

INVASION TROOPS MAKING GAINS IN FRANCE

Fifth War Loan Campaign Is Organized

\$990,000 Goal For Wilkes County In Present Campaign

To Qualify For Name On A Landing Craft, Wilkes 'E' Bonds Must Be \$227,000

Fifth War Loan organization in Wilkes county has begun work on the task of selling Wilkes county's quota of \$990,000. W. D. Halfacre, chairman for the campaign, said today.

In the quota of \$990,000 is a quota of \$227,000 for "E" bonds. If the county meets the "E" bond quota and exceeds the overall quota by as much as ten per cent, a plaque will be placed on a landing craft in honor of Wilkes county and bearing the county's name.

Beginning Monday, the official opening date of the campaign, a concerted effort will be made to contact the people of the county and to sell the quota in bonds as early during the drive as possible.

CANVASS OF HOMES—

In North Wilkesboro Mrs. Edd Gardner and Mrs. Gordon Finley will lead the canvass of the homes and block leaders will call at every home, explaining the Fifth War Loan and urging purchases. They will be prepared to take orders for bonds, give receipts and have the bonds mailed directly to the purchasers.

DISTRICTS DESIGNATED—

The county has been divided into districts similar to the central school districts for the sale of bonds and a quota has been assigned each district, which will have a chairman and secretary.

MERCHANTS TO HELP—

Another phase of the campaign will be carried out through retail merchants. Throughout the county merchants have agreed to assist in the campaign and each store is accepting a quota equal to \$300 in bond sales for every member of the sales personnel.

INDUSTRIES COOPERATE—

In North Wilkesboro industrial firms having a payroll deduction plan for purchase of bonds are asked to accept quotas far in excess of regular purchases in order to help put the county over in the campaign.

BONDS FOR Y. M. C. A.—

Attention is called to the fact that series "F" and "G" bonds may be purchased by those wishing to contribute to the Y. M. C. A. fund and that they may have the bonds made payable to the Y. M. C. A. The series "F" bonds are from \$37.00 up and the series "G" bonds from \$100 up.

The campaign to raise \$160,000 with which to erect a Y. M. C. A. here and the Fifth War Loan can be carried on cooperatively, because it is anticipated that the Y. M. C. A. building fund will remain in war bonds until after the war when it will be practical to erect a modern Y. M. C. A. building.

CANVASSERS TO MEET—

Attention of all block leaders for the Fifth War Loan canvass in North Wilkesboro is called to a meeting to be held Friday afternoon, four o'clock, in the town hall. All those who have been contacted by Mrs. Edd Gardner and Mrs. Gordon Finley to serve in the campaign are urged to attend.

There the canvassers will be given instructions relative to the sale of bonds in North Wilkesboro.

Surgical Dressing Workers Needed At the Red Cross

A new shipment of materials for making surgical dressings has arrived at Red Cross headquarters here.

Now that the invasion is on, great numbers of surgical dressings are needed on the battlefronts, and volunteer workers are asked to rally to the cause and make the local chapter's quota of dressings. Beginning Monday, the surgical dressing room will be open on schedule.

Lions Convention In Charlotte Soon

North Carolina district of Lions International will hold the annual convention in Charlotte Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Several members of the North Wilkesboro club are planning to attend.

FOUR DENNIS BROTHERS SERVING IN ARMY AND NAVY



ROBERT GLENN DENNIS



SGT. WM. LESLIE DENNIS

Mrs. A. C. Dennis, of North Wilkesboro, has four sons in service—two in the army and two in the navy—and all of them volunteered their services. Robert Glenn Dennis, who entered the navy in January this year and is the youngest of the four, is a hospital apprentice, second class, at the naval station at Bainbridge, Md. Before entering the navy he was a member of the sales personnel at J. C. Penney company in North Wilkesboro. Last Sunday he spent a few hours at home with his mother. Sgt. William Leslie Dennis entered the army in November, 1942, and for the past year has been in Iran.



AMOS CARL DENNIS

Before entering service he was a department manager for the East Tennessee and Western North Carolina Transportation company at Johnson City, Tenn. Amos Carl Dennis is a petty officer, third class, in the navy and is serving in the Panama area. He entered the navy in September, 1942. Prior to that time he was in charge of an office of the East Tennessee and Western North Carolina Transportation company office in Durham. Pvt. James Albert Dennis entered the army in January, 1943, and is now in Ireland. Before entering service he was engaged in newspaper work in North Wilkesboro.



PVT. JAMES ALBERT DENNIS

K. of P. Lodge Makes Donation \$100 to YMCA

North Wilkesboro Knights of Pythias lodge in meeting Monday night voted to contribute \$100 from the treasury of the lodge to the Y. M. C. A. building fund now being raised for the Wilkes Young Men's Christian Association.

Members expressed the opinion that no more worthy cause could be found than supporting the Y. M. C. A. movement and expressed the hope that all the people of the county will rally to the need for substantial donations in order that the \$160,000 Y. M. C. A. fund might be raised.

In the meeting attention was called to the grand lodge meeting to be held in Winston-Salem Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. J. B. Carter is a member of the distributing committee for the grand lodge. Several members of the local lodge plan to attend.

Moroccan snails have obtained a good foreign market, the principal customer being the United States which uses them in pharmaceutical products, particularly for the manufacture of sedative syrups for the treatment of bronchitis.

PRIVILEGE IS GIVEN TO WILKES COUNTY CITIZENS TO ACTIVELY AID COMFORT OF SERVICEMEN

In New Guinea



Pvt. James Andrew Whittington, who received his training at Fort Custer, Michigan, is now in New Guinea, according to letters received by his wife, the former Miss Mattie Ashley, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whittington, who live near Millers Creek.

Supply Pastor



Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr., who has assumed his duties as supply pastor of the First Baptist church here for the months of June, July and August. Dr. John W. Kincheto, Jr., pastor here since February, 1941, resigned to become pastor of the First Baptist church in Norfolk, Va., June 1. Rev. and Mrs. Guy are residing at 305 Third street and their telephone number is 426M.

Harold C. Woodruff of Fort Bragg, secretary of Piedmont Camp and Hospital council, was in this city Wednesday. He met with a group representing the different civic organizations. The Lions Club, Kiwanis, D. A. R., American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Dokies, Masons, Woman's Club of Wilkesboro, Woman's Club of North Wilkesboro and several churches had representatives at the meeting. Mrs. Richard Finley is chairman of the Red Cross Camp and Hospital Council for the Wilkes county chapter.

The basic needs of those in the armed forces are being supplied by army and naval authorities, but there are many supplementary items which are not provided from official sources—that is where we can be of help—for of course we as civilians will want to do everything possible to see that the many extra comforts, supplies, and services reach the men and women in uniforms to whom they mean so much. It is those extras that heighten the morale in the army and navy. The American Red Cross does not solicit funds for this work, but through your local Camp and Hospital Council. (See Privilege—page 12)

Payne Succeeds Williams On City Board Education

Ira D. Payne Replaces J. B. Williams On North Wilkesboro School Board

North Wilkesboro city council in June meeting elected Ira D. Payne, well known local merchant, to fill the vacancy on the city school board caused by the resignation of J. B. Williams, whose home is now outside of the city and is on the Brushy Mountains.

Mr. Williams had been a member of the board for 23 consecutive years and had taken much interest in educational matters here. His resignation was directed to D. J. Carter, chairman of the school board. The board recommended to the city council that Mr. Payne be named to succeed Mr. Williams.

Mr. Payne for many years has been engaged in business here and has been actively interested in church, civic and school affairs.

Following is reproduced the letter of Mr. Williams to the school board in which he submitted his resignation:

After having served on your Board continuously for more than 23 years, it is with keen regret that I tender my resignation as a member of the board. Due to the fact that I have now registered and have become a citizen of Brushy Mountain Township, of this county, it is, therefore, mandatory that I resign from the board, but I wish to assure you in tendering this resignation that (See Payne—page 6)

RATION NEWS

SHOES—Airplane stamps No. 1 and No. 2 (Book 3) valid indefinitely.

GASOLINE—Coupons No. 10 in a book good for three gallons became effective May 9 and will expire August 8.

SUGAR—Sugar stamps No. 30 and No. 31, (book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely. Stamp No. 32 becomes good indefinitely June 16 for five pounds.

CANNING SUGAR—Sugar stamp No. 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar until February 28, 1945.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue A3 through X8 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS—Red A3 through W8 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

On School Board



IRA D. PAYNE

Gasoline Dealers Pledged to Abide By O. P. A. Rules

Meeting Held Monday; Coupons To Be Accepted Must Be For The Vehicle

Gasoline dealers of Wilkes county in meeting here Monday night pledged not to let black market gasoline pass through their service stations.

The meeting was called by S. V. Tomlinson, chairman of the petroleum products advisory committee for Wilkes county, who presided. It was estimated that 70 per cent of the service stations operators in the county were present for the meeting.

Mack Moore, district rationing officer of the OPA, explained the (See Gasoline—page 12)

City Council Has Meeting Tuesday; Many Matters Up

Tax Payments To Be Accepted At Rate Of \$1.10, Subject To Adoption

North Wilkesboro board of commissioners in June session Tuesday evening transacted many items of public interest.

The budget for the coming year was discussed and W. P. Kelly, clerk and treasurer, was authorized to accept pre-payment of 1944 taxes at an estimated rate of \$1.10 on each hundred dollars valuation of property. The rate this year is only \$1.00 but during the coming year there will be heavy maturity of bonds and (See City Council—page 6)

Quotas Assigned To Communities In Bond Drive

County Subdivided Into Districts Similar To Central School Divisions

D-Day has come. Americans and valiant fighting men of the other allied nations are attacking in France in a climatic struggle to overthrow the forces of oppression and let freedom live.

D-Day was Tuesday on the beaches of northern France, when men from Wilkes were part of the greatest military armada ever launched in any undertaking.

Here at home the Fifth War Loan is starting, an event in which the people in the security and comfort of their own homes can back the attack in Europe.

In this campaign you are only asked to lend your money, and at good rates of interest, to finance the coming campaigns to crush the axis.

In order that each section of the county have a separate responsibility, the county has been divided into districts with a quota of war bonds set for each. The districts and their quotas are as follows:

North Wilkesboro	\$832,000.00
Ferguson	5,000.00
Gilreath	3,000.00
Hays	6,000.00
Lincoln Heights	500.00
Millers Creek	15,000.00
Moravian Falls	7,000.00
Mount Pleasant	10,000.00
Mulberry	5,000.00
Summit	2,000.00
W. P. Hill	3,000.00
Wilkesboro	75,000.00
TOTAL	\$990,000.00

second day of the invasion while steady reinforcements poured in by sea and air.

The supreme commander, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, toured the beach areas in a British vessel for four and one-half hours Wednesday, conferring with Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery and other operational chiefs less than five miles from German-held territory.

Many Going Into Navy On Friday From Board No. 2

Large Group of Young Men Will Leave Friday Morning To Begin Service

On Friday morning the largest single contingent of Wilkes men for the navy will leave to be inducted and to begin naval service.

The group will go from board number two and consists principally of young men who passed the physical examination in April. A similarly large group will go from board number 1 at another date.

The list of men notified to leave for navy induction Friday morning follows:

- Kyle Monroe Brinegar
 - Robert Lee Bryant
 - Robert Jones Lyons
 - William Samuel Gilliam
 - Esma Bryce Teague
 - Robert William Cheek
 - Connie Owens
- (See Many Going—page 12)

Visits Home



Pvt. Marion A. Church, son of Rev. and Mrs. John Church, of Summit, has been spending a 15-day furlough with relatives and friends, after completion of his basic training at Keesler Field, Mississippi, and five weeks additional training in Detroit. Pvt. Church is an airplane mechanic, and upon his return to camp will be stationed in Normandy.

HEAVY BATTLES RAGE AS ENEMY LINE STIFFENS

Invasion Armies In Third Day Of Attack In France

Fierce Fighting In Progress As Nazis Attempt To Halt The Advancing Allies

The Allies announced today capture of their first French city, the Nazi-fortified town of Bayeux, five miles inshore in the center of the Normandy invasion coast, and said they also had cut the highway from Bayeux to Caen as they moved inland in general heavy fighting against counterattacking German reserves.

Caen, 18 miles southeast of Bayeux and nine miles from the sea, was the scene of a German armored counterattack which has been hurled back, headquarters disclosed, and the Allied forces were said to be doing generally "better than expected."

Aside from these two towns, Supreme Headquarters gave no place names, ignoring a continuing stream of German broadcasts which reported new Allied attacks all the way from the Pas de Calais area on Dover Strait to Nantes at the base of the big Brittany Peninsula jutting out into the Atlantic.

A headquarters communique said the Allied landing beaches had been cleared of the enemy and had been linked up by tank.

The Germans spoke at length of the "surprising" strength of airborne operations, and Allied headquarters confirmed that these were continued Wednesday on a large scale, without mentioning localities.

The Germans said Caen was aflame, and Allied accounts inferentially confirmed this by describing heavy air attacks in that area and shelling of it by the 16-inch guns of the British battleship Nelson.

Heaviest fighting apparently centered around Caen and Bayeux, the latter a cathedral town, once of 9,000 population.

Reports from the front mentioned many casualties, although there was no solid evidence of the actual number or proportion. Both the U. S. and British navies reported their casualties in personnel and ships were so far very small.

Resistance of the German Navy and air force continued relatively light with E-boats driven off in two attacks and 51 German planes downed Wednesday by the overwhelming Allied air cover, which lost 23 of its own planes. Lightning fighter-bombers demolished a German headquarters Wednesday afternoon.

One returning flier said the Germans had flooded three large lowland areas near the beaches in efforts to hold up the Allied advance.

The German land forces put up increasing resistance that was expected to become still stronger as the Nazi command struggled to discern and meet the Allied strategy.

There may be as many as 100 million fibres in a single pound of cotton.