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## City Observes Flag Day Monday



"Old Glory," proud emblem of liberty-loving Americans, reached another milestone Monday, June 14th. On that date, in 1777, the first Stars and Stripes, made by Mrs. Betsy Ross in Philadelphia, was adopted by the Continental Congress. "Flag Day" was observed in the city Monday, with "Old Glory" flying from practically every place of business. The above shows U. S. Marines carrying the flag and their own regimental standard.

## COUNTY FARMERS URGED TO CLEAR THEIR LABOR FOR DRAFT DEFERMENT

Approximately 500 Of Them Had Not Done So On June 15th

Approximately 500 farmers in Halifax County had not cleared their labor for draft deferment on June 15th, according to a statement from County Agent W. O. Davis today.

A second notice was mailed this week to those farm producers who have not shown the necessary 10 war crop units per manpower. The first notice was mailed about the middle of May.

Producers are being urged to list war crops being grown in addition to those shown on the first war crop and manpower survey made in March of this year, and to arrange for their surplus labor to get work on neighboring farms where sufficient war crops are being grown to take care of this surplus labor. In this way the farmer will be able in many cases to keep his labor for at least a part of the time and to aid in the production of vital war crops by keeping experienced labor on the farm.

In almost every case in which a man has been subject to induction into the armed services

## 5-YEAR OLD BOY IS SHOT BY ACCIDENT

Pistol Accidentally Discharges In Hands Of Older Brother

Donald Barnhill, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Reno Barnhill, of Enfield, was accidentally shot by his brother, Kenneth, age eleven, Sunday afternoon, and is in a Rocky Mount Hospital seriously ill.

The young boys were playing at home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Logue Barnhill, near Dawsons, and in the car of their uncle, Horace Barnhill, one of Enfield's police officers, they got a pistol and in some way it accidentally discharged in the older boy's hands and shot the young brother in the left side of his face. The bullet went through the neck and out the right shoulder. He was rushed to the hospital. Recent reports are that he is slightly better, but still in a serious condition.

# \$540. in ABC Funds Monthly Are Available

## MANPOWER DISCUSSIONS AT MEETING

P. B. Pollock Speaks To Group Meeting Here Wednesday

P. B. Pollock, area director of the War Manpower Commission, whose headquarters are in Raleigh, was the principal speaker at an open forum discussion for employers and employees held by the United States Employment Service at the Municipal Building here Wednesday night. The meeting was for the purpose of establishing a uniform interpretation of the Stabilization Plan which became effective May 15th, and was attended by some 40 persons.

Two revisions to the Stabilization Plan were brought out at Wednesday night's meeting, and were explained by Mr. Pollock. The first was that persons may leave industry and go to agricultural employment without a statement of availability, providing they are share-croppers or farm owners.

The second revision regarded persons who had come to this section from other areas, and brought out the fact that if they had established residence here for 30-days they could be referred by the local United States

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## CRADDOCK ON WOUNDED LIST NORTH AFRICA

Wife Is Notified Of His Release From Field Hospital

Pfc. Johnnie Craddock was wounded in action in the North African war zone some three-weeks ago, according to a message received from the war department by his wife, Mrs. Mary L. Craddock, who formerly made her home at 1220 Roanoke Avenue. Yesterday it is said a second communication received by her indicated he had been released from the hospital. Craddock is about 25 years old, and although he considered Roan-

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## LATE NEWS BRIEFS

### Important Notice Workers Engaged Essential Industry

Under the Employment Stabilization Plan of the War Manpower Commission no worker now engaged in essential activity may be hired locally unless he has a statement of availability from his last employer. Beyond normal commuting distance no worker can be hired without a statement of availability issued by the United States Employment Service. Before changing jobs workers are urged to visit the Employment Office serving their area.

### VFW TO STAGE ARMORY DANCE

The local VFW post will resume its regular Saturday night Square Dance at the Armory this week, with music starting at eight o'clock. A dance was not held last week because the floors had been waxed, and had not had sufficient time to dry. The dances will be held on a weekly basis throughout the summer months, according to local VFW officials.

### Need Three Ice Cream Freezers At Preventorium

Think it's hot? Know that it is? Well how about those 30 kids out at the Preventorium that opened Monday? Children like ice cream. There's a shortage of it just now. However, Miss Ruth Strickland, in charge of the kitchen, will gladly make it for them . . . but there are no facilities for freezing it. The Preventorium is in urgent need of three or four 1-gallon, "old fashioned" ice cream freezers -- the kind you turn with a crank. They are not asking you to give them, but if any one will be so kind as to lend one for a few weeks, the loan will be so much appreciated. If you have one to spare call Miss Strickland at R-781-1.

## ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS IN CITY, COUNTY

### Board Proposes Split Of Funds Between County, Towns

About \$540. monthly is now available for enforcement of ABC Laws, and the ABC Board voted Tuesday to split this amount, with \$270. going to police in towns with ABC stores, and \$270. to the sheriff's office. This will be an increase of \$15. monthly to regular policemen, and about \$7.50 monthly to extra police in the towns in the county affected. The Roanoke Rapids Board of City Commissioners adopted a resolution that the city accept the supplement in pay to local police officers at their regular June meeting.

## BILL BELL IN HOSPITAL IN CALIFORNIA

### Family Notified Of Safe Arrival By The Red Cross

Relatives of Pvt. Bill Bell, local youth who has been serving with the U. S. Army at New Caledonia, have been notified of his safe arrival at a hospital in California by the American Red Cross. The notification, addressed to his sister, Ruth Bell, who has just completed her basic training with the WAAC's at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., stated that he would write home as soon as he could. It is not known whether young Bell was wounded, or suffered illness while in foreign service. Bill Bell has another sister with the WAAC's, Miss Bessie Bell, stationed at Des Moines, Iowa. Cpl. Herbert Bell, U. S. A., was shipped out of California several months ago for foreign service and the family has been notified of his safe arrival. Another brother, Noah Bell, is in civil service with the government, stationed with American Airlines in Panama.