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Watch Your Label—Keep Your Subscription Paid in Advance

TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH IN FIRE MONDAY NEAR FERGUSON; MAN, WOMAN SEVERELY BURNED

Violet and Gene Autrey Barlow, Ages Four and Nine, Victims of Fire

Two children died late Monday morning when an oil can in the home of James Barlow near Ferguson exploded.

Violet Barlow, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Barlow, died in the Wilkes hospital here Monday afternoon.

Gene Autrey Barlow, age 9, a neighbor boy who was at the James Barlow home awaiting a school bus when the tragic accident occurred, died at nine o'clock Monday night. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Barlow.

Mr. and Mrs. James Barlow were severely burned and are patients at the Wilkes hospital. Mrs. Barlow's burns were described as painful but not serious and Mr. Barlow received severe burns on his feet and legs. Their home and all its furnishings were destroyed in the fire which started from the oil can exploding as Mr. Barlow was kindling a fire.

First to reach the burning building were W. E. Horton, driver of a Ferguson school bus, Mrs. Glenn Williams, a Ferguson school teacher, and F. J. Hartley, of Wilkesboro.

They found the three-room building in flames but could not find anyone near the burning building.

Along the road they found pieces of clothing, indicating that the members of the Barlow family had fled from the burning residence.

At the next house along the road they found Mr. and Mrs. Barlow, both badly burned. Violet Barlow terribly burned, and the Barlow boy, Gene Autrey Barlow, also in a critical condition, although they had walked a considerable distance. Two children of Mr. and Mrs. James Barlow escaped without injury.

The injured were placed in an automobile and brought to the Wilkes hospital.

It was later learned that the explosion happened when Mr. Barlow poured fuel from a five-gallon can onto a fire. The can, it was reported, contained a mixture of gasoline and kerosene.

Violet Barlow is survived by her father and mother, one brother and one sister. Funeral service was held Wednesday two p. m. at the family cemetery with Rev. S. I. Watts in charge of the service.

Gene Autrey Barlow is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Barlow, one brother and one sister. Funeral service was held Wednesday, 11 a. m., at Ferguson family cemetery with Rev. S. I. Watts in charge.

Feather In North Wilkesboro's Cap

Mrs. W. A. Snyder, of this city, has donated two beautiful hand-crocheted all-wool afghans to the McGuire General Hospital in Richmond, Va., to be used by the wounded soldiers returned from overseas service.

When these gifts are received the hospital has a tape with name of the donor and the city sewed on the afghans, so North Wilkesboro gets credit also. Think what this would mean to some North Carolina boy in a wheel chair to find himself covered with a beautiful bright colored afghan made by loving hands in his native state. A grand gift from a grand lady.

Navy Department Seeks Office Help

Mrs. Elizabeth Farnum, of the Navy Department, will be in the U. S. E. S. office the week of December 11 to sign up stenographers, typists and clerks for the Navy Department. Females, 17½ years and up are urgently needed in the Navy Department at Washington.

RED VANGUARDS THRUST NEAR AUSTRIAN SOIL

The Red army, turning the corner around the southern end of Lake Balaton in Hungary, has advanced within 35 miles of Austria, Moscow dispatches said last night, while the Germans declared the Russians had reached within 13 miles south of Budapest in a northward push up the west bank of the Danube.

Moscow's midnight communique while confirming gains up to 16 miles in both sectors, placed the farthest advance below Lake Balaton 42 miles from Austria, and the nearest approach to Budapest along the Danube at 28 miles.

Wounded In Action



Pfc. Otto Adams, of Buck, was seriously wounded in the South Pacific September 28th. Pfc. Adams entered service in June, 1942. He received training at Camp Rucker, Ala.; Nashville, Tenn.; Arizona; Los Angeles and San Luis, O'Beispo, California. He sailed from San Francisco in June, 1944. Pfc. Adams has been in service 29 months, serving with the infantry in the South Pacific. His military decorations include the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat with the enemy, operation ribbon with one star, good conduct ribbon and American defense ribbon. Pfc. Adams has recently arrived back in the states. He is now in an army hospital in Savannah, Ga. In a recent letter he stated he is getting along fine.

December Term Of Wilkes Court To Start Monday

December term of Wilkes superior court for trial of criminal cases will open Monday, December 11, with Judge Wilson Warlick, of Newton, presiding.

Only one week of court will be held. Solicitor Avalon E. Hall, with members of the Wilkes bar association, has made out the calendar for the term and the calendar is published elsewhere in this newspaper.

Jurors for the term are as follows: Mack Wood, Reddies River; Claude Handy, Walnut Grove; Robert Wilson, Moravian Falls; C. A. Cannon, Reddies River; W. L. Carpenter, Rock Creek; J. V. Barnett, Brushy Mountain; J. P. Adams, New Castle; Rowan Shepherd, Wilkesboro; H. V. Horton, Beaver Creek; Walter Phillips, Boomer; A. B. Pardue, New Castle; W. G. Morrison, Wilkesboro; J. M. Mitchell, Jobs Cabin; T. D. Davis, Moravian Falls; M. B. McNeill, Reddies River; Conrad Bumgarner, Union; Robert G. Mathis, Antioch; Lonnie L. Moore, Brushy Mountain; H. L. Johnson, Moravian Falls; F. C. Nichols, Reddies River; H. E. Dodson, Antioch; W. J. Rhodes, Walnut Grove; R. L. Barlow, Boomer; H. G. Duncan, Moravian Falls; Arville Warren, North Wilkesboro; H. O. Martin, Wilkesboro; Richard Osborne, Wilkesboro; J. A. Gentry, Traphill; Owen Roberts, Somers; Dan Hayes, Traphill; J. H. Alexander, Walnut Grove; G. C. Walker, Boomer; Henry Perry, Union; J. V. Wallace, North Wilkesboro; Russell Lackey, Wilkesboro; E. R. Mitchell, Jobs Cabin; K. N. Greene, Elk; F. C. Blevins, Wilkesboro; Lee A. Mathis, Antioch; A. B. Triplett, Lewis Fork; C. M. Ashley, Moravian Falls; S. Byrd, Rock Creek; E. J. Martin, New Castle; T. J. Yates, Stanton; C. M. Nichols, Reddies River; Eli Staley, Antioch; R. F. Faw, Union; John W. Robbhus, Somers; J. M. Parsons, Jobs Cabin.

Circle To Hold A Bazaar Tomorrow

The Pearl White Circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Wilkesboro Methodist church will hold a bazaar Friday, December 8th, starting at 3 p. m. at Mrs. Joines' Cafe. Various gift articles, novelties and delicious foods will be sold by members of the circle, the money to be added to the fund now being raised by the circle for purchasing a Hammond organ for the church.

The public is invited to attend the bazaar which will provide an opportunity to purchase many attractive Christmas gifts and other useful articles.

Selective Service Boards Send Men To Begin Service

Selective Service boards in Wilkes on Tuesday sent groups of men to the induction center to begin service in the army and navy. The lists of men sent for induction, and who had previously been accepted following physical examinations, follow:

BOARD NUMBER ONE—

Arthur Bruce Miles
Thomas Jefferson Oakley
George Millard Johnson
Eugene Brooks
BOARD NUMBER TWO—
Lomon Commodore Adams
Elbridge Lamarr Derrick
Claude Roy Elledge
Burloin Clay Baugus
Ronie Wagner
Lester Arthur Wilkins
Robert Claude Wall
Jack Spicer
Marvin Willie Shepherd
Gilmer Wiles
John Ansel Brown
Ruffin Dale Gambill
Thomas Hood Byrd
Edward James Whitley
Rudd Wilmer Faw
Silas Casey Church
Ralph Franklin Gentry
Kex Coolidge Benfield
Lonnie Gene Wadkins
William Fred Brown
James Vance Porter
Sebon Smoot
Archie Ray Brown
Devey Warden Wyatt

TRANSFERRED IN—
William Ambrose Brewer
TRANSFERRED OUT—
Ralph Everette Brown

AN EDITORIAL—

Y. M. C. A. FUND CONTRIBUTIONS DEDUCTIBLE FROM INCOME TAX

The Wilkes YMCA directors met with their co-workers Tuesday, December 5th, at the Hotel Wilkes to plan for the continuation of the 1944 building fund campaign. It was voted to concentrate on the businesses and industries during the period from December 11th to the 20th with the hope that many individuals will make their contributions direct and not wait for someone to call on them.

The canvassers will be most grateful to those who will send their contributions direct to the treasurer, J. B. Carter.

Everyone realizes that December is a bad month to put much time on a campaign, particularly with other drives coming one on top of the other, but most industries and business base their income tax calculations on transactions during the calendar year and, to be deductible from their 1944 income tax, their contributions must be dated on or before December 31st.

No attempt will be made to seek contributions from individuals at this time. A house to house canvass will be made the earlier part of 1945 under the leadership of Mrs. E. G. Finley.

This is a project that every GOOD citizen will want to have a share in. The questions is not, "Are we going to have a YMCA?" it is, "What kind of a YMCA the we going to have?" You can have every reasonable assurance that a YMCA will be built—the kind of a building and the kind of a program that will be carried out in entirely dependent upon you—and don't forget, that DOES MEAN YOU.

Your indifference is a vote AGAINST. Your contribution is a vote FOR.

Attention is called to the fact that war bonds may be purchased and made payable to the Wilkes Y. M. C. A. Your banker will be glad to advise you relative to the different types of bonds available.

SAARBRUCKEN HELD IN GRIP OF 3RD ARMY

American Third Army troops poured across the Saar river at six points yesterday, captured two-thirds of the French border city of Sarreguemines and closed tighter their siege of shell-blasted Saarbrucken, capital of the rich Saarland.

Field dispatches said the Thirty-Fifth Infantry had overrun all of Sarreguemines on the west bank of the Saar after house-to-house fighting and were raking fleeing Nazis on the east bank with artillery fire.

Sarreguemines, largest French city in the Saar, with a population of 14,000 normally, is situated nine miles southeast of Saarbrucken. German troops blew up all five bridges across the Saar before retreating to the east bank. Other Yank troops reached the Saar above and below the city.

As this threat to Saarbrucken developed swiftly from the southeast, the Nineteenth Infantry division made four new assault boat crossings of the Saar north of Saarbrucken and Merzig, between the two original bridgeheads now being driven deeper into the concrete defenses of the Siegfried line on the east bank.

Buy More Bonds!

Killed In Action



Pvt. James Andrew Whittington, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whittington and husband of the former Miss Mattie Ashley, of Millers Creek, has been reported by the War Department as killed in action on November 3. He was killed in the Pacific theatre of operations, presumably in the Philippines. Pvt. Whittington entered service September 23, 1943, and was in training at Fort Custer, Mich., before going overseas in April, 1944. He served in a military police unit. Surviving are his parents, his wife, and the following brothers and sisters: Grant and Grace Whittington, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Hensley Miller, of Millers Creek; and Pvt. Rex Whittington, of Camp Croft, S. C.

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In Hospital In Italy

Pvt. Richard L. Whitley is in a hospital somewhere in Italy suffering from a nervous disorder, according to a message received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Whitley of route two, North Wilkesboro, from the War Department recently. The message also stated that on November 17th he was making normal improvement. Pvt. Whitley entered service in January, 1943, and trained at Camp Pickett, Va. He sailed overseas in June, 1943. He was stationed in North Africa and later sent to Italy.



\$98,260 In E Bonds Needed To Reach Quota For Wilkes

War Bond Sales District Report Is Given Today

City Residential Section Quota Sales
Mrs. Gordon Finley ...\$13,975.00
Mrs. Edd Gardner 4,518.50

Millers Creek, 10,000 2,081.25
Boomer, 4,000 .00
Cycle, 5,000 .00
Ferguson, 5,000 825.00
Gilreath, 2,500 850.00
Hendrix, 2,000 149.75
Lincoln
Heights, 500 150.00
Maple Springs, 2,000 2,475.00
Millers Creek, 10,000 2,081.25
Moravian Falls
& Pores Knob, 7,000 5,518.75
Mt. Pleasant, 7,000 2,081.25
Mtn View, 6,000 150.00
Mulberry & Fairplains, 5,000 6,043.75
Roaring River, 8,000 3,225.00
Ronda and Clingman, 20,000 2,212.50
Summit and Parsonville, 2,000 375.00
Traphill, 3,000 3,243.75
Wilkesboro, 50,000 2,306.25

Rationing Boards Have New Hours

The ration board office in North Wilkesboro announces the following office hours: 9:30 a. m. to 12:00 noon; 1:00 to 4:40 p. m.

The ration board office in Wilkesboro is open from ten a. m. until 12 noon, and from one to 5:30 p. m.

Miss Dessie Hanks, Mr. Dancy Helping County Accountant

Assistants have been named for the office of county accountant, to which J. C. Grayson, former office deputy sheriff, was appointed Monday.

Assisting Mr. Grayson will be Miss Dessie Hanks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Hanks, of Springfield. Miss Hanks, who made an enviable record in high school, is a graduate of Twin-City School of Commerce in Winston-Salem.

Mr. Bradley Dancy, of North Wilkesboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roby Dancy, also has a position in the county accountant's office. Mr. Dancy formerly was employed by local business firms.

Boomer Grange To Be Organized 11th

There will be a meeting at the Boomer school house Monday evening, December 11, at 8:00 o'clock for the purpose of reorganizing the Grange. All persons who live near enough are invited to attend. "Now is the time for farmers to organize for their own good, and the good of the whole nation. Come," the announcement said.

Tax Payment Urged

W. P. Kelly, clerk and tax collector for the Town of North Wilkesboro, is pointing out to taxpayers the advantage of paying their 1944 town tax before the end of the year so that the amount may be deducted from the 1944 income.

Mr. Kelly also states that a 1 per cent. penalty will be added to all unpaid city taxes for the year 1944 if not paid on or before February 2nd.

Dupont Company Seeking Workers

During the week of December 11, a representative from E. I. duPont de Nemours Company, of Deepwater, N. J., will be stationed in the North Wilkesboro office of the U. S. Employment Service.

This company is in need of machinists, pipefitters, welders, electricians, millwrights and laboratory apprentices. Mrs. Kathryn A. Lott, manager of the local U. S. E. S. office urges all in this vicinity who are not working in essential industries to come to see this representative next week and sign up for this important war work.

Buy More Bonds!

Killed In France



Pvt. James D. Lowe, age 19, son of Mrs. Pearl Brown, of Springfield, was killed at Belfort Gap in France on September 14, according to a War Department telegram received by his mother. Pvt. Lowe entered the army November 4, 1943, was in training at Camp Wolters, Texas, and Fort Meade, Md., and went overseas in March, 1944.

Lions at Charter Night Programs Clubs Organized

North Wilkesboro Club Sponsors Clubs at Taylorsville and Sparta

Large delegations of Lions of the North Wilkesboro Lions club attended charter night programs Monday night at Taylorsville and Tuesday night at Sparta.

The North Wilkesboro club is sponsoring the organization of the Taylorsville and Sparta clubs.

Those from here attending the Taylorsville charter night banquet were Mr. and Mrs. James M. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Deal, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gibson, W. O. Absher, Ray Manship, Harry Klutz, J. H. Whicker, Jr., B. B. Broome, A. O. Foster, C. E. Jenkins, Jr. and guest, W. A. Hardister, Paul L. Cashion, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Greene.

Local Lions participated in the program at Taylorsville. Vernon Deal, president of the North Wilkesboro club, responded to the address of welcome and James M. Anderson, zone chairman, presented District Governor Jennings Bryson, who presented the charter. Attorney J. H. Whicker, Jr., presented gifts from the North Wilkesboro club to the new clubs at Taylorsville and Sparta. The gifts were flags of the 14 nations in which Lions Clubs function. Howard Gryder is president of the Taylorsville club.

Those from here attending the Sparta charter night banquet were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Deal, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Manship, Claude Key, Jack Swofford, W. O. Absher, Jack Gibson, G. R. Andrews, J. H. Whicker, Jr., B. B. Broome, Worth Tomlinson and Hill Shell.

JAPANESE TANK ATTACK FAILS ON CORRIDOR

Fighting on Leyte island in the Philippines is increasing, with the Americans making substantial gains on all fronts. General Douglas MacArthur reported today.

A Japanese tank attack, launched in the Ormoc corridor sector where the Tenth U. S. Army corps is applying its pressure, failed to break the Americans' grip.

To the south of Ormoc, Nipponese supply port on the island's west coast, the Americans of the Twenty-Fourth corps breached the enemy's line on the Palanas river and pierced to a point south of Balogo on the coast and Kang Dagit village inland, the communique said.

Buy More Bonds!

Continue Efforts In Bond Selling Is Now Urgently Requested

Time Running Short For Reaching 'E' Bond Quota; Sales Are Lagging

With the total of "E" bond sales slightly below the \$100,000 mark, Wilkes people must buy about \$99,000 more in "E" bonds to reach the Sixth War Loan's "E" bond quota.

The total to date is \$99,740, which is approximately half the "E" bond quota, but the time is getting shorter.

Intensified effort on the part of rural committees, retail stores and other volunteer workers in the sale of bonds can put the campaign over the top and keep Wilkes' record perfect in meeting all quotas in war loan campaigns.

W. D. Halfacre, war loan chairman, in commenting on the need for bond buying today released the following quotation from General Dwight D. Eisenhower:

"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 fighting man still faces a grim task and he still urgently needs much food, clothing, and battle equipment that must be bought. The money must be raised and our men on all fronts depend on you. 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."

This week the report of sales from the rural districts is given, and next week the report of sales by retail stores will be published. Every store is urged to push the sale of bonds and reach their respective quotas as early as possible. All retail stores have accepted as a quota at least a \$100 bond sale for every member of the store personnel.

Purchase of bonds for Christmas gifts should help materially in reaching the quota. A war bond makes an ideal Christmas gift, and solves the problem of selection. A war bond is "a present with a future".

Millers Creek Beats Cove Creek 58 to 51

In a very fast basketball game, Millers Creek boys defeated Cove Creek high Tuesday night at Millers Creek by the score of 58 to 51. Pacing the Millers Creek team was Billie Clark, who ran up a total of 27 points.

Millers Creek will play Yadkinville at Millers Creek Monday night, December 11, eight o'clock. A large crowd of basketball fans is expected to see the two fast teams in action.

Marriage License

License to wed were issued during the past two weeks from the office of register of deeds to the following: George P. Bowers, Wagoner, and Margaret Phillips, Crampler; Ray Nichols, Buck, and Hazel Miller, Millers Creek; Grover C. Beshears, Walsh, and Manie Brewer, North Wilkesboro; Richard Laws, Ferguson, and Letha West, Champlain; John R. Wood and Pauline Reavis, both of North Wilkesboro; Archie Simpson, North Wilkesboro route two, and Virginia Lee Williams, North Wilkesboro route three.

Last Rites Held For S. Sgt. Davis

Funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at Reins-Sturdivant chapel for Staff Sergeant Clegg M. Davis, whose body arrived here by train from Canada.

S. Sgt. Davis was killed in a plane crash in Yukon Territory, Canada, on October 17, 1943. He was a son of Mitch Davis, of Gilreath. He graduated from Wilkesboro high school, and was well and favorably known here.

S. Sgt. Davis' body was accompanied here by S. Sgt. Herbert C. Guager, who is stationed in Canada. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. N. Hayes and burial was in Parker cemetery near Gilreath.