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M. S. Elliott Urges Senator Bailey Aid Exempt Peanuts From Price Control Order

Says Henderson Brilliant But Misfit as to Agriculture

Claims Farmers Want Only Reasonable Return For Product

Following the recent meeting of peanut growers held in Suffolk, M. S. Elliott, in the interest of peanut growers, has written to Senator Josiah W. Bailey requesting him to use his influence in exempting peanuts and peanut products from the maximum price regulation as established by the Office of Price Administration.

Though no reply had been received by Mr. Elliott at the time The Herald went to press, his letter to Senator Bailey follows:

"Knowing your intense interest in agriculture and your profound desire to aid your farming constituency, I am calling to your attention a condition of acute hardship now undergoing by the peanut growers of the North Carolina and Virginia section.

"I understand the parity price of edible peanuts as guaranteed by Congress is 7 1/2 cents per pound for farmers' grade or stock. This price was being paid freely by the millers or cleaners up to, say, May 1st, when like a clap of thunder from a clear sky came Mr. Henderson's order placing peanuts and their many manufactured or processed products under his flooring and ceiling monstrosity. I will not attempt to go in detail as to its many ramifications. You are familiar with these, but suffice it to say, this act of his has completely demolished the market for farmers' stock peanuts, of which many thousands of bags remain in the farmers' possession with absolutely no market.

"Mr. Henderson may be a very brilliant man intellectually, and no doubt is so far as labor unions and industry go, which he has spent most of his adult years, but as an agriculturist and one familiar with the production and marketing of agricultural products, I know of no greater misfit. I doubt very seriously whether he knows a peanut grows on a vine or a bush. I do not doubt his sincerity or good intentions, but "good intentions" without sufficient results, are worthless. He fails to know that peanuts cost more today to produce and make ready for market than at any time in the past. Everything of cost that enters into their production has advanced 50 per cent. I could give you an itemized statement, but being a farmer and grower of peanuts in quite a large way, I am supposed, at least, to know what I am talking about.

"We farmers are not greedy and are not trying to get abnormal prices for our products. We do not expect 12 1/2 cents per pound for farmers' stock peanuts that was obtained in the last war—1917-1919, but we do expect at least the cost of production and a reasonable profit, say 7 1/2 cents to 8 cents per pound for farmers' stock so that we may pay our taxes and other necessary expenses. For your information, I would say that peanuts represent 85 per cent of our cash crop in this immediate section; and we produce altogether what is known as the Jumbo variety, which brings a premium over other varieties, and even these have no market today.

I am writing and requesting that you use your great influence in seeing that justice is done your peanut-farmer friends by having peanuts and their processed products exempted under the price control order of Mr. Henderson."

Davey Tree Expert Working On Trees

C. A. Sheriff of the Davey Tree Expert Company, arrived in Edenton Sunday, where he will utilize 100 hours in trimming trees and such other work as will make for the improvement and welfare of Edenton's trees. Mr. Sheriff succeeds C. C. Huie, who has done this sort of work in Edenton for several years, but could not be located.

Mr. Sheriff is accompanied by his wife and they are boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes while in Edenton.

NO COURT TUESDAY

There was no session of Recorder's Court Tuesday due to Judge John W. Graham being out of town.

Line Up!

Due to the rush of applicants for sugar purchase certificates for canning purposes, the Chowan County War Ration Board has arranged to hear these applications alphabetically. Because of this arrangement, all whose surnames begin from A through G will be considered Monday of next week. On Wednesday consideration will be given to those whose names begin from H through P, and Friday from Q through Z.

Those desiring to secure sugar purchase certificates are urged to go on the day-designated.

Jack Russell Safe After Sinking Of Lexington By Japs

Local Boy Wires Family Friday From San Diego, Cal.

With the daily newspapers on Friday morning announcing the sinking of the aircraft carrier Lexington in the Coral Sea battle with the Japanese on May 8, the family of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Russell were greatly relieved when during the day they received a telegram from their son, Jack Russell. The telegram was sent from San Diego, Cal., and was as follows: "After seeing today's headlines I want you to know I am well and happy. Please let rest of family know."

Jack Russell had been stationed on the Lexington for eight years, and previous to Friday's telegram, the family on June 1 received a card to the effect that he was well and safe. However, when the news was released that the Lexington was lost, fears for his safety developed, which were put to rest upon receipt of the telegram.

11 New Tire Permits Issued Monday Night

Permits for nine new and 11 re-tread tires were issued by the War Ration Board at Monday night's meeting. Those whose applications were granted follow:

New Tires—A. C. Ward, trucking and farming, tire and tube; M. J. Tynch, fishing and farming, tire and tube; E. L. Ward, farmer, tractor tire and tube; LeRoy Barrow, contractor hauler, tire and tube; E. L. Bell, U. S. Employment Service, tire and tube; State Highway Patrol, tire and tube; M. M. Nixon, manufacturer farm implements, four obsolete tires.

Retreads—Mrs. Mattie E. Evans, farmer, tire; J. E. Lane, farmer, tire; Rev. J. C. Griffin, clergyman, tire; H. J. White, farmer, tire; J. Cameron Boyce, hauling, tire; L. E. Francis, farmer, tire; Jacob Asbell, farmer, tire and tube; J. L. and E. V. Layton, fishermen, tire and tube; J. Q. Bass, farmer and fisherman, two tires; J. L. Wiggins, farmer, tire and tube.

300 Men In Chowan Estimated Register In Fifth Registration

With the fifth registration scheduled to be held Tuesday, June 30, all young men between 18 and 20 will be required to register at that time for possible military service. Two places of registration have again been arranged in Chowan County, one at the Armory in Edenton, and the other at the Community Building at Cross Roads. The hours to perform this duty will be from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Though the number of men expected to be included in the registration in Chowan County is uncertain, headquarters in Raleigh estimated that the number will be approximately half of the number registered in the third registration. At that time 600 registered, which will place the June 30 number at about 300 men between the ages of 18 and 20 years.

SOCIETY MEETS MONDAY

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the church. All members are urged to attend.

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, America is engaged in an "all out" war with the powers of evil bent upon its destruction, and—

WHEREAS, Over seven millions of our boys have been drafted to carry the fight to the enemy and to sacrifice their very lives if need be, and—

WHEREAS, The President of the United States has called on the civilian population of the Nation to do its part by liberally contributing to War Relief, and—

WHEREAS, The War Relief agencies in Chowan County have pooled their efforts and have put on a drive to raise our quota of \$1,600, and—

WHEREAS, The soliciting committee appointed to raise this fund have succeeded in raising \$1,000 of this quota, and—

WHEREAS, It is necessary that the balance of \$600 be raised at the earliest possible moment, and—

WHEREAS, It is realized that every patriotic citizen is anxious to do his bit—

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to give every person an opportunity to freely make such contribution as his conscience and ability permit, I have designated the week beginning Friday, June 19th and ending Friday, June 26th

VOLUNTEER WAR RELIEF WEEK

And to this end all citizens are urged to make their contributions either to one of the soliciting committee or to Mr. W. H. Gardner, Treasurer, at the Bank of Edenton direct.

Done at Edenton this 18th day of June, 1942.

J. H. McMULLAN, Mayor.

Drive Starts To Salvage Rubber

One Cent a Pound Paid For Any Kind of Old Rubber

Chowan County will fall in line with the entire nation in rounding up old rubber of every description, a campaign for which was begun June 15 and will continue through June 30. During that time every filing station and tire dealer will take in any and all kinds of rubber, which can be contributed, or be sold for one cent per pound.

The purpose of the campaign is to ascertain how much rubber can be salvaged in the nation, and to get it as soon as possible into war industries and rubber plants, where there is now a serious shortage. There is no special kind of rubber stipulated, and all kinds of rubber being desired.

A program is being arranged for the rural sections of Chowan County to round up every piece of available scrap rubber about farms, the drive to continue for about two weeks. Everybody is urged to turn in any rubber about their premises in order to boost the supply for the war effort.

President Roosevelt spoke upon the rubber situation last Sunday, emphasizing the need to get as much as possible into circulation, at once, and it is expected that Chowan County will cooperate in the campaign as in other requests.

CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM AT EVANS METHODIST CHURCH Children's Day services will be held at Evans Methodist Church Sunday. A splendid program has been arranged and the public is invited to attend.

Daily Vacation Bible School At Baptist Church Two Weeks

Classes Will Begin Monday Morning at 9 O'clock

Beginning next Monday morning at 9 o'clock, a daily vacation Bible school will be conducted in the Baptist church. The school will be under the supervision of Mrs. E. J. Griffin, who has arranged classes for intermediates, juniors and primary pupils.

A group of efficient teachers have been secured to teach the various classes, which are open to young people of the town and community. The school will continue for two weeks. It is an interdenominational school and children from every church are urged to attend.

T. B. WILLIFORD RETURNS FROM STAY IN HOSPITAL

T. B. Williford, who has been confined to the General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., for the past three weeks as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage, was able to be brought home Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Williford is now recuperating at his home, though still very weak, but is able to have company.

Appeal Made For Red Cross Knitters

New Quota Received By Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chairman

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan Chapter of the American Red Cross, is appealing for more knitters to make sweaters for the armed forces. Though the June first quota has not yet been completed, Mrs. Pruden has received a new quota for Chowan County which is expected to be ready for shipment on September 1.

Chowan's new quota calls for 40 sleeveless sweaters, 53 helmets, 50 mufflers and 40 wristlets, and to complete this amount of work there must be more volunteers to offer their services.

Anyone willing to contribute her time and talent to making these sweaters for the boys in the service should contact either Mrs. Mattie Davis or Mrs. E. T. Rawlinson, who have charge of this work, as early as possible.

Chowan In First Two Weeks Nears Quota For June War Bonds

\$11,600 Quota In May Practically Doubled In County

With Chowan County practically doubling its May quota of war savings stamps and bonds, J. G. Campen, chairman of the Chowan County War Savings Staff, reported Tuesday that at the end of the first two weeks in June approximately \$12,000 worth of the stamps and bonds have been purchased of the June quota, which was set at \$17,400. This leaves only a little more than \$5,000 worth to be purchased during the remainder of the month and Mr. Campen has every reason to believe that the county will again oversubscribe its quota.

May's quota for the county was \$11,600, which was practically doubled, \$22,175 worth of the stamps and bonds being sold during the month.

Draft Board Gets Call For 35 White Men To Leave July 21st

Chowan County's Draft Board has received another call for 35 white men for army duty, the group being scheduled to leave Tuesday, July 21, for Fort Bragg. A group of 35 Negroes are also scheduled to leave Tuesday, July 7.

Names of the boys who will compose these groups had not been released this week.

RETURN FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. R. L. Pratt and her small son, Bobby, returned Wednesday from Windsor Hospital, where Bobby had his tonsils and adenoids removed on Tuesday. Mr. Pratt spent Tuesday at the hospital with his wife and son.

Mayor Issues Proclamation Designating Week To Raise \$600 Deficit For War Relief

No Peanut Festival

Because of present war conditions, it has been decided by the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce to call off the peanut festival this year. The initial festival held last year was far more successful than was anticipated and it was hoped the celebration would be an annual affair. However, under present conditions, it was thought advisable to abandon the celebration until after the war.

Date Of Eye Clinic Changed To July 2

Specialist Unable to Be In Edenton June 17 As Announced

According to information from the Bertie-Chowan Health Department, the eye clinic which was scheduled to be held Friday, June 19, has been postponed until Thursday, July 2. The change in date of this clinic was caused by inability to secure a doctor to be in the county on the previously announced date.

The clinic, which will be sponsored jointly by the Health Department, Welfare Department, Lions Club and Edenton High School, will be held in the Edenton High School in cooperation with the North Carolina State Commission for the blind.

Medical examination will be free for charity and semi-charity patients and glasses will be furnished at a cost of \$4.00, which amount will be paid by the cooperating organizations.

A certificate of need slip for charity patients will be provided by the local Welfare Department upon application.

Edenton Lions Club Well Represented At Convention In Raleigh

Edenton's Lions Club was well represented at the State Convention held in Raleigh Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, 14 Lions and Lionesses leaving Sunday to attend the affair, and Leroy Haskett and W. B. Gaylord joining the group Monday night.

Those composing Sunday's delegation were Mr. and Mrs. William Privott, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. Hector Lupton, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Partin, Miss Margaret Harrell, Kenneth Floars and Dr. W. S. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Jr., and J. Clarence Leary.

Thomas Payne, of Washington, N. C., was elected governor of District 31-C at the business session on Tuesday. The Edenton Club won the attendance trophy.

Presbyterian Revival Begins Next Sunday

Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr. At Chinquapin This Week

Beginning next Sunday night and continuing through Friday, June 26, revival services will be in progress at the Presbyterian Church. Preaching for this series of meetings will be the Rev. Grower Crosswell, of Chinquapin, with services scheduled to be held every evening at 8 o'clock. There will be no services in the morning.

The pastor, the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., has been very much concerned about the revival and extends a cordial invitation to everybody to attend. Special music has been arranged for the meetings.

The Rev. Mr. Crawford, on Sunday night, began a revival at the Chinquapin Presbyterian Church, which will continue during this week. He plans to return to Edenton Saturday in order to conduct services at his church Sunday morning.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular communication of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Group Canvassers Collect \$1,000 of County's \$1,600 Quota

THREE FUNDS

Voluntary Contributions Urged to Put County Over Top

Though canvassers in the joint drive to raise a quota of \$1,600 in Chowan County for Navy Relief, USO and Chinese Relief have practically completed their work, a check-up of contributions reveals the fact that just about \$1,000 has been received, leaving a deficit of \$600, if each request is to be granted.

The joint drive was decided upon several weeks ago in order to reduce effort on the part of canvassers for each cause, as well as do away with the need of asking just about the same group of people three different times for a contribution at about the same time. At a mass meeting it was unanimously agreed to consolidate the three drives, with T. C. Byrum named general chairman. Geddes Potter is chairman of the USO drive, J. H. Conger heads the Navy Relief effort, and Mayor J. H. McMullan was appointed chairman of Chinese Relief. Quotas as set for Chowan County amount to \$600 for USO, and \$500 each for Navy Relief and Chinese Relief, or a total of \$1,600.

Because of the deficit of \$600 in the total quota, Mayor J. H. McMullan has designated a week, June 18 through June 26, as War Relief Volunteer Week, during which volunteer contributions are requested in order to raise the amount necessary to put the county over the top. These contributions may be made to either the solicitors in various parts of the county or may be sent or taken to the treasurer of the campaign, W. H. Gardner, at the Bank of Edenton.

Names of all those who have contributed during this drive will appear in next week's issue of The Herald, and to be included in the list contributions should be made at once.

There is little need to explain what the money for the three drives will be used for nor how important it is that the specified amount should be secured. USO is a consolidation of the efforts of the Y. M. C. A., National Catholic Community Service, the Salvation Army, Y. W. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board and National Travelers Aid Association in providing for the welfare of America's fighting men in camps and the forces behind the lines.

Until the present war, the men in the U. S. Navy themselves maintained a fund for the relief of families of Navy men, but due to the war, this need has increased to such an extent that the men themselves are unable to cope with the need. For that reason the fund is to be augmented by a nation-wide drive for funds for this worthy cause.

As to the Chinese Relief Fund, there is untold suffering in China, where the Japanese have played havoc, and to America longing eyes turn for some aid for the mere necessities of life and some means to soothe the wounded and neglected bodies caused by a ruthless military group who have no other thought than conquest of territory without regard to consequences.

All three are very worthy causes and it is the hope of General Chairman Byrum and his associates, Messrs. Conger, Potter and McMullan that the remaining \$600 of the budget will be realized even if those who have already contributed must make another contribution.

Draft Board Seeking To Locate Three Men

Due to moving and failure to notify the local Draft Board, the whereabouts of three men is now being sought. The three men are Sletcho Thompson, a white man, and John Plum Edwards and Ernest Milner, Negroes.

The Draft Board is making every effort possible to locate these three men and will appreciate any information as to where they may be located. After all efforts have failed to locate the trio, they will be reported as delinquent, after which the FBI will handle the matter and no doubt cause embarrassment to the men for failing to notify the draft board as to their present address.