

To the People of this Community

The Victory Volunteer goes by many names in the Sixth War Loan. Sometimes he or she is called a Gallant, sometimes a Blue Star Brigadier or perhaps a Bondadier. Whatever the designation, he or she is performing a practical patriotic service. In this community in the next few weeks you will meet many of them at work, in the theatres, at your workshop, in the banks and in your home.

Remember one thing: you do not do them a favor when you buy an extra War Bond. You help your country, your fighting relatives and friends and yourself. The Victory Volunteer gives his time and his energy in a great cause. He or she makes it easy for you to do your duty by buying at least one extra \$100 War Bond over and above your regular bond purchases.

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The Home Sphere

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4-H Girls are State Winners--
We are happy that our Halifax County 4-H Club Dairy Foods Team won first place in the State and will go to Chicago December to attend the National 4-H Club Congress. The team consists of Miss Agnes Ellen and Miss Virginia Pittman.

Thanksgiving Suggestions:
We have so many things for which to be thankful on Thanksgiving Day. We hope that our people will make it a day of reverence as well as the Celebration of the Harvest Season. We are giving below a few suggestions for the use of the housewife as suggested by the Bureau of Human Nutrition.

Spiced fruit juices. To one quart of grape juice add 1-2 cup sugar, 1-8 teaspoon salt, 8 short sticks of cinnamon and 12 whole cloves. Heat to boiling point, cool, and let stand for several hours. Strain and get out spices, add a little lemon juice, reheat and serve hot. Canned grapefruit juice may be treated the same way except add more sugar and spices and make the spices cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg.

Stuffing for the Thanksgiving bird, A 10 to 12 lb. turkey takes about 2 to 2 1-2 qts. of bread crumbs, three cups of chopped celery, onions and parsley mixed, and 1 to 2 teaspoons of powdered seasoning herbs. Use only about 1-4 as much chopped onion as celery. For a 5 Pound Chicken, use 1 qt. of crumbs, 1 1-2 cups of the chopped vegetables and 1-2 teaspoon of seasoning herbs. Good vegetables in fat a few minutes before blending with crumbs. For fat use fat from the bird if there is sufficient. If not use any other good fat. Do not use too much fat, from 1 to 1 1-2 T. to 1 cup of crumbs is usually enough. Moisture may not be added according to the preference of the cook. If you use liquid it may be either milk, water or stock from cooking the giblets. But do not add too much moisture as a tasteless stuffing will result.

For a different Relish for the Thanksgiving bird, try the following:

1 cup cranberries, 1 orange, 1 apple, 1 1/2 to 2 cup sugar, 1-8 teaspoon salt. Wash and drain berries. Cut orange, rind on, and remove seeds, core apple, Run fruits through food chopper, combine with sugar and salt, and chill before serving.

Another change in relish may be had by the use of the following:
2 apples, cored; 1 orange and 1-4 of its rind; 1 grape fruit; 1 tablespoon on lemon juice; 1-4 cup sugar. Put apple, orange and rind through chopper, take out grapefruit pulp and cut into small pieces. Combine all ingredients and chill over night.

Pvt. Elmo Whitaker Home From War Zone

Charleston, S. C., November 13 --Pvt. Grover Elmo Whitaker of the U. S. Army Engineers has returned from 27 months overseas in the European Theatre of operations on the U. S. Hospital Ship Huddleston.

He is temporarily being treated at Stark General Hospital prior to being transferred to another Army hospital for definite treatment.

He is a former resident of Weldon, the son of Mrs. J. W. Whitaker and the late Mr. Whitaker.

Lt. Harry Kittner of Quantico Va. is spending a few days with his parents here.

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Halifax School 4-H Members Place First In The State

The Halifax County Dairy Food Team consisting of Miss Agnes Ellen, Enfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ellen and Miss Virginia Pittman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pittman, placed first in North Carolina with their demonstration on the use of dairy products in the diet. As a result of winning first place each girl will receive a fifty dollar War Bond and a free trip to Chicago to attend the National 4-H Club Congress. The 4-H Club Congress will be held the first ten days in December and the Halifax County girls will accompany the five other state 4-H Club winners. Winner in various other contests.

This singular honor has come to Agnes Ellen and Virginia Pittman as a result of long and hard work they gave their demonstration on "A Light Breakfast" using Dairy Products 47 times before many types of audiences, including every high school in the County. They also worked hard at home putting into practice the principles learned in 4-H Club Work. The two girls together planned and served 567 meals for their families. In doing this they have prepared a total of 1584 dishes during the year.

The work with the dairy foods has not only won recognition for the girls in the State but has influenced the increased use of milk and milk products in their homes and local communities.

In addition to our winning team of 4-H Club girls, Miss La Rue Whitley, Enfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Whitley, placed as the runner up in the State finals for the Individual 4-H Club girl giving a demonstration on the use of milk and milk products. Her demonstration was on the making of Ice Cream. LaRue is now in the eighth grade at the Enfield High School and will have a chance to compete on this contest another year.

These teams were trained under the direction of Miss Estelle M. Edwards, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent. Miss Edwards says that she is happy that the girls are receiving these awards for their long and hard work, and that the trip to Chicago will not only mean much to Agnes and Virginia but will build better 4-H Club Work in Halifax County.

JURY DECIDES BRIGGS DIED NATURAL CAUSES

Charlie Briggs, 42, was found dead Saturday morning in his car which was parked in front of his rooming place in Roanoke Rapids. An inquest was held Monday. After the body had been examined by two physicians and F. N. Rowe, Halifax County Coroner and no evidence of foul play was found the coroner's jury came to the decision that Briggs died from natural causes.

Funeral services were conducted from Williams Funeral Home on Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. Edmund Berkley and burial followed in the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mack Moore, Wilbur Allen, Leon George, William Tickle, Lewis Tickle, John Liverman, Eddie Moore, Hugh G. Wood and Leroy Askew. Honorary pallbearers were A. N. Martin, Fred Forest, A. K. Hatem, Jimmie Hatem, J. A. Wood, Dr. J. W. Martin, A. B. Speight and Fenton Johnson.

Mr. Briggs was manager of the Cafe in the Roanoke Rapids Bus Station.

Survivors include one brother, A. W. Briggs of Roanoke Rapids, five sisters, Mrs. J. W. Fanney, Mrs. Sam Butler of Roanoke Rapids, Mrs. Della Hinson, Mrs. Edith Lowder, Mrs. Ada Crispin of Norfolk and a number of nieces and nephews.

Cotton Ginning Report

Census report shows that 17,136 bales of cotton were ginned in Halifax County from the crop of 1944 prior to November 1st as compared with 20,079 bales for the crop of 1943.

Pvt. and Mrs. Roy Edwards of Florida are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Edwards.

Wins War Bond

Miss Nettie Cuthrell has been notified that she is one of the winners in a nation wide War Bond appeal sponsored by Ivory Soap. A letter of congratulation and a certificate of merit have been received by her from Proctor and Gamble, makers of Ivory Soap and a \$50.00 War Bond has been presented to her nephew, Leslie W. Seaver, Jr., in connection with the award. The winning entry submitted by Miss Cuthrell was on a statement of reasons why every Wartime Baby should own War Bonds.

TRANSFERRED

Lt. Meade H. Mitchell, Jr. was recently transferred from Maxton Army Air Base, Maxton, N. C. to Almafenia, New Mexico. After remaining there four days he was transferred back to Maxton. Lt. and Mrs. Mitchell spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Mitchell.

Aurelian Springs School Fair Soon

Preparations are underway at the Aurelian Springs School for the annual school fair. Plans are being made to present the fair on November 30th and December 1st.

The main attraction on the first night will be a "Tom Thumb" wedding, Ellice Bounds third grade teacher, is in charge of this feature.

Work of the entire classes from the first through the twelfth will be on exhibit in the various rooms. Side shows and games will also be in abundance.

The school has staged a fair for the past three years and each one has proven a success financially as well as socially. The school's athletic program and physical fitness classes are almost wholly supported by the proceeds from the fair. It has also proved popular with the people of the community since it gives them a chance to get together in a festive mood.

Return Requests Must Be Made Through Red Cross

Atlanta, Ga., November 15th -- Requests that soldiers be brought home from overseas because of family hardship must now be made only through the American Red Cross, Major General Frederick E. Uhl said today in explaining a change in War Department procedure.

Under a second change, the Commanding General, Fourth Service Command, continued, Army agencies will no longer request theatre commanders to report on the physical condition of individuals serving overseas. The change has been imposed by the growing volume of such individual inquiries and by the heavy military load on available channels of communication. As before the Adjutant General's Office in Washington will report serious illness and any material changes in health to next of kin as a matter of routine procedure as rapidly as information is received from overseas. The Army memorandum directing the change says in part: "In the absence of such report it may be assumed that the individual's condition has not changed materially."

The new method of requesting return of a soldier from overseas because of family emergency places first responsibility on the local chapter of the American Red Cross, which makes the initial investigation of family conditions. The report and the request are then forwarded together by the Red Cross to the proper theatre of war commander, who makes the final decision and takes final action.

McNutt Discusses Pulpwood Recruitment Campaign



Paul V. McNutt, chairman of the War Manpower Commission, reviews with WMC officials the 1944-45 Manpower Program for the Pulpwood Industry. A thousand local offices of the U. S. Employment Service of the WMC are now engaged in the campaign which seeks to enlist men to cut pulpwood and to work in pulpwood mills. Other WMC officials are William W. Bardsley, left, chief of the Rural Industries Division, and John K. Collins, center, director of the Bureau of Placement.

Committee Plans To Push Flood Control Bill Through

Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, Chairman, Urges People Along Roanoke River To Aid In Fight To Prevent Floods

Having as its purpose the passage by the United States Senate of the Bill pending before it providing for flood control on the Roanoke River, a committee has been formed in North Carolina to prepare a brief on the matter and to present the arguments of the residents along the Roanoke River at Washington. The legislation has already passed the lower House of Congress and is now pending before the United States Senate, and unless it is passed before this Congress automatically dies on January 1, it is feared the entire program will again have to be submitted to the House, with consequent delay. The present Congress reconvened this week and will be in session only until about December 20th, and so the time is short.

Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn of Woodland, a long time proponent of flood control for the Roanoke River, has accepted the chairmanship of the committee and has named Eric W. Rogers of Scotland Neck as secretary of the committee. Other members of the committee will be named by Judge Burgwyn during the coming week and will represent the counties of Halifax, Northampton, Warren, Martin and Bertie, all of which lie along the Roanoke River. This committee is expected to work with a similar committee which it is hoped will be appointed by counties in Virginia along the Roanoke River.

In accepting the chairmanship of the committee, Judge Burgwyn stated that funds would be needed to finance the expenses of the delegation which will be sent to Washington as quickly as possible and for the purpose of compiling the brief which this committee will present. He urged that contributions from farmers along the river who will benefit by the proposed work and from civic organizations and citizens in the cities and towns of the counties bordering the river be made at once. He requested that checks for this purpose be mailed to Eric W. Rogers, Secretary of the Committee, at Scotland Neck. It was felt that since the matter is of wide interest to citizens who live in the counties along the river and since their sections will benefit greatly by the improvements if made, they should be asked to help finance the cost since no other funds are available.

Judge Burgwyn reviewed the report of the Army Engineers recommending the improvements, and mentioned that the records showed 39 floods exceeding a stage of 40 feet and 163 exceeding a stage of 31 feet at Weldon had been

recorded between 1899 and 1940, and that in some sections the river flooded from one to six miles in width, this area being in North Carolina. The Army Engineers report also showed that the flood of 1940 caused damage of \$5,300,000 to farm lands and to industrial plants at places like Weldon and Roanoke Rapids, and the average annual flood damage was reported at \$525,000.

The report of the Army Engineers provides for initial expenditure of \$36,140,000 and will provide reservoirs at Fallport above Martinsville, Virginia and at Bugs Island between Clarksville, Virginia and Roanoke Rapids. Eventually the program is estimated to cost \$100,400,000 for the construction of eleven dams and reservoirs. A side issue from the flood control which will be so beneficial is the fact that the Federal Power Commission estimates the program it completed will provide 386,300 kilowatts of power which will be needed in the post war development.

Unfortunately the Roanoke River Bill has become tangled with other water power developments in the Western section of the State where there is a great opposition among land owners. Senator J. W. Bailey has been working to remove the measure to provide for elimination of certain objections and he is of the opinion that the most important thing is flood control at this time and not the development of electric power. The committee hopes to work with Senator Bailey in an effort to iron out the difficulties. The attitude of Senator Reynolds at this time is not known but he likewise will be contacted when the committee goes to Washington.

Special Services At Grace Church

In observance of Thanksgiving Day, a special service of Morning Prayer will be held at Grace Episcopal Church, on Thanksgiving morning, at 10:30 o'clock, the Rev. Robert Cox officiating. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Murray Craven Is Volunteer For Navy

Murray B. Craven, Jr., enlisted on November 11 in the Navy as an Air Crewman in the U. S. Navy at the Atlanta, Ga. Navy Recruiting Station. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Craven, Sr., of Weldon. He reports for duty on November 28th.

Three Injured In Highway Accident

Sidney Sloman, 33 of Bronx, N. Y. is in Roanoke Rapids Hospital suffering from severe injuries to his back and spine which he received in an automobile accident near here this morning. Mr. and Mrs. William Ringler of Bronx, N. Y. who were passengers in the Dodge panel truck, which was believed to have been driven by Sloman, received treatment for minor injuries, cuts and bruises but were released from the hospital.

Sloman and the Ringlers were enroute to Florida from New York on highway 301. Near Halifax Sloman apparently lost control of the truck which left the highway and overturned.

Weldon Doctor Heads Society

Dr. Ghio Suiter of Weldon was elected president of the Fourth District of the North Carolina Medical Society as the group met in Rocky Mount last week in the Ricks hotel with the Nash-Edgecombe society.

Dr. W. C. Hunter of Wilson was named vice president of the district and Dr. Ralph Fike, also of Wilson was re-elected secretary.

Principal speaker at the meeting was Dr. M. P. Rucker of Richmond, Va., prominent obstetrician, who was introduced by Dr. Leslie Lee of Kinston. Following Dr. Rucker's address, Dr. Ivan Proctor of Raleigh led the discussion group.

Approximately 60 doctors from this area were present at the meeting.

For Distinction

American Red Cross workers overseas consider it an honor to be asked to wrap and mail home medals and decorations for our fighting men. One day a second lieutenant held out a long, leather covered jeweller's box.

"Can I get this wrapped here?" he asked a Red Cross worker. She picked up the box and looked at it curiously. A tiny label on the outside read: "First Sergeant Max R. Hendon, Wellington, Kansas." Inside the box was a Silver Star, the treasured decoration for gallantry in action.

"Are you having it wrapped for a friend?" she asked the lieutenant.

"Now, it's mine," Hendon said. "They commissioned me on the field of battle."

Lieutenant Hendon took his package and left. Next week he was back. "Here's my Distinguished Service Cross," he said. "You can wrap that, too."

Mr. S. E. Shirley has returned from a visit to relatives in Dillon, S. C.

Sixth War Loan Drive Starts Monday

Fletcher H. Gregory, County Chairman and Dave Suiter, Weldon Chairman, of Newest Bond Drive Which Starts Monday

The United States Treasury in the Sixth War Loan Drive which starts Monday, November 20th is calling for a National goal of fourteen billion dollars. The public is being asked to lend money to the Federal Government and is given the choice of eight different classes of bonds which may be bought, permitting each person to buy the security that best suits his or her particular need. The classes are designated as follows: Series E, F, and G Savings Bonds, Series C Savings Notes, 2 1-2 percent bonds of 1966-71, 2 percent bonds of 1952-54, 1 1-4 percent Notes of 1947, seven eighths of 1 percent Certificates of Indebtedness.

Out of the National allotment the County of Halifax has been asked to take \$1,200,000. Fletcher H. Gregory of Halifax has again agreed to serve as County Chairman. He has appointed Dave Suiter chairman in Weldon to lead this important drive.

This Treasury call is less by two billion dollars than was the amount requested in the Fifth War Loan Drive.

It only remains for the people to understand what a great privilege it will be to own, when this war ends a substantial amount of United States Securities which at-

ter all represent the safest and surest investment on earth. With U. S. Bonds widely held by the people of America the possibilities of another serious depression following this war will be reduced to a minimum if it is not entirely removed. Those who have money and do not need it for actual business requirements will make no mistake by subscribing to the limit for the bonds that will soon be on market.

Jessie Gregory Joins Staff Of College Paper

Twenty new reporters have been added to the staff of the "Carolinian" weekly college newspaper at the Woman's College, Greensboro. Reporting for the first time is Miss Jessie Gregory, Halifax, who is a Senior at the college. The additions were made after try one period and training course.

Miss Gregory who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gregory of Halifax is a graduate of Weldon High School.