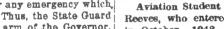


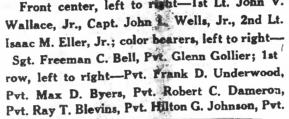
The month of March, 1944, marks the third anniversary of the writing of a new chapter in patriotism in the great history of a great State, for it was in March. 1941, three years ago, that units of the North Carolina State Guard were formed. This chapter was written by a group of unselfish men whose devotion to their country, their state and their community was proved by hard work and without thenght of clerio compensation. Their only return for their voluntary efforts was the self-eatisfaction of a job well done.

The importance of the North Carolina State Guard to the state at large is quickly recognized. During the present emergency, no one is in a position to predict what eventuality may present it-Many, difficulties may arise self. within our borders; and, in such cases, the State Guard is ready and waiting to take up its important role.

Through the Adjutant General's department, the Guard units are in close communication with the Internal Security District headquarters at Fort Bragg and are prepared for any emergency which, may arise. Thus, the State Guard right



On Home Front tified in the above picture as follows:



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Makes Appeal

H. Billings, Pvt. Fred O. Sebastian and Sgt. Wilkes for the fine record made Wayne W. Wilson. during the campaign.

Side----Give Liberally

Mr. Halfacre joined with the state chairman in thanking the people of the county for the outstanding record made possible by their purchases, and he also expressed grateful appreciation to all who assisted in the sale of bonds here and throughout the ounty. the Four "Wilke

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Now Major

The soldier of 1944 encounters more physical hardship than any soldier of history. He has to fight

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**Chapter Chairman** 

War bond quota for Wilkes ounty this month is \$55,092.00, J. R. Hix, war bond chairman for the county, said today. Jackson, was recently promoted

Pointing out that the county

"Back The Attack'

**Grange to Speak** IT CI C THUISUAY Harry B. Caldwell To Adtend

**Aviation Student** 

Aviation Student Herman W. Reeves, who entered the army in October, 1948, 19 nov ested in agricultural progress is training at Texas Tech at Lubinvited and urged to be present. bock, Texas. He received his basic training at Sheppard Field, Texas, and was selected for Wilkes F. C. X. Meet aviation cadet training. Prior to induction he held a position with the DuPont company at Martinsville, Va. His wife, the former Miss Nell Gilreath, and son, Billie, make their home with her parents, Mr and Mrst W. M. Gilreath, of North Wilkesboro route one.

Church, of North Wilkesboro. The from Raleigh present for the

meeting.

**Church Child Dies** 

At Camp Shelby

Pvt. George (Sam) Childress,

on of Mr. and Mrs. W. C.

Childress, of North Wilkesboro

route two, is now stationed at

Camp Shelby, Miss. He was in-

ducted into the army December

10. Before entering the service

child died Friday.

Funeral service was held Sat-

dress Open Meeting On Thursday at Town Hall Harry B. Caldwell, master of the North Carolina State Grange and who is becoming widely recognized as one of the leading agricultural authorities in the na-

**Red Cross Is** 

**Master Of State** 

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tion, will address an open meeting of the Grange of Wilkes county and all who wish to aton Thursday afternoon, March 9, two o'clock, at the North Wilkesboro town hall. J. B. Snipes, Wilkes county agent, who made announcement

of the Thursday afternoon meeting, stressed that it is open to the ublic and that everybody inter-

and stands ready at his bidding to go to the support of local civil authorities whenever ordered to do

When the North Carolina National Guard was federalized and placed on astive duty with the Army of the United States on September 16, 1940, plans were immediately launched for the formation of military units to replace the National Guard while it was in the service of the federal government.

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LARD Now ration free.

SUGAR - Sugar stamp 30 book four) good for five lbs. Indefinitely. Sugar stamp No. 11 (book four) good for five pounds, becomes valid April 1. Sugar stamp No. 40 good for pounds of canning sugar bill February 28, 1945.

HOES -- Stamp No. 13 (book one) expires April 30. Airpiane stamp No. 1 (book Airpiane stamp No. 1 (box three) walld indefinitely. An-other abce stamp, yet to be des-isnated, will me valid May

GASOLINE Compons No. 9 in A book good for three gallons : became effective Feb. 9 and will expire May 8.

PROCESSED FOODS Green L and M (Book 4) ampire wash \$0. Blue A-8 through ILS (Book 4) now wild at 10 points each, for use with tokens; expire May 20.

MEATS AND FATS-Brown Y and Z (Book 3) expire March 10. Red, A-8, B-8, C-8 (Book now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens; ex-ptre May 80. (Red D-8, E-8 come valid March 12; expire May 20].

To Be On Thursday The annual meeting of the tockholders of the Wilkes FCX

will be held in the town hall in this city on Thursday, March 9, at 2:00 p.m. All stockholders, and lina Bar Association. others who may be interested, are

invited to be present. It is expected that Harry B. Caldwell, state Grange master, urday at Mt. Zion church for will be present to make an ad-Barbara Anne Church, infant dress, and there will be Farmers' daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Cooperative Exchange officials



Will Sit As Board of Equalization To Make Adjustment for Taxpayers

sioners, composed of Paul J. Vestal, chairman, M. F. Absher and F. D. Forester, Jr., will meet at the courthouse on Monday and Tuesday, March 13-14, beginning at 10 a. m., to sit as a board of equalization to make adjustments for taxpayers on their valuations for the year 1944, and to transact such other business as may come before the board.

All taxpayers who feel that they have a just complaint and that their valuation for the year 1944 should be adjusted, are requested to appear before the board either next Monday or Tuesday.

Every soldier requires \$50 lbs. of cotton, or about 10 times what the everage civilian wears. "Line The held a position with High-land Cotton Mills, at High Point. Cotton has gone to war".

**REV. A. C. WAGGONER** 

**Trivette Is Invited** 

Political and Social Science as which he has developed little rerepresentative of the North Caro-

The meeting will be held at the Benjamin Franklin hotel in Philadelphia on April 14 and 15. The theme for discussion will be 'Agenda For Peace".

\_V\_\_\_\_ Now On Maneuvers

Opl, William Jones Bowles,

in the heat of the desert and in the bitter cold of the Arctic winter. He's subjected to dive bomb-To National Meet ing and strating. He's thrown Attorney Eugene Trivette, of and battered against the sides of this city, has received invitation a steel tank. He fights thousands to attend the 48th annual meet- of miles from home surrounded by ing of the American Academy of disease and pestilence against

> knows when he'll encounter a land mine. The First World War resulted in more tragedies of shell shock than we like to think about; but today the fire power of a regiment is four times what it was

in 1918. This war demands not only physical stamina, but phychological stamine. The soldier needs individual attention as surely as any airplane engine or machine gun. He should be in tiptop shape both physically and phychologically.

The individual needs of our fighting men can be neither enumerated nor classified, Perhaps a front line soldier knows that his wife has gone to the hospital for a serious operation, and he wants desperately to find out whether or not she has come safely through. Or, a soldier on leave in a foreign city, where hotel accommodations are out of the question, may be completely at loss to find a place to est and sleep. Another may come out of battle separated from his unit, with all his equipment and even his identification papers lost, and wandering among a people whose language he cannot understand. A fighting, pilot with six months or more constant service in the tropics may have lost 20 who was recently promoted to his present rank, is now on insmetty as Camp Campiell, KF, after being in training at Omp Hulen, Texas. Opl. Jones with the same on May 19, 1968. His wife, the former Miss lines Absher, holds a pro-tion, as case worker for the Wilkes county welfare departs ment. Opl. Bowles is a bound hir, and May, J. W. Rowless of North Wilkesboro. was recently promoted to or 10 pounds and be greatly 1 need of rest and rehabilitation These are only a low of the thous ands of problems our soldiers and sallors are meeting every day.

There is, however, a brighter side to the story. Today the Bet Gross is preparing to meet the human problems. It is doing more than at has ever done for the in In the fighting services.

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to his present rank. Majo Robinson was commanding officer of the National Guard company here when the guard was mobilized in 1940. Major Robinson was here on a week-end visit with his sisters, Mrs. J. C. McDiarmid and Miss Ellen Robinson.

sistance. His hands are blown off by booby traps and he never BERLIN TAKES A NIGHT BLOW

Eighth Air Forces Liberators powerful fighter escort with smashed German air bases at Cognac, Bergerac and other unidentified points in Southwest France yesterday after R.A. F Mosquito bombers had raced into Germany Saturday night

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had made an excellent record in the Fourth War Loan, including the sale of over \$256,000.00 in E bonds, Mr. Hix said that he believed that the people of the county would continue the purchase of bonds and that the county's quota for the month of Ma.ch will be reached.

"Continued purchase of bonds is splendid evidence of our people backing the war effort," Mr. Hix said.

## March Term Of **Court Convened** For Three Weeks

March term of Wilkes superior court for trial of criminal cases Wilkesboro this convened in morning.

Judge J. A. Rousseau, of this city, delivered an instructive charge to the grand jury and the business of the court got under Way.

Solicitor Avalon E. Hall, of Yadkinville, is prosecuting the docket.

The term is scheduled for three weeks and calendar of criminal cases contains less than 100 cases. It is expected that all cases ready for trial will be disposed of dur-ing the first two weeks of the sourt, after which civil cases and motions may be heard.

Mrs. S. A. Rhodes Is Claimed By Death

**Citerines Dy Death** Mrs. Nos. Electre Rhodes, age 47, wise of S. A. Bades, of the Hays community, died Saturday at the United Dospital. Survivian Drs. Rhodes are her Dusiand and the following child-ren: Grant Mindes, in the army; 3d Shodes, in the may; Glantaye Rhodes, Washington, D. C.; Ruth, Weills and Allen Rhodes, of Hays. . Functional startice was held today at Bachel charach. Rev. D. C. Mil-ler was in charach.

