

For mutual advantage do your buying in North Wilkesboro, the growing trading center of North Western North Carolina

THE JOURNAL-PATRIOT



VOL. XXXV, No. 90

Published Mondays and Thursdays

NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C. THURSDAY, FEB. 4, 1943

\$1.50 in the State — \$2.00 Out of State

Boy Scout Week Feb. 6th-12th

Events Planned For Sunday, Tuesday and Friday

Wilkes Council of Boy Scouts is planning appropriate observance of Boy Scout Week February 6-12.

The first event of the week's observance will be a special Scout service Sunday morning at the First Methodist church in North Wilkesboro. Plans are to have all Scouts in the district present and seated in a body for the service. One feature will be dedication by the Scouts of the American Flag and the Christian flag to men in the service.

On Tuesday evening all Scouts will be guests of Liberty theatre for showing of "Ice Capades."

Scout leaders are now laying plans for Civic Day on Friday February 12, which will climax Boy Scout Week.

If preliminary plans materialize, Scouts will take over the city government, including the office of mayor and all other executive city offices, for a few hours in order that they may receive citizenship knowledge and training. Further plans for Civic Day will be announced later.

A. V. Ashwill, assistant Scout executive for the Old Hickory district of which Wilkes is a part, is planning all Scout leaders.

4-H Clubs Now Mobilizing For Victory In 1943

All Boys and Girls Who Will Carry Out The Projects Will Be Enrolled

All county extension workers, Mrs. Annie H. Greene, home agent; J. B. Snipes, farm agent; H. C. Colvard and James E. Rollins, assistant agents, are going to put on a special campaign to enroll as many boys and girls of club age as will agree to carry out a victory project.

This is a nation-wide program and the Extension Service of North Carolina hopes to enroll at least 150,000 boys and girls in 4-H Club work, and several hundred thousand for special Victory Projects.

These Victory Projects consist of poultry, dairy cows and calves, baby beef calves, pigs, gardens, corn, food preservation projects. All of these projects will go to help meet the food goals which have been set up in every county in the state.

Extension workers are going to assist all farm boys and girls as much as possible in reaching these goals.

Coffee Ration Cut One-Sixth In Next Ticket

A one-sixth reduction in the next coffee ration was announced yesterday by the Office of Price Administration.

Action was made necessary, the agency said, by reduced coffee inventories in the hands of wholesalers and retailers.

Instead of one pound a person for five weeks, the next stamp, No. 25 in war ration book No. 1, will be good for one pound for six weeks. Stamps in the rear of book No. 1, originally issued for sugar rationing, now are used for coffee rationing.

Stamp No. 26 will become valid Feb. 15 and will be good for one pound of one pound of coffee through March 31. Stamp No. 27, valid since January 22, will be good for one pound of coffee until February 1.

KILLED IN ACTION



Sgt. Shafter Robert (Bob) Laws, Jr., who was killed in action against the Japanese in the South Pacific area of war operations on December 9. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Laws, formerly of Moravian Falls and who now live in Washington, D.C., and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. R. Don Laws, of Moravian Falls. Sgt. Laws, a well known young man who had many friends in Wilkes, volunteered for service in the marine corps over two years ago and had a splendid service record. The above picture was made on his last visit home, which was in the spring of 1942.

Dr. Kincheloe To Head Red Cross Drive

War Fund Campaign Will Open On March 1

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, pastor of the First Baptist church in this city, has accepted appointment as Chairman of Red Cross War Fund Drive for Wilkes County.

In making this appointment, Rev. A. C. Waggoner, chairman of the executive committee of the local Red Cross Chapter, said, "We are very happy to have Dr. Kincheloe accept this job. It is a tremendous responsibility he has accepted but he is admirably suited for the job and we feel that every patriotic citizen of Wilkes will rally behind him and put the campaign across in a fine manner."

A meeting was held Tuesday afternoon in the Red Cross office in the Tomlinson building at which time G. E. Jones, special field representative from National Red Cross headquarters, assisted local leaders in making plans for the forthcoming drive. March 1 was set as the date for beginning the general War Fund Campaign in Wilkes county.

Captains and solicitors will be appointed to cover all towns and communities in the county. Announcement of these workers will be made by Dr. Kincheloe in a few days.

A meeting of officials of the Wilkes County Chapter of the American Red Cross was held on Monday afternoon, January 29. At this Rev. A. C. Waggoner, local chairman, presided. Reports of the various committee chairmen were heard and plans were outlined for coming activities of the Chapter.

S. T. Taylor was elected vice-chairman to succeed Rev. Watt M. Cooper, who left recently to become a chaplain in the United States Navy.

Committee Chairmen now serving in the Wilkes Chapter in addition to Rev. Mr. Waggoner and Mr. Taylor follow: secretary, W. C. Grier; treasurer, D. V. Deal; members executive committee, P. W. Eshelman and A. F. Kilby; publicity, Paul S. Cragan; war fund, Dr. John W. Kincheloe; Junior Red Cross, Miss Rebecca Moseley; first aid, H. F. Bunknight; home service, Mrs. W. D. Halfacre; volunteer services, Mrs. J. A. Rousseau; home nursing and nurses aides, Mrs. Palmer Horton; baby clinic, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell; pellagra, Mrs. Bertha Bell; tubercular children, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Sr.; finance, W. D. Halfacre; life saving and water safety, Edward Clark.

Russian Offensive Near Rostov

Five Stills Raided and Seven Men Arrested By ATU Agents

Federal Alcohol Tax Unit investigators stationed in Wilkesboro raided four stills and destroyed large quantities of liquor making materials this week.

At Ferguson Monday the officers arrested Vaden Elder and Jesse Clay Shepherd at a 50-gallon still. There they destroyed 375 gallons of mash and 27 1/2 gallons of liquor.

In the Call community the officers found a 150-gallon still and 1,200 gallons of mash, which

were destroyed. The still was ready to begin operation but no liquor had been made. Warrant was issued for one person, who has not been taken.

Also on February 1 the federal officers raided a still near the home of Ransie Soley. It was a 150-gallon still with 500 gallons of mash. Coy Stanley, Sanford Call and Rob Martin, the latter a colored man, were placed under arrest.

On Wednesday in the Dennyville community the federal officers destroyed a still with 1,600 gallons of mash and four gallons of liquor. They arrested Alex Jarvis and John C. Brown.

On Tuesday in the Adkins Shop community in the western part of the county a 150-gallon still with 29 barrels of pumice was destroyed. The still was being used to make apple brandy.

All persons arrested have made bond for trial in the May term of federal court at Wilkesboro.

Officers taking part in the raids were Roy Reese, C. S. Felts, J. S. Cabe, Robert M. Gambill, Felix O'Reilly and H. H. Dotson.

The officers reported that some sugar was being used at the still taken at Ferguson but grain mash was used at all the others except the brandy still in the Adkins Shop community.

AT HONDO, TEXAS



Pvt. Raymond W. Dancy, who was inducted into the army in October, has been assigned to the navigation school at Hondo, Texas, and is liking fine. Pvt. Dancy is a son of Mrs. J. F. Dancy, of Wilbar.

Gets Car and 50 Gallons But Man Makes Escape

State Highway Patrol Sergeant Carlyle Inglo captured a car and 50 gallons of white liquor Sunday night but no man.

When the officer stopped the car on old highway 60 east of Wilkesboro the driver jumped out and took off. The officer did not see him very well as he sped away and could not identify him.

Neither can the officer very well establish the identity of the owner of the car or his address, because the person in whose name the car was registered is dead.

Egg With "C"

Mrs. Rhoda Richardson, of North Wilkesboro route one, on Monday brought to The Journal-Patriot office a freak egg. It was a long egg with a letter "C" plainly formed on one end.

Peddlers, Beggars Must Get Permits

City Council In Meeting Tuesday Night Passes Ordinances Regulating Selling On Streets and Soliciting of Funds

North Wilkesboro city council in meeting for February passed two town ordinances.

One of the ordinances prohibits peddling or selling on the streets without first obtaining a permit from the city clerk.

The other prohibits begging or asking alms without first obtaining a permit.

The ordinances are published elsewhere in this newspaper. The board granted to Crystal Williams, assistant street superintendent, a leave of absence for the duration of the war. Mr. Wil-

Sale War Bonds Up In Month

Issuing Agents Have Biggest Month In Bonds

Local issuing agents for war bonds had a busy month day revealed.

The quota for war bond sales in Wilkes for January was set at \$75,292.25, which was a record high for the county.

However, partial reports today indicated that the quota may have been reached.

The North Wilkesboro postoffice experienced its heaviest month in bond sales, cash receipts for bonds being over \$15,000. The Bank of North Wilkesboro reported \$39,375 in sales of series E bonds and \$55,000 in F and G series bonds.

Reports from other issuing agents had not been received today.

J. R. Hix, war bond sale chairman for Wilkes, said today the quota for Wilkes for February had been set by the treasury department at \$57,222, and that he was confident the county would continue to maintain its splendid record in meeting bond sale quotas.

No Bill On Ronda Municipal Matter

Through an error by some clerical employe in the general assembly, the name of Representative T. E. Story was placed on a bill introduced by Representative Price, of Rutherford county, relative to election of a mayor and municipal officers of Rutherford county, and another error was made in the name of the town, which was published as Ronda. Representative Story has not introduced any bill relative to Ronda municipal matters.

Sparks, Sheriff C. G. Poindexter, Deputy H. C. Kilby and Magistrate C. J. Jones were seated in the jail lobby when a man walked in who said his name was Roosevelt Parsons, that he was sleepy and wanted a place to lie down. After a brief pause he said: "I have some liquor here and I don't want you to take it off of me."

Jailor Sparks and wife appreciated the compliments, but were surprised that the old Wilkes jail was good enough for someone to break into.

Sparks, Sheriff C. G. Poindexter, Deputy H. C. Kilby and Magistrate C. J. Jones were seated in the jail lobby when a man walked in who said his name was Roosevelt Parsons, that he was sleepy and wanted a place to lie down. After a brief pause he said: "I have some liquor here and I don't want you to take it off of me."

Jailor Sparks took him in charge, removed a pint of liquor from his pocket and locked him up. Persons became so worried that he did not sleep. He was charged with drunkenness and possession of liquor and was later released under bond.

Correction

A typographical error caused the name of Mrs. Gladys S. Church in the list of persons punished for violation of the pleasure driving law to appear as Mrs. Gladys S. Church. The correction is being made to indicate that no misunderstanding may result. The name should have been Mrs. Gladys S. Church.

IN NORTH AFRICA



Cpl. William D. Minton, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Minton, of Wilkesboro route one, has been in the army service since September, 1940. He is now in North Africa, where he has the best of health and is liking it fine, according to his letters home. He was promoted to the rank of corporal before he sailed with the African invasion forces.

Collection Of County Taxes High

\$151,940.59 of 1942 Taxes Of County Collected

A total of \$151,940.59 was received by Wilkes county in payment of 1942 taxes before the first penalty was applied on February 2, it was learned today from the office of C. G. Poindexter, sheriff and tax collector.

During the month of December the tax collections totaled \$21,629.50 and for the month of January collections soared to \$55,235.09.

The first penalty as provided by law was added to unpaid taxes on February 2. The penalty will increase each month that taxes remain unpaid.

Groundhog Must Have Seen His Shadow Monday

Tuesday, February 2, was groundhog day, and unless the groundhog was totally blind he could not have missed seeing his shadow.

The sun was not behind a cloud all day, and that makes it certain that it was a good day for the groundhog to have seen his shadow, regardless of what time he emerged.

According to the old adage, if the groundhog saw his shadow on February 2 he went back into his den to stay during six weeks more of winter weather certain to follow fair weather on February 3.

Ration Banking Well Under Way

Banks are now ready to open accounts for any wholesale or retail dealer in sugar or coffee, and for gasoline distributors.

All merchants who did as much as \$5,000.00 in trade during December are compelled to open ration accounts. Opening accounts is optional with merchants who did less than \$5,000.00 worth of business in December, but the Ration Boards and wholesalers are insisting that all merchants open bank accounts. Any merchant who wish to open an account may get complete information concerning ration banking from his local bank.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

Fight Raging For Heights In Tunisia

American, Japanese Battle May Be Under Way

With the German sixth army at Stalingrad completely wiped out by killing and by capture, the Russians today were advancing on the key city of Rostov and were as near as 30 miles in a southeast direction, where Red forces have been advancing after successes in the Caucasus.

The German government has admitted that their sixth army, which attacked Stalingrad for months, has been annihilated and three days mourning in Germany was proclaimed in its honor.

Meanwhile, the Russian offensive is gaining momentum on the middle sector of the front as well as near Rostov.

FIGHTING IN AFRICA

In Africa today a British force captured a strategic height near Tunis and beat off the Italian counterattack by air force, British and American air forces have recently captured the main supply depots and have blasted axis supply forts in Sicily.

Yesterday American troops captured Sened, an important point which may lead to cutting off the path of retreat for Rommel's German forces which are still hotly pursued by the British eighth army. However, American forces were not as successful in the vicinity of Faid pass, where fierce fighting has raged.

SEA BATTLE BEGINNING

During the past few days Japanese have made big claims of success in a naval battle against American forces on the sea near the Solomon Islands. These reports have been denied by Secretary of the Navy Knox, who said that American and Japanese forces have been sparring for positions in the South Pacific but that no major battle has developed. It was intimated that a big naval battle may develop at any moment.

R. A. F. STRIKES

British fliers yesterday and today raided German submarine bases on German's west coast with large numbers of bombers.

Dog Vaccinators Named by Board

One For Each Precinct Appointed By Commissioners In February Meeting

Wilkes county board of commissioners in session this week named rabies inspectors for all townships in the county as follows:

- Antioch, Lonnie Oakley, Brushy Mountain, Lomlie Moore; Edwards No. 1, John W. Hurt; Edwards No. 2, Sam Parks; Edwards No. 3, J. C. Newman; Elk No. 1, S. H. Jones; Elk No. 2, Cleve Hall; Jobs Crbin No. 1 and No. 2, Odell Benhears; Lovelace, Andrew Johnson; Moravian Falls, Paul Sloop; Malberry No. 1, R. J. Hall; Mulberry No. 2, R. L. Watson; New Castle, Worth Sale; Reddies River, J. F. Pierce; Rock Creek, James Shaw; Stranton, J. W. Huffman; Traphill No. 1, Vester Dufham; Traphill No. 2, J. F. Johnson; Walnut Grove No. 1, Guy Trnett; Walnut Grove No. 2, Van Gambill; Wilkesboro No. 1, Lundy Minton; Wilkesboro No. 2, Elias Johnson; North Wilkesboro, A. O. Parker; Souther, Henry Garrison; Springs, Boyles Lawrence; Lewis Fork, Ben Whittington; Beaver Creek, Carter West; Water, Guy Shinn.

Mexico, Cuba, and the Panama Canal will be connected by a new air line.