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## RESISTANCE SLOWS DRIVE TOWARD SHURI

Guam—Infantrymen attacking from the east and north Wednesday slowly closed a pincers on Shuri, keystone of Japan's warring Southern Okinawa defense line, while thundering naval and artillery barrages supported the bloody struggle which has taken a toll of 46,505 Japanese dead.

Stubborn resistance slowed the drive toward Shuri from the northeast and American lines along the five-mile front were substantially unchanged through the day.

But soldiers on the east coast above Yonabaru city opened an attack westward to cut behind Shuri as the main force of American gunfire was brought to bear on the strongly defended city.

The Japanese death toll showed an increase of 5,136 killed in the past six days of the most vicious campaign of the Pacific war. But American casualties rose, too.

## Laborers Wanted At Radford, Va.

Laborers are needed at Hercules Powder Company at Radford, Va. This company starts laborers at 70 cents an hour with chance of advancement. A recruiter from this company will be stationed at the United States Employment Service the week of May 21-26, who will pay fares of those signing up for these jobs.

## Pfc. Granville Cleary Wounded 2nd Time

Pfc. John Granville Cleary, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cleary of North Wilkesboro, was slightly wounded in Austria on May 2, according to a message received by his wife from the War department. This is the second time Pfc. Cleary has been wounded.

## Music Recital to Be Monday Night Here

Miss Ellen Robinson's pupils in piano and voice will be presented in recital in the North Wilkesboro school auditorium Monday, May 21, eight p. m. The public is cordially invited.

## RATION NEWS

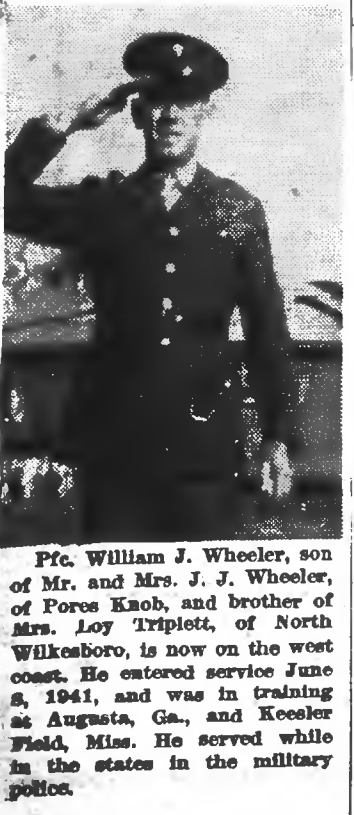
MEATS, FATS: Red Stamps Y5, Z5, and A2 through D2 will expire June 2; Red Stamps E2 through J 2 will expire June 30; Red Stamps K2 through P2 will expire July 31. Red Stamps Q2 through U2 expire August 31.

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SUGAR STAMP 35 expires June 2; Stamp No. 1 will expire August 31.

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

## On West Coast



## Cpl. Royal Parsons Is Wounded Twice

La Guardia Field, N. Y.—Corporal Royal E. Parsons, of Route 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C., arrived today at the Air Transport Command's La Guardia Field installation after a trans-Atlantic flight on a wounded evacuation aircraft. The plane, which landed at 10:45 a. m., was the first to arrive at this field after the announcement of Germany's unconditional surrender had been made.

Corporal Parsons is the son of Mr. E. T. Parsons of Route 1, North Wilkesboro. Prior to his enlistment in the army he was employed with a trucking concern in North Wilkesboro.

He wears the Purple Heart Medal, with one Oak Leaf cluster.

## S. S. Convention At Baptist Home May 26th - 27th

Stone Mountain Baptist Sunday school convention will be held with Baptist Home church on Saturday and Sunday, May 26 and 27.

J. A. Gilliam, chairman, has arranged the following program for the convention:

Saturday — Convention will open at ten a. m. with songs by Baptist Home choir, followed by devotionals by Rev. J. E. Hayes and introductory by Rev. S. L. Blevins (Rev. Jesse Yale, alternate). Welcome address will be by the superintendent of Baptist Home Sunday school and response by Rev. Grant Cothren. Organization and appointment of committees will complete the morning program. The afternoon program will open at 1:30 with praise and thanksgiving led by Rev. L. B. Murray. "How to enroll the church members who do not attend Sunday school" will be discussed by Mrs. V. W. Luffman, Rev. J. Z. Adams and delegates from different Sunday schools. "The pastor's part in Sunday school" will be the topic of discussion by Rev. Jesse Yale and John McGrady. C. C. Gambill and F. Miller will conclude the afternoon program with discussion of "Teaching missions in the Sunday School".

Saturday night—Program to be arranged by committee.

Sunday—9:45 a. m., songs by Baptist Home choir; devotionals; Sunday school lesson by Mrs. John R. Jones; sermon by minister to be appointed.

## Red Cross War Fund Reached Record Figure

Grand Total of \$24,062.37 Was Contributed In Wilkes During Campaign

The final total of funds received by the Wilkes chapter of the American Red Cross in the war fund campaign this year was \$24,062.37, Miss Kathryn Sanford, executive secretary, said today.

This was by far the largest amount of money ever collected in a Red Cross campaign in Wilkes and the quota of \$19,400 was exceeded by \$4,662.37. Rev. Howard J. Ford was chairman for the campaign.

The campaign was carried out in March but many late reports and miscellaneous contributions were received after the active campaign was completed.

## ALLIED AIM IS SMASH NAZI WAR ABILITY

Paris—A program of sweat and discipline under which Germany will have to earn her way back into the community of nations under strict military control was laid down by the Allies yesterday.

The so-called German Government of Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz was declared officially to be only a temporary stop-gap, "fully controlled" by the Allies while it fulfills a useful purpose.

A supreme headquarters statement said Doenitz "and certain other selected German officers" were being used only temporarily as an instrument for facilitating the surrender and disarmament of German forces and were acting under complete Allied control.

The formal statement made clear that there was no thought of recognizing Doenitz and his "Flensburg group" as a German Government.

## Local Civic Clubs Will Hear Bruner

The importance of research in developing new chemical products and replacements for unavailable materials required in America's all-out war effort will be told by M. H. Bruner, Consultant, Du Pont Extension Division, speaking before the Kiwanis Club and Lion's Club, on Friday, May 18, according to program chairmen of both clubs.

Mr. Bruner will give results of recent studies which led to wider uses of cotton and forest products—two of the basic farm resources of the South.

He will emphasize the fact that young people, as well as older folk, must realize that the war is being fought not only on the fields of battle, but in the home, in the factory, and on the farm, as well.

"The farmer has long been told the advantages to come from chemistry finding new ways to utilize agricultural crops," he points out. "That prophecy of the yesterday is a fact today. The war, necessity, and industrial research make it so. Chemical research will continue to find more and more new uses for the South's raw agricultural products."

To illustrate the fact that large quantities of farm products eventually become weapons in the war for freedom as well as the implements of everyday living and farming, Mr. Bruner will display a wide selection of chemical products now being made, particularly those utilizing the raw materials produced on the farm.

Mr. Bruner is a graduate in forestry of Pennsylvania State College and has a Master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry. He took additional graduate work at Yale, specializing in soils, botany, plant physiology and pathology. He has had experience with the U. S. Forest Service in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Louisiana, and with the Agricultural Extension Service in Arkansas and South Carolina.

Mr. Bruner is a member of the Farm Forestry Committee of the Society of American Foresters. He is also secretary of the Forestry Section of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers. His home is in Clemson, South Carolina.

Australians now refer to striking coal miners as "underminers".

# WAR LOAN CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY

## WILKES SAILOR GETS PURPLE HEART



Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif.—Captain Herbert E. Schonland, chief staff and executive officer at this naval base, commends George Edward Miller, fireman first class, U.S.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl P. Miller, RFD 2, Wilkesboro, N. C., after decorating him with the Purple Heart Medal. Miller was wounded by shrapnel during the Second Battle of the Philippines.

## COMMITTEE IS FORMED FOR NEW COOPERATIVE TO OPERATE HERE

In accord with the recent interest that has developed in Wilkes and surrounding territory for the erection of a Freezer-Locker Plant to be located here, a number of interested citizens met at the Courthouse on Thursday evening, May 10, and discussed at length the procedure and plans for such a proposition. Copies of the Organization Agreement were distributed to those present by Carl VanDeman and Bob Smith, both of whom have been giving some attention and work to the proposition in recent weeks.

Bob Smith called the meeting to order and asked Carl VanDeman to discuss the plan of organization. Other citizens present were: J. M. Crawford, Paul Osborne, Sam Winters, Dewey Broyles, N. S. Forester, Jr., C. F. Jones, Charles German, Earl German, Atwell German, John Leyshon, Vaughn Broyles, and T. E. Story.

In the discussion it developed that the plans are to have 500 individual lockers in the plant and that 60 per cent of these must be rented and paid for at the average cost of \$15.00 each before priorities can be obtained for the erection of the plant. And further it is understood that the plant will have large space for processing, freezing and storing of agricultural products. It was stated by the chairman that well over one-half of the required number of sign-ups for lockers had been secured.

At the conclusion of the explanations and discussion the group voted favorably on the question of organizing a Freezer-Locker Cooperative for this territory and that the group present with other interested individuals to be added be constituted an organized committee to continue the campaign of securing membership in the Cooperative.

The group elected Carl VanDeman temporary Chairman and T. E. Story Secretary of the Organization Committee. It was decided to hold the next meeting on Thursday evening May 24 at 8:30 o'clock at the County Courthouse and each urge attendance of all persons who are interested in the organization to sponsor the erection of the Freezer-Locker Plant. At that time it is expected that 60 per cent of the individual lockers will be taken and the other necessary requirements be in readiness for setting up the organization.

## Associational W. M. U. Meet

Annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Brier Creek Baptist association will meet with Shiloh church near Cycle on Wednesday, May 23.

Miss Bertha Smith, of China, and Miss Kathryn Abbe, of Raleigh, will be the principal speakers for the program, which will open at ten a. m. Rev. John L. Wells, Jr., will close the meeting with a short talk.

OWEN E. BLEVINS HOME ON LEAVE

Fireman First Class Owen E. Blevins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blevins, of Wilkesboro route 2, arrived home Sunday after 16 months service in the South Pacific.

## Serves In Germany



Cpl. Ralph G. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl P. Miller, of Wilkesboro route two, served with General Patton's famous Third Army in Germany. He entered the army January 1, 1943, completed his basic training at Camp Hood, Texas, and went to Camp Gruber, Okla., where he was attached to a tank destroyer outfit. He completed his training at Camp Dix, N. J., and went overseas in August, 1944. After three weeks in England he joined the Third Army in France. Before entering service Ralph and his wife, the former Miss Bernice Hefner, made their home at Granite Falls, where he was assistant manager of a Western Auto Associate store.

## To Organize Home Club at Cricket 24th

Women of the Cricket community are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. E. R. Eller on Thursday, May 24, for the purpose of organizing a home demonstration club. All interested in the organization of the club are asked to give the announcement as much publicity as possible before the date.

## Two Youths Hurt In Auto Accident

Elkin—Ralph Kilby and Jimmy Elledge, youths of North Wilkesboro, Route 1, are patients in Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital as result of a week-end automobile accident on Ronda Road. Kilby suffered a fracture of the spine and painful lacerations on his face and limbs, while Elledge received a fractured leg and numerous cuts.

Causes of the accident were not learned.

## Methodist, Baptist Teams Winners In Games On Tuesday

All four teams in the softball league got into action this week with two splendid games on Tuesday evening.

Wilkesboro team played its first game of the season, and lost a 19 to 9 decision to the Baptists, who have not been defeated in the three games played.

Methodists took the measure of the Presbyterians nine to 6 in a well played game at Smoot Park.

Games are being played each Tuesday and Thursday evening, 6:30, at Smoot Park and Wilkesboro athletic field. The public is invited to enjoy the games.

## Good Start Made With Sales of 'E' Bonds at \$33,375

About One-tenth of E Bond Goal Sold In Early Days Of 7th War Loan Drive

With a large quota of E bonds to be sold, the Seventh War Loan got off to a good start in Wilkes this week and E bond sales through May 14 totaled \$33,375, W. D. Halfacre, chairman, said today.

The total quota for Wilkes in the campaign is \$396,000, of which \$320,000 is to be in E bonds.

To reach the high E bond quota, a county-wide organization has been formed with a quota set for each district. In addition, the town of North Wilkesboro will be covered by block leaders in house-to-house calls, and retail stores will sell bonds.

Maple Springs district, with quota of \$2,400, was the first to "go over the top" in the campaign. T. C. Osborne, and C. O. Crane, co-chairmen, brought the report in to W. D. Halfacre, War Loan chairman, this morning.

At a rally held this morning at the Allen theatre, there was a large attendance of store managers and sales personnel despite a downpour of rain. Through courtesy of W. J. Allen, theatre owner, the assembled sales people were shown a motion picture entitled "Victory Comes High." The picture showed in a graphic way the high cost of transportation and materials and combat against Japan in the far reaches of the Japanese empire in the Pacific.

Although the war in Europe has ended, attention of the people of Wilkes is called to the fact that already Wilkes has lost more men in combat against Japan than against Germany, with only a fraction as many participating in the Pacific warfare. To supply fighting men with materials and supplies for complete victory over Japan, the people at home are asked to buy bonds and more and bigger bonds to back up the men on the far away fronts.

## New Irish Potatoes For Mother's Day

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Reeves, of North Wilkesboro, Route 1, had new Irish potatoes out of their garden for Mother's Day dinner. They were of good size. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves had as dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Odell Reeves, of Winston-Salem, and daughter, Miss Helen Reeves, of Morganton, Mrs. Conrad Reeves and daughter, Julene, of North Wilkesboro, Route 1. Mrs. Reeves received Mother's Day greetings Saturday from her son, Pvt. Conrad Reeves, who is in service in Italy.

## SEAMAN ANDERSON VISITS HOME HERE

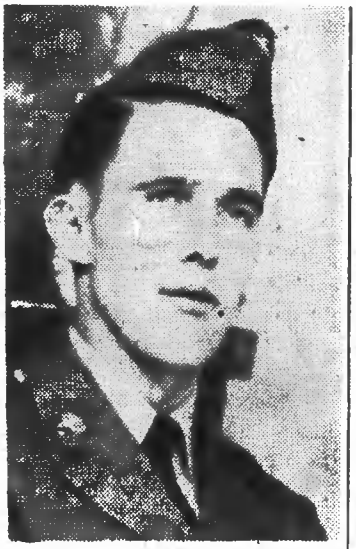
Seaman Allen Anderson visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Anderson, of this city, a few days last week. Seaman Anderson had just returned from overseas duty and is expected to return overseas again some time this month.

## BUY MORE WAR BONDS

## FIVE SONS OF MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE TRIPLETT SERVE IN ARMY AND NAVY



Five sons of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Triplett, of 809 F Street, North Wilkesboro, are in service in the army and navy.



Technical Sergeant Archie R. Triplett, who served 37 months in Australia, was recently home on furlough and is now at the army air base at Homestead, Florida. Before



going overseas he received training at Augusta, Ga. Corporal Claude H. Triplett received training at Shreveport, La., and is now in Germany with the Ninth Army.



Pfc. Stephen E. Triplett is in the First Army in Germany. Before going overseas he was stationed in training at Camp Wheeler, Ga. Thomas Nolan Triplett, fire-



man second class in the navy, received training at Bainbridge, Md., Camp Peary, Va., and is now in San Bruno, California. Clarence Robert Triplett, seaman second class in the na-



vy, received training at Bainbridge, Md., and Camp Peary, Va., and is now at San Bruno, California. Mr. and Mrs. Triplett have one son, Loy Triplett, at home.