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15 LARGE SQUASH FROM ONE VINE



This picture shows 15 large squash of the New Guinea Buttervine variety which grew on one vine in the garden of Mrs. D. S. Melville in Wilkesboro. The longest squash, the one Bud Brown, colored gardener, is shown holding, was four feet and three inches in length and had a weight of 9 1-2 pounds. Gwendolyn Melville, granddaughter of Mrs. Melville, is happy to be in the picture with the large collection of squash.

METZ FALLING; ALLIES GAIN ON WEST FRONT

Americans east of Aachen lunged forward four miles Sunday in suddenly fluid fighting amid strong indications the bitter Nazi stand before the Rhine was cracking at last, while doughboys farther south invested one-third of Metz and chased Germans in a broad retreat toward the Siegfried line in the Saar.

Front line reports said Metz was falling to American assault—the first time in 1,500 years that it has been taken in direct attack.

The First army's surge carried to the outskirts of Eschweiler, seven miles northeast of Aachen, and put Lt. Gen. Courtney Hodges' men astride the fine Adolf Hitler military highway to Cologne and the Rhine. Some units cut in southeast of Eschweiler, a town of 60,000, 28 miles from Cologne.

Further north, British and American troops "marched in battle" seized the road hub of Gellen, 12 miles north of Aachen. The fought on 30 miles from Dusseldorf.

British and American soldiers punched out gains along a 15 mile sector in the Aachen area, with one advance to Echweiler accomplished in a bloodless, ghostly night assault.

Lt. Gen. George Patton sent his Third army into Germany at new points, and his infantry broke into Metz in a four-way squeeze.

By Sunday night the Americans had won one-third of the fortress town from befuddled German defenders, many of them "people's army" men with arm bands as the only vestige of uniforms.

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Forester Member Beer Committee In North Carolina

Raleigh.—District chairmen to serve during the 1944-45 fiscal year were announced by the North Carolina committee—United States Brewer Foundation, successor to the Brewing Industry Foundations' North Carolina committee.

They are: Frank E. Barnard, of Asheville; N. S. Forester, North Wilkesboro; T. E. Cunningham, Charlotte; Fred Mills, Wadesboro; W. F. Little, Salisbury; M. E. Thomas, Winston-Salem; H. C. Wright, Greensboro; W. B. Watkins, Durham; J. C. Pittman, Sanford; C. F. Smithson, Fayetteville; Henry Harrell, Wilmington; W. S. Burruss, Raleigh; George S. Edwards, Rocky Mount; Albert H. Handley, Goldsboro; M. C. Jones, Elizabeth City, and R. W. Jenkins, Kinston.

Beech Blankenship Kills a Large Deer

Beech Blankenship, local cafe proprietor who annually brings home the venison, killed a 150-pound buck Saturday morning in Pisgah National forest near Asheville.

The buck was five pounds heavier than the one he killed there last year and which was mounted and is now in the window of Beech's Place cafe. Mr. Blankenship said that he will serve deer meat to his cafe patrons Tuesday.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

CASUALTIES OF JAPS NOW PASS 45,000

Japanese casualties on Leyte island have passed 45,000, headquarters reported today, and sharp fighting continued around Limon, at the northern end, of Ormoc corridor.

American casualties total 5,691 for the campaign—1,133 killed, missing and 4,432 wounded, today's communique said.

"The broad disparity," it added, "is due to our long-range artillery."

Elements of the American 24th and 32nd divisions were battling strongly resisting Japanese forces, enclosed in the pocket around Limon.

The American road block south of Limon remains intact despite "strenuous enemy efforts" to destroy it. The Japanese pressed forward tank units and artillery into their drive to break this block, which has cut off thousands of Nipponese around Limon from reinforcement or supply.

An enemy counterattack was repulsed bloodily, after three hours' fighting. Enemy reinforcements were attempting to infiltrate into the Limon sector by cutting in west of Ormoc road to avoid the block.

Units of the American Seventh division, fighting near central Leyte valley on the island's eastern edge, repulsed several enemy night attacks near Malabago. The town is in the foothills west of the valley's main road.

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Card Received From Pfc. Jay C. Grayson, Prisoner War

Mrs. Jay C. Grayson received today a card from her husband, Pfc. Grayson who was recently captured in France by the Germans, and now a prisoner of war in Germany. The message from Pfc. Grayson is as follows: "I have been taken prisoner of war in Germany. I am in good health, slightly wounded. Will be transferred from here to another camp in next few days. Please don't write until I get new address. Kindest regards, Jay". The card was dated August 2nd.

Pfc. Grayson is the son of Mrs. Bessie R. Grayson and J. C. Grayson, and was in England and France only a few weeks before being taken prisoner.

Wounded In France

Pfc. James E. Huffman was seriously wounded in France on November 1. Pfc. Huffman entered service in September, 1943, received training at Fort McClellan, Ala., and went overseas about March 1, of this year. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Huffman, of Parsonville, and in a recent letter he stated he was in a hospital and getting along fine.



Observance Of Thanksgiving Is Planned for 23rd

Special Services In Churches, City Schools Off Thursday, Others Two Days

By act of congress, by proclamation of President Roosevelt and Governor Broughton, Thanksgiving will be observed on Thursday, November 23.

With so many men away from their homes, and fighting on battlefronts throughout the world, it is expected that Thanksgiving here will be observed quietly and with special thanksgiving for the victories of our armed forces and the many blessings bestowed upon this country.

Several churches have planned special Thanksgiving services. At the First Baptist church here there will be a buffet breakfast in the church from 6:30 to 7:30 a. m. and the Thanksgiving service will be at 7:30 a. m. At the First Methodist church the annual Thanksgiving service will be held at 9:30 a. m. and the offering for the children's home will be received.

North Wilkesboro city schools will have one day off—Thursday—for Thanksgiving and the schools will resume work Friday morning.

Schools of the county system will close Wednesday afternoon until Monday morning.

Business will be at a standstill here Thanksgiving Day with all business houses closed throughout the day. Theatres and cafes will be the only places which plan to be open to the public on Thanksgiving Day.

Kiwanians Have Interesting Meet Here Friday Noon

Sheldon Roper, of Lincoln, Speaker At Regular Meeting Of Club

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club enjoyed a splendid meeting Friday noon at Hotel Wilkes.

Program Chairman Paul Osborne introduced his speaker, Mr. Sheldon Roper, of Lincoln, Past Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of North Carolina, who made a very good talk. After relating a number of humorous stories and anecdotes Mr. Roper spoke on the subject "The Trip of Life". He remarked that inheritance, environment and education determine all that we are. The result of these he summed up in three statements: "What we know; What we do; and What we give."

His conclusion on the third statement, "What we give," was indeed a challenge. He feels that America has gone a long way toward answering this requirement in the world-wide struggle but feels there is still much more to be required at our hands if we fully meet the full measure of this requirement.

Guests Friday were as follows: R. M. Brame had Rev. A. C. Waggoner; J. B. Carter had J. H. C. Thomas, Scout executive; R. C. Foster and Roy Foster, of Georgia; J. R. Hix had Harold Riley, of St. Louis; Dr. G. T. Mitchell had Dr. M. D. Phillips; H. H. Morehouse had Robert Morehouse; Paul Church had John Bowles; Paul Osborne had Sheldon Roper, of Lincoln, speaker; H. P. Eller had Tyre Casey.

Nicholson Funeral Will Be Tuesday

Carl Preston Nicholson, age 38, died Sunday. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, 11 a. m., at Sweet Home church with Rev. E. K. Wooten in charge.

Mr. Nicholson, who lived in Elkin, is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Graham Nicholson, Cycle; Clay and Joe Nicholson, Union Grove; Ray Nicholson, New Bern; Rufus Nicholson and Mrs. Paul Trivette, Winston-Salem; and Ethel Nicholson, of Greensboro.

Mrs. Hulcher's Brother Is Dead

Dr. J. C. Butler, prominent physician of Hutchinson, Kansas, died on Tuesday of last week after a lingering illness. He was a brother to Mrs. C. H. Hulcher, of Wilkesboro, who went to Hutchinson several weeks ago on account of Dr. Butler's condition and who was with him when the end came.

Dumfries, Scotland, has bought for \$2,400 the house in which Robert Burns died.

Killed In France



Pvt. Edward M. Templeton, age 26, was killed in action in France on November 3. Pvt. Templeton entered the army December 14, 1942, and went overseas in August this year, being a member of a tank destroyer battalion. Pvt. Templeton was a member of one of Wilkes' best known families, being a son of the late W. Z. Templeton, of Hays, and Mrs. Templeton, who has made her home here for the past several months. Pvt. Templeton's wife is the former Miss Sadie Johnson. Surviving are his mother, his wife, and six sisters: Miss Audrey Templeton, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Harold Madison, Kings Park, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Alfred Levesque, Brentwood, Long Island, N. Y.; Misses Era and Faye Templeton, North Wilkesboro; and Miss Dianna Templeton, Newark, N. J.

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The Journal-Patriot For Thursday Will Be Printed Earlier

In order that the staff of The Journal-Patriot may observe Thanksgiving Day as a holiday, the issue for Thursday, November 23, will be printed on Wednesday afternoon. All the have any news items, advertisements or advertisements for publication in the Thursday issue are urged to have them in to The Journal-Patriot office not later than Wednesday noon.

Lions Enjoy An Address Friday By C. B. Ross

Pilot Mountain Minister Is Speaker; Zone Meeting Held In This City

Rev. Courtney B. Ross, Methodist minister from Pilot Mountain, delivered an inspiring address Friday evening before the North Wilkesboro Lions Club.

"Mastering Life" was the subject used by Rev. Mr. Ross, who listed four essentials for mastering life: mastering self, mastering friendship, mastering things, and submitting to God, the master of all.

The speaker was presented by Rev. A. C. Waggoner. The program was in charge of Attorney J. Allie Hayes and S. T. Anderson. One feature of the program was a biographical sketch of James M. Anderson as prepared and read by W. O. Absher. A. A. Sturdivant and W. O. Absher will have charge of the program for the next meeting and all members are requested to keep in mind that future meetings of the club will be at 6:30 instead of 7:00 p. m.

Colonel C. Walker Funeral Sunday

Funeral service was held Sunday at Mt. Pisgah church for Colonel C. Walker, age 74, citizen of Edwards township who died Friday. Rev. L. E. Sparks conducted the last rites.

Mr. Walker is survived by his wife, Mrs. Julia Ann Walker, and the following sons and daughters: Mrs. B. Blevins, Commie Walker, Mrs. Paul Wood, Livell Walker, Jarvis Walker and Mrs. Earl Duncan, all of Ronda.

Bond Sales Needed To Pay For Mighty Offensive Drives

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RATION NEWS

SHOES — Airplane Stamps Nos. 1, 2, and 3 in book three good for one pair of shoes each indefinitely.

GASOLINE — Coupons No. 12 in a book good for three gallons became effective Nov. 9 and will expire December 21.

SUGAR — Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 (book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS — Blue A8 through W5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS — Red A8 through Z8 and A5 through P5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds containing sugar until February 28, 1945.

EDIBLE TREE NUTS —

These nuts are governed by RMPR No. 490, and allow a mark up of 35 per cent over legal cost. There are many grades and sizes of these nuts and it is impracticable to quote wholesale prices here, but generally there is a good crop of nuts, particular pecans. The wholesaler's ceiling on orchard run seedling pecans should be approximately 24c per pound, and 39c to 43c on U. S. number 1 large Stewart pecans. These are just two examples. U. S. number 1 grade extra large and oversize are higher, and commercial grades are lower than the prices quoted above. The retail mark-up on mixed nuts is 35 per cent.

GLAZED FRUIT — Glazed fruit, usually known as fruit used to make or in the baking of fruit cakes, has a mark up of 40 per cent over legal cost.

TIRE Inspection Sheets are no longer needed for gasoline or tire rationing and may be destroyed. The mileage ration record which was sent to motorists with their "A" books will be used for gasoline rationing instead of the old tire inspection records.

Wounded In France

Pfc. Alvin G. Baker was seriously wounded in France on October 28, according to a War Department telegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Baker, of Purlear. Before going into France Pfc. Baker had participated in the invasion of Italy and had been awarded the bronze star medal for "valorous conduct in action against the enemy."

The message is as follows: "Your assistance is needed and the most important job now for the people at home is to make the Sixth War Loan a success. To make sure of final victory we must redouble and sustain our efforts, both here and everywhere. The money must be raised and our men on all the fronts depend upon you. Contact your local war finance committee and join the homefront army as a volunteer war bond worker. On behalf of your sons, brothers, husbands, and friends in this great war theatre I request that you do your part to see that the Sixth War Loan is vastly oversubscribed."

"Dwight D. Eisenhower, Allied Expeditionary Forces"

Church Funeral Is Conducted Friday

Funeral service for Commodore Church, age 49, who was killed Wednesday night by a hit and run driver on highway 421 just west of this city, was held Friday at Patton's Ridge church.

Mr. Church is survived by the following sons and daughters: Wiley and Alfred Church, Millers Creek; George Church, Hopkins; W. M. Church, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Maggie Green, Stony Fork; Mrs. Rosie Church, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Mary Watson, in Tennessee.

Retailers Here Will Sell Bonds During Campaign

Many Cooperating To Reach Wilkes Quota of \$809,000 in 6th War Loan

Retailers will aid greatly in promoting sale of war bonds during the Sixth War Loan campaign beginning today, W. D. Halfacre, war loan chairman, said today.

National and state retailers' organizations have accepted and are urging all retail stores to accept \$100 each for each member of the personnel as the quota in war bonds for each store.

Commenting on the splendid assistance given here in previous campaigns, Mr. Halfacre said he was sure that the retailers in North Wilkesboro will be glad to assume their quotas and that they will be able to reach them.

Wilkes has an overall quota of \$809,000.00 in the campaign of that amount \$198,000 must be in "E" bond sales, and in that category retailers can be very effective.

Retail stores will be given supplies with which they can take war bond orders. The orders will be taken and the customers will pay to the stores the amount for the bonds. The applications and money will be taken to the banks, which will mail the bonds directly to the purchasers.

Mr. Halfacre stated that The Journal-Patriot will carry from time to time the progress being made by retail stores in the sale of bonds. "Approximately 1,000 men in uniform in all parts of the world read The Journal-Patriot. We want these boys to know that we are backing them up here on the home front with the dollars to supply them with the equipment and materials for a victorious conclusion of the war," Mr. Halfacre said.

The names of the committee members to handle war bond sales in rural areas, together with quotas for each district, were published last week. Although the campaign officially opens today, encouraging reports have already been received from some communities.

All sales of "E" bonds during the month of November and December will count toward reaching the Sixth War Loan quota.

Excellent cooperation has been received from the schools, which have always rendered valuable assistance in selling war bonds.

The house-to-house canvass in North Wilkesboro, under direction of Mrs. Edd Gardner and Mrs. Gordon Finley, will get under way this week. The canvass was organized in a meeting of block leaders held Thursday at the town hall. Any who are not contacted by the solicitors may buy their bonds at either local bank and have the sale credited to their respective block leaders.

Ike Emphasizes Importance New War Bond Drive

A message stressing the urgency of the Sixth War Loan Drive has been received in this country from General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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Masonic Notice

Special communication North Wilkesboro lodge number 407 A. F. & A. M. Thursday night, November 23, 7:30 o'clock. Work in the first degree. All members are urged to attend.

