



## ALLIED INVASION STARTS TUESDAY MORNING

### Fifth War Loan Drive Starts In Nation On June 12

#### Cherokee's Quota In This Drive Is \$237,000

The Fifth War Loan, with a goal of sixteen billion dollars starts June 12 and ends July 8. Cherokee county's quota in this drive is \$237,000, announces P. B. Ferebee, chairman of the special drive. Six billion of the national quota is to be raised directly from individuals.

Commenting on the Fifth War Loan, Lowell Thomas says: "I think we should regard the Fifth War Loan drive as a part of the Second Front invasion. Over there American soldiers have the military task to be done with steel and explosive, bitter combat and unflinching heroism. Over here we are confronted with the financial phase, which is a necessary part of the critical and perilous effort for final victory. . . . If we buy bonds to the utmost of our means, we are good citizens backing the best of soldiers. If we fail, we are unworthy citizens, letting down the bravest of the brave."



**RESIGNS** — The Rev. A. B. Cash, pastor of First Baptist church, who on Sunday morning tendered his resignation as pastor here, to become Superintendent of City Missions in Columbus, Ga. His resignation is to become effective August 1, at which time he will have completed three years as pastor of the local church.

#### HOME 30 DAYS

Pvt. Harold Thomas Lance who spent 11 months overseas, has returned to the United States and recently spent 30 days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lance. Private Lance entered service in 1942 and took his training for a Radio Gunner at Madison, Wis.

#### Bible School Commencement Is Friday Night

The commencement program of the Daily Vacation Bible school which has been in session at First Baptist church here for the past two weeks, will be held at the church Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Wednesday morning, 194 had been enrolled at the school, and enrollment is expected to pass the 200 mark this week.

The Rev. R. Lane Akins, pastor of Hayesville Baptist church director of the school, has been assisted by a competent faculty.

Murphy First church, Calvary, and Pleasant Valley churches have cooperated in the school.

#### Rev. P. W. Helton To Hold Services

The Rev. P. W. Helton will hold regular services at Simonds Chapel Baptist church every first and third Sunday at two o'clock and Sunday School every Sunday at two o'clock. Prayer services will be held every Thursday night at 7:30. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Andrews' Citizens Worship On D-Day

**ANDREWS** — D-Day or Invasion Day Program was observed for the Town of Andrews and the surrounding communities at the Methodist church here Tuesday, June 6, from 10 to 11 o'clock.

It was attended by a large crowd of people that overflowed the main auditorium of the church. Noticeable was the large number of workmen from the Andrews tannery who attended. These were preceded by Aaron Chlewich and Maksymilian Aleksandrowicz, officials of the company.

The program had originally been scheduled to be presided over by the Rev. C. C. Washam. Also, Rev. L. P. Smith was on the program for a prominent part. In the absence of these gentlemen, I. B. Hudson presided and made the principal talk. As a scripture text Mr. Hudson read the 137th Psalm, the first verse of which is: "By the rivers of

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### People Stream To Churches Here On The Invasion Day

Murphy citizens received the news of the invasion in the early hours Tuesday in a quiet and prayerful spirit. Many learned the news before day, but as the siren sounded the signal of the invasion at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, business houses closed, flags were put up, and people streamed to the churches.

At First Methodist, First Baptist and Calvary Baptist, where directed services were held, the auditoriums were filled and overflowing. At each church, prayers were uttered as the congregations knelt around the altar and down

the isles.

The Rev. M. L. Hall conducted the service at Calvary; the Rev. Ralph Taylor at First Methodist; and the Rev. R. Lane Akins, at First Baptist. Other churches in the town and vicinity were open and many went to them for an hour of silent prayer.

At the directed services, there were many re-dedications and some professions of faith.

It was observed by many that more people entered churches on Invasion Day than at any other one time in many years.

### Elbert Campbell Is Killed In Plane Crash

Aviation Cadet Elbert Mayfield Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Campbell of Newport, Tenn., was killed in an airplane crash in Columbus, Mississippi, May 31, according to information received here last week. Funeral services were held in Newport Saturday. He had been in service about a year.

Surviving are his parents and one brother, Roy T. Campbell, Jr. His mother is the former Miss Polly Brittain, daughter of Mrs. A. M. Brittain of Murphy.

Relatives from Murphy attending the funeral were: Mrs. Bessie Dickson and daughter, Miss Frances Dickson, and Mr. and Mrs. Quay Ketner.

### George Atkinson Taking Course At Chapel Hill

George P. Atkinson, district sanitarian with the Cherokee-Clay-Graham health department, is enrolled in a course in public health at the department of sanitary engineering, at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

The course will be for one month. Two weeks will be spent at the University studying typhus control, malarial control, public and private water supplies, institutional sewage disposal, privies, health education, sanitation bacteriology, industrial hygiene, common insects, milk sanitation and its relation to public health, laboratory work in milk and water analysis; types of tests of milk, pasteurization plants; food handlers' course, food and restaurant sanitation and meat inspection.

The last two weeks will be spent in Raleigh and vicinity putting into practical use the subjects studied.

### Lions Club Hears Report On Work At City Park

Murphy Lions club at a meeting held Tuesday evening heard a report from Doyle Burch and Mercer Fain that one tennis court at the park will be made ready for use within a few days and that six picnic tables are being built.

Frank Crawford, chief of police, who has just returned from a two-weeks' course in Chapel Hill, told of attending a fingerprint school, to make it possible to prepare a permanent fingerprint file of criminals in this county. He passed the test and is qualified to do fingerprinting.

Robert Weaver and Mercer Fain reported that plans are underway for starting a two-way central radio station to aid in the prevention and control of crime in this area.

Bobbie Pittallo of Franklin was the guest of his brother-in-law, Roger Ammons. The Rev. R. Lane Akins was the guest of P. G. Ivie; and Chief Crawford was the guest of Mercer Fain.

President Frank Forsyth announced the state convention of Lions clubs to be held in Charlotte June 11-13 and urged a large number of the members to attend.

J. D. Elrod, local manager of Southern Dairies, was welcomed as a new member of the club.

President Forsyth called upon the Rev. Ralph Taylor to lead a prayer during the closing moments of the meeting for the men taking part in the invasion.

#### SINGING

The Cherokee County annual singing convention will be held Sunday at Martins Creek school house beginning at 9:30.

### Numerous Men Are Reclassified By Local Board

The following 67 men have been classified by the Cherokee county draft board. Three were placed in 1-A. Those classified are:

1-A, Thomas S. Williams, Frank G. Clouse, James W. Goins, 2-A, Thomas C. Moore, 2-B, Hubert Y. Williams, Dowe F. Simpson, Jr. 2-C, March M. Coker, Harold M. Hall.

1-C, Major S. Goins, Henry Clayton, John H. Webb, George L. Hughes, Otis A. West, Frank V. King, A. V. West, Claude H. Payne, Wade Martin, Charlie G. Davis, Glen McLean, Kermit F. Reece, Alvin Beaver, Giles T. Truett, Aude Garland, William D. Blaylock, Claude Garrett, Lloyd G. West, Ben W. Mintz, Fred Crawford, Clinton F. Staicup, Judd F. Stiles, Loster L. Love, Howard V. Martin, Garland Graves, Burton B. Killian, Clarence V. Postell, Hoyt P. Mull, Arthur W. Coleman, Aaron Salmon, William B. Fish Jr., Clyde Davis, James E. Rich, Walden A. Hatchett, John W. Green, Clyde B. Davis, Hoyt Jenkins, Hollis V. Crisp, Thomas C. King, Harold W. Jenkins, Thomas C. Beaver, Ralph Payne, Bascomb B. McClure, Wayne Lance, Albert A. Simpson, Gaston W. Clark, Hugh T. Penland, Ernest Floyd, Harvey G. Staicup, Russel Sims, Samuel H. Wilson, Robert J. McMahan, Loyd Cochran, Grover Chastain, John C. Moore, Emmet R. Hedrick, Earl M. Payne, Percival R. Collins, Frank R. Taylor.



LT. COL. J. W. DAVIDSON

### Jerry Davidson Gets Promotion To Lt. Colonel

Pueblo Army Air Base, Pueblo, Colo. — Major Jerry W. Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson, of Murphy, was recently promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel at Pueblo Army Air Base. A graduate of North Carolina State College, where he belonged to Delta Sigma, Col. Davidson has been in the service four years.

He is a deputy commander of the army air base at Pueblo, instructor in heavy bombardment and air inspector for the unit.

Col. Davidson received his wings and commission in the army air corps at Barksdale Field, La., April 25, 1941. He was advanced to the rank of captain in August 1942, and promoted to major May 1, 1943.

### Workers Are Badly Needed To Make Sponges

Forty-two different women, working a total of 271 hours at the Red Cross Surgical dressings room, made 8,400 sponges during May. This was quite a drop off from last month, and the need for workers is very great. Mrs. J. H. Wilson, chairman, announces, The quota for May, June and July is 64,800, and the April quota is not yet finished. All women who can spare a few hours each week are urged to come to the surgical dressings rooms in the afternoon or evening for work.

Women working 30 hours during the month — Mrs. J. M. Ammons; 24 hours — Mrs. R. S. Parker; 15 hours — Mrs. W. M. Axley and Mrs. C. D. Mayfield; 13 hours — Mrs. J. W. Thompson; 10 hours — Mrs. L. E. Bayless, Mrs. D. Witherspoon, Mrs. B. W. Whitfield, Mrs. Tom Mauney, Miss Jean Murray, Mrs. J. L. Savage; 9 hours — Mrs. E. J. Darnell, Mrs. Henry Hyatt; 7 hours — Mrs. S. D. Akin, Miss Peggy Savage; 6 hours — Mrs. A. J. Burns.

Others working were: Mrs. Dale Lee, Mrs. Leonard Johnson, Mrs. B. B. Cornwell, Mrs. Neil Davidson, Mrs. C. R. English, Mrs. C. C. Richardson, Mrs. Myron Jensen, Miss Adella Meroney, Mrs. Frank Morse, Mrs. Buell Adams, Miss Frances Dickson, Miss Mertha Mayfield, Mrs. M. Bowles, Mrs. A. B. Cash, Mrs. Holder, Mrs. T. H. Kent, Mrs. O. K. Erhart, Mrs. W. C. Kinney, Mrs. W. H. Murray, Mrs. Jim Baker, Mrs. Lloyd Hendrix, Miss Gillie Martin, Mrs. H. S. Webster, Mrs. C. A. Beatty, Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Miss Mary Cornwell, Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

#### SERMON SUBJECT

"Preparedness" will be the subject of the sermon by the Rev. Ralph Taylor, at the First Methodist church Sunday at 11 o'clock.

### Casualties Are Lighter Than Expected; Bayeux First City Taken

The invasion of Europe got under way early Tuesday morning.

Starting from English bases, Allied forces swarmed across the English channel to land on the Normandy coast of France. More than 4,000 ships, British and American, ferried thousands of troops across the choppy channel. English skies were filled with bombers, fighters, and transport planes. The invasion coast, German airfields, and communications centers in the invasion area were bombed as a prelude to the landing.

Airborne parachute troops were reported to have landed inland, behind the beachhead lines.

Hundreds of naval guns, ranging from four to 16-inchers, bombarded the beaches before the infantry landed.

Airplane pilots returning from the scene of landings reported that beachheads had been secured and that the infantry was pouring inland.

The big armada of ships, which included everything from big transports to tiny boats, was said to be the greatest array of shipping ever assembled. Both British and American naval vessels shepherded and protected the invasion vessels, which formed a vast stream from English ports to the coast of northern France.

On Thursday morning (today) the capture of the French city, Bayeux, five miles inshore, was announced. Caen, 18 miles southeast of Bayeux and nine miles from the sea, was the scene of a German armored counter-attack which has been hurled back, headquarters disclosed, and the allied forces were said to be doing "better than expected."

Invasion casualties were lighter than expected.

Troops and supplies continued to reinforce units storming inland.

Allied airforce maintained solid cover over invasion beaches; planes hammered at German gun emplacements, communications and troop movements. Nazi airforce offered slightly stronger resistance. Fifty-three German planes were destroyed Wednesday and 23 allied planes failed to return.

The weather improved with wind moderating and seas calmer than on Tuesday.

Axis radios report additional allied landings on French coast, but all were unconfirmed by allied sources.

Naval forces continued bombardment of coast and escorting of troop and supply vessels.



**IN PACIFIC WAR ZONE** — Seaman 2/C Charles Gerald Amos, son of C. N. Amos of Murphy, who has been with the navy for a year and is now serving on a submarine in the Pacific.

### George Mauney Is Legion Commander

George Mauney was elected commander of the Joe Miller Elkins Post, No. 96, of the American Legion at a meeting held Friday night at the Cherokee county court house. Other officers elected were:

W. R. Dockery, vice commander; Edwin Hensley, vice commander; Harry Walton, vice commander; J. W. Franklin, adjutant; J. W. Franklin, finance officer; John O'Dell, service officer; Dr. M. P. Whichard, guardianship officer; H. H. Davidson, sergeant-at-arms; Rev. Fred Stiles, chaplain; A. W. McIver, historian; Allen W. Lovingood, athletics officer; T. J. Mauney, child welfare officer; W. P. Odum, Americanism officer;

Jake Jordan, national defense officer; McKinley Stiles, graves resitration officer; W. E. Studstill, employment officer; J. L. Hall, Boys' state officer; Lon Howard, Boy Scout officer; John O'Dell, membership chairman; Fred O. Christopher, publicity officer.

J. W. Franklin was elected chairman, and T. J. Mauney, secretary of delegation to the 26th annual convention, the American Legion, department of North Carolina, to be held in Asheville, June 19 and 20. Delegates elected were: A. W. McIver, A. W. Lovingood, Harry Walton and Paul McClure. Alternates: George Mauney, C. L. Dallis, Bob Graves and J. L. Hall.

