

BRUNSWICK COUNTY EXCEEDS QUOTA FOR 6th WAR BOND DRIVE

Complete Figures Show \$100,000.00 Mark Passed In Sixth War Loan Drive

County Quota Was \$87,000.00

Cooperation Throughout County Results In Good Showing

The Sixth War Loan drive came to an end on December 16 with Brunswick County far exceeding its quota which was established by district officials of the War Relocation Authority.

Chairman R. F. Plaxco stated that although official figures have not been secured from the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, county figures will be in excess of \$100,000.00. The quota was \$87,000.00.

Postmaster W. C. Gore of the county said that fine cooperation throughout the county enabled the committee to present the splendid report. He mentioned especially the work done by Postmaster W. C. Gore of Shallotte and his assistants. "They have done a great deal toward making the drive a success," said Mr. O'Brien. Those who have helped a great deal are the postmasters in the county, the Southport Building Loan Association, and the Seawater Bank.

Louise Gore Hurt In Gas Explosion

Shallotte Farmer Burned And Injured In Eyes And Face When Gas Explodes At Base Of His Truck Engine

While dying the wires on the engine of his truck, in order to start the machine started, one morning last week, W. C. Gore of Shallotte was badly burned about his eyes when some gas ignited and exploded. The explosion blew the oil gauge out of the engine and a fragment struck him in the eye, as well as the blazing gasoline.

It is understood that Mr. Gore is using a lighted newspaper to dry the wires. Apparently the gas had seeped out and collected on the base of the engine. Continued on page two

Brief News Flashes

FATAL ATTACK F. Lewis, prominent Robeson county tobacco farmer, suffered a heart attack and died Sunday at Long Beach, where he was a guest at the Cottages. The body was sent to Fairmont. Mr. Lewis is survived by his widow.

PROMOTED TO 1st LIEUT. Arthur Clark, vicesign in ET ET Arthur Clark, serving in China with the Army Air Force as an aerial photographer, was promoted First Lieutenant on December 15. Lieutenant Clark's wife and son, Arthur, Jr., live here with Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cannon.

CHRISTMAS MASS The combined choirs of Trinity Methodist church will present a Christmas Mass on Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Dallas Pigott is directing the choirs. The public is cordially invited to attend.

OFFICE TO CLOSE The Ration Board office will be closed on Thursday to allow the clerks to catch up with their work.

WOUNDED AT LEYTE Mr. and Mrs. Dosh Hewett of the Shallotte community have been advised by the War Department that their son, George W. Hewett, was seriously wounded in action at Leyte in November. Details have not yet been received.

CHRISTMAS MASS Christmas Mass will be observed 10-20 Christmas morning at the Sacred Heart Chapel, announces Frank Howard.

Familiar Greetings Sent In Unfamiliar Manner

Method Used By Armed Forces Is Up-To-Date But Still Says "Merry Christmas"

V-MAIL XMAS CARDS RECEIVED AT HOME

Novel Way Of Sending Christmas Greetings Expresses Servicemen's Yuletide Wishes

The modern age in which we live is reflected in some of the Christmas cards being received this year. Boys overseas are sending home their traditional Christmas greetings in unfamiliar dress, but the wishes that go with them are the same and the spirit behind them is unchanged.

Several V-mail cards have been received by the Pilot and they illustrate the up-to-date method being used by the armed forces to say "Merry Christmas" to the folks back home.

A V-mail card from Ensign Bill Styron, who is somewhere in the Pacific, shows a sailor "Santa" going down a chimney with a much excited Jap trying to get out of the sea bag slung over the sailor's shoulder. The sailor, with a wing, says "It's in the Bag!" The card from Lt. (jg) David Watson, who is also somewhere out there, shows a screaming eagle clutching a Jap by the seat of his pants. "This—and a Merry Christmas For You," read the caption.

A more dignified card came from Captain M. M. Rosenbaum. It is a picture of a tree lined street, taken undoubtedly before the war, and bears the greeting "With every good wish for Christmas and the New Year from Luxembourg."

Limestone Must Be Used At Once

Credits For Use Of Limestone And Phosphates For Year 1944 Cannot Be Given If Spread After December 31st

All limestone and phosphate that has been received through the Brunswick County AAA Office should be spread prior to January 1, 1945. December 31, 1944 is the end of the 1944 Program Year and all conservation materials that have been received through this office should be used to meet the 1944 Program.

Proper use of this material will constitute full payment. If material is not used prior to January 1, 1945, it will be necessary to transfer the material to the 1945 Program and the farm will not be eligible to receive as much material in 1945 as it would be if the material was used during the 1944 Program Year.

WITH 338th REGIMENT Pfc. John H. White, son of Mrs. Hattie S. White of Ash, is serving with the 338th Regiment as a cannoneer for the mountain fighting in Italy. This regiment is part of the 85th "Custer" Division in Lieut. General Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army. These boys have seen some of the fiercest fighting of the European war, according to press dispatches.

HOME FROM PACIFIC Wesley Holden, who has been serving with the Navy in the Pacific for more than four years, is spending a 30 days leave here with his wife and little daughter. He was wounded soon after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. His wounds were slight, however, and he quickly returned to duty.

HOME ON LEAVE Will Gay Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Adams of Leland, is spending a furlough at home with his parents. He is a graduate of the Naval Air Technical Training Center at Memphis, Tenn., and of the Aviation Free Gunnery Training Unit, of Norfolk, Va. He is now stationed at Norfolk as a Naval airplane mechanic.

Mahlon Leonard War Casualty

Pvt. Mahlon M. Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leonard of the Shallotte community, has been wounded in the European theatre of war, according to word received this week by the family from the War Department. His wife, Mrs. Laura A. Leonard, lives on Route 1 from Shallotte.

They Make Some Christmas Money

Menhaden Boats Making Fair Catches This Week And May Work Right On Through Holidays

Menhaden boats made a good catch Friday and were weather-bound Saturday. On Monday they were out again and made a fair catch. The crews say that there are plenty of fish out there and that the only thing that stands in the way of good catches is the weather.

If the time honored rule holds good, the balance of the week should see good catches brought in every day. There has hardly been a pre-Christmas period in the history of local menhaden fishing when good catches have not been made immediately before Christmas. Sometimes this fruitful period extended beyond Christmas.

If the boats find plenty of fish the last of this week there will be little in the way of Christmas holidays for the men. By their own desires they fish when fish are to be found, regardless of holidays.

The shrimping season seems to be over, at least for the present. A number of boats went out Monday without finding a shrimp. However, the crews of a number of these boats tried wetting a line for seabass or blackfish. They caught some nice ones and it is probable that a number of the larger shrimp boats may begin going to the blackfish grounds immediately. Large blackfish are said to be worth 15 cents per 12 cents, and smaller ones go for 12 cents.

Killed Fox In Poultry House

Attacked Dog Twice And Was Killing Chickens When Shot And Killed By Weston Evans

Weston Evans, prominent Waccamaw township farmer who lives in the Freeland community, brought the body of a fox which he thought to be mad to Southport Monday for the purpose of having its head sent off for examination to ascertain if it had rabies.

Mr. Evans related that the fox came to his home Sunday night at 6:30. It attacked a small dog and bit it severely. Chased away, the animal came back at two o'clock Monday morning and again bit the dog. It was run off but in five minutes it was back again and in the poultry house. There it killed three full grown chickens and is believed to have bitten a number of others. It made no attempt to eat the fowls it bit. (Continued on page 4)

Home From Mobile On A Short Leave

Sgt. Harry L. Mintz, former Registrar of Deeds for Brunswick County, who is now serving with the air forces at Mobile, Ala., is spending a 15 days leave with his mother, Mrs. H. L. Mintz, at Shallotte. Mrs. Mintz has been in very poor health recently. She has two other sons in the service, both serving overseas. Major Rudolph I. Mintz is at an Air field in England and the youngest son, Elwood Mintz, has been in the Pacific with the air forces for nearly three years.

A CHRISTMAS WISH



Legion Sends Many Gifts For Wounded

The Brunswick Post American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary sent a large box of Christmas presents to New River this week to be distributed among the wounded in the hospital there and at other points.

The box contained nearly a hundred packages, some of them containing a number of articles. Crawford Rourk, Adjutant for the Legion, and Mrs. Eva Wolfe of the Auxiliary, were very active in collecting and packing the presents.

Russ To Build At Shallotte

Two Story Building For Furniture Store To Be Constructed At Once, Post Office To Be Moved To Adjoining Lot

J. A. Russ of Shallotte plans immediate construction of a two story building, 30x60 feet, for the use of his furniture business. The upper floor will be used for storage and downstairs as a salesroom. The building will occupy the site now used by the Shallotte Post Office.

To make room for the new construction Postmaster W. R. Holmes will have the office moved this week or next to the southern corner of the Camp Road church. This is just a few yards across the driveway on which the post office is now located. It was not considered desirable to erect the two story building where it would obstruct the view of the church. So, the postmaster and Mr. Russ swapped lots.

Our ROVING Reporter

From Ed Maelow, GM 2-c, serving with the Navy in England, comes V-Mail Christmas Greetings. It illustrates that while a lot of things in England are different from what they are here the Christmas spirit in our boys remains the same. The greeting is as follows:

I have learned to call radio "wireless".
A Victrola to me now's a "gram".
Instead of catching a street-car, Now, "Blimey," I'm hopping a "tram".
I drive on the left here in England. By "lorry," and not in a truck; And when I'm spending my money "Five shillings" is "limey" for buck.
My auto won't run without "petrol," And "Cheero" I use for good-bye;
A "clippie's" a street-car conductor. I say "bloke" instead of guy.
And though my speech has been altered, And changed since I've been away; I still have no trouble in wishing "Merry Xmas!" the American Way.
A good many Brunswick sportsmen have probably made their bag limits on quail this year. Reports on such have been rather scarce. However E. R. Weeks, city clerk for Southport, got his bag limit the first day. Coroner W. E. Bell has reported full days limit on two trips.
With the advent of the real laying season for hens not far off, County Agent J. E. Dodson

No County Court For Next Monday

Next Session Will Be On January First, 1945; Docket Finished In Short Order At Monday's Session

Twelve cases came up before Judge John B. Ward and Solicitor J. W. Ruark in Recorder's court here Monday. All were finished in short order and court adjourned at noon. The docket shows the following entries:

Douglas Ballard, murder, continued for superior court.
William J. Jackson, falling to stop at stop sign, judgment suspended on payment of costs.
William W. Guyer, speeding and failure to stop at stop sign, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$20.00 and costs.
John Junius Reynolds, speeding, no pros with leave.
R. T. Caison, disposing of corn crop, no pros.
William Edison Harker, possession, 60 days on roads or fine of \$15.00 and costs.
Mrs. E. B. Morrison, speeding (Continued on page 2)

Game Protector For Brunswick

Captain Bowmer Appointed To Position Formerly Held By Craven Nelson; Skipper Continues As Deputy

The State Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has appointed Capt. H. T. Bowmer of Southport as Game Protector for Brunswick County. He succeeds Craven Nelson of the Hickory's Cross Roads section.

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Young People Will Present Pageant

The Young people of Southport Baptist church will present a Christmas pageant, "There is no Room," on Christmas night at 8:00 o'clock in the church. In addition to the pageant the following exercises will be presented: "Greeting"—Eight Primaries, "Wreath Around the World"—Eight Juniors, and "Silvery Notes"—Nine Juniors. A special offering will be taken for the Baptist Orphanage. The program is under the direction of Miss Marjorie Potter, Mrs. Geo. Whately, and Miss Susie Sellers. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Assistant Supervisor Resigns In Whiteville

Private Bozeman Seriously Wounded

Pfc. Henry E. Bozeman of the European theatre of war last month. The extent of his injuries have not been reported. He is about 28 years of age and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bozeman. His wife, Mrs. Virginia L. Bozeman and one small child also live near Shallotte.

Grain And Hogs His Best Crops

One-Man Farming This Year Resulted In Average Of \$72.00 Per Acre On George Danford's 33 Acres

George Danford, who lives on the road connecting the Bell Swamp highway with Bolivia, has been doing some experimental and demonstrative farming this year. He has a tobacco allotment but says he would rather do grain and livestock farming, with sweet potato and some other truck crops on the side.

He had a bad season for his corn this year and the storm in August did further damage. Nevertheless, he produced 525 bushels. His sweet potato crop netted him 400 bushels.

There are only 33 acres in cultivation in the Danford farm. In order to keep the land busy he did considerable rotating and had a crop growing practically all the time. Seven acres in barley in the fall furnished grazing for 80 head of hogs. After the barley these hogs were turned in on soy beans and they are now being sold at an average of better than 210 pounds each. Very little corn or other feed was necessary to complete the fattening. The grazing lands provided between 500 and 600 pounds of pork per acre. In all, from his 33 acres Mr. Danford produced 4,000 pounds of pork. (Continued on page 4)

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Chairman Of County AAA Committee Announces Regulations Governing Allotments

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"In addition to these acreage allotments," Mr. Bennett stated, "An amount equal to two percent of the total acreage allotted to all farms in 1940 will be made available for increasing individual farm acreage found by local AAA committees to be inequitable. Five percent of the national quota will be available for establishing allotments for farms on which no flue-cured or Burley tobacco has been grown during the past five years. To be eligible for such an allotment either the farm operator or the person growing the tobacco shall have had experience within the past five years in growing tobacco and shall be living on the farm and largely dependent on the farm for his livelihood."

Mr. Bennett pointed out that applications for such allotments in Brunswick County should be filed with the Brunswick County AAA Committee prior to February 1, 1945. He further pointed out that it is currently estimated that 1,062,480,000 pounds of flue-cured tobacco will be produced in 1945. (Continued on page 2)

Loans Available Sweet Potatoes

Farmers of Brunswick County now may obtain loans on their 1944 crop of sweet potatoes to reflect the price support guaranteed by the War Food Administration. Loans are available on all lots of sweet potatoes containing at least 1,000 bushels which have been in storage houses for a period of at least three weeks and which have been cured. For obvious administrative reasons, loans can be made only on (Continued on page 3)

Hazel Taylor Litchfield Extends Thanks To Brunswick People As She Resigns Post

WAS ASST. SUPERVISOR FARM SECURITY ADM. Served Brunswick County Citizens Since 1943 In Whiteville Office

By Hazel Taylor Litchfield "Since I assumed the duties of Associate FSA Supervisor in Brunswick County on November 1, 1943, it has been my pleasure to work with 86 farm families of the county, and I wish to extend my thanks to each of you families for your fine cooperation, and at the same time say I believe that the Farm Security Administration has helped many of you families to be what you wanted to be—Keep Climbing.

"To date we have assisted five families in buying farms. Of this number one has finishing paying for his farm, namely, Mr. Paul Brown. Others have made payments to be proud of, as well as FSA being proud of you. I am leaving the organization, but as I go, I sincerely hope that each of you will pay for your farm much earlier than you first planned due to good prices. Reduce your wants to meet your needs and pay for your home first.

"We regret very much that we haven't been able to find farms within our limit for all of our RR families who have proven themselves worthy of purchasing a farm, however, don't you give up. Some day land will be within our limit again and then we can help you who want to become home owners. Save your money and plan ahead for the future.

"Many of you families are now producing your home food supply. This year try harder than ever to produce all of your pork, lard, poultry, and beef. Be sure to grow a good year-round garden and set your table by producing your own food supply and help win the war.

Short Holiday For Co. Schools

One Week Given For Observance Of Christmas

Six days for grammar grades and high school holidays is understood to be the general rule in North Carolina this year. Naturally the students would like a longer freedom from books but the sober thinking adults see things the other way in these times. Six days for Christmas is ample, they think.

It must be taken into consideration that all schools started this year's session two weeks late, owing to the infantile paralysis epidemic. It is necessary that they close as early in the new year as possible. War time conditions are responsible for this with labor as scarce as it will be, many a high school boy will be doing a man's work just as soon as the session closes. We hardly think that the normal boy or girl will shirk the need of helping their parents. The help of the school children on the farms last (Continued on page four)

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Commissioners Draw Jury List For Spring Term

Session Will Convene On January 22 With Judge Frizzelle Presiding; Four Murder Cases On Docket

HOLIDAYS THROUGH MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Commissioners Employ Assistant To County Home Keeper, Various Matters Heard At Monday Meeting Of Board

With little Charles Trott taking the slips from the box, a jury list for the spring term of court, which convenes on January 22, was drawn by the board of county commissioners, Monday.

Judge J. Paul Frizzelle, of Snow Hill, Green County, will preside at the term, which is a trifle unusual for Brunswick county in that four murder cases are slated to be heard. For the first time in several years the criminal docket will probably take up the entire week. Following are the jurors who were selected Monday:

B. A. Woodard, E. G. Simmons, W. G. Gause, E. H. Evans, Quincy Little and B. H. Bennett, of Freeland.

Lacy Smith, Jim Carlisle, W. L. Carlisle, F. Odell Smith, Harley Smith, F. M. Smith, W. C. McKeithan, W. S. Canady and M. L. Simmons, of Ash.

Dr. R. C. Daniel, James Arnold, W. A. Johnston, H. T. St. George, Thompson McRackan, H. B. Smith, Edwin Dozier, and J. M. Barnhill, Southport.

E. E. Ferguson and O. H. Clementons, Bolivia.

S. A. Potter, G. W. Swain, James Bogie, Lone Willetts, F. Hickman, Winnabow.

Charlie Robbins, Woodrow Harrell, G. B. Fisher, E. M. Hickman, Leland.

Carvin G. Roach, J. M. Roach, J. H. Holden, J. B. Sermons, Herbert Brown, J. J. Roach and Cresie Evans, Supply.

The commissioners had other matters to attend to Monday. Beside drawing the jury list and making tax adjustments following matters were handled, as shown by the minutes:

The report of Mrs. Lou H. Smith, county health nurse, was received and approved.

Saturday noon through December 26th was designated as a holiday for county employees and officials, this being in line with the procedure followed throughout the State. All county offices will be closed for Saturday noon (Continued on page four)

Shallotte Man Wounded In Action

Mrs. Jack D. Harbolt, the former Miss Cassie Andrews of the Shallotte Village Point section, has been advised that her husband, Sgt. Jack D. Harbolt, has been wounded in action for the second time. His first wounds were sustained in September of this year.

Sgt. Harbolt is a native of Oklahoma and two years ago while stationed at New River with the Marines he met and married Miss Andrews. Mrs. Harbolt received no information from the War Department as to the extent of her husband's second injury. He was serving with the Marines in France.

Ration Pointers

PROCESSED FOODS Blue A-8 through B-2 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS Red A-8 through S-5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

SUGAR Sugar stamps No. 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 good indefinitely for five pounds each.

CANNING SUGAR Stamp No. 40 good for five pounds canning sugar until February 28, 1945.

SHOES Airplane stamps No. 1, 2, and 3 valid indefinitely.

FUEL OIL Period 4 and 5 coupons from last year and Period 1, 2, and 3 coupons for this season now valid at 10 gallons each.

GASOLINE A-13 coupons valid through December 21, On December 22 A-14 coupons become valid through March 21.