

POPULATION (1940 Census)	
Lincoln County	24,187
Lincolnton	4,525
Crouse	221
Iron Station	96
Denver	254

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1944 Food & Feed Goals Discussed

Home Demonstration Achievement Day For Lincoln County Held

Tri-County Horse Show In Cherryville

A tri-county horse show at which many fine horses from Gaston, Lincoln and Cleveland counties will be exhibited, will be held at the high school ball park in Cherryville, N. C., on Thanksgiving afternoon, November 25, at 2 p. m. This show, which promises to be a big event, is being sponsored by the Cherryville Lions Club.

Cash prizes and blue ribbons will be awarded to the winners in 13 classes. These classes will cover ponies, open to children of all ages; model class, open to all horses, to be shown in hand and judged on conformation only; ladies', three gaited five-gaited mares; ladies', horseman ship; gentleman's horsemanship; five-gaited stallions and geldings; pleasure horses; gentleman's three-gaited; thrill class; three-gaited stake; five-gaited stake; walking class. Those who have already received entry blank for this show will note that the walking class was inadvertently omitted. However, this class will be held and prizes awarded.

It is required that horses enter class 3 or 9 to be eligible for three-gaited stake, and class 4 or 7 to be eligible for five-gaited stake. The entry fee will be \$1.00 for each class entered, and stable facilities will be available for those wishing to remain over night. The manager and ringmaster for this event will be Beck Moehlman, of Pine Brook Farm, at Conover, and the classes, horses and owners will be called out over a loud speaker system in order that the spectators might more clearly identify each event and each horse.

Those desiring to secure entry blanks may get them from the following people: Stowe Wray, of Shelby; Ralph Leonard, of Mount Holly; Lee Scarborough, of Gastonia; Dave Warlick, of Lincolnton, and Kenneth Putnam, chairman of the committee. Interest in this event is beginning to mount steadily, and Mr. Putnam announced today that entries have already begun to come in. General admission will be 45 cents with five cents tax, making a total of 50 cents, and weather conditions agreeable, this show has all the promises of being an interesting performance. In case of inclement weather, it will be held at the same time on Saturday afternoon, November 27.

SERVED HIM RIGHT

The tightwad, out of town on his wife's birthday, sent her a check for "a million kisses," as a present. The wife, a little annoyed at his thrift, sent back a post card.

Dear Jim: Thanks for the perfectly lovely birthday check. The milkman cashed it this morning.

LOCKED UP

Mother—What are you doing in that pantry, James?
James—Oh, I was just seeing if everything was locked up tight.

Germans Are Facing Slimmer Meals As Winter Approaches

A story coming from Stockholm says that the fifth winter of the World War will be Germany's skimpiest despite Nazi boasts of a "favorable" grain harvest after two disastrous years.

The Germans backed up their boast by immediately increasing the bread rations. The opportunity was seized upon more as a boost for morale at a time when the spirit of the German people were very low because of the steady reverses and the Allied bombing warfare.

Actually it is a meaningless gesture because bread rations always have been liberal in Germany. On the other hand, the yields of fodder for livestock; potatoes and cabbage, which form the backbone of the German diet; sugar beets and other root crops are so poor even economic expert Wilhelm Packenius admitted that Germany was "not exactly blessed" in these crops. The great acreage of early and winter cabbage failed because of drought. The president therefore has warned the Germans there will be very little sauerkraut this winter.

Although the Germans have announced that grain yield averages range from "fairly good" to "good," they still have not reached a stand-

Affair Held In Court House Auditorium Last Tuesday Morning

Home Demonstration members from all over Lincoln county assembled at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday, November 16, in the auditorium of the court house to observe their annual Achievement Day.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. Henry Wood presided, and the meeting was opened with the singing of "America," followed by the Collect of the Club Women of America. Approximately 75 women from the 14 clubs answered the roll call, but other members arrived later.

Mrs. J. G. Morrison led the group in "A Litany of Our Times." Mothers with sons in the service were honored in a beautiful and impressive service in which Mrs. A. L. Blanton rendered a splendid reading of "The Mothers of Men," and the group sang "Lead On, O King Eternal."

County project leaders gave the following reports of work done this year:

1. Food Preservation, by Mrs. Guy Robinson: 52,616 containers of fruit and vegetables canned, 5,135 containers of meat canned, 6,384 other containers canned, 52,440 pounds of meat cured at home, 1,164 pounds of fruits and vegetables dried.

2. Home Management, by Mrs. June Summey: 24 homes screened, 24 laundry arrangements improved, 52 kitchens rearranged and improved, 28 storage spaces added to homes.

3. Clothing, by Mrs. Berlin Clippard: 360 club women have reported making clothes at home, 356 dresses were made, 180 coats, 52 mats, 326 children's garments remodeled.

4. Family Relationships, by Mrs. D. P. Waters.

5. Home Poultry, by Mrs. Graham Morrison: In Lincoln county we have an average of 38 laying hens per family. The poultry outlook for the county is good for the present, but with the decrease in the quantity and quality of poultry feed, extreme care must be exercised at all times to ward off deficiency diseases caused by lack of proteins in the feed.

6. Defense, by Mrs. J. G. Morrison: 154 club members are members of the Red Cross, 32 club members have had a course of First Aid, 15 club members have had a course of Home Nursing, 24 club members have had a course in Nutrition, 36,720 pounds of scrap iron has been collected by club women, 646 pounds of fat and grease has been turned in, 800 pairs of hose have been turned in, 1,040 cotton garments have been made for the Red Cross, 115 wool garments have been made, 168 garments have been knitted for the Red Cross.

7. Education, by Mrs. A. L. Blanton: The following members were awarding reading certificates: Mrs. Doras Baker, Mrs. Clarence Huss, F. W. Shrum, Mrs. A. L. Blanton, F. 4-H Club Report, by Mrs. Loy Howard: In Lincoln county we have

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NEWSPRINT CUT OF 23% RECOMMENDED

Washington, Nov. 21.—Reductions in newsprint usage for the first quarter of 1944, ranging up to 28% for larger newspapers, and amounting to a twenty-three per cent cut in total use, were recommended by the newspaper industry advisory committee of the War Production Board.

Harry M. Bitner, director of the WPB printing and publishing division, said the recommendations on a sliding scale probably would be followed in the conservation order to be issued by the division.

The twenty-three per cent reduction will be made on the basis of consumption in the first quarter of 1941.

The sliding scale ranges from no reduction for very small newspapers to twenty-eight per cent for the larger papers.

Total saving in newsprint, if the recommendations are adopted, approximate 194,000 tons.

It was indicated that deliveries of newsprint from Canada may be limited.

DRAFTED MEN'S KICK ANSWERED

State Headquarters Clarifies Status of 17 Persons Named In Circular

Raleigh, Nov. 18.—State Selective Service headquarters tonight issued a statement clarifying the classification status of 17 persons whose names were carried in a circular distributed in the vicinity of Cherryville earlier in the week and which charged that the 17 were deferred from army induction without reason.

Gen. J. Van Metts, director of Selective Service, said that only one of the 17 was incorrectly classified on the rolls of Gaston county local board No. 3, located at Cherryville, and that the others were either in the service, or were deferred on just grounds. Two of the 17 are not registered with the Cherryville board.

Metts issued this statement: "Unknown persons designated themselves as the first contingent of pre-Pearl Harbor fathers' have made public complaint of the classification of 17 registrants by Gaston county local board No. 3, Cherryville. The files of these 17 registrants have been carefully reviewed by officers in state headquarters and the following comments are made for the information of the public who might be interested in knowing the facts in each case:

Cites Facts
"Two of the 17 are not registered with the Cherryville board; three are classified in 1C, meaning that they are members of the armed forces; three are classified in 4-F after having been rejected for physical disability; two are pre-Pearl Harbor fathers whose order numbers have not yet been reached by the local board in its consideration of fathers; five are on replacement schedules for withdrawal of men for the armed forces from essential industrial industries; one is a professional man in a field of service recognized as essential in support of the public health by the War Man-Power Commission; and the remaining person is not correctly classified under current policy.

He said two of the three listed as being in the service were officers in the Medical Administrative Corps, while the third was inducted on September 21, 1943. Each of the three was called for induction but were rejected, were turned down at the point of induction and not by local physicians.

Of the five who were listed as being on replacement schedules, Gen. Metts said:

Explains Further
"One of these men is manager of a large cotton mill which is 90 per cent on war orders. Another is president and general manager of an organization contributing to the war effort. Another is superintendent of a department in an organization which is contributing to the war effort, while still another is a graduate chemical engineer who is using his ability 100 per cent for the war effort."
Metts said only the engineer was unmarried.

In the one instance where incorrect classification was admitted, Gen. Metts said the registrant in question was a professional student pursuing a course of study which entitles him to deferment consideration. However, Gen. Metts said the student's college had not filed proper certification for the student and deferment is not justified in the absence of this certification.

Thanksgiving Program At Asbury School On Wednesday, Nov. 24th

There will be a Thanksgiving program at Asbury School, Wednesday, November 24th, at 10 o'clock.

An interesting play "Seeds of Freedom" has been prepared by the sixth grades.

This program was prepared for the P.T.A., but because the time was needed for a guest speaker, it was postponed. We are especially anxious for the parents and friends to enjoy this program, and are extending them a cordial invitation.

Despite Foul Weather Allies Better Positions For Blow At Nazi Winter Line

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Nov. 31.—In sharp fighting Allied armies have captured four key points along the Italian front—Agnone, Archi, Castel San Vincenzo and Rocchetta—straightening out their line and shortening it by some 20 miles, Allied headquarters announced today.

In capturing Agnone, the veterans of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery ironed out an eight-mile deep German salient which extended from Carovilli to Salcito in the central sector and which had prevented the Allies from using all of the lateral highway running from Vasto to the Adriatic to Isernia in the mountains.

Overrunning Agnone without meeting opposition, the Eighth army plunged on beyond.

Near the Adriatic the troops under Montgomery also pushed forward to capture Archi and nearby heights 13 miles from the sea.

Another three mile advance was

U. S. Forces Land On Gilbert Islands

Since the Japanese on Tarawa had been holding out for 24 hours when the communication was issued, it appeared that American forces were up against a win, die or retreat proposition.

Gilbert Islands
Makin and Tarawa are in the Gilbert islands, British mandated territory which was seized by the Japanese in December, 1941. The American attack here means a 700-mile extension of the arc operations on the perimeter of Japan's southeastern frontier.

These operations extend from New Guinea northward through the Solomons and to a point 2,300 miles from Hawaii. It brings major Allied forces in the Central Pacific to a point north of the equator for the first time.

It was disclosed that army artillery and other units besides infantry were among the assault troops.

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Paul W. Newton Enters Wofford

Aviation Student Paul W. Newton, 24, of Vale, has arrived at Wofford College, S. C., for course of instruction lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an aviation cadet in the Army Air Forces Flying Training Command. During this period he will take numerous academic courses as well as elementary flying training. Upon completion of the course he will be classified as a navigator, pilot or bombardier and go on to schools of the Flying Training Command for training in these specialties.

Meeting Called By County Agent And Information Given

Friday night, Nov. 19, a meeting was called by J. G. Morrison, county agent, to discuss the food and feed situation for 1944. At the meeting Mr. Morrison introduced the following speakers: Mr. H. C. Holmes, of the Extension Service, in Raleigh, brought out that North Carolina has 15 per cent more livestock than ever before and only 15 per cent as much feed grown, thereby forcing the farmers to sell their livestock at a sacrifice. He urged that the farmers grow more feed in 1944 and hold on to all the livestock they can feed.

Fertilizer also was discussed. There will be an ample supply for all farmers, but they should buy it early thereby avoiding a delay in last minute buying, due to the shortage of labor.

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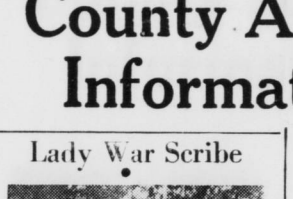
Livestock and Poultry
Milk cows, 4,900; other dairy cattle, 1,958; milk produced, 19,844 pounds; beef cows, 1,500; other beef cattle, 983; total all cattle and calves, 9,341; sheep and lambs, 98; sows farrowed for spring, 623; sows farrowed for fall, 544; commercial broilers, 107,519; chickens raised, 215,345; laying hens, 119,738; eggs produced, 1,417,616; turkeys raised, 2,000.

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Lady War Scribe



Busily taking notes is Mrs. Lottain Stumm, first woman war correspondent at New Guinea. Col. Neel E. Kearby, center, is telling her and Peter Hemery, right, how he brought down six enemy aircraft over Wewak.

DRAFT QUOTA TO BE CUT SHARPLY IN N. C. IN 1944

Raleigh, Nov. 21.—A sharp reduction in the states draft quota is expected in January, Brig. Gen. J. Van B. Metts, selective service director, said today.

Back from a selective service conference in Washington, he said that draft calls at the beginning of the year would serve as replacements for men wounded or killed in action.

Secretary of War Stimson announced sometime ago that the army draft quota per month, starting in January, 1944, would call for 75,000 men in the nation. Broken down among the 48 states, that would give North Carolina an estimated quota of from 2,500 to 3,000 men, officials estimated.

At the present, the states quota each month is around 19,000 men, of whom 11,000 are white registrants and 8,000 are Negroes.

The number of youths turning 18 years of age each month in North Carolina is estimated at 1,800, indicating that those in that category would fill the majority of the quotas, officials said.

Gen. Metts said he did not know what effect compromise legislation in Congress would have on the drafting of fathers. The bill would place pre-Pearl Harbor fathers at the bottom of the draft list, calling them on a national and state basis.

Annual Christmas Seal Drive Begins In Lincolnton Today

The 1943 Christmas Seal Sale opens today and will continue until Christmas. The funds from the sale finance the year-round work of the Tuberculosis Association.

Lincoln County's goal this year is \$350, Miss Helen Stroupe, County chairman for the drive, announced. Approximately five hundred letters, containing seals, have been mailed to citizens today. Seals will also be sold through the schools and at booths in the business section on Saturdays.

The artist of this year's seal is Andre Dugo, internationally known painter. The seal's picture is that of a small girl looking through a window at Santa Claus driving across the sky.

The Christmas Seal Sale, held by the association in conjunction with the nation-wide campaign, is the only appeal made throughout the year for funds to support the work of tuberculosis control. Ninety-five percent of the money raised through the sale remains in the state. Five percent goes to the National Tuberculosis Association which, in addition to many activities in tuberculosis work on a national level, supports extensive medical research in the

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Farmers Urged To Hold On To All Livestock They Can Possibly Feed

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communicated spoke of "firm defensive battles" which it said Nazi units fought there.

Conflicting Claims
A claim that the Germans had driven back in the last 48 hours in the Zhitomir-Orostyshev region to within 40 miles of Kiev was made in a broadcast dispatch of the German DNB news agency, but the Russian war bulletin recorded here by the Soviet monitor from a broadcast flatly declared that Red army troops "continued to repulse" large German forces in this area.

German Field Marshal Gen. Fritz von Mannstein, on this the eighth day of the bloody fighting in the northern Dkraiue region, struck at the Kiev bulge with waves of infantry and tanks. His troops, however, were facing the crack Russian Ukrainian army that was fighting on the scene of the Russians' greatest setback in their 1943 campaign.

The German military commentator, Col. Von Hammer, said that the Nazi spearheads were about 50 miles east of the key rail and highway junction of Zhitomir, from which the Russians were forced Friday.

