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Clothing Canvass In Wilkesboros Sunday

Place Bundles Of Clothing On Porch Sunday Afternoon

Trucks With Boy Scout Collectors To Tour Streets, Beginning Two P. M.

Campaign to collect clothing for people of war ravaged countries will reach a climax here Sunday afternoon when a house-to-house canvass of homes in Wilkesboros is carried out.

With the Boy Scouts helping men from the central clothing collection organizations, trucks will tour the streets of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro, beginning at two p. m. Sunday afternoon.

Already the people of both towns have been earnestly requested to gather any usable clothing which they can spare and place it on front porches in order that the Scouts may pick it up.

The appeal is made for any type of usable clothing for men, women and children of all ages. This would include shoes as well as clothes and it is asked that shoes of pairs be tied together. Also acceptable will be bedding materials such as blankets, sheets and quilts, and any materials from which usable clothing could be made. It is asked that articles given be washed, and dry but not ironed.

The central collection depot is in the Tomlinson Department store building adjacent to Red Cross offices. There volunteers will sort and pack the clothes for shipment.

Rural people who are not reached by any club or other organization collecting clothing are asked to bring their clothing contributions to the central collection depot.

Good Revival Was Held In Wilkesboro

A successful revival meeting closed Sunday night at the Wilkesboro Baptist church.

Increasingly large congregations heard with pleasure the messages by Rev. C. C. Holland, pastor of Front Street Baptist church in Statesville, at each service. Rev. Howard J. Ford is pastor.

As a partial result of the revival, seventeen were added to the church membership, five by letter and 12 by baptism. In addition, there were several reconsecrations and two young women manifested their desire to enter full time Christian work as soon as they complete their educational preparation. A baptismal service will be held Sunday evening, May 13, eight o'clock.

PFC. JAMES M. CARTER AWARDED HONOR

The Certificate of Merit has been awarded to Pfc. James M. Carter for exceptionally heroic service against the enemy in Germany. Pfc. Carter, of the Btry. A, 559th FABn, is the husband of Mrs. James M. Carter, of Henry River, N. C. He has been in the service for five years, and graduated from Granite Falls school.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

RATION NEWS

MEATS, FATS: Red Stamps Y5, Z5, and A3 through D2 will expire June 2; Red Stamps E2 through J 2 will expire June 30; Red Stamps K2 through P2 will expire July 31. Red Stamps Q2 through U2 expire August 31. PROCESSED FOODS: Blue Stamps H2 through M2 will expire June 2; Blue Stamps N2 through S2 will expire June 30; Blue Stamps T2 through X2 will expire July 31; Blue Stamps Y2, Z2, A1, B1, C1 will expire August 31. SUGAR STAMP 35 expires June 3; Stamp No. 3 will expire August 31. SEAMS—Asplane Stamps 1, 2, and 3 in Book Three, good indefinitely.

V-E DAY OBSERVANCE HERE MOST COMMENDABLE

The way in which V-E Day was observed here Tuesday reflects great credit upon the citizenship of this community and was a fitting tribute to the men who won the victory in Europe and to those who fight now and must continue to fight in the Pacific until final and complete victory is achieved.

The absence of any noisy celebration, and the solemnity of the occasion throughout the Wilkesboros and all Wilkes county were most gratifying and this account of V-E Day here will be received with heartiest approval by the fighting men who yet must fight—and some die—to rid the world of tyranny and make possible an enduring peace.

The principal observance of V-E Day here was appropriate services at the local churches 30 minutes after President Truman had officially announced to the nation that Germany had surrendered. The churches were filled with worshipful people giving thanks to Almighty God for victory in Europe and with prayers for continued success of our armed forces, and for peace and justice throughout the earth. Nothing could have been more fitting or appropriate.

This account of V-E Day here is written primarily for the benefit of our fighting men abroad, who will be more than pleased with the conduct of the people at home, and who will know that their home town and community exemplify the high ideals of American life.

The local police department reported only one arrest throughout the day Tuesday. The sheriff's office reported a quiet day. It is indeed a splendid commentary that the people accepted the news of victory in Europe with gladness, and yet with a great sense of obligation and responsibility to the duties which lie ahead.

Pfc. Charles Dancy Wounded 3 Times

Pfc. Charles J. Dancy, son of Mrs. Minnie Dancy, of North Wilkesboro route one, was wounded three times during a year of service in the European theater and returned to duty in Germany before the surrender. He holds the purple heart with two oak leaf clusters, presidential citation and good conduct ribbon.

Program Monday By the Girl Scouts

North Wilkesboro high school girls' chorus will be presented in the high school auditorium on Monday night, May 14, eight o'clock.

The program will consist of chorus and solos. No admission charges will be made and the public is cordially invited.

Pfc. Fred Wingler Is Now Recovering

Pfc. Fred M. Wingler, who was wounded in action in Germany February 23, is now in Mitchell Field hospital in New York; according to letters received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wingler of Hays.

HEAVIER AIR RAIDS ON JAPAN THAN GERMANY

Guam—Lieut. Gen. Barney M. Giles, commander of army air forces in the Pacific areas, said yesterday that Japan soon will be rocked by round-the-clock bombings such as pulverized German industry, and added that a heavier weight of bombs would be dropped on Japan than on the Reich.

Super Fortress fleets will be built up "very fast," he said, while new types of planes will be brought into the Pacific war, including the high B-32 bomber, jet-propelled P-50 fighters and an improved A-26 attack bomber. In addition, equipment from Europe soon will be available, he said, including the Flying Fortress and the Liberator. New bases will have to be built to handle this influx of bombers, he said.

Adml. Chester W. Nimitz announced earlier that the air war against Japan would be intensified immediately, and disclosed that plans for the invasion of Japan were being drawn up by the joint Chiefs of Staff. Nimitz said he anticipated additional forces from Europe and said, "It is part of our endeavor to obtain areas to support these forces." He said he expected additional air forces first and added that carrier forces also would be built up. Even now, he pointed out, there is no place in Japan safe from carrier plane attacks.

Killed In Action



PFC. JOE H. PEARSON
Pfc. Joe Pearson Killed In Action In Italy Apr. 25

Was Second Of Millers Creek Family To Lose Life In Action

Pfc. Joe H. Pearson, age 27, was killed in Italy on April 25, only five days prior to the capitulation of the German forces in Italy. News of his death was received in a War Department telegram yesterday.

Pfc. Pearson was the second son of Mrs. Rosa Pearson Holcomb, of Millers Creek, and the late G. E. Pearson, to die in action. Pfc. Alvin W. Pearson, serving with the Fourth Marine Division on Iwo Jima, was killed in action March 2. Two other brothers are in service: Pvt. Raymond S. Pearson, in the army, and Sgt. Henry M. Pearson, in the Fifth Marine Division and recently on Iwo Jima.

Pfc. Joe H. Pearson entered the army in February, 1944, and received training at Camp Blanding, Florida.

Surviving Pfc. Pearson are his wife, Mrs. Lorene McClamery Pearson, and four children, Joanne, Rebecca Jane, Douglas and Judith Pearson, of Millers Creek; his mother, Mrs. Rosa Pearson Holcomb, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Lin Bumgarner, of Millers Creek; Hilton Pearson, Yadinville; Fred Pearson, of Lenoir; Pvt. Raymond Pearson, in Pennsylvania; Mrs. Dwight Nicholas, North Wilkesboro; Miss Eula Pearl Pearson, Millers Creek; Sgt. Henry M. Pearson, in the Marines.

Wilkesboro Church Will Have Revival

Revival services will begin on Sunday, May 13, in the Wilkesboro Methodist church.

Rev. J. O. Ervin, pastor, will conduct the revival and do the preaching for the series of services to be held throughout the week at eight p. m., and on Sundays at eleven a. m. and eight p. m.

Special music will be rendered during the services. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

CASUALTIES ON OKINAWA TOTAL 16,425

Guam—American casualties in the bloody battle of Okinawa have mounted to 16,425, Adml. Chester W. Nimitz announced today as U. S. Tenth Army troops on the southern tip of the embattled island pushed forward slowly under a thundering naval and land bombardment.

The casualties covered the period through Monday or 37 days since the Americans stormed ashore on Okinawa Easter Sunday.

Fleet Adml. Chester W. Nimitz did not specify the gains made in the southward advance. The Third Marine Amphibious Corps on the west and the 24th Army Corps on the left have massed with army and marine artillery behind them for the final assault against the Japanese southern defense line.

Adverse weather continued to hamper operations on the important island only 360 miles from Japan as Lieut. Gen. Barney M. Giles, commander of army air forces in the Pacific, declared that Japan soon will be rocked by round-the-clock bombing such as pulverized German industry.

Organization For Seventh War Loan Drive Complete

Mother's Day Sunday May 13

"All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my mother."
—Abraham Lincoln



\$896,000 Is Quota For Wilkes County In Mighty Seventh

Intensified Campaign Planned To Sell \$320,000 In E Bonds Here

Organization for the Seventh War Loan campaign in Wilkes county to begin May 14 has been completed, W. D. Halfacre, chairman, said today.

The organization is designed to reach all people of the county in the Mighty Seventh, in which Wilkes is asked to buy a total of \$896,000 in bonds, including \$320,000 in E bonds by individuals.

While the total quota is in line with amounts previously asked, it will take much work to reach the E bond goal, which is by far the largest ever given Wilkes. Chairman Halfacre said it will be necessary for a greater number of people to buy more and bigger E bonds to reach the quota.

BLOCK LEADERS TO MEET
The campaign in North Wilkesboro will be under the direction of Mrs. Gordon Finley, and Mrs. Edd Gardner, who have appointed block leaders to contact all the people. The block leaders will meet at the North Wilkesboro town hall Friday afternoon, 4:30, for a period of instructions.

STORES WILL HELP
In accordance with the national and state associations of retailers, North Wilkesboro retailers will extend fullest cooperation on the campaign and each store will sell bonds. R. E. Gibbs is merchants' chairman in the campaign and he has asked all store managers and all members of sales and office personnel of all stores to attend a rally at the Allen Theatre on Thursday, May 17, 8:30 a. m. At the rally will be the first showing of "Fury In The Pacific", giving some of the tough combat against the Japs. Store owners and managers have been asked to cooperate and have all their personnel to attend. The program will last 25 minutes, enabling the stores to open at nine instead of the usual 8:30 on that date.

SELL EXTRA BONDS
Every store is asked to sell at least one \$100 war bond to persons buying extra bonds in addition to regular savings. Literature and blanks have been distributed to the stores. A bond buyer may purchase a bond at a store. There the funds are transferred to either of the local banks, from where the bonds are mailed directly to the purchasers.

DISTRICT QUOTAS
The county has been divided into districts with a quota and a chairman for each district. Weekly reports of the sales by stores and by district chairmen and their co-workers will be published.

Commenting on the program, Chairman Halfacre pointed out (See BONDS—Page Four)

SURRENDER NO EMPTY PIECE OF PAPER

London—Marshal Stalin said in a victory speech last night that though Adolf Hitler had planned to destroy Russia, Russia did not intend either to dismember or destroy Germany.

Stalin specified that the period of war "in Europe" had now ended. Thus he implicitly recognized that Russia's Allies America and Britain the war continued. Russia maintains diplomatic relations with Japan but she has given the necessary one year's notice of denunciation of the Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact.

Though the European part of the war had ended, Stalin said, one group of Germans in Czechoslovakia still avoided surrender.

"But I hope the Red Army will succeed in bringing it to its senses," he commented grimly. These Germans are now guerrillas, outside the pale of the laws of war. The German high command in its final communique of the war—and of its own life—said that a "popular uprising" in Czechoslovakia delayed the laying down of arms.

Large Groups Are Sent This Week For Examination

Both Selective Service Boards in Wilkes county this week sent large groups of men to Fort Bragg for induction into the army and navy.

The lists of men sent for examination from the two boards follow:

- BOARD NUMBER 1**
- Charles William Colvard.
 - Albert B. Carlton.
 - Silas Clarence Church.
 - John Clint Edmiston.
 - Ernest Wilson Mathis.
 - Frank Harley Edmiston.
 - Sheridan Andrew Whittington.
 - William Fred Aldon Rash.
 - Walter Devanghn Martin.
 - Sibley Lee Turner.
 - Howard Sylvanus Bynum.
 - Reld Maurice Green.
 - Lester Johnson.
 - Jay Franklin Jones.
 - Olin McKnight Green.
 - Charles Henderson Parsons.
 - Coy Marton Church.
 - Hilton Edward Pearson.
 - Roland Hill Walsh.
 - Lewis Lowe.
 - Ralph Dennis Shoemaker.
 - Glenn Reeves.
 - Granville Monroe Coffey.
 - Vernon Eugene Stroud.
 - Jesse Monroe Byrd.
 - Fred Walter Brooks.
 - Royal Walter Baker.
 - Thomas Lindsay Wellborn.
 - Vance Fite Baker.
 - Royal Erastus Gilbert.
 - Knock Rufus Staley.
 - Richard Sink Anderson.
 - Ralph Williams.
 - Orin Franklin Houck.
 - Robert Lattie Anderson.
 - George Lee Price.
 - David Franklin Cornett.
 - Earl Pendleton Pearson.
 - Van Wilford Triplett.
 - William Dewey Rumpie.
 - Elbert Edison Craig.
 - Johnny Clanton Anderson.
 - Charles Lester Ellis.
 - Silas Raymond Minton.
 - Frederick Edward Rhymer.
 - James Franklin Faw.
- (See DRAFT—Page Four)

Boy Scouts Have Very Successful Camporee Here

Seven Patrols Win Blue Ribbons At Camporee At Finley Park May 5 and 6

Wilkes district Boy Scouts camporee held at Finley Park in this city Saturday and Sunday was a huge success in spite of the bad weather.

Eighty-five boys with nine adult leaders camped, slept, and ate in the rain—and liked it. Fourteen patrols representing six troops took part and seven patrols won blue ribbons and are eligible to participate in the Old Hickory council camporee to be held at Bluff Park May 19 and 20.

The seven patrols winning the blue ribbons were listed as follows with their troops and leaders:

- Wilkesboro troop 32: Carl Bulls, Scoutmaster; Eagle patrol with Fred Glass leader, members, Jack Glass, Malcolm Gambill, Buddy Hubbard, Leo Billings, R. L. Bouchelle, T. C. Foster; hawk patrol with B. B. Banner leader, members, Hugh Steelman, Charley Vaught, Joe Shattley.
- North Wilkesboro Baptist troop 34: A. M. Wiles, Scoutmaster; Lion patrol with George Foster, leader, members, Joe Eller, Harold Turner, Jim Winters, Carol Yates, Ralph Keys, Bill Eller.
- North Wilkesboro Methodist troop 35: Harvel Howell, Scoutmaster; Pelican patrol with Cowles Hayes leader, members, Neil Key, E. G. Wyatt, Mack Church, Bobby Eller, Jimmy Day.
- North Wilkesboro Presbyterian troop 36: Boyd E. Stout, Scoutmaster; Cobra patrol with Bill Casey leader, members, Phil Mitchell, Jimmy Carter, Dudley Moore, Gordon Forester, Wayne Pardue, Bill Reins, Carl Swoford; Raven patrol with Gordon Finley, Jr., leader, members, Lewis Mann Nelson, Billy Bason, Buddy Sloop, Bobby Story, John Gibbs, John Winkler, Jim Moore.
- Millers Creek school troop 99: R. V. Day, Scoutmaster, Vance Kilby, patrol leader, members, Clay Sebastian, George Turner, Ed Bumgarner, Max Turner, Jack Kanupp, Beech Sluder, Rex Lovette.

Wounded In Action

Cpl. Roby Rhodes, of Hays, was wounded in action in Germany on April 4 and has received the purple heart. He entered service in November, 1942, and went overseas in September, 1944. He served in France, Belgium, and Germany with the Third Army.

Cpl. Rhodes is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rhodes, of Hays. His wife is the former Miss Mabel Faw.

Dokies to Meet

North Wilkesboro Dokies Club will meet Friday evening, 6:30, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Frown on highway 421. A good program has been arranged and a large attendance is urged.

City Council Is Reelected Here; Begins Term

Ralph Duncan Mayor Pro Tem; Committees Board Are Re-appointed

North Wilkesboro city council, re-elected in the municipal election Tuesday, met on Tuesday night and organized for the two-year term.

The votes cast for the candidates in the municipal election, all without opposition, were tabulated as follows:

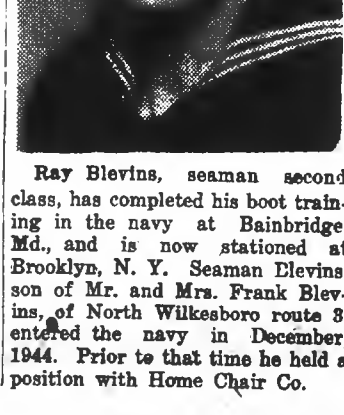
Mayor R. T. McNeil, 63; for commissioners—Ralph Duncan, 63; R. G. Finley, 63; J. R. Hix, 62; Hoyle M. Hutchens, 62; A. F. Kilby, 61. For school board members the votes were: W. E. Jones, 61; Ira D. Payne, 61; Rufus B. Church, 62. Three places on the board were to be filled and the candidates had no opposition in the primary or election.

In the organization meeting Tuesday night Ralph Duncan was elected mayor pro tem. All present employees of the town were re-appointed.

Committees among the board of commissioners were re-appointed by Mayor McNeil as follows:

Finance—Ralph Duncan, chairman, J. R. Hix and R. G. Finley. Streets—J. R. Hix, chairman, A. F. Kilby and H. M. Hutchens. Water and Lights—R. G. Finley, chairman, J. R. Hix and (See ELECTION—Page Four)

Now In Brooklyn



Ray Blevins, seaman second class, has completed his boot training in the navy at Bainbridge, Md., and is now stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y. Seaman Blevins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blevins, of North Wilkesboro route 3, entered the navy in December, 1944. Prior to that time he held a position with Home Chair Co.