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FORMER MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL GIVES INTERESTING TALK ON WORK IN GERMANY

Year's Study Of Youth Concluded With Review Of Rehabilitation Activities In Germany

The Benjamin May chapter, D. A. R., held its annual Flag Day meeting, Saturday afternoon, which marked the 170th birthday of Old Glory, with Mrs. C. S. Eagles, of Saratoga, and Mrs. Henrietta M. Williamson as hostesses.

Blue and white hydrangeas and gardenias were used in the effective decoration of the colonial mantels of the chapter house, floor baskets held hydrangeas and Queen Anne's lace, and red roses and feverfew were arranged in mixed bouquets for the tables, effectively carrying the national colors.

Mrs. T. C. Turnage, regent, presided. The flag salute was led by Mrs. Ellen Lewis Carroll. Mrs. C. S. Eagles, chaplain, conducted the devotional period.

Bringing to a close the year's study of Youth, developed in timely and interesting programs, outlined by the committee, of which Mrs. Ellen Lewis Carroll was chairman, was a comprehensive and enlightening presentation of the subject of "Youth Rehabilitation in Germany," by Ward James, of Greenville, who served this country with the rank of Major in the 84th U. S. Infantry Division during World War II, and in recent months as director of a military government detachment of the United States, stationed at Gerolshofen in Land Bavaria, which controlled an area of 475 square miles. Mr. James is now connected with East Carolina Teachers College.

The speaker's daily contact with the Germans as citizens, as well as soldiers, had given him an insight into their lives, problems and attitudes, which qualified him to speak with intelligence and authority on his assigned subject and to discuss both the problems of the conquered Germans and the obligations of the victors.

In building a durable peace in Germany, Mr. James stated that it was first necessary to use a process of "unlearning" with the children, who had known only the Hitler regime and been taught to think mechanically under a blanket of propaganda. He told of the Mein Kampf shrines still visited in secret and of the task involved in getting German children to think of Hitler as other than a deity.

Mr. James described living conditions in makeshift homes in cellars of bombed-out houses, in the cities, with a majority of the members of the families dead or whereabouts unknown.

Citing what one group of United States forces did in the rehabilitation of youth on its own initiative, the speaker told of an athletic program including baseball, softball, football, and tennis put over with the idea of developing a spirit of sportsmanship. And of building up friendship by means of parties, where, for the first time in their lives, the children had fruit, chocolate and gum.

Stating that the Germans were a churchgoing people, the speaker told of the work being done through the churches in reviving study conferences, pageants and plays.

In holding up the school as a prime factor in the work of rehabilitation, Mr. James said that an attempt had been made to purge the teaching profession of Nazism and that the books and literature had been censored with practically all of the old text books eliminated. He stated that the school buildings had been destroyed to a great extent.

He found, as was to be expected, malnutrition among the children in a marked degree with tuberculosis raging as a result. Hard, black bread and potatoes are the principal foods and often the only ones obtainable. Mr. James said, however, that more food was going into the country now and that a surplus of army provisions, including canned milk for babies, had been turned over to the Germans.

The speaker afterwards conducted an open forum, in which thought-provoking questions were answered and discussed. Paramount was the fact stressed upon by all of America's responsibilities in making these peoples, formerly of the Hitler regime, capable of being fully up to a standard for consideration by the rest of the world.

After the program hours, you were invited into the dining room where a delicious plate was served from a table centered with a beautiful arrangement of the Old North State and the Stars and Stripes, flanked by candles in silver candlesticks.

Following the usual custom of dispensing with meetings during July and August, the Flag Day meeting marked the close of the year for the Major Day Chapter, but did not conclude chapter activities, for the members have pledged their best efforts towards putting the building and grounds in readiness and preparing for the proposed dedication in the fall. This will be D Day for the chapter and a red letter day for Farmville and Eastern North Carolina as it will present an opportunity for renewal of old family ties necessary for maintaining family traditions and achievements, and bring within its gates many prominent leaders of the D. A. R. organization and many other distinguished guests, who are recognized as key figures in the affairs of this nation being familiar with world happenings and concerned with the momentous task of establishing a world peace.

the outstanding accomplishments of the year from a financial standpoint. These included the iron fence, enclosing the chapter house ground, the marked gateway, the brick wall, the Venetian blinds and work in connection with parking space within the grounds at an expenditure of around $3200.00, the larger part of this sum being a gift from an interested friend. The purchase of crystal chandeliers for the reception room and bronze eagles for the driveway entrance pillars were discussed.

Particularly fitting for a gift on Flag Day was the large North Carolina flag presented, at this meeting, by Mrs. G. R. Kirk, of Tacoma, Washington, a native of this State, a Daughter, and a visitor at the May meeting. Mrs. Kirk also sent a hand-painted and framed verse relating to the Old North State.

Mrs. Ellen Lewis Carroll offered a gift of boxwoods for the walk in honor of her mother, the late Mrs. Nannie Y. Lewis, Mrs. T. C. Turnage and Mrs. C. R. Townsend.

Miss Tabitha DeVisconti read the names of recent additions to the membership as follows: Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Mrs. Vance Perkins, of Greenville; Mrs. A. K. Miller, Mrs. R. O. Humphrey, of Sanford; Mrs. John B. Wright, Jr., of Wilson; Mrs. Elmer Wooten, of Kinston.

The regent extended a cordial invitation to Mrs. E. H. Robinson, of Raeford, a member, who has been unable to attend for some years, and to the following guests, who spoke briefly: Mrs. F. M. Davis, Sr., Mrs. L. E. Turnage, Sr., Mrs. Nannie Moye Humphrey of Farmville, her houseguest, Mrs. Alice Lang Martin, of Hickory; Mrs. James T. Lewis, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. May H. Moore, of Fayetteville Mrs. Madeline H. Rountree, of St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mrs. Ward James, wife of the guest speaker, and Mrs. Clarence Moye, of Maury.

During a delightful social period, the hostesses served ices, individual chocolate cakes and salted nuts.

Creekmur Starts Work On Six New Residences Here

Lumber Company Operator Will Construct Two Homes Each Of Cement Blocks, Asphalt Shingles And Cypress Siding In Victory Park Area

For perons seeking living quarters in Farmville, Victory Park will become a greater victory than ever when George Creekmur, owner of Farmville Retail Lumber Company, carries out his plans to constuct six new homes in the southeast section of town which now is made up largely of homes ex-serviceman bought in Portsmouth, Virginia, and moved here.

Foundations for the Creekmur homes, which will be six-room structures with enclosed front and back porches, have already been laid. Work is progressing satisfactorily on the two which will be constructed of cement blocks. Mr. Creekmur plans to construct two of asbestos shingles, while the other two will be finished with cypress siding.

The lumber dealer would not even venture a guess as to the completion date, but he did say that he would have them put up as quickly as possible.

Five of the Creekmur homes will be on Church street and the sixth, of cement block construction, will be on Pitt street. That section of town has mushroomed overnight into a first-class housing development, making Farmville a more attractive place to live, adding taxable property to tax books, and furnishing much-needed living space for families who have heretofore been crowded with relatives or doubled up in apartments or somebody else's home.

Thirty-two veterans have purchased homes from the Alexander Park housing project near Portsmouth. At least two of the homes are being occupied and several others are in the final stages of completion.

The housing corporation, locally organized to art as purchasing agent, originaly placed orders for 15 homes but to date 32 have been ordered.

Photographer Will Make Pictures Tues.

The Enterprise has arranged with a professional photographer to make pictures of the representative citizens of Farmville and community on Tuesday, June 24th.

The photographer will be at the Davis hotel between noon and 7 p. m. to take these pictures. The Enterprise will be provided with glossy prints which will be kept on file in our office for use as news events may warrant.

Recent events in town have disclosed that many of our citizens have not had a picture made in years. By having the photographer here next Tuesday, we will be able to build up a complete file.

There will, of course, not be any charge and The Enterprise will appreciate your taking a few minutes off to have your picture made.

There is no obligation on your part, but if you wish you may secure additional pictures for your own use at reasonable prices.

Farmville Will Make Bid For New Hospital

Town Will Offer To Furnish Huge Slice Of County's Share If Proposed $900,000-Structure Is Located Here

If plans for the construction of a $900,000-hospital in Pitt County with Federal, state and county funds materializes, Farmville will seek to have the new institution located in this community by offering to furnish at least $100,000, or approximately one-third of the total amount the county must raise.

Although the project is still in the blue-print stage, it is understood that petitions asking for a special election will soon be presented to the county Commissioners, who will have the final say-so in deciding where the new hospital, if constructed, will be placed. One-third of the total needed for the work will come from the Federal Government, and the remaining two-thirds from state and county treasuries. Ordinarily, the state would furnish one-third and the county match it. Since Pitt is considered one of the wealthier counties in North Carolina, it is quite likely that the county will be called upon to furnish slightly more than one-third. At any rate, the sum which interested Farmville citizens propose to offer as an inducement for construction of the hospital in this community will be roughly one-third of the sum Pitt must furnish.

Leaders of the move to lay at least $100,000 on the line when the time comes feel that Farmville is entitled to have located within her immediate area at least one of the tax-supported improvements to which persons in the community have contributed. Should any of the other towns or communities better Farmville's offer, an entirely different situation will exist but unless and until the offer is bettered these leaders feel that this community is entitled to first consideration when the county executives must finally decide where the new hospital will be located.

Tucked away in one corner of the county, Farmville is not as centrally located as a county-wide center should be. That much is admitted. But it is felt that the generous offer to pay one-third of the cost, which would lower the levy on other sections, would offset the disadvantages of an off-center location.

At The Rotary Club

R. N. Freeman, program leader, introduced Dan H. Jones, who made a talk about his experiences with the government while working in the intelligence department.

Several members made remarks of appreciation for the services John H. Moore had rendered the club and the town. Rotarian Moore leaves soon to assume the county superintendent's duties in Pasquotank county.

The attendance prize was drawn by President Johnnie Mewborn.

Joe Gregory Picked As Officer At ECTC

Students living in the dormitories on the East Carolina Teachers college campus in Greenville have chosen officers for the summer session. These will direct student government activities in the dormitories for the term extending from June to August.

Harry J. Jarvis of Hopewell, Va., will serve as president of Wilson hall, men's dormitory, and Joe F. Gregory of Farmville, as secretary-treasurer.

Members-at-large on the Student council are William F. Cherry, Jr., of Washington, Thomas E. Casey of Pear Oaks, Joseph C. Brown of Jacksonville, C. E. Mangum of Petersburg, Va., and Sidney W. Riddick and Alan Stoddard, both of Greenville.

Officers of Cotten hall are Anne Dull of Kenansville, president; Evelyn Peale of Lexington, vice president; Georgia King of Durham, secretary. Members-at-large are Nell Rae Ellis of Gatesville, Frances Gardner of Pikeville, Alice Lawson of Ormond, Margaret W. Hoggard of Clinton, [illegible] Lee Harper of Lumberton, and Barbara Daly of Dallas.

In Fleming hall, [illegible] will be elected by Miss Sara H. Jackson of Goldsboro, president; Jean [illegible] of Gatesville, vice president; [illegible] of Gatesville, secretary; and Laura Howard of Gatesville, treasurer.

Drivers Must Have License Renewed Every Four Years

In accordance with the law passed by the 1947 General Assembly requiring the re-issuance of motor vehicle driver licenses, the following schedule has been made: the period beginning July 1, 1947, and ending December 31, 1947, is the time for all driver license holders whose surnames begin with the letters A or B to apply for new licenses. Persons whose names do not begin with one of the above letters cannot apply for re-issuance of license in this period.

The period beginning January 1, 1948, and ending June 30, 1948, will be the time for all operators whose surnames begin with the letters C or D to apply for re-issuance of licenses. All motor vehicle drivers whose surnames begin with a letter other than A, B, C, or D will be notified by press releases at the proper time as to when they should appear for the re-examination.

The operator's license issued under the 1947 Safety Act shall automatically expire on the birthday of the license in the fourth year following the year of issuance, and no license shall be issued to any operator after the expiration of his license until such operator has again passed the required examination.

Everyone will get a complete examination, made up of four parts: (1) Eye test; (2 Highway sign test; (3) Driving rules test, and (4) Road test.

The poorest visual reading that will permit passing with glasses is 20-50. This may be with both eyes together, or it may be with best eye alone.

The sign test consists of the showing to the applicant several pictures containing highway warning signs. The driver will be requested to tell what a driver should do when he comes to such a sign. Inability to read is not grounds for denying a driver license.

The rule section of the examination consists of 25 simple questions that deal with the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

The road test will consist of a drive of some 12 to 15 city blocks. In the past some applicants have begun road tests with the understanding that the examiner would tell him to pass red lights, exceed speed limits, and otherwise drive improperly. This, however, has not been the policy in North Carolina, nor will it be during the re-issuance.

Previous practices of governing the issuance and use of learners' permits will not be changed. The only change that will occur with respect to fees charged will be the increase in the cost of an operator's license from one to two dollars.

DOROTHY LEWIS ACCEPTS POSITION IN WILMINGTON

Dorothy Lewis of Farmville, who has been cashier in the treasurer's office at East Carolina Teachers college for the past two years, has accepted a position as registrar and business manager of Wilmington Junior college. She will begin work the third week in July.

Miss Lewis was graduated from East Carolina in 1945. At the end of the first summer term this July she will receive the master's degree in business education at the college.

FARMVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL VOTE ON 15-CENT LEVY FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

Commissioners Approve Petition Requestion Special Election Be Called; If Passed, Levy Will Provide $9,000 Annually For Schools

Meeting Wednesday night in special session, Pitt's Board of Commissioners approved the petition of the Farmville school board which requested that a special election be called in this district to determine whether or not an additional tax of 15 cents per $100-valuation shall be levied, the money thus raised to be used exclusively for school purposes. While no date was set for the election, the local board has asked that it be held the third Saturday in October and it is expected that the referendum will be held at the time requested.

At a meeting in May, the Board of Education approved the petition and forwarded it to the Commissioners with a favorable endorsement.

If approved in the election, the 15-cent levy will provide an additional $9,000 annually for the school board to use in keeping Farmville's educational institutions above standard. The funds will not be available until the 1948-49 session. Taxable property in the school district, which embraces practically all of Farmville township, is valued at $6,000,000.

The need for supplementary funds is paramount. Right now, the school's public school music course is in jeopardy because no money is available for an instructor's salary. Heretofore, the Parent Teacher Association has been underwriting the project but fear has been expressed that the organization will not be able to do so again next year since their surplus funds are exhausted. An expanded athletic program is another of the projects which the school could carry out if supplemental funds were available.

Chairman John B. Lewis and members of his local school board can put every cent of the money to good use. They only wish they had it to spend, now.

The local board has also requested that voters in the district pass on a proposal to issue $200,000 in bonds for the construction of a colored school and improvements to the white school. The board hopes that the two questions will be placed before voters at the same time. Already endorsed by the Board of Education, the bond issue was not taken up for consideration Wednesday night.

Still pending is the local board's request that provision be made in the 1947-48 budget for a vocational agriculture teacher. The budget, in its final form, has not been approved.

Since there is a regulation prohibiting the use of Federal-state funds for the establishment of this work in schools which did not have an agriculture teacher last year, local board members have expressed fear that they will not be able to offer this much-needed course next term. The fairness of such a ruling is questioned, since Farmville had a vocational agriculture teacher before the war and the shortage of teachers became acute. The board hopes, however, that some provision can be made which will allow the course to be reinstated.

Serving with Chairman Lewis on the board are Irvin Morgan, Jr., Dr. John M. Mewborn, Arch J. Flanagan and Coy Monk, Jr.

School Board Elects Four New Teachers

Bundy And Officials Act Quickly To Fill Vacancies; Still Looking For Second Grade Instructor And High School Coach

The reason may be that Farmville's a good town and everybody knows it; but whatever the cause, the local school board apparently is not having as much difficulty obtaining teachers as officials in many other districts appear to be having.

The board has filled four of the six vacancies but is still searching for another second grade teacher and for someone who can teach social science and double as high school coach. No move will be taken to elect a public school music teacher until it becomes known that the Parent Teacher Association will again furnish funds for this work.

Superintendent Sam D. Bundy announced the following applicants for positions had been accepted by the Farmville board: Miss Lillian Herring of Mt. Olive, a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College and a former member of the Rose Hill faculty, who will teach in the second grade; Miss Harriett Chestnut of Snow Hill, who graduated from E. C. T. C. and has been teaching in Snow Hill, will have classes in commercial subjects; John Dunn of Pinetops, who attended N. C. State and Appalachian State Teachers College and taught at Burlington, will be mathematics instructor; Miss Margaret Lee Duke of Greenville, who graduated from Duke University this year, will teach Spanish.

At The Kiwanis Club

Kiwanians, who until Monday night, had little or no idea what FM in the field of radio really meant, were given a lecture and demonstration on the subject at their weekly meeting when Harry Severance, who holds a position with station WGTM in Wilson, appeared on the program as the guest of Sam Lewis. After a few introductory remarks, Mr. Severance tuned in his station which was broadcasting an experimental program for the Kiwanians.

FM — frequency modulation — affords an improved system which eliminates much of the static and interference experienced in present broadcasts.

Guests were Eli Joyner, Jr., and Will Jones, Jr., who were presented by Charles Edwards, and Joe Moye, Jr., the guest of Howard Moye.

CARL TANNER JOINS LOCAL POLICE FORCE

Carl C. Tanner of Greenville several days ago joined the Farmville police force to fill a vacancy which has existed more than a month.

Policeman Tanner will commute from Greenville to Farmville until living quarters are obtained here. He is a brother of Greenville's police chief.

Florence-Mayo Co. To Build New Factory Here

An additional industry with a steady payroll, what Farmville needs as much as anything, is coming to town!

Work is being undertaken this week on the new factory which Florence Mayo Nuway Company is constructing on its lot near Bell's Warehouse.

Constructed of concrete block and steel, the building will be 100 feet by 125. The Boylen Construction Company of Wilson has the contract for the job.

Now located in Maury, the company will be welcomed into Farmville's family of business concerns. It is anticipated that the Florence Mayo Company will move its entire plant and factory here.

The company specializes in the manufacture of oil-burning tobacco curers and is one of the pioneers in that field.

VETS MUST REINSTATE POLICIES BEFORE AUG. 1

World War II veterans who took out insurance issued U. S. insurance companies prior to Oct. 1, 1940, and who allowed their policies to lapse, may reinstate their policies without a physical examination, James H. Wallace of the Veterans Administration in Raleigh, N. C., has announced. To reinstate, veterans must apply to the Veterans Administration and pay back premiums with interest.

CHARLES RASBERRY MAKES TALK AT HD MEETING

The Farmville Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday afternoon at the club house with Mrs. Lee Forbes and Mrs. Herman Baker as gracious hostesses. Summer flowers were used in lovely mixed arrangements as a setting in the club house.

Mrs. J. R. Lewis presided and the meeting was opened by the singing of the Old North State and the club women's collect.

During the business session, plans for the annual picnic supper and get-together meeting were laid and the conducted tour of northern cities, June 29-July 4, for members of the demonstration clubs of the county was announced and discussed. A family life report was made by Mrs. B. M. Lewis and Mrs. Dorothy Baker gave time lists on Food Preservation.

Charles J. Rasberry, a veteran of World War II, was guest speaker and delighted the business with a description of Italy and her people. Mr. Rasberry expressed surprise and had many interesting experiences.

Employment Service Has Plenty of Domestic Help

Employment Office Has Applications From 150 Colored Women; Representative In Farmville Two Afternoons Each Week

Seeking domestic jobs for 150 colored women who state they are not now employed but able, willing and available for work, a representative from the United States Employment Service office in Greenville sets up headquarters in the Municipal Building each Monday and Friday afternoon from 1 to 2 o'clock for the purpose of bringing employes and prospective employes together.

J. E. Pope, who makes these twice weekly business visits to Farmville, requests local housewives and others in need of domestic help to get in touch with him during this one-hour period on the days he is here.

Many of these on the unemployed list worked in food canning factories during the canning season. Some registered with Employment Service when they were laid off from their jobs and will have ready cash, based upon the amount they earned, when they are called back to work. Others have been unemployed for a maximum period of one year.

Mr. Pope also stated that there are a number of veterans in the Farmville community who have filed applications for work. Unemployed veterans for whom no job can be found are eligible to draw $20 weekly for a maximum period of one year.

George Davis Family In Auto Accident

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Davis and family narrowly escaped serious injuries early Wednesday morning when their automobile was involved in a collision in Asheboro as the Davis family was en route to Ridgecrest. Mrs. [illegible] Spilman, who was a passenger in the Davis car, was also injured.

Occupants of the other car involved in the accident were not injured.

The Davis family, based upon the information they received in Asheboro, decided not to continue their journey to Ridgecrest.

ATTENDING TOBACCO MEET

A. C. Monk, Jr., R. T. Monk, R. D. Harris, W. R. Burke, R. V. Finer, Loth Morriss and T. S. Ryon left Thursday to represent A. C. Monk and Co., Inc., at the U. S. Tobacco convention being held at Virginia Beach, Va., June 19-22.

METHODISTS WILL HAVE ANNUAL PICNIC, WEDNESDAY

The Farmville Methodist Church and Sunday School will hold its annual picnic Wednesday afternoon at the municipal swimming pool at park. A barbecue dinner and basket lunch will be served. Swimming will be enjoyed from 3 to 5 o'clock and the dinner will be at 6:30.

LT. COL. HELEN HOSPITAL RECEIVES AV COURSE

Lt. Col. Helen Hospital, [illegible] served in various [illegible] assignments, has completed a course in aviation medicine at the School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas.