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ARMY INVADES HERE FRIDAY

PRISONER OF WAR CAMP

ESTABLISHED IN COUNTY FOR HARVEST

Italian Prisoners At Scotland Neck For Thirty Days

A Prisoner of War Camp has been established at Scotland Neck for the purpose of harvesting peanuts, it was learned here this week, and it is estimated the duration of the camp will be for about 30-days. Italian war prisoner labor is being used. Similar camps have recently been established at Windor and Tarboro.

The prison labor is available to farmers in this section through application to County Farm Agent W. O. Davis. The practice in the past has been for farmers to haul prisoners from the camps to work on their farms, but where distance prevents this, the government will haul groups of prisoners from the camps to central distribution points.

Headquarters for the Prisoners of War Camps at Tarboro, stated they were asking farmers to work many as 20 prisoners at one time, and that thus far farmers had co-operated with them in doing this.

It was learned that for the first days work of prisoners from the Scotland Neck camp, 20 prisoners had stacked 290 stacks of peanuts in six hours working time. The farmer on whose land they were employed stated he was well pleased with the work, and that he was executed with precision with no marks of sloppiness.

Under the present schedule, farmers pay the government at the rate of 10c a stack for the labor.

The prison camp, located in the city limits of Scotland Neck, is of tents. Prisoners sleep on cots and are fed the same rations as a soldier in the United States Army.

BOND RALLY FOR WELDON AT THEATRE

A "War Bond Rally Day" will be held at the Levon Theatre, in Weldon, on Monday night of next week, at which time all purchasers of bonds of any denomination will be admitted to the theatre without charge. There will be a night show only for the occasion, with the one performance starting at 8 o'clock. The picture booked is "Mission To Moscow," starring Walter Houston and Ann Harding.

IN SAME CALIFORNIA CAMP



"Two Georges," who worked at the same store; were inducted into the Army almost a year apart to the day are shown happily reunited in the above photograph at an Army Camp over 3,000 miles from their home town.

The youths are George Cooke, (left) and George Davis, who formerly worked at Leggett's Dept. Store here, and are now stationed at Camp Ord, California. It was purely "coincidence" the way things worked out, but both boys are very happy to be together in the army so far away from home.

Pfc. Davis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eulas B. Davis, 1023 Jackson St. Pfc. Cooke's parents live in Lawrenceville, Va. Both were regular full-time employees of Leggett's here.

APPOINT GEORGE N. TAYLOR NEW MEMBER SCHOOL BOARD

AWARDS MADE POSTHUMOUSLY



Above is one of the most recent photographs of Pfc. Eugene Johnston, son of Mrs. Irene Johnston of Littleton, who was killed Oct. 9th, 1942, at Guadalcanal. The Presidential Unit Citation, the Asiatic Pacific Medal and the Purple Heart were recently awarded him posthumously.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Roanoke Rapids Graded School District Tuesday, Frank Wilson tendered his resignation to become effective immediately. The action was occasioned by his recent appointment as Register of Deeds for Halifax County, at a called meeting of the County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Meade Mitchell, to become effective December 1st.

The School Board appointed George N. Taylor to fill Wilson's unexpired term, which runs for four more years. Taylor, who had previously announced he would be a candidate for a seat on the board at the election to be held on October 5th, accepted the appointment, and withdrew as a candidate in the forthcoming election. Although never a member of the School Board, Mr. Taylor is a former Mayor of the city, and has served a total of 16-years as city commissioner. He does not hold any political office at this time.

All nine members of the School Board were present at Tuesday night's meeting. The election for three places on the Board will be held on Tuesday, October 5th, and the polling place has been changed from the High School Building to the Fire Station at the Municipal Building. The three whose terms expire are Dr. Bahnsen Weathers, W. L. Manning and Wm. Medlin.

PREMIERE IN CITY DRAWS BIG CROWDS

"Standing Room Only" At Show Held Here This Evening

Hundreds of enthusiastic bond purchasers crowded the Peoples Theatre here tonight to attend the War Bond Premiere, admittance to which was possible only through the purchase of additional war bonds. Sections of seats were reserved for the purchasers of various denominations of bonds, and the demand for seats in the "highest section" far exceeded the supply. It is estimated that well over \$75,000. worth of additional bonds were sold as a result of staging the show, and the local committee was well pleased with the results of the undertaking. A detailed report of the actual amount of securities sold will be made next week.

The attraction at the theatre was a pre-view of the picture, "Best Foot Forward," together with the appearance of The Richmond Army Air Base Orchestra on the stage. Sgt. Bill Reinniger, stationed in Richmond, Va., made a few remarks, thanking the audience for their response to the premiere.

The dance orchestra was under the direction of Warrant Officer Herbert W. Fred, and was composed of service men who were stars in several "big name" bands in civilian life. Corp Bill Allsbrook, former Roanoke Rapids man now in the service and stationed at Richmond, Va., was instrumental in booking the band for the city appearance.

The band arrived in a special chartered bus, and its members were entertained by the Kiwanis Club at their regular Thursday evening dinner prior to their appearance at the theatre.

Civic Clubs of the city held the advance seat sale for the premiere, and individual members were untiring in their efforts to put the show over on a large scale. The show was made possible without cost to the bond committee through the courtesy of the theatre.

Dies At Age 105

Bobbitt Brown, well-known Negro woman of Littleton, died last week at the age of 105. Her father was a slave in 1800 in Havana, Cuba, and was brought to the Dick Bobbitt plantation in Warren County. For 26 years she had lived with Mr. and Mrs. John L. Skinner, of Littleton. Last rites were held at Mt. Zion Church, conducted by the Rev. Sam Clanton.

BIG DISPLAY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT

Scheduled To Arrive Here At 4 O'clock Friday Afternoon

BOND AUCTION

A "task force" of 78th Lightening Division men, guns and vehicles, heralded as the "Camp Butner War Caravan" will rumble into the city at 4 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, and will comprise by far the largest amount of military equipment ever to be exhibited in the city.

The mission of the caravan will be to sell war bonds. Approximate-

"FLAG DAY"

As a "welcome sign" for the Camp Butner War Caravan, the Herald suggests that stores and homes display the American Flag on Friday.

ly 100 enlisted men, four officers, 25 jeeps, armored cars and trucks, an artillery cannon and virtually all of the infantry weapons will have a role in the bond selling caravan. A 32-piece section of the Division band will march ahead of the motor caravan during parades through the 11 cities on the itinerary. Warrant Officer Wilbur Hall will direct the band.

Capt. Kenneth L. Fox, 78th Division Special Service Officer, Corp. Bernard Pollack and Pvt. Wm. Herrick were here last night conferring with Heath Lee, County Chairman of the War Loan Drive, perfecting final arrangements for the Caravan, and it is thought everything will go off as scheduled.

Merchants of the county have co-operated handsomely in the matter of donating valuable prizes which will be given bond purchasers at a special bond auction to be held in connection with the display. The services of three "big time" tobacco auctioneers has been engaged to conduct the bond auction, and it is thought bidding will be "spirited" because of the unusual character of many of the prizes offered.

The prize list includes such scarce articles as Nylon Hose, Alarm Clocks, and scores of other useful and really valuable premiums. The prize offered will go to the successful bidder for the highest denomination bond to be purchased at the time of the auction.

Other bond purchasers will be treated to a ride in a jeep or armored car.

The visit of the Caravan has been heralded over a wide area of the nearby trade territory this week, and will undoubtedly attract visitors to the city from miles about, as this is the first exhibition of this nature to be staged anyplace within this immediate territory.

The men and equipment will remain in the city overnight.