

News And Views

Mrs. Mattie F. Greer, secretary of the North Carolina Branch of The National League of District Postmasters, and the efficient postmaster at Boomer for 24 years, is attending the annual convention in Raleigh this week. A splendid program was arranged and is being carried out during the convention. Mrs. Greer has been the convention secretary for about ten years.

The onion is the Victory Food Selection for the period of September 21 through October 7, according to a bulletin we have received from the War Food Administration. "The onion crop this year looks like the biggest in history—a welcome change from last year's shortage", the report says. Buy onions now for future use—store them in a dry place—so that you will have them next spring. Remember how high and scarce onions were last Spring?

Our good friend, Tyre Casey, who has been dividing much of his time lately between the Casey farm in Somers township and war work in Tennessee, was in the city one day last week passing out delicious Scuppernong grapes. Tyre stated that he would gather about ten bushels from the vine this season.

When Mrs. Maurice Fritsch (the former Miss Mary Stewart) was engaged in the good work of raising \$25 among the employes of the Big Star Store in Portsmouth, Va., for benefit of the emergency polio hospital at Hickory, little did she know at that time that her son, Robert, one of the Methodist Children's Home boys at Winston-Salem, would have to be carried there for treatment. Robert, friends will be glad to learn, had a very mild attack of polio, and has been released.

The view from the former Kilgore orchard (now Colvard if not sold within last few days) is one of the most beautiful nearby. The property has been greatly improved, and is now one of Wilkes' beauty spots.

"Uncle" Rufus Shipwash, a well known citizen of the Roaring River community, was in town again one day last week. He is right at 84 years, and although not able to get about as in former years, he said he had been assisting some in the construction of a new five-room house which he and Mrs. Shipwash will soon occupy, this being located near the old Shipwash homestead.

You just oughter see that big fig pipe Walter (Bud) McEwen smokes sometimes when on duty at Forester Nu-Way Service "C" street place. It is about fifteen inches long and both stem and bowl apparently were made from fig limbs which had grown in spiral form around a wire. The pipe is a gift from a Texas friend. You know Bud used to be division manager for R. J. Reynolds company in Texas, and he has been in every nook and corner of the Lone Star State.

The Coffey building located between the Wilkesboros near the livestock market, formerly occupied by the United Supply Co., but now used by the Wilkes Implement Co., of which Sam Winters is manager, has been greatly improved in appearance with a two-coat paint job.

First Class Pharmacist Mate Ivey Moore has written his family that he hopes to be home soon for a visit. Ivey is engaged in naval service in the Pacific area.

Two additional real estate deals are to be added to those consummated in this vicinity recently. One is the purchase of the Pendley residence on E street by Mr. and Mrs. Sam P. Mitchell, owned by Mrs. A. J. Pendley, of Durham, which the Mitchells will remodel for their home after the war. The other was the purchase last week of the Dr. W. P. Horton homeplace, corner Sixth and D street by S. V. Tomlinson. The Horton property was owned jointly by a son, A. W. Horton, now residing in Carpinteria, California, and a daughter, Mrs. Phillip Robbins, of Durham. S. V. may remodel the residence for occupancy in the near future.

Jones Holcomb is commuting again between Elkin and North Wilkesboro looking after his plumbing and heating interests after spending the past year or more on war jobs near Asheville and in South Carolina. It's good to have Jones among us again.

First Baptist Here Gives \$264.70 To Polio Campaign

First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro has mailed a check of \$264.70 to the emergency hospital for infantile paralysis patients at Hickory. The check represented contributions to the polio hospital fund by members of the First Baptist congregation, and represents one of the largest group donations to the fund from this immediate section of the state.

Mrs. Vance Huffman Is Claimed By Death

Funeral service will be held Wednesday, two p. m., at Mount Pleasant church for Mrs. Ada Huffman, of North Wilkesboro, wife of Vance Huffman. Mrs. Huffman died Sunday morning. Surviving Mrs. Huffman are her husband and the following sons and daughters: Roby M. Huffman, Burbank, Calif.; Avery P. and Lewis V. Huffman, Lenoir; Mrs. Florence Butcher, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Nannie Mae Fairchild, Hixes, Rachel and Louise Huffman, North Wilkesboro.

Walsh and McGee Reunion Sunday

Annual reunion of the Walsh-McGee families will be held at Beaver Creek Baptist church on Sunday, October 1. The all-day program will open at ten a. m. by devotional by Rev. A. J. Foster. A brief business session, talks by J. C. McNeill, John Cranfield, and T. J. Waleb, songs by the Rationed Quartet, Piney Grove quartet, Smith family, Albert McGee and family, Mrs. Wade Livingstone's quartet, Dock Walsh and family, and the Walsh Sisters, and a memorial by Tate Matherly will conclude the morning session. Dinner will be spread, picnic style, at noon. V. D. Guire, of Lenoir, member of the state highway commission, will be the feature speaker for the afternoon session. T. W. Ferguson will respond to the address. All members of the families, their relatives and friends are invited to attend the reunion.

T. E. L. CLASS TO MEET ON TUESDAY EVENING
The T. E. L. class of the North Wilkesboro First Baptist church will meet Tuesday evening, 7:30, at the home of Mrs. W. A. Bullis.

Wounded On Tinain



Sgt. William G. Anderson, son of W. S. Anderson, of Wilkesboro route two, is now in Tinain. He was slightly wounded but has now recovered and is back on duty, according to a letter to his father.

Republicans In Rally On Friday Begin Campaign

Large Crowd At Courthouse Hears L. L. Wall and Watt H. Gragg Speak Friday

Republicans of Wilkes county opened their campaign on Friday night with a rally at the courthouse in Wilkesboro when Watt H. Gragg, of Boone, candidate for secretary of state and L. L. Wall, prominent Winston-Salem attorney delivered attacks against the New Deal and the state administration.

All parts of the county were represented in the large crowd present for the rally. N. B. Smithy, chairman of the Wilkes Republican Executive committee, presided and presented Mr. Gragg, the first speaker.

Mr. Gragg spoke mainly of local issues, saying that he wanted very much to see the law districting Wilkes for election of commissioners repealed. He described the law as "the least thing I know of, and that every one who had any hand in having it passed should hang their heads in shame. Your boys are fighting and dying for liberty and justice which you are not getting in Wilkes county and North Carolina". He said there are three fronts, Europe, Pacific and in America and that enemies of liberty and justice in America must also be defeated.

Ex-Sheriff P. E. Brown spoke briefly, saying that the Republican party in Wilkes is in excellent condition and with no dissension. He predicted a large majority for the county ticket. At the close of his remarks he presented Attorney L. L. Wall.

Attorney Wall made a scathing denunciation of the New Deal as an attempt to set up a totalitarian government in America by deceit and hypocrisy. He charged that since 1933 the Roosevelt administration had taken the following steps toward totalitarianism: made people dependent on government, eliminated local self-government, abridged constitutional guarantees, restricted private business, attempted to control education, gained control of courts.

In closing his address Attorney Wall said the Democratic national convention was in control of Sidney Hillman, a C. I. O. leader.

Candidates for county offices spoke briefly at the close of the meeting. They were: Representative T. E. Story, candidate for re-election to the legislature; C. C. Sidden and I. J. Broynhill, candidates for county commissioners; W. B. Somers, candidate for state senate.

Stanly and Wilkes Men Face Charges

Charges of violating the internal revenue law were preferred against two suspects from Stanly county and two from Wilkes county in arrests reported by office of United States Marshal Edney Ridge.

Charles Partee, negro, and C. C. Lanier, of Stanly county, were charged with operating a non-registered distillery and manufacturing untaxed whiskey.

Howard Foster and Conrad Bell, Wilkes county, had hearing before United States Commissioner J. W. Dula in Wilkesboro and were released on \$500 bond each for the November term in Wilkesboro.

BATTLES RAGE ON 2 FRONTS

REDS ENTER CZECH LAND; ALSO HUNGARY

The Red Army smashed 25 miles inside Czechoslovakia and also crossed the prewar Hungarian frontier yesterday in a big pincers movement aimed at knocking Hungary out of the war, while in the North Soviet naval forces captured the Baltic seaport of Paldiski on the Estonian West Coast.

A Moscow radio broadcast quoting a front report early today said that Russian troops crossing from Southern Poland through Lupkow Pass into Czechoslovakia had captured the town of Humenne, 25 miles inside the frontier and the same distance from the Northern Hungarian frontier.

Simultaneously, Russian and Romanian troops crossed the Southeastern Hungarian frontier, a Bucharest communique disclosed. These units were believed to be less than 35 miles from Szeged, Hungary's second city.

Baptist Brier Creek to Meet September 28

The Brier Creek Baptist Association, one of the oldest and largest in North Carolina and embracing 33 churches, will meet in its 123rd annual session at Ham's Grove church, Thursday, September 28. Sherman G. Crater, Greensboro, is moderator; Dewey T. Binkley, Hamptonville, clerk.

The following program was arranged:

- 10:00 — Devotional. W. F. Lawrence.
- 10:10 — Organization.
- 10:20 — Mills Home. G. D. White, J. N. Binkley.
- 11:00 — Sermon. E. C. Jordan; alternate, J. A. Isehour.
- 12:00 — Intermission.
- 1:00 — Baptist Hospital. Noah Hayes and Edd Foster.
- 1:20 — Evils of Alcohol beaerage. Ray Madison, and Rex Weisner.
- 1:40 — Christian Education. Irene Sloan and E. A. Wells.
- 2:00 — The Deacon's Place in Church: R. C. Lloyd, and Gus Myers.
- 2:15 — W. M. U.: Mrs. Richard Martin and Miss Zelle Harris.
- 2:30 — Literature: Miss Marie White, and Miss Hattie Trivette.
- 2:45 — Christianity in a World War: L. T. Younger, S. G. Crater.
- 3:30 — Obituaries: J. B. Ray, L. M. Jarvis.
- Time and Place — H. A. Jurney, Julius Holland.
- Finance — T. J. McNeill, and J. C. Prevet.
- Resolutions — W. C. Myers, and Talmadge Barker.
- Nominating Committee — Ray Madison, R. C. Weisner, J. L. Martin.

England obtained the Dutch colonies of Guiana and the Cape of Good Hope for 6,000,000 pounds in 1814.

Serves In Navy



Proccman C. Bell, seaman second class, is now stationed at Norfolk, Va., where he is attending naval quartersmaster school. He entered the navy on April 20 and received boot training at Camp Peary, Va. His wife, the former Miss Ozle Gambell, and two children, Robert and Mildred, live near this city. Seaman Bell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bell, of Springfield.

Serves In Italy



Pfc. Paul M. Shumate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shumate, of Hays, is now serving in Italy. He entered the army three years ago and was in training at Camp White and Camp Adair, Oregon, before going overseas a year ago. He saw action in North Africa before going into Italy.

NIMITZ SAYS NIP FLEET IS FORCED OUT

Carrier planes of the Halsey-Mitscher navy team have forced the Japanese Fleet to withdraw from the Philippines and have "broken" their air force in the islands, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said yesterday in announcing the second consecutive devastating raid on the Manila area, Sept. 21 (S. S. Time).

Attacking again in force, the American fliers sank 29 more ships in the Manila Bay area, damaging 20, sank or damaged 16 small craft and destroyed or damaged 200 airplanes.

(Japanese broadcasts reported without American confirmation that a third raid on the Manila area was staged Friday, U. S. time, and a fourth consecutive assault hit Southern Luzon and the Central Philippines Saturday).

The total Japanese losses for the Sept. 20-21 strikes were: 86 ships put out of action, 17 smaller craft, two drydocks and 450 planes.

Both assaults were directed at the Manila Bay area, Calve Naval Base—nine miles across the bay from Manila — Nichols Airfield, near the city, and Clark Airfield, about 60 miles northward.

Appliances And Equipment Have Ceiling Prices

Charlotte. — Buyers of used household equipment and appliances were warned by the Charlotte District Office of the Office of Price Administration today that dollar-and-pents ceiling prices should be checked before a purchase is made as the OPA has obtained numerous evidences of a form of "black market" in these goods in some sections of Western North Carolina.

The OPA said the ceiling prices should be observed both by individuals and establishments when making sales of these used items of merchandise. Information about the ceiling prices may be obtained upon request to a local war price and rationing board or to the OPA district office in Charlotte, it was explained.

Particularly, the district office pointed out that ceiling prices have been fixed for used household goods, including mechanical refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, gas stoves, furniture and bedding, cooking and heating stoves, sewing machines, floor coverings and carpets, clocks, iron beds, electrical appliances, radios, phonographs and other items.

Hamburger Fry By Scouts Is Postponed

Hamburger fry by the Boy Scouts of Troop 35, scheduled for Tuesday evening at Smoot Park, has been postponed until Tuesday evening, October 3.

SKY TROOPS GO TWO MILES IN GERMANY

The British Second Army forced the river Lek under a hail of German fire Sunday and broke the enemy death-lock around the Arnhem parachutists, while American air-borne troops, sweeping east from Nijmegen, drove two miles into Germany to within seven miles of the West Wall's north end.

Supplies already have been ferried over to the valiant "red devils" who descended on the north bank of the Lek eight days ago, front dispatches said, relieving them at their most desperate hour after incessant German counterattacks had hammered them into a narrow front.

The initial contact was established by patrols and later Sunday considerable forces of British troops crossed to the north bank, United Press Correspondent Ronald Clark reported from the Second Army front, Allied headquarters' only word was that a "thin" life line had been established between the two forces.

The linkup cut to 25 miles the German escape gap from western Holland between Arnhem and the Zuider Zee and in apparent acknowledgement of failure to break the trap the Germans were reported trying to extricate their outflanked coastal garrisons.

Northwestern Bank Is Authorized To Redeem War Bonds

Effective October 2nd, the Northwestern Bank has been authorized by the United States Treasury Department to cash war bonds.

On and after October 2 holders of bonds in series A, B, C, D and E may receive cash on presentation at the bank in accordance with treasury department regulations.

This will be a great convenience to those who find it necessary to cash bonds. However, all war bond holders are urged to hold their bonds until maturity unless absolutely necessary.

C. D. Holbrook Dies Suddenly

C. D. Holbrook, for many years postmaster at Traphill and a well known merchant of that community, died suddenly today. Funeral will be held Wednesday, two p. m., at the home and burial service at Charity church at 3:00 p. m.

Last Rites Sunday For A. B. Matherly

Last rites were conducted Sunday afternoon at Mount Pleasant church for Albert Bryant Matherly, age 51, prominent citizen of the Ferguson community. Mr. Matherly is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rebecca Lou Matherly, one son and three daughters: Morris M. Matherly, Denny; Mrs. Jesse Yates, Purlear; Mrs. Richard Lovette, Jr., Wilkesboro route one; Mrs. Mack Carlton, Hendrix. Last rites were conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller, assisted by Judge Johnson J. Hayes, who with appropriate remarks paid tribute to the life of Mr. Matherly.

Stewards to Meet

Board of stewards of the First Methodist church will hold their last meeting of the conference year on Tuesday evening, seven o'clock, at the home of J. R. Hix.

Bible Teaching Week Oct. 2-6th

Baptists from the churches near here will gather at the First Baptist church next week for a "Better Bible Teaching Week", October 2-6. Miss Mabel Starnes, of Greensboro, who is widely known as a leader in teaching and training, will conduct a conference on improving Bible teaching. Local workers will discuss the teaching of different age groups. Rev. Howard J. Ford, of Wilkesboro, will lead in a study of the Bible lessons for the coming quarter.

While the work is especially planned for the Sunday school teachers, officers and pastors of the Brushy Mountain Association, others are invited to attend.

Now In France



Pvt. J. R. Mathis is now in France. He entered the army in April, 1943, and went overseas the first of this year. Pvt. Mathis is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Mathis, and a brother of Mrs. D. E. Pardue, of Roaring River.

Farm Authorities Discuss Marketing Center In This City

Railway Officials In Conference With Agricultural Men Relative to Project

Recent developments indicate that the proposal to establish a farm marketing and shipping center in North Wilkesboro has the backing of agricultural authorities in northwestern North Carolina.

C. B. Fordham, division agent of the Southern Railway company; W. E. Jones, local agent for the Southern Railway company; R. S. Curtis, marketing specialist, N. C. department of agriculture; H. M. Hamilton, Jr., county agent, and his assistant from Watauga county; and J. B. Snipes, Wilkes county agent held a conference at the stockyard in North Wilkesboro on Thursday, September 21, in regard to enlarging the present yard to where it will hold more animals. A new grading pen, loading chute, and scales are needed in addition to the enlarging of the present pens.

It was brought out in the conference that North Wilkesboro is the central shipping point for Wilkes and surrounding counties. It was also brought out that shipping animals from North Wilkesboro would enable them to reach the northern markets earlier than any other shipping points close by. Reaching the markets earlier would have a definite advantage to cattle and sheep in that it not only saves feed but prevents them from losing so much weight while enroute.

This matter is going to be taken up with the county agents and livestock dealers in the surrounding counties and it is hoped that the plans will develop into a shipping point here. In addition to handling the present lamb shipping problem it was the opinion of the group that livestock, horses and mules and perhaps some hogs would be shipped if the proper facilities were obtained.

Mr. Fordham gave his approval to the proposition and stated that he would take it up with the railroad officials for their consideration at an early date.

Logs and Lumber Ceiling Prices To Be Discussed

The recent changes in the procedure to be followed in establishing prices on logs and lumber will be discussed by representatives from the Charlotte district office of the OPA at a meeting to be held in the conference room of the Caldwell County War Price and Rationing Board in Lenoir, Tuesday, October 3 at 8 p. m., according to announcement today by officials of the local board.

Many important changes have been made in the regulations and the board urges every saw mill operator and owner of timber land in the county to be present at the meeting.

A similar meeting will be held Monday, October 2 at 2 p. m. in the court room of the Avery county courthouse in Newland.