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Cycle Lady Robbed Of \$1500 Cash

Mrs. Bessie Myers Victim of Holdup; Car Also Is Taken

Patrolman Ingle Leads The Search For Bold Robber Today

Mrs. Bessie Myers was robbed of approximately \$1,500 in cash and a 1941 model automobile at her home at Cycle postoffice on highway 421 near the Wilkes-Yadkin county line Wednesday night.

State Highway Patrol Sergeant Carlyle Ingle, who has been leading the search for the bold robber, today gave an account of the holdup as given him by Mrs. Myers.

About 9:45 p. m. a masked man walked into Mrs. Myers home and at the point of a gun held up Mrs. Myers and children and a Mr. Johnson, who had stopped at Mrs. Myers store and service station, which is adjacent to her living quarters.

The man, wearing a mask, ordered Mrs. Myers to open the safe, which she did, and the robber gathered up the money, about \$1,500. The robber went outside and made his getaway in Mrs. Myers' 1941 model Pontiac automobile.

The man was described as being about five feet, seven inches in height and his weight about 140. He wore a brown suit. The car of Mrs. Myers was green color and had white sidewall tires.

Mrs. Myers is postmaster at Cycle, but it was reported here today that the money taken by the robber was her own personal funds and was not postoffice money.

Registration For Kerosene Oil Is Now In Progress

Registration For Rationing Kerosene and Fuel Oil Began In County Today

Registration of consumers for kerosene and fuel oil for all purposes except heating began at 26 schools in Wilkes today and will be completed Friday.

Hours of registration are from 9 to 5 p. m. at the following schools: North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Ferguson, Boomer, Mountain Crest, Lovelace, Mount Pleasant, Maple Springs, Hendrix, Summit, Millers Creek, Whittington, Mulberry, Cricket, Rock Springs, Mountain View, Newlife, Double Creek, Traphill, Austin, Benham, Pleasant Hill, Ronda, Clingman, Roaring River and Lincoln Heights. People are urged to register at the school most convenient.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

WILKES Men In The SERVICE

Pfc. Billings Enjoys Furlough

Pfc. Treely G. Billings, of New River, visited his parents at Cycle the past week. Pfc. Billings is stationed at New River Marine Base. While here he visited Miss Bertha Wyatt, of North Wilkesboro, also his sisters, Mrs. Louise Church and Mrs. Garlin Davis, both of North Wilkesboro.

Pvt. Joseph W. McNeill Graduates

Pvt. Joseph W. McNeill, son of Mrs. Ruth Davis, of Millers Creek, has graduated from the 45-day repair and maintenance course at Fort Knox, Ky., and has received his diploma as a qualified automobile mechanic, according to a

Thanksgiving Is Proclaimed By Broughton

Raleigh. — In a proclamation taking cognizance of "better wages and more employment, Governor Broughton called on North Carolinians to celebrate November 26 as Thanksgiving Day.

The proclamation: "Whereas, it is the duty and privilege of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will and to be grateful for his benefits; and

"Whereas, our nation and our state have been bountifully blessed with abundant crops and overflowing harvest, with better wages and more employment, with larger provisions for public health and welfare, and with all of those things which made for a richer and more abundant life; and

"Whereas, the spirit and purpose of our people and success achieved by our armed forces, have strengthened our faith and given to us new hope for victory and an early termination of the devastations of war; and

"Whereas, on Thanksgiving Day all people should pause to return thanks for the blessings which have come to them; to re-consecrate themselves to the cause of freedom and popular government; to acknowledge anew their dependence upon Almighty God and to rekindle their devotion to the everlasting spiritual values;

"Now, therefore, I, J. Melville Broughton, governor of North Carolina, do proclaim Thursday, November 26th, Thanksgiving Day, as a legal holiday in North Carolina to be set apart for religious and patriotic consecration and urge the people of our state to conduct proper religious observances with special prayers for early victory for our armed forces and the achievement of a just and lasting peace for all mankind."

War View

IN AFRICA

American and British forces in two columns were advancing on Tunis and Bizerte in Tunisia while the British eighth army continued to pursue Rommel's army in Libya. Meanwhile, there were reports that another allied army was advancing across the Sahara desert from the south to aid in elimination of axis forces from North Africa.

IN RUSSIA

Russian forces have taken the initiative at several points and axis reports said that Russians were massing forces for a winter offensive.

IN NEW GUINEA

General Douglas MacArthur and his staff are personally directing an offensive against Japanese bases in northern New Guinea and were advancing in two directions on the Japanese held port of Buna.

IN BURMA

Allied bombers rained destructions on two Japanese held airbases without the loss of an allied plane.

IN ITALY

British bombers last night bombed an aircraft factory in an industrial center and no planes were lost.

Brothers Serve In Army, Navy



These brothers in the service are Sgt. Carl C. Sebastian, left, and Warner A. Sebastian, navy telegraph-radio reporter, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sebastian, of Hays. Sgt. Sebastian entered the service September 15, 1940, with the National Guard Company at North Wilkesboro. After training at Fort Jackson, S. C., Charleston, S. C., and Camp Pickett, Va., he sailed a few weeks ago for overseas service. Warner A. Sebastian enlisted in the navy June 9, 1941, and has been stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Many People Sentenced In Court Trials

Federal Court Today Begins Work On A Number Of Jury Trials Pending

Federal court resumed work in Wilkesboro, today after a recess Wednesday when Judge Johnson J. Hayes was in High Point addressing the Baptist state convention.

On Monday and Tuesday many cases in which defendants entered pleas were heard by Judge Hayes and judgments were meted out. Remaining on the docket, which is composed almost entirely of liquor tax law violators, are several jury trials.

Sentences passed Monday and Tuesday were as follows:

David McBride, year and a day in Petersburg, Va., prison.

Thurmond Sparks, year and a day in Atlanta prison.

Mansfield Jarvis, year and a day in Petersburg, Va.

Bassell Buren Holloway, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio.

Montgomery Mathis, fine of \$500.

Albert Lee Mathis, year and a day in Chillicothe.

William B. Bumgarner and Hubert Vickers; Bumgarner, 15 months in Petersburg, Va.; Vickers, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio.

Lester T. Higgins, fine of \$500 and probation.

John Todd, year and a day in Atlanta.

Edmond Williams, year and a day in Atlanta.

John Preston Weatherman, 15 months in Chillicothe.

General Cread Hendrix, fine of \$250 and probation.

Garland Billings and Grady Henry Newman; each year and a day in Atlanta.

Wood Edwards, year and a day in Petersburg, Va.

Robert Ezra Billings, year and a day in Petersburg, Va.

The following were placed on temporary or term probation. Floyd William Nance, Gaither Lee Mathis, Floyd F. Wolfe, Lester T. Higgins, Mrs. Etta Jane Kilby, General Cread Hendrix, Robert Allen, Robert Linnie Fortner, Blaine Combs, Willie Otto Huffman, Garnett Sheets, Henry Theodore Bailey, Elbert C. Pennell, Don West, Bud West and Ardle Darnell.

Himmel's hurried trip to Rome recalls nothing as much as the dismay of eminent counsel for the gang, on learning that a key witness may go straight.

Navy Plans Admiral Foote Platoon Here; Enlistments Asked

Recruiting For Honor Platoon Starts Dec. 1st

Group Will Be Formed And Trained Together, Officer States

To honor Wilkes county's highest ranking naval officer, the Admiral Foote naval platoon will be formed by navy recruits here during the month of December.

Announcement of the organization of a platoon of recruits in honor of Rear Admiral Percy W. Foote, native of the Roaring River community of Wilkes, was made here today by J. C. Friar, chief petty officer from the Winston-Salem naval recruiting office. Chief Friar is the recruiting officer for Wilkes and spends Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week at a temporary naval recruiting station in the North Wilkesboro town hall building.

Enlistments for the platoon will begin about December 1 and continue until January 1, when the platoon will be inducted as a unit and shipped to a naval training station with the request that the men in the platoon train together as a unit.

Chief Friar will be in charge of recruiting for the Admiral Foote platoon and recruiting for that unit will be centered in Wilkes county. However, other men in the Winston-Salem district may enlist for the platoon if they so desire.

Additional recruiting personnel will be sent here for interviewing applicants during the month of December if necessary.

It is expected that many young men age 18 and 19, who will be called immediately for army service unless they enlist in other branches of the service, will choose the navy in which to serve and will enlist during the month of December in order to be in the Admiral Foote platoon and train with others from their home county, many of whom may be friends or acquaintances.

Local civic organizations are requested to support the navy enlistment drive in order that the Admiral Foote platoon may be filled in record time as a fitting tribute to the brilliant career of the high ranking naval officer who served so well in the World War and who has gone back into service after retirement to serve his nation again.

Chief Friar said today that any men in this vicinity who wish to secure further information at any time when he is not in North Wilkesboro are urged to call at The Journal-Patriot office, where Dwight Nichols, navy editor, will be glad to furnish any information available.

Counting four years at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., Admiral Foote had a record-

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Lions Will Hear Rubber Expert

G. F. Ball, a special representative of Standard Oil company, will address the North Wilkesboro Lions Club in meeting Friday evening, seven o'clock, at Hotel Wilkes. Mr. Ball is a rubber specialist and will give accurate information on development of synthetic rubber and what the American public may expect in the way of rubber during the next few years. The program will be in charge of W. O. Absher and A. A. Sturdivant.

Thanksgiving Announcement

North Wilkesboro schools will close on Wednesday afternoon, November 25, until Monday morning, November 30, for Thanksgiving holidays but the Wilkes county school system will not close for Thanksgiving.

By continuous operation through Thanksgiving weekend, the county school system will complete the first half of the term before adjourning for Christmas holidays.

North Wilkesboro schools will close for the Christmas holidays on December 18 and will reopen on January 4.

It is generally understood that business houses and public offices will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

County Quota Of Service Kits Is Increased By 400

More Funds Are Needed To Equip Kits For Service Men Going Overseas

Service kit quota for Wilkes county has been doubled and additional funds for equipping the kits are needed now, Mrs. J. A. Rousseau, special volunteer services chairman for the Wilkes chapter of the Red Cross, said today.

The original quota was 400 service kits to be made and furnished by the Wilkes chapter. The materials to go in the kits cost one dollar for each kit and the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club subscribed the full amount of \$500 after some funds had been raised.

Because so many service men are leaving for overseas, the number of kits needed immediately has increased and the quota for the Wilkes chapter has been set at 800 instead of 400.

Mrs. Rousseau appealed for additional funds and asked all who can to contribute to the fund. Donations will be sent to Mrs. W. F. Absher, contributions chairman.

Board 2 Men Inducted

The following men were accepted from the group sent to the army induction station by Wilkes Selective Service board number two this month: Wood, Robert C., Jr., acting corporal.

Johnson, William T. Norman, Orville W. Whittington, James L. Higgins, Wayne F. Tomlinson, John B. Couch, Willie J. Haynes, Conale E. Billings, William T. Parker, Quincy W. Snoddy, Mason W. Taylor, Dean

Shew, Clarence L. Lankford, Julius C. McGlamery, Thomas R. Stamper, John H. Meade, Lewis W. Royal, John R. Minton, Willie L. Billings, Percy V. Gentry, Bonds M. Barrett, William C. Hester, J. D., Jr. Bayola, James E. Rhodes, Bob W. Warren, Earl B. Church, James H. Hardington, John A. Myers, Fred H. Miller, Edward Q.

Fighting General



A fighting man from the ground up is Maj. Gen. A. A. Vandergrift, of the U. S. marines. He is shown here using a field telephone on Guadalcanal island, in the Solomons. Note the general's rifle and bayonet leaning against the tree.

Halfacre Will Head Meat Ration Setup

Meeting Held Here Monday To Set Up Organization For The County

W. D. Halfacre is chairman and Mrs. W. R. Absher is associate chairman of the Wilkes county organization to lead the people in voluntary meat rationing.

The organization was set up here Monday afternoon when a group of citizens met to hear Miss Elizabeth Williams, of the state Civilian Defense Organization, explain the voluntary plan of rationing.

Rationing of meat will begin on a voluntary basis on December 1, when each family will be asked to keep a record of meat consumed and to keep consumption of meat as low as two and one-half pounds per week for each adult and a lesser amount for each child.

Meat rationing will apply only to beef, pork, veal, lamb and mutton cuts and will not apply to other meats, including poultry, fish and other sea foods. Rationing will not apply to liver, sweetbreads, feet and heads of animals from which the rationed meats are cut.

Persons named to head the organization in several key communities in the county will meet with the chairman and associate chairman at Hotel Wilkes Friday evening, 7:30, to furnish plans for county organization.

No regulations whatever have been received relative to farmers who slaughter their own pork. Rumors that farmers must secure a permit to slaughter or use their home pork supply are without foundation.

Since there are few people who use more than 2 1/2 pounds of meat weekly, little hardship will result and complete cooperation on the part of the public is urgently requested.

It is not necessary to obtain a release from the draft board to volunteer for the Navy.

Inspector Lists For Tires Out

Stations Which Will Inspect Tires Named By Boards In Wilkes County

Wilkes county rationing boards have appointed service stations to serve as tire inspectors under the revised plan of rationing tires and gasoline.

For board number 1 area the inspecting stations will be Culler's Esso station, Vannoy's Esso station, and Henderson's Texaco station.

For board number two the inspecting stations will be Textile Service station, Motor Market, Newton's Esso Station, Uptown Service Station, Central Service Station, Dick's Service Station, Landon's, Wilkes Tire Store, Motor Service Sales Company.

Under the plan every motorist must have his tires inspected every two months. The first inspection must be made in December, 1942, or January, 1943.

Tire Deadline Near

All tires in excess of five per car must be turned in to the railway express company before Sunday, November 22.

November 22 is also the deadline for all automobile owners to file list of tire serial numbers with rationing boards. Blanks for listing the numbers may be secured from service stations.

Negro Held For Theft Saturday

Railway Detective Nabs Marshal Dowell For Breaking Into Freight Car

Marshal Dowell, local colored man with a long criminal record, has been arrested for breaking into a box car on the railroad here Saturday night. Police Chief J. E. Walker said today.

The arrest was made by J. H. Payne, Southern Railway detective investigating the case.

Dowell is said to have opened the box car and had taken three 100-lb. bags of feed, which he took to the home of his sister and later sold. Dowell completed a prison term for breaking and entering only a few weeks ago. Several years ago he was sentenced on a charge almost identical with the one he now faces.

Local Horses To Be Entered In Lenoir's Benefit Horse Show

Several horses from the Wilkesboro will be in the Lenoir Benefit Horse show to be staged at Lenoir Thanksgiving Day for afternoon and evening performances.

Among the local people who plan to enter horses are Worth Tomlinson, F. P. Blair, Jr., C. G. Day, W. F. Caddy, J. B. Carter and James Cranor.

Men who have received orders to report for induction in the Army still are eligible to volunteer for the Navy—without securing a release from their draft board.