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Appeal Is Made For War Fund

\$3000 Needed Now to Put Wilkes Over The Top

National War Fund chest for Wilkes county is still far short of the goal, T. E. Story, chairman, said today.

Approximately \$9,000 has been turned in, but that leaves the fund \$3,000 short of the \$12,000 quota, Chairman Story said.

In commenting on the campaign, Chairman Story pointed out that many persons have not been visited by workers for the fund and that those who send their contributions by mail to him or to W. D. Halfacre, who is treasurer of the fund.

In an urgent appeal to put the drive over the top before the scheduled end of the campaign December 7, anniversary of Pearl Harbor, it was pointed out that in no instance has Wilkes ever failed to meet a quota to help distressed and needy people, and that much of the money will be used to provide food and medical care for destitute and starving people of allied nations. Also included in the chest fund for Wilkes is \$2,500 budget for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

This is a give once for all proposition, and that is why the committee is asking for liberal donations from everybody who can give.

THE MATTER IS URGENT. THE TIME IS SHORT. THE PEOPLE OF WILKES COUNTY CAN PUT THIS DRIVE OVER THE TOP WITH GREAT SACRIFICE ON ANYBODY'S PART. WHAT ARE A FEW DOLLARS COMPARED WITH WHAT THE MEN ARE DOING OVER THERE? ANSWER THIS QUESTION IN YOUR MIND AND THEN MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE NATIONAL WAR FUND.

Serves In Navy



Joe D. Elledge, seaman second class, recently completed his basic training in the navy at Bainbridge, Md., and was promoted to his present rating. He is now stationed at Richmond, Va. Seaman Elledge is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Elledge, of Hays. He is in the medical division of the navy.

RATION POINTS LOWERED FOR MANY MEATS

Steak and roast beef can come to the family table more often beginning Sunday — ration costs of all beef were cut one to three points a pound yesterday. Announcement of the cuts was relayed to district OPA offices from the Office of Price Administration in Washington.

In the other ration changes, OPA sharply reduced point costs of many canned vegetables and made canned grapefruit, orange and sauerkraut juice point free.

On the other side, point costs of cheeses and canned fish were raised. American cheese advanced from 1 to 1 1/2 points a pound and all canned fish except oysters from 12 to 16 points. Oysters go down one point to four a pound.

All the changes are effective Sunday. Reduction in pork ration costs, previously had been announced.

OPA said beef ration costs are being reduced because retail stores will have 1,300,000,000 pounds of meat to sell in December compared with about 1,000,000,000 pounds in November. Porterhouse steak drops from 12 to 9 points, top round from 13 to 10, 10-inch rib roast from 9 to 6, and rump roast from 8 to 5. The cut on hamburger is one point, from 7 to 6.

Release of additional stocks by the War Food administration enabled OPA to reduce point costs on some canned foods. It slashed the cost of green or waxed beans (No. 2 can) from 3 to 5 points, carrots, from 8 to 5, spinach from 19 to 12, and baked beans from 14 to 10.

Butter, still scarce, continues at 16 points a pound and oleomargarine at 6 points.

MASONIC NOTICE

Local chapter of R. A. M. will meet on Friday evening, seven o'clock.

Heads Of 3 Nations Talk War

Roosevelt, Churchill, Chiang Kiashek Confer

Cairo.—President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and President Chiang Kaishek have held an historic five-day conference, have bounded their nations in an agreement to beat Japan into unconditional surrender and to strip her of all her imperialistic gains of the last half century, and have left for unannounced destinations.

(In Washington it was assumed that an even more important meeting, particularly on the European phases of the war, would be held with Premier Joseph Stalin of Russia. Reuters dispatches from Lisbon, Portugal, said the three had left for Teheran, capital of Iran, there to meet Stalin in the biggest United Nations conference of the war.

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In an extraordinary atmosphere of secrecy and precaution, the three leaders of the United States, Britain and China, representing more than 1,000,000,000 people, counting all those of the British Empire, met for five days from Nov. 23 through Nov. 28 while surrounded by the highest galaxy of military, supply and political advisers, and departed at least three days before the news was given to the public.

A communique issued at the close declared they had agreed upon a plan of military operations against Japan which would "bring unrelenting pressure against their brutal enemies by sea, land and air."

Christmas Cards Go Overseas Only As 1st Class Mail

Postmaster J. C. Reins has called attention to the fact that Christmas cards mailed to overseas addresses must be with full first class postage.

Some cards have been mailed with only one and one-half cent postage, and these cards do not go overseas. They go into the mail waste baskets.

MAIL EARLY—Attention is also called to the fact that Christmas mail addressed to points within this country should be mailed by December 10.

Mails will be delayed this year with Christmas mail, and there will be no assurance that late mail will reach the persons to whom it was intended by Christmas. To be on the safe side, mail now, is the advice from postal authorities.

Mrs. J. P. Elledge Last Rites Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Paulina Hayes Elledge, age 85, was held today at Mountain View Baptist church.

Mrs. Elledge, widow of the late Joe P. Elledge, died at her home Tuesday morning. Her husband was a trustee of Mountain View Institute from the time it was founded until his death several years ago.

Surviving Mrs. Elledge are four sons and one daughter: W. W. Elledge, who resides in Idaho; M. C. Elledge, of Thomasville; Timothy and Sherman Elledge and Mrs. C. E. Billings, of Hays.

Last rites were conducted by Rev. A. B. Hayes and Rev. J. E. Hayes. Burial was in Bethel cemetery.

Wounded In Italy



Pvt. Clifton W. Wheatley, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Wheatley, of Hays, was wounded in action in Italy on November 8, according to information received from the War Department. No details of his injuries were contained in the official message received by his parents. Pvt. Wheatley has been overseas eight months. He saw action in three battles in North Africa and in the Victory parade. He also went through the Sicilian campaign before going with invasion forces into Italy. Pvt. Wheatley entered service in November, 1942, and received training at Camp Wheeler, Ga. Previously he was employed at the Dan River cotton mills at Schoolfield, Va.

U.S. Lost 1,029 In Gilberts

Total Casualties Are 2,680 In Taking Islands

American Marines and army troops lost 1,092 killed and 2,680 wounded, on the basis of preliminary reports, in their conquest of the mid-Pacific Gilbert Islands, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced yesterday.

But for their total of 3,772 casualties, in what Nimitz himself called the toughest battle United States forces ever fought in the Pacific, the American men wiped out an estimated 6,000 Japanese—all but a handful killed—and won an invaluable springboard for the offensive toward Japan.

Nimitz, who visited the islands last Sunday, admitted frankly that Tarawa, where the Second Marine Division from Guadalcaanal bore the great preponderance of enemy resistance, was a great deal tougher than had been expected.

Legion Will Meet On Friday Night

Wilkes post of the American Legion will meet Friday night, 7:30, at Yaddin Valley Motor company on Ninth street. A large attendance is urged.

Pfc. Dan E. Smoak In Army Hospital

Soldier Reported Missing Is Heard From; Been In Hospital Since Oct. 18

Pfc. Dan E. Smoak, son of Mrs. Beatrice Barnes, of this city, who had been reported missing in action in Italy since October 18, wrote a letter from a North African hospital dated November 3rd, stating he had been there since October 18th. He flew from Italy to Sicily, then to Bizerte and took a boat on in.

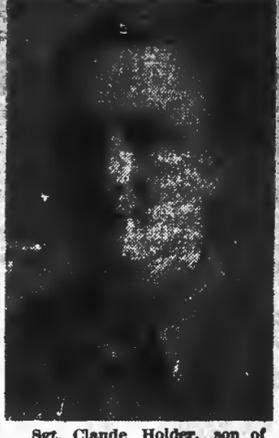
Pfc. Smoak was inducted into the army the 16th of November, 1942. He was placed in the Infantry and sent to Camp Walters, Texas, where he took his basic training and then was sent to Greenville, Pa., to a replacement center, where he received his APO number. From there he went to New Jersey and then to New York.

He was sent overseas in four months and landed in Africa the 31st of March, 1943. He spent about four months training in Africa, then from there to Sicily where he saw action in the Sicilian campaign, then was taken from the 7th Army into the 5th Army in Italy where he saw action until October 18th, when he was reported missing.

The many friends of young Smoak are rejoicing to hear of his safety in a North African hospital.

Money can fight, buy bonds.

Now In Sicily



Sgt. Claude Holder, son of Will Holder, of Hays, is now with U. S. forces in Sicily. Sgt. Holder writes that he is getting along o. k. and to tell everybody "hello".

Report Of Wilkes County Library For Year Is Made

The board of trustees of the Wilkes County Public Library met recently with the State Librarian, Miss Marjorie Beale and conferred and advised with her, concerning the local library.

Articles of incorporation were drawn up and submitted for action.

Plans were made to enlarge the scope and increase the circulation of the library by forming small library groups in the isolated and distant parts of the county where residents are unable to individually reach the library. Responsible persons would be appointed as community librarians, who would receive and distribute books in their district; keeping track of the books distributed to them.

The books could be handled through parcel post or through the community librarian personally from the library, or in those district where Home Demonstration Clubs are operating, through the club. Communities interested should contact the board of trustees' secretary, Mrs. J. C. Reins, North Wilkesboro, or Mrs. Annie E. Greene, the county home agent.

National Book Week with the slogan, "Building the Future with Books", was observed by the library from November 14th to 20th. The circulation for the week was, juvenile 315, adult 280, total 595.

Some of the new books are:

Juvenile:
 "Just Around the Corner".
 "Puppies for Keeps".
 "Soldiers, Sailors, Fliers and Marines".
 "Lucky Little Lena".
 "Enjoying Our Lang".
 "Big Red". (Horse story).
 "Willy Nilly, the Penguin".
 "Nicomodemus Helps Uncle Sam".
 "The Happy Book". (pictures).
 "House Boat Summer".
 "Santa Claus In Santa Land".

Adults:
 "The Robe". Fiction.
 "Under Cover". Non-fiction.
 "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo".
 "Journey Among Warriors".

Curie.
 "Men In Motion". Taylor.
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K. Of P. Meeting

There will be second rank work in the Knights of Pythias lodge meeting Monday night, 7:30, and a large attendance is requested.

Returns To Camp

Pvt. Sam Pierce has returned to Camp Ellis, Ill., after spending eight days furlough with relatives here. Pvt. Pierce before entering the army held a position with Miles-Lang Grocery company here.

Pulpwood Cutting Is Speeded

6000 Cords Marketed In Wilkes County Recently

M. B. Bryan, extension farm forester and chairman of the newspaper's pulpwood drive committee in Wilkes county, today reported that more than 6,000 cords of pulpwood have been marketed in Wilkes during the past few months.

Mr. Bryan said that pulpwood cutting is just now getting into stride in Wilkes since farmers who have completed harvesting their crops now have time to devote to cutting pulpwood, which provides them with a good source of income while helping a vital phase of the all out war effort.

The slogan in the pulpwood drive is to cut an extra cord for every man in service from the county between November 11 and December 11. It appears that if the present pace is kept up the goal will be reached in Wilkes.

Following is Chairman Bryan's report on the campaign, together with some helpful advice to farmers:

"The people of Wilkes county have responded admirably to the call for more pulpwood. A rough check of shipments from the county since July 1st shows that approximately 5000 units or over 6,000 standard cords of pulpwood have gone out of the county in that five-month period. The greater part of the shipments originated in North Wilkesboro with smaller amounts from Roaring River, Ronda, and Elkin.

"This record should not slow us down in our efforts to get out pulpwood because the need is even more serious now than it has been at any time in the past. With the winter just coming on and most of the farm work completed for this season, now is the time to really begin to cut pulpwood.

"Now is the time to dispose of rough and defective timber that is not fit for lumber and the time to thin out our young timber stands by removing the rough, crooked trees and leaving a stand of straight, healthy trees to grow high quality timber for our future needs.

"Our government is continually urging us to produce more pulpwood but it does not want us to resort to destructive methods of cutting to fill our needs. Let us put the rough, low quality trees into pulpwood and leave the high quality trees for our present and future lumber supply."

News Of Girl Scout Work In This Vicinity

Girl Scout leaders of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro will meet for their final training session with Robertine K. McCleendon, traveling Girl Scout executive secretary, on Monday night, December 6, from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock in the Girl Scout office in the city hall.

"The Girl Scout organization has long believed in giving the best possible training to all its volunteer workers," Mrs. R. T. McNeil, training chairman of the local Girl Scout council said: "That is one reason, and maybe the biggest one, why the council makes it possible for our own leaders to take their training at home with traveling professional Girl Scout workers trained especially to give them the help they need. In the six weeks that Miss McCleendon has been here, all our leaders have had special conferences with her to plan their troops, work, considering the needs of the girls in their troops. We all feel that our girls have a rich year ahead in their program activities. Now as never before we must strengthen our Wilkesboro girl-power so that it will be available for increased community service."

The regular monthly meeting of the Girl Scout Council will be held on Monday afternoon, December 6, at 4:40 o'clock in the Girl Scout office in the city hall. Mrs. T. A. Flaley, commissary, will preside over the meeting. Full committee reports will be on the agenda.

The Girl Scouts are a local agency of the United War fund.

MATCHES, 6 boxes for 24¢

N. B. C.—
RITZ lb. box 25¢

NORTHERN—
TISSUE, 2 rolls 10¢

Market Spec

FOOD—Brown stamps, Book 3, meats and fats G, H, J, K, expire December 4, L and M expire January 1. Green stamps Book 4, processed foods, A, B, C, expire December 20. D, E, F and V expire December 1, expire January 20.

FUEL OIL—New No. 1 coupon, Class 4 sheet, good for 10 gallons (1 unit), expires Jan. 1. 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 150 gallons (15 units), expires January 8.

All Subscriptions Not Paid In Advance by January 1 Will Be Taken From List

Names of all persons whose subscriptions to the Journal-Patriot are not paid in advance by January 1 will be immediately removed from the mailing list.

The circulation of The Journal-Patriot has been growing by leaps and bounds, and with the newsprint shortage so acute, it is imperative that no papers be sent to persons whose subscriptions are not paid in advance.

Like everything else, the cost of producing your paper has been going up, but the subscription price remains the same—\$1.50 per year in North Carolina and \$2.00 per year to any point outside of North Carolina.

Many other newspapers, some in this part of the state, have recently raised their subscription price, and if subscribers do not pay promptly it may be necessary to raise the subscription price of The Journal-Patriot, a step we do not want to take unless absolutely necessary to continue rendering good newspaper service.

All readers of this newspaper are hereby given notice that after January 1 all subscriptions must be paid in advance, and all will be treated with the same policy.

Examine your address label now. The first figure means the month and the second the year, in which your subscription expires. For instance: 12-43 means your subscription has just expired with the beginning of this month.

If your subscription is not paid in advance, you have through December 31 to pay it in advance and make sure that your paper will continue to arrive. After January 1 all names will be removed from the subscription lists as the subscriptions expire, unless renewals are received prior to expiration date.

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