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## SIXTH WAR LOAN QUOTA FOR COUNTY IS SET AT \$117,000

Campaign Gets Under Way November 20th and Continues to December 16; Clyde R. Greene is Chairman; Other Members County Organization

The Sixth War Loan campaign gets under way November 20th, and an overall quota of \$117,000 has been established for Watauga county, slightly less than was the case in the Fifth War Loan effort. Of the overall quota \$84,000 is for the sale of "E" series bonds to individuals.

Clyde R. Greene, chairman of the local phase of the campaign, points out that although the official period of the campaign is November 20 to December 16, all sales of E, F and G Bonds and Treasury Savings Notes sold from Nov. 1 through December 31st, will count on the quota. Thus to all practical purposes the campaign is now on, and every effort will be made to reach the county quota quickly because, with the arrival of the decisive phases of the war, the money is urgently needed to furnish our fighting men with the necessary implements to assure a quick and total victory.

Mr. Greene gave out the following as additional members of the local bond staff: Assistant chairman, Alfred Adams, publicity chairman, Rob Rivers; rural chairman, H. M. Hamilton; school chairman, Dr. D. J. Whitener; merchants chairman, L. H. Crowell; theatre chairman, H. C. McCarroll; chairman women's division, Mrs. B. W. Stallings.

## HOME COMING DAY PROGRAM GIVEN

Alumni and Citizens Are Invited To Attend Annual Event at Appalachian

Mrs. D. J. Whitener, vice-president of the Alumni Association of Appalachian State Teachers College, extends a cordial invitation to alumni and citizens to attend the 1944 homecoming event on Saturday, November 11.

The program in brief will consist of an address by Dr. Pierce Harris, of Atlanta, Ga., one of America's leading humorists. Dr. Harris, like Billy Sunday, gave up a baseball career for the ministry. He will speak at ten o'clock Saturday morning. As usual in the afternoon a committee will judge the campus exhibits, by the various college organizations, to determine the prize winner. In the evening a variety program, directed by Antonios Antonakos, will be given. The program will consist of a performance of the Baton Twirlers. Two one-act plays will be presented, "Rosalie", with a cast of faculty and faculty wives, and "Charming Leander" by the Playcrafters. Also will be given a group of folk rhythms by the Physical Education Department and acrobatic stunts with spectacular lighting effects. Modern music, directed by Mr. Garnet Felts, will also be a part of the program.

## Parents Of Babies Born This Year Are Asked To Buy War Bonds

During the sixth war loan drive November 11 to December 1, parents of children born in 1944 are especially urged to purchase a War Bond for the new baby.

The National War Finance Committee makes the urgent request, "Buy a Bond for Baby," because it feels that parents will see the wisdom of starting a savings for the new member of the family.

If your baby was born on any 1944 date, you are urged to buy at least one bond especially for him. Not only will it contribute greatly to the Sixth War Loan Campaign but it will mean a step toward the security of his future welfare.

## Boone Soldier Gets Silver Star for Gallantry

With the 4th Infantry Division in France—Private First Class John J. H. Miller, son of Mrs. Hattie N. Miller, Route 2, Boone, who served as an automatic rifleman with the Fourth Infantry Division in France, has been awarded the Silver Star "for gallantry in action" and given the following citation:

"Pfc. Miller was a member of a company that was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire preceding an enemy counterattack. The enemy attack caused confusion among our troops and they began to withdraw. At this vital time Pfc. Miller moved to a position which afforded good fields of fire. Here he succeeded in holding back the German advance until his comrades could effect an orderly withdrawal. Pfc. Miller suffered wounds but undoubtedly saved many lives. His company was able to reorganize quickly and repel the counterattack. Pfc. Miller's courage and aggressiveness under fire are worthy of the highest standards of the military service."

## Killed in Action



Pvt. Ralph O. Combs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Combs, of Beaver Dam township, who has been reported as killed in action in Germany. He had previously been reported as missing. Pvt. Combs, who was 21 years old, went into service in November, 1943, and had been overseas for three months. He is survived by his widow, the former Louise Presnell, who resides with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Link Presnell. The parents and a number of brothers and sisters also survive.

## DEMOCRATS LEAD IN CONGRESS RACE

Meagre Information Indicates the Democrats Have Gained in Congress

With the information from the presidential election taking the spotlight in the radio news, detailed figures on the congressional races are lacking, but scattered returns indicate that the Democrats have captured an additional 14 seats in the national house of representatives perhaps shown a slight gain in the senate, where already they had a comfortable majority.

Senator Gillette (D), Iowa, may have been defeated while the Democrats gained a senate seat from Connecticut, and maybe others. In the lower house the defeat of Representative Hamilton Fish of New York state, rank isolationist, was unexpected. However, Fish went down, and conceded his defeat for a 13th term early in the morning.

Representative Luce of Connecticut, was leading by a small margin.

Thus the Democrats will again organize the house, with a far more effective majority than that now held.

Democrats are also gaining some of the Republican governorships on the basis of present trends.

## Mr. Norman Accepts Position in Chester

Mr. D. J. Norman, who recently resigned his position as manager of the Appalachian Theatre, states that he has accepted a position with the Cherokee Amusement Co., of Chester, S. C. This corporation owns theatres in Chester, Gaffney and Union S. C. Mr. Norman will serve as city manager of these theatres, and is highly pleased with his new position.

Mr. Norman expresses regret at leaving Boone where he has many friendships. Mrs. Norman will remain in Boone until about the middle of the month, when the family will establish residence in Chester.

## Missing in Action



Pfc. Glenn Cottrell, 20 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd F. Cottrell, Route 2, Boone, who has been missing in action since Oct. 17 in Italy, according to a telegram received by his parents Sunday. The message stated that if further details are received they would be communicated to Mr. Cottrell. Pfc. Cottrell, who some time ago had been erroneously reported as wounded in action, has been in the army for a year, and in the Italian campaign since last February.

# ROOSEVELT RE-ELECTED

## Republicans Win in County

### G. O. P. TICKET LEADS HEAVILY

Incomplete Returns Indicate that Watauga County Has Given G.O.P. Good Majority

The Republican party won easily in the contests for a representative in the general assembly, a surveyor and the three-man board of county commissioners in Tuesday's election, and likewise carried the county for state senator, Governor Dewey and the Republican slate of state officers.

The heavy vote, counting of which was slow due to the fact that five ballots had to be counted, indicates that in the race for representative, S. C. Eggers, Republican, won the county by a majority of 282 over Mayor Gordon Winkler of Boone, and estimates are that the entire county Republican ticket carried by an average of more than 300 votes.

Miss Helen Underdown, only Democratic officeholder in the county, was unopposed in the election.

Unofficial Returns

The wholly unofficial returns on the race for the assembly, the only figures which have been compiled, show the Democrats carrying six townships and the Republicans nine. There are sixteen precincts.

The following gives the majorities as to the representative in each of the townships, which are the first returns and entirely unofficial:

Boone, Winkler	447
Bald Mountain, Eggers	10
Beaver Dam, Winkler	140
Watauga, Eggers	208
Blue Ridge, Eggers	224
Elk, Eggers	126
Cove Creek, Eggers	81
Meat Camp, Winkler	70
New River, Winkler	45
Shawneehaw, Eggers	105
Stony Fork, Eggers	263
Brushy Fork, Winkler	125
Blowing Rock, Winkler	25
Laurel Creek, Winkler	92
North Fork, Eggers	25

These figures indicate the election of Mr. Eggers by a majority of 282.

When the vote is canvassed, the official returns will be published in The Democrat.

## DEMOCRATS LOSE IN SENATE RACE

Indications Are that 29th District to Be Represented by a Republican

For the first time in many, many years, it appears Wednesday morning as if the Republicans have captured the senate seat in the 29th district by a slim majority.

The figures from the three counties in the district, Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany, which are entirely without official sanction, would indicate that Edison M. Thomas, Republican nominee, has won over W. Carlos Thomas, Democrat, by around 100 votes.

Reports are that the Republican candidate has carried Ashe county in addition to Watauga, and that heavily Democratic Alleghany failed to overcome the G.O.P. lead in the other two counties.

## RATION GUIDE

Meats, Fats  
Red stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through P5, good indefinitely. The four red stamps validated Oct. 29 totaling 40 red points will have to last for at least a 5-week period. No new red stamps until Dec. 2.

Processed Foods  
Blue stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through W5, good indefinitely. No new stamps until Dec. 1.

Sugar  
Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32 and 33 each good for five pounds indefinitely. Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds canning sugar through Feb. 28, 1945.

Gasoline  
In 17 east coast states, A-11 coupons good for three gallons each through Nov. 8. On Nov. 9 A-13 coupons in new ration book become good for four gallons running through Dec. 1.

Fuel Oil  
Period 4 and 5 coupons and new period 1 coupons good through coming heating year.

## Chamber of Commerce Meeting On Thursday

There will be a dinner meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at the home of Mrs. L. T. Tatum Thursday at 7:30 o'clock. Chairman H. W. Wilcox requests all members to be present, especially the housing and water supply committees.



FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT

## Elected DOUGHTON AGAIN CARRIES DISTRICT

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## Big Auction Sale At High School Friday

The merchants have given many useful and valuable articles to be auctioned to the public immediately after the basketball games Friday.

Every home is asked by the Parent-Teachers Association to bring something to be sold. You can have a wrapped white elephant package of 25 cents value, or a pie, cake, candy, or anything that will sell. If you have not been solicited personally please send a package to the high school Friday or bring it when you come Friday night.

Mr. Harry Hamilton and Mr. W. H. Gragg are the auctioneers.

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## WAR FUND NEARS COUNTY QUOTA

Only One Hundred Dollars More to Be Raised to Reach Goal of \$4,500 Here

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## President Rolls Up More Than 400 Electoral Votes in Race With Governor Dewey; Dewey Carries Farm Belt, Maine, Vermont

President Roosevelt, the first man in the history of the American government to be accorded a third term in the White House, shattered even that record in Tuesday's balloting, when incomplete figures indicate he has won something near a landslide electoral college victory over Governor Thomas E. Dewey, in the first wartime contest for the Chief Magistracy since the days of Abraham Lincoln.

Although reports from the soldier balloting are delayed by law in some of the states, early returns indicate that President Roosevelt has the edge in such states as New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Illinois and even perhaps Michigan, which, added to the border states, the solid south, the Pacific coast states and scattered mountain states, should give the President an electoral vote of approximately the proportions of the victory over Wendell L. Willkie in 1940. Late estimates indicate the President's electoral college vote to be hovering above the 400 mark.

Dewey has carried Maine and Vermont, Kansas, Nebraska, has maybe nosed out the President in Ohio, Indiana, Iowa and other states of the farm belt, but has made a poorer showing in the nation than expected by many of the authorities in both political camps.

The campaign which closed Monday evening was one of the bitterest in the history of the nation, Dewey assailing the President at every turn, and Roosevelt and his aides hurling counter charges at the Republican aspirant.

The war and the danger of "changing horses in the middle of the stream" is credited generally with having placed the President back in the White House, despite considerable dissatisfaction with many of the domestic policies of the New Deal administration which has been in office for almost 12 years. Labor, as usual, stood with the President, generally speaking, and the dissatisfaction in the south did not materially affect the normal Democratic majorities.

## DEWEY CONCEDES

Governor Dewey early Wednesday conceded the election of the President for the fourth term, and expressed hope for a speedy conclusion to the war, and the establishment of a lasting peace.

## DEMOCRATS OUT FRONT IN STATE

Roosevelt Maintains North State Popularity; State Ticket is Elected

President Roosevelt maintained his wide popularity in North Carolina on the basis of early returns from Tuesday's election and despite organized opposition, supposedly from within the party, will carry the state by about his usual percentage of majority.

Latest figures show \$62,000 for the President and 158,000 for Governor Dewey out of an expected total vote which may approach the 800,000 figure of four years ago.

Gregg Cherry has been overwhelmingly elected governor, while Clyde R. Hoey has the traditional state majority with him in the race for the senate. Other state officials will show about the same percentage of majority.

## Library Board Holds Meeting

The Watauga County Library Board held its regular meeting in the library on Oct. 26, with Mrs. Mae Miller, chairman, in charge.

Members of the board are: Mrs. Mae Miller, chairman; Mrs. S. F. Horton, vice-chairman; Mrs. Elsie Hagaman, secretary; Paul A. Coffey, treasurer; Mrs. A. R. Smith, Mrs. Grady Greer, Mrs. D. P. Maest, Miss Elizabeth Bridge and Mrs. C. G. Hodges.

The following rules for the circulation of books were adopted by the board:

1. Anyone who is a resident of Watauga county may borrow books free; non-residents are required to make a deposit of \$2.
2. Each borrower is responsible for books taken in his name, and must pay for books damaged or lost.
3. Each borrower may take two books at one time. Books may be renewed once, and may be exchanged, with the understanding that the original borrower is responsible for the safe return of the books.
4. Each borrower must be registered. Borrowers under 14 years of age must have the signature of parent or guardian on the registration card before books are borrowed.
5. Books circulated at points throughout the county may be kept one month.

## In England



Cpl. Clint Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carroll of R.F.D. 1, Boone, who has been in the service for two years, and who has arrived safely in England. He received his training at Camp Barkley, Texas.