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Papas Going Into 1a

New Classification Of Fathers Explained To the Public

The following statement was today issued by General J. Van B. Metts, State Director of Selective Service:

"Recent directives from National Headquarters require the reclassification of pre-Pearl Harbor fathers without regard to their eligibility for a IIIA classification. Such registrants who are essential farmers or who are employed in war production or in support of the war effort are in no danger of reclassification. Such registrants whose induction would result in "extreme hardship and privation" to a wife, parent, or child, may be deferred for dependency in Class III-D. All other registrants now classified in III-A on account of their family status should not be surprised if they receive notice that they have been reclassified in Class I-A.

"The fact that a pre-Pearl Harbor father finds himself in I-A does not necessarily mean that he will be inducted immediately. Registrants are divided into four groups and each group will be inducted before men are selected from the next group. These groups are as follows:

1. Men with no dependents.
2. Men with collateral dependents, provided such status was acquired prior to December 8, 1941.
3. Men who have wives with whom they maintain bona fide family relationships in their homes, provided such relationship was acquired prior to December 8, 1941. (A child born on or before September 14, 1942, should be considered as having been conceived prior to December 8, 1941, and a child born on or after September 15, 1942, should be considered as having been conceived on or after December 8, 1941, unless there is affirmative evidence of a medical character which clearly establishes that birth was delayed.)
4. Men who have children with whom they maintain bona fide family relationships in their homes, provided such relationship was acquired prior to December 8, 1941. (A child born on or before September 14, 1942, should be considered as having been conceived prior to December 8, 1941, and a child born on or after September 15, 1942, should be considered as having been conceived on or after December 8, 1941, unless there is affirmative evidence of a medical character which clearly establishes that birth was delayed.)

"Group 4 is divided into two sub-groups. The first sub-group will be exhausted before any men are called from the second sub-group. These sub-groups are as follows:

- (a) Registrants classified in I-A because they left an agricultural occupation or because they are engaged in a non-deferrable activity.
- (b) Other registrants who are reclassified from III-A to I-A as a result of the current directive.

"This means that pre-Pearl Harbor fathers who continue to engage in non-deferrable activities will find themselves subject to induction prior to registrants who are engaged in other employment. The list of non-deferrable activities contains 118 separate occupations and is on file in every local board office in the State. It is available for inspection by every registrant. It is considered that fair warning has been given to fathers who have dependent children to remove themselves from non-deferrable activities or face the prospect of early induction."

Gets Promotion



Technical Sergeant Gwyn McNeill, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McNeill, of Winston-Salem, has recently been promoted to his present rating. He is stationed at the U. S. Army air Base, Carlsbad, New Mexico. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill, of this city.

City Schools Opened Term Here Today

Classes are organized in all the school departments. North Wilkesboro schools opened today. The schools opened at 8:30 and classes in all departments made ready for a full program of classroom work tomorrow.

Paul S. Cragan, superintendent, stated that enrollment was just about as anticipated, with slight decrease in some departments as compared to a year ago.

Teachers held their pre-school meeting Saturday. The faculty is complete and includes a greater part of the teachers of last year.

School equipment was placed in good condition during the summer and the buildings were thoroughly cleaned and renovated. Some new equipment was added.

A school cafeteria will be open this year and lunches will be served the children at cost.

The work of organizing classes and registration was carried out efficiently today and prospects are good for a successful term in spite of all war time handicaps.

Wilkes Man Hangs Self On Thursday

R. C. Johnson Takes Own Life; Health Was Bad

R. C. Johnson, 63, ended his life by hanging himself Thursday in the barn at his home in Somers township.

Coroner I. M. Myers, who investigated the death, said it was suicide and deemed an inquest unnecessary. Ill health was the only cause advanced for taking his own life.

Mrs. Johnson told Coroner Myers that her husband ate breakfast that morning, assisted in doing the chores and left about 9:30, presumably to visit the home of a son nearby.

About four o'clock Thursday afternoon his body was found by one of the children. He had used two ropes, both of which were around his neck and tied to a joist in the barn. He had been dead several hours when found.

Surviving Mr. Johnson are his wife and several children.

Stewards to Meet

The monthly meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist church will be held Tuesday evening at 8:15, with Dr. R. M. Brame, Sr.

Egg Like a Bomb

There have been "V" eggs and other kind of freaks, but now it seems that hens are not content with producing food for victory but have gone into the munitions business.

T. M. Roop, of Hays, on Saturday brought to The Journal-Patriot office a small egg in the shape of an aerial bomb. It is a most unusual freak.

BUY WAR BONDS

Baptist Meet Is Planned

Brushy Mountain Association Event Sept. 22

Annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, which includes 42 churches in this vicinity, will be held at Elk Baptist church at Denny on Wednesday, September 22.

Program for the association, as announced by T. E. Story, moderator, and J. F. Jordan, clerk, will be as follows:

General Theme—"The Church in War Time"

9:30—Devotional, Rev. A. J. Foster.

9:45—Adoption of program.

9:50—Local Christian Education—W. M. U. report, Mrs. Geo. Johnson; Training Union report, Edlyn Freerks; Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, D. E. Elledge.

10:30—Music.

10:34—Report on Wilkes Pastor's Conference, Rev. Isaac Watts.

10:50—Hospital and orphanage, Rev. E. V. Waggoner.

Policemen Here Have Busy Day

Work with traffic and investigate three fights.

Policemen here had a busy day in an effort to keep the streets clear for traffic, the officer gave numerous tickets for double parking. Police Chief Walker said this will be continued and that double parking cannot be tolerated.

In addition to almost incessant work with traffic, the officers investigated three fights and made a total of 17 arrests for drunkenness Saturday.

The most serious of the fights was reported to have been between Atwell Smith, of Pores Knob, and Clyde Curry. Smith, who has no been arrested, is alleged to have inflicted six knife wounds on Curry in an altercation which took place about eight o'clock Saturday evening on Main street.

None of the wounds were deep and Curry was released after hospital treatment.

Waggoner Assisting In Pfeiffer Revival

Rev. A. C. Waggoner is at Pfeiffer College this week assisting the pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. C. B. Ross, in a revival meeting. Mr. Waggoner will return Saturday.

Mr. S. R. Laws, who holds a position in Washington, D. C., recently spent a few days at Moreau Falls with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Don Laws.

Scouts Enjoy Camp

The Boy Scouts of North Wilkesboro were out of town all last week, enjoying camp life at Winkler's Creek near Boone and at Mortimer in Caldwell county.

Troop number 35 was at Winkler's Creek for a week. Those who alternated in spending part of the week with the Scouts were Scoutmaster and Mrs. H. T. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ababer, Rev. A. C. Waggoner, Ed Caudill, Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., Harvel Howell, J. B. Carter.

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DUMMIE BROTHERS IN SERVICE



Pvt. Dummie Bangarner, left, was wounded in battle during the Sicily campaign and received the Purple Heart award. He received wounds in his shoulder and left side. Sgt. Bangarner also participated in North African campaign prior to the invasion of Sicily. At left is Seaman Glenn Bangarner, who is stationed at a naval base in California. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Rom L. Bangarner, of Wilkesboro, and were volunteers in their respective branches of the service.

Gas Mask Meeting to Be Friday

All civilian defense workers to get masks here.

Mr. Nelson, assistant war gas school at Chapel Hill, will demonstrate the use and care of gas masks.

All firemen, auxiliary firemen, police and auxiliary police, air raid wardens and others who must be on duty during blackouts and in case of air raids are asked to attend the meeting Friday night.

Legal Advisor To Service Men

Attorney J. F. Jordan, of Wilkesboro, has been appointed by Major Charles R. Jonas, Selective Service officer, as chairman of the legal aid sub-committee of the North Carolina bar association for Wilkes county.

This work is to make it possible for service men and their families to secure advice on their rights under the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief act and other legislation.

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Urges Farmers To Order Lime Now For Use This Fall

Lime May Be Purchased With Payment Deducted from Program Earnings

Wilkes farmers may secure lime now to use with fall crops, S. L. Turner, Triple A executive secretary, said today.

The lime may be paid for with deductions from 1943 or 1944 soil program earnings.

Orders placed immediately can be filled without delay and the lime will be delivered to the farmers who ordered it, Mr. Turner said.

Last year Wilkes was second in the state in amount of lime used, there being 11,123 tons sold to farmers during the year. Buncombe was the only county using a greater amount.

Kiwanians Have Meeting At Noon Friday

Club Supports Sunday Beer Sales Ban Proposal; Rev. J. C. Canipe Speaks

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club in meeting Friday noon heard an inspiring address by Rev. J. C. Canipe, of Boone. Also of interest was the club's endorsement of the proposal to ban sales of wine and beer on Sundays.

Rev. Howard J. Ford brought to the attention of the club the matter of recent consideration concerning the sale of beer and wine on Saturday night and Sunday. He stated that resolutions had recently been submitted to the boards of commissioners of the towns and the county, representing about 7,000 people. He made a forceful talk supporting the move to stop the sale of beer and wine over the week-ends and made a motion that the club support the idea. The motion was seconded by J. R. Finley and discussed by Pat Williams, C. B. Eller, H. H. Morehouse and Rev. A. C. Waggoner. There was an almost unanimous vote for the motion and none against it.

Program Chairman H. H. Morehouse, who is chairman of the Committee on Support of Churches, stated his committee had already put on two programs this year and that today's program would be the third. He asked Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., to present the speaker, Rev. J. C. Canipe, of Boone, who made a most forceful talk on the subject, "Keeping Up The Home Front."

He stated he had had many letters from boys in every part of the world who are on the fighting fields of a world war. Invariably he said they expressed an interest in things religious. He then said we on the home front are not going all the way in our zeal or effort in supporting the church liberties they are fighting to preserve. His talk was a challenge to every thoughtful man to make his church a dynamic place of religious activity so which our boys would be glad to come back to at the end of the conflict.

He said there are five institutions that American people cherish. They are business, government, the public school, the church and the home. The church and the home are based in God. The other three of these institutions prosper only insofar as we magnify the church and the home. His talk was much enjoyed by the members.

Mrs. Jim Young, of Elkin, underwent a tonsil operation Thursday at the Wilkes hospital.

Tal Pearson's 10th Street Store Open

New Stock Of Merchandise; Invites Patronage Of The Public

The Tal J. Pearson Grocery Company is doing business again at the same old stand on Tenth street, the owner of the business, Tal J. Pearson, announced today.

The store building, badly damaged by the destructive fire which took place a month ago, has been re-built by T. H. Settle's crew of workmen, and the interior has been repainted. This work has placed the building in first-class condition, and in readiness for serving the firm's many patrons in this and adjoining counties.

The stock of merchandise carried by the firm is brand new merchandise, made possible by the arrival of goods bought before the fire.

The Tal J. Pearson Grocery Company is well stocked with fresh groceries, flours, feeds and meat, and merchants, as well as the general public, are cordially invited to call on the firm for their needs. All patronage will be appreciated by Mr. Pearson.

Business Class At City Schools

Classes Of Out-Of-School Persons Will Open Wednesday Afternoon

Commercial classes for out-of-school persons will open in North Wilkesboro school Wednesday afternoon, three o'clock.

These classes, which are carried out in cooperation with the state department of vocational education, will be taught by Miss Eva Alexander, commercial teacher in the high school here, and there will be no tuition charges, the only cost being supplies and typewriter use fee.

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