

More Scholarships Offered At State
 Raleigh, May 2nd.—Ten additional fellowships valued at \$1070 have been made available at the College to qualified women Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Company, making a total of 30 fellowships offered this spring, it was announced yesterday by Dr. E. Van Note, coordinator of the Pratt and Whitney Program at the College.

Designed to prepare young women who have had no prior technical background for positions as engineering aides, the fellowships cover all tuition, fees, books, room and board, clothing and laundry as well as giving an additional cash stipend of \$25 per month. The course of study includes fundamentals in mathematics, engineering drawing, engineering physics, metallurgy, air engine, machine shop practice, experimental statistics, and mechanical engineering laboratory work, Van Note said.

Dr. Van Note stated, and applications are being received. He urged interested persons to apply immediately, each accepting a fellowship, each may agree to give Pratt and Whitney an option on her services for a period of one year, Dr. Van explained. Upon entering the program, monthly earnings amount to approximately \$100 and pay raises will be forthcoming as experience and training are gained.

College is the only school in the South providing the training. Details concerning the program may be obtained by writing to Dr. E. Van Note at State College.

Hog Prices are Cut
 Raleigh, May 4th.—Present ceilings on hogs weighing more than 250 pounds live weight will be reduced 75 cents per hundred pounds and after May 15, the ceiling in the district office of Price Administration announced today. The change will be made in ceiling of hogs weighing 240 or less.

ago ceiling prices on hogs weighing more than 240 pounds is \$10.00 per hundred weight. The decision to reduce the ceiling of heavy weight hogs was made at the request of the Food Administration, the Production Board and the Office of Economic Stabilization and aimed to discourage the use of and other essential grains and hogging up to heavy unmarketable weights.

Over the past few years there has been an extraordinary increase in livestock production. The largest has occurred in the total pig crop, estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture at 79,840,000 in 1941, increased to 121,100,000 in 1943. One of the prime reasons behind this expansion has been the profitable relationship between prices for livestock and for feed. Consumption of especially corn, which has seen heavy expansion of production, has resulted in a shortage of corn.

of hogs which are the main consumers of corn, has led the national food supply. A said that this has been only because of the increase in hog numbers, but because of a noticeable tendency on the part of producers to feed heavier than usual.

Average weight of hogs raised in the United States has increased from 232 pounds in 1933 to approximately 254 pounds in 1943. Because the hog-corn ratio favored the production of particularly in the middle states where most of the corn is produced, and natural tendency of producers has been to raise the highest price they can get by selling it not as feed but as live hogs.

the hog-corn ratio is less than it was in the past, and although there has been contraction of hog production it is estimated that the total crop of 1944 will be 10 percent below the 1943 crop. The average weight of hogs to market remains about the same as usual at this season.

is the keystone of feed for the country and the feeding of heavy weight must be arrested if the country is to achieve a distribution of our corn. If neither the price of corn increased nor the hog-corn ratio, necessary users of corn would not secure their fair share of the supply, thus reducing the most effective use of resources for the war effort. For this reason that hog production does not affect the price of pork.

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RUSSIAN CIVILIANS



A Russian farm family gathers at the charred ruins of their home as the Red Army enters a recaptured village. Millions of Russian civilians have been left homeless, stripped of clothing and other essentials by the invading Nazis.

Americans can help keep families like this alive by donating clothing to Russian War Relief. A "Clothing for Russia" collection will be conducted throughout N.

Carolina in the two weeks beginning May 1. Donations may be handed to any school child for delivery to the Russian War Relief clothing center, Jane R. Rose of Greenville is State-director of the campaign.

Camporee Underway At Noon Here Tomorrow

HIGH SCHOOL FINALS PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

The Weldon High School final exercises will begin Sunday evening May 14th at 8 o'clock when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the school auditorium gymnasium. The Rev. James G. Huggin, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Durham will preach. The commencement program will be continued Thursday evening, May 18th with the Class Night exercises in the form of a play, "Sails at Dawn."

John Kerr, Jr., of Warrenton, Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives will be the speaker at the graduating exercises Friday evening, May 19th at 8:15 o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these exercises.

Tarboro Man Receives One Year Jail Sentence

Halifax, May 3 — Garland Tuck of Tarboro was sentenced to 12 months in the common jail of Halifax County after trial in the Halifax county court yesterday for involuntary manslaughter.

Tuck, early in the trial, pled not guilty to the charge of manslaughter which was placed against him. Through his counsel he later entered the plea of guilty of involuntary manslaughter which was accepted by the state.

Further sentence passed upon Tuck provided that he should work during his 12 months sentence on the public roads under the direction of the State Highway and Public Works commission. Tuck was held in the Halifax jail on March 6 under \$8000 bond. He was charged with driving the automobile which hit and killed Richard Stefano of Camp Ritchie, Md., and Wilmington and Pvt. Charles L. Parker of Washington, N. C.

The accident in which the two soldiers were killed occurred on the night of March 6 at 8:45 on route 301 about eight miles north of Enfield, investigating highway patrolmen reported. The two soldiers were on a motorcycle going south on the highway and attempting to make a left turn into route 125, it was stated shortly after the accident.

Tuck left the scene of the accident but was apprehended in his home in Tarboro, highway patrolmen reported. Stefano was killed instantly, patrolmen disclosed. Parker died in a Rocky Mount hospital the next morning from a broken neck and compound comminuted fracture of both legs, hospital authorities stated.

DIVORCES GRANTED

The following divorces were granted at this term: J. R. Randall from Margaret A. Bendall, Robert Lewis Tanner from Ema Overton Tanner, Pattie Newcome Ellis from Joseph P. Ellis, Richard Towns from Alceira Mills Towns, Julia Mae Burnett Cameron from Doyle A. Cameron, all of the divorces were granted on two years separation.

Musical

For the purpose of raising funds with which to buy musical instruments for the boys overseas, the Weldon Music Study Club is offering to the public a most enjoyable evening of musical entertainment in the home of Mrs. W. A. Pierce, Sr., next Tuesday, May 9, at 8:30 P. M.

The guest artists on the program are: Mrs. I. M. Meekins, one of our very own composers, of Elizabeth City; Mrs. R. L. Councilman, violinist of Windsor; Mrs. J. A. Fleetwood, Misses Taylor and Rawlings, violinists, of Conway and Miss Mary Jane Smart, cellist, Mrs. W. A. China and Miss Mary Ann Brown, violinists, Mr. Ray Findley, tenor, Mr. Billy Waters, pianist all of Roanoke Rapids.

In addition to solo renditions, some of the artists, as a string ensemble, will present selections. A silver offering will be taken at the door. Dress is informal. Come and enjoy the evening, and at the same time do your bit to help the morale of the boys over there.

Superior Court Holds A Very Brief Term

G. H. Clark, white, charged with crime against nature nol prosequi.

Thomas Barkley, white of Roanoke Rapids, plead guilty to temporary larceny and was given not less than 2 nor more than 3 years, States Prison.

John Henry Jackson, colored of Weldon plead guilty of breaking and entering and larceny and was given not less than six nor more than eight years States Prison.

Charlie Johnson, white of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty to larceny and was placed on probation for three years.

Willie Black Webb, colored of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty to assault with a deadly weapon and was given 15 months jail to be worked around the Courthouse and jail.

Carl B. Finch, white of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty to larceny of automobile and was placed on probation for three years.

R. E. Daniel, white of Thelma plead guilty of assault with a deadly weapon on R. A. Reese and prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and \$20 for the use of R. A. Reese.

Eddie Lee Carter, colored of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty to murder in the second degree and was given not less than 18 nor more than 20 years States Prison.

Garland Tuck, white was found guilty of manslaughter and was given twelve months on the roads.

There were 5 percent more hens on U. S. farms in March than a year ago. In the first quarter they increased their production from 35.6 eggs to 37.6 eggs. Result - markets flooded; prices low. Action - eat more eggs.

County Democrats Organize

The Halifax County Democratic Executive Committee elected at the County Convention, 29th, 1944, to serve for a period of two years, is as follows: Chairman, Dr. John W. Martin, Vice-chairman, Mrs. V. L. Mohr, Secretary, Eric W. Rodgers.

Members by precincts: Butterwood, J. R. Liles, Connoconara, R. B. Etheridge, Enfield, Mrs. A. M. Atkinson, Faucett, R. H. Hux, Halifax, G. A. Hux, Hollister, Frank M. Taylor, Kehukee, L. W. Leggett, Littleton, J. R. Wollett, Palmyra, B. B. Everett, Ringwood, J. E. Wood, Roanoke, H. C. Bass.

Roanoke Rapids, No. 1, E. H. Ricks, Roanoke Rapids, No. 2, Dr. John W. Martin, Roanoke Rapids, No. 3, Alfred N. Martin, Roanoke Rapids, No. 4, David L. Traynham, Scotland Neck, R. C. Shields, Weldon, B. F. Turner.

Square Dance Wednesday Night

The Weldon Lions Club is sponsoring a Square dance next Wednesday night, May 10th in the Weldon Community Center with music by the Stainback orchestra. Plan to be there and enjoy yourself while you are helping; the club to maintain their good work.

U. D. C. Meets

The Junius Daniel Chapter of the U. D. C. met Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. T. C. Harrison with Miss Kate Garfield, Mrs. H. G. Rowe and Mrs. D. R. Anderson as joint hostesses.

Lovely floral decorations were used throughout the lower floor with a mixed arrangement of red, white and blue forming the centerpiece on the dining room table.

Mrs. J. S. Turner gave an interesting report on the recent district meeting in Wilson.

Plans were made for decorating the graves of Confederate and World War Veterans on May 10th the Confederate Memorial Day, and for the observance of Flag Day. The president also announced that the chapter would join with the American Legion in the celebration of National Memorial Day.

An interesting letter was read from Mrs. Anna Ware Smith, a former member of the chapter, who lives in Honolulu.

The chapter voted to make a contribution to the Cancer Control fund and to the Russian Relief.

Mrs. H. M. Neville gave a paper on Memorial Day. An article "A Former Slave Dies" was read by Mrs. H. G. Lassiter. Mrs. B. M. Richardson played several of Stephen Foster's selections. Mrs. T. C. Harrison presented a paper on Russell Van Buren Collins the last Confederate Veteran in Franklin County. Mr. Collins celebrated his hundredth birthday on February 3rd. Miss Kate Garrett played several piano selections. The hostesses served a delicious ice course.

Church Service For Scouts

Sunday morning May 7th a special church service will be held in the old school auditorium for the Boy Scouts attending the three day Camporee here. The Rev. Dwight L. Fouts will preach and the other ministers in town will assist him with the service.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

We are very happy to publish for all the members of the Weldon Chapter the Honor Certificate which has been received. This Certificate is presented to the Weldon Chapter in appreciation of the unselfish services which you have rendered your Red Cross Chapter.

THIS HONOR CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED THE WELDON CHAPTER FOR DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT IN THE NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR WAR FUND

Franklin D. Roosevelt, President Norman H. Davis, Chairman The American National Red Cross

Buy War Bonds TODAY For Future Needs.

District Advancement Chairman S. H. Crumpler, announced that he would hold a Court of Honor for Scouts of the four Counties at the campfire program on Friday night, May 5, at the Camporee in Weldon.

Among the awards to be given will be that of four Bronze Palms, to the four recently made Eagle Scouts, Nathaniel Lyles, Navorro Hux, Willis E. Murphy, III and Willis E. Hawkins. Although the highest rank award that is offered by the Boy Scouts is that of Eagle rank, Scouts who desire may continue their study and get Bronze Palms for five additional Merit Badges, or Gold Palm for ten additional Merit Badges, and Silver Palm for 15 additional Merit Badges. Only the Scouts that have reached the rank of Eagle are entitled to receive the Palms.

This awarding of the four Bronze Palms will be the second time that such awards have been made in this district. A. The last Court of Honor, Scoutmaster W. H. Mincher of troop 144 of Roanoke Rapids was awarded a similar award for Scout work. The Court of Honor Friday evening will make a total of five Bronze Palm awards in this District composed of Halifax and Northampton counties.

In addition to the Bronze Palm awards, Scouts through those Counties will receive practically every award that is offered by the Boy Scouts. More than one hundred scouts are expected to participate in the Court of Honor.

The public is invited to attend the outdoor Event of Honor at Weldon.

Captain Rybak Camporee Speaker

Captain Joseph S. Rybak, former member of the American volunteer group in China, known as the famous "Flying Tigers," under General Claire L. Chennault will be the guest speaker at the Camporee on Saturday night.

Captain Rybak served with the "Flying Tigers" from April until December, 1942. During that time he was stationed at Komming, China, where he flew P-40s on strafing missions. He received the New China and Asiatic-Pacific ribbons and also four Chinese Cloud decorations awarded by the Chinese government.

Captain Rybak is now serving as gunnery instructor at the Army Air Base in Richmond, Va. The public is invited to hear Captain Rybak on Saturday evening, May 6, at 8 p.m. in the Ball Park in Weldon.

Scouters Party

A Scouters party will be held Saturday evening at seven o'clock in the Community Center. At this time the Scouts, their leaders and the local committee which has done so much to make the Camporee a success, will be served a Rock fish muddle.

Scout Parade

Soon after the Scout troops attending the Camporee arrive Friday afternoon they will parade from the Camporee site down Washington Avenue to First St., and back up Sycamore Street to the Opera House where they will be shown a free moving picture. The free picture is being donated by Mr. Eugene Bachelor.

Visits Relatives Here

William (Buck) Stephenson, Boatswain Mate 1st Class, U. S. Navy, visited his sisters, Mrs. A. P. Ellis and Mrs. L. W. Edwards and his brother John Stephenson here over the week end, for the first time in more than four years. Buck has been stationed at Pearl Harbor for the past four years but was recently sent to Yorktown, Va., for special training. After this eight week period of training he will spend a twenty one day furlough with his relatives here before reporting for further duty.

TREASURE HUNT FOR METAL



The scene above is typical of all Boy Scouts now while our Country is at war. It shows a Scout making a house-to-house canvass for old razor blades during a drive for scrap metal. The Boy Scouts here for the 1944 Patrol Camporee of the Halifax and Roanoke-Chowan Districts have made a big contribution to the war effort in supporting and sponsoring many drives.