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#### Safety Masks



While gas masks take top billing in war safety measures, these industrial protective devices also are extremely important. They are used to guard war production plant workers from harmful fumes, gases and organic vapors.

## DR. M'DONALD IS **BANQUET SPEAKER**

Former Gubernatorial Candidate Says Americans Turning To Sacrifice

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, former candidate for governor of North Carolina, now of the extension division of the University, and member of Appalachian College summer school faculty, addressed a. joint meeting of the Boone Merchants Association and Chamber of Commerce

last Thursday evening.

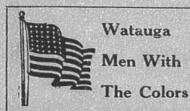
Mayor W. H. Gragg presided at the meeting, and the guest speaker was introduced by Barnard Dough-erty, business manager of Appalach-

Dr. McDonald paid tribute to Dr. B. B. Dougherty, president of the local college, saying that through his efforts the college has become one of the finest institutions of the south

for the training of teachers.

Turning to the war, the speaker expressed the belief that in some ways the conflict is changing America for the better. Americans, he said, are no longer talking of their rights, but of their responsibilities; they are turning from selfishness to sacrifice; from indulgence to industry, from conflict to co-operation.

The Merchants Association, in brief business session, elected the following directors: Ray Manship, B. W. Stallings, J. L. Qualls, P. A. Coffey, J. E. Cline, J. E. Clay, W. B. Halyburton, R. D. Hodges, G. K. Mocse, D. L. Wilcox and W. H.



Brief news items regarding Watauga citizens in the armed forces of the nation will be published in this column. Relatives or friends of the service men are asked to report furloughs of soldiers and sailors, promotions, transfers or other news as to their activities.

#### In Alabama

Private Charles E. Trivett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Trivett of Beech Creek, with Co. C, 306th Eng. Bn., is now located at Camp Rucker, Mr. Bob Agle, who is chief of the

#### Aviation Cadet a Visitor

Mr. Horton Gragg, an aviation ca-det at Shaw Field, S. C., was a weekend visitor with Mrs. Gragg and with his parents, Mayor and Mrs. W.

#### With Engineers

Sgt. Fred Wyke of Charleston, S. C., visited last week with his par ents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Wyke. Mr. Wyke is with Co. E, 175th Engineers.

### N. C. WAR BOND QUOTA

Washington, June 30 .- North Carolina will be asked to buy \$12,158,-000 of war bonds in July, it has been announced by the treasury de-

The department of agriculture has planned a food production program ing officer while he is in this city. that calls for the planting of millions of additional acres by America's

### CROWDS EXPECTED ON SATURDAY FOR VICTORY DAY FETE

Stores to Decorate Windows Patriotically as Appalachian Band Appears in Concert; Large Number of Visitors Expected for Fourth

Those in charge of arrangements for the Victory Day rally to be held here on the Fourth of July, are expecting large crowds to attend the patriotic demonstration, which is be-ing arranged in deference to an ap-peal made to each of the state's 100 counties by Governor J. M. Brough-

Wade E. Brown, chairman of the council for civilian defense, is being assisted in the arrangements by Gordon Nash, director of the Appalach-

ian summer school band.
Stores are to install patriotic window decorations, and flags are to be displayed.
The band will appear in a parade at 3:30 and render a concert in front of the postoffice building at 4 o'clock at which time the program for the at which time the program for the sale of war bonds and stamps will be outlined by Wade E. Brown. Kathryn Smith, Ruth Isaacs and Mary Doris Wright, drum majorettes for the Appalachian band will twirl the batons and sell defense stamps. In the event of rain the program will be postponed until the follow-

Belief is that large crowds will visit the area during the week-end of the fourth. The fourth usually marks the beginning of full-scale tourist business at Blowing Rock, and June visitors to that resort have been numerous despite gas and tire rationing-in fact, it has been an average June season on the mountain top. Despite the inconveniences of travel at this time, record crowds are expected in the area for the Independence Day outings.

## MANY REGISTER

More Than Three Hundred Youths Register for Military Service in Watauga

Three hundred and fifteen Watauga county youths between the ages of 18 and 20 had registered Tuesday for military service, according to incomplete figures released by the local selective service board, and

it was predicted that these returns would raise the total to around 350. Only those youths who have reached the age of 20 will be sub-ject to a call to military service, it is said, while the 18 and 19-yearolds will remain inactive on selective service rolls until they become of army draft age.

The registration is the fifth con-

ducted under the selective service act, and the draft rolls now contain the names of all citizens and aliens between the ages of 18 and 65.

## INTEREST LAX IN

#### Mayor Says Auxiliary Firemen Taking Little Interest in **Emergency Work**

Mayor W. H. Gragg calls attention to the fact that the auxiliary fire department, recently organized here as a part of the civil defense effort, is not functioning properly and that

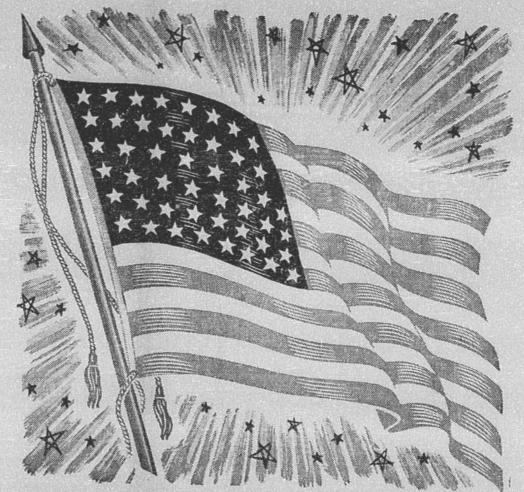
Mr. Bob Agle, who is chief of the group, which is taught to function in any emergency which might develop in connection with the war, and he urgently requests the firemen to be present when notified of practice. Any of those unwilling to render this patriotic service are asked to notify Mr. Agle.

## Navy Recruiting

A navy recruiting station will be R BOND QUOTA established at the postoffice in Boone on July 17 and 18, according Asheville recruiting station.

The physical requirements for the navy have recently been modified drive. and the starting pay for apprentice seamen is now \$50 per month. All those interested in this branch of the service are asked to see the recruit-

#### INDEPENDENCE DAY NEXT SATURDAY



United We Stand . . . Buy United States War Bonds and Stamps.

#### Has Five Sons in Service of Country

Mrs. Carrie Adams of Boone, has the honor of having five sons serving in the armed forces of their country, Allen Adams having recently enlisted to make the one hundred per cent record for the Adams family. The names of the soldiers and their addresses

Private Allen Adams, Co. B, 1st Battalion, Fort Belvoir, Va. Pvt. Rom Adams, Co. G. 186th

Pvi. Rom Adams, Co. G. 186th Infantry. Australia.

Pvi. Bernard Adams, 9th Sig-nal Service Co., Honolulu, T. H. Corporal Rodney Adams, fi-nance office, Harding Field, Bat-

on Rouge, La. Corporal Charles Adams, Med-ical Detachment St. Hospital, Fort McClellan, Ala.

## LOCAL NEGROES

First Watauga Colored Men Are Chosen by Draft Board for Military Duty

Eleven colored residents of Watauga county are soon to be inducted into the army, according to information given out by the local selective service board. This is the first time during the present war that the local board has had a call for colored registrants.

The names of those to be inducted are: Winston Worth Greer, Romeo Nimphos Campbell, Avery Go-ins, Howard Lee Folk, George Wilins, Howard Lee Folk, George William Horton, Edward Buddy Lynch, may eventually have to be used.

On the reverse side of the stamp Thomas James Banner, Neil Grimes, Ed Anderson, William Murray Griffin and Greene Horton.

There is no information given out at this time concerning the July quota of white registrants.

#### NELSON ORDERS NEW NATIONAL SALVAGE DRIVE

Washington, June 30 .- A new and intensified nation-wide salvage campaign to stimulate the flow of all vital scrap materials—rubber, steel, iron, tin and fats—into war factories Office Here July 17-18 -was announced tonight by War Production Chief Donald M. Nelson.

He disclosed the new program amid signs that nation-wide gasoline rationing as a rubber-saving measure is inevitable despite strong efto word received today from the forts by President Roosevelt and other officials to inject new life into ed by the NYA here have taken em-

Nelson said the stimulated cam-

### DRIVE FOR SCRAP RUBBER IN COUNTY YIELDS 25 TONS

Chairman of Rubber Committee Says Results Rather Disapappointing; Urges People to Respond to Urgent Call of the Government

The campaign for the collection of scrap rubber to be used in the nation's all-out war effort, has yielded about 50,000 pounds of the vital material in Watauga county, according to Lee Stout, chairman of the local petroleum scrap rubber committee, who in expressing some disappointment over the result, states that he ment over the result, states that he believes more intense general interest would practically double this

Mr. Stout calls attention to the fact that President Roosevelt has extended the period for the scrap rubber campaign to July 10, and turges everyone having anything fashioned of rubber to deliver it to the nearest filling station at once, so that the government may know Stock,

auga county, folks should show an securing a gasoline ration card in especial interest in the collection of the forthcoming registration of mocommodities of life must be transported on rubber. Military needs have first call on the stock pile, and the face side and are to be unless the scrap campaign yields attached to the windshield. The se-appreciably more than is now in prospect, it is generally believed given when one registers for his

Mr. Stout particularly praises six is to be inscribed the make of car, filling stations in the county for motor and auto license number, their fine work in the effort, and preventing transfer of a sticker from says that each of the following is one car to another. rendering exemplary service to their country: Main Street Gulf Station, Colvard Tire Co., Chas. Watson, Boone; D. T. Brown, Sherwood; R. E. Olsen, Valle Crucis, Jack Rainey, Blowing Rock.

## NYA Program Here

The National Youth Administration was discontinued officially at the end of the fiscal year on June 30, and the projects in operation in Watauga county have been abandoned.

Many of the young people employthe current scrap rubber collection ployment in defense training centers of the state. The centers for girls are at Charlotte and Greenville; paign will begin Monday, July 13, those for boys at Raleigh, Asheville with the co-operation of some 12,000 and Durham. Mrs. Clara Simpson, state and local salvage committees supervisor for NYA in Ashe, Allealready in existence. The iron, seel, ghany, Watauga and Wilkes, is en-The U. S. used about 82 pounds of raised a \$2,000,000 fund to stimufats and oils per person last year. late collections through advertising. sion into these training centers.

### Stores Start Sale Of Savings Stamps

Today, Wednesday, the stores and shops of this city stopped dis-pensing their usual merchandise for a fifteen minute period, 12 m. to 12:15 p. m., during which time they offered their customers noth-

ing but war savings stamps.

War Stamp Day will continue
for 31 days, it is said, and during
the period customers will be asked to take at least a part of their change from every purchase in war stamps.

Merchants of the town are enthusiastic in their response to this nation-wide effort and will make every effort to sell a record num-ber of the federal securities during the month.

## STAMP STICKERS

Revenue Stamps Are Required Before Issuance of Gas Rationing Cards

Today, July 1, all motorists are closed each Thursday afternoon and and required to display the \$5 federal also on July 4th. thus determine whether or not there auto tax stamp, and in the closing will be any rubber at all for civilian days of the sale period, the local postoffice reports a rush to buy the until further notice. It is stated that right here in Wat- stickers, which are a prerequisite to

On the reverse side of the stamp,

Penalties are provided in federal courts for failure to purchase and display the stamp stickers as provided by law.

pounds of fats and oils a year-67% in the form of food, 20 per cent as soap, 8 per cent in paints and var-Is Stopped June 30 nishes and the rest in varied pro-

#### Stores To Be Open As Usual On Fourth

The various stores of the city are to observe their usual business hours on Saturday, July 4th, the retailers having decided to observe Monday, July 6, as Inde-

pendence Day.

The bank and postoffice, however, will observe the Fourth on Saturday, while the D. & P. Pipe Works, Boone's only manufactory, will close Saturday.

## **NEW GAS RATION REGISTRATION TO**

Permanent Gasoline Rationing Plan to Go Into Effect July 22; Salient Points on Coupon System of Gas Rationing Given

Owners of automobiles and trucks are notified by the county ration board that they must register on July 9, 10 and 11, for gasoline allowances under the permanent rationing plan of the federal government, which is effective July 22.

The temporary plan which has

The temporary plan which has proven to be more or less unwork-able, is being supplanted by the coupon book system, much the same as obtains in regard to the sugar situation, and registrations will be conducted at eight central schools on conducted at eight central schools on the dates mentioned as follows: Boone elementary, Green Valley elementary, Deep Gap elementary, Blowing Rock high school, Valle Crucis elementary, Cove Creek high, Bethel high, and Mabel elementary. The ration board has issued the following instructions relative to the registration:

All car owners, both passenger and commercial, not having registration cards, should apply for duplicates now, to insure their obtaining ration books by July 22. Truck owners should also be prepared to furnish the following information: miles driven during May, 1942; mileage to be driven during July, August and September, 1942, and average miles to the gallon of gasoline. This suggestion is given with the thought of avoiding as much con-fusion and delay as possible during

registration.

Ration Cards A and D are for the owner of a currently registered passenger automobile or motorcycle, who should register at the designated school sites.

The following should not apply for basic ration book A:

(a) A vehicle owned or leased by a federal, state, local or foreign government agency.

(b) An ambulance or hearse.(c) Taxi, jitney or vehicle available for public rental. (d) A vehicle which is part of a fleet of four or more similar vehicles used principally in the business or

occupation of the same person.

(e) A vehicle held by a dealer for sale or resale.

Truck Registration

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Trucks are not to register at school sites for gasoline ration books. Register at the war price and ration board office at Boone prior to July

SUGAR STAMP NO. 5 GOOD

FOR TWO POUNDS OF SUGAR Sugar stamp No. 5 of war ration book No. 1, is good for 2 pounds of sugar between June 28 and July 25, it is announced by the local ration board. Stamp No. 6 is valid between July 26 and August 22 for two pounds of sugar.

The ration board office will be

Application for canning sugar can be made at the ration board office

#### Rites Held at Grace Lutheran Church Tuesday; Native of South Carolina

Dr. George H. Jeffcoat, wellknown chiropractic practitioner, died at the home of a sister, Miss Cora Pearl Jeffcoat, early Monday morning, from an illness which had been serious for only a few days.

Funeral services were conducted Americans use about 11,000,000,000 Rev. E. F. Troutman, the pastor, and from the Grace Lutheran church interment was in St. Mark's ceme-

tery, Blythwood, S. C., at 4 p. m.
The pallbearers were Wilbur Jeffcoat, Lloyd Jeffcoat, Glenn Perkins, Manley Meacham, J. B. Smith, Sam Howard, Lester E. Gross, B. J. Burket. Those in charge of the flowers included: Mesdames Clarice Gross, Macon Jones, Manley Meacham, Garland Wagner, Anna Alice Townsend, and Lois Virginia Townsend.

Dr. Jeffcoat, a native of Columbia, S. C., was a son of the late Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Jeffcoat. He came to Watauga county about 18 years ago, where he engaged in the prac-tice of his profession. Ill health, however, brought about his retirement several years ago.

Surviving are one brother, Dr. W. C. Jeffcoat of Burlington, N. C., and one sister, Miss Cora Pearl Jeffcoat

of Boone.