

POPULATION (1940 Census)	
Lincoln County	24,187
Lincolnton	4,525
Crouse	221
Iron Station	96
Denver	354

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E Bond Sales Far Below Quota Here

Army Needing Men Under 19-Years-Old On All War Fronts

Distinguished Flying Cross Awarded Capt. Robert S. Rudisill



CAPT. ROBT. S. RUDISILL

A Ninth Air Force Bomber Base, France.—For successfully restoring order to a formation of U. S. Ninth Air Force A-20 Havocs after flak fire had broken up the leading flight of the planes, Capt. Robert S. Rudisill, 22, son of Mrs. Cora Leola Rudisill, of 302 Bonview street, Lincolnton, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

The action took place on May 27 in a raid against the railroad yards at Amiens, France. A control cable of Capt. Rudisill's airplane was destroyed by German ground fire and other flak bursts damaged the Havoc's electrical system, deflated the nose wheel tire, and produced over thirty holes in the fuselage. Despite the heavy anti-aircraft fire, Capt. Rudisill led his formation up to restore order and bombed the target with excellent results.

A veteran of 61 bombings missions over German targets, Capt. Rudisill also holds the Air Medal with 11 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters. His wife, Mrs. Constance Rudisill, resides at Haines City, Fla.

QUAKE REPORTED TO HAVE STRUCK JAPANESE AREA

A violent earthquake, described by observers as "catastrophic," struck in the vicinity of Japan yesterday, third anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

There was no direct word from the Japanese, but seismograph stations around the world required a prolonged earthquake of terrific intensity, conceivably centered on the Japanese mainland.

The shocks were reported by scientists in England, Switzerland, Germany, India and the United States.

Each observatory said the tremors were "extremely violent." In West Bromwich, England, Seismologist J. J. Shaw said "the whole earth" had vibrated nearly six hours after the shock.

ROUNDUP OF WAR

WESTERN FRONT—U. S. First Army captures four towns, battles into three others in fresh drive against enemy footholds west of Roer river; to South American Third Army repulses four attacks against its Saar bridgeheads; bombers pound Rhineland rail targets.

PACIFIC FRONT—Yanks capture Ormoc Japanese supply port on western Leyte island; MacArthur says many thousand enemy troops trapped south of the port; Tokyo reports another superfortress raid on Japan.

EASTERN FRONT—Russians seize Alsoged, seven miles north of Budapest, in six-mile advance along Danube; forty other localities also swept up.

SOUTHERN FRONT—Heavy fighting rages in Greek civil war; in Italy, American bombers hurl fragmentation bombs on German lines around Faenza.

ASIATIC FRONT—Chinese report recapture of Hsiasu, say Japanese in Kweichow province fleeing; Yank flyers announce blows at Hong Kong, Nanking, and Anking, sinking destroyer and destroying 56 Japanese planes.

Says Tempo Has Stepped Up, Bulk Of Army In Action; Casualties Now 474,898.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Eighteen-year-old soldiers are now being sent to the battle front because of "urgent military requirements," the army disclosed today.

Undersecretary of War Patterson said at a news conference that the Army has departed from its policy of not sending men under 19 years overseas for infantry or armored force duty. He gave these reasons:

The tempo of operations has been stepped up greatly.

The bulk of the Army is in action, and accordingly, the need for replacements has increased.

The supply of replacements from the pool of men 19 and over has decreased because the percentage of inductees in that age group has fallen.

Casualties 474,898.

His discussion of the use of 19-year-olds came shortly after he had reported in a weekly war review that U. S. Army casualties since Pearl Harbor now total 474,898. Referring to the unprecedented scale of battle on the western front, Patterson said:

"We are suffering severe casualties and are facing the grim prospect of more to come."

"The enemy, however, is suffering even more."

To some extent, the effectives lost through casualties are replaced by the return to duty of wounded men. Of 268,099 Army men wounded since Pearl Harbor, 126,440 have gone back to duty. This does not mean that all of them were able to return to the firing front. A great many are used only behind the lines or within the United States.

Sgt. H. H. Biggerstaff Arrives From Overseas

Sgt. Harlen H. Biggerstaff, of Vale, Route 3, N. C., arrived today at the Asheville, N. C., Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station, where he will spend approximately ten days awaiting reassignment to duty.

Sgt. Biggerstaff has returned from 54 months service in the Central Pacific and will have access to all recreational facilities while he is at this resort town including swimming, golf, tennis and mountain climbing. Full hotel service will be extended to him. The furnishings in the rooms and lobbies have been retained and the mess halls are converted hotel restaurants.

The primary mission of this station, which is under the command of Col. Ulric N. James, is to obtain maximum possible utilization of returned troops to future assignments. This mission is carried out through painstaking physical and occupational examinations.

Processing will take about two days and following that his time will be his own. If he wishes to play ball, he may, and if he wants to just sit and relax, he can. Within a few miles of the redistribution station he can visit such scenic wonders as Bridal Veil Falls, Chimney Rock, Mount Mitchell (the tallest peak in Eastern America), Nantahala Gorge, the Cherokee Reservation, Lake Junaluska and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

PRODUCTION OF ARTILLERY SHELLS TO BE STEPPED UP

Washington, Dec. 4.—Production of artillery shells at a rate 22 per cent higher than the present accelerated output has been tentatively set for 1945, reliable sources reported today.

The new War Department schedule, already discussed with manpower and production officials, calls for 65 per cent more rounds of artillery ammunition next year than previously had been contemplated, it was said.

New labor supply problems are expected. Some officials estimated that 150,000 workers would be needed to meet the new goal, in addition to some 300,000 men and women now sought for munition plants.

The soaring demand for big shells was interpreted in official quarters as a response to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's announced determination to keep pounding the entire length of the Nazi West Wall until German colapses, no matter how long it takes.

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Lincoln County Service Men in Camps Or
In The Fighting Overseas

—Then—

Buy Another That Other Sons and Fathers
May Not Have To Die!

E Bond Quota\$232,000
E Bond Sales100,000

Yet To Go\$132,000

**ONLY SIX MORE DAYS IN THE SIXTH
WAR LOAN DRIVE!**

Date Is Changed For Filing Declarations Of Estimated Tax

Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue, today reminded individual income taxpayers that Congress has changed from December 15, 1944, to January 15, 1945, the final date for filing Declarations of Estimated Income Tax, either original (as in the case of farmers), or amended, and paying of installments of estimated tax for the calendar year 1944.

Among the taxpayers affected by this change in dates are: farmers who exercised their right to defer filing declarations last April 15; others who have already filed 1944 declarations but desire to change their estimates by filing amended declarations; all persons who owe the final installment of 1944 estimated tax.

If a taxpayer who would otherwise be required to file an original or amended declaration of estimated tax by January 15, 1945, files his annual income tax return for 1944 (on Form 1040) and pays all tax due by January 15, his return will serve as both a return and declaration and he need not file the 1944 declaration.

Also, if a taxpayer files his final 1944 return (on Form 1040) and pays the tax due on it by January 15, he need not pay the final installment, which otherwise would be due on his estimated tax.

A bill from the collector for the final installment of 1944 estimated tax may be ignored by a taxpayer who filed his annual return (on Form 1040) and pays the tax due on it by January 15.

These changes will enable a taxpayer, if he desires to do so, to wind up all of his 1944 income tax obligations by January 15, but it does not affect the filing of his 1945 declaration which will be due March 15. Also taxpayers who do not file their final 1944 returns by January 15 must do so by March 15.

SPECIAL STRESS PLACED ON SALE OF THE 'E' BONDS

Washington, Dec. 4.—Treasury officials in charge of the war bond drive now are laying particular stress on the sale of Series "E" bonds. These are the bonds designed for small investors, and they are the only ones for which sales are running behind schedule. The "E" bond quota of two billion five hundred million dollars may seem small in comparison to the grand quota for all classes of bonds, which is 15 billion dollars. But the treasury points out that if the "E" series goal is reached, it will mean that about seventy million individual "E" bonds will have been bought throughout the country.

According to the treasury, the worst lag in "E" bond sales is in the farm belt states of Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri. Pacific Coast states also are behind schedule, as are the eastern seaboard states except Georgia.

Despite the "E" bond lag, total figures for all types of bonds are well ahead of expectations. In fact, the present grand total of more than three and one-half billion dollars is a comfortable one billion above advance situation.

Miss Ruby Hoover To Graduate Dec. 15

The Gordon Crowell Memorial Hospital, School of Nursing, announces the graduation of Miss Ruby Jean Hoover on December the fifteenth, nineteen hundred and forty-four, Lincolnton, North Carolina.

PFC. FRANK HULL, JR. MISSING IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hull, of Vale, Route 2, have been notified by the War Department that their son, Pfc. Frank Hull, Jr., is missing in action. He had recently been reported slightly wounded and had returned to duty.

HOUSE APPROVES FIVE-STAR RANK FOR ARMY, NAVY

Washington, Dec. 8.—The House passed a bill today to create wartime five-star Army and Navy commanders.

The legislation is a possible forerunner to a move to give the Navy a permanent admiral with a rank high enough to match Gen. John J. Pershing's "General of the Armies of the United States"—highest military title in the nation.

Today's bill, which now goes to the Senate, provides four appointments each of "General of the Army" and "Admiral of the Fleet" for the war's duration. Guessing for the House, Vinson predicted the jobs would go to these men:

For the Army: General George C. Marshall, chief of staff; General H. H. Arnold, head of the Air Forces; Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower; and Gen. Douglas MacArthur. All are now four-star generals.

For the Navy: Admiral William D. Leahy, the President's chief of staff; Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the Navy; Admiral Chester Nimitz and Admiral William F. Halsey.

"But I'm merely guessing," Vinson told the House.

Adoption of the five-star bill would give Pershing the right to wear six stars.

The five-star bill retains the present basic pay of top commanders—\$8,000—but increases the personal money allowances from \$2,200 to \$5,000 a year.

FATHER OF 27 CHILDREN DIES

Funeral Rites For H. B. Garris Of Near Lincolnton Will Be Held Today.

H. B. Garris, 75, father of 27 children, 18 of whom are living, died at his home near Lincolnton Saturday afternoon. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at McKendree Methodist church, on the Lincolnton-Maiden highway, with Rev. J. T. Bowman officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Mr. Garris was a native of Chester county, S. C.

Mr. Garris was twice married. His first wife was Miss Elva Fincher. After her death he married Miss Mollie Ghant. She survives him. Surviving children are D. J. Garris, of Great Falls, S. C.; W. B. Garris, of Rock Hill, S. C.; Mrs. B. H. Pyler, of Charlotte; Mrs. W. B. Belk, of Fort Mill, S. C.; Mrs. V. V. Thomas, of Bessemer City; Mrs. W. H. Rollings and Mrs. Fred Lowery, of Lancaster, S. C.; Mrs. B. C. Watkins, of Rutherfordton; B. S. Garris, of South Bay, Fla.; Mrs. Jackson Carter, of Marion, N. C.; M. T. Cecil, Dallas, Broadus, Harner and Miss Clara Jean Garris, of the home; and Boyd and Mack Garris, both in the armed service overseas. In addition, 44 grandchildren survive.

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GERMAN LOSSES PASS 4,000 A DAY ALLIES' HIGH TOO

Paris, Dec. 5.—(AP)—At supreme headquarters, it was said today that the winter campaign which became general on November 16 started off at a rate costing the Germans four thousand men daily in dead and long term casualties.

Enemy losses now are estimated to be running much heavier, representing a terrific drain on the Wehrmacht's thinning manpower. The Twelfth and Sixth Army Groups comprising one French and four American armies alone have captured sixty-seven thousand prisoners in three weeks.

Headquarters released no figure on Allied casualties, but General Eisenhower's men were bearing the burden of the attack and this indicated their losses, too, were heavy.

The Germans had studied the East bank section of Saarlautern with concrete advance posts of their Siegfried Line belt. Patton's following forces still were beating street by street, at nests of Germans still in the city of 32,000, second largest in the Saarland.

The enemy was trying frantically

People In Town And County Asked to Buy Before December 16

Woodside Church Dedicated Sunday



CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR.

Impressive ceremonies marked the dedication of the Church of Our Savior at Woodside yesterday afternoon. Presided over by the Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, the service was attended by a capacity congregation. The choir of the church was assisted by the choir and acolytes of St. Luke's Church of Lincolnton. The procession of choir and clergy began in the first floor Sunday School rooms, and led by John Seagle, grandson of Mrs. John Hoke, one of the oldest members at Woodside, carrying a Processional Cross, marched to the front of the church. Bishop Gribbin and the Rev. Boston Lackey and Rev. Grant Folmsbee read Psalm 24 responsively as they entered the church.

The Bishop then prayed for God's blessing upon the church, mentioning each activity and service that might take place in it. The Certificate of Consecration was read by the priest in charge at Woodside, the Rev. Grant Folmsbee, and placed upon the altar. After further prayers, the congregation and visitors welcomed by Rev. Folmsbee. A hymn was sung, and then the Rev. Boston Lackey preached the sermon. He touched upon the influence of the chapels that had stood in that place since the work was begun in 1881, especially upon himself. He referred to many whose efforts had nurtured the children in godly faith and living. His words were very effective as he urged all present to continue to teach the children of today, and bring them to the sacraments of the church, that wars may cease and peace reign in the hearts of men. His eloquent plea for faith in the reading of God's Holy Word deeply stirred the hearers.

A generous offering for the funds of the church was made, and a hymn sung, during which the choir led the way to the cornerstone. All gathered outside, while the Bishop prayed and struck the stone three times with his pastoral staff, declaring it consecrated in the name of the Trinity.

Afterward refreshments were served the guests and members, some of whom had come from Charlotte and other points for the ceremonies.

Next Sunday a number of baptisms will take place at the church at 3:00 o'clock.

REVOLT CRUSHED AFTER OUTBREAK JOLTS HUNGARY

Stockholm, Dec. 10.—The newspaper Svenska Dagbladet today reported an attempted revolt against Premier Ferenc Szalasi's regime in Hungary had been crushed, and that martial law had been declared in all parts of the country still under Nazi control.

The story, the source of which was not given, declared that mixed German-Hungarian military courts had been established and "sensational arrests and death sentences" resulted from the attempted coup. Three generals were reported hanged.

Leader of the revolt was said to have been a Peasant party leader, Bajcsi-Zsilinsky, who went underground when the Nazis took full power in Hungary last October.

With mortar and machinegun fire to hold its thick-walled positions. The Volksturm opened fire from street barricades and house windows. (Berlin asserted that a counterattack had wrested the Saarlautern citadel from the Americans.)

A War Bond For Christmas Will Be A "Present With A Future"

With only six more days left of the Sixth War Loan Drive Lincoln county is far behind in her quota. Figures released Saturday show that E Bond sales to date amount to \$100,000, which lacks \$132,000 of reaching the \$232,000 goal.

If the quota is to be met there must be an intensified effort on the part of everyone during the remaining days of the drive, which ends December 16. And this effort must come from citizens of both town and county. Only in reaching our quota can we rightly keep faith with our men in the armed forces.

The following statement on the Sixth War Loan Drive was issued recently by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower:

"Your assistance is needed and the most important job now for the people at home is to make the Sixth War Loan a success. To make sure of final victory we must redouble and sustain our efforts, both here and everywhere. The fighting man still faces a grim task and he still urgently needs much food, clothing, and battle equipment that must be bought. The money must be raised and our men on all fronts depend on you. On behalf of your sons, brothers, husbands, and friends in this great war theatre I request that you do your part to see that the Sixth War Loan is vastly oversubscribed."

Purchasing of bonds for Christmas gifts should help materially in reaching the quota. A war bond makes an ideal Christmas gift, and solves the problem of selection. A war bond is "a present with a future."

CPL. PAUL GABRIEL SLIGHTLY WOUNDED

Mrs. Paul Gabriel, Jr., has been notified by the War Department that her husband, Cpl. Gabriel, was slightly wounded in action in France on November 29.

Cpl. Gabriel, who is with an infantry division, has been overseas since October.

MRS. ZADOK PARIS DIES IN ATLANTA

Mrs. Lulabelle Cannon Paris, 76, wife of the late Dr. Zadok Paris, who was at one time pastor of the First Methodist Church of Lincolnton, died Friday morning in Atlanta, Ga., while visiting her son and daughter, Ralph Paris and Mrs. Robert Scott.

Funeral services were conducted in Charlotte Saturday afternoon and interment took place there.

Mrs. Paris was born in Gaston county September 21, 1869. She was married to Dr. Paris, then a young Methodist minister, January 29, 1889. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in Atlanta, in 1939. At the time of his death, Dr. Paris was the oldest living alumnus of Duke University from which he was graduated when it was known as Trinity College. He held a number of pastorates in the South, particularly in North Carolina. Dr. Paris, who died in 1942, and Mrs. Paris made their home at Lake Junaluska for many years.

Surviving Mrs. Paris are one brother, E. B. Cannon, of Charlotte; a daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Scott, and her son, Ralph Paris, of Atlanta; and four grandchildren, Ralph Paris, Jr., Edith Paris, Robert H. Scott, Jr., and Lulabelle Scott.

GAS AND TIRE RATIONING GUIDE

GAS—1:30 P. M. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

TIRES—1:30 P. M. every Tuesday and Thursday.

For the benefit of the public the Gas and Tire Panels will meet on the above specified days at 1:30 p. m. No applications will be acted upon outside of Panel sessions, excepting Emergencies.