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## Registration For War Ration Book 2 Begins Monday

### Red Cross Asking Haywood For \$4,000

#### Readers Making Plans For Big Drive Here Soon

#### War Fund Campaign To Enlist All Citizens To Help Raise Needed Amount.

The Red Cross War Campaign in the area served by the Haywood Chapter will be launched the week in March with a quota at \$4,000. It has been announced by Rev. M. R. Williamson, general chairman of the campaign. While our quota is the largest have ever undertaken, we would like for the people to realize that demands upon the local chapter are greater than at any time in its history," said Mr. Williamson, yesterday in discussing the campaign. The Red Cross War Fund campaign headquarters have been set in the office of the Haywood Building and Loan Association of which L. N. Davis, secretary, is president of the Haywood Chapter. The initial meeting was held yesterday afternoon and attended by chairmen of the committees. A complete organization was perfected and preliminary instructions given to the chairman. Plans were also made for a rally to be held at the courthouse on Monday evening, 23rd, at 7:30 o'clock, which all workers, chairmen and committee members are expected to attend. Final instructions will be given at this time and material placed in the hands of those who will conduct the campaign. Mr. Williamson also pointed out that all campaign workers may use their cars to attend the rally on Monday night without violating the new pleasure driving.

#### Haywood Student Candidate Office State University

Datson Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Palmer, of Clyde, has been nominated by the student body of the University of North Carolina as the candidate for president of next year's student body. He is endorsed by John Robinson, chair of the university party nomination. In the county-wide elections which will take place today. Datson was an honor graduate of the Clyde high school. At the university he has been president of his sophomore class, junior representative to the student council, a member of the student legislature. He was chosen as Haywood County's representative on the board of directors of Graham Memorial university student union which is listed in Who's Who in American colleges and universities.

#### Waynesville District Scouts Hold Honor Court

At the Boy Scout court of honor the Waynesville district held the courthouse on Monday evening. Bobbie Colkitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben J. Colkitt, was given the rank of Life Scout. The certificate was presented to Mrs. Colkitt, who stood by her son during the ceremony conducted by Rev. J. Roy Madison, Scoutmaster of Troop 2, of which Bobbie is a member.

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#### Killed In Action



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#### Aircraft Warning Instructional Meet At Court House At 8

Announcement has been made by the war department ground observer section, Columbia, S. C. through W. S. Prevost, county director of aircraft warning service, that an instructional meeting on the aircraft warning service will be held in the court house tonight at 8 o'clock.

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#### Haywood Medical Society Will Meet At Nurses' Home

The Haywood County Medical Society will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in the nurses home of the Haywood County Hospital. Dr. M. B. H. Michal, of the district health department of which Haywood county is a part, will give an original paper. Dr. Robert Owen, of Canton, president, will preside.

#### Mercury Hits Two Above On Monday

The mercury dropped to the lowest point of the season Monday morning, when the official recording was two above zero. On Tuesday the mercury slid down to 7 above.

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#### Lake Junaluska Man Had Just Graduated From Brevard College, Killed Feb. 2

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Rathbone, of Lake Junaluska, have been notified by the War Department that their son, Private Jack Rathbone, is reported missing in action since February 2nd. This makes the ninth death reported during World War II, from Haywood County.

Pvt. Rathbone, 21, was inducted in the service last September. He was a graduate of the Waynesville Township high school and at the time he entered the service had just received his diploma from Brevard College.

He was inducted at Fort Jackson and from there was transferred to Fort McClellan. From the latter he was transferred to Camp Miles Standish, Staunton, Mass. The last time the family heard from him his address was "care of the postmaster," New York City. The message from the Adjutant General read as follows:

"The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son, Pvt. Jack Rathbone, is reported missing in action in the North American area since February 2nd. Additional information will be sent you when gained."

Young Rathbone is survived by his parents, of Lake Junaluska; five sisters, Mrs. Jerry Linder, Mrs. Ed Ballenger, Mrs. Willard Moody, Mrs. Mary Williams, all of Lake Junaluska, and Mrs. Hilliard Higgins, of Hiwassee Dam; two brothers, Dallas Rathbone, of Pennsylvania, and Gobel Rathbone, U. S. Army, stationed in New Mexico.

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#### County Agents Present 4-H Club Program To 2,698 Boys And Girls

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#### Sale Of Bonds Lag In County; \$15,000 Behind

#### Haywood Has Met Quota Every Month; Leaders See Failure For February Unless Extra Buying Starts.

Haywood will have to invest an average of \$1,500 in war bonds daily in order to meet the February quota, it was determined yesterday by Charlie Ray, county chairman, after consulting selling agencies in the county.

The Waynesville area reported sales to date of approximately \$20,000. The Canton area's total was about \$24,000, which left a balance of at least 15,000 to be sold in the next ten days.

The February quota is \$69,510.75. It was learned that some firms have not bought their February quota of bonds for employees, and while this will add to the total, leaders were fearful of Haywood slipping under the quota for February. So far, this county has reached the war bond quota every month, and some months have almost doubled the quota.

"Our men on the firing lines are pushing forward. Those of us at home have every reason for also pushing forward in buying more bonds than ever," Mr. Ray said.

#### Thirty-Three To Leave For Fort Bragg Friday Noon

Thirty-three of the group of 54 who left last Thursday morning in the quota for the month of February under the selective service system are scheduled to leave here at 12 o'clock Friday noon for Fort Bragg.

Floyd Fullbright and Jack Monroe Tenge, who left with the group have been accepted in the navy for service. Cordell Chambers is reported to have joined the U. S. Marines. Three others are said to have remained at Camp Croft. The others were turned down for various reasons.

John M. Wyatt will serve as acting corporal on the trip to Fort Bragg. The men are asked to report promptly at 11:30 at the draft board office in the court house. After final instructions they will be the guests of Chas. George and Bob Pearce of the Waynesville Bakery at the W. W. N. C. Cafe, business of the former, for doughnuts and coffee.

In the group in addition to the acting corporal will be the following: Arthur W. Corbin, James Welch, Scott A. Mehaffey, Johnny H. Robinson, Vance M. Spivey, Coman Beasley, Charles W. Ross, Bill R. Creaman, Ray Haney, Kermit L. Robertson, John C. Summerraw, William D. Hall, Arthur H. Smith.

Robert Justice, J. W. Finney, Woodrow Queen, William R. McMahan, Milburn C. Trantham, Henry B. Foy, Grover C. Golden, Troy L. Parton, James Sheehan, Welch R. Early, Alvin E. Haynes, Henry Price, Guy D. Arrington, Tommie Kirkpatrick, Melvin Smith, John T. Hannah, Joe A. Brackett, Bud Phillips, and John B. Deeweese.

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#### 102 Years Old



CAPTAIN ALDEN HOWELL, native of Haywood county, veteran of the War Between the States, observes his 102nd birthday anniversary today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jack Johnson, at 269 South Van Ness street, Los Angeles, California.

Captain Howell was born on Jonathan Creek February 18, 1841, the son of D. Collins and Mourning Garrett Howell. He established the first bank west of Asheville, and was a leader in local affairs for more than a half century. He is the father of Alden Howell, of Waynesville, and is the brother of Mrs. B. F. Smathers, the former Miss Laura Howell, widow of the late Dr. B. F. Smathers.

#### Urgent Need For More Workers In Surgical Dressings

"We are now averaging about five and ten workers each day in the surgical dressing rooms and this number will have to be doubled if we are not to fail the Red Cross," said Mrs. Ben Colkitt, chairman of the work.

Mrs. Colkitt has recently received a notice from Headquarters stating that 180,000 surgical dressings will be needed by March 15th, by the armed forces in order to meet requirements of the Surgeon General's office.

This means the production program over the country must be speeded up according to Mrs. Colkitt. She also pointed out that she had been notified from Red Cross headquarters that all materials now on hand must be completed and shipped as soon as possible.

Mrs. Colkitt stressed the point that the war department is depending solely for its entire stock of many of the types of surgical dressings being made by such groups as the local committee.

The work is not difficult and there are supervisors on duty at all times to give instructions, Mrs. Colkitt explained. In order to meet the goal requested by the American Red Cross, the following must be completed by local groups in the near future: 18,000 four by four sponges and 7,200 four by eight sponges.

The surgical dressing room in the Masonic Temple is open each day, from Monday through Friday from 2 to 5 o'clock. The Hazelwood room in the home of Mrs. E. C. Wagenfeld is open each afternoon Monday through Friday from 2 to 5 o'clock. The Lake Junaluska room is open four days from Tuesday through Friday.

#### Aunt, 2 Nephews Serving In Africa, But Have Not Met

While they have not met yet, as far as is known, three members of the Francis family are now serving with the U. S. Armed forces in Northern Africa.

They are, Lt. Mary Francis, of the U. S. Nursing Corps, and her two nephews, Sergeant Carl Francis, and Sergeant Glenn Francis. Each knows that the others are there, but have had no opportunity to get together.

#### How To Get War Ration Book Two

Get together the sugar and coffee book (book No. one) for every member of your family, and take to place of registration. (See list of places for one most convenient to you).

Get total number of cans of rationed food on hand. This can be done by comparing your stock with official list, given on page 3 in this newspaper.

Determine number of pounds of coffee on hand on November 28, 1942.

Take all War Books No. One, together with all of the above information to the registration place nearest you, and a school teacher will fill out all necessary forms and give you a War Book No. Two for every member of your family.

You can save lots of time by clipping from this newspaper the declaration form and filling it out before going to register. This is an official form and will be accepted by rationing officials on page 3.

#### Senator Bailey Introduces 3 Bills In Legislature

The following bills have been introduced in the General Assembly by Senator J. T. Bailey, of Canton, representing 4 Western Counties in the State Senate, and have been sent to the Committee on Finance:

"To amend chapter 237 of the Private Laws of North Carolina of 1934 inclusive, for the years 1930 to 1934 inclusive, for the Canton Graded School District." (As title indicates. Releases uncollected taxes for years indicated and lien for such taxes.)

Feb. 3, reported favorably by Senate Committee; Feb. 4, passed 2nd reading; Feb. 5, passed 3rd reading; Feb. 6, passed 1st reading in House.

"To amend chapter 268 of the Public Laws of North Carolina of 1911, and acts amendatory thereto, giving the Canton police court jurisdiction over property owned by the Town of Canton in Haywood County and outside the corporate limits of the Town of Canton." (As title indicates.)

"To authorize the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Canton, Haywood County, to regulate the prices charged by persons operating vehicles for hire in the Town, except those under the jurisdiction of the Utilities Commission of North Carolina." (Regulations may extend to one mile outside the limits of the town, establishing a uniform rate of compensation for each class of vehicle, classified according to use; to be adopted by ordinance.)

#### DAR To Hold 34th Annual Speaking Contest Monday

The 34th annual declamation contest held by the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held in the high school auditorium at 10:00 o'clock, Monday morning, the 22nd.

Mrs. S. H. Bushnell, regent, will preside. Mrs. Chas. E. Quinlan, chairman of patriotic education is in charge of the contest. A number of the high school boys are competing for the medal.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

#### Merchants Have New Store Hours

Yesterday afternoon marked the first Wednesday half holiday for more than forty participating firms of the community, who recently adopted new hours for opening and closing. The stores close at one on Wednesdays.

Saturday night these same firms will close at seven o'clock. For Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday the hours will be open at nine, and close at six.

#### Haywood Folks Have Five Days To Get Books

#### 18 Schools and Court House Will Have Registration Crews To Issue Valuable Food Books.

Point rationing will be introduced to more than 18,000 citizens of this district in a five-day registration period, beginning Monday, February 22, during which every man, woman and child should get War Ration Book Two.

Eighteen schools and the court house have been designated as official rationing centers for the five days. School teachers and school authorities will be in charge of issuing the books, which must be used on and after March first in order to purchase over 200 items of canned and processed foods.

The board announced yesterday that any person failing to register and get War Book Two during the five-day period would have to wait thirty days before a book could be issued.

The registration will work on the same principles as an automobile assembly line.

1. Any adult may register for all members of a group, as long as he has War Book No. One for each individual and the information as to the number of cans of rationed food on hand, and the amount of coffee on hand on November 28.

2. Next he will fill out a declaration form, or present the one already filled out that he has torn from this newspaper, showing the number of cans of rationed food on hand. Only one figure is necessary. Each person is allowed a total of five cans. Coupons will be torn from Book No. Two for all cans in excess of five per person.

3. He must report the number of pounds of coffee on hand on November 28. Each person will be allowed one pound. A coffee coupon from Book No. One will be torn out for each pound in excess of one pound on hand on November 28th.

That is all the applicant has to do. The school teacher will fill out the proper application forms and make all other necessary records.

War Book No. Two cannot be issued without the above information. Without War Book No. One, all such persons will have to wait thirty days to get Book No. Two.

The declaration form as printed in today's paper can be used. You may tear it out of the paper, fill in the answers, and take it with you to get your War Book Two and save time.

The sale of all rationed foods will cease from February 22 through the 27th. This will enable retailers to prepare their stocks and get ready for the point rationing system on March first.

The point value of each size can of rationed food will not be made public until February 28 or March first. All retailers can get the official chart from any post office on Monday morning when the system goes into effect.

The scarcer the item of food, the more points it will take to get a can. Each person will be allowed 48 points for the first month. The points will be A, B and C of the blue coupons, and they are valid anytime during the month of March.

The red coupons in Book No. Two will be used for meats, and tentative plans are announced from Washington are that meats will become rationed about April first.

#### Ninety-Five Are Called In Draft Quota For March

Ninety-five men have been called under the selective service system in the March call, it was learned this week from the local draft board office.

The group will be made up largely of the younger men, the majority being those who have recently turned eighteen. They are to report for physical examinations at Fort Bragg on March 11th.

In the April call it will be necessary to get into the young married men, according to the clerk of the draft board, in order to fill the quota which will be asked, as the number of younger men available for service is now practically exhausted.

# Be A Loyal American - - - Selfishness, In War, Is Treason!