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USO Drive Starts In County Monday

WELDON'S QUOTA IS \$700.00; D. W. SEIFERT NAMED LOCAL CHAIRMAN

Halifax county's drive for \$6,900 in United Service Organization funds to help meet the state quota of \$444,000 and the national quota of \$32,000,000, will begin on Monday of next week and end on Saturday, Frank C. Williams of Roanoke Rapids, chairman of the drive, announced yesterday.

With the county and community organizations complete to carry out the drive, Chairman Williams said today that he felt confident that the entire quota would be over-subscribed during the six days.

D. W. Seifert, Weldon Chairman, has secured the services of the members of the Rotary Club in making the drive in Weldon. The Rotary Club has agreed to sponsor the drive here. However, other citizens of the town will assist in the drive for funds here for the boys in the Armed Services.

Quotas have been set for each town and community in the county, Chairman Williams said, and each chairman has accepted their appointments and were busily engaged in working up their own committees to assist with the drive in their respective towns and communities.

Following are the town and community chairmen and the quota set aside for each community: Enfield, Ivey Watson, chairman, quota, \$700; Halifax, W. R. Caudle, chairman, quota \$200; Littleton, Paul Johnson, chairman, quota, \$350; Scotland Neck, Charlie Shields, chairman, quota \$700; Weldon, D. W. Seifert, chairman, quota, \$700; Roanoke Rapids, North Ward, Frank J. Hawley, chairman, quota, \$2,125; Roanoke Rapids, South Ward, Alfred Martin, chairman, quota, \$2,125.

The Halifax drive will include the communities of Tillery, Fayette and Butterwood, Enfield will include Ringwood and Hollister communities and Scotland Neck will include the communities of Hobgood, Roseneath and Palmyra.

In discussing plans for the campaign with chairman in the various county communities yesterday, Chairman Williams reviewed the national USO need for \$32,000,000 for its services in the coming year to our nation's fighting men and the forces behind the lines.

"Funds for the operation of individual USO clubs and other service units", Chairman Williams declared, "are made available on a month-to-month basis. Requests for such funds are reviewed by the USO Budget committee before they are authorized by the Board of Directors. In this way USO is able to exercise far greater control than would be possible if funds were allocated in one yearly sum."

Williams cited the fact that there are 407 USO clubhouses in the country, each of them at and adjacent to a military encampment, and each of which are maintained for the benefit of men in the armed forces by USO funds. They offer recreational facilities and entertainment for the fighting men of the armed forces. In addition the USO during the past year engaged the services of some of the best known figures in the musical and entertainment world to appear frequently in army and navy posts to furnish programs of entertainment for the boys in the service.

This work, he said, must be kept going if the morale of the boys who are in the armed forces is to be kept to a high level from which victory will be assured. By giving all you can to the USO drive for funds, every person in the land is backing the boys who are carrying the guns that will mean certain victory in the end for the Stars and Stripes.

Industrial Sugar Users Must Re-register

All Industrial and Institutional users of sugar must re-register at the Ration Board office in Roanoke Rapids between June 20 and July 5, according to an announcement issued by the Ration Board today. This applies to hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, etc.

Anyone interested in getting sugar for canning purposes should apply from 9 to 4 o'clock on Mondays and Tuesdays and on Wednesdays from 9 to 12 o'clock. They can get 1 pound per person in the family for preserving and jelly making, and 1 pound for each 4 quarts of finished fruits canned. Application must be made after the fruit has been secured. The No. 5 Ration coupon is good for 2 pounds of sugar during the period of June 29 to July 27 and the No. 6 Ration coupon will be good for 2 pounds from July 27 to August 24.

Applicants for gasoline rationing should apply on Thursday and Fridays between the hours of 9 to 4 o'clock. Those applying for Tires, Tubes or automobiles should go to the office on Saturdays from 9 to 12 o'clock a. m.

Carolinian Jap Prisoner Held At Shanghai

L. J. Lee, Roanoke Rapids, Held At Shanghai

Lenzie Jerome Lee a civilian employe on Wake Island when it fell to the Japanese, whose next of kin is listed as Mrs. W. C. Whitley, R.F.D., No. 1, Roanoke Rapids, N. C., was reported by the War Department at Washington as being one of the 230 American civilians held prisoner by the Japanese at Shanghai, China.

Lee, who was listed as a drill helper, was employed by a contracting firm engaged in work for the United States Navy on Wake Island when that territory fell to the Japanese in the early stages of the Pacific war.

The latest list swelled to 1,268 the American prisoners whose names have been forwarded by the Japanese through the International Red Cross committee at Geneva to the army's provost marshal general.

The latest group reported includes civilians from 25 states and the territory of Hawaii.

N. C. First To Be Accredited Free of Disease



VICTORIOUS VETERINARIANS.—North Carolina is now the first State in the Nation to be "accredited" as free of Bang's disease, a malady of cattle that lowers milk production, interferes with reproduction and spreads the serious disease of man known as "undulant fever." Dr. William Moore (center), chief of the veterinary division of the State Department of Agriculture and director of the state-participation in the Bang's war, is drawing a blood sample from a fine dairy animal, one of 601,119 tested in the five-year battle against Bang's. Dr. W. A. Hornaday, of Greensboro (left), sterilizes his hypodermic syringe and needle awaiting his turn to draw blood samples, 1,240,000 of which were analyzed in the laboratory before North Carolina won its victory over Bang's disease.

Big Crop Loss Feared Unless Fruit Is Canned

Housewives Urged to Take Advantage of Extra Sugar Ration Provided For Canning

Atlanta, Ga., June 10—OPA officials express fear that a major portion of the \$15,000,000 fruit and berry crop in the Southeast will be lost unless housewives take advantage of the extra ration of sugar provided for canning and preserving.

The Office of Price Administration said reports from Georgia, Tennessee and the Carolinas indicated that there was virtually no market for the already ripening fruits and berries in these States.

Housewives seemingly are not aware that they can secure extra sugar for canning purposes, in addition to the sugar allotted to them on their ration cards. Application for this additional supply of sugar for canning and preserving should be made at local rationing boards. So far, applications for sugar for preserving have been light.

Housewives are urged to apply to their local rationing boards for the sugar they will be allowed for canning and preserving. They will be assuring themselves of a winter supply of sweets in the event of the further tightening of sugar rationing, and at the same time will prevent the waste of the Southeast's present fruit and berry crop, which would result in a heavy loss to Southern growers. The sugar ration board is located at Roanoke Rapids. Commercial canneries can only use a small percentage of the crops in this region.

CONTROL

Treatments recommended by Howard Garriss, Extension plant pathologist of State College, were 100 percent effective in controlling small grain diseases on the farm of Larry Pate in Craven County, says R. M. Williams, assistant county agent.

Much Interest Evident In Second Primary

SHERIFF'S RACE TO BE DECIDED BY SATURDAY'S 2nd PRIMARY ELECTION

Interest is running high in the run-off election for Sheriff of Halifax County to be held throughout the county on Saturday. Harry A. House, present Sheriff, is being opposed by Paul Luter of Roanoke Rapids, although Luter trailed in the first Primary held May 30 by less than half the number of votes polled by House.

While House was given the tremendous majority of 2817 votes in the first Primary to Luter's 1401 votes, Luter took advantage of the fact that House did not secure a plurality and called for a second primary to be held June 27th. The second Primary demanded by Luter will cost the taxpayers of the county around \$1500.00.

Harry House has proven to be one of the most efficient Sheriffs in the county's history and his many friends believe he will win Saturday if the people over the county attend the polls and vote in numbers comparable with the first primary.

The second primary will be held under the same laws governing the first primary and all voters duly registered on the primary registration book will be allowed to vote.

Voters throughout the county are urged to come out and vote for their choice.

Softball Games Get Underway

METHODISTS DEFEAT ROTARY HERE TUESDAY

The newly-organized Twilight Softball League organized in Weldon started its schedule Tuesday when the Methodists defeated the Rotary Club team by the score of 16 to 6.

The winners punch out 15 hits to completely overpower their opponents, who made only 4 hits off Norfleet Clark, the winning pitcher.

Friday afternoon the Lions Club team will play the Baptist team at the ball park. The game starts at 6 o'clock. On Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock the Lions will oppose the Rotary team.

Malady Of Peach Now Eradicated

Raleigh, June 25—North Carolina is the first Southern State to eradicate "Phony peach disease" a serious malady that kills peach trees, Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott, announced today.

The Phony peach disease eradication campaign in North Carolina has been under the supervision of C. H. Brannon, chief of the entomology division of the State Department of Agriculture, working in cooperation with the United States Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine.

As a Phony disease-free State, for three consecutive years, North Carolina peach growers no longer are faced with a federal quarantine "that would otherwise hamper the shipment of peaches or peach trees from certain areas where the disease was found in previous years."

"By controlling Phony disease, the peach industry in North Carolina has been saved from the certain destruction which would have followed the uncontrolled spread of this malady throughout the State," Brannon said.

BREAKS LEG
Cliff Moss had the misfortune of breaking his leg Wednesday night. His many friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

All chief registrars who served in the fourth registration are asked to serve in the fifth registration. The places for the registration will be the same ones used in the first four registrations.

American Legion Collects Records

July 20, Actual Collection of Victrola Records Will Start By All American Legion Posts Throughout the Country.

All American Legion posts throughout the country have been asked to participate in a campaign to collect all old victrola records, both broken and for resale, which will produce sufficient funds to make possible 2,000,000 or 3,000,000 new records for the men in our fighting forces all over the world the next 18 months.

The national organizations of American Legion Auxiliary has asked our posts, units and departments to undertake collection of 37,000,000 old records throughout the country.

From this date until July 23, intensive radio and publicity campaign will be conducted.

Every Person In N. C. Urged To Turn In More Than 5 Pounds Rubber

Raleigh, N. C., June 25th.—An appeal to every man, woman and child in North Carolina to accept and fulfill a quota of at least five pounds of scrap rubber to be turned in to a gasoline service station before June 30 in the petroleum industry scrap rubber drive, was made today by T. A. Aldridge, Chairman of the N. C. Petroleum Industries Committee.

"To meet a five pound quota," Aldridge pointed out, "it will be necessary for some people to turn in double or triple their quota in order to make up for the children and the adults who are unable to meet their full quota. On the basis of the last year, an average of five pounds per capita would produce around 8,111 pounds of scrap rubber in North Carolina, exclusive of trial scrap."

To win the war, America must come its rubber shortage," Aldridge said. "Old rubber tires around in basements, at garages and barns only rot and disintegrate and does no-

body any good. But if it is turned in to a service station before June 30 it will be reprocessed and will help materially to ease the stringent rubber shortage.

"Not only is this one way for every man, woman and child to help win the war, but it will do much to prevent every individual from being deprived of the many daily necessities of life which are made of rubber.

"The scrap rubber campaign ends June 30. Until that time filling stations will pay one cent a pound for rubber baby carriage tires, bicycle tires, automobile tires, rubber soles or heels, rubber gloves, bathing caps, bathing suits and aprons, rubber sheets, pads, mats and baby pants, rubber boots and overshoes, garden hose, and other articles made of rubber. Not only will filling stations pay a cent a pound for rubber, but everyone who contributes to the drive will be repaid a thousand times in satisfaction for helping to salvage rubber for victory."

All Men 18 To 20 To Register On Monday June 30