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## Charlotte Zone **Chairman Speaks** At Lions' Meeting

Excellent Address On Subject of Lionism Delivered Before Club On Friday

Jack Stickley, of Charlotte, a sone chairman in Lions district 8, delivered a most inspiring address Friday evening before the North Wilkesboro Lions Club.

The program was in charge of W. O. Absher and A. A. Sturdivant. Mr. Absher presented Zone Chairman James M. Anderson, who introduced the speaker.

Using the Lions' motto-"Lions, Liberty, Inteiligence, Our Nation's Safety", Mr. Stickley told the club that the real strength of Lionism lies in accomplishments Lions in service to their felmen. His address was receivwith much interest by the large ttendance of Lions at the meetng. An added feature of the program was a biographical sketch of Claude Key given by G. R. An-

Prior to the program President Vernon Deal reported on charter nights held for Taylorsville and Sparta clubs, which the North Wfikesboro club sponsored as new embers of Lions International.

It was announced that direcof the Lions Club here will meet on December 29.

Prosident Deal appointed a committee composed of James M. Anderson, R. A. Manship and C. E. Jenkins Jr., to assist in the Infantile Paralysis campaign for funds to be put on in January.

At the close of the meeting Rev. A. C. Waggoner distributed names of underprivileged families whom the Lions are going to furnish with Christmas cheer materials on Christmas eve.

At the meeting Friday evening Major Richard Johnston was guest of James M. Anderson and Win. T. Long was a guest of W. D.

## N. S. Forester Buys

Suncrest Orchards N. S. Forester has purchased the Suncrest Orchard from Jake Charga. The Suncrest Orchard, locat-

ed near highway 421 four miles west of this city, was recently purchased by Mr. Church from R. W. Colvard of Mooresville,

The orchard consists of many apple and peach trees, a splendid residence, tenant house and orchard buildings.

## **Red Cross Office** Hours Changed

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, chairman of the local American Red Cross chapter, has announced that the office in North Wilkesboro will observe new office hours. Due to the ever increasing case load and the many clerical duties demandg the time of the executive sec- lied lines on that long-quiet secretary and the case worker this change has become necessary. The office will be open to the public Rev. Harry Gamble from 8:30 to 12:00 and from 1:00 to 4:00 on week days and from 8:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. The office telephone in 307. In case of emergency at any hour of the day or night the telephone office will be able to supply the emer-

### gency number. W. Clay Alexander

At Bainbridge Clay Alexander, who entered the navy in November, is in training at Bainbridge, Md. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Alexan-

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

GASOLINE-Coupons No. 13 in A book good for four gallong became effective Nov. 9 and will expire December 21.

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

MEATS, FATS-Red Stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through 35, good indefinitely. No new stamps until December 31.

PROCESSED FOODS - Blue Stamps A8 through Z8; A5 through Z5, A2 and B2 remain Talid indefinitely. No new be stamps will be validated

til the first of next month. SUGAR: Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds canning sugar until February 28, 1945.

## MANY LOCAL STORES TO REMAIN OPEN NIGHTS; START THURSDAY

Will Remain Closed On December 25th and 26th For Holidays

Many of North Wilkesboro's stores will remain open until 7 o'clock starting Thursday night, and on Saturday most of them will remain open until 8 o'clock, the regular closing hours for the grocery stores on Saturday nights.

A majority of the stores of the city will also be closed on Christmas Day, December 25th, and on Tuesday, December 26th, Both the local banks will be closed next Monday and Tuesday.

Stocks in the local stores still contain thousands of useful and practical gifts and everything possible will be done by local merchants to assist late shoppers with their gift problems between now and Christmas.

## **NAZIS DRIVE YANKS BACK** INTO BELGIUM

The German Army reinvaded Belgium and Luxembourg in an all-out offensive yesterday, denting U. S. First Army lines with thousands of troops and scores of tanks attacking on a 60-mile-

This first major counteroffensive since Normandy was gaining in intensity.

southeast of Aachen, on south- Arthur announced today. ward to the German fortress of

The depth of the German penetrations were not given. Kennepatches were altered by censor-

that "your hour has struck".

What appeared to be the main blow carried to within 10 miles of the Belgian city of Malmedy,

23 miles south of Aachen. the German border and, assuming tier, that would mean a penetration of four miles. However, Altor are ill-defined).

# **Kiwanis Speaker** Here Friday Noon

Rev. Harry Y. Gambill, of Statesville, addressed the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday noon on the subject of "Life's Happy Moments".

The speaker was presented by Rev. Howard J. Ford, who was program chairman for the day. Rev. Mr. Gambill stated that happiness is a state of mind. It is usually momentary. It is expressed in varying degrees by different people under the same circumstances.

Some of life's more general occasions that brings happy moments to many people are the following:

Graduation day, or days from school. 2. Courtship, marriage and the

coming of children. 3. When friends come through.

4. A job well done. The speaker very graphically called to mind various examples and occasions illustrating the high moments of delight coming under each of the above named occasions.

He closed with the reading of a letter recently received from a soldier who is on the Belgian front and the thought uppermost in this boy's mind is the day when he will be able to return home. This would be his most happy

Major Richard Johnston was guest of W. J. Caroon and Rev. A. C. Waggoner was a guest of R.

## Gets Purple Heart



Sgt. Charlie Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gregory, of Union Grove, was awarded the purple heart for wounds received while participating in the battle of St. Lo, in France, recently. He was also awarded the oak leaf cluster. Sgt. Gregory went overseas in May after receiving training at Camp Wolters, Texas; San Louis, Obispo, Calif.; Camp Rucker, Ala., and Camp Butner, N. C. His wife, the former Miss Ruth York, of Union Grove, is making her home in Winston-Salem.

## **AMERICANS ADVANCE ON** MINDORO ISLE

Americans troops have won a island, 150 miles south of Manila. Md., before going overseas in Sepand hammered their lines 11 miles tember. He is serving with an inland from the invasion beach-infantry regiment in Germany. At some points along a front heads against negligible Japanese between Monschau, 16 miles resistance, Gen. Douglas Mac-

Three American Dvisions bat-Trier the enemy had advanced tling the trapped Japanese remsome miles while other thrusts nants on Leyte Island meanwhile were being held by the Americans. tore big gaps in the Yamashita line in the Ormoc corridor and killed 2,012 enemy troops in scordy reported that some of his dis-ing advances of two to seven miles on an 11-mile front.

The force driving into Mindoro Seizing the initiative for the on a broad front scored gains of tirst time since D-Day the Ger- six miles beyond the sugar town mans swept back along the paths on San Jose, captured early Saturof their 1940 conquests, spurred day morning along with its mileby an order from Field Marshal long airfield, and seized commani-Karl Rudolf Gerd von Dundstedt ing ground one-third of the way across the southern tip of the is-

A headquarters spokesman said the advance was made Saturday N. C., has reported at this Third Miskolc. En route, the Russians Miles south of Ascnen.

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[Mainedy is 14 miles west of the first 36 hours of the invasion interesting county a son of the letter was a solution of the letter with the letter was a solution of the letter was a solution o and it was believed likely that American lines were at the fron- by now that the Americans had scored further gains.

The spokesman said that Japanese resistance was negligible. The invasion perimeter now runs in a semicircle about six or seven miles beyond San Jose, five miles in from the coast, indicating that the Americans hold an island front stretching approximately 11 miles from the Bugsanga River on the north to Mangarin Bay on the

## Wounded In Action

Pvt. Ernest E. Bare was slightly wounded in Germany on November 25, according to a War Department message received by his wife, the former Miss Darryl Osborne, who, with her three children, make their home in the Fairplains community. Pvt. Bare, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bare, of Laurel Springs, entered the army May 10 and went overseas in the latter part of October this year.



\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **Ensign Hubbard Home** 

Ensign Fred Hubbard of New Orleans, arrived Sunday to spend several days with his family.

> Pvt. Sherrill Here

Pvt. Harry Sherrill, of Amarillo, Texas, spent last week here with his mother, Mrs. T. E. Sherrill, on D street.

Major Johnston Home

Major and Mrs. Richard Johnton, of Dayton, Ohio, are spending 15 days here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Caroon.

Pvt. Whitley At Moore General Hospital

Pvt. Richard L. Whitley, of North Wilkesboro, has been admitted to Moore General Hospital at Swannanoa for treatment. He served in the North African Theatre with the medical depart-

M. F. Bumgarner, Jr., Home On Visit

Aviation Student M. F. Bumgarner, Jr., who is in training at Columbus, Miss., is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Bumgarner, of Millers Creek. M. F. is engaged in pilot training.

Pvt. Sparks Now In

Germany Pvt. Calvin C. Sparks, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks, of Roaring River route two, entered the army March 23, 1944, received training at Fort Mcsecure hold on Southern Mindoro Clellan, Ala., and Fort Meade,

Charlie B. Anderson Returns To Duty

Charlie B. Anderson, gunner's mate third class, has returned to active duty after spending a 30day leave at Oakwoods with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson. Charlie has been serving in the South Pacific area, and one of the ships on which he was serving was sunk during battle. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have four other

sons in the service. Pfc. Kennedy To Be

Aerial Gunner Gulfport Army Air Field, Gulfport, Miss.—Cpl. Claude L. Ken- sented a gain of 15 miles from Mr. and Mrs. Claude L. Kennedy, Wilkesboro, tions in that area northwest of dio operator gunner on a B-17 the Soviet communique.

Flying Fortress. member of a ten man crew who and self-propelled guns will live and work together under simulated battle conditions. Upon completion of training the crew will be ready for duty on the fighting fronts.

Corporal Kennedy entered the service at Camp Croft, S. C., in May, 1943.

### Pvt. Williams In Aircraft School

Madison, Wis .- Pvt. Ralph J. Williams, 22, son of Mrs. James Williams, North Wilkesboro, N. C., has been enrolled in the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Truax Field, it was announced today by

the post commander. He will take an extensive course in servicing radio equipment used on U.S. bombers and fighting planes and will be trained in defense against chemical warfare, aircraft identification, and related AAF subjects designed to fit him for combat duty.

Pvt. Williams is the husband of Mrs. Faye Williams, of Wilkesboro.

Sgt. Ishmael Laws Gets Six Nazis

Sgt. Ishmael Laws, who threw hand grenade into a cellar in Germany and captured eight nazi soldiers, was recently promoted to his present rank, according to news received by his father, M. F. Laws, of Boomer.

Sgt. Laws went overseas in August and has been in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He wrote that Holland would be a nice place to see in peace time but that over a rifle you don't think of beauty or pleasure. He described Paris as a "sweet place' and that Belgium was nice but all towns had to be blacked out.

# E'Bond Total Rises



It is not every day that five generations can get together for a picture, but the recent photo of Wilkes people above was taken on one of those rare occasions. The five generations shown are headed by Mrs. Laura Harris, of North Wilkesboro, age 91; her son, Franklin Harris, of Charlotte; his daughter, Mrs. Rozilla Ellis, of Champion; her daughter, Mrs. Gaynell Benton, of Champion; and her son, Little Jerry Wayne Benton.

The Red Army advanced within 5 1-2 miles of besieged Budapest yesterday and reached the Slovak border at a new point 72 miles northeast of the Hungarian capital in a rapid but methodical smash ing apart of the remaining small German holdings east and northeast of the Danube River.

The thrust to Slovakia with capture of the town of Susa reprepreviously-reported Soviet posi-

Selected for this important as- this morning said more than 600 signment after stringent examina- of the enemy were slaughtered at tions, Cpl. Kennedy will be a Putnok and eight German tanks knocked out.

## Killed Five Nazis

France on September 29, Sgt. Carl B. Anderson advanced under terrific machine gun fire and knocked out a machine gun nest, killing five Germans and capturing two. Machine gun bullets were passing in inches of Sgt. Anderson, but he did his Sgt. Anderson has been overseas twenty-one months. He fought in North Africa, Sicily, Southern Italy, and Anzio. He was wounded near Rome and received the purple heart. He also made the landing in Southern France, and fought near German soil and hopes to return home in the near future. Sgt. Anderson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Anderson, of ()akwoods.



## J. B. Norris Taken By Death at Local Hospital Thursday

Funeral Held Saturday for Pioneer Lumber Dealer Who Died Thursday

John Bryant (Dick) Norris, ige 73, died Thursday night at the Wilkes hospital.

Mr. Norris long prominent in business and public life here, had been in declining health for two Liberty Lodge 45 years and was critically ill for two weeks.

He was born and reared in the A supplemental communique North Wilkesboro about 1903, lodge hall. where he became connected with the lumber business and soon established a business of his own.

After several years as a lumber dealer here, Mr. Norris became associated with McEwen Lumber company of High Point, representing that firm as a salesman. Later he again established a lumber business here which

ploneer business men here and was also actively affiliated with church and civic organizations. He was a former member of the board of stewards of the First Methodist church and served for berculosis Association. It rea number of years on the North quested your cooperation in a Wilkesboro board of education. community enterprise to raise the He helped in organizing the health standards of our communi-North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club ty. The success of the enterprise and was a charter member. He depends upon the reply to that letwas also very active in the ter. Some people have not ans-Traveler's Protective Association wered the letter. If no one did,

death by his wife, Mrs. Daisy panding program to bring tuber-Dean Norris, on December 15, culosis under control. He was later married to One of the greatest educational Miss Ethel Hill, a member of the campaigns in all history against a local school faculty. She died single disease has been directed

Dean Norris, of Wilmington, one buy Christmas Seals-the Seals daughter, Mrs. Grady Church, of which were contained in that North Wilkesboro, and one sister, letter received from the tubercu Mrs. W. P. Laws, of Tacoma, Washington.

Funeral service was held Sat-A. C. Waggoner. Burial was in fore victory has been attained. the Baptist cemetery.

Brame, P. E. Brown, J. D. Schae- reports \$668.10 received to date. fer, J. C. Reins, F. C. Tomlinson If you have not sent in yours, and J. B. McCoy. Many beautiful please do so and help your county flowers attested to the esteem in make its quota, which is \$1,000 which the life of Mr. Norris was this year. held by many friends and acquaintances.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS shipped via the Great Lakes.

# **Week Can Put the County Over Top**

\$59,000 In "E" Bonds Would Give Wilkes Wonderful Record In Campaign

Record sale of "E" bonds in Wilkes county last week swelled the total in "E" bond purchases during the Sixth War Loan to \$138,060, whick lacks \$59,940 of reaching the "E" bond goal of

The response on the part of Wilkes people to the appeal to back the attack of fighting men has placed Wilkes within striking distance of reaching the goal.

Some extra effort this week on the part of volunteer bond salesmen district committees and personnel of retail stores can put the county over the top, W. D. Haifacre, War Loan chairman, said

Commenting on the progress during the latter part of last week. Mr. Halfacre said that bond sales Friday and Saturday to individuals reached a new high scale and that continued sales on that basis will give Wilkes a perfect record during the campaign. Much of the progress, he said, could be attrbuted to efforts on the part of district committees and sales people in local stores.

The overall quota of \$809,000 for the county has already been passed with a splendid record, but to fully accomplish the task of financing the war effort and back the attacks on fighting fronts with dollars at home, individuals must buy a sufficient amount of "E'

Commenting on bonds 23 Christmas gifts, Mr. Halfacre reminded late shoppers that they an select no finer gift than a war bond, which is a "present with a future". With merchandise scarce, the person who has a war bond vill be in position to buy when goods become available Give bonds and thus provide the men who are giving their all with the materials they need to destroy the enemy.

This week should be the biggest yet in bond sales, but extra effort will be needed to put the county "over the top"

## To Have Barbeque

Liberty lidge number 45, A. F. Mrs. Jesse Norris. He came to day evening, seven o'clock, at the

Officers for the coming year, headed by L. L. Godfrey as master, will be installed Barbecue will be served immediately following the meeting. It will be a public meeting and Masons, their friends and members of their families are cordially invited to attend.

## operated until his health failed. Mr. Norris was among the **Campaign Asked**

Some weeks ago you received a letter from the Wilkes county Tuwe in this community could not Mr. Norris was preceded in continue to benefit from an ex-

against tuberculosis. It is sup-He is survived by one son, ported by you and me when we losis association. If you have not answered that letter, do so today -answer it with money, as much urday afternoon, three o'clock, at more as you can, lest you be rethe First Methodist church and sponsible for the breakdown in was conducted by the pastor, Rev. the fight against tuberculosis be-

Mrs Jack Swofford, chairman Active pall bearers were W. A. of the Seal Sale for Wilkes county,

> About one in every ten tons of coal mined in the United States is

YOUR INDIFFERENCE IS A VOTE AGAINST, YOUR CONTRIBUTION A VOTE FOR Y.M.C.A.