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TAX RETURNS TO COME SOON

Taxpayers Entitled To Refunds On 1944 Income Return

Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue, has announced that the one millionth refund on 1943 individual income tax returns was made this week. However, he cautioned taxpayers that it will take several months before the remainder of the 1943 refunds can be completed. Each refund check will be mailed as soon as possible by the regional disbursing office of the Treasury Department in the taxpayer's own district.

In view of numerous inquiries from taxpayers as to when they can expect their refunds, Commissioner Nunan made the following statement:

It is estimated that approximately 18,000,000 taxpayers are entitled to refunds on their 1943 income tax returns. It is our duty and intention to make these refunds as rapidly as possible.

First attention was given to the claims of members of the armed forces. Now refunds to civilians are being made in large numbers.

More than a quarter million taxpayers will receive their refunds this week, bringing the total to more than a million since March 15. An increasing number of tax payers will get their refunds next week, and in every subsequent week until the list is complete. Each refund will include interest computed at the rate of six percent per year from March 15, 1944, to the date the refund is scheduled.

This is such a big job that obviously its completion will take several months. The preliminary steps before making refunds of any amounts paid or withheld in excess of the liability reported on these returns involve the assembling, checking and comparing of nearly two hundred million documents such as returns, withholding tax receipts and declarations of estimated tax. Every means possible is being utilized to expedite the handling of the task as a

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SINGING CONVENTION AT MAIDENS CHAPEL

The next 4th Sunday singing convention will meet at Maidens Chapel on June 30 at 2 p. m. Everyone is invited. B. C. Dendy, president.

ATTEND FSA MEETING IN ASHEVILLE

Albert Ramsey and Miss Daisy Caldwell of the Farm Security Administration are in Asheville this week attending the district meeting of FSA officials. The importance of food production is being stressed by the state officials. Part of the three-day session will be devoted to planning the overall FSA program for next year.

3 MACON MEN ARE WOUNDED

Hunter, Dowdle, Hamby Casualties In Italian Campaign

Three Macon men have been reported wounded in action according to messages received from the War Department. They are: Pvt. John D. Dowdle and William L. Hamby, and First Lt. Charles M. Hunter.

Pvt. Dowdle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Dowdle of Franklin, route 2, was slightly wounded in Italy on May 25. His wife is the former Miss Mary Louise Vanhook.

The private, who entered the service in September 1943, took his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and has been serving overseas with an infantry division since March.

Pvt. Hamby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamby, of Prentiss, was seriously wounded in Italy on May 24, according to a letter received by his parents. His wound was inflicted by a sniper. He has been awarded the Purple Heart decoration and will send it to his sister, Miss Louise Hamby of Prentiss. He entered the service in September 1943 and has been overseas since March 1944.

Lt. Hunter was wounded June 3 fighting on the Anzio beach-head in Italy, his mother has been notified. A letter from the lieutenant to his mother recently stated that the wound is slight.

He is a graduate of Franklin high school and of the University of North Carolina, class of 1938. He was formerly acting budget manager of the B. F. Goodrich Tire and Rubber company, Macon, Ga.

Lt. Hunter entered service in 1942 and received his commission at Fort Benning, Ga., in February, 1943. He received his promotion to first lieutenant in Italy, March 15.

FIFTH WAR LOAN APPROXIMATE REPORT

Gilmer Jones, county co-chairman, has announced that according to the report received from the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, for the period ending June 16, the amount of war bonds sold is \$16,667.50, or about nine per cent of Macon county's quota for the Fifth War Loan of \$188,000.00. More bonds have been sold but complete reports are not available at this time.

LEGION AUXILIARY WITH MRS. SETSER

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Joe Setser on Cortoogechaye.

DID YOU BUY THAT EXTRA WAR BOND?

BUY A BOND IN HONOR OF SOMEONE IN SERVICE

With the second week of the Fifth War Loan Drive on the Victory Volunteers, who are the members of the women's organizations helping; in this biggest drive for dollars in all history, are fully organized and are behind the invasion drive with with determination and enthusiasm.

The V. V. are eager to have a silver or a gold star placed beside the name of each man or woman in the service. Mrs. Robert Bennett of Iotia was the first person to buy a bond after the plan of honoring those in service was published. She placed a silver star beside the name of her son, Pvt. Hansell Bennett, who is now stationed in South Carolina. We know you are going to have a star by your son or friend's name, but let's do it soon. Buy a the invasion drive with determination and enthusiasm.

One of these volunteers may call at your home or place of work soon. She has been urged to sell a bond to every person contacted. So, be ready for the women who are contacting and contacting as the boys at Cassino attacked and attacked. Remember each of these volunteers are taking time from her work to help Uncle Sam raise the money needed to finance this war. Don't turn her down. Don't ask her to come back some other time. DON'T . . . of all things . . . tell her you can't afford more Bonds. Make up your mind now and have the money ready to buy a bond when the V. V. calls.

Parents, buy a bond SOON TO HONOR your son or daughter in the service or a friend might beat you to it.

Again, buy BONDS when the V. V. CALLS.



NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM



S 2/C John Lewis Moore, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Moore of Otto, spent a 7-day furlough at home recently. He took his training at Great Lakes, Ill., and is now stationed at Shoemaker, Calif.



Cpl. John H. Keener, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Keener, of Franklin, route 4, received his gunnery wings at Tyndall Field, Fla., recently. He is now stationed at Charleston, S. C.



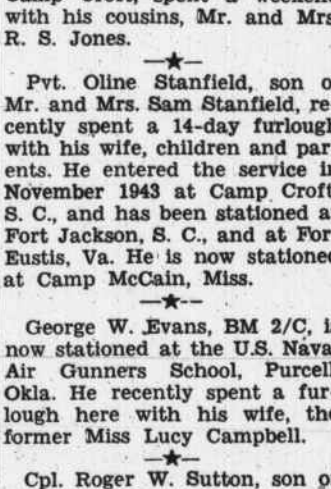
Sgt. Claude Waldrup, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Waldrup, spent his furlough with friends and relatives at Franklin and with his parents at Knoxville, Tenn.



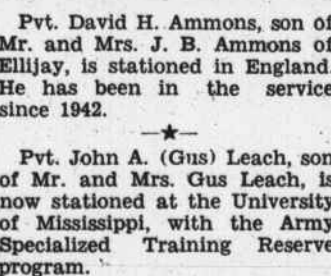
Pfc. Floyd Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bradley of Oak Grove is stationed in Northern Ireland. He has been in service since 1941.



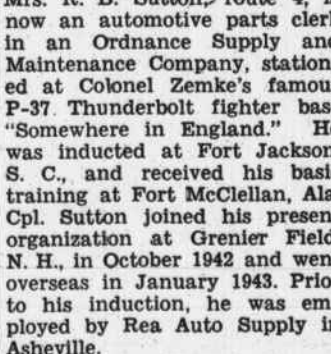
Pvt. David H. Ammons, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ammons of Ellijay, is stationed in England. He has been in the service since 1942.



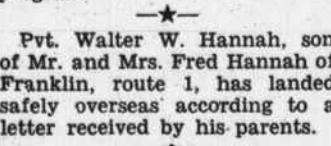
Sgt. William W. Sloan, of Camp Croft, spent a weekend with his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jones.



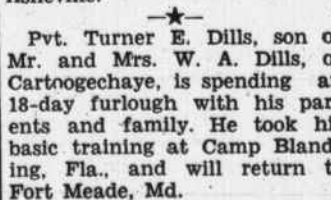
Pvt. John A. (Gus) Leach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Leach, is now stationed at the University of Mississippi, with the Army Specialized Training Reserve program.



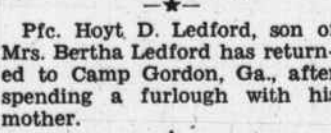
Pfc. Hoyt D. Ledford, son of Mrs. Bertha Ledford has returned to Camp Gordon, Ga., after spending a furlough with his mother.



Pvt. Walter W. Hannah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hannah of Franklin, route 1, has landed safely overseas according to a letter received by his parents.



Pvt. Turner E. Dills, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dills, of Cartoogechaye, is spending an 18-day furlough with his parents and family. He took his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and will return to Fort Meade, Md.



Pvt. Arthur K. Blaine, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blaine, of route 1, has completed his basic training and is now stationed at Keesler Field, Miss., where he has begun airplane mechanical training. Upon completion of this course he will be ready for front line duty, or will be sent to a factory or gunnery school.

Zickgraf Hardwood Men Buy Bonds 100 Per Cent

Classifications Announced By Our Local Board

JUNE 15, 1944: The following changed classifications are announced by the Local Selective Service Board:

In 1-A: Carl Dewey Owenby, Ezra Clarence Shook, Canton Henry, Thomas Leonard Henry, David Earl Stanfield, Riley Geronimo Sawyer, Norval Woodrow Norton, Robert Carl Donaldson.

In 2-A: Napoleon Albert Evans, Moses McKree Tuck.

2-B: Glenn Dill Man.

In 3-D: Henry Edgar McCall. In 1-C: Claude Eugene McKay, Vergil Hyman Willis, John B. Moore, Ellis Carlton Cleaveland, Lloyd James Cook, Ray Lamorn Welch, Herman Russell Ledford, James Morris McConnell, Wayne Lee Trammell.

In 4-F: William Howard Bingham, Arthur Leshner Green, Robert Logan Tallent, Robert Wilson Angel, Thadde Guffie, William Thomas Shields, Joseph Thomas Waller, Barnard Fidelity Phillips, John L. Syrinkle, Claude Bradley.

In 1-C-H: Andrew Theodore Raby.

In 1-A-H: Jason Eugene Niemeyer, Charlie Theodore Ledford, Harley Pendergrass, Roy Benjamin Wooten, Earl Moten Harrison, Ralph James Mason, Harlie May, Charlie Chavis, col., Thomas Carlos Mack, Thomas Jackson Jennings, Thomas Weidon Angel, Jr., Fred Earle Wooten, Elmer Edgar Roten, James Thaddeus Nichols, Herbie John Bradley, Paul Judsan Kinsland, Martin Sylvester Vinson, Fred R. Elliott, Thomas Grady Reece, James Jenkins, Noah Sheridan Mason, Jesse Hobard Flowers, Arthur Washington Moses, William Luther Watts, Jackson Rogers Gribble, Clifford Allen Nix, Grady Montgomery Jones.

Classified by the Board of Appeal.

In 2-C: William Claude Leatherman.

In 2-B: Alford Newman Ormand, Leslie Jacob Young, Jay Bryan Houston, Geo. Dillard Hedden, Jr.

JUNE 20, 1944: The following classifications are announced by the Local Selective Service Board.

FIFTH WAR LOAN DRIVE; INVASION STARTED

As the long-heralded invasion of Nazi-occupied Europe began, the Fifth War Loan Drive started. We should consider this drive a phase of that battle, for it is our money which gives the soldiers over there the food, guns, and ammunition necessary for a successful and sustained attack.

We know that this war is not easy, and that Victory will only come at bitter cost. So far only 13 men from this county have died in the service of their country. What the future holds for the remaining 1500 no one knows. But we do know this: Doing our job at home we can help to shorten the war—shorten our Gold Star list—And right now the biggest part of our job is buying extra war bonds.

Public Library Hours Changed

Franklin Public Library will be open from 1 to 6 o'clock during the summer, every day, except Sunday and Monday. You are urged to visit your library and look over the latest books received, among them you will find Ambassador Grew's story, Ten Years in Japan; Vicki Baum, at her best in, Hotel Berlin, '43; an exciting and lusty report on the Major Battle Front of Europe and Africa, The Curtain Rises; Tarawa, here is the most complete, honest, realistic job of battle reporting the author, Robert Sherrod, has yet done; Corporal Bailey gives us a Marine In The Making in "BOOT." The Mocking Bird Is Singing, is a rich and mature novel by a new writer, Louise Mally; The Red Cock Crows; The Proud People; Bedford Village; Fire Bell In The Night, and a number of other outstanding books of the year.

Is Macon County's First Industry To Announce Perfect Subscription

ONE HUNDRED PER CENT SUBSCRIPTION TO THE PURCHASE OF AT LEAST ONE EXTRA WAR BOND within twenty minutes of the first appeal of Gilmer A. Jones, co-chairman of Macon county's Fifth War Loan Drive is the remarkable response of the employees of Zickgraf Hardwood Company to Uncle Sam's call for INVASION MONEY.

Shaded from the blistering rays of an unusually hot mid-June sun only by a sheet metal cover shed, bathed in the sweat and grime of hard labor, these employees gathered after lunch Thursday afternoon, June 15, in answer to a call from W. C. Zickgraf, the company's president. The setting, amidst the machinery of one of North Carolina's most productive lumber mills, which provided seats for an audience of grim faced, determined men, was as impressive as the response of these men was spontaneous.

Grant L. Zickgraf, vice-president, introduced Mr. Jones, who saw among the men many who like himself have sons on the fighting front. After a ten-minute appeal, it was clearly evident that these men wanted to spare only a few brief minutes from their fifty-three hour work week, to underwrite the world's most important loan. At the close of the appeal, fifty-four men rose as one to sign their names to orders for at least one War Bond. Many ordered two and three, some five.

Under the plan offered by the company, these Bonds are to be purchased in addition to the ten per cent of weekly earnings which the employees take regularly in War Stamps. To ease the burden, the company is advancing the price of the Bonds to the employees and allowing them to spread repayment over a period of several weeks. Many men, however, asked to be allowed to invest cash now to the extent of their ability and in addition to buy on the company's plan.

The immediate response surpassed the tentative goal of \$2,500.00 dollars so quickly that a revised quota of \$3,000.00 has been set.

Invited to attend the meeting, the employees of Franklin Machine Shop also subscribed one hundred per cent with an average purchase thus far of fifty dollars each.

Methodist Youth Caravan To Arrive June 24

The Methodist Youth Caravan will arrive in Franklin, June 24, and begin its activities with a meeting at 8 o'clock p. m. Saturday, with a meeting of the youth council, pastors and caravaners. A workshop period will be held Monday through Friday, at 2 o'clock. Each evening, Sunday through Friday, there will be classes beginning at 7 o'clock for all groups, including a class for adult workers, taught by the adult counselors.

Miss Margaret Brannon, director of Music and Religious Education at Central Methodist church, Asheboro, is the adult counsellor. She was born in Korea, and is a graduate of Berea College and Westminster Choir College. Also, she attended Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.

Other Caravaners are: Miss Janet Schmidt, Merrill, Wis., who attends the University of Wisconsin, will teach the Commission on World Friendship; Miss Betty Jane Claude, Boonesville, Ark., of Hendrix College, Conway, Ark., will teach the Commission on Community Service; Roy Everett, Newsome, Va., a graduate of Randolph-Macon College and a senior at Duke University Divinity School, will teach the Commission on Recreation; and, Preston Hughes, a graduate of the University of Alabama and a student at the Duke Divinity School, will teach the commission on Worship and Evangelism.

"LET'S ALL BACK THE ATTACK" BUY EXTRA BONDS