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## SCOUTS NEEDED— Civilian Defense Demands Increase In Number Scouts

### Finance Drive for Boy Scouts Expansion Soon To Begin In Wilkes County

Herbert Stucky, deputy regional executive of Boy Scouts of America on a recent visit to North Wilkesboro told the Boy Scout Finance Appeal committee that need for Boy Scouts to aid in civilian defense has been multiplied since the United States has entered the war.

He said that this need has become intensified and that Governors, regional, state and county civilian defense directors are urgently requesting that boys be enlisted as Boy Scouts for emergency service.

He said that in Savannah, Ga., plans had been made to register 400 Boy Scouts for messenger service, thereby taking over the entire messenger service of the civilian defense organization.

Here in Wilkes, more boy scout troops must be organized, the Scout executive said. More troops will serve a larger number of boys by character building and will give them an opportunity to help in the nation's mighty victory drive.

P. E. Eshelman, chairman of the Scout committee, said the people are urged to rally to the Boy Scout finance appeal on January 12, and contribute liberally so that a field executive can be employed at an early date.

## CITY AND COUNTY— Schools to Resume Work Monday, 5th

### County Schools Completedmas Holiday Vacation

Wilkes county schools and the North Wilkesboro city schools will resume work on Monday, January 5, after a two weeks' vacation for Christmas and New Year holidays.

The schools of the county system reached the half term mark on December 19, last day of school before Christmas. The term so far has been featured by increased school enrollment and attendance. Weather before Christmas was generally mild, roads were good and there were no disease epidemics.

North Wilkesboro schools have not reached their half term mark. The city schools have a full nine months term. Average attendance has been unusually high in the city schools.

## RADIOGRAM NEWS— Dr. Bumgarner Is Now Captain

### Wilkes Man Gets Promotion In Medical Corps Of Army Manila, Philippines

Dr. John R. Bumgarner, now serving in the U. S. Army medical corps in Sernberg General Hospital in Manila, Philippines, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

His father, Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner of Millers Creek, received a radiogram from Dr. Bumgarner Friday, saying he was all right and feeling fine. He received his commission as a captain of December 23.

Dr. Bumgarner practiced medicine in North Wilkesboro before he was called into service in the reserve medical corps on December 6, 1940.

## Duke Loses Fast Rose Bowl Contest

Duke University's football team lost a thrilling Rose Bowl football game to Oregon State in Berkeley today 20 to 16. The game was moved to Durham from Pasadena, California.

## WITHIN TEN MILES OF MANILA— Japs May Take The Philippines

### War Jobs for Women Leaders Study Way to Redeem Bases If Lost



Lieut. James Hoy of New York shows a group of members of the American Women's Voluntary Service how to slide down a pole in his firehouse. The women have enrolled for defense training courses. The organization announced a shortage of trained switchboard operators and auto drivers.

## BEGINNING NOW— Dates Announced For Tax Listers In All Townships

Persons Who Must List For Taxes Urged To Do So Early This Month

C. G. Poindexter, Wilkes county tax supervisor, today urged that all persons required to list property for taxation and for payment of poll tax attend to the matter as early as possible.

He announced the following list of appointments for tax listers throughout the county. Appointments following the name of the township and respective list-takers:

- ANTIOCH—C. A. SPARKS**  
Deleplane Church, Friday, January 2nd; Lee Martins Place, Saturday, January 3rd; R. C. Seagraves Service Station, Monday, January 5th; Tom Mathis Service Station, Tuesday, January 6th; R. C. Seagraves Service Station, Wednesday, January 7.—Listing hours 8 to 4:30.
- BEAVER CREEK—ZACHARY FERGUSON**  
V. T. Walsh's Store, Monday, January 19th; Beaver Creek Baptist Church, Tuesday, January 20; Geno Walsh's Store, Wednesday, January 21st; Gaitner Walsh's Store, Thursday, January 22nd.
- BOO LER—MRS. JOHN ANDREWS**  
Tom Green's Store, Friday, January 2nd; Mrs. Ruth Holder (Goshen), Monday P. M., January 5th; V. T. Walsh's Store, Tuesday, January 6th; Jarvis Walsh, Monday A. M., January 5th; Will Russell, Wednesday A. M., January 7th; Tommie Laws, Wednesday P. M., January 7th; Cub Walsh's Store, Thursday, January 8th; Tom Greer's Store, Friday, January 9th; Tom Greer's Store, Saturday, January 10th.

## IN THE U. S. NAVY— Clyde M. Waugh Aviation Cadet

The Navy Department announced today that 259 newly appointed aviation cadets have reported for advanced flight training at the Naval Air Stations at Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla., and Corpus Christi, Texas. Clyde Miller Waugh, of North Wilkesboro, was among those listed.

## QUOTA NOT REACHED— Urges Completion 3 Weeks Term Of Red Cross Drive For War Relief

Washington.—The capital steeled itself today against the possible surrender of Manila, paid tribute to the army for its last-ditch defense of the Philippine metropolis against heavy odds, and soberly considered the best way to redeem America's Far Eastern outpost in the event of its fall to the Japanese.

As the New Year broke, the latest official word was that "American and Philippine troops are continuing their stubborn resistance according to pre-arranged defense plans."

Nevertheless there were compelling reasons to believe that the fall of Manila might not be long delayed. Wounded men of the American and Philippine armies had been evacuated. Heavy Japanese forces even earlier had been reported bearing down on the city from both north and south. Nipponese dive bombers were declared to be dominating the roads.

The hour-to-hour position of General Douglas MacArthur's defense lines was not made clear in any of the official communications, although some axis radio broadcasts declared the front was not more than 10 miles from the commonwealth capital.

Would Attack Japan  
In congressional circles, a land, sea and air assault on Japan itself was regarded as the quickest and most practical way of recovering the Philippines, should they be lost in the present Japanese drive.

While disclaiming any pretensions to being military strategists, several senators said it appeared to them that such a drive against the island empire eventually could be carried out, supported by communication lines through Alaska and the Aleutian Island chain.

Washington.—Wounded Americans and Filipinos have been evacuated from the bomb-shattered Manila area, but their comrades-in-arms are "continuing their stubborn resistance" against Japanese hordes driving fiercely toward the capital the army announced last night.

A Tokyo broadcast recorded by the U. P. today quoted "authoritative sources" as saying the Philippine government has moved to Port Darwin, Australia.

There was no mention of the proximity of the enemy to Manila nor of the situation in the capital whose fall was feared to be imminent.

The communique's failure to mention the city was interpreted however, as meaning that Manila still flew the Stars and Stripes at the time the latest information was dispatched to the War Department by General Douglas MacArthur, commander of the U. S. Far-Eastern forces.

It was believed here that a prompt announcement would be made in the event the city falls. But the situation was grave.

This was reflected in part by the disclosure that the wounded have been evacuated aboard the steamship Mactan which was converted into a hospital ship and approximately marked in accordance with the Geneva convention of 1907.

Taken to Australia  
The wounded will be taken to Australia, MacArthur said.

As for military operations, army communique No. 38, issued as of 5 p. m. (e.s.t.) said only: "American and Philippine troops are continuing their stubborn resistance in accordance with pre-arranged defense plans."

Nothing was said about the locale of the fighting. But earlier it was reported that enemy tanks, motorized troops and dive bombers, blasting and infecting the roads like plagues of ants, were swarming near the outskirts of Manila.

**BREAK WITH AXIS**  
Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 31.—Venezuelans severed diplomatic relations with Germany, Italy and Japan today.

## Where U. S. Troops Are Meeting Japs



Above is a view of the rice fields of Aparri, on the northernmost tip of the island of Luzon, which is the principal island of the Philippines. The Japanese were reported as succeeding in landing troops in this rough terrain, but met with stiff resistance from U. S. troops. Manila, on this island, was the first major Jap objective.

## QUOTA NOT REACHED— Urges Completion 3 Weeks Term Of Red Cross Drive For War Relief

Workers Throughout County Requested To Canvass Their Communities

A. F. Kilby, chairman of the Red Cross War Relief fund drive in Wilkes, said today that the county's goal of \$4,000 has not been reached yet and he urged all workers to complete canvasses of their respective communities and to make reports as early as possible.

All who worked during the Red Cross roll call have been asked to carry the appeal for war relief funds to every home and place of business throughout the county.

Outstanding among group contributions received during the drive were \$1,000 from employees of Wilkes Hosiery Mills and the company and \$500 donated by employees and company at Carolina Mirror Corporation plant. Other smaller groups have made substantial contributions.

To all who have contributed to the fund and have worked so successfully Mr. Kilby today expressed appreciation in behalf of the Red Cross chapter and urged completion of the drive as early as possible.

Mr. Kilby, a veteran of the World War, has repeatedly stressed the value of the aid given by the Red Cross to armed forces in war time, and asks that all the people have a part in this patriotic endeavor.

## FROM THIS COUNTY— Ten Leaving For N.Y.A. Training

### Will Be Trained In Sheet Metal and Electric Welding At Two Cities

Ten Wilkes boys left Wilkesboro Monday to take defense courses at NYA centers at Durham and Wilmington.

They were Baxter Bryce Durham, Lomax; Jesse Eldon Holloway, Moxley; Hay Gray Crater, Ronda; James G. Reynolds, Hays; Douglas M. Harrison, Ronda route one; David Tharpe, Ronda route one; Edsel Wiles, Lomax; J. C. Drum, Ronda; Minter Clary, North Wilkesboro; Claude Norman, Cycle. The last two named went to Wilmington and the others to Durham.

All those who left Monday will take courses in sheet metal work and electric welding.

In addition to the ten from Wilkes, five went from Alexander and three from Watauga county, Mrs. Maude S. Miller, area interviewer, said today.

Board, room, transportation to the centers and a small sum of money are furnished the youths by the federal government.

Information concerning resident training may be obtained from the NYA office in the Wilkes courthouse.

**TRY WASHINGTON**  
Topeka, Kas., Dec. 31.—A student wrote the state capitol today regarding: "Where do I get a permit to shoot doves from an airplane?" Gov. Payne Rains, who confessed he did not know best off, said he'd look into the matter.

## PROGRESS IN CIVILIAN DEFENSE— Civilian Defense Office to Be Set Up

### Tire Rationing For Wilkes Announced

Office of price administration in Washington, D. C., today announced tire rationing figures.

Wilkes will get 25 new tires and 19 tubes for automobiles and light trucks this month while 75 tires and 65 tubes were allotted for trucks and buses for this month.

## BE WARY OF THIEVES— All Are Urged To Take Precautions With Auto Tires

### Motorists Should Record The Trade Mark and Serial Number of Auto Tires

All car owners and motorists are warned to be wary of tire thieves now that a ban has been placed on their sale.

With tires at their present high premium there is going to be a wave of stealing unless the folks are extremely careful.

Every motorist should record both the trade make of his tires and the serial numbers on each of them. These can of course be used for identification purposes in case the goods are stolen.

A good insurance policy against theft is to lock your car in a garage at night, the advisor says.

If the make and serial numbers are recorded and kept by owners, the job of detecting and convicting any thieves will be much easier for law enforcement officials.

The serial numbers on all tires are there to stay. They can't be filed or cut off beyond identification, nor can they be vulcanized to the extent they cannot be identified.

The order banning the sale of new tires was evoked recently by defense authorities of the government; all available rubber is being used by defense industries on machines built for the primary purpose of whipping the Japs and the Germans.

Old tires may be retreaded, and it is still legal to buy retreaded tires.

## IN WILKES COUNTY— S. S. Classes Help Fifteen Families

### Welfare Department Thanks People Who Helped Needy At Christmas Time

Fifteen needy families who would not have received any Christmas cheer materials were well taken care of at Christmas time by six groups, Charles McNeill, county welfare officer, said today.

In the families were 40 children. The groups who called at the welfare office to get names and locations of needy families and who provided for them were: Wesleyan Guild circle of the Wilkesboro Methodist church, Social Service department of the North Wilkesboro Woman's club, Episcopal Sunday school class and Auxiliary, Euzellian Sunday school class of the First Baptist church, missionary society of the Wilkesboro Baptist church.

The welfare officer said he wished to thank all who helped in behalf of the needy families and commented on the thoroughness with which the needy were provided. The organizations visited the homes and found out what was needed. Next, they proceeded to purchase clothing, house furnishings and other needed materials, even to measuring children for clothing.

Some groceries and miscellaneous items appropriate at Christmas time were included in the gifts. These benefactors did their work voluntarily and without solicitation, the welfare officer said.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Gray, of High Point, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. McNeill, of Wilkesboro, who were two.

## Civilian Defense Asks Registration Of Civilian Pilots

### Far Reconnaissance Work Volunteers Wanted For Air Raid Wardens

W. H. McElwee, Wilkes chairman of civilian defense, said today that a civilian defense office will be set up here to handle registration for civilian defense work and to be the center of civilian defense activities.

He said further that arrangements for the office are being made and the W.F.D. will furnish a clerk to look after the office. Cards for civilian defense volunteers are now being prepared and will be available soon.

## Pilots to Register

All civilian airplane pilots in the county are asked to register for reconnaissance work. The registration will contain information as to pilot, his license and registration and number of his plane.

To Appoint Wardens  
In anticipation of a statewide blackout to occur soon, air raid wardens for Wilkes must be appointed, Chairman McElwee said, and volunteers are wanted for this work. It will take one warden for every 500 people and the blackout will be throughout the county as well as in North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro. Civilian Defense authorities want the county thoroughly organized so that the blackout will be complete and no light can be seen in Wilkes county during the blackout.

It is especially asked that people with telephones volunteer as air raid wardens so that a system of instantaneous communication can be organized.

Further details will be announced later.

## STOCKHOLDERS MEET— Wilkesboro B. & L. Has A Good Year

### Assets Pass Quarter Of A Million; Officers and Directors Re-Elected

1941 was the most successful year in the history of the Building and Loan Association, according to information contained in the report of Wm. A. Stroud, secretary-treasurer, to the stockholders in annual meeting on Friday, December 19.

He said assets of the association had passed the \$250,000 mark and that earnings during the year had been high. The association had a good year in making loans and was not hampered by idle funds.

Eleven directors were re-elected as follows: J. H. Johnson, Wm. A. Stroud, R. B. Pharr, B. J. Kennedy, J. H. Leckie, J. T. Prevette, O. K. Whitington, J. T. Doughton, George Kennedy, Charlie Howard, Dr. M. G. Edwards, Edward McIntyre was elected a director, replacing George Johnson, who declined to serve because of other duties.

J. H. Johnson, president, presided at the stockholders meeting which was well attended.

On recommendation of the insurance department of the state, the dividend on full paid stock was reduced from five to four per cent, to be more nearly in line with other associations throughout the state.

The directors elected the following officers for the year: J. H. Johnson, president; Dr. M. G. Edwards, vice president; Wm. A. Stroud, secretary; Mrs. Wm. A. Henderson, attorney.

Loan committee was elected as follows: J. T. Prevette, Dr. M. G. Edwards, B. J. Kennedy and J. H. Johnson.

## EPISCOPAL

Vesper service at St. Paul's Episcopal Sunday afternoon at four o'clock cordially invited to all.