

PLANS TALKED FOR LIVESTOCK MARKET AT NORTH WILKESBORO TO SERVE NORTHWESTERN N. C.

Raleigh—Department of Agriculture and railroad officials Friday discussed plans for the establishment of a central livestock market at North Wilkesboro to serve Northwestern North Carolina.

R. S. Curtis, sheep marketing specialist with the agriculture department, said plans now were to construct special livestock buildings and pens along tracks of the Southern Railway Company at North Wilkesboro in an effort to route livestock sold in the northwestern area to terminal markets from one central point.

Calves, sheep and other animals produced in Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Wilkes and Alexander counties would be shipped through

the North Wilkesboro center, he said.

At the present time, according to Curtis, no definite plan for the marketing of northwestern livestock is followed. Animals routed through the Wilkesboro center via Winston-Salem and Greensboro would reach eastern markets a day earlier than if handled through circuitous routes through Tennessee and Virginia, he said.

There is little possibility, however, Curtis said, that a market can be established at North Wilkesboro in time to handle this year's crop of lambs. Co-operative lamb shipments in the northwestern area will be made as usual in lieu of a central shipping point. The agriculture department will again provide graders.

Farm Loan Group To Hold Annual Meeting Apr. 16

Farm Loan Association To Meet at North Wilkesboro Town Hall Monday

The annual meeting of the North Wilkesboro National Farm Loan Association will be held in the North Wilkesboro town hall on Monday, April 16, ten a. m. Announcement of the meeting was made by O. H. Bracey, secretary-treasurer.

A feature of the meeting will be a round table discussion of farm land values and a sound investment program, the discussion on this subject to be led by Oscar H. Phillips, county agent at large.

During the session four directors will be elected and financial and other reports of the 1944 period will be made by President P. E. Dancy and Secretary-Treasurer O. H. Bracey. All farmers and others interested in co-operative agricultural credit are cordially invited to attend the meeting, Mr. Bracey said.

The association's office is located in the Bank of North Wilkesboro building in North Wilkesboro, and handles federal land bank loans in Ashe, Alleghany, Caldwell, Watauga and Wilkes counties.

Town Does Not Have Garbage Containers

Board of commissioners of the town or North Wilkesboro have ordered Clerk W. P. Kelly to purchase some covered garbage cans for sale to the people of the city at cost.

However, Mr. Kelly has not been able to locate any which can be purchased but is hopeful that a purchase can be made in the near future, at which time the public will be informed of the fact thru this newspaper.

Southside Singing Little Rock Church

Next session of the Southside Singing Association will meet with Little Rock Baptist church near Boomer on Sunday, April 23.

F. J. McDuffie, chairman of the organization, said that an all-day session will be held and all gospel singers are invited to attend and take part.

RATION NEWS

MEATS, FATS: Red Stamps T5, U5, V5, and X5 will expire April 23; Red Stamps Y5, Z5, and A5, B2, C2, D2 will expire June 2; Red Stamps E2, F2, G2, H2, J2, will expire June 30; Red Stamps K2, L2, M2, N2, and P2 expire July 31.

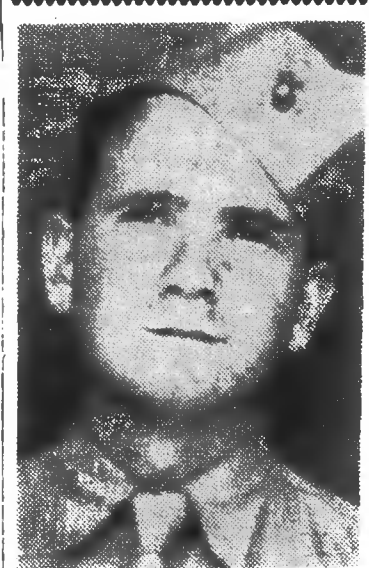
PROCESSED FOODS: Blue Stamps C2, D2, E2, F2, and G2 will expire April 23; Blue Stamps H2, J2, K2, L2, M2, will expire June 2; Blue Stamps N2, P2, Z2, R2, S2, will expire June 30; Blue Stamps T2, U2, W2, V2, X2 expire July 3.

SUGAR STAMP:—35 will expire June 3. No new stamp will be validated until May 1st.

FUEL OIL:—All coupons valued 10 gallons. Period 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 coupons for current heating season valid through current season.

SHOES:—Airplane Stamps 1, 2, and 3 in Book Three, good indefinitely.

Wounded In Action



Pvt. Curley K. Mayberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Mayberry, of Cycle, was wounded in combat on Iwo Jima. He states that he was getting along fine. Pvt. Mayberry took his boot training at Parris Island, S. C., and New River, and went overseas in November.

Sgt. T. C. Walker Given Bronze Star

Sgt. Tracy C. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lottie Walker, of North Wilkesboro Route 3, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal.

Sgt. Walker, serving with the 70th field artillery battalion, went overseas in August, 1943. His record was related by the public relations office of the 75th Infantry division as follows:

"Sgt. Tracy C. Walker has been awarded the bronze star for meritorious service in military operations against the enemy from 13 September, 1944, to 2 March, 1945, in western Europe. Sgt. Walker has served overseas with the army in Iceland, England, France, Belgium and Germany. In addition to the Bronze Star medal, Sgt. Walker has the American Service Ribbon, Good Conduct Ribbon, the EAME theatre ribbon with two bronze service stars for battle participation in northern France and the Germany campaign."

Now is the time to plan to harvest crimson clover seed, vetch or rye grass seed for a AAA payment of \$3.50 an acre, but not to exceed \$87.50 per farm.

Now In Hawaii



John Grant Elledge, machinist mate second class, who entered the navy two years ago, has been in Hawaii for the past 10 months. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Elledge, of North Wilkesboro Route 1. Friends sent him greetings on his birthday anniversary, which was Monday, April 9.

Gets Bronze Star



PFC. ROY L. MCGUIRE

Pfc. Roy McGuire Is Awarded Bronze Star For Bravery

Wilbar Soldier Cited for Heroic Action in Saving Wounded Comrades

Pfc. Roy L. McGuire, son of Mrs. Flossie McGuire, of Wilbar, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic action in saving wounded comrades.

The citation accompanying the medal was as follows:

"Pfc. Roy L. McGuire, Co. C, Armored Engineer battalion, U. S. Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France on 25 November, 1944. An engineer detail, of which Pfc. McGuire was a member, was assigned the mission of demolishing the entrance to an enemy railroad tunnel in the vicinity of Waldwisse, France. Earlier reconnaissance reports showed that enemy patrols were infiltrating through the tunnel at night. Shortly after the engineer detail began its task, two friendly aircraft, in the belief that an enemy patrol was again in the vicinity of the tunnel entrance, dove in and bombed and strafed it, causing casualties among the engineers. Pfc. McGuire, realizing the danger of further air attack, fearlessly proceeded at the risk of his own life, through an area known to contain anti-personnel enemy mines to the bombed area, where he assisted in the prompt evacuation of the wounded to a place of safety. Pfc. McGuire's initiative, determination and steadfast concern for the welfare of his fellow soldiers reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered the military service from North Carolina."

Pfc. McGuire has two brothers in service. Pfc. Willie D. McGuire is in Manila and James D. McGuire is in service in the navy.

Mrs. W. A. Anderson Is Claimed By Death

Mrs. W. A. Anderson, age 67, died Tuesday at her home near Wilkesboro. Funeral service was held today at 11 a. m., at Fishing Creek Baptist church.

Mrs. Anderson is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Edward Andrews, of North Wilkesboro route three, and two brothers.

Nurse Aides Will Meet On Monday

Miss Toby Turner will entertain the nurse aides at a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Brown east of this city Monday evening, seven o'clock.

Preachers' Revival Oakwoods Church

One of a series of "Preachers' Revival" services being sponsored by the Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference will be held at Oakwoods Baptist church on Sunday, April 15, 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Gilbert Osborne will be the speaker for the service and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend. Ministers are especially urged to be present.

R. A. BLEVINS ARRIVES OVERSEAS

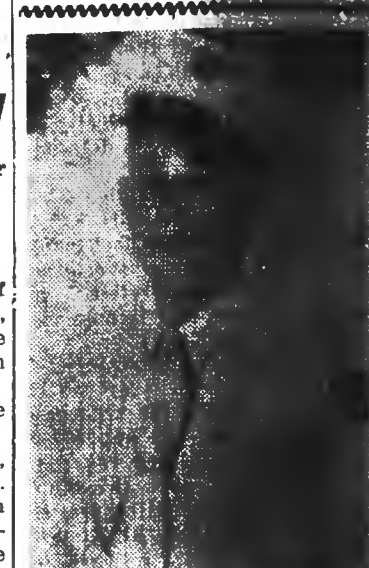
R. A. Blevins, gunner's mate third class, has arrived at Adak Island, according to recent news received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Blevins of Hays. He has been in the navy one and one-half years and recently was stationed at St. Augustine, Fla.

OKINAWA DEATHS 2,695 IN HURT, MISSING

Guam, Thursday.—American casualties on Okinawa since the landing of 432 dead, 2,100 wounded and 160 missing—in the island of the Okinawa invasion, announced today by Chester W. Nimitz, commander in chief of the U. S. Navy's 5th fleet, and infantry commander on both ends of the swept island just west of Japan.

Doughboys of Marine Hodge's Twenty-first Corps were stalemated in the eastern sector for the second day amid a full-scale duel, and for the first time since the Easter Sunday invasion the Marines in the north met organized resistance.

Serves In Germany



Pvt. James L. Billings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Billings, of Hays, entered service in 1941, 1944, received training at Camp Hood, Texas, and went overseas in December. He is now serving with a tank destroyer unit in Germany.

Is Missing In Action

Pvt. Ralph J. Elledge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Elledge, of Hays, has been reported missing in action in Germany since March 17, according to a War Department message received by his parents.

Pvt. Elledge had been in the army three years and overseas for 31 months. He has a brother, Sgt. Walter H. Elledge, an army veteran of four years service and who is now in the air corps in the Philippines.

School Lunchroom Facilities Serving 3,000 Pupils Daily

11 In County System and 2 In North Wilkesboro Are Popular With Students

The eleven lunch rooms being operated in schools of the Wilkes system are serving about 3,000 meals daily, C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, said today.

The figures show that approximately one-third of the students in the county schools are now eating at school lunch-rooms, although many of the schools do not have lunch-room facilities. This would indicate that in schools fortunate enough to have lunch-rooms, the eating places are very popular with the student body.

Many of the materials for consumption in school lunch-rooms are obtained from the Surplus Commodities Corporation. This week's mail had a requisition for 5,000 pounds of onions. That's a big lot of onions in any language but not any big surplus for an organization serving 3,000 meals daily.

In the county schools the price of a plate lunch is ten cents. The aim of the lunch-room program is to furnish a nourishing meal at minimum cost. Of course, the funds are supplemented, and the dime does not cover the entire cost, thus leaving the meals in the price range of those with low incomes.

In addition to the 11 lunch-rooms in the county schools, lunch-rooms are operated in the white and colored schools of the North Wilkesboro school system and are largely patronized here by the students.

Government subsidies on meat, butter and flour, intended to keep down the cost of living, have already amounted to \$483,000,000.

TRIPLETT BROTHERS IN ARMY



Pvt. Willard J. Triplett has been reported missing in action in Germany since March 17. Pvt. Triplett, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Triplett, of Traphill, entered the army May 10, 1944, received training at Camp Hood, Texas, and went overseas in December. His wife, the former Miss Frances Walker, of Benham, and two sons, Michael and Bobby, make their home at Traphill. Mr. and Mrs. Triplett have another son in the army, Pvt. Claude (Rick) Triplett, home on furlough after serving 27 months in the Aleutian Islands. He will spend 21 days at the reassignment center at Miami, Fla.

SHOCK TROOPS STORM ACROSS DANUBE CANAL

London, April 11.—Red army shock troops stormed across the Danube canal in Vienna today, clearing the Germans from half of their island stronghold between the canal and Danube river and leaving more than nine-tenths of Vienna on the Danube's south bank.

While a brief Soviet communication announced advances in Vienna which 2,800 prisoners were taken, the German radio reported that the Red Army had drive 42 miles west of the Austrian capital and Linz and Munich.

Kerosene Users Must Apply For Ration Coupons

Local rationing officials have announced that those who use kerosene for lighting or cooking must hereafter make out an application form giving information about the amount of kerosene required. Heretofore, users have had their ration renewed without filling out application forms.

Stone Mountain Singing April 29

Stone Mountain Singing association will meet with Fair Plains Baptist church on Sunday, April 23, beginning at 1:30 p. m. In making the announcement of the singing, Chairman J. A. Gilliam urged all gospel singers to attend and take part in the singing program arranged for the day.

Marriage License

Marriage license were issued by Register of Deeds Try Foster during the past three weeks to the following couples: R. B. Lowe, of Roaring River, and Jettie Williams, of Wilkesboro route two; Virgil Rachel and Mable Johnson, both of North Wilkesboro; Roland Winfield Barker and Ethel Pardue, both of Ronda; John Adams and Kathleen Byrd, both of Ronda; Billie Minton, Wilkesboro, and Haxie Kilby, Pores Knob; Oliver Barker and Grace Soots, both of Ronda; Jesse Absher, Roaring River, and Belva Billings, North Wilkesboro route two; Claude Dancy and Helen Billings, both of North Wilkesboro; D. R. Phipps and Kate Combs, both of North Wilkesboro.

Baptist Pastors To Meet Monday

April session of the Wilkes County Baptist Pastors' conference will be held Monday, April 16, at Reins-Sturdivant chapel. The conference will open at 10:30 a. m. with devotional by Rev. C. J. Poole. Rev. E. C. Shew will discuss "What Does the New Testament Teach on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?" His discourse will be followed by a general discussion of the query. At 11:30, Rev. J. N. Binkley, father of Dr. O. T. Brinkley, will deliver a sermon. The afternoon session will be devoted to the courses being taught by Dr. David E. Browning and Rev. Howard J. Ford.

U. S. 9TH ARMY ONLY 57 MILES FROM BERLIN

Paris, April 11.—American 9th army tanks plunged 50 miles eastward today through demoralized German resistance and reached the Elbe river, last water barrier before Berlin, at Magdeburg, 57 miles by superhighway from the blackened German capital and 115 miles from Russian troops massed along the Oder.

Tonight Ninth army engineers were racing to throw a bridge across the stream so Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's powerful forces could continue the onslaught, which the Nazis appeared powerless to check. A late front dispatch declared the Elbe could be bridged within a few hours unless unexpected opposition arose.

A field dispatch said a juncture with the Red army in the east was expected within the next week.

Essen and Bochum, great armament cities in the Ruhr trap fell to other Ninth army troops, and tonight the Paris radio said Dortmund also had been cleared in the crumbling pocket.

Dr. Harrison Is Kiwanis Speaker Here On Friday

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club Friday noon held an interesting meeting.

Prior to the program, P. W. Eselman read a communication from Felix Grisette, secretary of the State Planning Board, requesting a survey for an available buildings in the town that could be used in the coming months for new or enlarged business projects.

Geno Cardwell and J. B. Williams, co-sponsors of the program Friday, the 23rd anniversary date of the starting of the club, were fortunate to have Dr. Nat M. Harrison, vice president of High Point College, and Lieut. Gov. of North Carolina, present for the address.

Dr. Harrison made a very forceful talk on the subject: "Kiwanis Solving The Problems In The Days Ahead."

Said he, "we are today citizens of the world. We are only 60 hours from the most remote corner of this world. We are told that in the near future we shall be traveling at the rate of 800 miles per hour, and that we shall be able for \$195.00 to take weekend trips to Paris. Because of all this speed and the new associations that will come because of it, we shall have new problems the like of which we have never known."

What are some of these problems: 1. There will be new moral problems. 2. There will be new and baffling economic problems. 3. There will be new educational and language problems.

The solution of these problems will call for the best. We shall have to be interested in people as a whole. It is the sort of thing that Kiwanis is broad enough to encircle the world and that it can carry its spirit of individual helpfulness to down and out peoples of all countries.

The objects of Kiwanis as set out for guidance of all clubs will make a better world:

1. Give primacy to human and spiritual.
2. Encourage living the Golden Rule.
3. Promote higher social and business standards.
4. Adopt by precept and example civic responsibility.
5. Provide through this club enduring friendships.
6. Build a better community.

T. S. Kenerly Files For Office of Mayor

T. Scott Kenerly, who announced his candidacy for the office of Mayor of North Wilkesboro some time ago, today formally filed his notice of candidacy with the county board of elections. Mr. Kenerly's filing statement follows: "I, T. S. Kenerly of the Town of North Wilkesboro, do hereby file for the office of Mayor, subject to the vote of the people. If elected, I will endeavor at all times to give good, clean government and will always be interested in both civic and progressive movements."

Serves In Germany



Sgt. Harvey W. Mahaffey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mahaffey, entered service with the national guard company here in 1940, and was mobilized to the army in 1941. He received training at Fort Jackson, S. C., Carolina Beach, Williamsburg, Va., Camp White, Oregon, Needles, California, back to Camp White, Oregon, and Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, before going overseas in October, 1944. He has served in England, France, Belgium, and is now in Germany with the First Army. In recent letters home he stated he was well and getting along fine. His wife is the former Miss Glenda Townsend, who resides at High Point with her parents.

One of every seven single girls now is headed for spinsterhood due to the unbalance in population that will result from the war.

On the Ledo Road



Pvt. Ambrose Herbert Lyall, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Lyall, of North Wilkesboro, entered service May 12, 1944, and received training at Camp Planche, New Orleans, La., and Camp Beale, Calif., before going overseas. In a recent letter received by his mother he said he had arrived safely in France, stayed there two weeks and was transferred from there to somewhere on the Ledo Road, where he has been assigned to a quartermaster company, doing refrigeration work. He said he likes just fine and said to tell all his friends "hello" and he would like to hear from those back home. Before entering service he was an electrician in the Drydock Shipbuilding yards at Newport News, Va.