

Drive Opens To Find Job For The "Man Over Forty"

Local Employment Office Observing Employ'm't Week

The United States Employment Service is bending every effort to make National Employment Week, being observed this week, an outstanding success here.

This announcement was made today by W. G. Cherry, Jr., manager of the Roanoke Rapids Employment Office, who said the purpose of the observance is to find jobs for the "Man Over Forty".

National Employment Week was proclaimed throughout the nation by President Roosevelt, and in North Carolina by Governor J. M. Broughton, who issued a special proclamation designating May 3 as Employment Sunday. Churches throughout this area called attention to the problem on that day.

"The prospects for solving the problem of the older worker are brighter today than they ever have been since the inauguration of National Employment Week in 1938," Mr. Cherry stated. This is due to heavy increases in the demand for experienced men in National Defense industries.

"The Older Worker, and particularly the veteran, usually demonstrates reliability and loyalty to his employer, and it is conceded that there is no substitute for experience, especially in this time of a shortage in skilled workers for aircraft, machining, and ship-building.

"Of course, there always will be a group which has no skill in these particular lines, and the members of which will not seek the training now being offered by the Defense Training Schools.

"Many members of this group, however, will be able to find jobs this year in employment secondary to national defense, because, as employment in the defense industries grows, so will employment in other lines of work."

The U. S. Employment Service is cooperating with the American Legion and other veteran organizations in making National Employment Week a success here, by placing special emphasis on applicants for work who are more than forty years of age.

"Many employers," Mr. Cherry declares, "are raising the age ceilings for employment, and are finding that the experienced man is the one on whom they can depend. Of course, the Post is not advocating the hiring of the older workers to the detriment of the young man, but we do feel there is a place in business and industry for both. Your local U. S. Employment office can assist you."

GIVES BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Cleve Stallings was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club. Mrs. Ben Long Reives received club members' prize, Miss Bertha Mae Newsome, guests, and Mrs. George Ragland, consolation. Mrs. P. A. Asby received a gift.

Refreshments were served. Guests other than members were Mrs. P. A. Asby, house guest of Mrs. N. W. Ransome, Mrs. R. C. Moore, Mrs. Lewis M. Rosenthal, Mrs. J. M. Stokes, and Miss Bertha Mae Newsome.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. C. C. Abernathy was hostess at a dessert bridge party Thursday afternoon. Mrs. C. A. Jones was awarded high score prize, Mrs. John P. Leach received consolation. A dessert course was served.

Guests were Mrs. D. A. Rose, Mrs. M. Nelson, Mrs. H. A. House, Mrs. C. H. Lamberth, Mrs. A. J. May, Mrs. J. N. Picot, Mrs. C. A. Jones, Mrs. G. G. Ragland, Mrs. B. L. Rives, Mrs. R. C. Moore, Mrs. L. E. Williams, and Mrs. John P. Leach.

POSTAL RULING GIVEN

In order to conserve space for the greater needs of the armed forces of the Nation, the Post Office Department has issued an order in which the size, weight, and frequency of mailing parcels and packages to points outside the continental United States is limited, according to L. G. Shell, Roanoke Rapids postmaster. The limitations mentioned are already in effect.

In explanation of the order, the postmaster directed attention to the Postal Bulletin of April 20th from which the following quotations are taken:

"(1) No parcel or package of any class of mail, addressed for delivery outside continental United States shall be accepted for mailing if it exceeds 11 pounds in weight, or 18 inches in length, or 42 inches in length and girth combined; provided that these restrictions shall not apply to matter addressed to Canada or Mexico, nor to official matter of the United States Government . . .

"Mail addressed for delivery outside the continental United States as herein used shall include:

a. All mail for Alaska, the Canal Zone, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the island possessions of the United States;

b. All mail addressed to Army Post Offices (A.P.O.'s) in care of the Postmaster at New York, N. Y., San Francisco, Calif., or Seattle, Wash.;

c. All mail for naval forces addressed in care of the Postmaster, New York, N. Y., or San Francisco, Calif.;

d. All international mail except that addressed to Canada or Mexico.

"(2) Not more than one such parcel or package shall be accepted for mailing in any one week when sent by or on behalf of the same person or concern to or for the same addressee.

"(3) Perishable matter regardless of weight or size addressed as set forth in paragraph 1 above shall not be accepted for mailing.

"(4) No exceptions to paragraph 1 and 2 above shall be made by postmasters unless the mailer presents a permit issued under regulations of the Post Office, War, or

Navy Departments authorizing the acceptance of the articles or matters mention in such permit when presented for mailing in a parcel or package weighing in excess of 11 pounds, or exceeding 18 inches in length, or exceeding 48 inches in length and girth combined . . ."

Body Of Woman Found In Creek In County Area

The body of Mrs. Ellen Futrelle Joyner, 56, was found in Potecasi Creek Friday, several hours after her disappearance from her home in the Holy Grove community near Conway, in Northampton county.

A coroner's jury, impaneled by Coroner R. L. Grant of Jackson, after an investigation ruled that death was a suicide.

Funeral services were held from the Ashley Grove Baptist church, of which she was a member, Saturday afternoon, with Rev. Lonnie Sasser, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, W. N. Joyner; one daughter, Miss Sarah Joyner; four brothers, W. J. Futrelle of Rocky Mount, Z. D. Futrelle of Ahoskie, J. R. Futrelle of Hertford, and O. C. Futrelle of Murfreesboro; four sisters, Mrs. T. G. Sewell of Murfreesboro, Mrs. Norfleet Martin of Jackson, Miss Rosa Futrelle of Leesburg, Fla., and Mrs. W. B. Futrelle of Conway.

Navy Announces Casualties Of Early Fighting

One Halifax county youth and another from Northampton county were listed in the United States Navy's first casualty list released since entering the war more than five months ago.

The two casualties from this vicinity, both reported officially two months or more ago by the Navy but only today included in an official casualty list, were: Roland Wayne Edwards, fireman, second class, United States Navy, son of Wayne Edwards, 429 South Roanoke Street, Scotland Neck; and George Randolph Smith, mess attendant, first class, U. S. Navy, a grandson of Delia Ann Smith, Margarettsville, in Northampton county.

More than fifty North Carolinians were listed in the first casualty list released by the Navy.

County's Real Estate Books Are Re-Indexed

A reindexing of real estate and plat books in the county Register of Deeds office has been completed within the last month or so, with the assistance of WPA workers, Meade H. Mitchell, Registrar, has announced.

Also completed recently has been a new index to vital statistics, with WPA assistance being employed in this work.

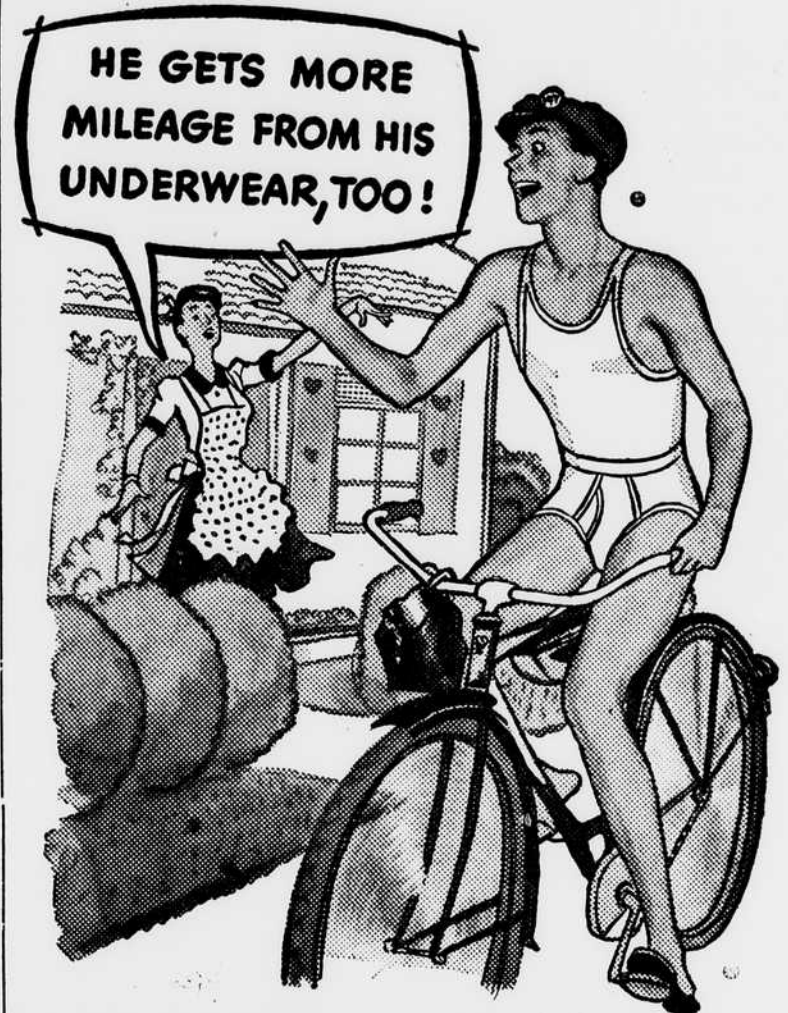
To be started in the near future

will be a new system of indexing on marriage license records, Mr. Mitchell stated.

Licenses Taken From 2 Drivers

The State Highway Safety Division has announced the revocation of two drivers licenses in the county during the past week, as follows:

B. F. Pair, Skippers, Va., in Halifax Recorders court for driving drunk; George Ben Stancil of Ayden, in Recorders Court for driving drunk.



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