



Home Demonstration Department

Work with the Red Cross—Home Demonstration Clubs are busy with work with the various Red Cross Chapters in Halifax County.

Clubs help with War Bonds—During the month of March, War Bonds and Stamps have been reported totaling \$5788.50 by eight clubs.

New Home Demonstration Clubs—Very recently three new clubs have been organized and two additional ones at Hawkins Chapel and East of Enfield ready to be organized.

Brinkleyville—President, Mrs. A. G. Wilcox; Vice-president, Mrs. F. S. Thomas; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. M. B. Aycock.

Enfield—President, Mrs. Ernest W. Vice-president; Mrs. Luther Aycock and Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. B. F. Morris.

Weaver's Chapel—President, Miss Marie Wilson; Vice-president, Mrs. E. J. Smith; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Bryant Wilson.

Victory Food Conservation Program Starting—The Civilian Defense Block Leaders of Enfield are meeting at the School Lunch Room on April 16th to plan for reaching every family in Enfield with the information needed for the conservation of foods.

Miss Mabel Rich, Home Economics Teacher of Aurelian Springs has worked out plans for covering her entire district with training meeting in food conservation.

The colored people are also looking ahead. The Home Economics Teachers of the negro schools of Roanoke Rapids, Scotland Neck and the Melver High School of Littleton have started training schools for all leaders both rural and urban in their territories.

This year we all need to work together with our Victory Food Program so that not one person in the whole of Halifax County shall fail to thoroughly understand that he or she must do his or her best to provide food supplies for next winter as well as for the present daily needs.

Negro Home Demonstration Clubs Shows Fine Spirit—Ruth V. Whitworth, Negro Home Demonstration Agent for Halifax County has made an excellent report for the Negro Home Demonstration Clubs and their contribution to the War Effort.

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE—Farmers who expect to plant sericea lespedeza for the first time this year will profit by giving the land careful preparation before planting. Sericea can be planted at

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Evangelistic Services At Weldon Methodist Church

Special evangelistic services are to be held at the Weldon Methodist church next week, April 11 to 16th.

Doctor John C. Green, pastor of the Duke Memorial Methodist church, Durham, North Carolina, is to arrive in town Saturday afternoon and be the visiting preacher during the meeting.

At the Sunday evening service which is to be held at 8 o'clock the other churches of the community will unite with the Methodist for a union service.

Services throughout the week will be held at 10 A. M. and 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited.

Schedule Transferred

Durham, N. C., April 8.—The 127 annual convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina, originally scheduled for Salisbury, has been transferred to Durham and will be held in St. Philip's Church here May 11-12, it has just been announced.

Between 150 and 200 delegates are expected to attend the convention, which will get under way the afternoon of the 11th. Registration of delegates will begin at 5 p. m., and the convention will be organized following the opening service at 8 p. m., conducted by the Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick, of Raleigh, bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Rev. David W. Yates, rector of the host church.

The annual address by Bishop Penick and the nomination of trustees of the Diocese, the Executive Council, deputies to the General Convention and delegates to the Provincial Synod, will be features of the opening session. Elections will be by ballot the second day of the convention.

Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. will open the second day of the convention, followed by breakfast and a business session starting at 9 o'clock. Lunch will be served at 1 p. m. and the convention will adjourn following an afternoon business session. Members of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Philip's Church will serve lunch and breakfast.

The North Carolina Diocese embraces 29 counties in the central part of the state and includes 70 parishes and missions and 13,610 communicants.

Thursday Afternoon Club

The Thursday Afternoon Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Allen Pierce on April 1st.

Mrs. C. R. Daniel, the president, asked the club members to aid in the selling of War Stamps and also to buy them at each meeting.

Two very interesting papers were given the first "What is Latin America" by Mrs. D. P. Chenoweth.

The second "The Panama Canal" by Mrs. Sterling B. Pierce. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Robert Allen, served a sweet course with coffee.

A RECORD

Charlie Baynor and his son, Lester, of Beaufort County have 1,100 chicks. At four weeks of age, they had lost only 17 which is not as many as the extra chicks supplied in the shipment.

any time during April or May. The earlier plantings will have more time to develop a strong root system and will make better growth the second year.

However, if the land has not been prepared well in advance and settled by rain, it is better to delay planting until proper land preparation can be given, rather than to seed sericea on poorly prepared soil.

After the land has been thoroughly prepared, best results can be obtained by harrowing the land with a spike-tooth harrow or rolling with a cultipacker just before seeding. Thirty pounds of scarified seed per acre is recommended. It is not necessary to cover the seed. Sericea can be planted successfully in July, when moisture conditions are usually favorable for seed germination and plant growth, but the second year growth of these late plantings is generally poor. July seedings are usually made on well prepared land from which small grain has been harvested for hay.



Doctor John C. Green

Robert L. Pritchard

Robert Leroy Pritchard, 63 of Pleasant Grove-Mt. Carmel communities died Sunday morning, March 28, at the Mt. Carmel Baptist church.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. Bascom Hurley, pastor of Pleasant Grove Methodist church, assisted by Rev. C. H. Trueblood, pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Rev. R. C. Lloyd and Rev. W. L. Maness of Jackson, Rev. L. A. Watts, of Raleigh, Rev. C. B. Peacock of Hollister. Interment was in Pleasant Grove cemetery. Active pallbearers were W. S. Clarke, J. R. Sears, L. R. Davis, W. Paul Edwards, T. T. Stephenson and W. E. Erekson. Honorary pallbearers included the members of his two Sunday School classes, and H. R. Harris, J. L. Harris, S. S. Harris, W. D. Barber, Oscar Davis, Dr. J. W. Parker, Jr., J. R. Ramsey, W. W. Jones, H. L. Joyner, Norris Boone, Glimmer Hughes, A. Pruden and Julian Morgan.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nettie Taylor Pritchard, five daughters: Willie, Selma, Iola and Bobbie at home, and Mrs. M. T. Whitley of Rocky Mount, one son, T. Glenn Pritchard, two grandsons Thomas Pritchard Whitley and Thurman Glenn Pritchard, Jr., three sisters, Miss Lula Pritchard, Mrs. J. D. Johnson of Whitakers, and Mrs. Jennie White of Garysburg and one brother, Paul C. Pritchard of Richmond, Va.

Mr. Pritchard had been rural mail carrier since 1921 and was a member of Rural Letter Carriers Association. He was also a member of the Woodmen of the World.

His death was in character with his life. He joined Pleasant Grove Methodist Church in early boyhood and was a faithful member all his life. For the past five or six years he has been teaching a mass class at Pleasant Grove and another at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. Some one has said of Mr. Pritchard that he was too big for any one denomination. It was while teaching his class at Mt. Carmel that he was stricken with a heart attack and died within thirty minutes. Strikingly enough, he was talking on immortality when the attack struck him.

Mr. Pritchard's keen sense of humor, his friendliness and kindly spirit made him greatly loved by all who knew him. His spirit is such that can never die. One can already feel the inspiration of his life at work in his two church communities, and we can but dimly guess at what may come from this life of one of God's noblemen.

Receive Army Commissions

Thirteen North Carolinians received commissions as second lieutenants at the Quartermaster School at Camp Lee, Va., recently. Among them was Frank Holliman Robbins of Spruce Pine, whose wife the former Miss Selma Whitehead has been spending the time with her parents here. Also receiving his commission at this time was Corbett Carlton Cannon of Roanoke Rapids.

Sgt. Jack Pope has left Camp Pickett for maneuvers near Knoxville, Tenn.

Cpl. H. G. Leigh has returned to his home here after receiving his honorable discharge from the U. S. Army on account of a physical disability.

American People Face Acid Test in Treasury's 2nd War Loan To Raise 13 Billion Dollars in Three Weeks

The Nation Dare Not Fail in This Greatest Financing Task in History—"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money."

Washington, D. C.—Coming as it does upon the heels of income tax payments, the people of America will face an acid test this month when the Treasury's Second War Loan drive opens April 12 with an objective of thirteen billion dollars to be raised through sale of Government securities.

A substantial part of this huge financing, the most stupendous ever undertaken by any government in the world's history, must be loaned by people in ordinary walks of life.

High Government officials have pointed out that the nation must not fall in this duty to our men on the battle fronts who are now carrying the offensive to the enemy at every stage. It is obvious to every thinking man and woman that as the United Nations take this offensive against the dictators, the cost of war operations increases in proportion.

The American people must no longer think of war costs in terms of equipping a soldier, building a tank or plane or a ship. We must now think in terms of the cost of battles, invasions and new offensives. Attacking armies cost more money than equipping that army and we must meet that increased cost by buying more War Bonds and Second War Loan Securities.

They Give Their Lives.

It is not only necessary that the American people left here at home assume this additional participation in the war effort—it is an honor to do so. . . for here at home can do no less than attempt to approach the sacrifices of our brave men out on the fighting fronts to whom the last great measure of sacrifice is but a daily offering. They give their lives. . . we are asked only to lend our money.

And that is the theme of the Second War Loan—"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money."

Financial experts who know monetary conditions in the nation point out that at the present time there is in liquid funds, cash and commercial bank deposits over and above taxes and present investment in Government Bonds, and over and

Special Election Next Tues., Improved Cemetery

A Majority of Registered Voters Must Cast A Ballot For Much Needed Cemetery Propriety. Or It Will Fail

A matter of vital concern to every citizen of Weldon will be voted on at a Special Election to be held at the Town Hall next Tuesday when it will be decided whether or not to create a cemetery commission and authorize the levying of a special tax of ten cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property.

If approved, and public sentiment is strongly in favor of it, this proposition will enable Weldon to have a cemetery which will be a source of pride to everyone who lives here.

In the past the cemetery boundaries have been extended in every direction wherever an individual purchased a lot or wanted to convert privately owned building property into cemetery lots. No plan for proper maintenance of the cemetery as a whole has been carried out by the individual owners with the result that where one lot was well cared for the ones around it may be neglected. It will be the duty of the new Commission, if the proposition is approved to take charge of the cemetery as a whole and provide perpetual care for each lot alike by enforcing some regulations.

The proposed cemetery plan is a sensible business proposition and will not cost the average taxpayer of Weldon but a few cents additional each year. It will pay dividends by improving our Town. The cemetery can be made into a place of beauty.

The polls will be open from sunrise to sunset and to carry favorably the proposition must be voted for by a majority of the registered voters of Weldon. This means the vote of those voters who fail to cast a ballot will be counted against the proposed civic improvement.

John E. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Moore, who was recently accepted as a member of the U. S. Coast Guard, has been sent to a Coast Guard training station in Brooklyn, N. Y.

New Three-Man ABC Board [Makes Many Changes

The three man Alcoholic Beverage Control Board which was appointed to take over the affairs of the ABC system and out of the hands of the Halifax County Board of County Commissioners in a special act of the last General Assembly sponsored by D. Mac Johnson of Enfield and B. B. Everett of Palmyra, have made many changes in the personnel and policy of the new set-up.

John Finley White, of Enfield who was recently appointed by the new Board to replace E. H. Ricks of Roanoke Rapids, announced this week these changes. The banking business of the new Board will be handled through the Bank of Enfield instead of the Bank of Halifax. The Bank of Halifax, the approved Fiscal Agent of the County, has been the depository for all county funds for many years and for the ABC system for the past seven years.

Mrs. Ruth Coppedge of Weldon, who has been stenographer in the ABC office for many years, has been named bookkeeper to replace S. W. Dickens of Enfield. A young woman of Enfield, whose name has not been announced yet will be employed as stenographer. W. E. Lawrence of Scotland Neck, who has been Warehouse Manager for several years, has been named Assistant Manager to assist

Regular Meeting Of The Board Of County Commissioners, April 1

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held Monday with N. W. Warren, W. J. Collier, J. R. Wrenn, G. H. Johnson and the county attorney, Kelly Jenkins, present.

Minutes of last meeting read, approved and ordered recorded.

On motion of W. J. Collier, seconded by J. R. Wrenn and carried Mrs. Will Taylor of Roanoke Rapids is appointed a member of the Welfare Board for a term of two years, beginning April 1, 1943.

Mr. Allison McDowell, Clerk of the Town of Scotland Neck, came before the Board in regard to some adjustment on taxes due Scotland Neck and Halifax County by Mrs. J. L. Hooker. (2) Also a vacant lot in the town of Scotland Neck belonging to Mrs. M. J. Dunn, state, adjustment to be made as to penalties, etc. and on motion seconded and carried that the adjustment be made.

Mr. W. O. Davis and Miss Cox, Home Demonstration Agent, came before the Board asking for a donation of \$62.00 to purchase some equipment for the 4-H Club work. On motion of G. W. Johnson, seconded and carried, that the donation be made. Miss Cox also presented a map showing the different locations of the 4-H Clubs that have been organized throughout the county; Miss Cox also made a very interesting report on her work in general.

Mr. D. Mac Johnson, attorney of Enfield, N. C., representing the A.B.C. Board appeared before the Board of Commissioners of Halifax County, requesting them to make the A. B. C. Board a loan of \$80,000 from the County funds for the purpose of purchasing an extra amount of liquor that will be coming on the market in the future. After a general discussion on the matter no action was taken.

On motion of G. H. Johnson, seconded and carried, that S. D. Murphy of Roanoke Rapids, N. C. be exempted from paying poll taxes on account of being blind and not able to work.

A joint meeting of the A. B. C. Board and Board of County Commissioners was called for the purpose of turning over the assets of the old A. B. C. Board to the new Board. The turnover was made in the presence of the Auditor from the firm of A. Lee Rawlings of Norfolk, Va., the County Attorney, the Attorney representing the A. B. C. Board and all members of both Boards. The Halifax County Board of Alcoholic Control turned over to the new Alcoholic Beverage Control Board the sum of \$48,313.93 in cash, together with all warehouse and store stocks of merchandise, furniture and fixtures; also all office equipment and supplies and records. The auditor from the firm of A. Lee Rawlings and Company of Norfolk, Va., stated that there

were no outstanding Accounts Payable.

A jury was drawn for one week of Superior Court beginning on April 26th.

The Board had a favorable report on the condition of Mr. N. W. Perry who is convalescing at the Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount, and earnestly hopes he will be back with them in the near future.

All bills presented to the Board were checked over, O. K'd and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mr. White in his duties. There has been no Assistant Manager employed in the past.

D. Mac Johnson of Enfield has been named to a newly created job of Special Attorney to the new Board. His salary was not announced by Manager White, but it is understood he will be paid a monthly salary as a retainer fee and extra for any special work for the Board.

Roy McGraw, manager of the uptown store in Roanoke Rapids, has been released. Johnny Little, Manager of the store in Roanoke Rapids has been named manager of both stores.

A joint inventory was taken by representatives of the old and new ABC Boards last week and the new Board, composed of G. H. Johnson of Scotland Neck, D. L. Suiter of Weldon and Clyde Liske of Roanoke Rapids, took charge of the ABC system at a joint meeting of the two Boards held in Halifax Monday, \$48,313.93 in cash was turned over to the new Board, together with all warehouse and store stocks of merchandise, furniture and fixtures; also all office equipment, supplies and records. The Auditor from the A. Lee Rawlings and Company of Norfolk stated there were no outstanding accounts payable.

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LOCAL CLUBS IN JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting of the Community Lions and Rotary Clubs was held Wednesday night at the Community Center with C. F. Gore, president of the Community Club presiding. The two fold purpose of the joint session was to discuss the newly proposed cemetery commission and to make plans for the April War Bond Drive. After extensive discussion a five man committee was named from each organization to conduct the drive in Weldon.

The entertainment program was in charge of T. A. Buck and consisted of a motion picture "Steel At War" which was secured by W. D. Norman and presented by J. O. Carter.

Buck Harper and Raymond Whittaker, colored of Enfield, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, Raymond Whittaker was found not guilty. Buck Harper 9 months on the roads.

Juanita Butler, colored of Halifax was found guilty of larceny and given 3 months in jail.

Hosey Davis, colored of Scotland Neck was found guilty of reckless driving and prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and on condition he surrender his operators license for sixty days.

Buddie M. Powell colored of Garysburg was found guilty of driving while drunk and fined \$50. and costs. License revoked for 12 months and A. B. C. Permit revoked.

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