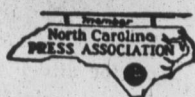


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The Voices Of Our Own Men

Person County and Roxboro, beginning on October 25, will be asked to give at least \$6,959 to the United War Fund drive. Published in today's Times is a statement from Chairman Gordon C. Hunter, who recites the facts in the case. His statement is important and it is, in our opinion, an accurate representation of the needs and the services for which the Fund is being created, the relief of distressed civilian populations of our United Nations' allies, and a back-long of morale building through the USO for our own fighting men.

There have been and perhaps are still a few citizens hereabouts with doubts concerning the worth of the United War Fund appeal, but those who continue in a doubting frame of mind will have to answer the voices of their own sons and brothers, men who are in combat zones, men who are in lonely Pacific outposts, men who are in Iceland and men who are fortunate enough to still be in Army Camps within territorial bounds of the United States. Strongly, and with one voice, these men, our sons and brothers, from all parts of Person County and from Roxboro, echo the sentiments of the Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., now a Chaplain in the United States Army and stationed in Oregon: "Give us more USO services!"

Vick's letter is but one, chosen at random, from the file of many that Hunter has on hand. Another is from Lieut. James Abbitt, who, in August, when his letter was written, was in North Africa, probably just back from participation in the Italian invasion. A third, and one of the most convincing, comes from Clifton E. Milam, in Iceland, who jokingly says he is a member of the "Nut Club" there. But really, he is not joking. The USO, which put on a show there shortly after his letter was written, is doing its part to keep Clifton and the men like within the bounds of sanity in lonely outposts, where nothing ever happens, but where life and duty must go on, geared to high standards, despite loneliness, despite lack of entertainment.

Measured against these letters, Person's quota of \$6,959 seems pitifully small. Inadequate is a better word. Only by giving as much as we are able can we answer Milam's question. Only by giving as much as we can, will we be able to go over the quota and thus have in our own City the beginning of a Fund to assist with the operation of our own soon to be opened Service Center, a place that can in a small way fill needs so accurately described by our own James Brooks, of Camp Barkley, Texas, who was until a few months ago a "civilian" to whom "it never occurred—what such things meant to men in Service."

For some strange reason, through ignorance, more than through intention, we, the citizens of Roxboro and Person County, have in the past been rather half-hearted in supporting the causes now gathered under one roof in the United War Fund. We cannot plead such ignorance now. The voices of our own men speak to us, and in the background, subdued, because so far away, are the voices of the sick and the destitute and the starving, the voices of the Poles and the Greeks and the citizens of France and of the Low Countries, who ask a helping hand.

The voices of our own men and of those who are our kinspirits in a great faith call to us. The answer is in our power, and it can and will be given during the coming weeks. We cannot, we dare not give less than an affirmation and even that will seem inadequate unless we do it gladly and with spirit.

Tribute To Two Men, Not One

Shown here during the week was "Spitfire", a British-made film depicting the life of B. J. Mitchell, the English aircraft designer, who before his death in 1937 created the swift fighter plane—the "Spitfire", credited with saving London during the terrible days of the 1940 blitz. The film is fittingly enough a tribute to the farsighted Mitchell. It also stands as a memorial to Leslie Howard, the great English actor and the interpreter of the role of Mitchell for Howard, shortly after completing the film, lost his own life in an airplane crash.

It is significant that Howard, most skilled in the presentation of the delicate and the civilized, could give to "Spitfire" the same qualities of sensitivity for which his most finished performance, that of the musician in "Intermezzo", is remembered. It is, perhaps, his way of telling us that the creation of an airplane is as much a manifestation of fine art as is the playing of a great composition or the painting of an immortal picture. His standard of excellence in the theatre was unearthly, rare and soul-filling and it must seem no accident that his last film lifts a mundane subject into a region where the grime and sweat and the noise of motors takes on the symbolism of the effortless flying of a bird.

The Study Club Raises A Question

Last week the members of the Study club, one of two or three literary clubs formed by Roxboro and Person County women, had a program devoted to the history of their City and County. That in itself was significant enough to set the program apart as unusual and different from that of the run-of-the-mine club meeting, but having set about the business of uncovering past events, as remembered by two of their members, Mrs. E. B. Yancey and Mrs. O. B. McBroom, the women of the Study club gave their program a particular emphasis by having as their roll call the answer to a question, "Why I Came to Roxboro?"

We wish we could have been there to hear the composite answer. Our guess is that many people have come to Roxboro without knowing why. They have come here for business reasons. They have come, some of them, for social contacts, or for educational advantages. They have come in order to live with relatives, or maybe, to escape from them. At any rate, particularly in the past twenty-five years, they have come, both from Person County and from outside of the County.

But the pleasing thing is that the majority of folks who have moved to Roxboro have stayed, or if they have had to leave, have done so with regret. The place has a hold. Somehow, it gets you, a state of affairs that is no mystery to those born here. The question, however, has significance. If every once-in-a-while non-resident of Roxboro who now calls the City home, would stop and ask the question, and then give the answer honestly, there would probably be a noticeable quickening in the tempo of life here and a virtual redirection of emphasis.

The question is important, not so much for the sake of the original answer, but as an omen for the future. It really does not matter, except on the side of civic pride, why people should come to Roxboro to live: it is what they do after they get here that counts.

WITH OTHER EDITORS

Stop Insulting China

Christian Science Monitor

A bill which has been introduced in Congress would repeal the act of 1882 excluding Chinese from this country, set up in its stead an annual quota basis of 105 Chinese, and allow Chinese already here to be naturalized. It is said to have the administration's blessing, especially that of the state and justice departments.

The exclusion act was passed some 50 years ago to protect American labor mainly because the railroad companies in their job of winning the west were importing large numbers of Chinese workmen. Bret Harte had a phrase for it: "We are ruined by Chinese cheap labor, and what has become of the Established church?"

There is every reason to pass the proposed bill. Those Chinese here should have the benefit of naturalization; they make good citizens and train their children far better

than we do our. Certainly a quota of 105 Chinese a year will not press another yellow crown down upon labor's brow. Its passage would remove a stigma which has long rankled in the patient Chinese mentality.

True, it would be mainly a courteous gesture, but it will mean much in good will to a sturdy and courageous ally and a deeply civilized people who have always, and wisely, given first rank to courtesy in the scheme of things.

The Handy Resignation

Durham Morning Herald

There is more than meets the eye in Attorney General McMullan's announcement that Fred Handy has resigned as director of the State Bureau of Investigation, and we are not talking mainly about Mr. McMullan's anticipatory remark that the resignation has nothing to do with recent SBI operations—the Wilkes liquor case.

The Attorney General's announcement of the Handy resignation says (1) the changes have been under consideration for six months or more, (2) Mr. Handy, deserves commendation for "his diligent and faithful service," (3) SBI people are pleased that Mr. Handy has consented to remain with the department as an agent and, (4) Thomas L.

Creekmore, assistant director under Handy, will take over as director of the agency Dec. 1, effective date of Handy's resignation.

It isn't recited in the Attorney General's statement, of course, but accepted view is that he asked for Mr. Handy's resignation.

Now, then, it is logical enough to say that a person who can't make the grade as director of an outfit can do an excellent job as a private in the ranks, so to speak, which perhaps explains why the Attorney General "fired" Mr. Handy as director and rehired him as special investigator.

We suppose it is possible to fashion a tenable explanation, too, of the Attorney General's using the occasion for Handy's demotion to commend him for his "diligent and faithful service."

But when all of the logical and tenable explanations are in and given liberal interpretation, it remains true that most people who contribute to the support of the SBI and look to it for efficient performance of duty aren't impressed by the thesis that it helps the SBI to fire the man who has been director since 1938 and re-employ him as investigator under the man who has been his assistant since 1938. And if that were true, many would still wonder about the good judgment of praising a man for faithful and diligent service in one breath and firing him in the next.

Person Rationing Board Bulletin

By Person County Rationing Board

Change making and inventory reserve coupons are valid for the amount stated on the face of the coupons through September 30, 1944. "Periods 1" coupons are good for 10 gallons per unit through January 3, inclusive.

STOVES

The demand for stoves is far in excess of the quota allotted to Person county. The delay in issuing certificates to eligible applicants is due to this reason.

TIRES

Holders of "A" books are ineligible for any type of tire. Only holders of "C" gasoline ration allowing in excess of 600 miles per month, are eligible for Grade 1 tires. This is true without regard to the date the application was filed.

GASOLINE

Expiration date of "A-6" coupons has been changed from November 21, to November 3. "A-B" coupons become valid November 9. Values of all "A" coupons remain at three gallons. "B" and "C" coupons are good for two gallons. Dealers must dispose of all "B" and "C" coupons for which three gallons of gasoline were exchanged on or before October 6. Distributors are allowed through October 11 to deposit old value coupons to their ration bank account.

MEAT AND FATS

Red stamps "X" "Y" and "Z" in war ration book two, and brown stamps "A" and "B" in war ration book three expire October 2. Form stamp "C" expires October 30. Brown stamp "D" may be used from October 3 to October 30. Stamp "E" may be used from October 10 to October 30. Stamp "F" may be from October 17 to October 30.

PROCESSED FOODS

Blue stamps "U" "V" and "N" expire October 20. Blue stamps "X" "Y" and "Z" are good from October 1 to November 20.

SUGAR

Stamp No. 14 is good for five pounds of sugar to November 1.

SHOES

Stamp No. 18 in war ration book one is good indefinitely for one pair of shoes. Airplane stamp No. 1 in war ration book three will be good for one pair of shoes on and after November 1.

BUY BONDS TODAY!

Kimmel-Short Trial After War On Schedule

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Court martial trial of Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short, Navy and Army commanders in Hawaii at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack, probably will not be held until after the war.

Both officers have waived any technical objections to delaying the proceedings beyond the two year-period covered by the statute of limitations.

A joint Army-Navy statement said that "it has been decided to postpone proceedings against these officers until such time in the future as may be decided upon as being appropriate."

Admiral Kimmel and Gen. Short were relieved of their commands within a fortnight after the Japanese struck. An investigating commission headed by Associate Justice Owen J. Roberts of the Supreme Court went to Hawaii to investigate and reported to President Roosevelt:

"It was a dereliction of duty on the part of each of them not to consult and confer with each other respecting the meaning and intent of the warnings (sent from the War and Navy Departments between Nov. 27 and Dec. 7, 1941) and the appropriate measure of defense required by the imminence of hostilities."

Fire Prevention Means Check-up

D. S. Weaver, head of the Agricultural engineering, department at State College, reminds farm families that Fire Prevention Week began October 3, and offers these tips to families who want to cut down the fire hazards in their homes.

He suggests that every farm family ask itself these questions: Do the members of our family have habits that are conducive to good fire control? Do they use kerosene or gasoline in starting fires? Are they careless about smoking conditions?

Are the oily and greasy rags

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From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

Charlie Jenkins writes me from down at camp:

"Dear Joe: Somethin' mighty swell happened to me on my last day's leave. I'm standin' on the corner, not knowin' anybody in town, when a stranger says 'hello, soldier—how'd you like a chicken dinner at home with me and the wife?'"

"Well, it turns out they were the kind of folks who couldn't do enough to help out soldiers. They'd invited two other fellows and just as soon as we're

introduced the lady brings us a glass of beer before dinner.

"We had a fine dinner, talked till ten... Honest, Joe, I'll never forget their hospitality. Makes me feel good fighting for people like that."

Thought you might like to hear what kind o' fellows we got in this army of ours, and how they like to enjoy themselves when they get a chance to.

Joe Marsh

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to determine the carotene and tascorbic acid content of sweet potatoes. The yams were studied in the curing, storing, boiling and baking periods.

It was found that at harvest the potatoes of both states contained approximately equal amounts of carotene. However, in curing and storing the North Carolina yams failed to show an increase in carotene content whereas the Georgia yams emerged 25 percent richer in the vitamin A producing quality.

At harvest the Georgia potatoes contained more ascorbic acid than did the Tar Heel yams, however, after curing and storing the North Carolina sweet potatoes were the better source.

In boiling, the losses and gains in carotene in both samples were very slight. In baking the yams contained approximately as much as they did as the raw roots. It was found that after baking and boiling both potatoes contained more ascorbic acid.

LIBRARY CORNER

Library Hours: 12:00-5:00

Negro Branch Hours: Tuesday: 4:00-6:00 Thursday: 5:00-9:00 Saturday: 12:00-6:00

Since transportation facilities are limited by the war and since no bookmobile is as yet available for the Negro Branch of the Person County Public Library, we are suggesting that the teachers in the county take classroom collections of ten books for the children and ten books for the adults for a month's loan period. These may be exchanged once each month so that more books will be available in the nine months school period.

Any special requests should be mentioned to your library clerk so that she can turn them over to your tri-county librarian. Due to the limited use of the special requests other sources than the Person County Public Library may be used.

Ernestine Grafton, Tri-County Librarian

Creamery butter production last year amounted to more than 1,779,465,000 pounds.

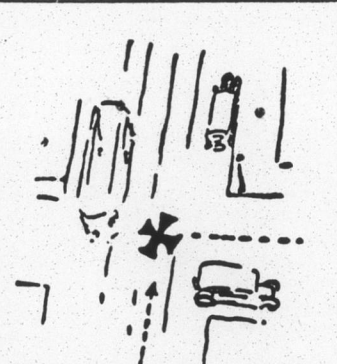
Results of Tests Of Yams Given

As part of the National Cooperative Project on the Conservation of Nutritive Value of Foods, the State Experiment Stations of Georgia and North Carolina have just completed their research on sweet potatoes, Dr. L. D. Baver, director of the State College Station, announces.

Dr. W. J. Patterson and Dr. F. W. Sherwood of the nutrition section of the animal industry department at State College and J. G. Weaver of the department of horticulture conducted the experiment in North Carolina. In Georgia, Mary Spears of the department of home economics and H. L. Cochran of the department of horticulture were in charge of the research.

Purpose of the experiment was

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