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State Finals -- October 19th Mrs. Frances Assistant State 4-H Club and Miss Virginia Wilson, State Extension Specialist in Nutrition, returned to Halifax County to check the Halifax County 4-H Club Dairy Foods and Individual Demonstration. They brought with them a photographer and took numerous pictures of the girls during their demonstrations. Our girls are bested against one or two teams and individuals for placement in the state. Halifax county team is Miss Ellen of Enfield and Miss Pittman of Halifax and individual demonstrator is La Rue Whitley of Enfield. We shall know the final outcome of the State Contest. However, we are not the girls win top place, an honor to be in the State and has been a valuable experience to the girls. Friends of Club Work should be proud of the quantity of work done by the girls.

County Council Meets -- The county Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met in Halifax on October 18th with 20 members present. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. F. W. M. President of Halifax and V. I. Hockaday of Roanoke County, Secretary. The meeting opened by singing "Lead On, O God" and Devotionals by Mrs. V. C. Matthews of Halifax. The Council approved the general program for Home Demonstration Clubs for 1945 and to do special work in growing fruits for the home, reupholstering furniture and the making of covers. This special work is to be done during the winter months. It was also decided to contribute to the Relief and to make a fund study of a Women's Market in Weldon, November 15, was set as Federal Day, details of which to be worked out later. Rosemary, Enfield and King-Clubs volunteered to act as hosts for the Federation Meeting.

the Housewife -- Specialists at the Bureau of Human Nutrition gives us some pointers. They suggest that retains more Vitamin if it is kept in the dark. Don't let milk set on your front steps. Do not hark by the use of old apple turnovers, tarts, dumplings. They are delicious, nutritious and can be made in less than the size of the apple. Chopped nuts add a new twist to the old. Raisins are going to be more plentiful. The use of raisins reduces the amount of sugar needed in various dishes. They are speckled in iron and also contain other minerals and the B Vitamins. A tiny bit of scrap cut from seam of your rayon dress will save or be otherwise seriously affected by a drop of ingemal remover, your dress is acetylated. The acetate rayon should be pressed with a hot iron, just a warm iron and then press on the wrong side with tissue paper or a pressing cloth over the fabric. Other types of rayon do not have to be treated carefully. Used rubber jar rings to bottom of small or scatter to keep them from slipping. Slippery rugs may cause serious injuries to people in North Carolina each year.

And "R" Gas Coupons Out Oct. 31

Raleigh, October 25th-- After October 31 only serially numbered highway coupons will be valid at service stations, Theodore S. Johnson, district director of the Office of Price Administration said. The last of such non-serially numbered coupons, those lettered "R", expire October 31. Service station operators have 10 days, or through November 10, to turn them in to suppliers in exchange for gasoline, or to exchange for the local War Price Rationing Board. Distributors will begin to issue new serially numbered coupons at their rationing stations.

Sons Overseas

Margaret Walker of Weldon has been notified of the safe return of her son Cpl. A. Walker who is in the 4th Q. M. Co., of the Timber Line Division. Her other son, Cpl. Herman I. Walker, has been with the Army in England for a year.

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Safer Storage Found For Official Coupons

Raleigh, October 25th-- Moving to half losses of valid rationing currency through thefts, the Office of Price Administration has announced no gasoline, sugar or other official coupons are now stored at local War Price and Rationing Boards. District OPA director, Theodore S. Johnson said storage of coupons at local boards was halted because thieves had made several large hauls in the Southeast by burglarizing Board offices "Stolen Coupons," he said "had become a menace to the gasoline and sugar rationing programs comparable to counterfeit coupons. Although local Boards exercised extreme care and in most cases, stored coupons in vaults or in nearby jails, professional criminals found ways to steal valid coupons."

During the month of September, regional OPA officials in Atlanta said burglars who entered local Board offices found their efforts unprofitable and the loss of coupons by theft in the Southeastern region was negligible.

Mrs. T. H. Holmes

Goldsboro--Mrs. Emma Spicer Holmes, 76, widow of Thomas H. Holmes, died at 12:30 Wednesday afternoon at her home in Goldsboro following an illness of a few days.

Mrs. Holmes was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro. She is survived by four sons, Spicer and Norwood of Goldsboro, Tom Holmes, Jr., of Weldon, Gabe Holmes of Sanford, two sisters, Clara Spicer of Goldsboro and Mrs. N. S. Wilson of Winston-Salem; one brother, Dr. R. W. Spicer of Winston-Salem. Funeral services were conducted at 4:30 this afternoon at the home by the Rev. James McChesney, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Interment was in Willow Dale Cemetery.

Among those from here other than the family who attended the funeral services were Rev. R. E. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Seifert, Mrs. Blanche Ellis, Mrs. T. C. Harrison, Miss Constance Joyner, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. King and W. O. Davis.

Some Dealers Are Tricky, Says OPA

Raleigh, October 25th-- Some of the tricky tactics by which some unscrupulous used car dealers attempt to evade maximum price regulations were cited by District Director, Theodore S. Johnson of the Office of Price Administration today.

A most common practice, he said is the requirement that the purchaser trade in a cheaper car. The unscrupulous dealer then allows the purchaser less than the actual worth of the traded car and charges full price for the purchased car.

Another common practice, Johnson said, involves finance charges on which a dealer gets a rebate. To insure this additional, and illegal, profit, some dealers are reported refusing to accept cash sales while others are refusing to accept term sales unless the car is financed with a particular finance company.

Still others, Johnson said, are attempting to charge personal service or "finders" fees in addition to the maximum ceilings.

Side payments, he added are still constituting a large percentage of violations, particularly in individual sales.

Consumers may protect themselves by reporting such violations to their local War Price and Rationing Board Johnson said.

Remove lightning struck or other damaged pines from the farm woodland to prevent beetle attacks, says R. W. Graeber, Extension forester at State College.

The Kennedy Memorial Home in Lenoir County is using temporary grazing crops of soybeans and velvet beans to produce beef at a much cheaper cost per pound.

The Government loan rate on cotton has been increased by 53 points, bringing the basis to 95 per cent of parity. The Commodity Credit Corporation purchase program guarantees the grower full parity.

Cherry Speaks At District Rallies

Raleigh, N. C., October 24th-- A Broad program for fiscal, farm, road and veterans matters was laid down by R. Gregg Cherry Democratic nominee for Governor in a series of Congressional District Democratic Rallies held this past week. The candidate, along with several state officials seeking re-election, visited Plymouth, Wilson, Kenansville, Raleigh and Reidsville. In addition, he made several other addresses during the week. This week the Democratic caravan closed its district rallies with visits to Burlington on Tuesday and Lumberton on Wednesday.

While Mr. Cherry was outlining the plans he will follow if elected Governor he was also declaring his full support of Franklin D. Roosevelt for president, saying it "would be a tragedy to defeat an experienced leader, would dismay our allies, break the morale of our troops and give encouragement to our enemies." At the same time Clyde R. Hoey, democratic nominee for the U. S. Senate, was making address after address, speaking twice a day sometimes, advocating re-election of Roosevelt, a large vote for the state ticket and declaring for a world court with police power to back up its decrees as the surest means of peace.

Mr. Cherry tackled the large general fund surplus and said he favored setting aside \$51,000,000 for debt retirement, \$5,000,000 for aid to returning veterans of World War II, this program to be integrated with that of the Federal Government, sufficient funds for such educational buildings as might be needed to carry on the federal educational program for veterans and a revolving fund for loans to counties in order to enable them to build necessary school buildings after the war.

On the subject of highways, he declared that the highway fund surplus should be inviolate for road purposes only with first attention to farm to market, farm to church, and farm to school roads. He praised the contribution of farmers to the war and pledged that he would make every effort to aid them in their continuing farm programs for fair prices.

With respect to veterans the candidate declared that it was the duty of the state to provide for all returning veterans every opportunity, and whatever was omitted from the federal program he favored being placed in the state program. The state service office for immediate aid to the returning men will be greatly expended early in his administration, he said, to aid the veterans in preparing all necessary forms and taking advantage of whatever facilities are offered them by the state and federal governments.

Junior Order To Hold Fall District Meeting

The fall district meeting of the Twenty Second District of the Junior Order, composed of Halifax, Bertie, Hertford and Northampton Counties will hold its District Meeting at the Community House in Scotland Neck, N. C., on Monday, October 30th, 1944. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 P. M. with barbecue supper, with business meeting and class initiation to follow immediately thereafter. Every council in the Twenty Second District is urged to bring candidates to this meeting for initiation and all Juniors are invited to attend.

Enfield Host Friday To School Gathering

Enfield, Oct. 24--The annual conference of District Seven, N. C. Congress of Parent-Teachers will be held Friday in the school auditorium here. Mrs. L. H. Martin, district director, will preside, and the session will begin at 10 a. m. The session will be presided, C. W. Phillips, State president, will be among the speakers. Mrs. Mac Johnson of Enfield is assistant district director and Mrs. J. C. Bolton, Jr., of Rich Square is secretary-treasurer.



EN ROUTE TO REFUGE--Member agencies of the National War Fund aid thousands fleeing from the path of the enemy by providing passage to new homes in new lands.

Junior Red Cross Enroll November 1-15

The Junior Red Cross will enroll its members November 1 to 15. For the past several years we have had 100 percent membership in our schools at Halifax, Aurelian Springs, Darlington and Weldon.

This year the Junior Red Cross is sending hard candy to Greece, Russia and Yugoslavia for the children.

School equipment is being sent such as paper, pens, pencils, erasers, chalk and rulers to Yugoslavia.

Socks and stockings valued at \$30,000 will be sent to Greece. Shoes will be sent Soviet Union valued at \$10,000.

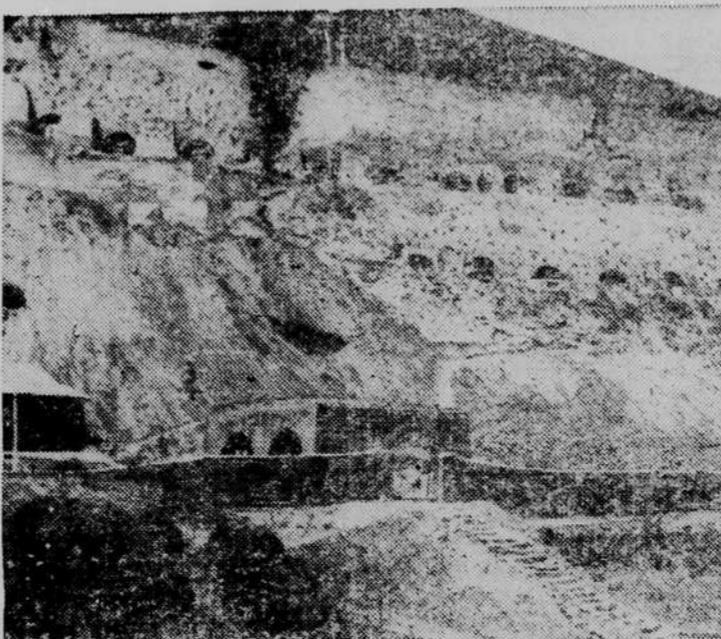
In September the Junior Red Cross sent 2000 favors to be used on the trays in the hospitals at Christmas. These were for hospitals overseas.

The Junior Red Cross has great possibilities and we hope to keep this organization in fine spirit to be able to render great service both in our schools and in our community.

Ida Mae Cheatham, Chairman, Junior Red Cross.

Returns From Overseas

Sgt. Selden M. Pierce, who has just returned from overseas duty is spending a leave with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Pierce and his wife, the former Miss Dezene Joyner.



BELIEVE IT OR NOT--This is a hospital built into caves on a Chinese mountainside. Patients are cared for where the bombs can do little damage. Support is given these strange wards of mercy by United China Relief, member agency of the National War Fund.

Umstead Will Address Roanoke Rapids Rally

Roanoke River Up Again This Week

The Roanoke River reached flood stage for the third time in recent months this week. It came to 36.2 feet flooding the lowlands and doing some damage.

Bahamians Finish, Leave For Florida

Jackson, N. C.--The Bahamian laborers imported into the county to harvest the peanut crops grown by Northampton farmers completed their work and left Thursday morning for Florida where they will harvest vegetable and fruit crops. E. L. Norton, farm agent said yesterday.

While in this county, the Bahamians worked on 167 farms, shaking and stacking peanuts. They stacked a total of approximately 100,000 stacks of peanuts during the two weeks of their stay.

Farmers, reported generally that the Bahamians were very satisfactory labor, industrious and conscientious workers. They expressed the desire for their return next year.

Seaboard Soldier Is Wounded Again

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Long, of Seaboard, have received word from their son, Pfc. Harvey Tillman Long, with the United States army overseas that he was wounded and is recovering in a hospital in France.

Private Long was first wounded in France in June. He has been in the service since February, 1942, and has been overseas since February, 1944.

His wife, Mrs. Sarah Kee Long, lives in Roanoke Rapids.

World Community Day

The first Friday in November has been designated by the United Council of Church Women as the day upon which church women are to be asked hereafter to hold their World Community Day meetings. November 3rd thus becomes World Community Day in 1944.

The program in 1944 is again based upon the theme "The Price of Enduring Peace" as no other subject seems as important in these days when we are experiencing the price of War and need to realize the price that must be paid, also, if the peace which is to come is to be just and secure. This year's program, however, majors upon the problems of relief and rehabilitation, economic independence and the problems of the home front.

As in 1943, the women are asked to meet by communities and to make their meetings truly interdenominational. Weldon's World Community Day meeting will be held Friday afternoon, November 3rd from 3:30-4:30 o'clock in the Methodist Church. All races and denominations are invited to be present at this meeting.

NOTICE

Regular meeting American Legion at Community Center Monday night, October 30th, 8 P. M. Important matters to come before the Post. Refreshments.

W. B. Joyner, Adjt. H. G. Leigh, Comdr.

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Meeting of Democrats Friday Night to Draw Crowd from Four Counties

Roanoke Rapids, Oct. 24--Plans have been completed for a mammoth Democratic Rally at the Roanoke Rapids Armory Friday evening, October 28, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. William B. Umstead, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, a former congressman and one of the most outstanding Democrats, will be the principal speaker.

Large delegations of Democrats from Halifax, Warren, Northampton and Bertie counties plan to attend this rally. Included in this group will be Congressman John H. Kerr, Sr., several State senators, members of the General Assembly and many other outstanding members of the Democratic Party. Short talks will be made by representatives from the four counties.

New "A" Blanks At Weldon Motors, Inc.

When the list of places handling the application blanks for the new "A" Gas Books was published a few weeks ago the name of Weldon Motors, Inc. was inadvertently left off.

These blanks are available at the following places in Weldon. Weldon Motors, Inc., Bounds Motor Co., and Clark's Esso Station.

W. B. House Breaks Leg In Fall Saturday

W. B. House, who is car inspector for Seaboard Airline Railroad, received a broken leg in an accident Saturday. He fell from the top of a freight car while working and will be off the job for some time.

Steal Flowers On Way To Funeral

Umstead Issues Final Call For Registration

State Democratic Headquarters Raleigh, N. C.--A final call for registration of all eligible voters has been issued here by William B. Umstead, chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee.

Calling attention to the fact that Saturday, October 28th is the final day for registration in order to vote in the General Election in November, Mr. Umstead said there were large numbers of new residents in many precincts of the State who had not placed their names on the registration books. Many have moved into communities in recent months, or during the war period, and still have the right to vote in 1944. He provided they either have themselves properly recorded on the books of their new residences or apply for the absentee ballots to vote in the precincts from which they moved, if their transfer to the new places is not permanent.

In addition, he maintained that a large number of young citizens have become of age in the past few years, especially among the women, and these have not registered in thousands of cases. He urged them to assume their responsibilities as citizens of North Carolina by taking part in the general election, Saturday of this week will be the last opportunity to register.

Turning to a discussion of the absentee ballot, the state democratic chairman pointed out that persons working in war plants or other places and temporarily absent from their homes, may vote as usual if they will apply to the county boards of election for absentee ballots. They should file these applications at once with their home county boards, so that the affidavit of absence and the ballot itself may be completed and returned to the county board before election day.

A new, ghoulish racket has apparently been begun in this vicinity which deals in funeral flowers.

Last Wednesday a truck loaded with 23 funeral designs valued at \$175.00 was sent from the Suffolk Floral Gardens in Suffolk, Va. to the funeral of H. Woodard in the Margarettsville section near here. The driver of the truck who had been with the florist eight years was not familiar with this area and became lost before finding the Woodard home. A black open truck drove up beside the floral truck and asked if the driver had the funeral flowers. He told the two men in the truck that he did have them but had been unable to find the house and asked if they would direct him. The men told him the funeral was being conducted at the graveside and if he would transfer the flowers to their cemetery they would get them to the funeral. The flowers were transferred and the floral truck returned to Suffolk. When the undertaker returned to Suffolk he reported that no flowers ever arrived at the funeral.

The loss of the flowers was reported to the Northampton County Sheriff's department but they have reported no clues.

Representatives of the florist who were here trying to check on the flowers, talked to a negro man who reported seeing an open truck loaded with flowers in Garysburg, which is approximately twelve miles from the scene of the funeral and to another man who was hauling cotton seed reported having seen a truck of that description loaded with flowers in the vicinity of Dunn on that day. However, no definite information has been obtained.

Another similar incident was reported in Littleton last week when a large number of funeral designs were stolen from the grave during the night following the funeral.

Johnston County farmers in a local cotton contest are obtaining higher yields where the rows are less than 3 1-2 feet in width and there are several stalks in a hill.