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MATKINS MISSING IN ACTION

Welch Safe; Joyner Prisoner

WAR BOND SHOW HERE FEB. 10TH TO BACK THE ATTACK WITH WAR BONDS

It will take a 4th War Bond purchase to see "Thousands Cheer" at the Peoples Theatre next Thursday night for you cannot buy a ticket but you will get one free when you buy a War Bond.

Bonds will be sold at the theatre box-office or by calling there in advance. You can also get a ticket by buying a Bond from any member of the Rotary, Kiwanis or Lions clubs.

The special War Bond Premiere of "Thousands Cheer" is the contribution of Roanoke Rapids Theatres to the 4th War Bond Drive and the city banks are sponsoring the celebration.

Bonds which have been bought in the past do not count. To get seats for this show it must be a new purchase. No passes will be honored and even the owners and managers of the theatres must buy bonds to get a seat.

"Thousands Cheer" is a technicolor musical starring Kathryn Grayson and Gene Kelly with Jose Iturbi, Red Skelton, Mickey Rooney, Kay Kyser, Judy Garland, Bob Crosby and many other favorites in the cast.

MILK LAW CHANGED BY CITY BOARD

Hoping to aid the critical milk situation in Roanoke Rapids, the City Board of Commissioners at the monthly meeting Tuesday, voted to suspend for the duration of the war or until otherwise designated that part of the City Milk Ordinance which prohibits the sale of certain types of milk.

According to the ordinance, sale of milk or milk products to the final consumer to restaurants, soda foundations, grocery stores and similar establishments, except Grade A and B pasteurized certified and Grade A raw milk, has been prohibited in the past.

The board also voted to again permit the new Cemetery property to be used for Victory Gardens with the provision that any person desiring a plot be required to make application to the City Clerk's office.

Other business included the grant of a wine license to J. P. Little and the examination and approval of the monthly reports of the City Treasurer and the Police Department.

ARMY PILOT



Second Lieutenant Wilson W. Hamill, 26, Co-pilot, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe W. Hamill, Sr., Postmaster of Thelma. He attended Benjamin Franklin University and was an accountant before entering the service in July, 1942. He is now at the 34th Combat Crew Training School at Army Air Base, Blythe, Cal.

Sgt. W. Young At English Air Base

An Eighth AAF Fighter Station, England. — T/Sgt. Wendell Young of 647 Albion street, Denver, Colo., was recently adding the total years of service the family has accumulated and was surprised to find it reached a figure of nearly six decades.

His father, Sam, and stepmother, Eva Browning Young of 222 Hamilton street, Roanoke Rapids, have set a precedent that will be difficult to match. Lt. Herman Browning has 22 years of Army service, Lt. Clifton Browning looks back upon more than 17 years with the infantry. M/Sgt. Rubin Browning recently completed his twelfth with the Air Forces and Wendell adds another six years to the total.

Now, Sergeant Young, an intelligence non-com at this fighter station, is wondering which branch of service his new daughter, Joanne, is headed for. The tide began turning when the last remaining brother, F. B. Browning, changed the course and is now AM 2/CL in the Navy.

Two Brothers To Be Remembered At 4th Bond Drive

Pfc. Benjamin F. Buckner of Greensboro, N. C., is spending his nine-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie D. Buckner near Emporia, Va. and his sisters, Misses Lillie and Edith Buckner of this city. While on leave. Pfc. Buckner will attend the War Bond Sale at the theater at Emporia, Va., in honor of his two brothers, Charlie Buckner, Jr., who lost an arm in the Solomon Islands Dec. 7, 1942, and Pvt. Arthur Buckner who for the last 12 months has been in German prison. Mr. and Mrs. Buckner have three sons in service.

NEGRO GETS 30 YEARS IN CREEK DEATH

Arthur Fleming, 20-year-old Negro, charged with killing Lindsay Price on Dec. 22, and throwing the body in Chockoyotte Creek, was sentenced to 30 years in prison by Judge Walter Bone this week.

Fleming has signed a confession which he later repudiated but the trial did not go to a jury when a plea of second degree murder was entered by the defense.

Sam Jones, colored, who was implicated by Fleming, was not tried at this time of court.

Price's body was found in the creek a week after he had disappeared from his home with about one hundred dollars in cash on his person.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BREAK ANOTHER QUOTA WITH \$27,700 IN SALES

Reports this afternoon on the 4th War Bond Drive, the one to back the attack, from Roanoke Rapids High School, shows a total of \$27,700 in Bonds and Stamps bought and sold by the students.

Junior High School students had reported a total of \$17,684 and Senior High School students a total of \$10,016.

The original quota was \$5 per pupil. Because there are more in Junior High than in Senior the gross total of each would be different, but Senior High has begun to creep up on the more numerous Juniors as today's figures show that the Seniors now have

CHARLIE JOYNER JAPANESE PRISONER; LT. MATKINS IN ITALY; WELCH CABLES

YOUNG GOB



Melvin Renn, Jr., son of Coxswain M. L. Renn is following in his dad's footsteps at the tender age of one year. Mrs. Renn is the former Miss Pauline Hux of this city.

War struck at three homes in Roanoke Rapids in the past few days with one missing in action in Italy, one a prisoner of the Japs in Burma and the third safe after being missing for three weeks in China.

Second Lieutenant Marvin F. Matkins, son of J. H. Matkins, Sr., was reported missing in action in Italy since January 7, in a War Department telegram to his father. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in September, 1941, and completed training as a bombardier at Deming Field, New Mexico. Three months ago, he was ordered to Africa, later transferring to Italy. His father is living in Richmond at the present time.

Mrs. Betsy Joyner of Roanoke Rapids has received the following from Adjutant General Julio: "An official report received in the War Department states that your son, Charlie W. Joyner, is a prisoner of war of the Japanese government in Burma. Any further information received will be furnished by the Provost Marshall General."

From War Prisoners Camp 5 at Moulmein, Burma, a card has been received by Mrs. Joyner from her son. It is the usual printed card which prisoners are permitted to use saying his health is good but he was allowed to write one line, "Let me know about the family."

There was joy in the J. F. Welch family Sunday afternoon when a cablegram was received from Lt. Allen Welch who had been missing over China for three weeks.

The cable to his parents read, "All well and safe. Please do not worry. Writing."

Lt. Welch had been missing since Jan. 11 and the fact had been reported by the War Department.

LOUISE GLOVER FUNERAL HELD HERE SUNDAY

Miss Florence Louise Glover, 23, died Thursday, January 27, at 7:30 o'clock in Kinston after an illness of several days.

Funeral services were held from the home by Rev. L. A. Tilley of her sister Mrs. David Camp on Jackson St. Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Burial followed in Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. David Camp of this city and Mrs. Lindsay Siegfried of Baltimore, Md.; two brothers, Edward Glover of this city, and Pvt. John Glover of Fort Knox, Ky.

an average per student of \$32.88 while Junior's average is \$34.81.

Having now broken three quotas, including the \$25,000 third quota, both Junior and Senior have again set new quotas and intend to set an all-time high before the 4th War Bond drive ends this month.

Meanwhile, city chairman H. E. Lee and county chairman Fletcher Gregory are ready to make a report on what the adult workers have been doing. Purpose of this drive has been to sell more E Bonds to individuals and, in this, the High School students have been setting the pace.