

New Book Drive Planned; Boston Paper Lauds Move

Wendell, Wakelon Led Nation Last Year in Aid Of Books to War Areas

A campaign to collect books for the U. S. Occupied Zone of Germany will get underway early next month, State Book Collection Committee officials announced this week. A drive will be undertaken similar to that of last year, when over 50,000 books and magazines were collected for German school-children in rural Wake County alone.

The move to obtain books for the children, who have virtually no literature left since Hitler destroyed all books without Nazi ideologies and the U. S. Occupation Forces destroyed all Nazi literature, was initiated by John Park, editor of *The Raleigh Times*. A county committee headed by Ferd Davis, editor of *The Zebulon Record*, was formed at a meeting of district school committeemen held last October at Wakelon School, and the first drive followed.

Drive Next Month

Next month's drive will be under the direction of Dr. J. E. Miller of the State Department of Public Instruction, with Ferd Davis serving as chairman in central North Carolina for some twelve counties.

The campaign received national acclaim, with *The Christian Science Monitor*, an international daily newspaper published at Boston, remarking editorially this week:

"In the past year the people of North Carolina have sent more than 1,000,000 books and magazines to the young people of Germany. The idea has caught on elsewhere, and other groups have swelled the total of reading matter going to book-hungry Germans. Reports stress the diversity of material sent — everything from the splendid, provocative, and sometimes gruesome pages of a

national illustrated weekly of the slickest contemporaneity to the golden but still racy legend of Huckleberry Finn.

"We are glad that Huck is going too. The perennial ragamuffin, drifting down the giant solitudes of the Mississippi in unconscious democratic fraternity with 'Nigger Jim,' is more than a fictional character. He is the symbol of America's irresponsible childhood. He is the urge to retreat from 'civilization,' if you will. But he is generous; he is shrewd. He complements the better-known Tom Sawyer, the gadgeteer, the salesman, the organizer predestined for success.

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"Europeans know all about American mechanical efficiency. They have seen its jeeps and streamlined convertibles. They have heard of the atom bomb. But they need to understand the symbols that lie deep in the American imagination — deeper even than Superman or Popeye — as Americans occupying Germany need to know Siegfried and Faust and even Till Eulenspiegel in order to understand Hans."

Wakelon and Wendell Schools can claim a large portion of the credit for the success of the operation, since Wendell and Zebulon under the direction of Principals Ed Boyette and Fred Smith contributed approximately 30,000 volumes in the campaign which sent 1,000,000 books abroad.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pippin of Wilson visited the Allan Pippins during the weekend.

Visitors in the Theo. Davis Sons plant Tuesday night were Editor Eloise Fretz and her staff from the Needham Broughton newspaper of Raleigh, which is one of the collegiate and scholastic newspapers printed by the local printshop.

Guests for dinner at the home of Mayor and Mrs. R. H. Bridgers

last Thursday were Harold Cooley, congressman from the Fourth District; Ralph Talton, president of the Zebulon Chamber of Commerce; C. V. Whitley, first president of the Chamber of Commerce and a director of the group; and Barrie Davis, publisher of the Zebulon Record.

Lieutenant Frances Hall was home for the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ida Hall, returning to Norfolk Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harris and sons of Creedmoor visited Mrs. Harris' parents, the A. D. Antones, and Mr. and Mrs. Barkton Antone Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wade of Charlottesville, Va., were visitors in the Theo. Davis home from Friday night until Sunday morning.

Mrs. Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Murray and children of Spring Hope were guests of the K. P. Leonards Sunday.

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Victor Mature and Coleen Gray

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19,—

Man-Eater of Kumaon

Sabu and Joanne Page

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20—

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