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# Macon Asked to Raise \$7,000 For War Fund

Contributions

The Macon County United War Fund campaign will get under way next Monday to raise the county's quota of \$7,000, John M. Archer, county chair-man said today.

The quota has been raised this ear because the national War Fund drive is double last year's contributions.

"This is a big order, but Macon County has gone over the top in all campaigns instituted since the outbreak of the war. I am confident that we will not fail this time, but it means, of course, that all of us will have to contribute generously—and much more than before," Mr. Archer said.

A general meeting has been called by Mr. Archer at 2:30 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, October 8, at the Agricultural building, where final plans will be made for the campaign. Solicitations will begin Mon-

day morning, and receipts will be given for all donations.

## are: HIGHLANDS SECTION

Sidney McCarty, chairman; J. E. Potts, W. R. Potts, Tudor N. Hall, W. W. Edwards, Tom Har-bison, O. F. Summers, C. J. Anderson, W. H. Cobb, F. B. Cook, S. C. Russell, RURAL COMMUNITIES

Mrs. Will Parrish, Otto; Mrs. Ned Teague, Prentiss; Frank Fleming, Skeenah; Thad Patton, community; Harve Cabe and Adrian Howell, Rabbit Creek; E. J. Carpenter, West's Mill; Miss Nora Moody, Iotla; Mrs. Joe Setser and Mrs. Carl Slagle, Upper Cartoogechaye; Mrs. J.R. Ray and Mrs. Jim Cunningham, Lower Cartoogechaye; Mrs. J.R. Lower Cartoogechaye; Mrs. C. T. Bryson, Cullasaja; Olen Strat-ton, Nantahala; Woodrow Gib-son, Leatherman; Sam Ramsey, Tellico; Mrs. Grady Duvall, Burningtown; Mrs. Fleta Mason, Flats; Mrs. O. C. Hall, Kyle; Mrs. Myrtle Keener, Gold Mine; Miss Amy Henderson, Gneiss; Miss Amy Henderson, Gneiss; Andrew Ray, colored section; Mrs. Jeter Higdon, Watauga. J. S. Conley, H. W. Cabe, R. S. Jones, initial gifts.

FRANKLIN WORKERS

B. L. McGlamery, chairman; Mrs. Frank Higdon, Mrs. R. M. Rimer, Mrs. J. E. S. Thorpe, Mrs. Allan A. Brooks, Mrs. W. V. Swan, Mrs. John Bulgin, Mrs. John Alsup, Mrs. J. C. Horsley, Mrs. John M. Archer, Jr. Mrs. Mrs. John M. Archer, Jr., Mrs. Mac Ray Whitaker, Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. R. H. Hull Mrs. Roy Brown, Mrs. R. H. Hull Mrs. Roy G. Beshears, Mrs. George Mc-Gee, Mrs. Lester Conley, Mrs. J S. Conley, Mrs. Hyldah Shep-herd, Mrs. Earl Ward, Mrs. H. A. Wilhide, Mrs. M. A. Perce, Mrs. L. H. Page, Mrs. Grant Zickgraf, Mrs. Frank Henry, Jr., Miss. Claude Sallers, Gordon



Ninteen Member Groups Aid Servicemen, Rerugees

The National War Fund, a united organization of nineteen relief organizations of both national and international character, this month begins a campaign to raise \$250,000,000 as oluntary contributions from American citizens.

The national goal is twice that of last year's campaign because of increased needs overseas for refugees in United Na-tions' devastated lands and for relief of American servicemen

The quota for North Carolina has been set at \$3,250,000, and the Macon County quota has been set for \$7,000, slightly more than double last year's goal. Approximately onedrive half the funds raised will be used as in previous drives to Those who have volunteered support U. S. agencies. The (U. their services in the campaign S. O.) United Service Organization, has doubled its activities since last year and now operates more than 3000 clubs and units in the Western Hemisphere. One hundred U.S.O. camp-shows

The overseas relief organiza-tions of the war fund are operating in more than ninety countries on six continents. The United War Fund Prisoners' Aid brings relief from the monotony of prison life to thousands of U. S. soldiers who are prisoners war in Axis countries. The of United Seamen's Service maintains more than ninety clubs for the boys in the Merchant Marine who are away from home.

ber organizations in the Na-tions United War Fund are:

United Seaven's Service, War Prisoners' Aid, Belgian War Re-lief Society, British War Relief Society, United China Relief, United Czechoslav Relief, National America Denmark Association, French Relief Fund, Greek War Relief Association, American Relief for Italy, Friends of Luxembourg, American Relief for Norway, Polish War Relief, Queen Wilhelmina Fund (The Netherlands), Russian War Relief, United Yugoslav Relief Fund, Refugee Relief Trustees, U. S. Committee for the Care of



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mass

will be held.

and their families. plans a three-day Harvest Fes-tival for October 13th, 14th and

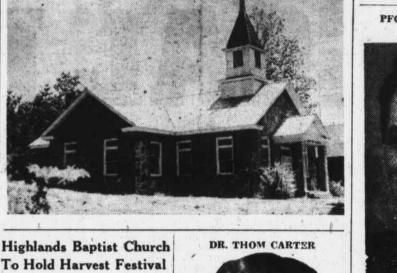
are touring theatres of war.

The impressive list of num-

United Service Organizations,

dedication of the church, Rev. J. G. Benfield; 7:00 P. M., B. T. istic and baptisimal service. Dr. Thom N. Carter, pastor to the Baptist orphanage. The new stone building of the

church was started under the ministry of Rev. J. G. Benfield, and is a tribute to the leader and his people. It is a building that the members of the church and the peoples of the community may be proud of. The main auditorium seats some two hundred and fifty people, and when the sliding doors are pulled to, there are nine Sunday school rooms on the main floor. The men of the church are now preparing the basement for kindergarten and men's department; and, in such a way, that it may be used as a recrea-tional department also.



PFC. FRED JONES

**DIES OVERSEAS** Franklin Boy Served In

**Army Forces In** 

### England

Pfc." Fred H. Jones, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones of Franklin, Green street, died on September 10 in England ac-

cording to an announcement received here from the War Department.

Pfc. Jones, twenty-three years old, took his training at Fort, ed in action. Bragg after entering the service in 1943. He later trained at Camp Clairbourne, La. and went overseas in May, 1943. After participating in the action in North Africa, he went to France

The last communication from him was a letter dated September 6, in which he said he was well.

Surviving Pfc. Jones, in addition to his parents are: two brothers, Chas. Jones of Frank-

# **Forest Fire Prevention Campaign Opened Sunday**

PFC. JOHN G. HAUSER



Pfc. John Hauser was reported killed in action in France on September 17, according to word received here



# Two Macon County Men

Casualties

### Wounded

Two men have been added to the Macon County casualty list this week. They are Sgt. Harry Woody, wounded in line of duty, and S/Sgt. Gerald Holt, wound-

#### SGT. HARRY WOODY

Sgt. Harry Woody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Woody, of Franklin, route 3, was reported by the War Department to be wounded in action in France on August 7, according to an an-nouncement received by his par-

ents last week. Since being wounded Sgt. Woody had written his parents that he was back in the line of duty again, but that while he was in the hospital in England his brother, Pfc. Frank B. Woody, stationed in England, had been able to visit with him. This is the second time the brothers had met since being overseas.

#### **Importance In Wartime** Is Emphasized By Officials

\$2.00 PER YEAR

The third annual wartime loiest fire prevention campaign opened October 1 in the eleven states of the Southern Region under sponsorship of the U.S. Forest Service, in cooperation with State Forest Services, Extension Services, and a number of other public and private agencies.

The campaign will continue throughout the fall, winter and early spring months, which usually are the periods of great-est fire danger in the great wooded areas lying south of the Lorders of Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri and Kansas.

"Fire prevention has always teen of prime importance in the forestry program," said Regional Forester Joseph C. Kircher, of Atlanta. "But in wartime, prevention assumes an expanded importance because of the scarcity of manpower for detection and suppression of fires, and because of the No. 1 position occupied by lumber and forest products as critical war ma-terials. The campaign was set up at the request of the Armed Forces.'

Acting as campaign director in North Carolina is State Forester J. S. Holmes, assisted in the Raleigh office by W. K. Beichler, chief of fire control for the Division of Forestry; and Paul Tillman, also of the division. Also helping the field staff of the division are Extension Forester R. W. Graeber and his staff, and personnel of the U. S. Forest Service.

Government records show that North Carolina had 4,292 officially recorded forest and wood fires in 1943, which burn-ed over 457,000 acres at an estimated damage of \$1,007,485. Besides monetary loss, these fires damaged or destroyed seedlings that would have been the forests of tomorrow, damaged or destroyed wildlife habitat, burned up valuable humus and impoverished the soil, and iverted to fire fighting thousands of man-hours of what could have been production labor in logging camps and saw mills, on the farm, and in war plants.

In commenting on the campagin, Regional Forester Kircher quoted U. S. Department of Ag-riculture figures which show that of the 210,326 forest and woods fires in the nation last year, 165,706, or 79 percent, occurred in eleven Southern states. Out of 32,333,000 acres burned over in the nation in the year, 29,395,000 acres, or 91 percent, were in the South.

"The most regrettable fact in these shocking fire figures," Mr. Kircher said, "is that throughout the South more than 98 percent of these fires are man-caused and, therefore, larg-ely preventable." Principal causes of Southern woods fires, he said, are incendiarism, careless smoking, de-ing and lumbering operations, in that order. Recognizing the importance of wartime forest fire prevention, such organizations as 4-H Clubs, civic and women's clubs, chambers of commerce, Boy and Girl Scouts, forest industries, rail-roads, banks, city and county school officials, oil companies, power and light companies, and many other private business establishments are helping fores-try personnel distribute educational material on prevention. Newspapers and radio stations are cooperating by donating time and space, and through the use of sponsored advertisements. Outdoor advertising companies also are making both donated and sponsored billboards. "The whole community fers when there's a woods fire," the regional forester emphasized in asking the cooperation of all citizens in the fire preven-tion program. "There's less tim-ber for labor to cut and to log and to mill. Less for the railroads to haul, and less for the factories to turn into finished products. Yes, a forest or woods fire is something of a community tragedy."

From 1:30 to 5:30 P. M. on Saturday, an old fashion singing convention. Teams have been invited from North and South Pastor Highlands Baptist Church At 8 o'clock a musical program and play under the direc-tion of the Baptist Training Union will be presented.

The program for Sunday is: 10:00 A. M., Sunday school rally; 11:0 A. M., Rev. H. M. Alley, speaker; Noon, dinners on the grounds; 1:30-2:30, singing and fellowship meeting; 3:00 P. M.,

U. session; 8:00 P. M., evangel-

The Highlands Baptist church

On Friday, 13th, 8:00 P. M. a mass meeting in the church

with former pastors speaking

On Saturday, 14th, 10:30 A. M., Rev. V. W. Thompson, of

Atlanta, Ga. has been asked to

conduct a devotional period. A dinner will be served on the

grounds; visitors invited.

Carolina and Georgia.

of the church, announces that seven of the former pastors have been invited to attend this Harvest Festival and Church Dedication program; also, all friends former members and visitors, and those of the sister churches. The members of the Highlands Baptist church, and others who care to, are asked to bring an offering of canned goods, produce etc. to be sent

Miss Glayds Sellers, Gordon Moore.

#### **Community Council** To Hold Auction

Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, rector of the St. Agnes Episcopal church, was elected chairman of the recently organized Com-munity Council of Macon County. The chief reason for this or-ganization is the need felt in the county for more adequate recreational facilities, especially

young people. those for the children and The first project to which the council has committed itself is to develop and equip play-grounds for the children. As a means of raising funds for this purpose Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church, has been appointed to direct an old time auction sale at the Agricultural building in Franklin, next Sat-

urday, beginning at 10 o'clock. The plan is for the citizens to donate spare articles which may be sold at auction. Such articles of personal property as furni-ture, electrical appliances, clothing, antiques, farm products, and antiques will be on sale.

#### Rev. J. H. Huneycut To **Conduct Services Sunday**

Rev. J. H. Huneycutt will con-duct services Sunday, October 8. at the Norton Methodist church at 3:00 P. M.; at Horse Cove at 4:50 P. M. and at Clear Creek lunch room for the sensel are at 7:50 P. M.

#### **Cochran Shoots McDonald** Then Wounds Himself

Tom Ben McDonald, of Iotla, was killed instantly about 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by a shotgun charge and Jerry Cochran is in Angel's Clinic in a critical condition due to two bullet wounds in the chest in-flicted at his home a few minutes after McDonald's death. A coroner's inquest into the death and shooting of the two negroes Wednesday afternoon returned a verdict that "Mc-Donald came to his death as a result of gunshot wounds in-flicted by Jerry Cochran." Sheriff Bradley and O. V. Hall, who investigated arrived on the scene to find McDonald's body lying in his front yard and found Cochran lying on the back porch at his home. Sheriff Bradley reported that McDonald had evidently attempted to end his own life with a .22 calibre rifle, after firing at McDonald. No warrant has been issued

for Cochran's arrest. McDonald is survived by his

vidow and several children. Potts Funeral Home will be in charge of funeral arrangements which have not been completed.

## COWER P.-T. A. TO MEET FRIDAY

### Registrants

13 Macon Boys Register For Service

The following eighteen-yearold boys registered for Selec-tive Service during the month

tive Service during the month of September, 1944: Charles Odell Roper, Cecil Henry Day, Samuel Astor Ashe, Virgil Fred Crisp, Warren Jewel Grant, Orvel Franks, Howard Richard Hopkins, Warren Wad-dell Picklesimer, Ralph Ballew, Jernes Wilow Berg, John Lloyd James Wiley Ray, John Lloyd Stamey, Carl Lewis Chastain.

Selectees

20 Boys Take Pre-Induction Physical

The following registrants were sent to Camp Croft, S. C. on September 28, 1944, for pre-in-duction physical examination: Howard Richard Hopkins, Jas. Wiley Rav, Marlin Ray Benfiel, William David Frady, William Zachary Tayl Taft Henry, Wade Huffman Higdon, John Willism Martin, sent for exai Napoleon Odell Anderson, Clyde above group.

lin, Pfc. Nelson Jones, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.; one sister, Miss Iris Jones; and many other relatives and friends.

**Macon Future Farmers** Enter Livestock Show

School Chapter. Those boys who will enter calves and the number are: Lee Roy Roper, 2; Hayes Gregory, 3; Jack Buchanan, 2; James Pat-terson, 1; Howard Guest, 1; Charles Welch, 1; Carl Webb, 1; Roy Rickman, 1; Harold Welch, 1; John Alsup, 1; Paul Hillian, 1; Bill Cochran, 1. Bill Cochran

will also enter a hog. These calves have been considered among the best to enter the show, and the boys ex-pect to make a good showing. They are asking the support of business firms in Franklin in this undertaking.

Dover Lakey, Clarence Levi Crane, Wint James Duvall, Gilmer Harry Henson, James Lu-ther Henry, Roy Mack Cabe, George William Clouse, William Herschel Talley, Edward Bryce Ramey, Troy Lennis Gregory, James Furman Allen, Coyl Jus-

An infantryman, Sgt. Woody

Enter Livestock Show Sixteen calves will be entered in the Asheville Livestock Show and Sale, October 11 and 12, by members of the Future Farmers of America, Franklin High School Chanter his mother. SGT. GERALD HOLT

S/Sgt. Gerald Holt, son of Mrs. Fannie Holt, of Highlands, received a message from the War Department stating that her son had been wounded in France on September 7. He is now under treatment in an England hospital.

S/Sgt. Holt took his training at Fort Jackson and Camp Croft, S. C., Fort Benning, Ga., Fort Sam Houston, Texas and at Camp McCoy, Wis. He is in an infantry division.

### TO MEET AT SHELBY

Western North Carolina veterans of the historic 81st, or Wildcat division of World War I, will celebrate in Shelby on October 21 and 22, the twenty-fifth anniversary of their demobilization in 1919.

tice. Charles Thad McCoy and Paul Zachary Taylor, who are regis-with registration of the vettered with other boards, were erans and their ladies at the sent for examination with the Hotel Charles, beginning at 4:00 above group, P. M.

A chestnut tree in Sicily was 204 feet in circumference in 1936. It's probably half that now, with all our GI's carving initials in it,

WILDCAT DIVISION