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### Ration Board Defines OPA Rules On Pleasure Driving

#### Cooperation Is Requested Violator's Cards Revoked

Any motorist who violates the OPA regulation against pleasure driving may have his ration book revoked by the local rationing board, Dr. W. E. Furr, Chairman of the Macon County War Price and Rationing Board, said today in urging the public in this vicinity to refrain from pleasure driving.

Chairman Furr's statement was made jointly with L. W. Driscoll of Charlotte, District OPA manager, following receipt of information from Washington pointing to the gravity of the fuel oil shortage on the Eastern Seaboard.

The Charlotte district Office of Price Administration has been called upon for numerous interpretations of whether specific activities constituted pleasure driving.

Among questions raised is whether it would be legal to attend sports events, bridge games, book club meetings and any other social affairs. Certainly, these activities should be continued, but the participants must either walk, use the bus or find some other way besides their cars to get there, Mr. Driscoll explained.

"Dining at hotels, clubs, restaurants also is out—unless you can get there some other way than by auto. Attendance at movies, visits to skating rinks, bowling alleys, billiard parlors, dances and all other social activities also are definitely prohibited—if cars are used for such purposes. Hunting, also is under the ban.

"States along the Eastern Seaboard are consuming around 40,000 more barrels of oil a day than is being brought into the area. If this sort of thing goes on, it probably won't be long before we'll be having gasless days or even weeks. We can prevent that situation from developing if the people will cooperate one hundred percent in eliminating all except essential driving... Mr. Driscoll said.

### Ration Bulletin

The local rationing board, Dr. W. E. Furr, chairman, issues the following information this week:

Babies born after December 15, 1942, must be registered for their ration books within a month after birth.

Institutional users of coffee will be issued 40 per cent of their base on Feb. 1, and for only one month at a time.

Tire inspectors for holders of A ration books is postponed to March 31, B and C gas ration book holders to Feb. 28.

Only persons 15 years of age at time War Ration Book No. 1 was issued, are eligible for coffee. No changes can be made on book.

Quarterly mileage as allowed by the Office of Defense Transportation should be stated on all applications for new truck tires and recaps.

### HOODLUMS BREAK STREET LIGHTS

For some time the Nantahala Power and Light Company, has been replacing lights on complaints from citizens that hoodlums had thrown rocks at the street lights outside their homes, plunging the streets in darkness.

Whether the purpose of these marauders has been merely a spirit of vandalism or for the purpose of darkening the street for some other motive, like that of stealing cars or tires, is not known.

However, it is understood that there is some evidence which might lead to the arrest of suspicious persons. Some neighborhoods have had lights broken twice within a few weeks, and there have been eye witnesses to some of these depredations.

### FSA Helps Farmers Meet Roosevelt Goal

As representative of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, all Farm Security Administration employees are co-operating with local war boards and other agricultural workers in helping farmers to carry out their 1943 food production goals in line with the President's "farm mobilization" proclamation.

"My office will continue to make loans to enable farmers to increase food production and all the facilities and services of the Farm services to put themselves into better shape," said A. L. Ramsey,

### Classifications By Local Board

The Local Board announces the following classifications made at the meeting of the Board on January 12, 1943:

Classified in I-A: Lawrence Howard Sanders, Johnnie Clyde Reeves, John Wiley Hurst, Claude Erwin Gibson, Elcane Jenkins, Howard Stiwinter, Grady Hopkins, Carl Junior Seagle, Earl Parker, Conley Jefferson Bradley, Glenn Carter Wilson, William Harvey Hastings, Thurman F. Rogers, John Thad Ashe, Troy Alexander Gregory, Carl Dester McMahan, John Henry Wood, C. L. Pendergrass, Radford Eugene Jacobs, and Willie George Stanfield.

In II-C: Wade Huffman Higdon, Mericua Dewey McCoy. In 4-F: Andrew Jackson Crain, and James Howard Ledford.

The following were re-classified: Jeff Hailen Enloe, Jr., from 3-A to II-C; Walter Eugene Furr, Jr., from II-A to I-C, enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserve, commissioned as Ensign; from II-B to 4-F, Bill Buchanan; from 3-A to 4-F, Lloyd William Burgess, colored; from 3-A to I-A, Clint Hurman Wilson; from I-A to II-A, James Edwin Guffey, Carl Dewey Bailey, Wiley James Sanders, Morris Edison Gibson; from II-B to I-A, Edwin Cochrane Guy; from II-A to I-A, Dorman Dale Gibson, R. L. Scott; from II-A to 3-A, Wallace Adam Morgan.

The following men were placed in 4-H, having passed their 38th birthday before being inducted: Joe Lawrence Dalton, Alex Rozelle Fouts, Sam Alexander Baty, William Jennings Bryan Jones, Everette Alexander Owenby, John Harry Potts, Treacy Morris Bernard, George Robert McConnell, Lee Douglas Wood, Walter James Yoeng, Harvey Edwards, Dewey Vinson Lizer, William Hunter McGuire, Charles Edwin Johnson.

The Board also announces the following classifications and re-classifications:

In I-A: George William Roper, Jacob Aster Waters, Charles Wood, Jr., Clyde Owenby, Mark Owen Sanders, Morris Edison Gibson, Burl Wayne Ray, Frank Lewis Hughes, Lyle Alonzo Tilson, Ralph McKinney Bingham, Robert Paul Ray, Howard Theodore Brendle, John Gibson Murray, D. L. Rowland, Walter Raleigh Dowell, John Henry Burch, Odell Roper, Rufus Collier, Farley Esco Gibson, James Forest Johnson, James Clifton Wilkes, Robert Leonard Anderson, Herman William Norton, Charlie Franklin Mashburn, Carl Dewey Bailey, Lennes Tom Webb, William Leon Sellers, Raymond Willis Wood, James Byron Foster, Harvey Lee Brown, Samuel Luther Snyder, Thomas Kinsland, Herschel Mason, Willard Nelson Carver, Frank Burnette Watts. Two colored registrants also in I-A: Robert Lewis Addington and Charles Scruggs, Jr. In 2-B: Grady Hugh Rogers. In 3-A: James Eugene Oliver, James Ellis Ledford. In 4-F: William Ransom Ledford, Forrest Lafayette Hoilman, Jake Bud Holland, David Marion Sanders, and Lloyd Lyle Anderson.

The majority of these registrants were those of the 20-year and 18-year old group registered in June of 1942.

The following were re-classified: From 4-F to I-A: Henry Arthur Cleveland; from I-B to I-A: Buren Van Owenby; from 3-A to I-A, Bob Witt; from I-A to 3-A, Logan Berry Ashe, Henry Grady Holbrooks, and Jasper Wamlow Greene. From I-A to II-B, Paul John Dalrymple. From 3-A to 3-B, John Willie Clarke, Herman Mason. Men accepted in the army by induction or enlistment, John Joseph Whiteside, Claude B. Burrell, Buel Lee Breedlove and Clarence Eugene Paul.

TALLENT BABY DIES

Helen Arbutus Tallent, 28 days old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Tallent of Iota, died Sunday, January 17, with whooping cough.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church on Monday. Surviving besides the parents are one brother, Carlos, and one sister, Ruth, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tallent.

The Macon County Sunday School Convention will meet at the Mt. Hope Baptist Church, Sunday, Jan. 24th, at 2:30 p. m.

The Rev. H. M. Alley, pastor of the Highlands Baptist Church is to be the principal speaker.

county FSA supervisor, whose office is located in the Agriculture Building.

### N. C. Weekly Roundup

NO LANTERN CUT—North Carolina farmers will be able to keep buying liquid fuel oil lamps and lanterns. While a large number of other articles made of steel for war use have been stopped for the duration—there will continue to be lanterns for use around the house and barn.

CELOPHANE GOES TO WAR—Housewives will see less and less articles wrapped in cellophane from now until after the war is over. Reason is that cellophane is needed for gas capes for the United States Army.

PLEASURE DRIVING—State OPA Director, T. S. Johnson, said this week that county, municipal, state and OPA officers will keep on checking cars for pleasure driving. Already almost 360 North Carolina drivers have been "tagged" for pleasure driving and will have to appear before their local rationing boards to explain why their gasoline should not be taken away.

SHARE YOUR CAR—The North Carolina Office of Civilian Defense this week will push car-sharing in all sections of the state through block and community leaders. OCD says that car-sharing is "all important" in the present gasoline and rubber crisis and every effort should be made to share as many rides as possible.

BICYCLES—All the North Carolinians who have been wishing they had bought bicycles before rationing began are going to have their hearts made glad by a new OPA ruling relaxing eligibility rules for the purchase of bikes. From now on, anyone gainfully employed or doing volunteer work essential to the war program or public welfare, or students who need bicycles for getting to and from school, will be eligible to receive a rationing certificate if he or she can show need for a bicycle at least four days a week. Applications for rationing certificates must be made at the local War Price and Rationing Boards, W. Hance Hoffer, state OPA ration officer, said.

TRUCKING OUTLOOK—The outlook for North Carolina's commercial vehicles appears fairly bleak for 1943, according to State ODT officials, and here's the way the situation stacks up: tires in the main will be made of crude and reclaimed rubber, which means that they won't wear well, and in addition military requirements for rubber will leave only 45 percent as much rubber for commercial motor vehicles in 1943 as they used in 1941; manpower shortages will become steadily more serious, and women must take over wherever possible, and the parts situation can be summed up in four words—"Tight and getting tighter." ODT also reminds North Carolina truck owners that January 31 is the deadline for getting temporary gas rations from local boards.

The time for obtaining War Ration Book No. 2 to be used in connection with the rationing of meat, canned goods and other commodities in 1943, will be announced soon by the Office of Price Administration. War Ration Book No. 2 cannot be obtained by persons who do not possess War Ration Book No. 1.

### SCHOOL MILK PROGRAM SOON TO BE LAUNCHED

W. J. Velsor, field representative of the Food Distribution Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, visited Franklin this week and completed arrangements for a possible school milk program for the Franklin school.

Plans have been completed for the financing of this program by a committee of the Parent-Teachers association of which Dr. J. L. Stokes II, is the chairman.

Arrangements have been made to supplement funds available for the operation of the program so that school children may receive a half pint of milk a day by the payment by them of only one cent.

It is hoped that this program will be approved by the regional administrator, Col. James H. Palmer, of Atlanta, Ga., so that the program may begin operation at an early date.

### Men In Service



Robert W. Norton, son of R. L. Norton, of Dillard, Ga., Rt. 1, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal.



### PVT. GREEN COMMENDED FOR SERVICE IN ENGLAND

The following is taken from a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal Green of Franklin from their son's commanding officer:

Private Carl Green... was of great assistance in providing meals and lodging for a party of 45 representatives of the press at a castle in southern England on the night of November 1 and the morning of November 2. This was on the occasion of the visit of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. It is requested that this letter of commendation be brought to the attention of the Commanding General and that a copy be placed in the file of Private Green.



Pfc. Kenneth A. Dowdle, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Dowdle, who have received a message from him that he has arrived safely overseas and is well and happy



Pfc. Willard B. Sanders, of the Army Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sanders of Franklin, is stationed in Trinidad, British West Indies. He enlisted November 22, 1941.

### NEWS IN 7 DAYS FROM FOREIGN FRONT

Miss Maybelle Bryant has heard from her brother, Bill Bryant, somewhere in North Africa, saying he was well and had been enjoying riding horseback where he is stationed. He also said that he was receiving the Franklin Press. Miss Bryant received the letter by air mail, seven days after it was mailed.

Miss Clyde Berry also received a letter from her cousin in Australia, which arrived seven days after mailing.

David Harrison Ammons, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ammons, who has been in the hospital for some time at Robbins Field, Georgia, has been home on medical furlough.

Francis Tessier, who has been serving in an engineering unit of the Army at Fort Belvoir, Va., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Reba Tessier.

### Victory Book Campaign Launched In Macon Co.

#### Taylor Crockett Recovering From Wound In North Africa

We are happy to receive a letter from Mrs. S. R. Crockett of Hazelwood as we go to Press, giving definite information about their son, Howe Taylor, who was recently reported to have been wounded in North Africa.

Mrs. Crockett enclosed a copy of Taylor's last letter, which will be published in full in next week's issue of the paper. It is a charming letter, and in it he says, "My wound is nearly healed over and I am back with the company doing light duty."

Friends of John Crawford, son of Mrs. A. R. Higdon, will be pleased to know that he has been promoted to first lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. He has been flight instructor since last March, having been made Flight Commander when sent to Moore's Field at McAllen, Texas. He is instructor of flying cadets in their advanced training before graduation.

#### PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL

Major Gerald E. Ledbetter, of Newton Center Mass., Commanding officer of the motor transport district at Camp Edwards, Mass., has been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ledbetter.

Pvt. Gene Bateman, of Camp Sutton, spent Christmas with his wife the former Miss Blanche Ledbetter and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bateman.

Tech. Cpl. William Conley, who spent a ten-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ingram Conley, recently returned to Fort Bragg.

Pvt. Bill Bell of Camp Carrabelle, Fla., is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bell.

Pfc. Cash B. Clark, of Sylva and Franklin, who is stationed at Boston Airport, Boston, Mass. has returned to camp after spending a 15-day furlough with relatives and friends. Pfc. Clark's brother, Lyle F. Clark is in the Army, stationed at Walnut Creek Ark.

Pfc. Joe C. Bradley, son of Mrs. S. E. Bradley of Otto, has returned to Fort Screven, Ga., after spending a 10-day furlough with his mother.

He took his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and was transferred to Fort Screven, Ga. He has been in the service 4 months.

Ausborn C. Parker, son of W. V. Parker of Franklin, Rt. 3, has completed his course of studies at Amarillo Army Air Field Texas as an Aviation mechanic. His graduation from this technical school fits him for airplane maintenance, and has also thoroughly drilled him in military tactics and defense, with a course in physical training that has conditioned him to meet all requirements as an American soldier.

Pvt. Hayes Crisp of Gneiss is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

Pvt. Jim Passmore spent a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Tom Passmore on Cartoogechaye.

Oscar P. Cross, son of William F. Cross of Flats, has completed a course at Amarillo Air Field, Texas, in aviation mechanics and has also been trained to meet all requirements of an American soldier, according to an official announcement received from the air field public relations officer.

Cpl. Norton of 513th Flexible Gunnery, Training Squadron, Foster Field, Texas, enlisted in the Army in July, 1942.

#### HUNNICUTT BROTHERS ENTER SERVICE

George Lyle Hunnicutt and Charles R. Hunnicutt, sons of Mrs. E. F. Hunnicutt, enlisted in the Air forces last week. George enlisted in the Navy on January 10, and is stationed at the Naval Air Base at Jacksonville, Fla. Charles left Saturday for the Army Air Base at Nashville Tenn.

Mrs. Beatrice Watson left Wednesday for Daytona Beach, Fla., where she will take eight-weeks training for WAAC.

#### J. E. S. Thorpe Heads Local Committee; Plans Outlined

J. E. S. Thorpe will head the 1943 Victory Book Campaign which was launched last week in Western North Carolina by the Asheville Citizen-Times. Miss Lassie Kelly will assist Mr. Thorpe who requests that books be brought to the Nantahala Power and Light company office.

The books collected will be sent to army and navy centers in North and South Carolina. Timely and interesting books that men in the armed forces will enjoy reading are requested.

The Citizen-Times has undertaken to collect books from the depots in each community and bring them to the campaign depot in the Citizen-Times building in Asheville. The entire campaign will be compressed into two weeks, ending Saturday, January 30.

#### Churches and Clubs Asked to Help

Mr. Thorpe and Miss Kelly request all civic groups, clubs and churches as well as individuals, to respond to this call so that Franklin and Macon county may share in this service to our men in camps in this area.

#### Books Wanted

The books asked for in this campaign are new, timely, interesting books that the donors themselves would enjoy. Readers are asked to give books that they want themselves and only books that have value and quality.

Each book should be donated with the same care and thought as if it were a personal gift to an individual soldier, is the standard gauge by which donors are asked to test the kind of books given. Recent books, "best sellers," in various fields—scientific, economic, political, adventure and travel, as well as mystery thrillers, light fiction and stories of the war itself, are acceptable.

#### Books Not Wanted

Definitely not wanted are books of romance and adventure written in the style of 25 or 30 years ago. Books that have gathered dust on family shelves are not wanted.

All persons and organizations are urged to respond promptly to this new opportunity to serve our fighting men.

#### REMEMBER THE PLACE—

Nantahala Power and Light Company, office.

#### REMEMBER THE TIME—

Before January 30.

### Franklin P. T. A.

#### Hears Rev. P.H. Green On "Education For Peace"

At the meeting of the Parent-Teacher association Monday, the Rev. Philip Green presented the subject of "Education for Peace" in a thought-provoking way. Referring to the recent book, "Education for Death," describing educational methods used by the Nazis and Japanese in preparing this generation for the war aims of their military leaders, the speaker placed over against it the ideals of democracy in education for life, and the necessity of training this generation to meet the responsibility of building a lasting peace for the whole world.

"We will win a military peace, whether we win the peace that comes after is problematical," he said. Listing a few things that will make for peace, he mentioned: free trade, better distribution of raw materials, re-habilitation of the poor and depleted peoples, helping to establish the four freedoms for other peoples; supervising rebuilding of nations not ready to govern themselves, a compulsory system to disarm the world, a world police force. "Nationalism, about the war, must go," he the kind that has helped bring speaker said, asserting that we must educate ourselves to the idea of a world union of interdependent nations.

A chorus of high school girls, directed by Mrs. Green and accompanied by Barbara Stockton, sang three great national hymns: "The Marseillaise," "God Save the King" and "America the Beautiful."

The president, Mrs. Carl Slagle, read the New Year's message of the President of the Parent-Teacher association, and Mr. Pugh, principal, appealed for more interest in the school on the part of parents.