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ITALY OUT OF WAR, HARDEST FIGHTING IS NEAR; NEED SALE OF MORE BONDS

Committees Ready To Start Drive This Morning

Elaborate Program Being Planned For Waynesville On Thursday, Sept. 16th.

The intensive Third War Loan drive will get under way officially in Waynesville today, as the county committee started work yesterday individual and firm to the limit in investing in more

Haywood's quota set at \$892,000. The committee pledged to continue working until the goal in the campaign. "With hard work, the goal can be reached," Charlie Ray, county chairman, announced.

Missie and Mrs. Blen Sloan have been named co-chairmen for the Waynesville area, it was announced yesterday by Charlie Ray, county chairman. These two will be in charge of selling bonds in the area for the campaign.

Some of the highlights of the campaign will be stated here on Thursday, September 16. Tentative plans include a street parade, and an auction of merchandise to be held with the purchase of bonds

the evening of the 16th, a show will be given at the Theatre when the new picture "They Came to Blow Up America" will be shown. Admission to the show will be by purchase of bond or bonds on the 16th. A bond canvass will be made on the morning of the 16th in which bonds will be sold for admission to the show. J. E. Massie, owner of the theatre, is paying all expenses of the picture and donating the theatre for the campaign.

The high school band will give a concert at the theatre prior to the parade, and other entertaining features are now being worked out for the week.

The tentative plans of the committee to have a street auction of merchandise on the morning of the 16th, and perhaps a string band.

At both of which bonds can be bought will be maintained at the theatre three nights a week. On Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, the women's division of the committee will have charge of sales, and a member of the State Guard will be on hand at the booth as well as a girl and boy scout.

The booth is being given the support of C. E. Ray's Sons and the C. E. Ray Company.

Many former Haywood citizens are sending their money back here for the purchase of bonds, and during the campaign, many thousands of dollars are expected to be received from people now living elsewhere, who want Haywood to get out of the F. B. I.

The reviewer of the film said: "It is a great saboteur story told with a great deal of intensity, suspense and drama. It shows Germany in its strength, and the spectator knows that it does not exaggerate. It is

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Over \$33,600 In War Bonds Sold Saturday At Federation Picnic

Loyal To Haywood



MRS. H. C. SHUMACKER is a former Haywood citizen and better known here as Miss Jessie Massie. She has various business interests in South Carolina, and makes her home in Spartanburg. She has always loved Haywood, and while here on a recent visit, purchased \$15,000 in war bonds in order that Haywood could get credit for her investment and apply against the county quota.

There are many other Haywood citizens now living elsewhere, whom the Haywood War Finance Committee believe will follow Mrs. Shumacker's patriotic action.

County Baptists Training Unions To Meet On 14th

New Officers For Year Will Be Installed At Meeting Here Next Tuesday.

A meeting of all Baptist Training Unions of the county will be held Tuesday evening, September 14 at 8 o'clock at the Waynesville Baptist church. Installation service will be held for the new county officers.

Following officers to be installed are: Director, Mrs. Sam Knight, Hazelwood; associate director, Mrs. H. K. Masteller, Canton; secretary, Treasurer, Miss Eloise Knight, Hazelwood; chorister, Dr. H. K. Masteller, Canton; pianist, Mrs. H. G. Hammett, Waynesville; pastor adviser, Rev. T. H. Parris, Clyde; adult leader in county, Rev. Thomas Erwin; county young peoples leader, Mrs. Carl Painter, Canton; Intermediate leader, Marion Bridges, Waynesville; Junior leader, Mrs. Gay Chambers, Bethel; Story hour leader, Miss Dorothy Walker, Clyde; The group leaders will be, Horace Sentelle, Canton; Bill Carter, Clyde; Rev. Gay Chambers, Bethel; and Harry Mashburn, Waynesville.

Rev. Willis Bennett, pastor of the Oteen Baptist church and also Buncombe Training Union director, will bring the inspirational message. There will be special music.

All new officers are urged to meet at 7 o'clock.

Members of all churches of the county are urged to attend whether they have a Training Union or not. An attendance banner will be given

Large Crowd Attended Annual Event At East Waynesville School Here.

Bond sales totaled to \$33,627.20 at the Haywood county picnic of the Farmers Federation Saturday. This brings the total war bonds and stamps sold at all the season's 15 Federation picnics to \$81,724.55, with Haywood sales the largest in any of the counties.

Bond sales at the picnics total almost four times more than last. Last year's sales were \$22,000. The Haywood picnic, held at East Waynesville school, is the final picnic of the season.

Getting under way at 10 a. m., the meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Miles McLean, pastor of Longs Chapel Methodist church at Lake Junaluska. James G. K. McClure, president of the Farmers Federation, then explained the purpose of the picnic.

"Farmers in Western North Carolina believe in work, and have been working harder this year than ever before," he said. "We know that by producing all the food we can, we are doing our part to help win the war. But we also believe in play, and we are all going to have a good time here today."

"Through all that we do here, through all our fun, we are going to keep the war in our minds. I have heard that Haywood county has had more men enlist in the armed forces than any other county in the United States in proportion to its size. So it is likely that each one of us has a loved one in the service."

Mr. McClure traced the history of the Federation briefly, from the days when the organization was composed of only six farmers until today, when the members total between 10,000 and 11,000.

He told of the poultry programs and other current programs of the Federation. He was followed by Jean Coleman, home economist of the Carolina Power and Light company; J. H. Bailey, of the Farm Security administration; Max Rob. Curtis, education director of the Federation; the Rev. Dumont Clarke, its religious director; Ernest Walker, manager at Canton; and Roger Medford, manager at Waynesville. Each spoke briefly.

Bond Sales
In the war bond and stamp booth, which was erected by A. C. Reynolds, Jr., field secretary of the Federation, Misses Elsie McCracken, of the Haywood Home Building and Loan association, and Miss Catherine Jones, of the First National bank, gave their services to handle the cash bond and stamp sales.

H. A. Osborne, of Canton, chairman of the Bond and Stamp committee, and other civic leaders in the county, stood beside the booth most of the day, aiding in the sale. C. N. Allen, of the committee, had announced a voluntary goal of \$50,000 in bonds and stamps for the day.

Other members of the committee were: Charles E. Ray, Jr., Jonathan Woody, J. E. Reister, Glen Palmer, Jack Messer, W. P. Whitesides, Mrs. H. G. Reno, Henry Francis, Kay Alen, D. M. Clark, Reeves Noland, A. J. McCracken, Roger Medford, Ernest Walker, Mrs. Alice Sellers, Miss Margaret Smith, Mrs. Hazel Alderson, A. I. McLain, J. C. Brown, John E. Barr, and Glen Boyd.

Entertainment Program
A stage full of good musicians were present to entertain. These included Willie Barnes, with his bagpipe, from Canton; Will Kirkpatrick, of Cove Creek, and his 10-year-old fiddler son, Billy, and his two daughters, Maye and Faye; the Asheville Mountain Boys, Dempsey Cochran, Snooky Waddell, Jim Lunsford, and Red Rector; the Drake sisters, of Henderson county.

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Bombed Oil Fields



STAFF SGT. ROY B. McCRACKEN, a top-gunner on a bomber, was one of the daring American airmen who heavily bombed enemy oil fields and refineries in Rumania on August first. It was Sergeant McCracken's 22nd birthday, and more than 200 planes participated, according to released press reports. The Stars and Stripes, official army newspaper, reporting the daring feat, commented that the planes flew so low going to and from their objectives that the tail gunners gathered roaring ears from corn fields as they flew over.

Sgt. McCracken has a brother, Sgt. Wayne B. McCracken, crew chief of a bomber, also in North Africa. When the brothers write each other, their mail is sent back to New York and then dispatched back to Africa.

The boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Howell McCracken.

Number In August Draft Quota Leave This Week

Fifteen men under the selective service system in the August quota have left during the past week to their respective posts.

In the group were the following who have entered the U. S. Navy: Ruben Joe Justice, Orville David Messer, William Henry Justice, James Thomas Smith, Bobbie Jefferson Stacy, Avery William Messer, all volunteers. Others in the group were: Reeves James Green, James Lawrence Singleton, and Allen Dee Clarke. They all reported to Spartanburg.

Rufus Harris, Jr., and Jack Davis Gibson, U. S. Army, both volunteers, left Tuesday for Fort Jackson.

Yesterday Kenneth Wilburn Scruggs, James Bruce Jaynes, Troy Lee Messer, volunteers, and Junior Raymond Rhymer, reported to Fort Jackson for service in the army.

Estal Price is scheduled to leave by bus tomorrow for Fort Jackson.

Others in the August quota to leave soon are James Dicus and Jim Milner, both volunteers and aviation cadets, expect to be called in the near future.

Free Sheet Music Available At This Newspaper Office

This newspaper has just received for free distribution, a limited number of copies of standard size, sheet music, beautifully illustrated in colors, of The Star Spangled Banner and The Marines' Hymn. The music was arranged by William F. Santlemann, leader of the United States Marine Band. Musicians here who have played both numbers report the arrangements are much prettier than the average music available. This limited supply will be given free to adults only. Just call at this newspaper office and get one. The distribution is being made in an effort to get more patriotic music into American homes.

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Second Annual Sale Of Purebred Herefords Set For October 23 At Clyde

The Haywood County Hereford Breeders association are planning to hold a sale of purebred Herefords in the yards of the Mutual Stockyards in Clyde on Saturday, October 23rd.

There will be a total of 72 head of cattle offered in the sale with 57 of the number bought from outstanding herds in this country, the remaining 15 having been consigned to the sale by Haywood county breeders of purebred Herefords.

There will be 26 young bulls and 46 females in the sale and some of the finest cattle ever put on the market in this section of the state will be included.

The cattle were bought by C. T. Francis, president of the Haywood County Purebred Hereford Breeders Association, who is also a director in the North Carolina State Association. The animals were purchased from the Grand River Stock Yards, near Trenton, Mo., Harris, Mo., and Greencastle, Mo. The sale will take the place of the one sponsored last year by the American Hereford Breeders Association which was held at the stockyards in Clyde in November.

The sale is expected to attract buyers from several states as well as large numbers from this section and from Eastern Carolina. Between now and the date of the sale extensive publicity in advertising and news releases will be given to the event.

Further announcement will also be made in the near future of descriptions of the animals to be offered and the date of their arrival in the county.

Moore Is Named County Electrical Inspector

James Moore, superintendent of the Cruso Mutual Electric Corporation, was named county electrical inspector this week by the county board of commissioners at their regular first Monday meeting held here.

Mr. Moore will take the place of Robert Hugh Clark who recently resigned from the post. Mr. Clark, who is superintendent of the light and water department of the Town of Waynesville was forced to resign for lack of time to devote to the inspections.

Mr. Moore will fill the unexpired term which will end on July 31, 1944.

Twelve Boys Reach Draft Age In This Area In August

The following boys became eighteen years of age during the month of August and have registered with the draft board under the selective service system. They will be called during the near future for induction.

In the group were: J. D. Smith, Clyde, route 1; David Alney Putnam, Hazelwood; Carl Robinson Smith, Lake Junaluska; Luther Buff, Waynesville, route 2; Alden Hamilton Hall, Jr.; Ralph Swann Hendrix, Waynesville, route 1. Fred Lewis Moody, Waynesville, route 2; Joseph Jackson Sanford, Waynesville, route 2; Marion Lenora Burgess, Waynesville, route 2; Mark Eugene Howell, Waynesville, route 2; Charles Frederick Vaughn, Waynesville, and Roland Allen Buchanan (colored), Waynesville.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Ewart, of Waynesville route 2, announce the birth of a daughter on September 2, at their home.

Marshall Davis of Newport News, and Joe Davis of Wilmington, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Davis of Hazelwood.

Gunner Buys Bonds



CPL. ROBERT LEE UNDERWOOD, a gunner of a bomber squadron, is going all the way for his country. Besides being a fighter aboard one of Uncle Sam's big bombers, he is putting his savings into bonds. He has already sent back \$1,100 and plans to send more to invest in bonds.

United War Fund Committee Hears Details Of Drive

County Organization Completed Last Night For Drive Here On October 18.

An enthusiastic and interesting meeting was held last night at the court house of the Haywood United War Fund committee, with practically all sections of the county represented.

C. N. Allen, county chairman, presided at the meeting, and Roy R. English, field representative of the state committee, outlined the program and purposes of the United War Fund Drive, which starts on October 18. Haywood county has a quota of \$10,908.

Mr. Allen announced that W. Lee McElrath had been named as chairman of the Canton area.

J. N. Davis was named secretary of the organization, and C. J. Reece was named treasurer. The executive committee is composed of: Jonathan H. Woody, W. H. Massie, W. A. Bradley, J. L. Worley, Frank Campbell, and A. J. Hutchins.

Publicity will be handled by a committee composed of W. Curtis Russ, chairman, Harley Wright, and J. E. Massie.

The initial gifts committee is headed by Frances Massie. E. C. Wagenfeld will head the survey and quota committee and the county-wide canvass committee will be under the direction of Jack Messer.

Fourth Quarter Transport Units Now Available

The rationing board announced yesterday that transport mileage for the fourth quarter can be had at any time by applying at the local office.

The board urges every person using transport mileage to get their requests in at once, and save a rush and conflict with another rationing program which starts later in this month.

Where it is at all possible, the board prefers to have requests by mail, as they can be handled faster and after the closing hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hyatt of Wilmington, arrived this week for a visit with the former parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hyatt.

Conservative Men Warn Of Getting Over-Optimistic

Community Took News Calmly; Many Predict Early End Of European War.

Optimism ran high in the community here yesterday as the news came over the radio that General Dwight D. Eisenhower had announced the unconditional surrender of the Italian armed forces.

For at least fifteen minutes after the glad tidings were released, the operators in the local telephone office were rushed as calls came in such rapid succession. It appeared that everybody in town wanted to discuss the news with friends and family.

Coming on the eve of the Third War Loan Drive, local leaders were of the opinion that it would give impetus to the campaign throughout the nation and help Haywood county citizens to reach their quota of \$892,000.

Leaders agreed that with the surrender of Italy the morale of other Axis nations would be so lowered that Victory would inevitably come, and that with this in mind people would gladly buy more bonds to help end hostilities as quickly as possible.

For an hour or so following the radio announcement, conversations on every street corner and everywhere people happened to be gathered centered on this latest victory for the Allied nations.

While the majority were carried away with the cheerful news, the more conservative expressed the hope that the people of this country and of the Allied nations would not be fooled into thinking the war was won.

It was pointed out by many that while the Italian surrender meant and advancement toward victory, it must be remembered that Germany, the most powerful and resourceful enemy of the Allied nations, had not yet surrendered and that the stiffest fight lay ahead.

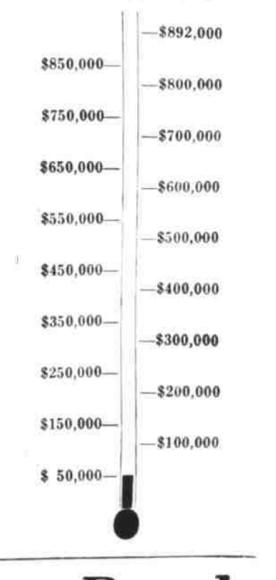
General Eisenhower stated he had granted a military armistice. The minor members of the Berlin-Tokyo-Rome axis met the stipulation that has been insisted by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill, which was unconditional surrender and nothing else.

The stirring announcement came as the dispirited Italian troops surrendered to British and Canadian troops, advancing up the Calabrian peninsula where the Allies landed last Friday on the heels of the 38-day Sicilian victory which sent the Germans fleeing to the mainland.

The capitulation of the Italians took place five days after the British Army invaded Italy. It came

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Haywood's Bond Quota Is - - \$892,000



Help American Boys Get To Berlin By Buying More War Bonds