

Grocers to Meet On December 7th With OPA Board

Cooperative Campaign To Control Inflationary Prices Is Planned For Wilkes

A consumer-grocer campaign against rising prices and inflation will be inaugurated in North Wilkesboro on Thursday, December 7, third anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

C. P. Walter, chairman of the local War Price and Rationing Board, has called a meeting of all grocers in Wilkes county to be held on December 7, eight p. m., at the North Wilkesboro town hall.

The local campaign is a part of a nation-wide movement for maximum cooperation between grocers and consumers to fight inflationary trends in food prices.

The importance of the campaign was stressed in a meeting of the Public Relations panel of the War Price and Rationing Board held Tuesday night at the board's offices. Rev. Sidney Crane, chairman of the Public Relations panel, presided and members present were Mrs. Annie H. Greene, Mrs. Ivey Moore, Miss Mary Speer, C. J. Eller and Dwight Nichols.

One of the principal objects of the coming campaign is to secure from grocers a pledge to abide by ceiling prices, and a pledge from consumers that they will not pay more than ceiling prices. It is expected that a maximum in cooperation will be received from grocers and consumers in the forthcoming campaign.

Ten Wilkes Youths Enter Navy Service

Ten 17-year-old youths from Wilkes county have recently volunteered for navy service and have been accepted. Navy Recruiter J. E. Huffman said here yesterday. He listed the new volunteers as follows: Jonah Amos Parker, oak woods; Lynn Walker McGuire, Ferguson; Robert William Alexander, Ronda; George Worth Woodie, Laurel Springs; Cecil Randolph Grayson, North Wilkesboro; Eugene Tunney Dancy and Paul Sheets, Reddies River; Luther Osborne, Vannoy; Herman Roy Queen, Gillreath; Maurice Quincy Whitington, Reddies River.

Christian Training Class at Methodist

Annual training school of Christian workers in the Methodist churches in Wilkes county will be held December 3rd through the 7th at the First Methodist church in this city.

DUSSELDORF IS OBJECTIVE; 7 TOWNS FALL

The U. S. Ninth Army opened a powerful new attack Wednesday pointed at the Ruhr Valley metropolis of Dusseldorf, 27 miles away, and teamed with the First Army in the capture of seven Rhineland towns while the Yank Army tore off gains up to 10 miles on the collapsing enemy south flank.

Lieut. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh Army also wheeled northwest of Strasbourg to within 12 miles of Western Bavaria and the hard-driving Third Army to the west stormed up heights overlooking the Saar River inside Germany, from where it was shelling the Siegfried Fortress of Merzig, 20 miles northwest of Saarbrücken.

The Ninth Army opened at "attack in strength" early Wednesday, dispatches to headquarters revealed, striking on the north flank of the 21 mile arched front east of Aachen against German anchor positions at Lindern and Linnich, four and five miles northeast of Vellankirchen.

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Wounded In France



Pvt. Hardin J. Benton, son of Mrs. Minnie Benton, of North Wilkesboro route three, was wounded in action in France October 14, according to a message received by his wife from the War Department a few days ago. Pvt. Benton entered service in February, 1944, and trained at Fort McClellan, Ala., and Fort Meade, Md. He sailed overseas in July, 1944. He was stationed in Italy and was later sent to France. He is now in a hospital there. He is getting along fine, according to a letter home to his mother and wife, Mrs. Lucy Benton, under date of November 4. Pvt. Benton has been awarded the Purple Heart.

NAVY IS AGAIN TAKING MEN FOR SEABEES

Enlistment in the Seabees, the Navy's fighting engineers, is again open to skilled men between the ages of 17 and 50, according to J. E. Huffman, recruiter, who comes to North Wilkesboro each Wednesday.

The great need at the present time is for men from the following civilian occupations: white men, hatch bosses, draftsmen, surveyors, pipelitters and plumbers, blacksmith, line and station electricians, stevedores, welders, riggers, crane, bulldozer and carryall operators, and carpenters with extensive building experience.

Petty officer ratings will be available to men possessing the required qualifications, and they will be eligible for all family allowances, clothing allotments and extra pay for overseas service, it was announced. Qualified men within the draft age will be issued letters of assignment to the Navy. In order that the interviewing officer can readily determine an applicant's qualification, all applicants will be required to have at the time they make application at least three letters of recommendation from previous employers outlining the experience they have had.

Seabees get into action right behind the first waves of assault troops. After a beachhead has been secured, these "fighting engineers" go to work creating bases and facilities for landing supplies and accommodating planes. Such unit is complete with its own bakeries, shops, medical and supply officers, repair plants, electric and power units. Skilled workers from virtually every branch of technical civilian pursuits are required to man these installations.

Ministers to Meet On Sunday Night

Ministerial Association of the Wilkesboros will meet Sunday night, nine o'clock, in the home of Dr. David E. Browning.

PALS RETURN TO SEA DUTY

The three sailors pictured above, who have served together for the past 15 months on the same ship, have returned to sea duty after spending a 13-day leave at their respective homes. Left to right they are: W. D. Ellis, GM3c, of Alexandria, Ind.; J. F. Williams, seaman first class, of Macon, Ga.; and Glenn W. Poteat, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Poteat, of North Wilkesboro route three.



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Bond Money Needed To Finance Offensives

Rat Eradication Campaign Being Planned In City

Dr. Whitehead Will Again Direct Work to Kill Rats In North Wilkesboro

Dr. L. C. Whitehead, rodent control specialist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will direct a second rat eradication campaign in North Wilkesboro, beginning Monday, December 4.

Earlier this year Dr. Whitehead directed the first rat campaign here and results were declared to be exceptionally good. Since that time rats have not been a serious menace, but the second campaign is designed to get the rats which escaped last time and to keep rats from becoming a destructive menace again.

While here Dr. Whitehead expressed the belief that rats could be kept out of North Wilkesboro with a campaign annually.

The rats are killed by means of a poison which is mixed with cooked fish or other suitable meat. The poison does not kill other animals, but is highly effective on rats and mice.

While in the county Dr. Whitehead will accompany County Agent J. B. Snipes on a number of rat control demonstrations in rural communities.

Training Union Week Next Week In Wilkesboro

Week of Training Union emphasis will be observed next week, Monday through Friday, at Wilkesboro Baptist church, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. Howard J. Ford.

Mr. Harvey Gibson, training union director of Baptists in North Carolina, assisted by Mrs. Gibson, will conduct the course, which will meet each evening at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended people of other churches to attend.

Fairplains Boy Scouts to Meet

About 30 boys and their parents from the Fairplains community will meet at the Fairplains Community church Monday night at 7:00 to discuss Boy Scout work. Mr. Thomas, new assistant district Scout executive, will be present to speak to the group. He will also show a motion picture on the aims and purposes of Scouting.

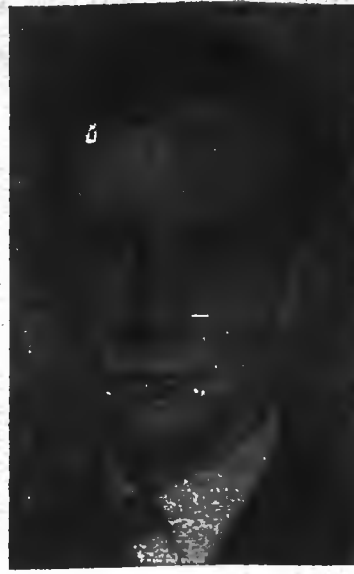
Troop No. 70, sponsored by North Wilkesboro Lodge, Knights of Pythias, was organized last December by Arvil Pfeiffer, who is now in the United States Navy. The troop continued under Assistant Scoutmaster Pat Hunt until forced to disband during the polio epidemic.

Plans will be made Monday night to enlarge and expand the work of this troop.

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Leaving Wilkes



Assistant County Agent James E. Rollins, who has been engaged as an extension poultry specialist in Wilkes since February 1, 1948, has resigned his position to enter the hatchery business in Goldsboro. There he has leased the Wayne Hatchery. Mr. Rollins graduated in 1941 at State College, where he majored in poultry. His work in Wilkes as poultry specialist and in extension work among 4-H club members has been highly satisfactory, and the farmers and poultrymen of the county regret that he is leaving Wilkes.

3 DESTROYERS AND 11 OTHER SHIPS SUNK

American bombers and fighters destroyed 13 Japanese ships, including three destroyers, and killed an estimated 4,000 more enemy troops in turning back the sixth Japanese attempt to land reinforcements on Leyte, it was announced today.

Thunderbolt, Lightning and Warhawk fighters, aided by a small number of Mitchell medium bombers, of Lieut. Gen. George C. Kenney's U. S. 5th Air Force, participated in the two-day attack in which seven troop transports, three cargo transports and three destroyers were sunk.

The battle began Tuesday afternoon when the Japanese ships were observed in the Camotes Sea and most of the convoy was destroyed that day. The Americans completed the destruction yesterday, bringing enemy losses in the six attempts this month to reinforce Leyte to 46 ships sunk, including 17 destroyers, and more than 21,000 troops killed.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's daily war bulletin announced that the troops killed in the latest attempt to reach the port of Ormoc, on the west coast of Leyte, might have been from the veteran Second Japanese Infantry Division. It quoted prisoners taken on the rain-soaked Leyte ground front as saying they had been told that division was expected to arrive to bolster their wavering defense.

JAPS REPORT TWO FLEETS HIT CAPITAL

American Super Fortresses have raided Tokyo for the third time in six days, it was announced yesterday, and Japanese broadcasts said that two separate fleets of the giant B-29 bombers had hit the capital, one at 11:55 p. m. Wednesday and a second at 4:15 a. m. Thursday Japanese time.

Admitting that fires had been started Tokyo said that the raiders had showered incendiary bombs on the city and interspersed them with flares to light targets.

Tokyo reported that the first fleet of Super Forts had attacked from 11:55 p. m. Wednesday to 2 a. m. Thursday Japanese time (1 p. m. Wednesday e.w.t.).

A small formation attacked Shizuoka prefecture on the coast southwest of Tokyo while the city was under attack, Tokyo said.

A second fleet of Super Forts, described likewise as small, hit Tokyo at 4:15 a. m. and continued to attack until 5 a. m., the enemy broadcasts said.

It was the first night attack in history on the Japanese capital.

Bond Sales Total In Wilkes County Climbing Slowly

Need to Back the Attack Is Greater Than Ever Before; Total Sales \$55,515.25

Total in sales of war bonds in Wilkes county at the close of business on November 27 was \$55,515.25, the report of the Federal Reserve bank to W. D. Halfacre, Wilkes war loan chairman, today showed.

Of that amount only \$35,515.25 was in E, F, and G bonds which will count toward the "E" bond quota of \$198,000.

The total quota for the county in the Sixth War Loan is \$809,000.

A substantial increase in the total for the county is expected after purchases by corporations and purchasers of larger bonds on December 1 are included in the report.

However, it is evident with one-half of the war loan period already passed that to meet the quota will require much work on the part of volunteer bond salesmen and purchasers of bonds by a great number of individuals in Wilkes county.

The complacent attitude on the part of the people that the war is nearly over is not justified by reports from the battlefronts. In Europe the allied armies still have to cross the Rhine and the war against Japan is just now reaching a fully intensified stage, which will cost a tremendous amount in money and in lives.

The money from the Sixth War Loan is needed, and needed now, to supply the army and navy dealing the knockout blows to the enemy on so many fronts.

Never before is the time to back the attack with your dollars. On Thursday of next week a report of bond sales by the several district committees in the county will be published. District chairmen are asked to make a report in time for publication next Thursday.

Retail stores have accepted their quotas and the merchants of North Wilkesboro are making a substantial contribution toward victory by sale of bonds to their customers. The merchants have the bond applications blanks and can take bond orders. The bonds will be mailed directly to the customers by the local banks.

Legion Will Meet On Friday Night

Wilkes post of the American Legion will meet Friday night, December 1, 7:30 o'clock, at the Legion and Auxiliary clubhouse. Important matters will be before the post and a large attendance of members is especially urged.

HART BROTHERS SERVING NATION

Pvt. Henry F. Hart, who has been in service two years, served one year overseas in England and is back in the states. He is stationed at Moore General Hospital at Black Mountain where he is being treated for a wound received during an air raid. He was home on a three-day pass over the week-end and says he is very glad to sleep in the good old U. S. A. once more. He says give his best wishes to all other boys over there. Emerson Hart, is now in the hospital in California, recovering from pneumonia. He says to give his address to all because there is nothing like mail to a sailor or a boy in any branch of the service. He sends his best regards to his brother, Pvt. Henry F. Hart. The two brothers have not seen each other in over two years but are hoping to get together soon. Emerson Hart's address is: Emerson Hart, s2c, Ward F, U.S. N.C. Hospital, Yosemite National Park, California. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. David Hart, of North Wilkesboro route one.



Award Winner



Miss Joanna McNeil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie J. McNeil, of this city, has been chosen for the Daughters of the American Revolution good citizenship award in North Wilkesboro schools and will participate in the state contest to be held in the spring of 1945. She will prepare a scrapbook showing her school and community achievements. Miss McNeil has a splendid high school record and is president of the senior class. She has been a class officer through her four years of her school, is a member of the Hi-Y club, managing editor of the Lion's Roar and was recently received into membership in the J. U. G. club. She is also active in church and Sunday school work.

Federal Court Completes Job On Big Docket

Prison Terms and Fines Meted Out to Many Violators of Liquor Tax Laws

With one of the heaviest dockets in years, federal court in

on the many criminal cases calendared and turned its attention to some civil issue matters pending. During the term which opened November 20 many cases have been disposed of and practically all of them have involved alleged violations of the liquor laws.

Cases this week in which Judge Johnson J. Hayes has meted out judgment follow:

J. C. Ester, temporary probation.

Daniel Marlow, probation two years.

Harliss Combs, 15 months in Petersburg, Va., prison suspended on payment of \$400 fine.

Clyde Barnett, six months in jail; Glenn Barnett, four months in jail.

Rastus Wiles, temporary probation.

Raymond Walter Dimmetta, \$300 fine.

George Goulds, temporary probation.

Floyd Parks, year and a day in Chillicothe, Ohio, reformatory; (See Federal Court—page 7)

Committee To Head Triple A Named In County

County Committee Members and Executive Officers Returned To Office

Members of the Triple A committee for Wilkes county were re-elected for another year by the convention of community delegates in meeting at the county courthouse Saturday.

The committee is composed of H. C. Roberts, chairman, W. M. Absber, vice chairman, J. A. Poplin, regular member, T. J. McNeill and Charlie Miles, first and second alternate members.

The county committee in executive session re-elected S. L. Turner as executive secretary and Miss Edith Beamon as treasurer for the coming year.

Previously farmers of the county in the various communities had elected community committees composed of a chairman, vice chairman and regular member. Delegates were also named to the county convention.

The number of farmers participating in the community elections indicated much interest in the Triple A Program for the coming year.

Following are listed the community committeemen elected throughout the county. The first named for each community is the chairman, the second is the vice chairman, and the third is the regular member:

Antioch Township—Thomas B. Inscore, A. F. Sale, C. A. Sparks. Beaver Creek Township—L. F. Walsh, Edward Foster, J. C. West.

Boomer Township—Ralph Swanson, Chas. Ferguson, M. F. Laws.

Brushy Mountain Township—Junior Costner, E. B. Hendren, F. L. Hayes.

Edwards Township No. 1—John Q. Burcham, H. W. McCann, Jack Hoots.

Edwards Township No. 2—Irvin Key, V. B. Martin, J. K. Tharpe.

Edwards Township No. 3—W. F. Gilliam, Clint Newman, T. D. Barber.

Edwards Township No. 4—Clyde Luffman, Curtis Luffman, T. J. Walsh.

Elk Township—W. O. Barnett, E. C. Hodges, Robert Hall.

Jobs Cabin—H. H. Beshears, D. F. Beshears, Charles Benge.

Lewis Fork—A. M. McGee, W. E. Blackburn, G. C. Walsh.

Lovelace Township—D. W. Marlow, C. W. Hendren, E. L. Transou.

Moravian Falls No. 1—W. R. Hubbard, Geo. H. Brown, C. F. Bretholl.

Moravian Falls No. 2—R. C. Jennings, D. E. Treadaway, J. G. Bentley.

Mulberry No. 1—G. C. Owens, J. C. Billings, J. W. Hall.

Mulberry No. 2—H. H. Jennings, M. C. Adams, W. V. Caudill.

Mulberry No. 3—Will Watson, Blaine Elledge, Aaron Brooks.

Mulberry No. 4—A. R. Myers, W. H. Sebastian, I. E. Sebastian.

New Castle No. 1—G. C. Green, J. W. Caudle, Tyre Gray.

New Castle No. 2—C. M. Welborn, B. Z. Welborn, L. D. Welborn.

North Wilkesboro—J. E. Williams, A. X. Wyatt, W. B. Beamon.

Reddies River No. 1—Q. O. Killy, G. W. McGlamery, Guy Tulburt.

Reddies River No. 2—W. E. Jones, Van Caudill, D. C. Church.

Reddies River No. 3—W. T. Snyder, J. W. Martin, W. H. Nichols.

Rock Creek No. 1—A. B. Hayes, C. E. Billings, F. C. Johnson.

Rock Creek No. 2—J. C. Felts, E. R. Lowe, J. L. Gregory.

Rock Creek No. 3—G. M. Alexander, T. J. McNeil, J. S. Alexander.

Somers Township—A. T. Myers, K. W. Souther, Otto Somers.

Stanton Township—G. E. Vannoy, J. C. Parsons, C. C. Rhyne.

Traphill No. 1—S. C. Johnson, H. N. Kennedy, John W. Joiner.

Traphill No. 2—Charlie Miles, J. H. Billings, Wesley Joiner.

Traphill No. 3—J. Z. Adams, Watson Durham, B. C. Speaks.

Union No. 1—J. C. Woodie, Geo. W. Jennings, Dewey Bumgarner.

Union No. 2—A. R. Miller, E. A. Vannoy, E. M. Dancy.

Union No. 3—W. H. Whittington, D. F. Whittington, A. H. Taylor.

Walnut Grove No. 1—Bob Alexander, E. E. Hawks, E. F. Wagner.

Walnut Grove No. 2—L. G. Billings, W. W. Gambill, L. F. Caudill.

Wilkesboro No. 1—M. C. Jones, Dave Hall, W. W. Miller.

Wilkesboro No. 2—U. A. Miller, R. H. Johnson, Clifford Moore.

Mr. Ivan D. Anderson, proprietor of The Liberty Theatre, is spending this week in Baltimore with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Anderson.