

POPULATION (1940 Census)	
Lincoln County	24,187
Lincolnton	4,626
Crouse	221
Iron Station	98
Denver	254

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War Loan Drive Committee Meets

J. A. Ardrey, 50, Highway Employee, Killed In Accident

WILL SPEAK ON BAPTIST PROGRAM



DR. RALPH A. HERRING

Dr. Ralph A. Herring, of Winston-Salem, N. C., will be heard on the program of the Baptist Hour next Sunday morning, 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock (EWT) over Stations WPTF of Raleigh and WBIG of Greensboro, according to Dr. F. S. Lowe, Atlanta, Ga., chairman of the Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. His subject, "The Primacy of the Spiritual," will be of special interest to people everywhere in these crucial days through which we pass, according to Mr. Lowe.

Dr. Herring, popular pastor of the First Baptist church of Winston-Salem, is a trusted servant of the Baptist denomination, being past vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, now president of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, and also serving as trustee of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky., and North Carolina member of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Baptist Hour programs are broadcast over an independent Southern network of 32 stations, covering the territory from the East Coast to the far Southwest, and are sponsored by the Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The speakers for the following three Sundays of January will be: On January 16, Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, of Richmond, Va.

On January 23, Dr. Harold M. Tribble, of Louisville, Ky.

On January 30, Dr. C. C. Warren, of Charlotte, N. C.

To sour sweet milk add two tablespoons of vinegar to one cup of sweet milk to achieve a product similar to butterfat. Add the vinegar slowly, stirring constantly.

Russians Seize Nazi Bastion Of Berdichev

Scope Of Operations Reveals Battle To Crush Troops In Dnieper Bend Begun

London, Jan. 5.—The Russian First Ukrainian army today captured the railway junction of Berdichev, pivotal bulwark of the German line protecting Poland and Rumania, after five days fighting, Premier Marshal Joseph Stalin announced in a special order of the day tonight.

Berdichev, 25 miles south of Zhitomir, is the former headquarters of German Field Marshal Gen. Fritz von Manstein. Its capture increased the communication links between the Russian westward drive into prewar Poland and southwestward drive toward the Rumanian frontier.

Stalin's announcement came after a delay of more than an hour in the broadcast of the regular Moscow communique—indicating that capture was completed only a short time before the announcement was made public.

The Germans, earlier, had admitted evacuating the eastern portion of the manufacturing town which had a prewar population of 51,000. It is on the trunk east-west railway from Kowel in Poland to Kazatin and connects with the Kiev-Vinnitsa railway 45 miles north of Vinnitsa.

Was Working On Truck At State Highway Garage Where Accident Occurred

Joseph Alexander Ardrey, 50, was killed almost instantly shortly after noon Tuesday while at work on a truck at the state highway garage on Route 27, a short distance from Lincolnton. He was under the truck releasing oil when the dump body fell, striking him on the head. He had been chief mechanic for the state highway department in Lincolnton for the past six years.

Mr. Ardrey is survived by his wife, the former Miss Katherine Johnston, of Pineville; two daughters, Misses Katie Joe and Amelia Ardrey; and four sisters, Mrs. J. H. Belk, Mrs. L. L. Downs and Misses Helen and Louise Ardrey, all of Pineville.

He was born March 13, 1893, in Pineville, where he spent the greater part of his life. He was a veteran of World War No. 1, a member of the American Legion, of the First Methodist church of this city, and of Excelsior Lodge of Masons in Charlotte.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from his former home in Pineville and interment was in the Pineville cemetery.

Since coming to Lincolnton six years ago Mr. Ardrey and his family had made numerous friends to whom his tragic death will bring genuine sorrow.

PINEHURST NAMED AS POSSIBLE SITE OF MONEY PARLEY

International Monetary Conference May Be Held At Sandhills Resort

Washington, Jan. 4.—Pinehurst, N. C., has been mentioned as a possible site of an international monetary conference to consider postwar reconstruction and trade.

It was also learned that the Treasury had sent invitations to the conference to 44 nations.

Specifically, the conference will consider tentative Treasury proposals for an \$8,000,000,000 currency stabilization fund and a \$10,000,000,000 world bank for reconstruction and development.

Officials said enough acceptances had been received to assure success of the conference, but added that no date had yet been set. The conference is expected to be held in some other locality than Washington, and in this connection the North Carolina resort town has been mentioned as a possible site.

Woodson Sigmon, 66, Dies Wednesday

Woodson Pinkney Sigmon, 66, cabinet maker employed by the Goodin Burris Furniture Company, died yesterday morning while on a visit to friends in Hickory.

He is survived by two brothers, A. D. Sigmon, of Maiden, and J. Frank Sigmon, of Virginia, and two sisters, Mrs. A. B. Weathers, of Maiden, and Mrs. John Williams, of Maiden.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from the home of Mrs. Weathers by Rev. Roy Williams, and interment will follow in the Maiden cemetery.

Supplying Marines on Apamama



Marines and navy Seabees roll drums of gasoline and fuel all through the water at Apamama, one of the Gilbert atolls that fell to the marines. The defending Japanese offered only light resistance to the invaders at this point.

Mrs. Minnie C. Fox, 89, Beloved Woman, Is Victim Of Death

Is 1000th Baby At Edwards Clinic

Claudia Kay Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Willis, of Vale, Route 2, has the distinction of being the one thousandth baby born at the Edwards Clinic at Toluca, and because of this distinction the baby has been presented a \$25 war bond by Dr. F. D. Edwards, owner of the clinic.

Claudia Kay was born October 22, 1943, and weighed five and three-quarter pounds. Her weight is now ten and one-half pounds.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

A realty transfer made almost 46 years ago was recorded this week in the office of W. H. Boring, register of deeds. The deed, dated March 12, 1898, transferred property in Catawba Springs township from Calvin and Rebecca Sherrill to John Harwell. No reason was given for the long delay in registering the transfer.

Other deeds filed were: Kyle H. Boliek to Harvey A. Jonas, Jr., property in Lincoln county.

Harvey A. Jonas, Jr., and wife, Celestine Jonas, to B. L. Beal, property in Lincoln county.

Z. C. Parker and wife, M. M. Parker, to Juugeson Leatherman and wife, Charline, property in North Brook township.

C. D. Stroup and wife, Vera Seagle Stroup, to Otto Bumgarner and wife, Mollie Goodson Bumgarner, lots in Lincolnton township.

Kemp Hager and wife, Ora Belle, to C. A. Broome and wife, Nancy, property in Catawba Springs township.

Harry E. Arthur and wife, Vevette, to Mrs. Vera Seagle Stroup, property in Ward 1, Lincolnton.

Otto Bumgarner and wife, Mollie, to Harry E. Arthur and wife, Vevette, property in Ironton township.

C. B. Hoke and wife, Lois, to William Clay Graham and wife, Ollie Odessa, property in Catawba Springs township.

J. P. Helderman and wife, Lucy, to E. C. Davis, tract in Lincoln county.

Sadie L. Lineberger to A. E. Miller and wife, Henry Patience Miller, the Lineberger home place on East Main street.

M. T. Leatherman and wife, Mattie, to Remus Bryan, property in Ironton township.

Kemp B. Nixon to Viola Foster, tract in Ironton township.

Chas. A. Jonas, commissioner, to D. F. Mosteller, property in Howard's Creek township.

SPANIARDS STILL FIGHTING

New York, Jan. 5.—Spanish soldiers are fighting side by side with the Germans on the Volkhov front in northern Russia despite assertions by Gen. Francisco Franco's government that all Spaniards have been called home, a Russian communique asserted today. The communique, broadcast from Moscow and recorded by United States government monitors, quoted a captured Spanish soldier, Jesus Peres Sanchez, as authority for the assertion.

Short Funeral Service Will Be Conducted From Home At 3 P. M. This Afternoon

Mrs. Minnie C. Fox, widow of Dr. A. C. Fox, passed away at her home here yesterday afternoon at the age of 89. She had been ill for the past two years, her condition taking a decided turn for the worse 24 hours before her death.

Mrs. Fox, before her marriage to Dr. Fox on October 14, 1874, was Miss Minnie Coyner, a member of an old and prominent Virginia family. She was born at Waynesboro September 17, 1854, and made her home in Virginia until the family moved to Lincolnton twenty years ago.

Survivors are five daughters, Mrs. Bessie Roberts, of Brenem, Texas; Mrs. Edna Haynes, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Lucille Shephard, of Washington, D. C., and Misses Lottie and Lillian Fox, of this city; one son, Loomis Fox, of Charlotte; two sisters, Mrs. Willie Earley and Mrs. Hortense Cullen, of Catonsville, Md. Mrs. Fox was a woman of rare intellect and a delightful conversationalist. During her residence in Lincolnton she had gathered about her a wide circle of friends and to these she was ever loyal. She was a devoted mother and the unselfish care of her son and daughters during her last illness was marked.

A short service will be conducted from the home this afternoon at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. A. B. McClure, and the body will be taken tomorrow morning to Waynesboro, from which place funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Burial will be made by the side of Dr. Fox, whose death occurred 18 years ago.

MRS. H. W. WEIDNER CLAIMED BY DEATH

Word has been received in this city of the death of Mrs. H. W. Weidner on December 31 at her home in Essington, Pa. News of her passing came to Mrs. Fitzhugh Hoyle in a letter from Mrs. Helen Lynch, sister of Mrs. Weidner.

The immediate cause of her death was pneumonia, though she had not been well for the past several months.

Mrs. Weidner made her home in Lincolnton for a number of years while Mr. Weidner was superintendent of the old Daniel Mill and later the Boger & Crawford Spinning Co. After the death of Mr. Weidner nine years ago Mrs. Weidner went back to Philadelphia to make her frequent trips back to Lincolnton, her visits always being a source of much pleasure to her large number of friends here.

The message to Mrs. Hoyle did not say, but it is presumed that burial was made in the Weidner family plot in Chester, Pa.

F. D. R. WORKS ON SPEECH

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Roosevelt, recovering from the gripe, was well enough today to start work on his annual message to Congress, to be delivered Tuesday. He had no appointments, however, and remained in his bedroom to work.

COUNTY BOARD MEETS AND PAYS DECEMBER BILLS

County bills for the month of December were approved by the Board of County Commissioners in Monday's session as follows:

John F. Setzer, \$5.50, supplies for tax office; So. Bell Telephone Co., \$4.50, for AAA office; Mitchell Printing Co., \$93.64, supplies for clerk of court; So. Bell Telephone Co., \$3.50, civilian defense headquarters; Lincoln Cut Rate Drugs, \$1.60, supplies for rationing board; So. Bell Tel. Co., \$5.25, county agent's office; Dixie Grocery Co., \$3.25, supplies for court house; So. Bell Tel. Co., \$5.60, welfare office; Lincoln Cut Rate Drugs, \$1.35, drugs county home; Siler City Ptg. Co., \$48.00, supplies tax office; So. Bell Tel. Co., \$3.95, register of deeds office; National Used Car Market Report, Inc., \$7.50, supplies for tax office; Thos. E. Rhodes, \$9.60, recorder's court liabilities; Highland Water Co., \$1.50, water connection county home; So. Bell Tel. Co., \$8.75, rationing board office; Thos. E. Rhodes, \$10.55, telephone, box rent and stamps; H. C. Wilkinson, \$35.00, transporting patient to Raleigh; So. Bell Tel. Co., \$2.75, civilian defense office; Mauney Grocery Co., \$7.00, supplies court house; Lawing & Costner, \$8.60, supplies county home; George E. Rudisill, \$6.43, telephone and telegraph; R. B. Gates, \$12.75, supplies tax office; R. Blair Sullivan, \$9.00, work on tax books; Pink Caldwell, \$185.04, keeping county jail; Frank P. Heavner, \$42.50, expense holding inquest J. R. Goins case; Gerdon P. Baxter, \$147.15, salary keeping county house; P. A. Hoover, \$10.80, salary commissioner; C. L. Beam, \$11.50, salary commissioner; Don Cherry, \$12.10, salary commissioner; J. H. Shrum, \$10.40, salary commissioner; W. E. Garrison, \$30.00, salary commissioner; Duke Power Co., \$12.67, lights county home; Belk Schrum Co., \$7.00, supplies county home; Belk Schrum Co., 98 cents, supplies court house; Belk Schrum Co., \$1.60, supplies county jail; Ramseur Hardware Co., \$8.96, supplies court house; Ford's Roofing and Heating Co., \$4, repairs to jail.

26 TO REPORT FOR INDUCTION

The following colored men have been ordered to report for induction January 11, 1944, at 8:45 a. m. for trip to Fort Bragg:

- Leonard Martin Foster.
- Earl Jetter.
- Thomas Fletcher Caldwell.
- Walter William Surratt.
- Frank William Davidson.
- Joe William Thompson.
- Hugh Derr.
- Solomon Derr.
- Nixon Nixon.
- John Pyant.
- James David Hunter.
- James Alexander Hart.
- James Evans.
- John David Pounds.
- Dennis Reid Gibbs.
- Earl Walton Foster.
- Edward Nathaniel Cobb.
- William Henry Rice.
- William Paul Robinson.
- Edward Jolly.
- Lunnie Charles Shuford.
- Tench Carson Lander.
- Sammy Joe Farley.
- Cleve Patterson.
- James Thomas Logan.
- William Easter Pope.

Finds Lincolnton Names In R. C. Book

S-Sgt. John R. Lackey, who is somewhere in Australia, was happy several weeks ago to find the names of a number of Lincolnton boys in the Red Cross book in that vicinity, and now he is making an effort to contact these boys.

In his letter to his mother, Mrs. Clyde Lackey, written January 3, he said: "Last night I was looking in the Red Cross book, in which the fellows write their names and where they are from. Well, I found these names: Floyd Carpenter, Jack Rhodes, John R. Hartsoe, Marshall Shuford and Reeves H. Harless, all from Lincolnton. They're all around here close except Floyd Carpenter. I am going to look them up just as soon as I have time. Sure will be nice to see somebody from home."

Sgt. Lackey gets his mail from APO 922, care Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

When grandpa was a boy they did not worry so much about the traffic problem. For instance most of the traveling was done on a bob-sled.

Campaign Rapidly Getting Underway As Opening Nears

Predicts '44 Victory



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was named commander of the main European invasion force. When he led the Allies to take over his new post he flatly announced: "We will win the European war in 1944."

War Workers Are Urged To Accept Duties By Chairman

Joe A. Polhill, campaign chairman of Lincoln County Fourth War Loan Drive, called his organization together for their first meeting at Waldgreen dining room Monday, January 3.

The executive committee, under Mr. Polhill, is composed of H. W. Rudisill, chairman War Finance Committee; Mrs. Walter Costner, Women's Division; S. Ray Lowder, City Activities; J. E. Henley, Commercial Activities; Jack Llewellyn, Industrial Activities; Herbert Miller, County Activities; Crawford Poag, Publicity; Mrs. G. W. Tobey, Secretary, and M. B. Winstead, Banking Activities. S. E. Biggers and wife, Annie W. Biggers, will handle the colored division.

All committees were charged with their respective duties and each assured the chairman of their cooperation. Mr. Polhill expressed his gratitude and stated that he felt certain that this would be the best drive yet put on if every one will pitch right in and make it go.

Only one hitch came up at the meeting. Mrs. Walter Costner reported that the women of the community were found to be rather reluctant to take on this work at this time, and she is having difficulty in securing an adequate staff of workers. Every one is worn out now from the strain of the war and holiday activities, but we must not let down on the home front. All indications point to a very heavy offensive action taking place some time in the near future. To bring this action to a successful conclusion, it is absolutely necessary that each American citizen at home do his utmost in every way. The easiest, and, at the same time, the most profitable way is to help through the purchase of War Bonds. Accepting the task asked of you in seeing that every person is contacted and urged to buy bonds is your duty to your country. Your sons and daughters are scattered throughout the world today fighting with everything they have in order that you may enjoy the American way of life, comparatively free from restrictions. So do not shirk your duty when asked to help with the Fourth War Loan Drive. To do so may mean the lives of many of your own sons and daughters and can mean defeat and subjugation for our country.

Watch this paper for further announcements concerning this drive, and when the time comes do your job in a way that will make you proud to face the boys when they come back to us.

ARRIVES IN ENGLAND

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Keener have received a letter from their son-in-law, Sgt. Howard Burris, announcing his safe arrival somewhere in England. Before going overseas he was stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala. Sgt. Burris now gets his mail from APO 513, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Most folks would have more confidence in the "hold-the-line" policy if it was really being held.

American Bombers Hit Kiel Shipyards

Germans Meet Heavy Planes With New Type Of Bombs Towed By Long Wires

London, Jan. 5.—American heavy bombers—plowing through a strong defense which included rocket planes and ME-110s towing what appeared to be new type anti-aircraft bombs—struck the Kiel shipyards today for the third time in three weeks and ranged across a record 800-mile front to blast airfields at Bordeaux and Tours in France and other targets in western Germany.

(A British radio broadcast recorded by the FCC said Hanover, 140 miles south of Kiel and the same distance west of Berlin, was attacked by more than 700 planes.)

It was officially announced that 95 enemy aircraft were destroyed during the day, 62 by Fortress and Liberator gunners and 33 by fighters, while 25 bombers and 12 of the supporting fighters failed to return.

Record Raids

Never before in a major in a major operation has the U. S. Eighth Air Force been able to attack targets so far apart as Kiel and Bordeaux or been able to execute so many diversionary thrusts. The airline distance from Kiel, a German north seaport to Bordeaux, in southwestern France, is 800 miles.

It was the second attack in two days on Kiel. That city's shipyards and railway targets at Muenster, also in northwest Germany, were struck by U. S. heavy bombers Tuesday in one of the greatest daylight aerial assaults ever visited on Hitler's European fortress. Counting American and British fighter escorts the fleet in that attack consisted of some 1,500 planes. Between the two Kiel stabs, R.A.F. Mosquito

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