

## Z. T. Webb Holds 1st Number Drawn In National Lottery

### Local Board Reports 13 Draftees Volunteered For Service

Zero Theodore Webb of Sealy is the holder of serial number 158, the first number drawn in the selective service for the nation's peacetime army in Washington, Tuesday, thus becoming temporarily the number one man on the draft list for Macon county.

Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones, clerk to the county draft board, reported this week that 13 of the young men who registered for the draft have volunteered to go at once, regardless of their position on the list. If accepted by the board, their names will automatically go to the head of the list.

The second number drawn, 192, was held by Tommy Dietz of Ellijay, and the third, 105, by William Rogers, Franklin Route 2.

### Ceremonies Broadcast

Many of Macon's citizens were eager listeners to the radio Tuesday as ceremonies opening the great draft lottery were broadcast. Local interest centered on numbers up to 1902, the official number of registrants in this county after cards filled in here by non-residents had been forwarded to their proper address.

Secretary of War Stimson, blindfolded, drew the first number from the great gold fish bowl which was the same used for the draft of 1917. He handed the capsule to an army officer who opened it and passed the number over to the President who slowly read the number. A sharp exclamation—more than a gasp—was distinctly heard by radio listeners as the number 158 was read. The incident was dramatic, for the mother of the first man called in the Washington draft was present and involuntarily uttered a little scream when she heard her son's name. She was Mrs. Henry S. Bell and her husband was also present as one of the American Legion guard of honor. Their son is Henry R. Bell, who was 21 the day after Congress passed the conscription bill, and is unmarried.

### President Addresses Draftees

President Roosevelt started the drawing with a brief speech in which he referred to the "tragic circumstances in lands across the seas" that have forced upon our nation the need to take measures for total defense. Addressing the men to be called for training he said:

"You will be members of an army which first came together to achieve independence and to establish certain fundamental rights for all men. Ever since that first muster, our democratic army has existed for one purpose only; the defense of our freedom."

When the last number was drawn at 5:48 a. m. Wednesday, it was discovered that five numbers were missing from the bowl. The missing numbers were hastily mixed together in a reporter's hat and drawn out one at a time to complete the drawing. The total number of serial numbers drawn was 9,002.

The last number held by a Macon county man to be drawn in the lottery was 1835, held by Oran Jones Cunningham of Franklin. It was the next to the last number to be drawn.

(A list of the first 100 Macon names drawn in the lottery is carried elsewhere in the paper.) Local draft officials said that as soon as a masterlist of the drawing was forwarded from Raleigh, they would begin the task of posting order numbers for the county list. They estimated that the list would be on the bulletin board in the Asher building by Wednesday or Thursday of next week.

No information has been received as yet as to the number of Macon men who will be called in the first draft, which will probably be called around November 15.

### Saturday Last Day For Absentee Ballots

Saturday is the last day to obtain absentee ballots. R. S. Jones, chairman of the county board of elections, warned voters who are either sick or expect to be out of the county on election day.

All absentee ballots which have not been returned to the chairman must be in Mr. Jones' hand by Saturday night.

### Leaves This Week



**REV. IVON L. ROBERTS**  
Pastor of the Franklin Methodist Church for the past two years, who will leave Friday for his new charge at Randleman-Union.

## THREE PASTORS RETURNED HERE

### Rev. Ivon L. Roberts Is Sent To Randleman Charge

Three Methodist ministers have been re-assigned to their charges in Macon county, following the conference in High Point last week, while the Rev. Ivon L. Roberts, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church for the past two years, was sent to Randleman-Union.

The Rev. J. L. Stokes, II, who is exchanging charges with Mr. Roberts, is expected to arrive here Friday. He will be accompanied by his wife and small child. Mr. Roberts is planning to leave for Randleman-Union Friday also. Mr. Stokes will hold his first services here Sunday at 11 a. m. Ministers returning to the county are the Rev. J. C. Swain, pastor of the Macon circuit, the Rev. J. S. Higgins, pastor of the Highlands Methodist church, and the Rev. Phillip L. Green, pastor of the Franklin circuit. The Rev. L. W. Hall, pastor of the Louisa Chapel church, was not reassigned to the county, the conference deciding to add Louisa Chapel to the Franklin circuit. Mr. Green was ordained an elder of the church at the conference.

Mr. Stokes, who has served at Randleman-Union for the past four years, has the distinction of being one of five ministers in the Western North Carolina conference named Stokes, all members of the same family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts made many friends during their stay here, whose good wishes will follow them to their new charge.

### Dr. Bellingrath To Speak At Presbyterian Church

Dr. George F. Bellingrath, president of Rabun Gap-Nacoochee school, will deliver the sermon at the 11 o'clock worship service at the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning.

The Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m. under the direction of Mr. J. A. Sutton, superintendent. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

### Flanagans Leave Today For Whitmire, S. C.

With many good wishes and farewells the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Flanagan and children, Anne and John, left in their car on Thursday for their new home in Whitmire, S. C.

Mr. Flanagan will become pastor of the Presbyterian church of Whitmire, one of the leading congregations in this progressive industrial town of over 4,000 people, with the present census showing an increase of 1,300 in population in the last ten years.

Whitmire is located on the Spartanburg-Columbia highway, 60 miles from Columbia. Mr. Flanagan expressed the wish that friends passing that way will stop to see them.

The planting of winter grazing crops is helping those mountain farmers who had their hay supplies washed away in the recent flood, report farm agents of the

## The Eyes of a Nation on These Four Men Tuesday



**FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT**



**WENDELL L. WILLKIE**



**HENRY A. WALLACE**



**CHARLES L. McNARY**

The Democratic team of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, will be pitted against the Republican ticket of Wendell L. Willkie and Charles L. McNary next Tuesday as the people of the United States go to the polls for what is expected to be the most momentous election in history.

### Rotary Club Hears Aid To China As Presented By Stockton

In an address before the Franklin Rotary Club Wednesday, Horner Stockton, Franklin chairman the Bowl of Rice Party, made an eloquent presentation of the needs of war victims in China. Describing this method of aid, Mr. Stockton said:

"Briefly, the Bowl of Rice Party is an enterprise sponsored by the American Bureau for Medical Aid to China. You, I am sure, are familiar already with this enterprise as this is the third annual campaign and is not only a reminder to Americans of the needs of China's 40,000,000 war refugees but has become a symbol of America's sympathy with the defenders of democracy in the Pacific. The Bowl of Rice Party has proved to be a workable means for groups of individuals, clubs, social organizations and others to organize in fund raising efforts which will help relieve some of the suffering of China's refugee population in the war devastated areas. The Mayor of our town has been chosen as honorary chairman of the parties for Franklin and Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson and I have been appointed as co-chairmen, and we desire the support of all.

"You might decide as a club to sponsor a party, or you may as individuals support the parties that will be sponsored.

"I am happy to announce that the Bowl of Rice Parties here will be held in the near future, and I urge upon all my listeners to join in this affair.

"Watch for notices in our local paper.

"I have chosen to briefly pay a tribute to China, and to say something of the democracy of America."

**China's Defense Of U. S.**  
Outlining the main facts of China's heroic resistance to armed invasion for three years, the speaker stated that China's cause is also America's cause, the Chinese army being the first line of National defense of the U. S. A. in the Pacific—since it is China's halting of Japanese invasion of southeastern Asia, after the fall of Holland and France, that has kept open our access to the essential supplies of tin and rubber.

**The American Heritage**  
Pointing to the birth of our nation as springing from an abiding belief in Almighty God, the speaker appealed for help to this neighbor so ordained an elder of the church

### Willkie's Election Is Necessary To Preserve Democracy, Jarrett Says

Asserting that the election of Willkie and McNary is essential to the preservation of American democracy, R. Frank Jarrett, Republican nominee for congress from the 11th district, told a crowd of around 150 in the courthouse here Saturday that "President Roosevelt is working toward a dictatorship."

Jarrett, a former member of the state legislature, was introduced by John E. Rickman, who is opposing Dr. W. A. Rogers for representative from this county on the Republican ticket.

Jarrett stated that he was familiar with the needs of the people of this section, and promised that, if elected, he would cooperate closely with the working classes. He also declared that he was in favor of strict enforcement of the present immigration laws and deportation of all aliens engaged in un-American activities.

Lewis Hamlin, Brevard attorney, spoke briefly on the same program, criticizing several prominent economic features of the New Deal.

Jarrett and Hamlin also addressed a political gathering at Otto school house Saturday night.

### Aluminum Company Buys TVA Power

The Tennessee Valley authority have announced that the Aluminum Company of America had contracted with the TVA for additional 80,000 kilowatts of power for its plant at Alcoa.

The company is the chief source of supply for aluminum required in airplane production. The new contract has been approved by the national defense advisory commission. The contract, which runs for 10 years, will increase TVA's power revenues by \$2,500,000 a year.

to preserve its liberty, and urging renewed allegiance to our country and her democratic form of government, so that no foe may attack from within or without.

**Tribute To Mr. Flanagan**  
Mr. Stockton closed with a tribute to the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, who is leaving this week for his new field in Whitmire, S. C.

A gift from the Rotary Club was presented to Mr. Flanagan by Dr. Furr, who expressed the lasting appreciation of the members for his outstanding service to the club and the community, the deep regret of his friends and co-workers at his departure, and the good wishes of all as he takes up his new labors.

## 5,000 Macon Voters Expected To Cast Ballots Next Tuesday

### Large Reception For J. M. Broughton Here This Thursday

J. Melville Broughton, Democratic nominee for governor was scheduled to arrive in Franklin late Thursday afternoon to climax the Democratic campaign in this county with an address in the courthouse at 7:30 p. m.

Broughton will be the guest of honor at a Democratic banquet at the Tavern here at 6:30, presided over by W. A. Rogers and G. L. Houk. Around 75 guests are expected to be present.

At the rally, Broughton will be introduced by Judge Felix E. Alley of Waynesville, who traveled here, more than 300 miles, today from Laurinburg, where he was holding court, at Dr. Rogers' invitation, in order to be present for the address. Oscar Pitts, state penal director is also planning to attend the rally.

All arrangements for Broughton's reception here were under the direction of Miss Lassie Kelly, acting chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, and Gilmar Jones, campaign manager for Broughton.

## REV. P. L. GREEN ROLL CALL HEAD

### Mrs. Perry Appointed Chairman For County Red Cross

The Rev. Philip L. Green was chosen Roll Call chairman for Macon county at a meeting of the executive committee of the county Red Cross chapter on Tuesday. The time set for soliciting memberships is November 14-20.

Leslie Calhoun, Red Cross field representative, addressed the meeting, and at his suggestion the usual time of the Roll Call was set forward two weeks. Mr. Calhoun stated the American Red Cross is now sending aid to Great Britain and to Finland. Three hundred thirty-six thousand dollars has recently been sent to England for the purchase of blankets to be used in the subways during air raids, besides 1,000 blankets.

Mrs. Robert Gaines was appointed in charge of workers in the county and Mrs. H. E. Church accepted again the chairmanship of workers in Franklin and Mrs. Lester Conley was reappointed chairman of publicity.

### Disaster Relief In N. C.

Chairman Harley Cabe announced the vacancy of the post of disaster chairman by the removal of Rev. Frank Bloxham. The appointment of his successor was deferred. It was reported that the Red Cross disaster relief expenditures in North Carolina during the recent floods amounted to \$90,316.13. Of this amount \$19,481.42 was expended in Jackson county to rehabilitate 144 families and \$4,863.65 in Swain county for 82 families.

### Dr. Furr Reports Home Service

Dr. W. E. Furr, home service chairman, spoke of the increase in this work since so many Macon county men are now enlisted in the military service.

Mr. Calhoun stressed the importance and responsibility of this branch of the chapter's work to which Dr. Furr is giving much time, requesting that the chapter make an appropriation for expenses that are often required. He stated that the American Red Cross is the sole agency responsible for contact between the men in the service and their homes.

Mrs. Eloise G. Franks, county superintendent of welfare, offered Dr. Furr the facilities and co-operation of her office.

**Begin Production Work**  
Mrs. J. E. Perry was appointed chairman in charge of production. It was reported that many women are asking for knitting and sewing to do for the Red Cross overseas war relief and for the defense forces at home. Mr. Calhoun gave assurance that an allotment would be sent to the chapter as soon as possible.

Mrs. Charles Melichar offered the services of the Girl Scouts to help in this work.

Mr. Green has called a preliminary meeting of workers for Wednesday, November 6, in the office of Chairman Harley Cabe in the courthouse.

### Total Registration Here Is Approximately Six Thousand

With approximately 6,000 voters enrolled on the new books, Macon county is ready and waiting to participate in what probably is the most momentous presidential election in its history next Tuesday, November 5.

R. S. Jones, chairman of the county board of elections, estimated that from 4,500 to 5,000 Macon citizens will flock to the polls Tuesday to cast their votes for county and state officials—and to record their decisions as to whether the present world crisis warrants a third term for President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, tradition to the contrary.

Various public opinion polls over the nation this week gave Roosevelt a bare majority of the popular vote over his fighting Hoosier opponent, Republican nominee Wendell L. Willkie, while emphasizing the fact that last minute campaigning could swing the balance either way. Political observers predicted that the election would be fully as close as the presidential election of 1916 when Wilson won a bare last-minute victory over Hughes.

Polling places over the county will open at sunrise, 6:25 a. m., and close at sunset, 5:02 p. m.

Saturday, November 2, is challenge day and the registration books in each county precinct will be open for inspection at the polling place from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Only 90 applications have been made thus far for absentee ballots.

Miss Lassie Kelly, vice-chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, who returned from Raleigh this week said that opinion there was that the Democratic party would sweep the state, electing J. M. Broughton governor with one of the greatest majorities in its history.

Political interest in the county has been centered more on the presidential race than on the county or state tickets. Neither Doctor W. H. Rogers, Democratic nominee for representative to the legislature or his opponent, John E. Rickman, has campaigned actively, each man preferring to stand on his own record in the legislature. More activity has been displayed in the race for county commissioners where the Democratic slate of Gus Leach, C. L. Blaine and C. A. Bryson is opposing Walter Dean, Wiley Clark and Freeman E. Hastings. John Dalton is unopposed for county surveyor.

E. B. Whitaker, Democratic nominee for state senator from the 33rd district is running against Republican John H. Green. Zebulon Weaver is standing for reelection as congressman from the 11th district, opposed by R. Frank Jarrett.

Voters in the election Tuesday will have a state ballot as follows: For governor, J. M. Broughton and Robert H. McNeill; for Lt.-Governor, R. L. Harris and Halsey B. Leavitt; for secretary of state, Thad Eure and A. L. Ferree; for auditor, Geo. Ross Pou and J. M. Van Hoy; for attorney general, Harry McMullan and W. C. Downing; for superintendent of public instruction, Clyde A. Erwin and Lawrence J. Pace; for commissioner of agriculture, W. Kerr Scott and C. T. Allen; and Forrest Shuford and B. S. Fussell for commissioner of labor.

## Rev. Rufus Morgan Arrives To Serve Episcopal Churches

The Rev. Rufus Morgan arrived in Franklin Wednesday from Columbia, S. C., to assume charge of St. Agnes church in Franklin and the Church of the Incarnation, Highlands, Episcopal churches in Macon county. At present, Mr. Morgan will have his study at the rectory and take his meals at Franklin Terrace. Mrs. Morgan will join him later.

A service of Holy Communion with sermon will be held at St. Agnes church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

**Highlands Chapter Plans**  
Milton H. Cobb is chairman of the Roll Call committee for Highlands, Mrs. Frank Potts, vice-chairman, Mrs. W. H. Cobb, secretary, O. F. Summer, treasurer. The Highlands branch will unite with the Franklin committees to cover the county for the Roll Call.