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AUTO ACCIDENTS TAKE TOLL

Wild Driving Puts Some In Hospital, Others Go to Jail

Youth Has Both Legs Broken; Another Youth Has Bad Skull Fracture.

With gasoline rationing gone, and driving restrictions lifted, a wave of reckless driving and speeding resulted in landing several in the hospital and a similar number in jail in Wilkes during the week-end.

Highway Patrol Sergeant A. H. Mark, who was with other patrolmen in trying to look after six northwestern North Carolina counties, reported ten arrests Sunday. Three were for driving while drunk, three were for reckless driving and the others for speeding and minor traffic law violations.

In addition to the arrests, several were injured in accidents and two were critically injured.

Roscoe Elliesde, North Wilkesboro youth, had both legs broken while riding a motorcycle when it collided with a car driven by Pvt. Wilson Shew, on highway 18, near this city.

Five occupants of a car driven by Clyde Marie Dancy, of Wilbar, were injured Sunday on old highway 16, near Vannoy. Their car was hit by one driven by Lawrence C. Parsons, of West Jefferson, who was charged with driving while drunk. Odell Dancy, age 15, sustained a skull fracture and is a patient at the Wilkes hospital. The other four received minor injuries.

H. C. Elam, of Troutman, wrecked his car on the Brushy Mountains. With help he got it back on its wheels and continued to drive until he was stopped by Sgt. Clark and arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Harry Pearson, Jr., Injured Tuesday By Hit and Run Driver

Harry Pearson, Jr., nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pearson, of this city, was injured Tuesday when he was hit by a car in Wilkesboro.

Harry was knocked to the pavement by a car traveling at a high rate of speed and which did not stop. Efforts to learn identity of the driver have been unsuccessful. First examination disclosed the boy had suffered minor bruises, but it later developed that he had sustained a brain concussion when his head struck the pavement as he was knocked down by the car. He is now a patient at the Wilkes hospital.

W. F. Burchette, 82, Is Claimed By Death

Funeral service was held Friday at Rock Creek church for William Franklin Burchette, age 82, well-known citizen of Rock Creek township, who died Wednesday at his home. Rev. Jimmie Bryant conducted the last rites.

Surviving Mr. Burchette are his wife, Mrs. Diana Burchette; two brothers, E. D. and Dane Burchette, of North Wilkesboro, route two; four step-sons and five step-daughters.

Girl Scout Office Open House Days

A Girl Scout office has been established in the North Wilkesboro town hall.

Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs, director of Girl Scouting here, is in charge and open house will be observed on Thursday and Friday of this week, 3:30 until 4:30 p. m.

Relative to the open house days, the following statement was released today:

"Bring any problem, large or small. Mrs. Gibbs is anxious to help with any matter pertaining to the Girl Scout organization in the Wilkesboro. If you want to give some of your time and talent in a worthwhile effort, that of training our youth, talk with Mrs. Gibbs. She can help you decide how you may assist in the work. Also Mrs. Gibbs would appreciate any helpful suggestions from parents of Girl Scouts."

City's latest cotton crop totaled 65,000 tons.

In Okinawa Battle



Seaman Second Class Robert L. Crysel, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Crysel, of Wilkesboro, route one, recently served in the Okinawa campaign. Following are excerpts from a recent letter to his father:

"Of course I'm glad the war is over, and I hope I can be home for good soon. But if they don't change the system of letting us out, I have 16 months to go. I think it a very unfair system. They don't give any credit for sea duty, and we really have had a little hell out here.

"I can tell you now I was in the Okinawa campaign, although I can't go into details. I saw plenty and there was lots of excitement. We did plenty to help out. It was tough, but you read all about it, and know just how it was. I have also been to Ulithia. I can't tell you where I am now. I am just as far from home as you ever were, so you should know about where I am."

"Verna wrote me about the Nichols boy. I am sorry to hear about it. I saw in the paper about Carl McLean's house burning. My paper is always about two months late."

Selective Service Boards Send Men To Army - Navy

Both Selective Service boards in Wilkes last week sent groups of men to the induction center to begin service in the army and navy. The names of men forwarded by the two boards follow:

Board Number 1. James Matthew Staley. Van Wilford Triplett. Blum Vestal Johnson. John Allen Prevette. Ray Foster.

Board Number 2. Ralph Presley Holbrook. Vernon Albert Wood. Walter Clay Bowers. Talmadge Garfield Blackburn. Robert Lee Hutchison. John Thomas Jones. Dwight Dewitt Haynes. James Clayton Shumate. Archie Ray Taylor. James Bynum Foster. Calvin Loyd Smithy. Edgar Eugene Combs. Thornton Combs. Robert Lee Laws. Olive Allen Brown. Howard Claude Hinson.

Cripple Clinic At Hospital Sept. 13

Next clinic for crippled children will be conducted at the Wilkes hospital on Thursday, September 13. The public is asked to cooperate by providing means for all crippled and deformed people to reach the clinic.

Mrs. C. C. Church Funeral Saturday

Last rites were conducted Saturday at Pleasant Home Baptist church for Mrs. Martha Church, age 67, wife of C. C. Church, well-known resident of the Millers Creek community. Mrs. Church died Thursday.

Surviving Mrs. Church are her husband and two children. Rev. W. S. Luck and Rev. A. W. Eller conducted the funeral service.

Southern Rhodesia produced nearly 40,000,000 pounds of tobacco this year.

Stone Mountain Baptists Are To Meet Sept. 21-23

Annual Session Will Be Held With Mt. Pisgah Church At Dockery.

Stone Mountain Baptist Association, which embraces many churches in the northeastern part of Wilkes county, will have its 1945 session at Mt. Pisgah church at Dockery September 21, 22 and 23.

The first program will open at 10:30 a. m. on September 21 with devotional by Rev. L. E. Sparks. Introductory sermon will be by Rev. S. L. Blevins, with Rev. L. E. Murray as alternate. A business session will close the morning session and dinner will be served on the grounds.

The first afternoon program will include the following: Report on missions by Mrs. V. W. Luffman and discussion by representatives of State Baptist Mission Board; Christian education report by Miss Beatrice Holbrook; temperance report by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

The program September 22 will open with devotional by Rev. Grant Cothren, and a discussion by Rev. A. B. Hayes, on "Pastor and Church Relationship." Uriah M. Myers will give the report on ministerial relief, followed by the Baptist hospital report by C. C. Blevins. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

The afternoon program will include the orphanage report by C. C. Gambill and discussion by Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of Mills Home, Thomasville. After the financial report, Mrs. W. W. Luffman will report on Women's Missionary Union work. Report of committees will close the second afternoon program.

The final session Sunday morning will include the Sunday school report by Mrs. John R. Jones, a sermon and open discussion of any topics on the association program.

George Brown Rites Conducted Sunday

Funeral service was held Sunday at Center church for George Brown, age 65, citizen of Mulberry township, who died Friday at his home. Rev. Monroe Dillard conducted the service.

Surviving Mr. Brown are his wife, Mrs. Dona Brown; one son, Roby Brown, in the army; and one daughter, Mrs. Lura Hall, of North Wilkesboro.

Kindergarten Class To Open Sept. 17th

Mrs. J. L. Clements' kindergarten classes will open on September 17. Mrs. Clements has very successfully conducted kindergarten classes for several years, and it is expected that she will have full classes again this year.

Wilkes Hunters, Fishermen Are to Meet Thursday

Wilkes hunters, fishermen and others interested in wildlife preservation and conservation will meet at the North Wilkesboro town hall Thursday, September 6, 8 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a club to affiliate with similar organizations in other counties.

Ross O. Stevens, executive secretary of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, Inc., will be present to address the meeting and assist in perfecting an organization. A large attendance is urged.

RATION NEWS

MEATS AND FATS: Red stamps: V2, W2, X2, Y2, Z2, now valid; expire September 30; A1, B1, C1, D1, E1, now valid; expire October 31; F1, G1, H1, J1, K1, now valid; expire November 30; L1, M1, N1, P1, Q1, now valid; expire December 31.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp No. 38 expires December 31.

SHOES: Airplane stamps Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, now good.

Seek Information Concerning Fate Pvt. Brookshire



Mrs. James G. Brookshire, of Moravian Falls, is seeking information about her son, Pvt. Grover E. (Gene) Brookshire, who was reported missing January 31, 1945. She asks that any returned soldier or any person who may know anything about him to write her. All the information she has is that on the night of January 31, he was in Belgium, sleeping on the second floor of a building where a platoon of soldiers was quartered when a fire broke out, the building was completely destroyed and later when a check of the ruins was made no trace of him could be found. He was in Company "A," 379th Infantry regiment, Ninety-Fifth Division. He went into the army August 16, 1944, and went overseas in January, 1945.

Rev. H. L. Crouch Delivers Speech At Kiwanis Meet

Interesting Program Carried Out By Local Club In Meeting Friday.

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held an enjoyable meeting Friday, featured by an address by Rev. H. L. Crouch.

Secretary T. E. Story mentioned the directors meeting and gave a brief statement of the community interests which were discussed at this meeting.

He also read the resolution prepared by the Kiwanis Educational Committee on account of the death of Genie Cardwell. The resolution was unanimously passed.

Joe McCoy called a meeting of the Agriculture Committee to discuss the matter of buying calves of the beef type for distribution in Wilkes county.

Program Chairman Frank Crow asked Rev. J. C. Ervin to introduce the speaker, Rev. H. L. Crouch, of Winston-Salem.

He told the story of the man who in gloom related the family history of his ten sons as follows: The first was a lawyer, the second was also a liar; the third was a doctor and the fourth would stay out all night too; the fifth was a service station operator and the sixth would sell blockade liquor on the side too; the seventh was a painter and the eighth also stayed drunk; the ninth was a Methodist preacher and the tenth was lazy too.

He then addressed the club on the subject, "This New World and New Day." He said in our age we have (1) created a machine and cannot control it; (2) we live in a state of tenseness; (3) the colored races of the earth far outnumber the white people of the world and there is fear of their overcoming us.

Some things that will help us to overcome the above stated fears: 1. Continue to remember the terrible days through which we have gone in the past four years; the white crosses of Europe, Spain, Iwo Jima, and elsewhere.

2. Cultivate our sense of humor. 3. Continue to be courageous. 4. We must be willing to sacrifice. The peoples of the earth need our help. They are hungry and a hungry person will do every sort of wrong to relieve that pain. It was a good message.

Church Meeting

Prayer service will be resumed at the First Methodist church Wednesday evening at 7:30. The Board of Stewards will meet in regular monthly session immediately following the prayer service.

LYNN KERBAUGH VISITS PARENTS

First Class Petty Officer Lynn Kerbaugh returned to his post of duty today after spending several days in the city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kerbaugh.

Surrender Signed

MacARTHUR TO FORM 3-MAN ACTION COUNCIL

Gen. MacArthur's Headquarters, Yokohama.—The U. S. 8th Army, spearheaded by 15,000 veteran cavalry troops, occupied Yokohama and prepared for a triumphant march into the ruins of Tokyo today, as plans were completed for a swift series of amphibious operations to put more than 1,500,000 Allied men in control of defeated Japan.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, it was disclosed, plans to create a four-man advisory board comprising representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom, Russia and China to aid him in ruling Japan until the day it can be returned to the world family of peaceful nations. The American member will be Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz.

The U. S. First Cavalry Division took over bombed-battered Yokohama, Japan's 6th city, without incident, and massed south of Tokyo, awaiting MacArthur's order to march into the city.

Massing behind them at Allied Pacific bases, were an estimated 1,500,000 other men who will sweep into Japan to enforce the terms of unconditional surrender, signed yesterday by sullen representatives of the Emperor, now subservient to MacArthur.

Quarterly Conference In City On Thursday

Dr. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district, will conduct the fourth quarterly conference of the year at the First Methodist church Thursday evening at 7:30. Written reports of the year's work will be given by officials representing the different departments of the church.

Club to Meet

Mulberry - Fairplains Home Demonstration Club will meet Wednesday, 1:30, at the home of Mrs. Quincy Whittington. A large attendance is urged and a prize will be given the member taking the most visitors to the meeting.



PVT. BILL GANT NOW AT CAMP BLANDING, FLA.

Pvt. William A. (Bill) Gant, of North Wilkesboro, route two, arrived at Camp Blanding, Fla., Sunday, August 26, for training. He was inducted into the army at Fort Bragg June 26.

PFC. OTHA CALL GETS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Pfc. Otha Call, who is with occupation forces in Germany, was recently awarded the good conduct medal, which he forwarded to his wife, the former Miss Polly Foster, of North Wilkesboro, route two.

COXSWAIN WILLIAM W. ESTES HOME FOR WEEK-END

Coxswain William W. Estes was home for the week-end visiting his father, Mr. Ben F. Estes, after serving seventeen months in European waters. Coxswain Estes is now stationed in Little Creek, Va.

JOE CLEMENTS HOME DURING WEEK-END

Joe Clements, gunner's mate, third class, returned to Norfolk, Va., Sunday after spending several hours here with his mother, Mrs. J. L. Clements.

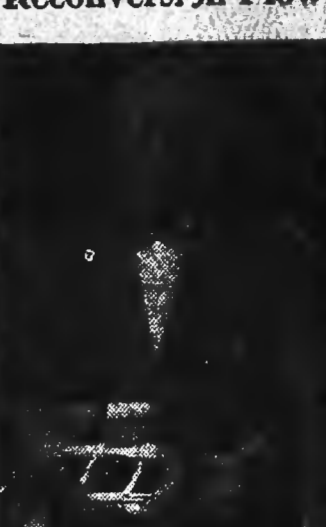
SGT. GILBERT WENDLAND HOME FOR THIRTY DAYS

Sgt. Gilbert Wendland, who has been stationed in Puerto Rico for the past three years, arrived last week to spend a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wendland, in this city.

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Reconversion Plow



As far as President Harry S. Truman is concerned, the war is over and the tasks of peace now have his priority. The gun that was of his desk has been replaced with a model of a plow.

ARMY CUTS POINTS FOR DISCHARGE

Washington.—The army yesterday ordered promised V-J Day cuts in age and discharge point restrictions to speed release of enlisted men and women.

Effective yesterday all enlisted personnel of 35 years or over—who have had a minimum of two years of honorable military service—will be released from the army upon application. The previous age limit was 38.

The War Department also announced that the critical score for discharge of enlisted men was cut yesterday from 85 to 80, and for enlisted WACs from 44 to 41. Points of all army personnel except those already eligible for discharge will be recomputed to include all points earned since the defeat of Germany.

The department promised further cuts in point scores as transportation facilities from Europe and the Pacific become available. The personnel discharged under the new standards will occupy all space in homeward bound ships and planes, the army said.

Veteran Farmers Making Progress With FSA Loans

A good job in operating newly-acquired farms is being done by World War II veterans who have returned to agriculture, according to reports to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, says Paul E. Church, local FSA supervisor.

The FSA, which has made 2,534 farm operating or farm purchase loans to veterans, reports that these veteran-farmers are following approved methods, adjusting themselves to the life of their communities, and repaying the debts which made possible a start in agriculture.

Following USDA's anti-inflation policy, no loans have been made or will be made for farm purchase except where a local committee of farmers certifies that the farm could be purchased at its long-range earning capacity value, Mr. Church said.

Applicants must first find for themselves the farms they wish to purchase. Each farm is appraised, and a loan is made only when the purchase price is in line with the farm's long-range earning capacity value. The loans can cover the full purchase price of a farm plus the cost of necessary repairs and improvements. Forty years are allowed for repayment, with three per cent interest on unpaid principal.

Those receiving loans will be men with agricultural experience. Farm Security county surveyors will give the veterans individual, on-farm guidance in planning sound farm operations and in carrying out their plans efficiently.

The FSA program, under which veterans may receive both farm purchase loans and guidance, has been in operation since the passage of the Rankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act in 1937.

Written authorization is now necessary before one may export breeding horses from Porto Rico.

12 SIGNATURES ARE INSCRIBED ON SURRENDER

Tokyo Bay.—Japan formally yielded to the overwhelming might of the Allies Sunday morning (Saturday night U. S. time) in a solemn surrender ceremony aboard the mighty battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay, restoring peace once more to a war-ravaged world.

Twelve signatures, requiring only a few minutes to inscribe on the articles of surrender, ended the bloody Pacific conflict, which had entered its eighth year in China and had raged almost three years and nine months for the United States and Great Britain.

On behalf of Emperor Hirohito, Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu signed for the Japanese government and Gen. Yoshitro Umezu for the Imperial general staff.

General MacArthur then accepted in behalf of the United Nations, declaring:

"It is my earnest hope and indeed the hope of all mankind that from this solemn occasion a better world shall emerge out of the blood and carnage of the past."

One by one the Allied representatives stepped forward and signed the document that blighted Japan's dream of Empire built on bloodshed and tyranny.

First was Admiral Nimitz for the United States, then the representatives of China, the United Kingdom, Russia, Australia, Canada, France, Netherlands and New Zealand.

Wilkes Sailor On the Missouri At the Surrender

Aboard the USS Missouri, in Tokyo Bay.—Ralph T. Pilkenton, seaman, first class, of Wilbar, N. C., is playing a role in a momentous event of American history. Serving on this mighty battleship, he was present when the Japanese envoys came aboard to sign the final surrender document. General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, supreme allied commander; Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet, who signed the document for the United States, and other famous American military and naval chiefs were present.

The 45,000-ton Missouri, named for the home state of President Truman, is one of the most powerful warships ever built. It is now the flagship of Admiral William F. Halsey, commander of the Third Fleet.

Rev. Ralph Miller Conducting Meeting

Rev. Ralph Miller is conducting a tent revival in Wilkesboro, near Coble Dairy Products Co. plant. Large crowds are attending the services, which are held each night, 8 o'clock, and much interest is being shown. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Congress May Wipe Off Most Lend-Lease

Washington, Aug. 30.—President Truman, disclosed today that the United States is drafting temporary plans to assure war-impoverished nations continued American help after lend-lease operations are terminated V-J day.

He also reiterated a long-standing United States policy calling for cancellation of the "overwhelming proportions" of all obligations of more than \$42,000,000 for lend-lease aid extended thus far.

Breeding Sheep Now Available

Robert S. Curtis, of the State Department of Agriculture, marketing division, said here today that a carload of breeding ewes have arrived from Wyoming for sale to North Carolina farmers interested in sheep raising.

The ewes are pure-bred Hampshire. Wilkes farmers who wish to purchase any of the ewes are asked to get in touch with Mr. Curtis at Hotel Wilkes.