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Allies In Victories

Yanks Gain; Russians Advance; Jap Ships Hit

American troops have captured Giusto in a bitter house-to-house struggle with British forces have now hammered nearly half-way through the solid six-mile German defense belt girdling Cassino. It was announced yesterday.

The Germans were reported counterattacking furiously in the hills to the northeast where Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's American right wing was threatening to turn their Rome road positions and a new battle was raging for Monte Majo which the allies had taken Wednesday.

The Red Army struck to within 33 miles of the main German escape railway between Odessa and Warsaw yesterday with the capture of Khornische, threatening to inflict the war's worst disaster, hundreds of thousands of Germans in Southern Russia.

Two powerful armies under Generals Nikolai F. Vatutin and Ivan S. Konev swept through 110 more towns and hamlets, killed 2,300 Germans in two actions alone, beat off scattered enemy counterattacks, and captured immense booty, said a Moscow-broadcast-communicé recorded by the Soviet Monitor.

American airmen, in day and night attacks to support marines driving on enemy held Borgen Bay on New Britain, have sunk or damaged eight more Japanese barges and shot down 10 additional enemy planes. It was announced today.

The continued pounding of Japanese installations, shipping, and airdromes was disclosed in General Douglas MacArthur's daily communique, which also reported that marines had clashed with Japanese remnants in the hills south of the Cape Gloucester airstrips, but that the ground situation generally was unchanged as of Friday.

Funeral Today For Miss Faw

Funeral service for Miss Lena Mae Faw, age 51, well known resident of this city, was held this afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. George W. Johnson, Jr.

Miss Faw died Saturday evening. She had been in ill health for several months and critically ill for a week.

For many years Miss Faw had been engaged in bookkeeping work in North Wilkesboro and for the past several years was a member of the personnel of Jenkins Hardware company.

She was a daughter of the late Allen D. Faw, and Mrs. Roxie Churrh Faw Johnson, of North Wilkesboro. Surviving are her mother, one half brother, Hilton Johnson, and one half sister, Mrs. Clay Pardue. Miss Faw was a sister of the late Mrs. T. B. Scott, who lived in Norfolk, Va. (Continued On Page Four)

EGG DRYING TO START AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY

TWO SHIFTS TO BEGIN ON EGGS AT COBLE DAIRY PLANT

Egg drying will be resumed Wednesday morning at Coble Dairy Products company plant in Wilkesboro.

Company officials said today that four carloads of eggs have already been bought in preparation to begin dehydration, and that operations will begin with a total of about 150 employees working in two shifts.

Egg drying stations are already operating in five states and efforts will be made to purchase sufficient eggs during the spring and summer months to keep the plant operating at full capacity throughout the year.

Many millions of eggs were processed into powder last year at the Coble plant and shipped to all parts of the earth, principally as concentrated food for men of the armed forces and for lend-lease use.

The amount of eggs which can be handled is practically unlimited, and thus all surplus eggs are taken from the market, resulting in price stabilization.

Killed In Action



PFC. GEORGE WELLBORN

Wilkes Soldier Killed On Makin Islands Nov. 24

PFC. GEORGE WELLBORN LOSES LIFE IN GILBERTS

Pfc. George Wellborn was killed in action on Makin island during the invasion of the Gilbert islands on November 25, according to news received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wellborn, of Ronda.

Pvt. Wellborn was a member of the famous "Fighting 69th Infantry", which made a heroic assault on Makin island. The regiment was commanded by Col. James Gardiner Conroy, of New York, who was killed at the head of his troops.

Pfc. Wellborn was 28 years of age. He was inducted into the service on April 11, 1941, and received training in a number of camps. Prior to his induction he had graduated from Ronda high school with the class of 1935 and in his community was known for his good character and industriousness.

Surviving Pfc. Wellborn are his father and mother and the following brothers and sisters: Weas, Kenneth, Charles and Pless Wellborn, all of Ronda; Pettis Wellborn, of Roaring River; Mrs. Charith Wilmoth, of Jonesville; and Mrs. Ethel Mitchell, of Cleveland.

Workers Needed

Employment Service office here has an urgent call for laborers at Coble Dairy Products company plant in Wilkesboro and for carpenters at Cherry Point.

"The enemy watches and listens!"—Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Now In Italy



Pvt. William O. Church, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Church, of Purlear, is somewhere in Italy. Pvt. Church entered service March 13, 1943, received his basic training at Camp Robinson, Ark., and a medal for rifle marksmanship. In recent letters home he stated he was o. k. and to tell all his friends "hello".

This Newspaper Wins Pulpwood Campaign Award of Merit

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Promoted



First Lieutenant Lawrence A. Miller received official notice of his promotion to his present rank on December 29 at Camp Davis, where he has been for the past six months as commanding officer of the supply Division. Lt. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Miller, of North Wilkesboro route three, was executive officer of the Wilkes Triple A before volunteering for service. His wife holds a position at Camp Davis and their son is in school.

Neal Explains 4th War Loan to Kiwanis Friday

Club Has Interesting Meeting Featured by Address War Finance Chairman

W. H. Neal, vice president of Wachovia Bank and Trust company, Winston-Salem, and district chairman of War Finance, on Friday explained the forthcoming Fourth War Loan to the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club in meeting Friday noon.

Prior to the program J. B. Williams called attention to the urgent need of having something done in the community to provide for the housing of scrap paper that the government is now calling for. J. B. Snipes also stated he had contacted with persons who wished to purchase the paper. President A. F. Kilby stated he would investigate the matter and make disposition of the request at the next meeting. W. D. Halfacre acted for J. R. (Continued on page four)

Journal-Patriot, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Dear Editor:

You have cooperated most generously in the 1943 Victory Pulpwood campaign, and I am happy to send you the enclosed Award of Merit as a token of appreciation from the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee of the American Newspaper Publishers Association.

While we cannot yet estimate the results of this newspaper campaign in terms of pulpwood production, I believe we can feel justly proud of our record. Your newspaper, with the support of your local pulpwood committee and your community, has performed a patriotic and vital service for our country and the men (Continued on page five)

RATION NEWS

TRUCK GAS—Gasoline coupons for the first quarter for trucks are not being mailed in Wilkes. Truck operators may call for their coupons at the rationing board office in Wilkesboro.

In calling for gasoline coupons truckers should take their ODT certificates and cover of the expired ration book, together with any unused coupons.

AUTOMOBILES—Any person who transfers a motor vehicle must deliver to the purchaser at the time of the purchase duplicate copies of a receipt issued by the seller's war price and rationing board for outstanding gasoline rations. Without exception, the purchaser of the motor vehicle must present the original of this receipt when applying for his title, and must present the copy to his war price and rationing board when applying for a gasoline ration.

SUGAR—Book 4, stamp 29, good for five pounds, will expire January 15.

GASOLINE—Coupons No. 3 in a book good for three gallons became effective Nov. 9 and will expire February 8.

SHOES—Coupon 18 in the sugar and coffee ration book valid for one pair of shoes has no expiration date. No. 1 stripe stamp in book three became valid November 1 for one pair shoes.

FOOD—Brown stamps, Book 3, E, S, T, expires on Jan. 29. Green stamps, Book 4, processed foods, D, B and F expires on January 30. G, H, and J expires February 30. (Continued on page four)

Injured In Iran



Pfc. Luther B. Billings is in an army hospital in Iran, where he is being treated for a broken leg, according to a letter received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Billings of Hays. Pfc. Billings entered service in May, 1942, received his basic training at Camp Clairborne, La., and sailed for overseas in October, 1942.

Scout District Committees Are Named For Year

District Organization Sets Goal For New Year At Two New Troops Here

Wilkes county district of Boy Scouts has organized for another year of Scout expansion and promotion in Wilkes county.

Last year under the expansion program the number of troops was increased from three to nine and there are now a total of 14 Scout units, including nine white and two colored Scout troops, one white and one colored Cub pack and one Cub neighborhood den.

In a recent meeting of the county committee J. B. Carter was named district chairman for the ensuing year; James M. Anderson vice chairman; and Gordon Finley, district commissioner.

In a meeting of the district committee held during the latter part of the week the following organizations were set up: Carpenters and Paul Osborne, neighborhood commissioner; Robert S. Cobb, chairman; C. B. Elmer (Continued on page four)

Fourth War Loan Quota Is \$843,000

Panel Member



P. Ward Eshelman, president of Wilkes Hosiery Mills company has been named as a member representing industry on the War Labor Board's panel to study and recommend settlements of any labor disputes arising in North Carolina.

Eshelman Named On WLB Group for North Carolina

Wilkes Hosiery Mills Head Named to Membership On Vitaly Important Group

P. W. Eshelman, president and general manager of Wilkes Hosiery Mills company, of this city, has been named on the War Labor Board's panel for settlement of labor disputes in North Carolina.

Mr. Eshelman, who is prominently known in industrial circles throughout the south, will be a member of industry's group on the panel. Other groups represent the public and labor.

The following article used in the daily newspapers explains the functions of the panels:

Settlement of North Carolina's wartime labor disputes, through the aid of the war labor's three-member hearing panels, is being carried to the state's "grass roots" these days.

Under WLB procedure, when workers and management disagree, representatives of North Carolina labor, industry and the public go to the scene of the labor dispute, study the case, and recommend settlement.

"This system gives both worker and management the right to have his case heard by a three-member group composed of North Carolina people who are familiar and sympathetic with North Carolina conditions," said M. T. Van Hecke, dean of the University of North Carolina law school, and chairman of the fourth regional war labor board.

"The panel member knows of special problems or conditions which may exist in the locality of the dispute, and can reach a agreement where persons not familiar with the situation (Continued On Page Four)

Now Recovering



Pfc. King D. Key received a leg wound during the capture of Iwo Jima, and is now recovering in a hospital in North Wilkesboro. He has been in service in the marine corps since the outbreak of the war. (Continued on page four)

Campaign Will Open Jan. 18, Close On February 29th

Organization has been set up for the Fourth War Loan campaign in Wilkes county, which will open on January 18.

W. D. Halfacre, was finance chairman for Wilkes, said the county's quota in the Fourth War Loan is \$843,000 in purchase price (not maturity value) on bonds, and must not include purchases by banks, either directly or indirectly.

Included in the overall quota of \$843,000 is a quota of \$238,000 in series E bonds to be purchased by individuals. All series E bonds sold in Wilkes during January and February will be credited on the quota but attention is called to the fact that the series E quota is 40 per cent more than have been purchased in Wilkes in any 60-day period.

The three major purposes of the Fourth War Loan, Mr. Halfacre said, are: to finance the war, to control inflation and provide future security.

For purposes of organization, the county has been divided into districts along lines of central school districts and each school principal will be a district chairman, who will name his own workers. Bonds sold by each district will be credited by districts and from time to time the standing of the various districts will be published.

Subscriptions for bonds, along with the money, will be received by the principals and his named workers. The subscriptions and money will be turned over by the principals to the Bank of North Wilkesboro, which will mail the bonds directly to the purchasers.

North Wilkesboro city school district will not compete with the central districts throughout the county. In North Wilkesboro the bond drive will be in the form of a house-to-house canvass with Mrs. Edd Gardner and Mrs. Gordon Finley being canvass chairman for the city. Workers will call at every home in the city and will take subscriptions for bonds. The canvass will begin immediately after January 18 and people of the city are asked to receive the workers cordially and to buy every bond they can.

Employees who are purchasing bonds on the payroll saving plans are asked to continue to buy them and to buy an extra \$100 bond during the campaign.

Attention of corporation officials and firms who will buy the larger bonds is called to the fact that the bonds for the larger investors will be dated February 1. For bookkeeper convenience they are urged to buy the bonds as near February 1 as possible because of interest calculations.

W. H. Neal, vice president of Wachovia Bank and Trust company, Winston-Salem, and who is district War Finance chairman, was in North Wilkesboro Friday conferring with Mr. Halfacre on plans for the Fourth War Loan. While here Mr. Neal addressed the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club.

Jenkins Heads Polio Campaign In The County

Quota For County To Be Raised This Year \$920; Organization Set Up

C. E. Jenkins, Jr., has been named chairman of the Infantile Paralysis fund campaign for funds in Wilkes county.

Mr. Jenkins said today that an organization is being formed for raising the quota for the county, which has been set at \$920. Bill Marlow will act as publicity chairman for the organization.

Plans for the campaign here do not include a President's Ball, but efforts will be made to give everyone an opportunity to have a part in raising the county's quota.

A great portion of the funds will be used in the county for rehabilitation and treatment of infantile paralysis victims and the remainder will go into the national fund for treatment of the disease and in finance research relative to methods of treatment and prevention.

Further details of the campaign in Wilkes will be announced in a few days, Mr. Jenkins said.