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National War Fund Drive To Begin Monday

T. Bennett To Head Brunswick County Drive For Funds; Urges Cooperation

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS TO ASSIST IN DRIVE

Of National War Fund Over Till Last Service Flag Comes Down

Brunswick County drive to assist in the great work being done by the National War Fund will get underway on Monday, according to Chairman T. Bennett, who expressed confidence that Brunswick County will respond generously to the appeal being made.

It is going to be a difficult task for all of us, because people are not yet convinced that the war's end brings the end of the work being done by the National War Fund," said Bennett in an interview Monday. "The end is not yet in sight, and the work of the National War Fund is not over until every man is home from the war. There are thousands of our people still overseas and it is up to us to see that we don't let them down. It's our job until the last service flag comes down."

Bennett has planned this year's campaign through the five school districts in the county. Each of the principals will act as chairman in his district. Mr. Bennett are G. O. Stone, principal at Southport; O. C. Burton, principal at Shalotte; J. T. Denning, principal at Waccamaw; and Glenn Tucker, principal at Leland. Additional chairmen are Lanier Furpess and McEachern in Southport, H. C. Corlette will serve as chairman of the colored division in the county.

The National War Fund, made up of twenty-two member agencies, administers separate drives for the agencies and combines them in one big drive. The National Red Cross conducts a separate drive but wholeheartedly recommends generous donations to the National War Fund.

The National War Fund renders services to the armed forces through the USO, the United States Service, and War Prisoner's Service. It helps allied nations and agencies through a number of organizations including United States Relief, Polish, Philippine, Belgian, British, and other relief agencies.

Brief News Flashes

RETURNING SOON

The parents of Harold Aldridge, Jack Hickman, both serving with the Navy, have been advised that they are returning to the States soon.

LEAVE EXTENDED

Major R. I. Mintz of the Army Air Corps, who recently returned from overseas duty, has been granted a 15 day extension of his leave. He was originally scheduled to report at Drew Field, Miami, Fla., today.

RETURNS TO WISCONSIN

Tom Morgan of the Coast Guard, stationed here in the Pilot City for the past three years, was honorably discharged last week and with Mrs. Morgan left for their old home in Wisconsin. They have made many friends here during their stay.

SPOKE AT SOLDIER BAY

Frank Stanley, recently honorably discharged from the Army Air Force, with 34 months in the Pacific to his credit, was the guest speaker at Soldier Bay in Waccamaw township a few days ago. His subject was: "These are the days whom ye will live."

ADOPTED SHANNON TO SERVICE

One of the seven children of H. M. Shannon and the late Mrs. Shannon of Southport, who is in the service after-to-day, is the youngest, is in Texas; the second in age, returned from a few days ago and is in the service; Jane, a daughter, is in Germany with the WAC; the fourth in age, Bobby has returned home from Germany and is in the county through the youngest will leave to-day.

Governor Cherry Says:

Task Not Over Though War Has Been Won

We must help maintain the morale and well-being of thousands of North Carolina men and women in the armed forces. It is our job until the last service flag comes down.

Our complete military victory not, in itself, insure peace. There can be no peace in the world while famine, disease and general misery prevail anywhere.

The allied governments, as such, and through UNRRA, must carry the major part of the burden. But, as President Truman says, there is a very special task for the private agencies of the National War Fund. It is only through the personal support of these private agencies that we,

as individuals, can express our intelligent sympathy and our determination that justice and mercy shall prevail in this world. Through our own United War Fund of North Carolina, (a part of the National War Fund) we can continue to help maintain morale among our armed forces and establish peace through the relief of suffering and misery. As we begin our third campaign, let me urge you to give freely of your time and money, so that when the starved, naked, homeless, despairing millions of the world lift their heads with hope and say "Thank God for America," each one of us can honestly say, "They mean me."

Banking Deposits Show Prosperous State Exists

Southport Branch Of Waccamaw Bank And Trust Company Has Increased Deposits By Over A Million In Eight Years

MUCH MONEY HELD OUTSIDE OF BANKS

Prosperous Indications Also Found In Great Increase Of Property Value Last Few Years

A vivid portrayal of the present substantial financial footing of Brunswick county people, may be found in the condition of the Southport branch of the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company. With this single banking institution the deposits have now reached the fine figure of \$1,200,000. This is an increase of \$200,000 in deposits over the same date last year and also shows a deposit increase of one million fifty thousand dollars since the bank was bought by the Waccamaw interests in 1938. At that time the deposits were only \$150,000.

Prince O'Brien has been in charge of the local institution since it was taken over by the Waccamaw interests. To him, modern banking methods and to the general prosperity of the county may be attributed the heavy increase in deposits during the past eight and a half years. Interviewed this week, Mr. O'Brien disclaimed that the present volume of deposits in the bank was anything more than a good indication of the financial standing of Brunswick county people. He pointed out that hundreds of thousands of dollars belonging to Brunswick county people were on deposit in other banking institutions, this being purely a matter of convenience to the many people living nearer to other banks. He also pointed out that now is a time when pockets are full of cash which should be in the safety of banks. On the farms and elsewhere there has been a proportionate increase in the value of property, in keeping with the increase in bank deposits.

Weekly Release From AAA Office

Urging Protective Crops For Farm Lands During Winter Months, Some Seed Furnished

Brunswick County farmers are now in the crop season when thinking should be concentrated on "protective crops" for the soil during the winter months, C. O. Bennett, Chairman, Brunswick County AAA Committee, said here today.

"From all reports," he said, "there is a definite prospect for continued high demand of food for use at home and for the people of the starving war-torn countries. To meet these demands in 1946, we must lay the ground work now by seeding every bare acre to a winter cover crop."

"Protection of our soil, during the coming months when rains and freezes will cause leaching and washing away of plant nutrients, is a 'must' in the farm program," he continued. "Besides protecting the soil, these legumes also store fertility by adding nitrogen that has a direct effect upon next year's yields of crops that follow." Mr. Bennett added.

He announced that Austrian Winter Peas and Ryegrass seed are being furnished to the farmers in the county through the (Continued on Page 2)

Meeting Of Foreign Ministers



LONDON, ENGLAND.—U. S. Secretary of State—left—shakes hands with Russia's Foreign Minister Molotov as they met at opening of conference of Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain, Russia, China, and France in London. They will tackle problems of post-war world, which there are many, not the least of which is the fear of a flare-up in the Balkans.

Military Honors For Elbert Keziah

Son Of Southport Man Injured At Fair Bluff Following Tragic Airplane Crash At Kansas City

The remains of Elbert Perry Keziah, 19-year-old son of W. B. Keziah, killed in an Army airplane crash at Kansas City, Mo., were buried in the Fair Bluff cemetery Friday afternoon at four o'clock, following services at the Fair Bluff Methodist church.

Some of the details of the crash of the transport, which took the lives of 20 veterans returning from overseas and the three members of the crew, shroud the accident in mystery. Two Lieutenants were pilot and co-pilot and the son of the Southport man was flight clerk. The Kansas City and War Department reports classed all three as experienced, trained men. The plane was just taking off from the field on a coast to coast flight, carrying the overseas veterans to their homes.

Full military honors were given young Keziah by a detachment from the Army Air Base at Maxton. A Guard-of-Honor accompanied the body all of the way from Kansas City and served among the pall-bearers.

The active pall-bearers were George Randolph, of Kansas (Continued on Page Four)

Hundreds Hunted With Little Luck

Tides And Flood Failed To Combine To Aid Hunters In Search For Marsh Hens

Although the expected high tides coming with the full moon in September did not show up to any extent, even with the aid of up-river floods, it is said that hundreds of up-state men went marsh hen hunting along the coast of Brunswick last week. In many instances, full days limit of the birds were reported as bagged. In still other cases the quota was not reached.

This week the hunting has been continued with results that (Continued on page two)



W. B. KEZIAH

Brunswick county received very little of the rains that occasioned floods elsewhere throughout this and adjoining states. What did fall in the county added to the already bad condition of roads. Due to holes washed out or cut out by cars in the earth road, the Orten Plantation area and other portions of the Silver Road received no mail service for two or three days. The transportation of children was also cut out. The Cape Fear river flood, which caused so much damage in the Fayetteville area, spread all of its waters over the wider area here at the mouth of the river. There (Continued on Page Six)

Big Attendance Court Session Last Monday

Number Of Spectators And Witnesses Much Larger Than Usual For Large Number Of Cases

NUMBER NOL PROSSED AND MANY NOT GUILTY

Majority Of Cases Concerned With Highway Violations And Transgressions Of Liquor Laws

Monday saw another big day in the Recorders Court. A large number of spectators and witnesses were on hand as well as the large number of defendants.

The Minutes show the following matters handled during the morning and evening session:

Tom Shaw, raising disturbance in public place and engaging in affray, not guilty.

William Jones, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

Wallace Henry, improper lights and brakes, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

Sylvester Waddell, Jr., and James Gibbs, assault, judgment suspended on payment of costs and defendants placed on good behavior for two years.

Allen Plenty, assault, \$25.00 fine and costs, fine remitted upon his making restitution to Gaston Jenkins.

Sylvester Waddell, Jr., and James Gibbs, disturbance in public place and assault, six months, judgment suspended on payment of costs and good behavior.

Authur Sharpe, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

David Small, drunk on highway, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

George Piver, selling beer on Sunday, not guilty.

Mrs. Margaret Demorest, drunk on highway, not guilty.

Robert Earl Demorest, drunk driving and transporting, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs.

President Truman Says:

National War Fund Needs Help Of All In America

Our concern for the morale and well-being of our forces must carry through beyond the days of surrender, to the happy hour when a proud American can take back to its hearts and homes the men and women who have won the fight.

We have won the military fight in Europe and Japan, but are virtually just beginning the fight on famine, pestilence, and general distress. And I say to you, with full knowledge of every UNRRA can do, and everything that can be done by other instrumentalities financed by public funds, that the private agencies of the National War Fund have a special task to do that is indispensable and unique.

What these agencies have done, and can do, is important out of all proportion to the relatively small funds involved. In no other way can the American people themselves express so clearly their intelligent sympathy and active concern, and their determination that justice and mercy shall prevail in this world, with the help of every good man and woman, and with the blessing of God.

May I, therefore, wish success to the National War Fund, and all its associated state and community war funds, in the plans for a united appeal to a united people.

Stresses Good Attendance Throughout School Year

Superintendent Of Public Instruction Tells Of North Carolina Schools

CO. WELFARE DEPT'S. ASSISTING EDUCATION

State Has Great Investment In Education Of Youth Of Carolina

BY CLYDE A. ERWIN
State Superintendent
Public Instruction

North Carolina's program of elementary education for all its youth cannot be effective without an adequate program of regular school attendance of children during the nine months school term. When the first compulsory school attendance law was passed in 1907 the required term of school was only sixteen weeks, attendance being compulsory only after the people voted for it. At that time there was no provision for transportation of pupils to modern consolidated buildings in rural areas. With all the advantages these institutions now afford in instructional service, space and equipment.

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Urge Attendance At Legion Meet

Brunswick Post Holding Meeting Tomorrow Night And Is Urging Ex-Service Men To Attend

The Brunswick County Post of the American Legion will hold a meeting this Thursday night at the Legion room in the city hall building, Crawford Ruark, adjutant of the post, states that this meeting is of vital importance. All returning service men, whether or not they are members of the Legion, are urged to attend this meeting as the organization expects to be of great benefit to ex-service men in the future, as it has been in the past.

In connection with the above meeting Col. Earl I. Brown, Commander of the Brunswick Post, has issued the following statement in the form of an open letter to all ex-service men:

"Membership in the American Legion should be a matter of personal importance to you. The privilege belongs to those who served loyally and honorably in the armed forces or our nation during World Wars I and II, we take pride in the thought that it is something which cannot be purchased with money.

The Legion will always be of importance to you because it is a national influence perpetuating the ideals in your war service. It has accomplished much during its years of existence. It will accomplish still more during the next decade. It should always be important to you because it is the one big and only all-inclusive veterans' organization which is open to all veterans who served our country honorably during these great wars.

Your further support in advancing proper activities and in stabilizing (Continued on Page Four)

Shrimpers Look For Fine Weather Until December

Weather Bureau Predictions Causing Hopes Of Productive Season Among Brunswick Shrimpers

BUYING SHRIMP AT DIFFERENT POINTS

Shalotte Point, Holden's Beach, Lockwoods Folly And Southport All Have Buying Houses

Weather bureau predictions for better weather from now until December raised the hopes of local shrimpers for a profitable fall season. The unusual weather during the past three months has hampered fishing and shrimping operations.

Interviews with buying house operators this week found swelling hopes among them and their boatmen. Monday's catches of shrimp by the boats that went out were good, ranging to 30 bushels and higher. The catch was fair quality. Yesterday brought the same results. Things during the two days have been better than any one hoped for. In fact, many boats did not go out Monday, believing that the unsettled weather of last week and for weeks before had stirred up the ocean to the extent that shrimping would not be worthwhile for two or three days longer.

With Monday's catches better than expected, all boats went yesterday and again today. The week may turn out to be a very good one, with results still better next week, if the present smooth weather continues.

A hundred or more boats at Southport, Lockwoods Folly, Holden's Beach and Shalotte Point can produce a lot of shrimp during a good week. Reports give 14 boats at Shalotte Point, about the same number at both Holden's Beach and Lockwoods Folly and 75 or more at Southport. Many at all points are big boats and can be real producers in half-way fair weather.

Boatmen complain that it is almost impossible to get boat repairs without great loss of time. With the present number of boats and many more to come it is inevitable that there should be daily breakdowns, some being serious, with men engines as hard to get as they are and with repair parts almost out of the question.

Law Officers To Have Conference

Law Enforcement Officers From This Area To Attend Conference At Burgaw

The city of Burgaw, North Carolina, will play host on October 5, 1945, to law enforcement officers in this area who will attend a conference to be held by the FBI with the cooperation of Sheriff J. T. Brown of Pender County.

Mr. Edward Scheidt, Special Agent in Charge of the Charlotte FBI office, has announced that the principal topic for discussion will be "Post War Planning for Police Departments." There will also be a discussion and demonstration on the care of firearms by Special Agent George G. Vik, and a talk on "Personal Descriptions" by Special Agent James W. Coan, both of whom are assigned to the Charlotte FBI office. This is one of a series of meetings which will be held by the FBI during the month of October throughout North and South Carolina.

The conference will convene at 2 p. m. at the Pender County Court House. Sheriff Brown has arranged to have a barbecue for visiting officers.

All law enforcement officers in this area are invited to attend.

The Red Cross Is Standing By

Brunswick Chapter Standing Ready To Assist Returning Veterans In Problems Of The Future

With the end of war the armed forces are ready for the greatest demobilization in history. The American Red Cross stands by to assist Brunswick county's returning veterans in securing the government benefits to which they are entitled, and to help them with the many problems they face in their return to civilian life. Miss Annie M. Woodside, chairman of the Brunswick County chapter, said today.

Mrs. Grace P. Ruark, Exec. Secretary has just returned from Goldsboro where she attended a two-day conference on veterans' (Continued on Page 2)

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Ration Pointers

MEATS & FATS—All meat require ration points except milk and a few specialties including kidneys, tripe and brain. Red points are required for butter, margarine, lard, shortening, salad and cooking oils, canned fish and meats canned and in glass. Canned milk and cheese no longer require points. Red Stamps V2 through Z2 are good through Sept. 30; A1 to E1 through October 31; F1 to K1 through November 30; and L1 to Q1 through Dec. 31. Red tokens continue in use as change-makers. Consumers will get 2 red points in addition to 4 cents for each pound of waste kitchen fats and greases rendered and brought to the neighborhood meat shop.

The OPA customarily validates five new red stamps at the beginning of each month. Each stamp is valued at 10 points.

SUGAR—Stamp 28 is good for 5 pounds through Dec. 31. Special rations of sugar for home canning may be obtained at local rationing boards.

SHOES—The "airplane" stamps 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Book 3 are each good indefinitely for one pair of shoes.

TIRES: Subject to need and quota restrictions, motorists using cars for occupational purposes or change of residence are eligible for certificates for Grade I tires. Ration boards may also issue tire certificates in extreme hardship cases for non-occupational use.

FURLOUGH RATIONS — A member of the armed forces on leave or furlough may apply for food and sugar rations at the nearest local rationing board in the district where he is spending his furlough. He will receive an allotment of red and sugar stamps by showing his furlough papers.

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