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First Baptists To Burn Mortgages And Debts On 28th

Special Service Will Be Held At First Baptist Church At 5 O'clock

Baptists are the subject of a program calling for burning mortgages and debts which will be paid by that time, and church will be free of all debts.

Hammett, pastor, has in all former pastors of the church back for the occasion, which is to mark a homecoming for former members.

Christmas Vesper Service At First Methodist Church

Congregation of the First Methodist church will observe a Christmas service at 5 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.

High School Band Offers Services To Civilian Defense

The entire membership of the school band of 60 students offered their services through civilian defense office, of which Mr. Millar is in charge.

Large Christmas' Celebrated By Rush Post Office

Place reflects the Christmas and business in general between the post office of a community, and according to Postmaster J. H. Howell, prospects are for a "large Christmas" in this vicinity.

Get Your Answer Bombs Be BONDS!

We are fighting enemies who stop at nothing. With our very lives at stake, let us stop short of giving our money and dollars for defense? Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps every day, every week. Buy as your very life depended upon it.

Local Red Cross Chapter Asked To Raise \$1,500

Fifty Million Asked Of the U. S. For Emergency Relief Work.

The following telegram has been received by Rev. H. G. Hammett, chairman of the Haywood county Red Cross chapter:

"Again the American Red Cross is called upon to serve our nation in war. Both nationally and locally we face vast and definite responsibilities for service to our armed forces and for relief to distressed civilians. To provide essential funds Red Cross today is launching a campaign for war fund of minimum of fifty million dollars. The President will issue on Friday a proclamation supporting this appeal. Your chapter quota is 1,500 dollars. Chapters may retain fifteen per cent of their collections for local war relief expenditures. Chapters should at once devote full efforts to raising their quotas in shortest possible time. Please report action taken. We must not and shall not fail in this crisis."

Signed,
Norman Davis
Two co-chairmen have been appointed to have charge of the drive for funds, the Rev. R. E. McBlain, rector of Grace Episcopal church, and the Rev. Malcolm Williamson, pastor of the Waynesville Presbyterian church.

Plans are now underway to have (Continued on back page)

Davis Averages 43 Cents On 1,802 Pounds Of Burley

Thurman C. Davis, of Iron Duff, averaged better than 43 cents per pound on 1,802 pounds of burley this week, on the Asheville market.

This is believed to be the highest of any Haywood grower this season.

First Baptists To Hold Special Services Sunday

Two special Christmas programs will be given at the First Baptist church here Sunday, it was announced by the pastor, H. G. Hammett.

For the morning service, the Sunday school and church at large will observe "A White Christmas." Starting at 9:45 the Sunday school will hold preliminary services in their departments. At 10:15 the entire group will take gifts in white to the auditorium and place them under the Christmas tree.

Beginning at 10:30 the combined Sunday school and church service will be held, which will continue until 11:30. The pastor will bring a brief message on "Finding Christ at Christmas."

In the evening at 7:30 the symbolic pageant: "A Service of Candle Lighting and Carols," will be given. This will be a different service, full of color and significance of Christmas.

The program Sunday night is divided into four parts. The first "The Purpose of Light" will consist of Scripture reading and the carol "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night."

The second part, "The Coming of Light" will also have Scripture and carol, "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear."

The third part will be "The Spreading of Light," with the carol, "Joy To The World" and Scripture.

"The Service of Lights" will conclude with the illumination of candles by entire congregation, followed by the carol "Silent Night, Holy Night."

The recessional carol will be "O Little Town of Bethlehem" followed by the benediction.

Civilian Volunteers At Local Office Range In Age From 13 To 81

Over one hundred persons have registered at the civilian defense office which was opened in the quarters of the district health department here on Monday, according to Robert Millar, who is in charge.

When And How To Salute The Flag



Feeling that in this period of emergency and patriotic gatherings, many civilians not familiar with the correct use of the flag on all occasions, might need a bit of coaching, The Mountaineer asked Major J. Harden Howell about the proper salute for the civilian.

In answer, Major Howell gave the following information:

"A civilian, on the outside of a building salutes the flag by facing the colors, removing his headdress with his right hand, holding it against his left shoulder. If indoors, he rises to attention, but does not salute. Ladies come to attention, both indoors and on the outside," pointed out the Major.

"When the Star Spangled Banner" the national anthem, is played inside a building, if there is a flag displayed, everyone rises and faces the flag, if no flag is shown, he or she faces the band or music, but no hand salute is rendered," explained Major Howell.

"Many persons confuse the pledge of allegiance to the flag with the regular salute to the colors. This is an entirely different thing for everybody, when they make this pledge, put their hand over their heart or on the left shoulder, and the men always take off headdress," he continued.

Waynesville Gulf To Give Profits To Good Causes

L. E. Sims, Manager Of Gulf Service and Tire Retreading Co., Giving Profits.

As a patriotic and charitable gesture, L. E. Sims, manager of the Waynesville Gulf Service and Tire Retreading Company, will give all profits of the firm on Friday to the Red Cross, and on Saturday to the Lions Club dime board for their cheer fund for the needy.

In making the announcement, Mr. Sims, pointed out that he was glad to be an American and Western North Carolinian, and "in behalf of the management and all employees, will give all profits of the two days to the worthwhile causes."

Mr. Sims said "all moneys received over actual cost will be contributed. No deductions will be made for rent, power, or labor."

The liberal offer will be for Friday and Saturday, the announcement stated.

Col. and Mrs. William Ira Lee, of Gatlinburg, spent several days in town during the week.

Lions' Dime Board Held \$118 Last Night Of \$300 Goal

The coins on the dime board which the Lions Club is sponsoring for needy families of the community for the Christmas cheer fund it totaled \$118 last night, with a \$182 yet to go before the goal of \$300 set by the members is reached.

Those in charge seemed optimistic that during the next four days the hopes for \$300 would be realized.

"At the words, 'to the flag' in the pledge of allegiance, the right hand is extended, palm upward, toward the flag, and this position is held until the end, when the hand after the words, 'Justice for all', drops to the side," according to Major Howell.

"God Bless America" is not entitled to a salute for it is not the national anthem, but it is all right to stand in reverence to the sentiments expressed in the song if you wish, said the Major.

Among other things pointed out were the facts that the flag should never be used for anything pertaining to advertising, nor ever as a drapery.

When the United States flag is displayed with another flag against a wall from cross staffs, it should be on the right, the flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag or flags.

When a number of flags are grouped, and displayed from staff, the United States flag should be at the center or at the highest peak.

When the flag is used in connection with the unveiling of a statue or monument, it should form a distinctive feature during the ceremony, but the flag itself should never be used as the covering for the statue.

Annual Big Christmas Edition To Be Published Tuesday Noon

"Off Relief, Do Not Sell House"

The annual Christmas edition of The Mountaineer will be published Tuesday noon, and distributed Tuesday afternoon and early Wednesday morning.

Due to the heavy mails, it will be necessary for the paper to go to press earlier than was expected, and all copy should be in the office by six o'clock Monday for the Tuesday paper.

No shopping advertising will be carried—just greeting cards.

As in the years past, the edition will have many features on Christmas. Special articles and features are being prepared, and perhaps the most outstanding will be the annual Christmas service. This was a feature last year and many readers said they enjoyed it. The ministers of the community are co-operating and will prepare everything for the service—prayer, sermonette, invocation, and all.

McCracken Will Graduate From Aviation School

Wayne Battle McCracken will graduate from Jones Flying School at LaGuardia Field, Long Island, N. Y., on the 22nd, according to letter just received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howell McCracken.

McCracken said he would leave for an undisclosed military post immediately upon graduation. He has been in the army a year.

Roy McCracken, another son, is at Shepherd Field, at Wichita Falls, Texas. Neither of the boys get a furlough for the holidays.

Civilian Defense Committees Get Organized To Work

Recruiting and Enrollment Committee Start Big Task Of County-Wide Registration.

The recruiting and enrollment committee of the National Civilian Defense Council of Haywood County, of which Chas. E. Ray, Jr., is chairman, met on Wednesday night to formulate plans for registering the citizens of Haywood county.

It was decided in addition to the office here to open offices in Clyde and Canton, the places to be announced later, for the convenience of the people residing in those sections of the county.

Plans for raising funds to carry on the work of the offices were discussed. J. C. Brown was appointed chairman of a general committee to work out ways and means of a benefit to be held in the near future.

The following were appointed as a farm aid committee, county farm agent, chairman; J. C. Brown, W. L. Fitzgerald, Yates Bailey, Glenn A. Boyd, J. L. Westmoreland, John Nesbit, B. F. Nesbit and I. A. McLain.

Members of the recruiting and enrollment committee in addition to Mr. Ray, chairman, are: W. Curtis Russell, Peyton, J. L. Westmoreland, M. H. Bowles, Wayne Corpening, W. C. Whitesides, and W. L. Fitzgerald.

Farm Agents Plan To Hold Emergency Defense Meets

Meetings First Scheduled For After Christmas, But Instructions Received To Hold Now.

The county farm agents have been notified by the national defense committee to hold meetings in every township in the county between now and Christmas. The farm agents are working primarily under the agricultural planning group.

Plans originally called for those meetings to be held in January, but due to the present crisis the farm agents have been instructed to get the townships organized as an emergency measure.

At the meetings, officers are to be chosen in each neighborhood in the townships, and from the neighborhood officers, township officers will be selected.

At these meetings the subject of farm machinery repair, collection of scrap iron, gardens for defense, and other emergency measures will be discussed.

Every citizen in the townships is urged to attend and help work out the projects for their own communities.

Last night a meeting was held in Fines Creek township at the Fines Creek school. This morning at 10 o'clock, a meeting for Pigeon (Continued on back page)

Tom Lee Buys An Interest In E. L. Withers & Co.

Thos. M. Seawell has sold part of his interest in the E. L. Withers & Company, Inc., to Tom Lee, who will become actively connected with the firm on January first, it was announced this week.

Mr. Seawell said he would continue in the real estate business, and make this his home for the present.

Mr. Lee is well known in Haywood, having lived here until taking a position with the Duke Power Company. He is the son of W. T. Lee, and is native of Waynesville.

The firm handles insurance of all type and does a general real estate business.

Red Cross Workers Will Meet At Gordon Monday

Rev. E. MacBlain and Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson, co-chairmen in the drive for the War Relief funds of the American Red Cross for the quota of \$1,500 assigned to the Haywood chapter, have called a meeting to be held at the Gordon Hotel at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Woman's Club To Sponsor Annual Christmas Tree

The community Christmas tree for the underprivileged children of the community, which is sponsored annually by the Woman's Club and the town officials, will be held as usual on Christmas afternoon, as has been the custom for many years.

The tree will be erected by the town authorities on the court house grounds this week, and according to city manager Grayden Ferguson, will be decorated with Christmas light.

The program and distribution of gifts will take place at 3:30 in the afternoon, with a brief Christmas program of songs.

Mrs. J. C. Brown, welfare chairman of the Woman's Club, is serving as general chairman of arrangements for the annual event.

Sale Tuberculosis Christmas Seals Goes Over Quota

The sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals has gone over the quota assigned to this area, according to Mrs. Frank Ferguson, local chairman in charge of the campaign.

The goal set by the State Tuberculosis Association for this community was \$160, and to date, with a number of reports yet to be turned in, the sales have totaled \$164.66.

All persons who have not bought Christmas Seals and desire to do so are asked to contact the office of the county superintendent of education or that of E. L. Withers and Company, as they may buy from either place.

First National Employs 100 Per Cent Bond Holders

The employees of the First National Bank have joined the many other 100 per cent groups of government bond holders in the vicinity.

During the week every employee of the bank bought a defense bond, some more than one, according to Jonathan Woody, president.

167 Knitted Garments Sent To Red Cross By Women Of Haywood Chapter

One hundred and sixty-seven knitted garments are being sent to the National headquarters of the American Red Cross through the local production committee of the Haywood chapter, of which Miss Alice Stringfield has been in charge.

Mrs. Felix Stovall has served as general chairman of production.

These knitted garments represent hours of service on the part of the local women who have done the knitting.

Mrs. Lou Silverthorne has allowed her shop to serve as instruction headquarters, and she has given generously of her time in showing the women how to make some of the garments. She has also done a large amount of knitting.

Among those who have the largest number of garments to their credit are Mrs. L. M. Killian who has in this quota, alone knitted

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