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The deadline for the application for War Ration Book One, which was to have expired on Tuesday, December 15, 1943, has been extended until January 15, 1944, it was announced at the local board today.

John Chonis, chairman of the Greek Relief fund today announced a gift of twenty-five dollars to the fund by James Maroney, Italian, of the Monroe Iron and Metal Company.

LOCAL NEWS

Second Lieutenant Arnold Lingle, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cull Lingle of Monroe, has been stationed with the 151st battalion, which is a new unit of the 196th field artillery at Fort Sill, Okla.

Today was the coldest day of the season according to T. A. Ashcraft of the Rock Rest weather bureau. The lowest temperature today was 15, the highest reading was 32 or an average temperature of 23 1/2 degrees for the past twenty-four hours.

Pvt. Reuben J. Stack, formerly of Route 4, Monroe, who entered the services on November 28 at Fort Bragg, is now stationed at Camp Beale, California. His address is 93rd Army PCN Bn. Co. A, APO No. 263, Camp Beale, Calif.

Frank M. Parker, 3rd class petty officer, is with the coast patrol at Charleston, S. C. He spent several days here last week with Mrs. Parker. He is well qualified for this line of duty as he was formerly with the Monroe fire department, and later served in that capacity at Morris Field, Charlotte.

Mrs. J. D. Bundy left Thursday night for Durham to be with Mr. Bundy, who has been in Duke hospital for three weeks. He is very ill and it is expected that his leg will have to be removed. Some years ago one leg was taken off and now, his friends are sorry to know, the other must be removed.

John W. Yates, retired locomotive engineer, has received his fifty-year service medal from the Seaboard, a diamond pin. A few days ago Superintendent Smith of the Atlanta division came to Monroe and presented the medal in person. Capt. Yates will spend the holidays in Spartanburg with relatives and friends.

Governor Broughton requests local citizens to forego fireworks this Christmas. Expressing the opinion that powder and other materials used in fireworks could be used to the best advantage against the Axis, the Governor added that he regarded the use of fireworks during the Christmas season as wholly inappropriate even in peace time.

The office of the Carolina Motor Club will be closed Friday and Saturday for the Christmas holidays it was announced today by Mrs. Leona Edgeworth, manager of the local office. Motorists who plan to get their 1943 license tabs should get them within the next day or so and avoid any last minute rush. It was also announced that the office would be closed on New Year's day.

The ceremony of Midnight Mass will be conducted Thursday evening at the Monroe high school auditorium. Among the religious personages present will be Father Hudson, who will celebrate the mass, Father Webb, who will preach and act as sub-deacon, and Father Sidoti, who will be deacon. A special soldier's choir will assist at the ceremony. All members of the Catholic faith are cordially invited to attend.

Listing of property for taxes for Monroe township will begin on January 1, 1944, according to a statement issued Thursday by Roy Moore, tax supervisor. The tax lists, have been named, and a joint meeting of the tax lists and county commissioners will be held next Monday at which time final details, relative to the listing of property will be completed. A complete list of list-taking appointments will be published in an early issue of The Enquirer.

The local Rationing Board late this afternoon received a telegram from the District office stating that: "All B and C coupons in the hands of gasoline dealers as of 12:01 a. m. December 21 must be delivered to suppliers by hand or registered mail or exchanged for gasoline by 12:01 a. m. December 22. Dealers must turn in to Rationing Board all such coupons by mid-night, Monday December 28. Boards must not issue any new or renew any ration until receipt of new instructions." It was also announced this afternoon that the local Rationing Board will close Thursday at 12:30 for the holidays and remain closed until Monday morning.

E. W. Griffin, Kings Mountain druggist, who for a number of years operated a drug store in Wingate, was run out of his own home Friday night by a burglar whom he unexpectedly ran across while the intruder was ransacking his house. Mrs. Griffin had gone to a meeting, leaving the home unoccupied. Mr. Griffin came home shortly before 8 p. m. and found the man, who was described as being young, of slender build, wearing a brown suit, in one of the bedrooms. The burglar picked up a chair and struck at Mr. Griffin who retreated into the yard and dispatched a call to police station for help. The burglar then made his escape by the same side window through which he had entered.

John R. Welsh, for twenty-four years traveling salesman for druggist supplies, is preparing to take a rest, come January first. He has reached retirement age and no longer feels strong enough to stand up to the strenuous life of a salesman on the road. Summing up, Mr. Welsh says he has been in the drug business for forty years. Sixteen years were spent in the store, followed by twenty-four years on the road. For the past twenty years Mr. Welsh has been the representative of the firm of William R. Warner & Company, founded nearly a hundred years ago, and has covered the territory embraced in western North and South Carolina. One of the charming things about Mr. Welsh is his admiration for, and his loyalty to, the firm which he has represented.

Petty Officer Anthony Wayne Honeycutt, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Honeycutt of R-3, is home on furlough. Though not disposed to talk much, he brings back a glorious record, for he was in charge of a gun on the Boise, the warship which made such a record in the fight with the Japanese on November 12, and received such great honors for ship and crew when she arrived in port at Philadelphia, bringing in six Japanese flags. He was given 30 days leave and arrived at home last Friday. "Dad," said Anthony to his father, "you sometimes hear it said that the best men come back. This is not true with our ship, for we lost 107 of our best." Anthony Wayne, though only 25 years old, has been in the navy nearly six years. His brother, Cletus, who recently went into the navy, got his ship, the USS "When the lead sailor he pulled in last night on leave from Portsmouth, the Honeycutt family was a happy one.

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\$37.50



Exquisite diamond engagement ring mounted in platinum or white gold.

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Impressively mounted diamond heart ring with delicate carving on both sides.

\$29.75



\$29.75



White gold or platinum cross with sparkling diamond in the center.

\$12.50 up



14-k gold lady's 7 jewel watch with either bronze or black wristband.

\$24.75



Men's watch with second hand in 14-k gold. Calf strap in tan or black.

\$22.50

Beautiful birth-stone ring mounted in carved silver or gold. Choice of stone.

\$5.00

THE GIFT SHOP

All industrial and institutional users of sugar can get their January and February allotment now, it was stated at the rationing board this afternoon.

The annual Christmas tree of the First Presbyterian church Sunday school will be held in the basement of the Sunday school building Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The Benton Heights Presbyterian Sunday school will have the annual Christmas program Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

T. M. Mayfield, assistant county agent, states that Calvin Mills, R-2, Monroe, produced 10 bushels of lespedeza seed per acre on land that had not been limed and 30 bushels per acre on land that was limed. Other farmers of the county are reporting similar results where lime has been used on lespedeza. The yield of lespedeza hay has also shown similar results.

FARMERS URGED TO USE CARE IN TIMBER CUTTING

Long recognized as excellent weapons for fighting erosion, trees have now become weapons of war, C. H. King, Work Unit Conservationist, of the Brown Creek soil conservation district said this week.

"According to one agricultural authority, forests are supplying five trees for each man in the American armed forces. However, even larger amounts of wood will be required after the war is over, since normal uses of wood are now being supplied at the present," Mr. King went on to predict.

For that reason the conservationist is urging farmers to practice selective cutting to keep woodlands intact. This will keep a supply of trees coming along all the time, Mr. King says. Besides guaranteeing a permanent supply of timber for future use it also pro-

vides lumber, posts, and fuel wood for immediate sale, and maintains cover for the conservation of soil, water, and wildlife.

As a result of the present demand for lumber some farmers may be tempted to cut their woods clean. However, as the conservationist pointed out, a constant supply of wood cannot be maintained nor the maximum benefit secured by the owner if young trees are removed as soon as they have a low market value.

Farmers who would like advice with their woodland problems can get information from the conservationist or from County Agent T. J. W. Broom. Either will be glad to explain the woodland management plan recommended by the soil conservation district, Mr. King said.



R. W. BIVENS
Robert W. Bivens, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Bivens of Wingate is one of five students at State College, Raleigh, who was recently initiated into the Beta Kappa Chapter of the Eta Kappa Nu, national electrical engineering honor society, requiring high scholarship and outstanding promise in the profession.

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- No. 2 cans Tomatoes - - - - - 10c
- No. 2 1/2 can Kraut, 2 cans for - - - - 25c
- Hurff's Tomato Soup, 2 large cans for - - 25c
- Philips Vegetable Soup, 2 large cans - - - 25c
- No. 2 1/2 can Dessert Peaches, 18c can or 2 for 35c
- No. 2 cans String Beans, 2 for - - - - 25c
- No. 2 cans Beans and Potatoes, 2 for - - - 25c

Fruit Of All Kinds—All At Right Prices

- 6 large Cakes of Octagon Soap for - - - - 25c
- 6 packages Octagon Powders for - - - - 25c
- 3 small packs Rinso, Duz, Oxidol or Super Suds for - - - - 25c
- Ten 5c packs of Salt for - - - - - 25c
- 100-lbs. Salt for - - - - - \$1.10

Plenty Of Christmas Nuts

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