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## WATAUGA COUNTY QUOTA BOND SALE IS SET AT \$53,900

**Complete Organization Set Up To Make Concerted Effort In Sale Of War Bonds; Names Of Township Leaders Are Given; Workers To Meet Saturday.**

Watauga county's quota in the Victory loan campaign for April has been set at \$53,900, according to W. D. Farthing, general chairman of the campaign locally and a complete organization has been set up with the idea of reaching the designated figure before the end of the month.

The leaders for the sale of the bonds in the various townships of the county are as follows:

- Boone, Mrs. J. A. W. Davis.
- Blowing Rock, Mrs. H. C. Hayes.
- Bald Mountain, Glenn Howell.
- Blue Ridge, G. J. Keller.
- Beaver Dam, Dale C. Norris.
- Cove Creek, Mrs. Mary Harris.
- Elk, V. C. Cox.
- Laurel Creek, Ben W. Farthing.
- Meat Camp No. 1, S. G. Tugman.
- Meat Camp No. 2, Grady McNeil.
- North Fork, Frank Main.
- Shawneehaw, Clyde Tester.
- Stony Fork, A. G. Miller.
- Watauga, Mrs. Sarah G. Wagner.

A meeting of all workers in the bond campaign, as well as any others who would like to attend will be held in the Boone High School auditorium Saturday night April 10th at 8:00, for the purpose of formulating more definite plans for the war bond campaign.

## RED CROSS FUND KEEPS GROWING

**Late Figures Indicate Collection Of \$5,520.47; List Of The Late Contributors.**

The Red Cross War Fund in Watauga county has reached the sum of \$5,520.47, according to a late tabulation of returns by Clyde R. Greene, chairman of the war drive, who says he believes the report is practically complete. Any others however, who have not reported their collections should do so at once, so that check may be mailed to national headquarters for its part of the offering.

In reporting the large number of contributors, it is quite possible that errors have crept in. Such errors should be reported, so that correction may be made.

Following are the names of the more recent contributors:

- Tracy Neighborhood.**
- Mrs. A. N. Thomas, worker.
- Mrs. A. N. Thomas 1.00, Irene Thomas .50, Mae Belle Thomas .50, Betty Thomas .25, Mrs. Jack Wallace .50, Jimmy Wallace .10, Jack Wallace 1.00, Howard Thomas 2.00, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. May 1.00, Mrs. Hattie May .50, Argus Wallace .50, Mrs. R. L. Walla .50, Mrs. Hellic Wallace .50, Mrs. Ocie Greer .25, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Thomas 1.00, Sherman Thomas .50, C. R. Wilson 1.00, Rolf E. Wilson 1.00, Mrs. Pauline Thomas 1.00.

- Perkinsville Neighborhood.**
- S. J. Barnes, worker.
- Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Barnes 2.00, Mable Norris 1.00, Mrs. Minnie Cuddy .50.

- Green Park Neighborhood.**
- Mrs. Bun Knight, worker.
- Stewart Ford .15, R. W. Triplett 1.00, Paul Edward Triplett .10, R. J. Moore .50, Mrs. Junior Clay 1.00, Gordon Bolick .50, Mrs. Carter Reid 1.00.

- Banner Elk Community.**
- Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Moody 2.00, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Berry 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Fox 1.00.

- Zionville Neighborhood.**
- Mrs. R. H. Townsend, worker.
- Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roark 2.00, Otto Thomas .50, Frank Thomas .50, Bower Thomas .50, John Swift .25.

- Henry Hagaman, Worker.**
- Joe Trivett 1.00, R. M. Ward 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward 1.00, Conley Harman .50, L. H. Trivett .50.

- Valle Crucis Neighborhood.**
- Mrs. W. H. Wagner, worker.
- Mont Glover 1.00, Mrs. W. H. Wagner 25.00, Mr. and Mrs. Mont Glover 4.00, Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Leach 3.00, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Tester 1.00, Mrs. Luther Townsend 1.00, Forest Townsend 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tester 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. Roah Mitchell 1.00, Roy Rabon 2.00, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Mitchell .50, Mrs. Sarah Draughn .50, Mr. and Mrs. Gillis Mitchell 1.00, Mrs. C. D. Taylor 2.00, L. F. Townsend .50, Lee Lowrance 1.00, Miss Sue Taylor 5.00, J. H. Harrel .25, Anonymous 21.00.

- Prosnell Neighborhood.**
- M. L. Shepherd, worker.
- Troy Cannon 1.00, Prince Pres.

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## Off to Battle Zone



U. S. Navy aircraft carrier is shown as it transports army planes to battle zones. Mechanics can be seen as they give the plane a final check-up on nearing their destination. This is a perfect example of the close harmony between the army and navy.

## RED CROSS GIVES FIRST AID COURSES

**Red Cross Staff Representative Here to Give Instructors' Training in First Aid.**

Mr. George R. Barber, Red Cross staff representative of Winter Haven, Fla., is teaching an instructors' course in first aid here this week, according to Wade E. Brown, first aid chairman of the local chapter of the Red Cross.

About fifty college students and others are taking the rigid course required to obtain certificates to authorize them to teach first aid courses. Water safety courses for advanced students are also being taught.

The great need for the conservation of manpower and the alarming number of accidents, make these Red Cross courses of great importance to our people. These instructors when they complete their training can then teach hundreds of others the fundamentals that save many lives, time and money, and this contributes directly to the war effort.

Mr. Barber is an outstanding authority on first aid and water safety.

## Navy Recruiting Station To Be Open In Boone On Next Monday, Tuesday

In his regular coverage of this vicinity as a Navy recruiter, M. F. Ford will open a Navy recruiting station in the postoffice building at Boone on April 12, 13, and men and women interested in volunteering for Navy duty are invited to meet him for an interview.

While enlistment regulations still restrict wide-open enlistments of draft-age men, several branches are now open to Selective Service registrants. The Seabees, the Navy's construction battalions, now are open to men between the ages of 18 and 38 who have had experience in any phase of construction. They are consequently eligible for petty officer ratings in the Naval Reserve.

Seventeen year old men are still eligible to volunteer for the Navy or Naval Reserve. However as soon as the youngster reaches his 18th birthday, he is placed under the jurisdiction of Selective Service and is no longer eligible to volunteer for any branch of the service.

Women who are interested in the WAVES may obtain complete information and Application blanks from Recruiter Ford. North Carolina has been assigned a quota of 3,000 for the WAVES.

Education and physical requirements of the WAVES have been relaxed considerably, it is said. Now, a woman need only have two years' high school work to qualify. Age limits for the WAVES are 20 and 50.

## Teachers To Gather in Boone Next Saturday

The final meeting of the Watauga County Teachers Association for the current year will be held at the Appalachian High School at 2:30 p. m. Saturday April 10, it was announced today.

Tentative plans to hold a dinner meeting have been cancelled on account of the rationing program, it was stated.

Officers for the coming year will be elected and other business transacted.

During the 5-year period 1936-40, an average of 970,000 man-days annually were spent in fighting forest fires that burned more than 30 million acres yearly on the average.

## FARMERS CO-OP TO OPEN STORE IN CITY NEXT SATURDAY

**Shortage Of Feed Prompts Organization Of Farm Cooperative; Sale Of Feed Principal Present Activity; Profits Of Store Go to Farmers.**

Announcement of the opening of the Watauga Farmers Cooperative Store in Boone on Saturday April 10th, is made in the columns of the Democrat today, thus marking the beginning of an aggressive organization for the benefit of the farmers of this county.

For the present the store will handle only feeds and grains, but it is said that ultimately the cooperative will handle everything the farmer needs, and will likely in turn provide facilities for the local marketing of farm products.

The co-op store is located in the Earl Cook building on Depot street and Mr. Grady Tugman, well-known farmer of Meat Camp township is in charge. The store will open promptly at 9 a. m. Saturday, and two car loads of feed has already been received with another on the rails.

## Feed Shortage Prompts Co-Op

The alarming shortage of feeds, particularly for dairy animals, in the county, was the incentive for the organization of the Farmers' Cooperative, it is said. Several weeks ago at the behest of a number of leading farmers of the county, Harry Hamilton, farm agent, called a meeting for the purpose of considering the organization of a co-operative. Mr. P. M. Hendrix, county agent of Davidson county was present, and gave the farm group a glowing account of the success of a similar venture in his county. Therefore the organization was formed to the end that feed might be bought in huge quantities, thus minimizing the effect of the general shortage, and providing feed of dependable quality, and of the same brand every day in the year.

The officers of the Watauga Farmers' Cooperative, Inc. are D. M. Edmisten, Sugar Grove, President; W. M. Winkler, Boone, Vice-President; Bernard Dougherty, Boone, Secretary-Treasurer.

The board of directors is: Walter Hampton, Blowing Rock; Glenn Howell, Todd; Ernie Triplett, Banner Elk; D. M. Edmisten, Sugar Grove; W. M. Winkler, Boone; Bernard Dougherty, Boone.

Some stock in the \$50,000 corporation is still available it was said, which may be sold to farmers and users of farm products.

The organization is unique in that the voting power of each stockholder is equal, regardless of the number of shares owned. The profits from the operation of the store revert to the farmers who hold the stock, and added dividends will be paid them, of a certain percentage of the total purchases of each year.

## Farm Machinery Repair Courses Being Expanded At Appalachian High

The war production training courses in farm machinery repair sponsored by the vocational agriculture department of Appalachian High School are being expanded to meet the increased needs for farm implements, Dr. Orby Southard, instructor, has advised.

In addition to the repair center already open to farmers in the local high school shop each Saturday, two more classes are being started this week. One of the new classes will meet each Saturday from 1 to 7 p. m. in the Hampton garage at Laxon. The other will meet two nights weekly in the Blowing Rock garage. At each of these centers a skilled mechanic will serve as instructor to farmers who wish to construct or repair any farm machinery or equipment. No charge will be made for the service of the instructor or ordinary supplies needed.

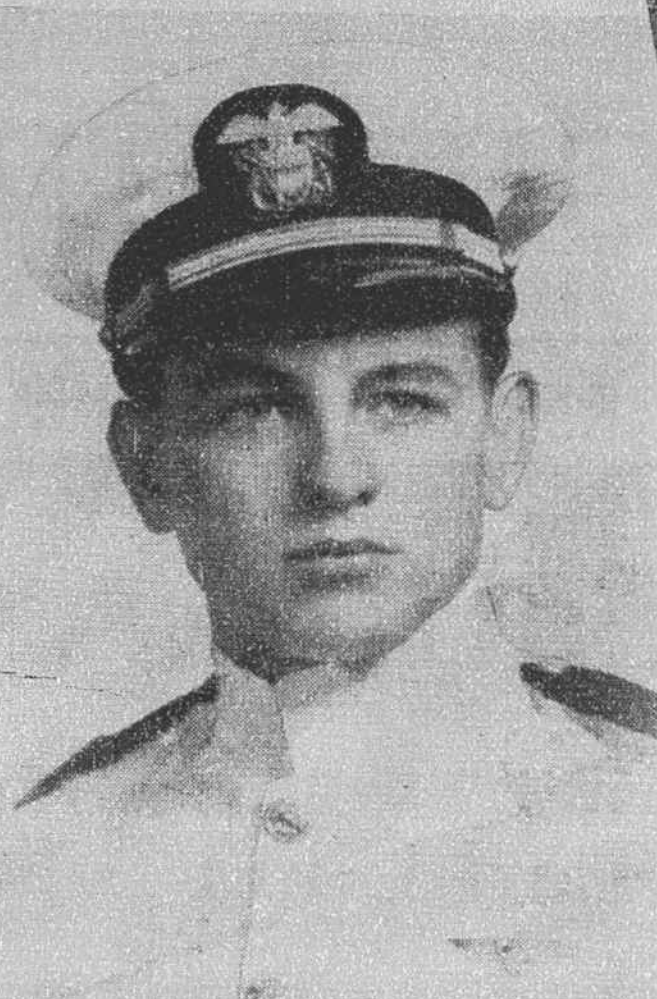
Dr. Southard stated that if a sufficient number of farmers availed themselves of the opportunities provided through these centers it is planned to operate them through the spring and summer.

Numerous harrows, plows, cultivators, planters, etc. have already been put in a good condition at the school shop through this program, it is learned.

## WATCH THE LABEL

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## DIES IN FIGHT FOR GUADALCANAL



LIEUTENANT BILL KEPHART

Son of Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Kephart of Blowing Rock, was the first Watauga man to lose his life in the present war, and his name is to be linked with Watauga county's drive to raise \$53,900 in the second war loan campaign which starts next week.

## Name Of Lieut. Kephart Linked With Watauga's Victory Loan Campaign

### LIONS MINSTREL NEXT TUESDAY

**Proceeds From Local Talent Show Goes to Band, Milk Fund and Blind Aid.**

The Boone Lions Club Dixieland Minstrel will be presented on the stage of Appalachian Theatre at 4:15 and 8:15 Tuesday April 13, and a large attendance is anticipated. Every member of the organization is represented in the large cast of local talent. Committees of Lionesses are busy with costumes, and every indication is that this will be the most successful show ever presented by the local organization.

Thirty per cent of the proceeds will be given to the High School Band; and forty per cent will be used for blind work activities sponsored by the local club.

The highly entertaining program will consist of jokes and gags by the blackfaced endmen and the Interlocutor; the Lions quartet and Lions Chorus will present a number of old time songs; and a special group will appear in a very amusing dramatic farce, entitled, "The Worst Aid Station." One of the chief features of the program will be an old-fashioned sermon, preached by Lion Milt Greer. The Lions will take over the theatre for the afternoon and evening. They will sell tickets, issue programs, and usher the patrons.

### Members of the Cast.

Among the popular local citizens appearing in the cast are Paul Coffey, Lee Stout, Harry Webster, Wade Brown and Ray Manship all of whom will be endmen and will crack jokes which will tickle the funny bones of all present. These endmen will be led in their wisecracking by Ted Norman, manager of the Appalachian Theatre.

In the Lions chorus will appear Harry Hamilton, D. J. Whitener, Frank Payne, Cratis Williams, and J. C. Cline. A harmonica and dance specialty will be one of the features of the program.

The dramatic skit will exhibit the talents of Dr. Robert King, Dr. Bill Matheson, Dr. Robert Busted, Dr. Orby Southard, W. A. Smith, Herbert Wey, Star Wood, and Lee Reynolds.

Blackface ushers will be Chapell Wilson, Vance Howell, W. M. Bur-

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## COUNTY FOLLOWS CITY IN MOVE TO BAN BEER, WINE

**Board Of Commissioners Resolves to Refuse Issuance of New License for Beer; Ministers In Meeting Thank Boards For Action and Pledge Support.**

The Board of County Commissioners on Monday followed the lead of the city administration and passed a resolution not to issue any license for the sale of wine and beer in Watauga county after April 5, 1943.

At the regular meeting of the Pastors and Deacons of the Three Forks and Stony Fork Baptist Associations, held in Boone on Monday, Rev. R. C. Eggers, Rev. W. D. Ashley and Rev. N. M. Greene were appointed as a committee to express to the county and city officials their appreciation for this action. The statement issued by the committee follows:

"Recently petitions were circulated in Watauga county addressed to the board of county commissioners requesting that they not issue any more licenses for the sale of wine or beer in Watauga county. Almost four thousand voters of the county signed these petitions and they were presented to the board of commissioners on the morning of April 5th, 1943. The commissioners adopted a resolution in keeping with the request made in the petitions and we hasten to congratulate them upon their stand for righteousness and sobriety in the county. We also pledge to them our support in their decision and we ask every citizen of the county to join with them in this endeavor to rid our county of the evils of the sale and consumption of wine and beer. We also desire to express our thanks to the Board of Aldermen and Mayor of Boone, N. C. for their like decision and to them we also pledge our support."

## Lions Club Holds First Meeting For Month

The Boone Lions Club held its first meeting of the month of April Tuesday night at the Daniel Boone Hotel with a good attendance and a happy spirit of accomplishment. Lion Harry Hamilton spoke to the club on the necessity and reason for victory gardens and following his talk it was decided that the club would promote a V-Garden Club.

Dr. Orby Southard, Messrs. Harry Hamilton and Harry Webster, were named as a committee to work out the details for the club's organization and a meeting has been called for Friday night April 16, at 8 p. m. at the high school building. Everyone interested in gardens is urged and invited to come and share experiences.

Those owning vacant lots are asked to make them available to the club for gardening purposes. This is an opportunity to display patriotism—not to make money, but to make food.

It was also decided to hold an eye clinic on the 22nd and 23rd of April for the children who have been checked at school and a number of Lions and Lionesses will have their cars out for transportation on these days.

The Club was glad to note that the attendance contest has stimulated Lee Stout's boys to some extent and some of these days they may really get to rolling.

## Milk Producers Asked To Gather Saturday

A meeting of all milk producers of Watauga county has been arranged and will be held at the Watauga Farmers Cooperative store in Boone Saturday April 10th at eleven o'clock. Officials of the Coble Dairy Products Co., in cooperation with the county agent and leading farmers in the county have outlined an interesting and educational program to which all farmers are cordially invited.

A dairy extension specialist from State College will be present and will offer some timely suggestions concerning the production of milk economically.

The need for milk in our war effort is vital, the production is off, the price has already advanced 10 cents per hundred pounds, so it is important that each farmer do his best to produce for victory.

The pre-war machine tool industry, which did an average annual business of about \$100 millions, has grown to a war industry with a monthly output valued at \$130 millions.

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS