a four-hour raid before midnight. The air-raid after that heavy assault was brief, however. The Germans returned to the capital shortly after midnight.

The crash of anti-aircraft guns meeting the Luftwaffe's challenge sounded even before the night's second alarm.

Apparently swinging into the long-expected spring air blitz, the Germans flew over several coastal towns from northeast Scotland to South Wales.

The southeast coast reported particularly heavy flights—following the usual aerial roadways from airdromes on the continent.

The raiders flew low over the capital despite stiff anti-aircraft fire. They followed the pattern of Saturday night's raid in which Londoners were killed or wounded while they danced or dined.

Moonlight and light breezes favored the attackers.

Many incendiary bombs fell in residential districts and volunteer fire watchers snuffed them out. Nurses aided the volunteers when some of the missiles fell in the garden of a maternity hospital.

Raiders also were reported near several coastal towns from northeast Scotland to South Wales.

Mussolini Makes Tour Of Tepelini Defenses

With Greek forces on the Central Albanian front.—Premier Mussolini made an unheralded inspection tour of Fascist defenses around the besieged city of Tepelini early last week, captured Fascist officers disclosed yesterday.

These officers also declared two members of Mussolini's cabinet who left their posts in Rome to go to the front lines have been killed or wounded since the Greek drive began last Friday.

Athens Officials Deny Reich Made 'Last Offer'

Athens.—Greek forces last night were reported smashing at the Italian stronghold of Tepelini where Fascist forces are making a "final desperate stand" on the central Albanian front.

At the same time, it was denied authoritatively that Germany had given Greece a "last chance" to make peace with Italy.

As the fighting continued on mile-high peaks of the Albanian front, authoritative quarters denied foreign reports that German minister to Greece, Prince Viktor Zu Erbach-Schonberg, had presented Premier Alexander Korizis with a message from Adolf Hitler giving the Greeks a last chance to conclude a peace with Italy, under threat of a Nazi attack.

Last night's war ministry communique said that the Greek offensive continued to push ahead and that "violent counter-attacks" launched by the Italians were "all repulsed with heavy Italian losses."

"We captured 150 prisoners and abundant war equipment which was abandoned on the field," the communique said.

Greek planes aided the drive, blasting Italian lines and communications, it was added.

In the past three days, Greek spokesmen said, at least 2,200 Italians have been captured.

Yugoslav-German Treaty Signing Reported Delayed

Belgrade.—The signing of a German-Yugoslav nonaggression pact with attendant declarations by the two countries of increased collaboration, generally expected to occur Tuesday, has been postponed for a day or two, reliable sources said last night.

These sources, without revealing the cause of the delay, said there was no doubt such a pact would be signed in the very near future.

Foreign diplomatic circles have been following with the greatest interest not only the diplomatic negotiations with Germany but also defense moves which Yugoslavia has been carrying out simultaneously with, but independent of, this diplomatic activity. It has especially interested foreign diplomats here is that both these activities bear the mark of the strongest realistic spirit.

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Five Relatives Volunteers For Year In Army

Five Of Wilkesboro's Quota Of Seven Are Brothers And Cousins

Volunteers from one family will make up the greater part of the quota of seven to be furnished by Wilkes draft board area number 1 this month.

Four Osbornes and one Minton, all brothers and cousins, of the Wilkesboro route one community near Cricket, make five of the quota. They are Bartie Osborne, James Dayton Osborne, John Garfield Osborne, Arlie Osborne and James Harley Minton.

The remaining two volunteers to complete the quota are Charlie Fred Oall, of Wilkesboro route two and Cecil Arthur Earp, of Boomer.

In addition to the seven which have already been passed on, the board has several other volunteer applications.

Wilkes board area number two, which has a quota of ten to fill on March 21, has only seven volunteers passed and ready to go so far but there may be others. Selections have not definitely been made pending receipt of the official call for that date.

Girl Scouting To Observe 29th Anniversary 12th

Mrs. T. A. Finley, Commissioner, Quoted In Interview on Value Scouting

Girl Scouting offers women a direct and effective means for making their contribution to the nation's defense program, according to Mrs. T. A. Finley, Commissioner of the Wilkesboro Girl Scout Council.

"Everyone knows how much importance the totalitarian countries attach to their youth organizations," Mrs. Finley said. "In Scouting we have a democratic youth movement in which the girls who will be tomorrow's citizens are learning and using the methods of democracy in their troop activities."

Mrs. T. A. Finley pointed out that Girl Scouting has been educating girls for democratic citizenship for twenty-nine years. The organization was founded in the United States on March 12, 1912, by Juliette Low. Plans are now being made for a special celebration of the anniversary in the Wilkesboros by local Girl Scouts.

"Reports from Great Britain show that one of the greatest assets of the Girl Guides in helping (Continued on page eight)

Lifeboat for a Playroom



These British children were assigned to this lifeboat on the S. S. Georgio during its hazardous journey to New York. When the steamship decked the children used the boat, which was to be their watery home in case of torpedoing, as a sort of playroom. The Georgio was the first British passenger ship to dock in New York since November 18, 1940.

Wilkes Commissioners Indicted By Grand Jury

One Wilkes Youth Is Now Champion

Russel Triplett, of Ronda, won the 147-pound novice championship Saturday night in the Golden Glove boxing tournament at Greensboro when he won by a decision over Jimmy Hauser, of Lees-McRae college.

Two North Wilkesboro boys, entered from A. S. T. C. in Boone, lost close ones in the finals. Clint Hendrix, of Greensboro, won by a close decision over Houston Steelman in the 126-pound class. Max Ward, of Burlington, decisioned Marcus Steelman in the 160-pound class. The Steelmans are sons of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Steelman, of this city, and have gained a wide reputation as boxers.

True Bills Charge Failure to Perform Duties Of Boards

Three Present Commissioners And Two Of Former Board Face Indictments

Grand jury in Wilkes court Thursday afternoon returned true bills indicting the present board of commissioners and their predecessors in office for "wilful failure to perform official duties."

A separate bill charged each (Continued on page eight)

SAFETY PROCLAMATION

With the realization of the importance of educating the public upon the subject of safety, I hereby whole heartedly endorse the Safety Campaign which is being waged by the Wilkes Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star of this city.

The loss of life is not the only price that we pay for our negligence while traveling. Three or four times the number actually killed are injured, many of them seriously and some left helpless for life. Many homes are broken up or left in want when the bread-winner is removed by death or injury.

With these facts in mind I earnestly solicit the cooperation of all the citizens of North Wilkesboro to make this a real SAVE-A-LIFE program.

Signed:
R. I. McNIEL, Mayor

Member Journal-Patriot Staff Patents A New Type Linotype Metal Feeder

H. G. Nichols, North Wilkesboro newspaperman, has been granted a patent on a new type metal feeder for linotype, intertypes and other type setting machines.

Metal feeders are not new; there are several on the market, but Nichols' invention introduced one of amazing simplicity and reliability which can be attached in a few moments and which has a minimum of working parts.

As with many other inventions, this new feature was born of necessity. Nichols was working in the newspaper composing room of The Journal-Patriot where two linotypes are used. His machine had no feeder and the other had one of the old and complex type. Nichols had to put small pigs into the metal pots at frequent intervals. He decided to do something about the situation so he could use the long bars of metal like were used in the other machine. One of the long bars would last for almost an hour, while with using small pigs he had to get up to put more in every few minutes.

He first rigged up a cord with which he could sit in his chair and let the long bar of metal down into the pot as needed and by that crude method got his idea for a very simple automatic feeder which does everything possible.

His new feeder, working models of which are performing perfectly in a few shops already, is located directly over the metal pot on the machine and is attached by two bolts already in the machine. It takes up a minimum of space and actually adds to the good appearance of the machine instead of looking like something bunglesome.

The natural motion of the machine in operation lowers the metal bar and a float on the surface of the molten metal determines when the bar will be lowered. It is so accurate that the metal level will not vary over one-eighth of an inch.

Not only does the feeder work entirely automatically in keeping a constant level in the pot, but there is a distinct tell signal when the large bar is used up. Simplicity of a working model make a linotype operator wonder why they were not made many years ago. There appears to be no reason why a feeder like Nichols has invented should not operate many years without the slightest trouble and without replacement of any part.

He received his patent several days ago but so far has not made definite plans for manufacture and sale, although he is inclined to tackle the job himself rather than sell patent rights if capital can be obtained. Production cost will be such that the feeder can be sold at much lower price than any practical feeder for typesetting machines now on the market.

FEEDER MACHINE PATENTED



This picture shows one of the earliest working models of a new type linotype metal feeder which H. G. Nichols, member of the Journal-Patriot staff, invented and on which he has secured a patent. The automatic feeder is shown here in white. Newer models are made in dark metal, are lower and of streamlined construction. Rather than sell patent rights, he plans manufacture and sale of the machines if capital can be obtained.

Troy Reynolds Get 20 To 25 Years On Charge Burglary

Local Resident Submits To Second Degree Plea In Wilkes Court Friday

Troy Reynolds, North Wilkesboro resident, Friday was sentenced in Wilkes court by Judge F. Donald Phillips to serve 20 to 25 years in the state penitentiary.

Reynolds, who was indicted for burglary and assault with intent to commit rape, submitted a plea of guilty to second degree of burglary, which plea was accepted by Solicitor Avalon E. Hurl.

Reynolds broke into the home of Baxter Wyatt in North Wilkesboro on the night of December 29 while the family was asleep and got into bed with two young girls, Bertha and Annie May Wyatt, who screamed and aroused their parents.

Solicitor Hall announced a full calendar for four days of court this week as follows:

Monday, March 10—Ed Johnson, murder; J. C. Drum, murder; Ben Busic, violation taxicab ordinance; John Day, no operator's license and violation motor vehicle law; Tommie Adkins, bastardy.

Tuesday, March 11—A. W. Hardy, violation barber laws; Hort Absher, murder; Ed Lyall, manslaughter; Ed Shew, murder.

Wednesday, March 12—James (Stacy) Parsons, rape; Tom Absher, rape; Robert Cardwell, assault on female; Wilson Warner and Darnell Minton, housebreaking and entering; Roy Cardwell, incest; Coy Vickers, violation prohibition law and worthless check; Walter Brewer, abandonment.

Thursday, March 13—Walter Love, violation motor vehicle law.

Following are accounts of cases disposed of in which judgments were rendered Thursday and Friday:

Vernon William Poe, colored, carrying concealed weapon, 15 months suspended on payment \$50 fine and costs.

The grand jury returned a true bill charging Tom Absher with criminal assault on Mrs. Julia Wyatt February 18 this year.

Walter Porter (Greer), abandonment, 60 days on roads.

Quincy Shoemaker, assault on female, 90 days on roads.

Ed Casey, larceny of automobile, five to eight years in penitentiary. Casey had just completed a term for assault with intent to kill and had been out only a few days before he stole a car on December 23, 1940.

Defendants in two cases were acquitted today. A directed verdict of not guilty was the result of the breaking and entering charge against Zeb Wilcox. A verdict of not guilty was also (Continued on page eight)

Grand Jury Requests Many Improvements

Chemical Acc



Dr. L. Pauling, 39, outstanding U. S. chemist, who will receive the William Nichols medal for "original research" at a New York meeting of the American Chemical society,

List School Needs Included In Report To Court Friday

Heating Plant For Court-house Asked Again; Improvements Requested

In addition to asking that several definite repairs and improvements be made to the courthouse and county jail, grand jury at the March term of Wilkes court devoted considerable attention to schools, mention of which was contained in the report of the foreman, Wm. H. Duhling, of North Wilkesboro, to Judge F. Donald Phillips.

Principal recommendations for the jail and courthouse included a central heating plant for both and new plumbing for the jail. During its session the grand jury indicted the present commissioners and two former commissioners for failing to "maintain county property."

Recommendations relative to schools included a statement that members of the grand jury knew of crowded conditions in several schools, that classes were being held in lunch rooms and clothes closets and that wooden buildings condemned by the state are being used. The grand jury also urged that the sheriff station an officer at large schools on highways at opening and closing time to direct traffic.

Included as a part of the grand jury report were recommendations of C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, relative to need for additional school facilities which included two additional buses and purchase of buses to replace contract buses.

A total expenditure of approximately \$350,000 was recommended for new school buildings, additions and additional school facilities divided as follows for the following districts: Wilkesboro, \$30,000; Brushy Mountain, \$12,000; Moravian Hills, \$10,000; Somers, \$25,500; Boomer, \$4,000; Ferguson, \$9,150; Mount Pleasant, \$28,000; Millers Creek, \$23,000; Cricket, \$26,000; Union township, \$25,500; Fairplains, \$20,950; Mountain View, \$7,500; Traphill, \$15,650; Pleasant Ridge, \$12,400; Austin, \$2,650; Ronda, \$26,500; Pleasant Hill \$12,450; Benham, \$2,250; Clingman, \$3,250; Roaring River, \$27,500; Lincoln Heights, \$29,500.

Report of the grand jury foreman follows:

North Carolina, Wilkes County, To Honorable Donald Phillips, Judge Presiding at March Term, 1941, of the Superior Court of Wilkes County, beg to submit the following report:

Number of bills examined 97
Number of True Bills 80
Number Not True Bills 17
Continued for lack of evidence 11

We visited the County Home and found the following: the plaster in each room needed repairing. The County Home was in good condition as to cleanliness. (Continued on page eight)

Senate Kills Bill To Take Yadkin Out 17th District

Bill Introduced Several Days Ago By Stokes Senator Is Killed On Friday

The state senate on Friday killed a bill introduced several days ago to take Yadkin county out of the 17th judicial district and place it in the 21st.

Unless other bills are introduced and passed, the 17th judicial district will remain as now constituted and composed of Davie, Yadkin, Wilkes, Avery and Mitchell counties.

The bill seeking to remove Yadkin from this district was introduced by Senator Marshal, of Stokes county. Yadkin county is the home of Avalon E. Hall, solicitor of the 17th judicial district, and if the bill had been passed the solicitor would have been living outside the district for which he was elected to serve. However, it carried a provision that he could complete his four-year term as solicitor of the 17th district.

It was learned here that all members at the Avery and Mitchell bar associations, all Wilkes lawyers except one, all in Yadkin except two and all in Davie except one signed a petition asking that Yadkin not be taken from the 17th judicial district.

Kings Creek Man Badly Hurt When Auto Hits Truck

Glenn Parlier's Car Hits The Back Of Truck Parked On Highway Friday

Glenn Parlier, postmaster at Kings Creek in Caldwell county, was badly injured Thursday afternoon between Wilkesboro and Moravian Falls when his car crashed into a truck which had stalled on the highway.

Parlier was carrying eight students of Kings Creek school to Winston-Salem to play in the Journal-Sentinel Basketball tournament when the accident occurred.

The truck, driven by Lawrence Eller, of Pores Knob, a NYA worker, stalled on the road and the car crashed into the back of the truck, which was headed toward Wilkesboro. The accident occurred on a comparatively straight part of the highway.

Parlier received a broken arm and severe lacerations on his head and face but is expected to recover. Some of the others in the car sustained minor injuries but were released from the hospital after treatment.

1 Marriage License

Only one license to wed was issued by Register of Deeds C. C. Sidden during the past week, that being to Freeman Garris and Janie Wagoner, both of Roaring River.

Plan Election For Wilkesboro

Town Council Appoints Election Officials; Registration Opens March 15

Wilkesboro board of commissioners has appointed election officials to serve in the town primary and election.

The primary will be held on April 7 and the election in May. J. R. Henderson, town clerk, was appointed registrar for the election and Charlie Bumgarner and J. A. (Son) Lenderman were named judges.

Registration books will open on Saturday, March 15, and be open for registration on that date and two succeeding Saturdays.

April 1 was set as the deadline for filing notices of candidacy. A mayor and four commissioners will be elected for a two-year term. The present officials are Mayor J. F. Jordan and Commissioners Wm. A. Stroud, James Lowe, Dr. G. T. Mitchell and W. E. Smither.

Roosevelt asks for \$150,000,000 for housing and civic facilities.