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Red Cross War Fund For \$8,600 Starts March 1

Andrews Chapter Has Quota Of \$2,700 To Raise

ANDREWS—L. B. Nichols, chairman of the Andrews War Fund Drive of the American Red Cross, has announced that arrangements have been completed for the campaign which starts on March 1. The chapter's quota is \$2,700. The following workers will be assigned a certain section of the town and community:

Mrs. Pauline Palmer, Miss Ruth Waldrop, Miss Gladys Christy, Mrs. Pauline Matheson, Mrs. Boyd H. Robinson, Mrs. Luke Ellis, Mrs. L. B. Nichols, Miss Daisy Battle, Mrs. Virginia Pickett, Mrs. Helen Askey, Miss Gene Matheson, Miss Helen McPherson, Mrs. Louise Rogers.

The workers of the Andrews school will be:

Mrs. D. E. Padham in the primary department; Miss Vivian Moore in the grammar grades; and Miss Polly Hicks in the high school. Vincent Hall will have charge of the Marble drive, and Bruce King will have charge of T-10.

Dinner will be served in the home economics department laboratory Tuesday evening, February 27, at 6:30 o'clock. All the workers are expected to attend. At that time the supplies and materials will be furnished to the workers and definite instructions will be given.



ANDREWS CHAIRMAN—L. B. Nichols, who has been appointed chairman of the 1945 Red Cross war fund for the Andrews Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Worth Sharpe Speaks Sunday

Prof. J. Worth Sharpe, president of Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga., will speak at the general assembly of the church school at First Methodist church here at 9:45 o'clock Sunday morning, and will be the Laymen's Day speaker at 11 o'clock.

Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of the church, will preach at 7:30 o'clock on the topic, "Living on Twenty-Four Hours a Day."

SPEAK HERE

Mr. A. G. McChesney, president of Farmers' Federation, will be a guest speaker at the meeting of the Murphy Lions club on Tuesday evening, February 27.

Bill Introduced To Change Terms Office In Town Of Murphy

At the close of the sixth full week of the 1945 session of the General Assembly, the legislature appears to be settling down for the last hard stretch, but still retaining energy for the final dash toward the finish line. With committee hearings on some of the more important or more controversial bills nearing completion or results being reported out, with the consideration of more and more bills being postponed until later dates, and with tempers getting noticeably shorter when certain matters are up for consideration, some observers see portents of snafus which might upset predictions of an early adjournment or at least bring on a series of night sessions. As to adjournment, the favorite prediction still is for some time during the week of March 5, but there are more head-shakings over that prospect than there were this time last week. By the end of next week we should have a much clearer idea of what to expect in this regard.

PRISONER OF GERMAN — Mr. and Mrs. Ben Warner have received the following message from their son, Pfc. Ben Warner, Jr., who is a prisoner of the Germans:

"Dear Mama, Dad and Ralph: When you get this card, go to the Red Cross and they will give you a letter so you can answer and also tell you about sending packages. I am well and doing all right so don't worry. Write as often as you can and send what packages you can. Give my love to all the family. All my love, Ben."

Pfc. Warner entered service May 20, 1945, and received basic training at Fort McClelland, Ala. in the infantry. He was then sent to Camp Atterburg, Indiana, in communications service. He went overseas in September 1944. On December 27, 1944, word was received here that Pfc. Warner had been missing in action since Nov. 28.

Few Major Bills Introduced

Bills of major importance and of general interest introduced during the week could be counted on the fingers of one hand, even if that hand belonged to a careless saw-mill employee. Of the total of 151 measures introduced from Monday limited application, and 32 more public bills. Of these 32 public bills, about half of them could pass and still not make any perceptible difference in the general law of the land, a quarter of them will probably fall of their own weight (or lack of it), and the remainder of them—some seven or eight bills—furnish pretty slim pickings for a correspondent ready and willing to spread tid-

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Juniors Ship Articles To Rest Centers

Members of the Junior Red Cross of Murphy school have sent to the Atlanta Area office of the American Red Cross this week a variety of articles to be distributed to military hospitals and rest centers throughout the country. These are a part of the January-June quota assigned to this chapter, announced Mrs. H. Buck, Junior Red Cross chairman. The shipment contained:

Two eight-ounce word puzzles, 30 memorandum pads, 200 letters, 25 sewing cards, 25 bridge score pads, 40 signing books, 50 literary index cards, 14 writing portfolios with stationery, 100 real hangers, 10 books, three decks of cards, 13 ash trays, 11 puzzles and three wash cloths.



BAPTIST SPEAKER—Dr. M. J. Rankin, for many months an inmate in a Japanese prison camp and twenty-three years a missionary to the Orient, will be the Baptist Hour speaker next Sunday morning, February 25th, and will be heard over an independent network of thirty-six stations, reaching from the Nation's Capital to the states as far southwest as announced by S. F. Lowe, director of the radio committee, SBC.

Mr. Lowe states that since Dr. Rankin spent seven years as military secretary for the United States and since he is now executive secretary of the Foreign Mission board, S.B.C., having been elected to this position since his repatriation from Japan, he is peculiarly qualified to discuss the subject assigned to him, "Sharing Christ With the Nations."

The music in the Baptist Hour program is by the Baptist Hymn choir under the direction of John D. Hoffman, with George L. Hamrick at the organ. And according to Mr. Lowe, makes a substantial contribution to the program.

The Baptist Hour program may be heard in North Carolina over stations WBIG of Greensboro, WRIF of Raleigh, WSJS of Winston-Salem and WWNC of Asheville.

Examination For Robbinsville Postmaster To Be Held Soon

An open competitive examination to fill the vacancy in the position of postmaster in Robbinsville has been announced by the United States Civil Service Commission. This position pays \$2,200 a year. For full information application forms may be obtained at the Robbinsville post office, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Application must be on file in this commission's office, Washington, D. C., not later than March 8.

PREACHERS SUNDAY

The Rev. R. Lane Atkins, of Hayesville, will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Proclamation!

WHEREAS, American fighting men the world over are giving to the last ounce of their strength in the effort to free the world of dictatorship; and

WHEREAS, the American home front is striving through its unflinching manpower and its moral support to stand firmly behind the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is serving our fighting men at home and overseas, as well, by means of understanding friendly men and women trained especially for their duties; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross assists servicemen's families in the United States as well as serving those in uniform; and

WHEREAS, the American people through the Red Cross have sent 10,000,000 pints of blood to our wounded, thus forming a veritable life-line between us and them; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is ready to give assistance in the event of any natural or man-made disaster on the home front;

THEREFORE, I, M. W. FAIN, Mayor of the Town of Murphy, in accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States, naming March as American Red Cross Month, do hereby and now urge all citizens of this community to contribute without reservation to the 1945 Red Cross War Fund through the local chapter; I further urge that they remember that the war is not yet won, and that when the peace comes the Red Cross must still, through its War Fund, maintain itself to work for the better interests of the American people in the post-war world.

County-Wide School Consolidation Plan Is Discussed Here

W. F. Credle, director of school house planning for the State Department of Education, was in conference with superintendents Lloyd Hendrix, H. Buck, and L. B. Hudson in local representative Hendrix's office Tuesday, J. J. E. Gray, county attorney, represented the county commissioners and E. S. Christensen, TVA.

Mr. Credle, acting for the State of North Carolina, will in all probability recommend for the consideration of the county boards of education and commissioners a sweeping county-wide school consolidation plan. In conjunction with this will be a five-year (or some other term) building program.

In such a program all of the school units encompassing Andrews, Murphy and the Cherokee county unit would be served. However, emergency programs like that existing at the Peachtree school, which was recently burned, would likely receive first consideration.

Should the program be finally realized, few one-teacher schools would remain in the county. Instead several centers would be set up which would provide modern buildings and equipment in the teacher personnel saving from four to ten teachers per school.

Stockholders Meeting Is 27th

The annual meeting of stockholders of Farmers' Federation will be held in Murphy Tuesday, February 27, at 2 o'clock p. m. in the local score of the Federation. Election of officers will be held. President Jax A. C. McChesney will be present.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Services of Holy Communion and devotion by the Rev. A. Ralph Morgan, will be at the Church of the Messiah Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday school will be at 10 o'clock.



RECEIVES BRONZE STAR MEDAL—T. M. (Rae) Carver, E. M. 1/C, above, son of Mrs. T. B. Carver of Robbinsville, recently received a bronze star medal with the following citation from Admiral C. W. Nimitz:

"For meritorious service in action in the performance of his duties as Electrician's Mate in charge of the Main Electrical Plant in a United States Submarine during a war patrol of that vessel. His judgment, skill and supervision of the main Electrical Plant in his ship maintained that department in the highest condition of efficiency and readiness, thereby contributing directly to the success of his vessel in conducting aggressive torpedo attacks against an enemy convoy and within a period of three hours accomplishing the sinking of every ship and escort in the convoy for a total of over 35,000 tons. His efficiency and coolness during enemy counter-measures greatly assisted his ship in conducting successful evasive tactics. His conduct throughout was an inspiration to all with whom he served and in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service."



HEADS WAR FUND—Harry E. Bishop, who is chairman of the 1945 Red Cross war fund for the Cherokee County Chapter of the American Red Cross.



DIRECTS PUBLICITY—C. E. Wells, who has charge of publicity for the Red Cross war fund of the Cherokee county chapter. This week Mr. Wells will distribute posters advertising the war fund to public places in town. Robert S. Baul is preparing a thermometer to be spread on the public square to keep the public informed on the progress of the drive.

Palmer Sells Business To West

Ben Palmer has sold his place in Palmer's Soudar station and the Dickey Freight Line to Howard West, formerly of Marble. The name of the station has been changed to Murphy Starline Station.

Mr. West has bought the place of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Kandler, and has moved his family here.

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Cherokee County Chapter Has Quota Of \$5,900

The Cherokee county chapter of the American Red Cross is ready to launch the 1945 Red Cross war fund drive which starts officially March 1, to raise the chapter's quota of \$5,900. Harry Bishop was fund chairman, announced that a complete organization has been set up, and that special gifts committees, headed by Frank Forsyth, will start work this week. It is the purpose of the special gifts committees to contact those who give \$25 or more, to a preliminary campaign February 22, 23, 24.

On Monday evening, February 20, at 6:30 o'clock the workers for the entire campaign will have a dinner meeting at the home economics building at Murphy high school. Material will be distributed to those who have not yet received their kits. Pictures on Red Cross services will be shown on the screen by H. Buck, Mr. Bishop and others will discuss plans for the drive. Miss Peggy Johnson will have charge of serving the dinner.

Rev. Ralph Taylor has been appointed chairman for Murphy district. Miss Mary Cornwell is rural chairman. C. E. Wells is advertising chairman; H. Buck, of Murphy school, chairman; Lloyd Hendrix, Cherokee county schools, chairman; Grover C. Mauney, patrol camp and state employees chairman.

J. P. Sellers is Hixson Dam chairman, and he has appointed the following as his committee: E. C. Moore, W. M. Mauney, Frank Ellis, R. G. Alexander, J. D. Burch, W. E. Stoddard, Dr. W. A. Hootch, R. E. Baul, Harry Bishop, P. G. Wile, Dr. J. R. Bell, H. Buck, Ben Vaughn, Bob Easley, C. E. Wells, J. B. Gray, Rev. Ralph Taylor, Roger Ammons, Loren Davis, and W. D. Townson.

Working with Mr. Taylor in the Murphy business district will be the following: Mrs. Willard Caper, Mrs. Joe Hamilton, Ben Palmer, Frank Ellis, W. A. Sherill, W. D. Ragsdale, Miss Lydia McPherson, Elmer Ellis, Loren Davis, J. W. Davidson, J. B. Gray, Grover Ammons, Moss Eunice.

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86 Men Leave For Pre-Induction Exam.

The following 86 Cherokee county men left Tuesday morning, February 20 for Fort Bragg for pre-induction physical examination:

Neah Webster Hembrick, lead; Elbert Erwin Tetherow, Marshall Allen Sneed, Carl Arnold West, William Hester Raper, Butler Nelson Carter, Willard James, Ralph Pitt Haged, Rupert Hamilton Trull, Lawton Oscar McDonald, John Herman Roberson, Claude Rogers, George Allen Morrow, Charles Higdon, Birtle Roosevelt Hardin, Gid Frank Rose, Arnold James Millsaps, Charlie Quentin Phillips, Olen Taylor, Leroy Claude West, Jas. Everette Davis, Fred Vivian Killian, Dallas Edgar Adams, Emmett Harold Hatchett, Collis Lee Roberts, James Charles McGill, Dewey Franklin Garrett, Allen Burton Lovingsood, Oliver Union Cook, Gay Hardin, William Odies Mason, Stanley Willis Whitener, Sidney J. Radford, Frank E. Cole, Bruce Walker Battle, Jr., Ralph Lewis Barber, Herman William Ledford;

Troy Silvester Moore, Winston Henry Christian, Donald Hopson Owens, Zachary Taylor Carrington, Robert Dale Payne, Horace Bush, Wilburn Dailey, Gid Morcan Laney, John Ernest Whitener, Harrison Stillwell, Jr., Kimmy Harrison Hamby, Howard C. Hedge Payne, Burkett Hamby, Fred Albert LaFavers, Thomas Joe Henry Burrell, Poley Gordon Campbell, Vernon Hue Davis, James Buford Montgomery, Ralph Radford, Olen Columbus Deckery, Charles Harvey Haged, John Henry Hughes, Clayton Jones Davis, Newell Edward McDonald, Wallace Monroe Rodgers, Chas. Kenneth Simmonds, J. D. Allen, George Allen Brown, Cecil Owen Pottell, J. E. Haged, Jr., Lewis Palmer, Glenn Henry Johnson, Robert Transfers Hughes, Clyde Melvin Carter, Warren Calvin Sneed, Duell Lee Hampton, Paul Rogers, James Guy Fox, Clinton Edward Barnette, Wilburn Lee Golden, Fred Lee Zimmerman, Lawrence Thaddeus Winfrey, Robert Wilbur Moore, Virgil White, Gray Rowland, Lawrence Moreland Davis, John Marshall Graham, Charlie Marvin Gregory, Jack Edward Johnson.