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Pres. Launches War Fund Campaign Of Red Cross

Macon County Chairman Calls For Prompt Response

Harley R. Cabe, Macon county chairman of the American Red Cross, makes the following statement to the people of the county in regard to their share of the fifty million dollar War Fund Campaign which was launched as soon as this nation declared that a state of war existed between this nation and Japan.

Chairman's Statement

Heretofore the Macon County Red Cross Chapter, together with 3,700 other Chapters through the United States responded generously to the call of Great Britain and other war-stricken countries of Europe; we will continue to respond so long as an emergency exists. But now our own country has been attacked, and different units of the American Red Cross are carrying out an extensive evacuation of civilians from danger areas, and giving relief to the wounded and homeless. These humanitarian activities require dollars. While not all can be in the armed forces, and not all can volunteer their services for work, all can volunteer their dollars to arm the Red Cross to be their representatives at the scene of battle and distress.

I, therefore, as Chairman of the Macon County Red Cross Chapter appeal to every civic organization, all churches, and the Junior Red Cross Chapter to see that every individual has an opportunity to contribute

Town Office Moved To Bank Building, Also Other Offices

The Town office is now established in its new quarters on the second floor of the bank building. After being destroyed by fire in the old bank building the office was set up in the Ashear building until the new offices were ready.

Other offices moved to suites in the Bank building are Jones and Jones, Thad D. Bryson, Macon County Building and Loan, Macon Insurance company, Dr. Frank Killian, Dr. West, Dr. W. A. Rogers will also occupy one of the suites.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS Roll Call Completes Quota Of 900 Members

Macon County's full quota of 900 memberships has been met, and a check of \$450 is ready to go forward promptly to Red Cross headquarters in Washington, reports the Rev. Philip L. Green, county chairman.

"I wish to thank each and every worker who helped to make our 1941 roll call a success", said Mr. Green. "Although this is the largest membership ever set for our chapter, it has been met with glad

"Peace on Earth"

By THE RIGHT REVEREND HENRY HOBSON
(Veteran of World War I and National Chairman of Fight For Freedom Committee)

To many who read and hear the Christmas story this year "Peace on Earth" will be words without meaning. There is no peace on earth.

There was no peace when these words were first sung by the Angels on the night that the Child of Bethlehem was born. The crowds which jammed the inn, and filled each house in the village, until only a stable manger offered refuge for a new born babe, were evidence of the oppressive tyranny which robbed a people of their peace. A decree from the dictator had gone out.

There has been no peace on earth since that first Christmas for always through the years that same band of oppression has rested heavily upon countless millions of men made by God to be free.

The Angels proclaimed not a fact but a hope—a hope to be realized on earth only as all men everywhere are able to live not as slaves but as children of God. For Christ's peace is not just for the United States, or for people of white skins, or for those with education in their minds, food in their stomachs, or money in their pockets. It is for all men on earth, and he who would find peace for himself must be striving to insure it for others. Those who seek to live in a peace of isolationism, while others are in turmoil of body and soul, will never share in realizing the hope of peace on earth. God doesn't answer the prayer "Peace for me."

Peace is that state in which man, no matter what his race or nation or color, can freely live with an equal opportunity to use his talents and abilities as a child of God. When this right is denied to men anywhere there can be no peace on earth.

As Christians we are called today to face the fact that the forces of oppression are robbing man of his right to peace. The people of England can have no peace as long as shelters must be their refuge from destructive bombs, and while their coasts are threatened by invasion. The people of France can have no peace as long as the Hitler-appointed appeasers force a hated collaboration with the conquerors who have made them slaves. The peoples of Holland and Belgium—violated, impoverished—can have no peace while they suffer under the tyrant's heel. The tragic country of broken hope...

Macon Defense Council Organized Monday Night

15 Selectees To Leave Macon County On January 14

The Selective Service Board has announced that a call has come for 15 white men from the Raleigh office, to be inducted on January 14. The list of names will be announced later, Mrs. Gilmer Jones, clerk of the board, said.

BUY DEFENSE STAMPS MRS. ALLMAN LAID TO REST

Beloved Lady Passes After Long And Useful Life

The oldest member and one of the most devoted, of the Franklin Methodist church was laid to rest in the churchyard last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Mary Johnston Allman, 87, slipped quietly out of this life on Saturday evening, December 12, at 9:15 o'clock, at the home of her kinsman, John O. Harrison. Although there had been a gradual failing of her strength for several years, Mrs. Allman retained to the last a gentle and happy spirit. She had been those around her.

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Committee Named To Plan Civilian Defense Activities

A Macon County Council of Defense was organized Monday evening at the call of Guy L. Houk, appointed by Governor brought on as chairman.

The purpose of the meeting was to plan, organize and coordinate all civilian defense activity in the county. Representatives of the various county agencies and county officials and presidents of local organizations were called to the meeting.

The following members' committee was appointed:

- G. L. Houk, chairman; G. A. Jones, Gus Leach, J. O. Harrison, W. H. Cobb, A. B. Slagle, T. D. Bryson, Jr., Eloise G. Franks, Mrs. J. E. Perry, Mrs. T. W. Angel, Jr., Harley R. Cabe, S. W. Mendenhall, Florence S. Sherrill, Chas. Melichar, Rev. J. L. Stokes, II, O. F. Summer.

Aircraft Warning
Aircraft warning service was set up some weeks ago under the leadership of the American Legion with C. T. Bryson as chief organizer.

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