

# \$990,000 WILKES QUOTA FOR 5TH WAR LOAN

## ALLIED TROOPS TAKE ROME

### ALLIED PLANES RANGE EUROPE ALMOST AT WILL

Upward of 1,200 American heavy bombers struck Europe again yesterday — some 500 pounding German strongholds along the invasion coast while comrades from the Mediterranean made a strong attempt sever two main rail lines between France and Italy.

Swarms of medium bombers and fighter bombers from Britain kept the thunderous assaults going as for the second straight day the Fortresses and Liberators roared from France without loss after saturating defenses around Boulogne with 1,500 tons of bombs.

Spitfire bombers and fighters hammered enemy radio installations along the northern coast of France yesterday and the Air Ministry announced that more links in the Nazi radio chain had been broken.

### SOVIETS KILL 1,100 NAZIS ON ROMANIAN SOIL

The Russians announced early today that more than 1,100 Germans were killed and 30 enemy tanks knocked out yesterday north of Iasi in Romania, where the Germans have been attacking for a week without making any appreciable headway.

The midnight Russian communiqué, broadcast from Moscow and recorded here by the Soviet monitor, indicated no slackening of the fighting. The Germans continued to throw in large forces of tanks and infantry despite heavy losses in an apparent attempt to knock the Russians off balance before the big Red Army drive in the east.

### Combine Meeting Here On Thursday

By J. B. SNIPES, County Agent

A combine meeting has been planned for farmers who own combines and also combine dealers. This meeting will be held on Thursday, June 8, at the fair ground at 2:30 a.m. Mr. J. D. Blöckle, agricultural engineering extension specialist, State College, will be present to discuss with us combines and how to make them work.

Since small grain harvest time is fast approaching, it seems that an hour or so spent in this meeting might save lots of our combine owners several days operation by knowing when and what to do to their combines in order to keep them in operation.

Since labor is so hard to get, I am sure that combine operators will want to put in full time in harvesting small grain when it gets ripe enough to combine. Please keep in mind the date, place, and time of the meeting and make your plans to be present.

### Gives \$5.00 Prize To Building Fund For the Y. M. C. A.

John Gibbs, Age 13, Won Prize In Essay Contest and Donated It To "Y"

John Gibbs, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs, won a five-dollar cash prize given for the best essay on "How A Y. M. C. A. Would Fill the Needs of the Young People of Wilkes County".

That John was sincere in the statements made in his prize winning essay is evidenced by the fact that when the campaign started on June 1 to raise \$160,000 with which to construct a Y. M. C. A. building, he donated the \$5.00 to the fund.

The contest offering the prize for the best essay was sponsored by the Boys and Girls Work committee of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club, of which Carl E. (See Gibbs \$5.00—Page Five)

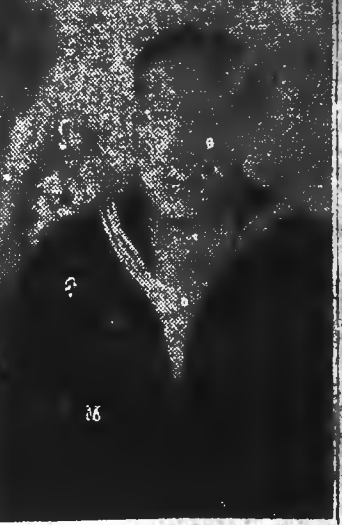
### THREE ELLEDGE BROTHERS NOW IN SERVICE



SSGT. CLAUDE ELLEDGE



PVT. CLINTON ELLEDGE



WRENN ELLEDGE

Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Roby Elledge, of North Wilkesboro, are in service. Sgt. Claude Elledge, who entered service in 1940 and received training at Fort Jackson, S. C., is in New Guinea. Pvt. Clinton Elledge is now in action in Italy after going through the North African and Sicilian campaigns. Wrenn Elledge, seaman second class, is now at Camp Peary after a visit home. He received boot training at Great Lakes, Ill.

### IMPORTANT O. P. A. MEETING AT CITY HALL HERE ON WEDNESDAY

The Office of Price Administration will have an educational meeting at the City Hall, North Wilkesboro, Wednesday, June 7th. The hours from 2:00 p. m. until 3:00 p. m. is set apart especially for the attendance of all establish-

ments rendering any kind of services that come under the different regulations controlling the maximum ceiling prices.

Mr. D. C. Goff, specialist on the above subjects, will be present to discuss and answer any questions pertaining to the regulations.

### GRAND ORGANIST DEDICATES HER ORIGINAL COMPOSITION TO WILKES CHAPTER OF O. E. S.

Wilkes Chapter No. 42, O. E. S., was signally honored on Thursday night, May 25th, when Mrs. Kathryn D. Simons, Asheville, formally dedicated to this chapter some initiatory music which she composed and is having published for use in the Eastern Star work. Mrs. Simons is at present the Grand Organist of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star. She is a musician of rare and many of her compositions have been published.

Acceptance for Wilkes Chapter was made by Mrs. Kyle Hayes, W. M. and Mrs. G. G. Foster, P. M. Mrs. Ira D. Payne presented Mrs. Simons with a gift from the chapter and some of the Past Matrons.

Mrs. Simons was accompanied to the local chapter by Miss Lillian Kearney of Washington, Mrs. Lillian Guigou of Valdese, and Mrs. Kay Thomas of Biltmore. Miss Kearney, a well-known soloist of Asheville and Washington, D. C., took part in the dedicatory ceremony by singing Mrs. Simons' initiatory song service.

### Gets Free Stetson

Ira D. Payne, proprietor of Payne Clothing Co., gave away another brand-new Stetson hat Friday, and Mr. N. R. Lowe, of North Wilkesboro route three, was the lucky fellow to receive this fine gift.

During the month of May, the Payne Clothing Co. advertised for men to visit the store, write their names on a piece of paper which was deposited in a box, one name to be drawn at the end of the month. Hundreds signed their names on the slips of paper, and Friday morning Mr. Payne asked Julius C. Hubbard, co-publisher of The Journal-Patriot, to come down to the store and draw the name of the lucky man who would receive absolutely free the new Stetson. The names were shuffled thoroughly, after which Mr. Hubbard reached into the box and drew out the slip bearing Mr. Lowe's name.

Mr. Payne states that there was much interest in the contest.

### PALMER BROTHERS ARE OVERSEAS



Pfc. Lloyd W. Palmer, left, and Pvt. Wade H. Palmer, right, are now in service overseas. Lloyd is in England and Wade is in Italy. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Palmer, of this city. Lloyd entered service in January, 1943, and received training at Fort Knox, Ky. Wade was in training at Camp Blanding, Florida, after entering the army in September, 1943. A letter from Wade to The Journal-Patriot appears elsewhere in this newspaper.

### Boxer In Service Offers Fight For Y. M. C. A. Here

Paul "Country" Ferguson, Now In Coast Guard Service, Interested In "Y"

southern welterweight boxing champion and former 10th ranking welterweight in the world, and who is now in service in the coast guard, here this week expressed keen interest in the movement for establishing a Y. M. C. A. in North Wilkesboro.

Like many other Wilkes men now in service of their country, Ferguson said he considered the movement to be the most progressive step in Wilkes in recent years. He offered in support of the campaign for Y. M. C. A. funds to donate to the Wilkes Y. M. C. A. his part of the proceeds of any fight which might be arranged here on elsewhere.

Ferguson is athletic director of the Mounted Beach Patrol Coast Guard station at Charleston, S. C. He is also the coach of the M. B. P. boxing team that is regarded as one of the best in the country today.

Ferguson recently got permission from the Coast Guard to fight again and on May 12th knocked out Young Corbette, of New Orleans, La., in three rounds. Then on May 19th, he knocked out Eddie Simms of Cleveland in two rounds.

He expects to fight a few more times this summer and experts who saw him in action think that if the war doesn't last too long that he will be the welterweight champion of the world after the war is over.

Ferguson's record is 37 professional fights, 67 knockouts, lost six decisions, two draws, and won 12 decisions.

Ferguson is now spending a 12-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Ferguson, near Wilkesboro.

### Kiwanis Club In Interesting Meet At Hotel Wilkes

Two Excellent Farm Movies Shown to Club; Report of Flood Control Given

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club on Friday held an enjoyable meeting, which was featured by the showing of two splendid pictures and by discussion of matters of public interest.

Recognition was given to Kiwanian J. R. Finley who during the past week passed his 80th birthday. Ward Eshelman arose and asked Kiwanian Finley to come forward and a fine tribute was paid to him by Mr. Eshelman. He is a former president of the club, a charter member, has served on the board of directors for a number of times and has been (See Kiwanis Club—Page Five)

### U. S. 5TH ARMY MARCHED INTO ROME SUNDAY

Triumphant Fifth Army troops last night captured Rome, bringing liberation for the first time to a Nazi-enslaved European capital and German rear guards were fleeing the Eternal City in disorganized retreat to the northwest.

Except for the rail yards, smashed by Allied bombs, the city is 95 per cent intact. Reynolds and Eleanor Packard of the United Press reported after their arrival in the city with the Allied occupation forces.

The Berlin radio announced the evacuation of Rome and, quoting an order from Adolf Hitler's headquarters, said German troops had been directed to take up new positions to the northwest to avoid bringing the city under peril of destruction.

Last night the British Eighth Army, rushing into Rome from the southeast along the Via Cassilina, was reported joining the Fifth Army in close pursuit of the hard-pressed enemy remnants, under orders to destroy them to a man if that were possible.

Only enough troops to maintain orders and ferret any German snipers or suicide nests were to be left in Rome as the main Allied armies pounded on without pausing to celebrate their greatest triumph, coming 270 days after the start of the Italian campaign.

At the very gates of Rome, the Germans had made a final stand.

enemy troops to withdraw in accordance with their own avowal of Rome as an open city, ordered a violent anti-tank barrage. Then masses of Fifth Army men and weapons crashed into the city and began mopping up enemy snipers and a few tanks and mobile guns which were trying to cover the retreat.

### Selective Service Deferment Rules Are More Liberal

Men 26 Through 29 Must Be "Necessary"; Over 30 Employed in Essential Work

Selective Service officials have established rules which will be followed in consideration of requests for deferment for men between the ages of 26 and 38.

Practically all physically fit men under 26 years of age are being inducted, regardless of occupation.

Men from 26 through 29 years of age may be deferred if they are "necessary" men in war work or in support of the war effort.

Over 30 years of age men may be deferred who are employed in essential work in the war effort or in support of the war effort.

Attention is called to the fact that men ages 26 to 38 will be inducted unless draft boards receive requests for deferment, together with acceptable evidence that they are entitled to deferment under the rules as set forth.

### Lions Club Ladies Night Banquet Is Delightful Affair

Dr. Henry Dwire, Vice President of Duke, Delivers Address At Annual Banquet

Dr. Henry Dwire, vice president and public relations executive of Duke University, in an address before the North Wilkesboro Lions Club Ladies' Night assembly Friday evening urged sane and thoughtful consideration of post war problems.

The Ladies' Night banquet, described as one of the most enjoyable in the history of the club, was staged at the Woman's Club house with the Woman's Club serving the dinner.

Master of ceremonies for the occasion was President James M. (See Lions Club—Page Five)

### LANDING CRAFT WILL BE NAMED FOR WILKES COUNTY IF QUOTA IS EXCEEDED IN 5TH BOND DRIVE

The Fifth War Loan campaign, which is to raise money to finance the invasion of Europe and exterminate nazism, will officially open on June 12 and Wilkes county's quota is \$990,000.

### Visits Home



Pvt. William Mack Nichols, of the United States Marine Corps, entered service Feb. 29, 1942. After finishing his basic training at Parris Island, S. C., he spent a few days at home with his mother, Mrs. Ruby Nichols. He has returned to Cherry Point where he is now stationed.

W. D. Halfacre, war loan chairman who successfully led Wilkes far over the top in the four preceding campaigns, recently attended meetings where quotas were announced and organization plans discussed.

It will be noted that the quota for the Fifth War Loan campaign is higher than that for the Fourth, which was \$823,000 and which Wilkes people far exceeded. But this time the government is asking for \$16,000,000,000 as compared to \$14,000,000,000 in the fourth drive, and the increase here is in proportion to the national goal.

### E. BOND QUOTA

The total quota for Wilkes is \$990,000, of which the government asks that \$227,000 be in series E bonds purchased by individuals. And while the campaign officially opens June 12, purchases of series E bonds from June 1 to July 29 will count in the campaign total.

### AWARD IS OFFERED

If Wilkes county exceeds the total quota of \$990,000 by as much as ten per cent, and meets the E bond quota of \$227,000, a plaque bearing the name of Wilkes county will be placed on a LSM landing craft made at Charleston navy yard.

It is anticipated that Wilkes people, always responsive to a patriotic call, will look forward to gaining that recognition for the county.

### Child In Arms Of Mother Killed By Lightning Stroke

Dorothea Deane Stone Killed Instantly When Lightning Hits Building

Dorothea Deane Stone, six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown Stone, of Hays, was instantly killed by lightning Thursday evening, six o'clock.

The girl's mother was with the little girl and her four-year-old brother in a chicken house when the electric storm started. The children were nervous and Mrs. Stone stooped down and put an arm around each. Lightning struck the corner of the house and the girl fell dead in the arms of its mother.

The little boy suffered facial burns and severe shock. The mother was shocked but not seriously hurt, and was able to extinguish a fire which the lightning started in the chicken house litter while holding the dead body of her daughter.

Efforts to revive the child failed.

Surviving are the father and mother, Jesse Brown Stone and Bessie Mae Bauguss Stone, seven brothers and three sisters.

Funeral was held Saturday, 11 a. m., at Rock Creek church with Revs. Jimmie Bryant and A. B. Hayes conducting the service.

### BUY MORE WAR BONDS

### Honor Student



Haywood Miller, son of L. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller, formerly of Wilkesboro and now at Camp Davis, was the under student in the senior class at Oakdale Military school at Haverhill, S. C., this year by virtue of having received the highest scholastic rating. He was awarded the scholarship.

Invasion of Germany-held Europe, which will lead to early victory in that theatre of the war of the armed forces get the backing they deserve, is expected any day now, and it is going to cost much in lives, and equipment which costs money.

And while the men march onto the Nazi infested beaches of Europe, the people at home are asked to lend—not give—their money to finance the gigantic undertaking.

### COMMUNITY QUOTAS

Mr. Halfacre said today that the county will be divided into districts similar to the division for the central school districts, and that each district will be assigned a quota. With the aid of County Agent J. B. Snipes and Mrs. Annie H. Greene, home agent, organizations will be set up in each district to promote the sale of bonds. Further news on this phase of the campaign will appear in this newspaper Thursday.

### QUICK ACTION URGED

The people are appealed to to get into the campaign early, and to buy the bonds as early as possible in the campaign in order that the county may add to its splendid war bond buying record and in order that our government may have adequate funds to finance the final blows at Hitler's Europe.

### TYPES OF BONDS

For the Fifth War Loan the treasury department is offering a good selection of securities from which to choose. There are the series E bonds for the small investors, and which mature in ten years at good interest rates.

Two and one-half per cent treasury bonds are excellent for many investors. The expiration date is 1970 and interest is paid by coupons. There are also the two per cent bonds maturing in 1954, the 1-4 per cent treasury notes due March 15, 1947, and the one-year treasury certificates at seven-eighths of one per cent.

Attention is called to the fact that some of the bonds offered would be very appropriate for those to purchase who wish to contribute to the \$160,000 Y. M. C. A. building fund now being raised in Wilkes county. It is pointed out that war bonds would be very appropriate gifts to the fund.

### Plan Fat Stock Show At Elkin In October

Wilkes County Agent J. B. Snipes attended a meeting of county agents of Wilkes, Yadkin, Surry, Stokes and Alleghany counties held in Elkin, at which plans were laid for the annual Fat Stock Show to be held there in October.