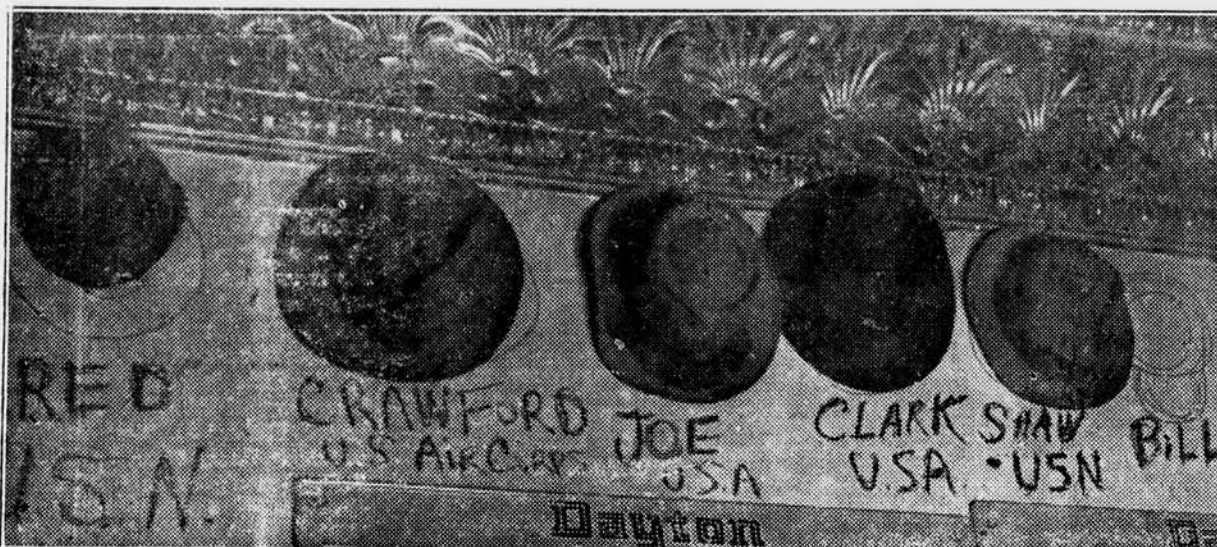


HATS THEY LEFT BEHIND 'EM

— Before Joining Uncle Sam's Armed Forces!



Another Hat Of Service Man On Wall At Smiths

Whenever an employee of E. W. Smith, Inc., city electrical contractor, volunteers or is called to the armed services, he simply nonchalantly tosses his hat on the wall near the ceiling, and leaves it there "for the duration." E. W. has promised the men that providing he is still in business pending their return—and he has fond hopes of being—both their hats and jobs will be waiting for them. It's as simple as that.

On Tuesday of this week another hat joined the group of turbans formerly worn by Smith's employees, bringing to a total of six the number awaiting their owners when the war is over. The latest headgear was that of Bill Peede, electrician, who has been employed by the Smith firm for almost ten-years now. Bill volunteered his services to the Navy, where he will still be engaged in electrical work with a rating equal to that of a second class petty officer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Peede, 210 Monroe St., is married, and owns his own home on Franklin Street. Mrs. Peede is connected with the bookkeeping department of Davids, local credit clothiers, and plans to stay in Roanoke Rapids pending her husband's return.

Along in March a visiting salesman noticed the odd display of hats near the top of the ceiling in the workroom of the Smith establishment on Roanoke Avenue, and took a picture of them in view to reproducing it in a house organ issued by his company. The Herald obtained a print of the picture and inserted it along with a story of explanation. It created more than usual comment because of the fact that the Smith organization is normally composed of a staff of some ten men, and early in the year the armed forces had enlisted an even half of them. Bill's hat swells the number to over half, and Mr. Smith says he is not confident his will be the last to adorn the wall, but he is still resolved to keep their hats and jobs awaiting their return.

Other Smith employees who have joined the services include: Joe Crawford, now serving as Corporal in the U. S. Air Corps; Joseph T. Taylor, U. S. Army; Roy Atlas Gantt, U. S. Navy; John Clark, U. S. Army, and Waverly Shaw, U. S. Navy.

List Out-of-Town Patients Now At Local Hospital

Out-of-town patients registered at the local hospital today are as follows:

G. W. Clark of Lawrenceville, Va., Mrs. W. G. Carroll of Weldon, J. B. DeLoach of Seaboard, Mrs. W. Paul Edwards of Seaboard, Mrs. H. R. Howell of Seaboard, Garman Mitchell of Ante, Va., and Edward Spence of Williamston.

OPA Grants Requests Of Tobacco Growers In East

Weed Farmers To Get Extra Gas Mileage

Joel Dean, chief of fuel rationing of the Office of Price Administration, wrote Governor Broughton yesterday that Eastern North Carolina tobacco growers are eligible for additional gasoline allotments to transport their crops to market.

The fuel chief made this statement in answer to a letter by Governor Broughton in which the Chief Executive relayed the sentiments of warehousemen and growers in the eastern part of the state.

The Eastern Carolina Warehouse Association, acting as spokesman for the farmers, wired the Governor that farmers would be unable to transport their tobacco with the present limitation on passenger cars, since most of the tobacco is hauled in trailers hitched to passenger cars.

The telegram read: "The gas ruling becoming effective July 22 is so drastic it practically prohibits the marketing of tobacco crops. Sixty-five per cent of tobacco is hauled to the market in trailers hitched behind passenger cars, and as passenger cars are allowed only four gallons of gas per week, the average farmer will be forced to hire his tobacco transported to market on some truck for hire, which is an additional cost to the farmer and no saving in gasoline. We appeal to you to get us additional gasoline in eastern Carolina during the marketing season."

Dean pointed out that tobacco farmers come in the 14 categories set aside as essential to the war program and urged the farmers to apply at their rationing boards for additional gasoline if they are unable to carry on business with "A" and "B" books, which allow around 500 miles per month. Should the farmer deem his needs beyond the "A" and "B" allotments and if the rationing board thinks otherwise, he will be given a "C" book.

Six Births Are Recorded In Week

Records at the Roanoke Rapids hospital revealed the following births at that institution during the past few days:

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Dunn, a baby girl on July 23; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith, a baby girl on July 23; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ferguson, a baby boy on July 23; Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hall, a baby girl on July 23; Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Skipper, a boy on July 26; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Smith, a baby girl on July 28; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Finch, a baby girl on July 29. All of the above couples live in the city.

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Company D, or whether the work would be done out of Wilson headquarters by Engineer groups stationed there. Company "A" of the 30th Engineer Battalion is quartered in the Wilson armory building, under the command of Capt. A. E. Sabotelli. These engineers may be used to complete the work started here.

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tor wardens who in turn will call the Control Center, using 355, 356, As in the previous tests, the or 618-6. public is asked to cooperate by going indoors during the test and remaining there until the "all clear".

LITTLETON

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thrower and son of Williamston are spending this week here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thrower.

Mrs. Jessie Wood Jr. of Washington, N. C., returned home Thursday after spending several weeks in the home of Mrs. J. W. Wood Sr.

Capt. A. P. Farmer of Camp Butner was the week-end guest of his family here.

Miss Blanche Threewitts visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Edmonds in Roanoke Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Fimple were in Warrenton on Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Moore, Jr. of Raleigh was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. King.

Mrs. Everett Dickens and son of Richmond are spending some time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Twisdale spent the week-end at Virginia Beach.

Misses Bertha Thrower and Blanche Threewitts were in Raleigh on Tuesday.

J. H. Baucom and J. H. Thrower were business visitors in Roanoke Rapids on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferdie Moore were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brown on Sunday.

Mrs. Ola Mae Gardner, D. A. Jones and Marvin Newsom, attended the Methodist Conference in Roanoke Rapids on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Macon Moore Jr. were Sunday guests in Norlina.

Mrs. Mary Hodges of South Mills is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Jones, several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Keeter were in Rocky Mount on Sunday.

Mesdames T. R. Walker and J. H. Thrower were visitors in Roanoke Rapids Friday.

Billie Edgerton of Newport News visited his parents several days last week.

Mrs. Jim Jenkins of Wilmington is a visitor in the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Clinton Edgerton. Miss Doris Hayes and Mrs. Carson Dixon of Raleigh were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Rose.

Mrs. Edmond Hall was a visitor in town over the week-end.

Mrs. Robert Sessoms and Miss Louise Morris of Windsor were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Acree last week.

W. T. Threewitts of Raleigh was a visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Threewitts over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Coley Clark of Weldon spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hunt.

Mrs. Macon Moore Jr. was in Raleigh on Wednesday.

Ferdie Moore will leave the fifth of August for Fort Bragg where he will be inducted into the Army.

Good Furniture AT BARGAIN PRICES

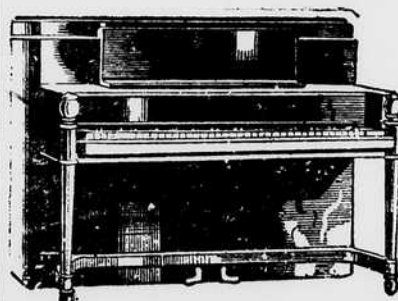
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