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Lentz, Scott Freed

Judge Parker Directs A Verdict Of Acquittal

Judge R. Hunt Parker Friday afternoon directed verdict of acquittal clearing Lt. W. B. Lentz...

At the end of all the evidence in the case Judge Parker allowed the motion for non-suit as made by defense attorneys.

Commenting on the case in making the non-suit order, Judge Parker said the state had utterly failed to show that the defendants or either of them had stolen or unlawfully possessed any liquor.

However, he stated that because of state-wide interest in the case that he had allowed both sides great latitude in introduction of testimony in order that all the facts available might be brought out.

Judge Parker said he was impressed with the great array of characted witnesses, totaling 43 and coming from many parts of the state, who testified as to the good character of Lt. Lentz and Agent Scott.

The jurist highly commended Solicitor Avalon E. Hall and members of the defense counsel for their conduct of the case.

Attorneys for Lentz and Scott were Eugene Trivette, of this city; J. E. Holshouser, of Boone, Marion Allen and Hoke F. Henderson, of Elkin, and Thad Reece, of Yadkin.

Lentz and Scott were indicted by the Wilkes grand jury at the August term of court, the indictment charging larceny and possession of 90 cases of liquor in a seizure of 697 cases from the premises of Phillip Yates on June 1.

Governor J. M. Broughton called a special term of court for trial of the cases and trial of Yates. But Yates, although he was called out, failed to show up for trial.

Case for the state failed to show, as Judge Parker pointed out, larceny of any liquor or unlawful possession. Sgt. Carlyle Ingle, of the state highway patrol, testified that he saw what appeared to be cases of liquor in cars of Lentz and Scott.

Scott testified that he did not handle any liquor and did not at any time have any liquor. Lentz's testimony was corroborated by other members of the State Highway Patrol who participated in the raid.

A jury chosen from a special venire from Yadkin county heard the case, which ended at the close of testimony.

YATES BOND \$25,000.— Judge Parker ordered that capias be issued for Phillip Yates and his bond was set at \$25,000.

Want Ad. Results In Recovery Of A Stolen Bicycle

On Thursday Police Chief J. E. Walker inserted an advertisement in The Journal-Patriot asking information about a bicycle belonging to Dwight Pardue and which was stolen here.

To the People of this Community:

HURRY-UP JOB: The Third War Loan is a hurry-up job for the home front. The government must rush billions of dollars to the fighting fronts in the form of extra munitions.

3rd WAR LOAN

Buy an Extra \$100 Bond. It's actually a matter of life or death for Americans in uniform. Once the invasion got under way we committed ourselves to the use of large numbers of troops and great stores of supplies.

Your job is to see to it that there is no shortage of anything needed to make the invasion swift and sure. We do not want another Bataan or Corregidor. Get that extra War Bond today. Show that you are with our boys in this critical hour of invasion.

Children At Ronda Sell Many Bonds

Sales Total \$8,702.60 In First Week Of Drive

The Ronda central school, having already sold \$8,702.60 in bonds and stamps in the Third War loan, is doing a fine piece of work in connection with the War Bond and Stamp Drive.

Principal E. R. Spraff and his faculty have worked out a program for the year's Stamp and Bond purchases that seems to be a good one. It is called "The March of Victory".

The idea is as follows: In order not to work a hardship at the post office, the school is divided into three groups, and on appointed days, of each week, the group forms at the flag pole and marches to the post office, for the purchase of War Stamps.

The students get recognition in proportion to the amount of purchases. For example when a student becomes a First Class Private, he advances in rank as his book fills up.

Each grade has a thermometer on the bulletin board in the school hall, which shows from week to week the progress being made by that grade.

Greer Speaker Associational Meet Sept. 26th

Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of Mills Home at Thomasville, will deliver an address at Stony Ridge church on Sunday, September 26, 11 a. m.

The address of Dr. Greer will be the climax of a three-day program of the Stone Mountain Baptist association, which will begin its session on Friday, September 24.

Only Third Of Quota Of War Bonds Raised

Byers, Employee Of Phillip Yates, Gets Fine of \$200

J. F. Byers, an employee of Phillip Yates, was given a fine of \$200 last week by Judge R. Hunt Parker during the special term of superior court; also a suspended sentence of 12 months, and placed under probation for three years.

Byers, it was disclosed in the evidence, was employed by Yates to operate his service station located on Highway 421, about twelve miles west of the city.

On the night of June 1st, when Yates' home was raided by state patrol, and SBI agents, Byers was found in possession of the service station which contained a number of broken cases in a back room.

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Rations

SUGAR—Stamp 14, good for five pounds of sugar until after October 31. Stamps 15 and 16 now may be used to obtain sugar for canning, good for five pounds each, valid until October 31.

GASOLINE—Coupons No. 6 in A book good for three gallons became effective July 22 and will expire November 21.

SHOES—Coupon 18 in the sugar and coffee ration book valid for one pair of shoes expires October 31.

FOOD—Blue stamps R, S, T will be good through Sept. 20. Blue stamps U, V and W became valid September 1 and will remain valid through October 20.

Red stamps X, Y and Z, now valid for the purchase of meats, fats oil and cheese, will expire October 2. Brown stamps in War Ration Book No. 3 started becoming valid September 12, beginning with A.

FUEL OIL—New No. 1 coupon Class 4 sheet, good for 10 gallons (1 unit) expires January 3; new No. 1 coupon Class 5 sheet, good for 50 gallons (5 units) expires January 3; new No. 1 coupon Class 6 sheet, good for 10 gallons (1 unit), expires September 30; old No. 5 coupons, Class 2 sheet, good for 100 gallons (10 units), expires September 30.

\$382,187 Is Amount to Date In Third War Loan; Early Action to Back Up the Attack Is Urgently Asked

War bonds sales to date in the Third War Loan Campaign total \$382,187, W. D. Halfacre, chairman, said today.

This represents only about one-third of the quota set for Wilkes county.

Ration Book 4 In Oct.

School Superintendent Is Told That Book 4 Is On Way

You are going to get another ration book.

The new one will be book number 4.

Paul S. Cragan, superintendent of North Wilkesboro schools, has received notice to be prepared to distribute book 4 during the latter part of October.

Rationing officials here have received notice of the distribution of book 4, or what it is to be used for.

Sunday Ban On Beer, Wine Sale Effective Oct. 1

Order Passed By County Commissioners and City Board Effective Soon

Order of the county commissions banning the sale of wine and beer in Wilkes county from 11:30 p. m. on Saturdays to seven a. m. on Mondays will go into effect on October 1.

The commissioners in meeting recently at a public hearing on the proposal passed the order and made the effective date October 1st.

The proposal to ban sale of beer and wine on Sundays was placed before the board last month by committees representing the churches of the Wilkesboros and many rural churches.

The town of North Wilkesboro also passed an ordinance to the same effect and it will go into effect on the same date, October 1.

More bonds for victory.

Mrs. P. W. Eshelman, publicity chairman for the Third War Loan, points out that the amount raised to date is only a beginning and that many more people must purchase bonds in order to reach the goal.

REAL JOB AHEAD

The attack phase of the war has just begun and the real job of defeating the axis powers and assuring freedom for ourselves and other peoples of the earth lies ahead.

Offensive operations in war are costly, costly in human lives and in equipment, which costs money.

More bonds bought by the people at home mean more equipment for the fighting men who daily are giving their lives.

More equipment, more war materials, mean that the brave fighting men may win the great job earlier.

BUY BONDS—SAVE LIVES

Buy more bonds, shorten the war and thus save the lives of American men. That is the direct appeal that the Third War Loan carries to you.

First hand reports from Italy indicate that casualties were very heavy in the Salerno section of the Italian invasion.

This means that parents will be receiving telegrams from the war department informing them their sons died in action, or were wounded.

BACK THE ATTACK

People of Wilkes county at home and in security are asked to back up those boys who are attacking. They are asked to lend, not give, their money for prosecution of the war.

Those who are buying bonds regularly are asked to buy an extra \$100 in bonds during this month.

FRIDAY BIG DAY

"Back Salerno Day" was observed Friday and there was a liberal response. Local bond issuing agents reported an increase in the sale of bonds.

The amount sold to date includes some substantial purchases by outside corporations doing business in Wilkes county. Mr. Half-acre today listed \$25,000 from International Shoe company, St. Louis, Mo.; \$25,000 from Duke Power company, Charlotte; and \$5,000 from Central Electric and Telephone company.

Misses Alice Cassel and Anna Jean Garwood, students of Lenoir-Rhyne College, located in Hickory, visited home folk over the week-end.

To the People of this Community:

PLAIN WARNING TO YOU: Here is a plain warning to you.

"This war will last until 1946 or longer if the home front fails to back up our men in battle"

Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy

Buying War Bonds to the point of temporary personal sacrifice is the most direct way you can comply with Secretary Knox's appeal.

"Temporary sacrifice" is the correct phrase because you are only lending your money when you buy War Bonds. This government which never has defaulted on an obligation will pay you back \$4 for every \$3 invested if you hold the bonds for 10 years.

The least you can do is to back the attack with War Bonds to day. Buy extra Bonds above your normal Bond buying.

THE EDITOR

Officers To Meet Here On Tuesday

Judge Hayes Speaker Here For Officers' Conference

Law enforcement officers from many northwestern North Carolina counties will gather here Tuesday afternoon for their quarterly conference.

Edward Scheidt, chief of the office in Charlotte, will be in charge of the conference.

All federal, state, county and municipal law enforcement officers are invited to attend the conference. Of especial interest to the officers will be discussion of means with dealing with espionage, sabotage and other war time crimes.

Federal Judge Johnson J. Hayes will address the officers as one feature of the program.

The conference will open at two o'clock at Hotel Wilkes. In addition to regular law enforcement officers, auxiliary policemen and air raid wardens are asked to attend.

100-Year-Old Man In City On Saturday

J. E. Luther, 100-year-old Confederate veteran of Deep Gap section of Watauga county, was among the many North Wilkesboro visitors Saturday. Mr. Luther celebrated his 100th birthday on Friday, September 10th, with about 150 relatives and friends.

Mr. Luther, well and hearty, certainly gets around in a splendid manner, and apparently will live many more years.

While in the city, Mr. Luther visited The Journal-Patriot office.

Money can fight, buy bonds.

Allies Gain In Italy

Italians Drive Nazi Forces From Sardinia

The Germans have evacuated Sardinia under attacks by the Italian garrison in a surprise development opening a big new offensive base to the Allies while on the Salerno front the Fifth Army has rolled up the German left flank, capturing Batipaglia and Altavilla, it was announced yesterday.

Giving up to the Allies a base nearly as big as Sicily, the Germans were reported in advices here to have virtually completed the evacuation of the 9,187-square mile Italian island, moving across the narrow Strait of St. Bonafacio to French Corsica.

(A BBC broadcast which did specify a source said that French patriots together with Italian occupation troops had seized Ajaccio, largest city on Corsica and Napoleon's birthplace, in sharp fighting with the Germans.)

The Italians turned on the Germans in a surprise with Marshal Pietro Badoglio's grandiose instructions, reports to headquarters said. With the Nazis departure it presumably will be only a matter of time before the Allies formally occupy Sardinia with its excellent harbors and important strategic situation.

TWIN ATTACKS OFFER A DARE TO NIP FLEET

Strong United States Pacific Forces, in their second surprise assault of the month on defenses guarding the approaches to Tokyo, pounded two big Japanese bases in the Gilbert Island area for almost 24 hours in twin attacks ending Sunday.

Tarawa Island, in the Northern Gilberts, and off-bombed Nauru 420 miles to the west, were the targets for the latest smashes at the Japanese outer-island chain in the South Pacific, presumably by a carrier task force from the powerful U. S. Pacific fleet.

A communique issued by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet Commander in Chief, told of the raid which followed a smashing carrier-borne assault on Marcus Island, 1,185 miles from Tokyo, on September 1st.

As in the Marcus raid results of the latest attack probably will not be revealed until the ships participating could break radio silence without tipping their position to the Japanese.

REDS CRACK NAZIS' DEFENSE AT SMOLENSK

London.—Soviet troops, driving forward on nine fronts yesterday and captured more than 1,200 towns smashed German defenses 30 miles northeast and east of Smolensk, moved within 26 miles of the Dnieper at Zaporozhe and closed in to 35 miles of Kiev.

Pounding after the retreating Germans in an advance that rivalled the speed with which the Nazis overran the same territory in 1941, Soviet troops stormed and captured the important rail junction of Krasnogard and threatened to encircle huge enemy units in Ukraine.

Farmers Asked To Produce Big Crop Of Small Grain; Farm Meetings Throughout County Planned

By J. B. SNIPES, County Agent

The number one problem facing our country today is trying to produce enough food to feed the people all over the world. 1944 will be the most trying year in the history of agriculture due to the fact that the surplus which we had on hand will be greatly reduced by that time. Larger quantities of food are necessary to take

care of the additional millions of people that we will have to help feed.

Right now is the time for our farmers to start their 1944 farm planning. Our farmers will agree that more food and feed can be produced from small grain than by row crops which have to be cultivated throughout the summer. In order to take care of our farm and home needs next year, it is necessary that we seed more small grain this fall for food and feed and more legumes for spring hay crops, more temporary and

permanent pastures for our animals, and more crops for our poultry. Hogs also make more economical gains if they are allowed some grazing.

We plan to hold 25 or 30 community meetings over the county for the purpose of explaining the 1944 food and feed program. We would like especially to urge our farm men, women, boys and girls to attend one of these meetings and help work out a farm plan which is particularly adaptable to your community. Each community in the county has various farm problems and we would like for

you to come prepared to discuss these problems and we will try to reach some solution for these problems. We would especially like to contact as many of our farm people as possible during the next few weeks and this can best be done by holding night meetings throughout the county. Below we are listing 15 meetings which will be held starting Monday night, September 27, and continuing on through Friday night, October 1. All meetings will be held at 7:30 Eastern War Time. We will list the other groups of meetings at a later date.

Monday night, Sept. 27—Pleasant school; Champion at Mt. Pleasant school; Shepherds Cross Roads.

Tuesday night, Sept. 28—Gus Myers' store at Cycle; Traphill school; Clingman school.

Wednesday night, Sept. 29—Mulberry school; Roaring River school; Austin school.

Thursday night, Sept. 30—Farrar at V. M. Charvat's store; Mt. View school; Moravian Falls school.

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