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

HEALTH BOARD PLACES BAN ON CHILDREN

Due to the fact that several cases of poliomyelitis have recently been reported in near by counties the Halifax County Board of Health has passed the following resolution.

"That all children up to and including fifteen (15) years of age be prohibited from attending public schools, Church, Sunday school, Boy Scout and similar meetings, swimming pools or any other public places which brings together groups of children."

W. K. McDowell, M. D. District Health Officer.

By order of Halifax County Board of Health, August 22nd., 1944.

Farmers Can Get Needed Lumber

Farmers of Halifax County are entitled to rated orders for lumber if they use it for essential maintenance and repair of farm buildings and farm service buildings.

A "Farmer's Lumber certificate" is a rated order, he said. A dealer who fills a farmer's order supported by a certificate may extend the rating and place a "certified and rated" order with his supplier for replacement of his stock.

Farmers who need lumber should apply to the County AAA of ice in Halifax for certificates. The county AAA Committee is authorized to issue certificates when the lumber will be used to maintain or repair farm buildings, other than dwelling.

All other type sealed jars may be turned up side down on the second day after canning to see if juices come out of the jar. If juices does come out the jar is not sealed. Never leave a jar upside down when you first remove it from the canner.

Canned foods should be stored in a cool, frost proof dark place. Light deteriorates canned products so does excessive heat or cold.

Make Them Over - Many garments in the family wardrobe may be brought up to date for the owner or made over for another member of the family.

Farmers' Lumber Certificates cannot be issued for lumber to be used for dwellings, Mr. Crocker said. Dealers are expected to have small amounts of lumber to sell to civilians in general for the maintenance of dwellings and for other uses for which no rated orders are issued.

Sam Gregory Promoted To Major

Announcement has been made of the promotion of Samuel T. Gregory, of Halifax, N. C., to the rank of Major at the McCook Army Air Field where he is an instructor pilot.

Major Gregory has seen service in Hawaii and the Southwest Pacific. Prior to entering the army he was a student at the University of North Carolina and a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Bear Swamp Church Will Have Revival

Littleton, August 21--Plans are being completed for the annual series of special revival and evangelistic services at Bear Swamp Baptist Church, Littleton RFD. The services will begin at twelve o'clock on Sunday, August 27th.

Guest preacher for the series of services will be the Rev. Howard G. Dawkins, pastor of the Baptist Church at Hertford, N. C. Congregational singing will be under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Albert E. Simms, and the choir will be directed by Miss Maude E. Wilson.

Services during the week will be held each evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Notice The local Swimming Pool has been closed for the season.

John Shearin Wears Paratrooper's Wings

Fort Benning, Georgia, August 11th, 1944--Pfc. John Shearin, Jr. son of Mr. John Shearin of Elm St., Weldon, North Carolina has won the right to wear Wings and Boots of the United States Army Paratroops.

Jumping at The Parachute School has been steadily developed to a recognized war science. There is less than one percent chance of injury while jumping at the School.

In addition to producing jumpers, Parachute Specialist Training is given to qualified men in Communication, Demolition, Rigging and Sewing Machine Maintenance, vital skills for Airborne troops.

BOB GAY

Bob Gay, elderly farmer of the Gumberry section, died at his home Sunday night after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were conducted from the residence on Monday afternoon by the Rev. John Robinson and burial followed in the family cemetery.

Surviving are three daughters: Miss Deruska Gay of Mero, N. C.; Mrs. Raymond Taylor and Miss Mary Etta Gay of Gumberry and four sons: Robert Gay of Victoria, Va., Page-Gay and Charlie Gay of Gumberry and Tom Gay of Rich Square.

Littleton Churches Exclude Children

Littleton, August 20th-- Acting simultaneously this morning the Baptist Episcopal, and Methodist Churches of Littleton took action to prohibit the attendance of children sixteen years of age and under upon church gatherings, including worship and preaching services, Sunday Schools and other groups normally attended by children.

This action was taken in view of the present infantile paralysis epidemic in the state and with the hope that the disease may not be contracted and spread in Littleton and its environs.

No cases have been reported in either Warren or Halifax counties but those responsible expressed the desire that no undue chance be taken in the matter.

Announcement was made this afternoon by Mr. T. R. Walker, owner of the Littleton Theatre that in line with recommendations of state Health officials and the actions of the local churches, children 16 and under will not be admitted to the theatre.

The action of the churches and the plan of the theatre will remain in effect till after the opening of the public schools, when normal operations will be resumed.

Roanoke Rapids Man Is Promoted At Front

15th AAF in Italy, Aug. 23rd.--James M. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thornton O. Wilson, 738 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, N. C., tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator, has been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. The announcement was made by Col. Robert E. L. Eaton, group commander of 119 S. Charles St., Belleville, Ill.

Sgt. Wilson is assigned to a veteran Liberator group that has flown more than 90 combat missions against enemy oil refineries, rail installations, aircraft factories and other targets in Germany, Austria, Hungary, Romania, France, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Italy. Among the targets it has helped destroy are the Regensburg and Wiener Neudstadt aircraft factories, the Steyr ball bearing works, the Ploesti oil fields and the Herman Goering tank works.

Before entering the Army Wilson was employed as a maintenance mechanic for the Halifax Paper Co. He is a graduate of North Carolina State College, entering the Army on September 21st., 1942.

Misses Emma Bonney and Evelyn Newsome of Raleigh spent the week end here with their parents.

The Farmer and War Bonds

by Mr. A. S. Goss Master of the National Grange



WE FREQUENTLY hear farmers raise the question as to whether or not they should buy War Bonds as long as they are in debt. The answer to this question should depend in large measure upon the nature of the debt and whether or not it is current. If part of it is past due, and the borrower expects to experience difficulty in meeting past due payments, he probably should bring his debt into current position before investing in Bonds.

When a farmer owes money, he is always concerned as to whether his crops will sell at prices which will enable him to repay his debt. When prices are high it is good business and conservative finance to reduce the debt as rapidly as possible because when prices are low, it takes more crops and more efforts to make the payments.

It would seem to be sound and conservative business practice to lay aside money to make the repairs and replace worn-out equipment when material and machines are again available. No safer place can be found to lay aside money for such purposes than in government Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

aside to make payments on existing debts when they fall due. In fact, quite aside from the patriotic appeal, it is good business to buy Bonds rather than make pre-payments on debt, because the time may come when the ready cash is needed and the money tied up in pre-payments cannot be returned. If this money is invested in Bonds, it can be converted into cash to meet any needs which may arise.

Every time we buy a Bond we are not only assisting in financing the war, but we are also doing our bit to prevent that most dreaded economic disaster called inflation.

It is important to note that the danger of inflation would be greatly reduced.

NEGRO SENTENCED TO DIE FOR CAPITAL CRIME

Wounds Are Fatal To Lt. C. T. Wood

Enfield-Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Wood have been notified by the Department that their younger son, First Lieutenant Carrol T. Wood, 26, died August 16 of wounds received in action in France on July 27th.

On August 11 Mr. and Mrs. Wood were informed that their son had been seriously wounded. Lt. Wood landed in England July 2 and moved into France July 20.

A graduate of Oak Ridge Military Institute and Wake Forest College, Lt. Wood was studying medicine at the time he entered the Army as a reserve officer in February, 1942. While he was in this country he was stationed at Camp Croft, S. C., Fort Meyer, Va., and Brooks Field, Texas. He was a member of the Enfield Baptist church.

Surviving are his parents, one brother, First Lt. Ira D. Wood, Jr., serving in France and a sister, Mrs. R. E. Shervette, Jr., of Enfield.

FIRST BALE

Johnie Clark, colored farmer who lives between Weldon and Halifax, had a bale of cotton ginned Tuesday, August 22nd. Clark carried 1275 pounds of cotton to the Halifax Ginning Company where it ginned out a 466 pound bale.

According to W. R. Caudle manager, this is the earliest cotton ever ginned by the Halifax Ginning Company in the twenty-two years it has been operating.

William T. Hancock

Seotland Neck--William Thomas Hancock, 77, died at his home Wednesday morning after several years of failing health. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hancock. He was a retired farmer.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the home by the Rev. A. C. Lee, Methodist minister. Burial was in the Baptist cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mary E. Gray, a sister, Mrs. Emma Norfleet of Woodville and a grandson.

Air Medal

Second Lt. Wilson W. Hammil, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hammil of Thelma, has been awarded the Air Medal at an Eighth Air Force Bomber station in England. He is co-pilot of a Liberator bomber. Before entering the Army Air Corps he was an accountant. He is a graduate of Littleton High School and Benjamin Franklin University.

Wounded In Action

Friends of Pfc. William W. (Billy) Brickell, son of George Brickell, will regret to learn that he has been wounded in action in the Pacific War Zone and is in a hospital in Hawaii.

Weldon Wins

Weldon scored an 8 to 3 victory over Jackson Sunday afternoon in a hard fought game on the Jackson field. Boseman, on the mound for Weldon, gained revenge for a 1 to 0 loss of three weeks ago. Talbert and King starred at bat and afield for Weldon. Boyd pitched and starred at bat for Jackson.

FOOD FACTS IN A NUTSHELL

One tablespoon of butter yields about 100 calories. An irradiated food is one which has cod-liver oil added to it.

Gorgonzola cheese is the Italian version of Roquefort, which originated in France.

Meat is toughened by cooking at a temperature higher than 350 degrees.

Cumin, a spice used in making chili powder and curry powder, is mentioned several times in the Bible.

Spanish Bayonet, a Southern plant of the yucca group, can be cooked in any way suitable for apples.

Looking Over Our District's Health

Celebrates Birthday

Hickory, August 19--Mrs. J. A. (Grandma) Poovey celebrated her 101st birthday anniversary, here today. Her mother, the late Mrs. Leander Houck of Caldwell County, lived to be almost ninety and when Mrs. Poovey herself was 85 all eleven of her brothers and sisters were still living. Now only a few of them are left but she has six living children, thirty-eight grandchildren, 43 grand-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

For many years this date has been the time for the annual Poovey-Houck; but her daughters, Mrs. J. W. Hanna, with whom Mrs. Poovey makes her home in the Forest Park section, held open house instead. Her husband, Julius Alexander Poovey, Civil War hero and pioneer planter and brick manufacturer of Catawba County died August 11, 1923.

A Methodist for 87 years, "Grandma" reared one of the prominent Methodist ministers of Western North Carolina in her son, the late W. Edgar Poovey. Her surviving sons and daughters are Mrs. Hanna, Mrs. Lou Flanigan of Winston-Salem, Lloyd W. Poovey of Charlotte, Mrs. W. S. Stroupe, Roby E. Poovey and Clarence R. Poovey of Hickory.

GRADUATES

Fourteen students will be candidates for bachelor degrees from State College at the end of the summer term on August 26th.

Commencement exercises will not be held until next June, when candidates who meet the requirements for graduation. Meantime students needing certificates will be given statements showing their academic accomplishments.

Among the candidates for a bachelor's degree will be Hugh Crocker Murrill, who specialized in mechanical engineering.

Miss Rob Cherry, Home Economics Teacher in the Roanoke Rapids High School, Mrs. Alice B. Savedge, Public Health Nurse, Miss Mary Elizabeth Foster, Health Educator and Mr. B. E. Barrett, Sanitarian.

This week our radio program was on School Health. Those taking part on the program were