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## Women Sell More Than \$6,000 Bonds, Stamps Saturday

### Waynesville Leads On Molly Pitcher Day With \$4,701.40 Sales In County.

A total of \$6,202.55 was realized in the sale of stamps and war bonds on Molly Pitcher Day, Saturday, the 7th, according to Mrs. Sam Medford, county chairman of the Women's Division of the Finance Committee.

Waynesville community led in sales with a total of \$4,701.40 during the day.

Mrs. Doris Burnette, of Canton, has the distinction of having sold the most stamps and bonds than any individual. She had to her credit \$700 for her day's work in the Canton area.

Other community sales were as follows: Canton, \$1,260.40; Clyde, \$1,140; Hazelwood, \$140.

The Haywood Home Building League office served as headquarters for the Waynesville drive, Mrs. Ben Sloan as chairman.

Members of the committee in addition to Mrs. Sloan were: Mrs. John Queen, Mrs. Miss Patton and Miss Lois Queen. Assisting the Waynesville group on Saturday were: John Allen, of Burlington, Vt., Harold Tingen, Miss Hester Withers, who aided with the drive, and a number of the regular girls.

The regular committee in charge of the Canton area is composed of Tom Reeves, chairman, Mrs. J. Carver, and Mrs. E. E. E. They were also assisted by additional persons on Saturday.

Glover Haynes is chairman of the Clyde area and serving with Mrs. E. L. Fitzgerald and George Haynes.

Ruth Summerrow is chairman of the Hazelwood community. Mrs. Whitener Prevost and Clyde Fisher members of the committee.

Bathie Wagenfeld served as chairman of the junior committee for the Waynesville community.

## E. Alley, Jr. Accepts Position in Washington

E. Alley, Jr., well known local attorney, has accepted an appointment in the office of the general counsel of the Internal Revenue, in Washington, D. C. He assumed his duties Monday.

Alley, son of Judge and Mrs. Alley, recently resigned as chief collector of Internal Revenue in the District of North Carolina. He has held this position since May 1.

Alley is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is serving as assistant collector of Internal Revenue, practicing his profession here.

Waywood Mutual Stockyards To Hold Mare Sale

Five Tennessee mares will be offered for sale at auction at Waywood Mutual Livestock stockyard this afternoon starting at 2 o'clock. The sale of mares is in addition to the regular sale of livestock.

Five head of livestock was offered at the auction held at the yards last Thursday.

Prices brought the following: cows, \$8 to \$12.50; heifers, \$7 to \$12; calves \$10 to \$17; pigs, \$12 and hogs, \$12.60.

Robert H. Gibbin, U. S. Attorney in California

Robert H. Gibbin, U. S. Attorney in California, who volunteered in the army in January and was called to active duty in April, is now serving "somewhere" in California, according to information received by his wife.

Gibbin is a veteran of World War I, and was commander of the 1st of the American Legion at the time he enlisted.

Rev. R. E. Gribbin Will Pulpit Of Church Sunday

Right Reverend Robert E. Gribbin, bishop of the Western North Carolina diocese, will deliver the sermon at the regular morning service at Grace Episcopal Church in the Mountains on Sunday the 15th.

Members of the church, as well as summer visitors and others, are invited to hear Bishop Gribbin, Rev. Robert Tatum.

## New Badoglio Aide



ITALIAN DIPLOMAT Raffaele Guariglia has been named Foreign Minister of Italy by Marshal Pietro Badoglio, Italy's new premier. This action followed the ouster of Mussolini from power. (International)

## Soco Gap Square Dance Team Adds Another Laurel

The Soco Gap square dance team won the championship of the 16th annual Mountain Dance and Folk Festival at the closing performance of the event which was held at McCormick Field, Asheville, last week.

This is the 9th time that the Soco Gap team has won first place in the Festival and the group won second place five times, and on two years did not enter the contests.

Members of the Senior Square Dance team that won first place were in addition to the leader, Sam Queen, Miss Sarah Queen, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Boyd, Robert Howell, Miss Margaret Owen, B. L. Lunsford, Miss Anna Lee Owen, Frederick Vaught, Miss Geraldine Parris, Joe Campbell and Mrs. Martha Constanin.

Nearly 3,500 persons, said to be the largest crowd ever to attend a festival performance, were on hand Saturday night, the closing feature of the program.

Sam Queen, manager and caller of the Soco Gap team, is also manager of the Soco Gap Juniors, another dance team, and the Soco Gap all-girl team.

The Soco Gap team has won the championship at a number of festivals, and is nationally known in folk dance circles. The team appeared at the White House in 1939 performing for King George and Queen Elizabeth, of Great Britain.

They were selected from teams all over the United States as being the most authentic in their folk dance steps.

The members of the team change from year to year, but Mr. Queen continues to manage and call for the group. His son, Lt. Sam Queen, Jr., now serving in the U. S. Air Corps in Australia, is also one of the famous dancers of the Soco Gap team.

The Eucata string band of Transylvania won the first place in the festival music contest. The band played in the 1943 contests and also for the Eucata square dance team also of Transylvania.

Rhett Talley, a newcomer in the festival events, is manager.

The Brookshire string band of Henderson county won the second place in the music contest. Alonzo Brookshire is manager of the group.

## Still Of Tin and Wood Captured On Fines Creek

A twenty gallon still was captured Saturday in the Fines Creek section by deputies Manson Arrington and Charlie Fulbright, according to the records of the Sheriff's department.

It was the first still ever captured in Haywood county that did not have one inch of copper on it. The pot was fashioned of an old oil tin and the top was made from a tin kitchen bucket. The remaining parts were made of wood.

While no liquor was found about the premises the pot was said to still be "hot," giving evidence of recent use.

## Eight Men Enlist For Navy Duty

Eight men from this area have recently volunteered for the Navy. They are:

James Rhinehart, Albert Raines, Willie Connor, Aubrey Messer and Jimmy Nichols, all of Waynesville; Servill Moore of Hazelwood; Thomas Davis, of Crabtree and Rubin Brown, of Canton.

## Surprise Blackout Marked By 99 Per Cent Cooperation

Citizens contributed a 99 per cent cooperation in the surprise blackout that was staged here on Tuesday according to Sam H. Kelley, Air Raid Warden of Waynesville.

The first signal was sounded at 9:44 and the second at 10:00, and the red signal at 10:12, and from the last hour to 10:34 the community was in darkness.

Mr. Kelley pointed out that there is still some misunderstanding about the dimming out of lights and utter darkness required in the practice raid blackout.

He is urging the citizens of the community not to leave lights on when they go out in the evening unless there is someone left who will turn out the lights in case of a blackout signal.

He further points out that the violators of the restrictions will be fined in the future and he is urging strict adherence to the rules as given out by the authorities.

## Mrs. Osborne Is Superintendent Of Haywood Hospital

Mrs. Evelyn Abel Osborne, newly elected superintendent of the Haywood County Hospital, assumed her duties on Sunday, August 1.

Mrs. Osborne was elected by the board of trustees of the county hospital following the resignation of Miss Ellie Jane Thompson, wife of Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick, who recently resigned.

Miss Thompson had served as superintendent of the institution for the past five years.

Mrs. Osborne, prior to her marriage to the late Robert J. Osborne, of Haywood County and West Palm Beach, served as superintendent of the old Haywood County Hospital, located on Pigeon Street, for a year's period. She is well qualified for her work both from training and practical experience.

During the past nine months, Mrs. Osborne had charge of the obstetrical service of the Orange General Hospital of Orlando, Fla.

Mrs. Osborne is a graduate of the local high school, Hamilton School of Washington, D. C., and of the John Hopkins School of Nursing, of Baltimore.

Mrs. Osborne is the daughter of the late Dr. J. F. Abel, prominent local physician, who was one of the promoters of the county hospital.

## Ralph Lee Pettit, Summer Resident, Claimed By Death

Ralph Lee Pettit, 60, prominent business man of Daytona Beach, died at his summer home here Monday night after a long illness. The body was shipped to Daytona Beach yesterday where funeral services and burial will take place at 2 o'clock Sunday.

Mr. Pettit, a native of St. Louis, Mo., had been in New York many years prior to going to Daytona Beach, where he had been in business for the past seventeen years. He purchased the Raymond Hyatt property on the Eagles Nest Road last year and he and his family had planned to spend part of the year here.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Stella Murray Pettit; one son, Yeoman Third Class Robert M. Pettit, of the U. S. Navy, now stationed in the South Pacific; four daughters, Mrs. W. B. Tillotson, of Johnson City, Tenn.; Miss Marjorie Pettit, of Ossining, N. Y.; and Miss Joan Murray Pettit and Miss Gloria Jean Pettit, of Waynesville and Daytona Beach, and one grandson, John Banks Tillotson, III.

## Major Bowles Gets Perfect Grade In State Guard Exam.

Major M. H. Bowles led the class of more than 170 men from seven states in the final examinations in the recent staff and officer's schools held at Fort Benning, Ga., for officers of the State Guard.

Major Bowles received the highest average, his mark was 100 per cent, according to the announcement just made by Adjutant General J. Vann B. Metts, of Raleigh.

Major D. C. Dungan, of Salisbury received a rating of 99 per cent and Major Richard P. Taylor of Oxford received a rating of 95, all in the staff officer's school.

Metts said that of the nine North Carolina officers taking the staff officer's course, three were given ratings of "superior," indicating they made averages of more than 91 per cent.

## Launches War Fund



DAUGHTER of Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., Mrs. John K. Waters christens the National War Fund (ship model) in New York. It marked the opening of the \$125,000,000 drive for war relief agencies. Mrs. Waters' husband is a war prisoner. (International)

## Haywood Man Is Killed In Accident On Maneuvers

Funeral services were conducted at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Bethel Baptist church for Private Homer V. Conard, U. S. Air Corps, who was killed in a truck accident on August 2, while on maneuvers in California.

The Rev. A. E. Peck, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. Howard Hall, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church, near Clyde, officiated. Burial was in the Bethel cemetery.

The local company of the N. C. State Guard conducted the military honors at the grave, firing three volleys across the casket while the bugle sounded Taps.

Serving as pallbearers were: Marion Long, Route 5, Seville; James Sisk, Walter Franklin, Homer West and Alvin Reynolds.

Private Conard was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Conard, of the Woodrow section. He volunteered in the service about a year ago and was stationed at McLean Field, Calif., at the time he was sent on maneuvers.

Private Conard is survived by his widow, one son, Billy, one daughter, Mary Joe; his parents; four brothers, Millard, of Canton, James, of Blainville, Roy, of Canton, and Claude, U. S. Navy, stationed in Jacksonville, Fla.; and one sister, Miss Betty Sue Conard, of Bethel.

## Band Director Returns From Summer School

Chas. L. Isley, band and choral director of the Waynesville Township high school returned Sunday from Nashville, Tenn., where he has been attending Peabody college for Teachers during the past eight weeks.

Mr. Isley completed a third of the requirements for his master's degree in music, and plans to finish the work later.

The band director, a native of Coolee, of this state, is a graduate of Davidson College. Prior to coming to Waynesville had been band director in the Albemarle high school. He came to Waynesville last August and directed the band and choral groups in the high school last year.

## High School Band Resumes Practice After Vacation

The members of the Waynesville Township high school band will resume practice after the summer vacation tonight at 7:30 in the high school auditorium, it was announced yesterday by Chas. L. Isley, band director.

All current members of the high school band and any former members who would like to play with the group for the remainder of the summer are requested to attend the initial practice tonight.

Present plans are to have at least two band practices each week until the opening of school. Two concerts, one in Waynesville and one at Lake Junaluska will be given by the band, the dates to be announced later.

The current band has a membership of around sixty boys and girls.

## Local Women To Assist Merchants With OPA Prices

### Volunteers Are Working With The Price Panel Board Of This Area.

The Price Panel Board for the area served by the local rationing board met Wednesday afternoon and assigned the volunteer assistants to the various retail stores in the area. These volunteer assistants will advise and work with merchants in carrying out the community prices.

Similar set-ups are being organized throughout the nation, it was said by L. R. Hamilton, representative of OPA who was here organizing the local workers.

For the present the volunteers will be assigned to grocery stores, and later will work with cafes, boarding houses and hotels.

Those who have volunteered their services for this work and were present Wednesday include: Mrs. Myrtle Ray, Mrs. R. N. Barber, Jr., Miss Sackett, Mrs. C. E. Weatherly, and Mrs. Nora Atkins. Others have volunteered and will assume duties later.

## John B. Best, Well-Known Farmer, To Be Buried Today

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Mt. Zion Methodist church in Rock Springs for John B. Best, 71, of the Crabtree section of the county, who died at the Haywood County Hospital at midnight Tuesday following a short illness.

Rev. Grady Burgin, pastor of the church, will officiate and he will be assisted by Rev. R. P. Cracken. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Best was a native and lifelong resident of Haywood county. He was one of the leading farmers and stock raisers of this section.

Mr. Best was a member of the county board of education, having been first elected in 1935 and has served continuously since then. He was elected last year to serve another four-year term.

Mr. Best was a member of the Mt. Zion Methodist church and of the Bethel Junior Order. He had been a leader in county affairs for many years.

He is survived by his wife and six children: four sons, Hugh Best, Ray Best, and Jim Best, of the Crabtree section; John Best, Jr., of the U. S. Army, serving now in North Africa; two daughters, Miss D. C. Cole, of Forest City and Mrs. M. V. Bramlett, of Canton; 11 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; five brothers, Dave Best, Frank Best, of Canton; Jim Best, of Chatsworth, Ga.; Bynum Best, of Lupton City, Tenn.; and Sam Best, of Andrews; three sisters, Mrs. Flora Huff, Mrs. Minnie Morse and Mrs. Allie Waddell, all of Asheville.

The Wells Funeral Home of Canton is in charge of the arrangements.

## Hunting Licenses Go On Sale In County This Week

Hunting licenses went on sale Tuesday of this week, it was learned from G. C. Platt, Haywood county game protector.

The cost of hunting licenses for 1943 is as follows: non-resident, \$15.25; state licenses, \$2.10, and county licenses, \$1.10.

Licenses may be purchased at the following places in the county: Waynesville, at Massie Hardware and Waynesville Hardware companies. In Canton, at Nantahala and Haywood Hardware companies. In Clyde, at Clyde Pharmacy. In Woodrow, at the E. B. Rickman store.

In Cruso area at the store of Mrs. Ira Cogburn.

In Sherwood Forest stations from W. P. Poston and John Himes.

## Rationing Office Has New Hours

The Rationing Board announced new office hours, beginning Monday. The office will be open daily from 8:30 until 2 o'clock, and Saturday hours will be from 9 until 12:30.

Mrs. Robena Farmer, of Atlanta, is visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Tittle in Hazelwood.

Mrs. Farmer left here thirty-six years ago, this being her first visit back.

## County Schools Set To Open On Monday

### Majority Of Schools In Rural Areas Will Begin Session At 8:45. These Four Choice of Quality

The schools of the Crabtree, Bethel and Fines Creek districts will open at 8:45 on Monday morning the 16th, it has been announced from the office of Jack Messer, county superintendent of education.

For one and a half months schools in the three districts will start at 8:45 and close the day's work at 2:00 o'clock, the short cut session being observed to aid the labor shortage for the harvesting season. Students are expected to aid on the farms in the afternoon.

The law relative to the requirement that a child must be either six years old on or before October 1st, will be enforced and Mr. Messer points out that no child who will be six years of age after date need apply for entrance.

On the Saturday before school opens on Monday, teachers' meetings will be held in the auditoriums of the schools. The meetings for Crabtree and Bethel have been set for 11 o'clock in the morning while the Fines Creek teachers will assemble at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

There are to date three vacancies, one in each school district, according to Mr. Messer. The school board hopes to fill them by the opening of the schools.

Elected to teach in the Crabtree district are the following: J. T. Chappell, principal, Lura Mae Green, Dorothy Williams, Robert Evans, Mrs. J. T. Chappell, Mary McLain, Velma F. Morrow, Mildred M. Medford, Mrs. Cumi Stamey, Mrs. Nayme L. Seay, Elizabeth Kinsey, Eva Jane Rogers, Theda Garrett Crawford and Bonnie Lee Angel.

Those who will teach in the Fines Creek district are: Fred L. Safford, principal, Edna Mae James, Mrs. Kathryn Kirkpatrick, William Glenn Noland, B. C. Nave, Margaret Green, Bonnie Faye Buckett, Mrs. A. L. Bramlett, Fannie B. Noland, Stephen Ferguson, Mrs. Stephen Ferguson and Caney Smith.

Teachers in the Bethel school of the Bethel district will be: W. P. Whit sides, principal, Mrs. Paul Shepard, Bernice McElhannon, Mrs. Ruth Allison Tucker, Margaret Esther Boyd, Guy Chambers, Mrs. Rosalie Shumalis, I. A. McLain.

Mrs. Lura Mae Conatser, Blanche Jervis, Mrs. Lorena Duckett, Mrs. Nannie H. White, Mary Adeline Boone, Jessie Loretta Bass, Ruth Dotson, Mrs. Gussie Palmer, Mrs. Ruth Ledford Jones, Mrs. Ina H. Davall, Velma McElhannon, Nell Campbell, and Mrs. Grover Abel.

Listed for the Cruso school are: Paul T. Grogan, Nora Belle Reece, Opal T. Barnes, Oler Burnett and Mrs. D. H. Pless.

To teach in the Cecil school are: Hugh Rogers, Lillian A. Himes, Alma G. Chambers and J. H. Francis.

Gladys Henson and Mrs. Gay Chambers will teach in the Spring Hill school.

## Cataloochee Had Annual Reunion On Last Sunday

Around 250 people attended the annual Cataloochee reunion Sunday on Cataloochee. Natives of the section now living in seven states were present for the occasion.

A survey showed that 63 men from Cataloochee were now in service.

No formal program was held, and the day was spent in visiting, with the usual bountiful picnic dinner spread at the noon hour.

## Bakery To Move To Larger Quarters Soon

Robert B. Pearce announced yesterday that he plans to move the Waynesville Bakery across the street from their present location about September 15th.

The move is being made in order to give more room in all departments of the firm.

## Durham Layman to Teach Adult Classes At First Baptist Church Sunday

D. C. May, prominent Baptist layman of Durham, will address the classes of the adult department of the Sunday school at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning. He addressed the adult classes last Sunday morning, and those who heard him are anxious for others to hear him. Visitors, men and women, are invited to be present.

## Jimmy Reed Discharged From Hospital After Undergoing Operation

Jimmy Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reed, of Waynesville, has been discharged from the Mission Hospital in Asheville, where he underwent a major operation. Mr. Reed is reported improving.

## Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ray On Business Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ray left Sunday for a business trip to New York City. They plan to be out of town for a week. Mrs. Ray's sister, Mrs. Jack Brady, of Woodlands, Ga., is here with the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ray while they are out of town.