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Suggestions for August:

at the hens and put them in the market as fast as they can. One job we must never tire of is the constant watch for breeding places of the mosquito. While the mosquito does not carry bombs, it harbors the malaria germ. Its destruction is not as noisy as the flying bomb, but often as deadly. We must strive to rid our community of stagnant pools of water, clogged drain pipes and open sewer traps. If we remove the stagnant pools in our community by proper drainage, then we must cover them with oil. This smothers the mosquitoes and they soon die. All of this information is not new, but only a reminder of one of our home front duties.

home-canned fruit rises to the top of the jar leaving a clear liquid underneath. Specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture say that fruit packing in jars should be done in a way that draws juice from the fruit and makes it lighter in color. To do this, pack the fruit in a jar so that the fruit is not packed too much in proportion to the jar. Canned tomatoes separate red pulp rises to the top and leaves light colored liquid at the bottom. The cause may be that the tomatoes, which do not lose their shape, are packed in jars which are too long.

Union Service

Union Church Service will be held Sunday evening, August 18, 8 o'clock in the Weldon Church. The Rev. D. L. will preach.

Killed In Action

Mrs. H. C. Brown of Weldon has been notified that her son Lt. Ernest Roland Brown, who had been reported killed in action over the Philippines, was pilot of a Liberator. He had completed bombing missions and was awarded the Air Medal. Mrs. Dorothy Push resides in Richmond, Va.

Roanoke Man As MP

British Post
The 15th AAF Composite Station, Aug. 15—Cpl. Tommie Jones, 24, of Garysburg, N. C., military policeman at this station, in addition to maintaining and keeping delinquents under control, he is post corporal guard and as such, must have responsibility for the camp. Jones has been in the service for 10 months, 25 months of which have been spent in the European Theatre of operations. Jones is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Holmes of Garysburg, N. C. He is a student of Roanoke High School, Roanoke Rapids, N. C. Before entering the service he was employed at Patterson Cotton Mill, Roanoke Rapids, N. C. Jones' brothers are also in the service. Pte. Wade C. Holmes is in the Infantry in Italy. Pvt. C. Holmes is with the Infantry, Pte. Richard R. Holmes is with the Infantry in

Looking Over Our District's Health

By DR. W. K. McDOWELL

For years now the people of China have been on the alert for the great flying bird that rains death and destruction on her people. Sometimes they are called "flying bombs" and often as deadly as these guards of the people of China.

Our duty is always to be alert to protect our communities' health. One job we must never tire of is the constant watch for breeding places of the mosquito. While the mosquito does not carry bombs, it harbors the malaria germ. Its destruction is not as noisy as the flying bomb, but often as deadly. We must strive to rid our community of stagnant pools of water, clogged drain pipes and open sewer traps. If we remove the stagnant pools in our community by proper drainage, then we must cover them with oil. This smothers the mosquitoes and they soon die. All of this information is not new, but only a reminder of one of our home front duties.

Mrs. J. A. Hux

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon from her home near Halifax for Mrs. J. A. Hux, 58 who died Tuesday afternoon. The rites were conducted by the Rev. Frank Walters, assisted by the Rev. C. E. Crawford of Enfield. Burial followed in the Enfield cemetery by the side of her husband who died three weeks ago.

News of Prisoner Son Received

Scotland Neck, Aug. 15—The first information concerning the prisoner camp where their son is reported held by the Japanese has been received by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnson of R. F. D., Scotland Neck. And it is good news.

Lieut. Byron Lee Johnson was captured by the Japanese when the Philippines fell, and such postcard mail as has been received from him came from Prison Camp No. 2. His parents, however, had no assurance that what he wrote was of his own free will, and the stories concerning Jap atrocities have kept them very much worried.

However, a few men escaped several months ago from Prison Camp No. 2 in the Philippines and the Johnsons have succeeded in communicating with one of these men, Lieut. Col. Austin C. Shofner of the Marine Corps. Colonel Shofner wrote from his present overseas base somewhere in the Pacific area that while at Prison Camp No. 2 he did not meet an officer named Johnson but he heard the name mentioned several times, and it is probable that it may have referred to Byron Lee Johnson. He is at Camp No. 2, said Col. Shofner, he is fortunate because it is the best of the three prison camps in the Islands.

For cheaper and better feed, plant a grazing crop about September 1. Seed relatively and fertilizer well.

Board of Education To Meet Today To Vote On Uniform Later Opening

The State Board of Education will meet this afternoon at 3 in the Education Building to consider a recommendation from Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State health officer, that a uniform delayed opening date be set for public schools of the State because of the infantile paralysis epidemic.

Dr. Reynolds has suggested that schools not be opened prior to September 18.

At its regular August meeting, the Board of Education voted to leave the matter of school openings in the hands of local school officials. Recently, however, Governor Broughton urged that Dr. Reynolds' recommendation be followed after several health school boards had voted to open schools on schedule.

Dr. Reynolds followed the Governor's action with a statement that he would urge parents to keep their children out of school until the polio danger is past should his recommendation not be followed.

Curings Are High Quality Of Tobacco

Curing of the 1941 tobacco crop is well under way in this county and section, and is turning out a yield of far better than average in quality, according to growers. Consensus seems to be that one-fourth to one-third of the crop has been harvested.

Observers of growing fields say they have never seen a finer looking crop than is on the hills in this section at the present time. Some think it is even better than the crop of 1942, said by many at the time to have been the finest ever produced hereabouts. Moreover, opinion of capable observers is that there is considerably more yield, due as much to favorable growing increase in acreage and thinned last spring by government controllers.

Ceiling At \$3.60 On White Potatoes

Raleigh, Aug. 10—Effective today, the ceiling price for white potatoes grown in this State is \$3.60 per hundred pounds, 90 cents higher than the original price set by the OPA. R. B. Etheridge, head of the markets division of the State Department of Agriculture, said today.

Why Farmers Should Buy & Keep War Bonds

By R. R. Renne, President, Montana State College

BUILDING financial reserves, paying off debts, helping to fight dangerous inflation, and patriotism, are all good reasons why farmers should buy and hold War Bonds.

A good financial reserve is an important part of sound farm management. War Bonds are safe investments and are almost as liquid as cash. Thus, they constitute an excellent financial reserve for unexpected needs and emergencies. After the last war prices fell rapidly, as they have after every major war, and thousands of American farmers lost their farms because they could not weather the economic storm. No other factor is more essential for continued successful farm operations, than good years and bad, than adequate financial reserves.

In addition to unexpected needs for emergencies, farmers need adequate reserves to finance repairs, improvements and improvements around the farm. Difficulties in obtaining needed materials and labor for these expenditures cause farm buildings and equipment to wear out faster during the war period than in peacetime. If farmers can wait until some time after the war ends to make these repairs and improvements, their dollars should go farther than they will immediately following the war, and better quality materials will probably be available. Moreover, too rapid or forced cashing of War Bonds immediately after the war could create a serious situation and contribute to post-war inflation. Also, holding Bonds to maturity makes it possible for the farmer to increase his investment by one-fourth through accumulated interest. Still another reason for having a good reserve in the form of War Bonds is that funds will be available for the boys when they return to assist them in getting established in peaceful pursuits.

Many farmers have long-term mortgages outstanding against their prop-

erty. Investment in War Bonds now makes it possible for the farmer to help finance the war and at the same time accumulate the funds which will enable him to liquidate his debt in a lump sum after the war. Systematic purchase of War Bonds furnishes a very orderly and sure way of accumulating the necessary funds for liquidation of debt that requires large lump sums for settlement.

The extremely heavy expenditures required to carry on modern total war create high purchasing power, which combined with shortages of materials and labor, cause serious inflationary trends. Most farmers can remember the very high prices which occurred during the last war and the very low prices and depression which followed. With the present scale of operations much greater than during the first war, it is probable that widespread inflation in general prices and in land will be witnessed. Using surplus funds to purchase War Bonds helps reduce inflationary pressure in commodity markets and, at the same time, helps finance the war.

Building financial reserves, paying off debts and helping to fight inflation, comprise adequate reasons for buying War Bonds. However, there is still another important reason why farmers should invest in War Bonds until it is time to cash them in the patriotic reason. We are engaged in a very serious struggle to preserve democracy and our way of life. The longer we win this war the fewer lives of our sons and daughters will be lost. Our youth are making great sacrifices on the battlefields all over the world, and it is up to each one of us on the homefront to give all we have. Large sums of money are being spent in fighting the war and if we can help finance the war at an early date, we can help finish the war at an early date.

U. S. Treasury Department

Sweet Potatoes At Higher Price Now

College Station, Raleigh, Aug. 11—The first large shipment of the 1941 crop of sweet potatoes from North Carolina has been made by K. A. Housenucker of Gibson, in Scotland county, and the price was \$3.4, per report J. Y. Lassiter, Extension horticulturist of the State College Extension Service.

Growers from Louisiana to Maryland are fighting to get on the early market because the August selling price of \$3.25 is higher than for any other time during our marketing season. "Lassiter says, 'Louisiana is reported to be shipping from 15 to 20 cars a day and Georgia is also making a strong bid to reach the markets as quickly as possible.'

Applications For Ballots At Peak

Raleigh, Aug. 11—Secretary of State Thad Eure said today that a record total of 1782 applications for ballots for service men and women to use in the general election November 7 were received this morning.

This newest group, added to the total of 1,610 received Saturday brings the total number of applications from Tar Heels in service to 20,328, the secretary said.

Roanoke Rapids Boy Now Second Lieut.

Deming Army Air Field, Deming, N. M.—Robert R. Northington, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Northington, Box 107, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina has been graduated from Deming Army Air Field. "The AAF's Border Bombardier School" it was announced here recently by Col. Milton M. Murphy, commanding officer.

He has been commissioned a 2nd lieutenant and awarded silver bombardier wings after successful completion of the rigid 18 week course in high altitude precision bombing as well as important phases of navigation. Prior to his assignment at DAAF he had completed training in aerial gunnery.

Keep The Ships Fit To Fight! Don't Let Our Boys Down Now!

RECRUITER P. N. STAINBACK
We are fighting all out for our lives and for the personal and political freedom we cherish as Americans. If we lose, we and our children and our children's children will lose all that makes life worthwhile, our four freedoms and all the privileges and opportunities of the democratic way.

The men at the front are fighting and many are losing their lives to protect us and our liberty. Here at home we must do our share by supplying workers enough to go around to meet all wartime demands. Our Military program is tremendous. So is our production of war.

To provide the needed manpower for our armed forces, our factories, Navy yards and civilian enterprises, it is necessary to control some extent individual freedom in selecting a job, and to counsel with workers, for the purpose of expanding the number of jobs necessary to maintain our war effort. In normal times an American could accept any job he wished. He was free to use every opportunity to better himself economically. The employer was the sole judge as to whom he could hire. But these are not normal times. There is too much at stake for all of us today to permit the uncontrolled actions of a few individuals to hinder the war effort.

The nation needs the right person for a job. In Germany, Hitler would decide, in the United States, workers and employers themselves make the decisions. Now let everyone of us put all we have into our job, help in reducing labor turnover, and curtail absenteeism. Buy War Bonds until it hurts! Don't think of yourself but think of our country, our sons, brothers, cousins and friends, everyone of the boys that is on the other side. May God Bless Them all.

Recruiter Stainback will be at the U. S. Employment Office in Roanoke Rapids each Saturday.

Weldon And Jackson Play There On Sunday

Mrs. B. B. Everett Re-elected Vice Chairman Of Executive Committee

William B. Umstead of Durham Tuesday night was elected chairman of the State Executive Committee at a meeting attended by 46 members in person and 62 by proxy.

Mrs. B. B. Everett of Palmyra was re-elected as vice chairman. Neither candidate had opposition.

Election of the two officers constituted the main business before the Executive Committee. The four hour session was closed with the presentation of R. Gregg Cherry, Democratic nominee for governor, and L. Y. Ballentine, Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor.

Cherry told the committee that he is certain the machinery of the party will function smoothly during the coming campaign. He asked that each member devote himself to working for complete harmony throughout the state in the progress of the State.

The nominee for Governor declared, "The next four years will be among the most crucial in the history of our State. It believes all North Carolinians to join in making this State a fit place to receive the sons and daughters now scattered on the battlefields of the world."

Secretary Sam Ruark announced the resignation of A. H. Harris, member of the Executive Committee from Transylvania. The committee voted to defer filing of his vacancy pending receipt of recommendations from the executive committee of Transylvania.

B. H. Sykes, of Durham placed Umstead's name in nomination, and the nomination was seconded by A. H. Graham of Hillsboro. The nomination of Mrs. Everett was made by Ira T. Johnson of Ashe county, seconded by R. P. Bessie of Durham and Mrs. Ethel Parker of Gates County.

Mrs. Everett presided at the opening of last night's meeting, in the absence of Chairman Montie Redden, who is ill. Redden wrote to the committee that he gave his full support to the election of Umstead as chairman. The new chairman presided after Mrs. Everett.

Charles M. Johnson presented a resolution, passed, unanimously expressing appreciation for the leadership and service of Chairman Redden.

Secretary Ruark read a letter from Governor Broughton, who pledged his support to the new officers of the executive committee and to the party in the coming general election campaign. The Governor was in Reidsville last night.

American Red Cross Class In Life Saving And Water Safety

The following have recently completed in Life Saving and Water Safety having completed 20 hours.

This class was taught by S. H. Crumpler and assisted by Miss Margaret Ann Gore.

THEY GIVE THEIR LIVES... YOU LEND YOUR MONEY! BUY BONDS

Japan Agrees To Receive And Deliver Packages To War Prisoners In Japan

Good news has come from the Pacific area to those who have relatives interned in the Far East. Japan has agreed to receive and distribute, with the help of Swiss representatives, Prisoner of War Packages and medical supplies to both military and civilian internees.

Through the offices of the Swiss government an arrangement has been worked out whereby such material can be shipped to Russian Pacific ports, by the United States where it will be picked up by Japanese vessels and carried to the internment camps. The actual distribution of such packages and mail will be in the hands of Swiss representatives, thereby guaranteeing that they reach the party for whom they are intended.

Russia has made available a number of ports both to the United States and to the Japanese and has offered trans-shipment of goods overland if so desired.

Relief supplies valued at approximately \$2,500,000 are now ware housed at Vladivostok. Food, medicine and clothing constitute the main items awaiting trans-shipment to the United States and Allied prisoners of war and civilian internees held by Japan. Substantial reserves of food packages are now available and together with \$250,000 worth of medical supplies are being shipped from this country.

The only supplies that have reached prisoners in Japan have been carried by the exchange ship Gripsholm on its two trips. Now there is assurance that regular shipments will be made and the meager diet given prisoners in Japan will be considerably augmented by food packages. Those having relatives in the custody of Japan need do nothing to insure packages reaching them. This will be handled by the Red Cross in cooperation with the government. These packages are going forward as rapidly as possible.

Next Wednesday Waste Paper Day

Members of the local Boy Scout troop will gather up waste paper on Wednesday, August 23rd. Everyone is asked to please tie the paper, magazines or cardboard, in bundles and put them out for the boys next Wednesday.

Every scrap of waste paper is vitally needed now.

Clean shavings make a very satisfactory hen nest litter. The WFA asks housewives to eat as many small sized potatoes as possible in August because they cannot be stored.

The enrichment of bread and the increased use of milk are improving the diet in important vitamins and minerals.

