

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Voluntary army enlistment offers pouring into selective service headquarters today indicated that a sizeable part of the first compulsory service quota of 400,000 men might be filled without a draft.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt told a newly-formed national committee of Independent voters yesterday that he was "very, very happy" to receive its support for a third term because, he said, democracy has a better chance to survive if it "remains progressive and liberal." The men and women designated by Mr. Roosevelt as "progressives" had just notified him of their intention to work for his reelection and of the formation of the new organization. Mayor Fiorella H. LeGuardia, of New York, is chairman and Senator George Norris (D), Neb., is honorary chairman.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—A continuous session of Congress until the new national legislature convenes next January appeared likely last night after Senate Democratic Leader Alben W. Barkley was advised that the House probably would reject proposals for adjournment or protracted recesses. Barkley told the Senate that House Speaker Sam Rayburn had informed him that the lower chamber "probably will not" vote to adjourn Congress sine die but probably will insist on short recesses. "If that is the attitude of the House," Barkley said, "we'll be here until Christmas."

ABOARD Willkie Train En Route to Butte, Mont., Sept. 24.—Traveling eastward after a campaign swing through the Far West, Wendell L. Willkie declared yesterday that the new deal's domestic policy "has been a complete failure, and its foreign policy a muddle." Standing in bright sunshine on the crowded streets of Spokane, Wash., the Republican presidential nominee said the Roosevelt administration has piled deficit on deficit, and has so conducted foreign affairs that the United States is almost bereft of any friend in the entire world.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—The F. B. I. announced yesterday that Wilhelm Muhlenbroch, held in the de Tristan kidnaping at Hillsborough, had made a list of between 100 and 125 bay area families who might be good "prospective victims." Earl J. Connelly, assistant director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, gave the new information on the German alien at a press conference.

### INTERNATIONAL

FANOI, French Indo-China, Sept. 24.—The Japanese army resumed its thrust into French Indo-China late yesterday at Langson, 12 miles within the northern border. French officials reported last night. Extent of the new fighting was not clear, but the French said the situation was one of "extreme gravity," following a 12-hour period of comparative inactivity. French troops, they said, were under orders not to fire unless fired upon, in the hope of a settlement without further bloodshed. Nevertheless, the colony was fully mobilized and reinforcements were reported sent to the north.

GIBRALTAR, Sept. 24.—War planes of France, Britain's Nazi-subjugated ally, heavily bombed Gibraltar for four hours and five minutes Tuesday, inflicting death, injuries, property damage and fires on this vital British fortress at the western head of the Mediterranean. One hundred or more bombs were hurled by 20 or more planes in the longest and heaviest air raid ever experienced by "The Rock," which often has been raided by Italian bombers.

## HOME CHAIR CO. TO MOVE PLANT TO RONDA BLDG.

Old Cotton Mill Structure Is Purchased  
FORMER PLANT RUINED  
Was Destroyed By Flood and Fire at North Wilkesboro August 14th  
EMPLOY ABOUT 300 MEN

The Ronda cotton mill plant at Ronda has been purchased by the Home Chair Company, of North Wilkesboro, J. D. Moore, president of the company, announced Saturday.

The North Wilkesboro firm lost its plant, equipment and materials by flood and fire when the Yadkin river reached record heights August 14. The Ronda plant will be put into operation as soon as necessary additions can be constructed and machinery installed.

Ample floor space is provided by the Ronda building, which despite the fact that it has not been used in a number of years, is in excellent state of repair. The chair company will immediately construct a dry kiln and other necessary buildings as additions to the main plant. Included in the purchase was a power plant of large capacity to serve the industry.

All new and modern machinery, including conveyor systems, is being purchased and will be installed immediately, Mr. Moore said. He estimated the plant will be in full production early in December. Work in preparation for opening of the plant will be rushed as rapidly as possible.

Prior to the flood disaster, Home Chair Company normally employed 275 to 300 men and was doing a large volume of business. It has been in operation at North Wilkesboro for more than a quarter of a century.

## TO RECEIVE BIDS TODAY

Proceed with Construction Plans for New Jonesville School Building

## PLAN 12 CLASSROOMS

Bids on a new school building for Jonesville are to be received this morning (Thursday), as school authorities proceed rapidly with construction plans for the building following the decision of the state supreme court which dissolved a restraining order and permitted them to go ahead with the building.

To be located across the street from the present overcrowded building, the new school structure will contain 12 classrooms and several other rooms for offices and laboratories, it is understood. A combination gymnasium and auditorium will also be included in the \$40,000 structure.

## FOREIGN ROYALTY Crown Princess Martha, of Norway and her three children, Astrid, 7; Harold, 3; and Ragnhild, 9, are pictured on the beach at their new Cape Cod home at Wianno, Mass., far from the roaring bombers of Europe.



## Japanese-Nazi Defense Pact Hinted As Effort To Curb U. S. Policy

Countries Said to Have Agreed in Principle on Alliance to Become Effective If the United States and Great Britain Collaborated in Matters Concerning Status of British Naval Base

Shanghai, Sept. 25.—Authoritative advices from Tokyo said today that Japan and Germany had agreed in principle on a defensive alliance which would become effective if the United States and Great Britain collaborated in such matters as the status of the great British Far Eastern naval base at Singapore.

Described as provisional in its present stage, the alliance, if it became effective, would mean abandonment by Japan of its policy of "non-involvement" in the war, the advices said. As the news reached here, there was the sudden threat of a major crisis, directly involving American interests, in Shanghai. There were indications that the Japanese might seize control of the international settlement at any hour.

## COURT TO HEAR CASE THIS FALL

Appeals in High Point Hydroelectric Dam Squabble Set for November

## CONTINUANCE GRANTED

Appeals in the High Point hydro-electric dam case are to be heard during the latter part of November, it was announced Tuesday by the state supreme court.

A continuance of the appeal from Yadkin county until cases from the ninth and twelfth districts are heard, has been granted by the court. These cases start November 26 and the continuance was granted so that the Yadkin county case may be heard along with the expected appeal from Guilford county.

## YOUTH IS NOT TO LOSE EYE SIGHT

Howard Thomas Ellledge, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ellledge, of this city, is recovering from a severe eye injury sustained last week when the child got his father's knife when the latter was engaged in doing some repair work and cut his eye. It is understood that he cut the globe coating of the eye. He was carried to a Winston-Salem specialist for treatment and it was at first feared that he might lose the sight of the eye, however it appears now that he will retain his sight but that the vision of the eye will probably be greatly impaired.

## DRUNK DRIVING, ASSAULT CASES FEATURE COURT

Judge Rousseau Hands Out Fines, Sentences

LICENSE ARE REVOKED  
Hit-and-Run Driver Is Given Suspended Sentence and Must Pay Damages

ESCAPE CASES HEARD

Robert Mills, charged with reckless driving and hit-and-run, was convicted in Surry county superior court, now in session at Dobson, and sentenced to serve 12 months in the Surry jail.

Judge Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, in passing sentence, suspended it upon condition that Mills pay certain specified amounts to the plaintiffs in the action, and that the court costs be paid not later than December 1, of this year.

Numerous other cases were disposed of before Judge Rousseau, including a large number of liquor and traffic offenses. Among the more important cases were the following:  
Howard Key, assault with deadly weapon, 6 months suspended.

Romey Vaughn, reckless driving, judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.  
Loyd Cook, violating prohibition law, \$10 and the costs.  
T. B. Mays, assault with deadly weapon, 8 months suspended sentence.

Bonson Mays, assault with deadly weapon, 8 months suspended sentence.  
Lee Jennings, assault with deadly weapon, \$100 and costs plus 12 months suspended sentence.  
Clifford Crissman, driving auto while license revoked, four months on roads, plus suspended sentence of eight months and license revoked for additional 12 months.

Porter Coe, operating car while intoxicated, \$50 and costs, 45 days suspended sentence and license revoked for 12 months.  
Hubert Key, operating car while intoxicated and resisting officer, 45 days in jail on first charge, plus 8 months suspended sentence on second charge.  
Howard Puckett, manslaughter, 8 months on roads.  
Lewellyn Wilkinson, operating car while intoxicated, 30 days on road, driving license revoked for 12 months.

E. L. Prim, escape, 90 days added to present sentence. Joe Harrell, charged with the same offense, received a similar sentence.  
Arnold McMillon, assault with intent to kill, costs and 5 years suspended sentence upon condition defendant pays \$100 to prosecuting witness.  
Virgie Snow, operating car while intoxicated, driving license revoked for 12 months, plus fine of \$25 and the costs.  
John Carter, operating car while intoxicated, driving license revoked for period of 12 months and fined \$50 and the costs.  
Reece Hanks, operating car while intoxicated, not guilty.  
Luther Simpson, assault with deadly weapon, \$10 and the costs, plus 4 months suspended sentence.

Wallace Riggsbee, Lester Morris, Charlie Bowman and Hurlay Beck, conspiracy to escape jail, 6 months on roads as to Riggsbee, and 90 days each on roads as to Bowman and Beck, these sentences to be added to sentences now being served by defendants.  
Eighty-five per cent. of farm families own automobiles.

## Tobacco Growers Are Pleased As Tobacco Brings \$22 Average

Air Raid



Jane, Jacqueline and John, three pitiful little inmates of the East Grinstead sunshine home for blind babies, in England, hurry to the home's air raid shelter as Nazi planes roar overhead.

## 4-H CLUBS HOLD COUNTY COUNCIL

Officers for the Year Are Elected at Meeting in Dobson

## EXHIBITS ARE PLANNED

Representatives of nine 4-H clubs of the county were present Monday afternoon for the initial meeting of the county council of the club year at the Methodist church in Dobson.

Officers elected for the year were as follows: President, Noah Edwards, Dobson; vice-president, Harold Venable, Pilot Mountain; secretary, Ruth Wood, Copeland; recreation leader, Delia Long, Dobson; reporter, Peggy Taylor, White Plains.

The council voted to have an educational exhibit at the Elkin and Mount Airy fairs next year instead of individual exhibits, as has been the former custom of club members.

Reports of summer activities were given. Miss Ruth Wood told of the state 4-H club camp at Swaneola and Claude Wood told of the state short course at N. C. State College, Raleigh; Claude Kidd gave a report of the Wild Life camp at Swaneola and Hugh Snow, who was a representative from North Carolina to the Virginia 4-H club short course, related the highlights of his stay there.

Mrs. Grace Pope Brown and A. P. Cobb, leaders, outlined plans for the work of the year and the meeting was climaxed with the annual county style show. Jessie Gordon won the first prize in the junior group and in the senior group first prize went to Betty Jo Carson of the Pilot Mountain club, who will compete with other clubs of the state in the state style show in Raleigh early next month.

## MT. AIRY, TWIN CITY BOTH SEE GOOD PRICES

Opening Day Sees Sales Moving Briskly

EXPRESS SATISFACTION  
Prices Top 1939 Opening Day Figures by Nearly Six Cents Per Pound

## FLOORS ARE CLEARED

Winston-Salem, Sept. 24.—An opening day average estimated at \$22.40 per hundred pounds, on the basis of sales reported from the first five warehouses to give final figures last night, brought cheer to a host of northwestern and Piedmont North Carolina farmers who sold approximately 1,200,000 pounds in Winston-Salem yesterday.

J. T. Booth, sales supervisor, announced that the first 103,344 pounds, sold on the floors of the four warehouses having first sales, brought \$24,006.57 for an average of \$23.23 per hundred pounds.

Sales moved at a brisk pace during the day, and growers expressed general satisfaction and approval of prices obtained for their first offerings of the season. Majority of the eight warehouses which had first and second sales cleared their floors completely before the close of sales, and one set of buyers moved on to a third sale.

Booth announced that yesterday was the first time in the past 10 or 12 years that houses other than those scheduled for first and second sales have sold on opening day.

The fact that no congestion was experienced on the market was ascribed by Booth to the fact this year's opening was three weeks earlier than last year's delayed debut; to the fact that crop control has reduced the amount of tobacco to be sold by approximately 30 per cent; and to the fact that growers have become sold on the wisdom of orderly marketing.

Yesterday's estimated average is only nine cents below the five-year opening day average of \$22.49, obtained from a compilation of opening day averages since 1935.

Yesterday's average topped last year's opening day figures of \$16.55 by nearly six cents.

## White Swan Laundry To Build New Plant

Construction will start in the near future on a new building to house the White Swan Laundry, whose former modern structure on South Bridge street went down the Yadkin river August 14 on the crest of a record flood.

It was announced Wednesday by Roger Carter, who with his brothers, Jack and Wilbur, own the business, that the new structure will be built on the lot located just east of the Hugh Chatham bridge, fronting on both Market and East Main streets.

## PLAN FORUM MEETS HERE

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald Meets with Local Forum Council Friday

## FIRST FORUM DEC. 5th

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, state forum counselor, met with members of the local forum council for a business session at Hotel Elkin Friday afternoon. Plans were outlined for forum meetings to be held here during the early winter, the first of the series of meetings to be on December 5, when Dr. McDonald will be the speaker.

No meetings are being planned for an earlier date due to the fact that a Lyceum program is being sponsored by the Kiwanis club to begin on October 25 and continue for four weeks. Included in the Lyceum program will be two musical entertainments, one illustrated lecture by a member of the Byrd expedition to the south pole and a popular play.