

Local VFW District Reorganizes At Weldon

At a district meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Weldon last Thursday night, attended by local VFW members, a complete reorganization of the district was made.

Representatives from 14 posts met for the annual encampment of the Second District of the North Carolina V. F. W. in the Wilson post clubroom in the Briggs Hotel.

Commander O. B. Beland, commander of the Wilson Post 6651, presided over the meeting and introduced Talmadge Green, acting city manager, who welcomed the guests to the encampment.

After a barbecue supper, the meeting was turned over to the acting district commander, Dr. L. J. Dupree, of Kinston, who conducted the election of officers.

Officers for the Second District elected were: Dr. L. J. Dupree, commander; Harvey C. McNair, Wilson, senior vice

commander; John W. Finch, Wilson, junior vice-commander; Lovet Hines, Lenoir, quarter master; Walter L. Tucker, Weldon, judge advocate; Dr. Claude Ballard, Lenoir, surgeon; the Rev. James B. Daily, Jackson, chaplain.

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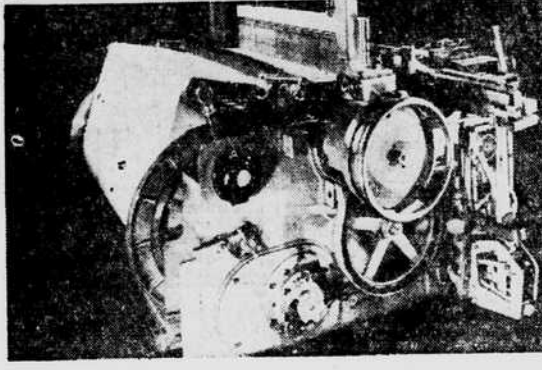
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A Half-Century of Progress



The above rare photograph, taken in 1896, shows a team of two mules and an ox hauling a new loom to a South Carolina mill from the nearest railroad point. Transportation was a big problem faced by southern mills in obtaining new machinery during the 19th Century. On the right, this latest high speed loom on which the shuttle travels across the cloth more than 220 times per minute, emphasizes the high-speed era of today in which streamlined transportation goes hand in hand with top-speed, easily-operated textile production machinery.



Salisbury Law Covers All Houses, New or Old

Salisbury, N. C., has a city ordinance requiring all houses, new or old, to be roofed with fire-resistant shingles in order to reduce the fire hazard of flammable roofing.

The ordinance was passed more than 14 years ago but the



The original deadline was March 23, 1946, but this was extended to May 9 this year. Production of fire-resistant asphalt shingles is now about 200 per cent greater than in 1939, and the ordinance is being enforced.

Fire Chief Charles L. Burkett said that before fire-resistant shingles were required, shingle roofs which could catch fire from sparks were a chief fire hazard. There were only four fires from that cause last year, he added.

North Carolina is now operating 5,090 school buses with a total seating capacity of 252,707 according to the State Education Commission.

U. S. Navy scientists expect soon to be able to produce temperatures within .001 degrees of absolute zero (-459.7 degrees Fahrenheit).



BRANDON P. HODGES

OF ASHEVILLE

CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY MAY 29, 1948

Brandon Hodges has the support of his homefolks for the office of State Treasurer. The Buncombe County Bar Association unanimously endorsed him. Democratic Chairman Robert Williams said the Democratic party "could offer no person better qualified to fill this important office." The Asheville Times said editorially that "Mr. Hodges has outstanding qualifications for this highly important office." Asheville's Mayor Clarence E. Morgan described him as a "man of outstanding ability." Philip Woolcott, past president North Carolina Bankers Association, said, "Mr. Hodges is well qualified for the office of State Treasurer by character, education, experience and business ability."

Brandon Hodges is a native of Asheville. Educated at University of North Carolina and Wake Forest college. An outstanding member of the Asheville bar since 1926. Buncombe county attorney for 10 years. Member of the 1943 and 1945 State Senate. Chairman of Appropriations committee in 1945 session. Chairman of N. C. Advisory Budget commission 1945-46, and legislative counsel to the Governor during the 1947 session of the General Assembly.

BRANDON HODGES FOR STATE TREASURER COMMITTEE, P. O. Box 612, Asheville, N. C.

Overseas Floral Decorations Must Be Ordered Now

CHICAGO, May 17.—American families who desire floral decorations for individual graves in U. S. military cemeteries overseas on Memorial Day may obtain this special service through their nearest neighborhood FTD florist, it was announced today.

For the second year special flowers by wire service has been arranged for military graves in France or Italy, Hawaii or the Philippines on the same guarantee basis as domestic orders, according to Edward J. McCarthy, president of Florists' Telegraph Delivery Association.

Except for the fractional portion of war dead already transferred to this country by request from next of kin, virtually all lie within normal service range of FTD's expanded world-wide network, McCarthy explained. Special priority will be given to Memorial Day orders for military cemeteries overseas, he said.

More than 7,000 bonded member shops throughout the U. S., he said, have instructions to accept no orders unless delivery is assured, by reference to their floral wreaths may be received. Families desiring this service should first consult their local bonded member shop to determine if delivery can be made, he advised.

Memorial Day service this year for the first time will include World War I cemeteries in England, Belgium and France. To these points only, families also have the option of ordering floral service direct by addressing the American Battle

Monuments Commission, c/o The American Embassy, Paris, France. Families interested, McCarthy explained, must supply when placing orders, the name of the cemetery and combat theater, plus plot, row, and grave number forwarded to next of kin by Dept. of the Army or Navy. This information has been sent on all soldiers, sailors and civilians buried in U. S. military cemeteries anywhere in the world.

In deference to current land scrape and maintenance programs at all military cemeteries, Memorial Day service is limited to certain standard

types of wreaths. To all points outside the U. S., a nominal relay charge is added, plus actual cost of cablegram.

For guaranteed delivery on Memorial Day, May 30, cable orders should be placed with local florists before May 25. Cable tolls may be avoided by placing orders earlier, for special airmail service which closes May 20. After the special service for Memorial Day, this channel for direct family contact will continue on a year-round basis.

About 15 per cent of all elementary school pupils in the United States are still taught in one-room, one-teacher schools in the open country.

Nearly three out of four men 65 years old and over in the United States were gainfully employed in 1930 as compared with less than half in 1940.



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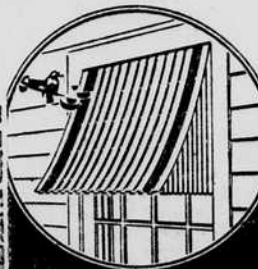
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