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KEEP ON Backing the Attack WITH WAR BONDS

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Defense Work:

Home Demonstration Clubs have done a good piece of work with the Red Cross. In nearly all communities they have helped to put the Red Cross War Fund Drive over the top.

The Club Members have also given much time to sewing, knitting and the making of surgical dressings. Here are some of the last reports received: Tilden, 21 bedside bags, 7 mittens, 1 pair of bedroom mules, 4 kit bags; Dawson, 8 pairs bedroom mules, 10 bedside bags, 10 needle bags, 159 surgical dressings; Enfield, 6 pairs bedroom mules and 89 surgical dressings or 7 hours time; Halifax, 38 kit bags and 27 house-wives (Needle Bags); Hawkins Chapel, 1 lap robe; Hollister, 12 shirts; Roseneath, 1 lap robe, 2 bedpan covers, 61 pairs of mules; Spring Hill, 2 scrabs.

Other defense work done by these clubs has been the investment of \$1967.75 in war bonds and the salvaging of 44 pounds of fat.

All fruit trees and small fruits such as grapes should be sprayed, if you expect to have fruit of any quality. Set a spray calendar at once that gives details for spraying from the County Agent's Office. The first sprays should be applied at once.

Taking Grit out of Greens--

To get grit out of spinach or other greens use large amounts of water in tubs or pails. Submerge greens well then lift out the greens into a fresh container of water. Never drain off water. The sand will settle to the bottom and may be cleaned out if you cut greens. For home grown asparagus cut off the scales on the stalk before washing. The grit is usually under those.

New Jar Rings--

The Bureau of Human Nutrition suggests that since new jar rubbers are made of either reclaimed or synthetic rubber that the following treatment be given them before use. Scrub well with hot soapy water. Boil 10 minutes in one quart of water and one tablespoon of soda to each 12 jars. Rinse well and put on jar or lid while still hot and wet. Be sure to buy the correct size. One size is made to go on the shoulder of the jar and the other on the top rim.

More Gardens Needed--

Uncle Sam says that this year millions more Victory Gardens are needed because labor and transportation are likely to be even more critical and military demands for food heavier. The armed forces will need 15 per cent more processed foods than they used last year. Ration Point values of canned foods will depend on home canning. Do not expect point value to be low unless everyone conserves all the home products possible.

Mrs. Betty Warren

Littleton, N. C.--Mrs. Betty Crawley Warren, widow of the late George V. Warren died on Friday morning at her home after a lingering illness.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. W. A. Faulkner, Louisville; Mrs. R. W. Pittman, Grove Hill; Mrs. A. R. Williams, Enfield; Misses Pauline and Katie Warren of Littleton; two sons, Claude S. Warren and James A. Warren, also of Littleton; 17 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren; two brothers, B. R. Crawley, Whitakers and M. C. Crawley of Littleton.

Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon from the home at 3:00 o'clock.

\$2.30 Per 100 Set For Irish Potatoes

Raleigh, N. C., April 11th--There will be a floor price of \$2.30 per hundred pounds for early commercial Irish potatoes, the War Food Administration informed the Division of Markets with the State Department of Agriculture recently. The support price last year was \$2.25.

The support plan as announced by WFA is as follows: "Early and intermediate potatoes will be supported by purchase and by other arrangements for diverting potatoes to canners, dehydrators and other processors. Basic price for early and intermediate potatoes is \$2.30 for N. C., Tenn., Maryland, Delaware and Virginia. Basic prices are per 100 pounds for U. S. No. 1 grade potatoes in new bags, sacked and loaded.

Boy Scouts Collect 28,182 Pounds Scrap

Scrap Paper and Iron Collection By The Boy Scouts of Halifax County During Month of March

Information given recently by the Activities Committee of the Boy Scouts of America, showed that the Boy Scouts of Halifax County had collected and sold more than 28,182 pounds of scrap to Salvage Dealers in Roanoke Rapids for more than \$175.00 during the county wide scrap drive held during month of March that was launched by the Boy Scouts of the District. This was the largest single collection made by the Scouts within recent months.

The statistics give the collection as follows: Weldon, leading the drive with 11,270 pounds of scrap paper and 6,450 pounds of scrap iron, Roanoke Rapids, 8880 pounds of Scrap Paper and Enfield Cubs having collected and sold 1592 pounds of scrap paper. Several of the communities failed to participate in the drive, and some of the results have not been received, however the total pounds collected and sold has reached 28,182.

Although there has been considerable publicity for tin cans, the Scouts of the District are not planning to make tin can collections because of the difficulty of disposing of the cans after collection has been made. They do however plan to continue the monthly collection of scrap paper, and other salvage material that can be disposed of without difficulty. All persons having scrap paper are asked to tie in bundles and save for the scouts, who will call for the paper.



We want to take this opportunity to thank all the Volunteer Workers in the Red Cross War Fund Drive. The spirit of our Red Cross is now as always very fine and for this we are very grateful.

By the very fine work of all the Volunteer Workers and the fine spirit you are able to report to Headquarters our quota in full. We want to thank each member, each Club, each Firm, each Mill, the Bank, our Motion Pictures, Telephone Company, and the connections with other Firms who have sent in very generous checks.

The Junior Red Cross has helped very much in this Drive for funds. Especial mention is being made of our High Y Organization who gave \$36.60, this organization has 25 members, High School girls.

THANKS TO ALL Mrs. Wm. L. Knight, Mrs. F. H. Gregory.

Victory Gardeners Can Get More Gas

Raleigh, April 12--Victory gardeners will again be granted special gasoline rations to travel to and from their places this summer. Theodore S. Johnson, district director of the Raleigh Office of Price Administration announced.

Special gasoline allotments up to 300 miles during the growing season may be granted for victory garden travel, provided the following conditions are met:

1. A regularly cultivated area of at least 1,600 square feet is devoted to the production of vegetables, and the labor of the applicant is necessary to the cultivation.

2. A ridscharing arrangement is made to travel back and forth to the garden, if such an arrangement is possible. In cases where the ride sharing involved the use of more than one car, all applications for the special rations must be presented to the board at the same time and the total ration issued for all cars in the group may not exceed 300 miles.

3. No alternative means of transportation is available.

4. The garden is near enough to the applicant's year round home so that he can visit the garden about twice a week during the period when planting, cultivating and harvesting must be done, with out needing more gasoline than for the 300 miles provided by the special ration together with whatever mileage is available in his basic "A" ration.

Treat Service Men As "Seed Corn" Says Cherry

Wilson, April 11--The 300,000 men and women from North Carolina now in uniform are the "seed corn" of the State, Gregg Cherry, candidate for Governor, said here tonight, addressing a county wide rally of war veterans.

"These 300,000 are the very best from our schools, our farms and our factories. They are the State's protection for the future."

"Therefore," Mr. Cherry continued, "Far and beyond any other problem this State faces is the problem of readjustment, from army to civil life, of this group of young men and young women. They are our 'seed corn' and they must be treated as such."

The Gastonia man, who is seeking the gubernatorial nomination, was heard by Wilson County Veterans of World War I and by many younger veterans of World War II who are already out of uniform and making the adjustment to civil life again.

"You can't make a soldier overnight," Mr. Cherry said, "It takes weeks and months of rigid training. By the same intelligence you can't change a soldier into a civilian overnight. Living under battle conditions causes mental and physical changes to take place in a man. When these men come home from the war, only sympathetic handling and treatment will restore them to their full civilian status in a busy and useful world."

Mr. Cherry himself fought in France during World War I, as Captain of a Machine Gun Company.

"Your State must aid and assist in this transition period that will follow total surrender on the part of our enemies," Mr. Cherry continued. "In addition to what the federal government does and what the Red Cross does and what various other agencies will do, the State must face the fact that it has here a problem that surpasses and supersedes all other problems of the immediate future. The 'seed corn' of this generation must be saved for this and future generations."

The speaker said that every one must help now to win the war, and that when the war is over we must provide an adequate organization in the State, to help veterans and their families with their adjustments.

"You must all recall that the heroes of 1917 and 1918 were permitted to shift around, many were denied the right to earn a living, and many were destroyed. There were 90,000 from North Carolina in that war group. Now we already have 300,000 in uniform with others being added. The problem is bigger and more important.

"Are we to lose our 'Seed corn'? In a period of spurious prosperity will we forget those who saved us? Here lies our most sacred obligation of the immediate future. We must see these North Carolina fighting men and women reestablished in employment and in self respect. We must aid them to build homes where they can have families. Those who are giving the lie to the charge that young America was soft, sloppy, and would not fight must be cared for, nurtured, rehabilitated and seen safely through a period of transition. We must measure up to their ideals and to the ideals of the thousands of men who have fought for this State back thru the years of its history.

"It's still a young man's world, but will be a different kind of young men's world in the days immediately ahead. Our toughest problem is our greatest challenge. We must not lose the 'seed corn' of a generation.

well as the food problem. Increased food requirements for our Armed Forces and our Allies give every citizen an opportunity to do something toward backing up the boys at the front."

SOYBEANS

Indications as given by farmers in the March 1 Intentions to Plant Report show that the soybean acreage is falling short of the goal by two and one half million acres.

Futuristic Fat Plans



Mary Howard, singer, examining the "Home of the Future," at a recent plastics exhibition in New York. It is amazed to find that fatty acids from used cooking fats are necessary to the manufacture of plastics. Fatty acids are used in constructing the bullet proof plastic "houses" for American Air Force nose gunners, ignition parts, wire coatings, navigation instruments and many other wartime essentials.

RECORDERS COURT NEWS

E. F. Corbett, colored of Norfolk plead guilty to speeding and prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs.

J. F. Strickland, white of Halifax was found guilty of driving while drunk and was fined \$50. and costs. License revoked for 12 months.

Robert Jenkins, colored of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty to assault on his wife and was given 12 months on the roads to be suspended upon payment of the court costs and a fine of \$20.00 and \$32.00 Hospital, \$10.00 doctors bill and on further condition he remains of good behavior for two years.

Hosea Davis, colored of Scotland Neck plead guilty to a charge of hit and run and prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and \$3.00 for damage to the car of J. A. McDowell and on condition he does not violate any motor vehicle laws for two years. Operators license revoked for 12 months.

June Whitehead, colored plead guilty to speeding and prayer for judgment was continued on payment of the costs.

James Taylor, colored of Baltimore, plead guilty to driving while drunk and was fined \$50 and costs. License revoked for 12 months.

Lena Brown and Mable Morris, colored of Weldon were found guilty of illegal possession of liquor and were given six months jail each.

Joseph Leander Weller

Joseph Leander Weller, 70, husband of Mrs. Virginia Nelson Weller and son of the late Joseph McCarrell and Mrs. Laurel Vinson Weller, a native of Kingwood, N. C., and a resident of Norfolk for the past 30 years, died at the residence, 524 Graydon avenue, April 5th at 6:50 o'clock. He was a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd and Royal White Heart Lodge No. 2, A. F. and A. M., of Halifax, N. C. Besides his wife, Mrs. Virginia Nelson Weller he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Marshall W. Baggett of Alexandria; four sons, Joseph L. Weller, Jr., of Norfolk; Leroy McCarrell Weller, U. S. N. R., F. Henry Weller, U. S. N. R., and Raymond N. Weller, U. S. N. R.; two granddaughters, a grandson and two brothers, L. A. Weller of Upland, Calif. and F. M. Weller of Baltimore. Funeral services were held at the chapel of the H. D. Oliver Funeral Apartments, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. George P. Gunn, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Meadowbrook, officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

FSA FARMERS PLAN TO INCREASE CROPS

Farmers Urged To Save Lumber In All Building

In view of the critical shortage of all types of lumber, farmers of Halifax County should exert every effort to conserve existing supplies and limit use of wood in all types of construction.

The supply of lumber to fill wartime needs is becoming smaller each day and, at the same time the demand for lumber is steadily increasing.

Because of the alarming scarcity of lumber for essential needs the War Production Board on February 1, issued a new procedure affecting materials which can be used in farm construction.

Under this procedure the salvage of all reusable lumber not specifically incorporated in a structure is prohibited. Such lumber must be made available immediately for reuse. Unused framing lumber in 2" by 4" and 2" by 6" sizes may not be used where other types of construction can be employed and substitutes are available use of these types of lumber being permitted only upon specific authorization of the WPB.

Also, use of boards for fencing, sheathing walls and roofs is prohibited, as well as use of common grades of any kind of wood for finishing and siding.

In view of these restrictions, the WPB on March 1 lifted most restrictions on the use of structural steel framing and reinforcement steel and galvanized roofing for essential construction.

"Our normal nation stockpile of lumber is about 16 billion board feet. Our stockpile at present is only about three billion board feet of usable lumber and preliminary estimates indicate that requirements for this year, exclusive of shipping lumber, will be about 18 1/2 billion board feet. Boxed and grating will require an additional 15 1/2 billion board feet, making a total of 34 billion feet to meet needs for 1941.

Much of the lumber being used for war purposes is used by the Armed Forces in rebuilding ports and installations which are wrecked in fighting preliminary to their occupation. An example of this was the port of Naples which required 2,000 carloads of lumber to repair. Lumber is used in these cases because advancing armies cannot wait for steel and concrete installations to be constructed before moving in heavier equipment and fighting machines.

Halifax County Farm Security families aren't at all satisfied with their food and feed production record last year, although weather conditions were unfavorable. They realize now that a non-live at home program is poor home and farm management for farmers who are trying to pave the way to security. As a result they are working hard between rains to get the soil in shape for planting corn early. 275 garden seed packages are already in the hands of the families. Where possible cabbage plants, onion sets, garden peas, salad greens, beets, carrots and Irish potatoes are already planted. Fifty percent of our families have young orchards that with good weather conditions from now on will come into production this year to supply our men, women and children with fruit so badly needed for their health. Also preparation for young biddies are now being made in order to increase our laying flocks.

Many of our farm families, thru the help of FSA, are just beginning to realize the real cause of their difficulties and with their initiative, willingness to work and follow sound farming practices FSA is helping or making it possible for thousands of our farm families to have better family living, pay off old debts, educate their children and to live happily in their own homes.

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Weldon Wins Over Warrenton

On Tuesday, April 11th, the Weldon High School baseball team defeated John Graham High of Warrenton 12-5. Ham Hargrove was Weldon's leading batter for the day. Right fielder, Buck Kilpatrick and 1st baseman Gilbert Carroll were the star fielders making no errors. Albert Oakes was the winning pitcher.

Weldon will play Emporia on Friday, April 14 and play Roanoke Rapids on Tuesday, April 18 on the local court at 3:30 P. M.

This was the first defeat for Warrenton's star pitcher Shearin.



YOUR TREES ARE GOING TO WAR

Rifles being packed for shipment to the fighting front. Wooden gunstocks and wooden crates for shipment. Uncle Sam needs more wood for these purposes. Mr. Farmer--have you any lumber that you can harvest--NOW? Produce more lumber.

Plans To Hold Corn At Present Ceiling Price

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