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## Statement Of Senator Bailey On Flood Control

In view of the requests from representatives of the press for statements from me concerning the matters in the pending Flood Control Bill, it seems well to make one statement for all as follows:

I am supporting the bill and am fully committed to the policy of Flood Control. I have often said publicly and privately that I was greatly interested in preventing the floods in the Yadkin River valley and especially the floods up in the region of Wilkes County. However, the Wilkes County dam was connected with a long series of dams stretching throughout the State and some of them are manifestly not flood control propositions. I think it is generally conceded that they are to a very great extent power propositions. Moreover the proposed Wilkesboro dam, if built, would flood the valley from the dam site all the way to Happy Valley in Caldwell County. The people in that section are greatly aroused and Mr. Doughton, the Representative in Congress from the District in which Caldwell County is located has lodged with me earnest protest in behalf of the people of his District. He appeared before the Committee, stating that in his long career in the Congress he had never known the people to be more disappointed and aroused. It does appear that the proposed dam would permanently flood the Yadkin Valley from the dam site to the foot hills of the Blue Ridge and oust hundreds of good people, most of them farmers, from their homes and lands.

So I decided that the proposition should be taken out of the pending measure, referred to the Committee on Commerce, and introduced an amendment providing for this and further providing that report should be made to the Senate within six months. This may bring about a good flood control measure for the section involved and at the same time preserve the homes of the people. This I hope to accomplish. There will be no delay as the bill does not become effective until after the war, and I think it is generally believed that the war with Japan will last throughout 1945.

I wish to assure all concerned that it is my earnest desire to provide for flood control. I do not object to the incidental production of power, but I do not wish to erect dams in the name of flood control the purpose of which is to produce power. The truth is, Congress has no authority to do this.

I introduced an amendment on the subject of the general power policy and I think this amendment necessary to the preservation of the whole flood control policy. The amendment provided that the Government should sell the power at the point of production, and if ninety per cent of it shall not be taken then the Government may build necessary transmission lines for the wholesale sale of such power. It was my belief that three years was a reasonable time to allow for the purchase of such power, but I accepted an amendment providing that unless the power should be purchased when the dams should be completed, the Government might proceed to build transmission lines for wholesale sale of the power.

I also accepted an amendment providing further that transmission lines may be built by the Federal Government for the purpose of supplying the rural electrical cooperative association with such power as they may require.

I believe in the policy "of live and let live." Moreover, I wish to keep the Federal Government out of the retail power business. The State of North Carolina can and does control utilities operating within the State, but it cannot hope to control the Federal Government. Our State gets large revenue from the utilities, but it cannot get revenue from the Federal Government.

It should be borne in mind that the Yadkin-Pee Dee project, including the Wilkes County dam, was placed in the bill prior to the receipt of the Engineers' report. The people had no chance to be heard as they did not know the contents of the report. My amendment provides that the people concerned should be given a chance to be heard and I feel that everybody will approve this course, as the right of petition cannot be denied in this country. At least I do not intend to deny it.

## Appalachian Pulpwood Receipts Fall Sharply

Pulpwood receipts by mills in the Appalachian region have dropped sharply, reversing for the first time this year a steady production trend, and as a consequence the immediate outlook for this vital war material is serious, according to the Forest Products Bureau of the War Production Board.

Mill receipts of pulpwood in October were 95,300 cords or about 20 percent below those of October, 1943. Imports amounted to 2,400 cords.

"If this downward trend is not checked and reversed in the immediate future," WPB said, "a serious situation may be anticipated in this area. Inventories in this region may have to be drawn upon heavily to keep up production."

"The situation in this area calls for serious effort by the industry and cooperating government agencies alike to attract and stabilize labor which has been temporarily diverted to harvesting activity and is now slow to return to woods work."

The WPB Forest Products Bureau, noting that pulpwood production declined nationally in October, said: "The optimism which swept the country with respect to the early and successful termination of the European war in late summer and early fall may be in large part responsible for a marked decline in pulpwood receipts during the month of October."

"It is of primary concern to the successful prosecution of the war that the United States pulpwood requirements be successfully met. The 1945 requirements for military and essential civilian items, produced by the pulp and paper industry, cannot be fulfilled unless increased quantities of pulpwood are produced and delivered to the mills in the desired species and specifications."

October receipts of domestically produced pulpwood amounted to 1,155,500 cords or about 6 percent below October, 1943.

## Club Women Meet At Halifax

November 15, 1944, Halifax, N. C.—Sixty six women from eleven of the twenty two Home Demonstration Clubs of Halifax County met in the Woman's Club House in Halifax on the above date to observe Achievement Day. The report of Miss Florence Cox showed outstanding work done in every department. The highlight of the day was an address "A Sense of Value" by Mrs. Estelle T. Smith, Assistant to the State Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Agnes Ellen of the Enfield 4-H Club modeled a most attractive green wool costume, trimmed in black fur with bag and hat to match. Miss La Rue Whitley also of Enfield, demonstrated the value of Dairy Foods by making ice cream. Dairy girls were trained by Miss Estelle Edwards, Mrs. F. W. M. White of Halifax presided over the meeting with Mrs. V. A. Hockaday of South Rosemary as secretary.

Mrs. Sterling M. Gary, Reporter.

## Dr. Linwood H. Justis

Littleton—Funeral services for Dr. Linwood Hancock Justis who died Wednesday morning, will be conducted from St. Alban's Episcopal Church Friday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. A. P. Chambliss, Jr. Burial will be in the Littleton cemetery.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Angeline Alexander Justis, a daughter, Mary Shield Justis; three brothers, Robert Justis of Richmond, Va., Hugh Justis of Baltimore, Md., and Edward Justis of Suffolk, Va., and his stepmother Mrs. Ira Justis.

## Miss Morehead Gets Teaching Practice

Raleigh, November 28—Rosemary Morehead is one of the Meredith seniors who is practice teaching in the Raleigh schools. Miss Morehead is teaching first grade at the Hayes-Barton School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Morehead of Weldon.

## Old Friends Together In South Pacific



Chums during the days before Pearl Harbor, these North Carolina debrant, N. C. Leathernecks have served together in the South Pacific for several months. They are Marine Sergeant Samuel H. Page, 23, (left) of Halifax, N. C. and Marine Corporal Tellis F. Jones, 21 of Weldon, N. C. Jones enlisted two months earlier than his friend in 1941, but the two have been together here for some time. Both participated in the invasion of Guam and have been overseas nearly two years.

## Drive On For Gifts To Those Confined Service Hospitals

The William Shaw Post No. 38 of The American Legion and its Auxiliary Unit are working in cooperation with Eddie Cantor and his "Time to Smile" radio program, in seeing to it that every man and woman confined in a service hospital in the United States will receive a gift box at Christmas time.

By means of the radio and local publicity, all civilians are urged to purchase gifts suitable for presentation to hospital patients, pack or have them packed at the store where they are purchased, make a list of the enclosed gifts and attach or print on the box covering and turn them over to the local American Legion Post or Auxiliary Unit for presentation by the Legionnaires and Auxiliary members at Christmas.

A release from authoritative service hospital officers make it imperative that certain articles not be included in the boxes and that other articles are needed and welcomed. Undesirable gifts are candy, food, liquor, articles of civilian apparel, magazines, crossword or jigsaw puzzles, scrapbooks, and any used or second hand items. Suggested gifts are based on a poll of hospital patients include handkerchiefs, olive drab socks, ties and scarfs, toothbrushes, tooth paste or powder, razors and razor blades, hair tonic, jackknives, cigarettes, pen and pencil sets, checker and cribbage boards, poker chips, stationery, cigarette lighters and cases, soldier's buckles and belts, shaving kits, pipes, zipper bags, shoe shining kits, hair brushes and billfolds. It is very important that each package must have a list of contents on the outside. If the package does not have the contents listed on the outside, it must be opened and a list attached before presentation. Your personal card may be enclosed if desired.

Post Commander H. G. Leigh, and the Auxiliary urge that your immediate purchase of a gift box be made and turned over to the American Legion as your contribution to a great Christmas party for 500,000 Yanks Who Gave. All the gift boxes must be received by the local Legion by December 10 in order that delivery be made to the various hospitals for presentation. Won't you help make this Christmas happy for the hospitalized service men and women?

The following stores are cooperating in this drive. Gifts may be purchased and left with the store.

The Leader, Freids, L. Kittner's, Weldon Drug Company, Farber and Josephson, Rablis Dept. Store, Seldens Pharmacy, H. and B. Store, Willey Hardware Co., Tilghman Furniture Co., Overtons Jewelry and Gift Shop, Pierce Whitehead Hardware Co., Terminal Drug Store, Joyner Furniture Co., Roses Five and Ten Cent Store, Weldon Furniture Company.

## AIR MEDAL

Lt. Willie J. Long, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Long, Sr. of Garysburg, has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement as pilot of a P-51 Mustang fighter plane in the Italian theater of operations. Lt. Long was sent overseas last August. His wife, Mrs. June Bourne Long, lives in Tarboro.

## Lieutenant

Quinton Victor Cheek, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cheek of Weldon, has received the silver wings of a bombardier and his commission as second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces. Prior to his graduation from Bombardier School at Midland, Texas he took preflight training at Tuskegee Institute, Ala. and aerial gunnery at Tyndall Field, Fla.

Lieutenant Cheek spent a few days with his parents before going to Godman Field, Ky., where he is now stationed.

National 4-H Achievement Week to be observed by every club in North Carolina, will be held from November 4 through 11 this year.

Perennial hay experiments established in the fall of 1942 indicate that alfalfa can be successfully grown on both Piedmont and Coastal Plain soils, say the agronomists.

Firebreaks, either plowed or raked, offer good protection to the farm woods. Save the woods because they offer a good field for postwar employment.

## Christmas Seals Placed On Sale By Association

### Roanoke River Only N. C. Project In Flood-Control Bill

Washington, Nov. 29.—The Roanoke River basin is the only North Carolina project remaining in the \$1,000,000,000 post-war flood control bill now before the Senate.

It calls for a \$36,140,000 Bugs Island reservoir on the Roanoke River in North Carolina and Virginia, and the Philpott reservoir on the Smith River, Va.

### Pulpwood Pounds Gates Of Berlin

General Eisenhower is authority for the statement that 5,000 pounds of ammunition are being poured into German defenses on the western front every minute. Six million rounds of artillery fire and 2,000,000 rounds of mortar fire are being hurled at the Nazis each month.

That's a lot of gun powder and explosives, and it took a lot of pulpwood to manufacture it. Pulpwood now makes 80 percent of the smokeless powder used by our armed forces.

While pulpwood producers may feel justly proud of their part in blasting the Nazi fortresses, they should also head the plea of General Eisenhower for even greater production on the Home Front.

Unless everyone all the way through the nation, those at the front and those at home, keeps on the job everlastingly and with mounting intensity we are only postponing the day of victory," he said.

As a No. 1 war material pulpwood is playing a vital role in the Allied advances in Europe and in the Pacific. But this is no time for over optimism. It is essential that Home Front production be increased to overcome last fall's lag when many persons believed the European war was about to end.

"We cannot all fight the enemy face to face," said our President. "But there are two things we can do: Buy more War Bonds and cut more pulpwood."

### S - Sgt. Seldon Pierce At Miami Beach

Miami Beach, Fla., Nov. 30th.—Sgt. Seldon M. Pierce, 35, Weldon, N. C., has arrived at Army Air Forces Redistribution Station No. 2 in Miami Beach for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States and a 21 day furlough at home.

Medical examinations and classification interviews at this post, one of five redistribution stations operated by the AAF Personal Distribution Command for AAF returnee officers and enlisted men, will determine his new assignment. He will remain here about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

He served as an administrative and commissioned officer during nine months in the European theater. He attended the University of North Carolina and worked as cashier for the Southern Cotton Oil Company, Weldon, before joining the AAF August 5, 1942. His mother, Mrs. J. W. Pierce, lives at the same address, while his wife, Dozene, lives at Garysburg, N. C.

### Last Chance

This week is your last chance to mail out of town Christmas gift packages.

That last minute reminder came yesterday from Harry R. Roseman, District Manager of the Raleigh District Office of Defense Transportation.

Heavily overburdened transportation facilities can handle the enormous volume of 1941 Yule Gift sending only if the December 1 deadline set by the government is met, the ODT official emphasized.

So, the ODT District Manager urged, if you haven't mailed your gift packages yet, get them off at once.

Packages mailed after the December 1 deadline may not be delivered in time for Christmas he pointed out.

The Halifax County Tuberculosis Association was organized just one year ago. This connects the Association with the National and State Organization. The entire support of National, State and County Association being solely supported by the sale of the Christmas Seals which opened on Monday, November 27th, to last until Christmas. The quota this year for the County is \$2500. Of this amount 25 per cent goes to the State and National organization, 50 per cent to the County Association, and 25 per cent is kept locally.

What has the Association done with the money made last year from the Seal Sale in the County?

1. Part of expenses of Health Educator of the Edgecombe-Halifax District Health Department (this phase of our program is sponsored by the Halifax County Tuberculosis Association, the Edgecombe County Tuberculosis Association and the North Carolina State Board of Health).

Our Health Educator, Miss Mary Elizabeth Foster, has had programs with approximately all civic clubs throughout the County. She has also sponsored a Health Education Program over WCBT each Wednesday morning at 10:00 A. M. for weeks.

2. The distribution of cod liver oil to all children who are contacts of tuberculosis patients.

3. X-raying of adults who need this type of examination and are not able to pay for same.

4. In connection with the tuberculosis survey to be made in all high schools of the county, the seal sale fund will pay for X-ray pictures on children whose parents are unable to pay.

5. The purchase of literature on tuberculosis for distribution to school children, civic clubs, women's clubs, church organizations and other interested persons.

Remember the buying and using of these Seals will help make some one else happy.

### Begin Seal Drive In Local Schools

The Weldon Schools will begin the sale of Christmas seals this week.

Please be very generous. The Halifax County Tuberculosis Association is trying to work to blot out Tuberculosis in our town and county. The quota for Halifax County is \$2500.00. Weldon is asked to buy all we can.

### At Camp Lejeune

Camp Lejeune, N. C., November 29—Marine Second Lieutenant Harry Kittner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kittner, Weldon, N. C., has been assigned to duty as a student in the Engineer School here.

Lieutenant Kittner attended Weldon High School, Weldon, N. C., the University of North Carolina, North Carolina State College and was graduated at Duke University. He is a member of Delta Epsilon Sigma Fraternity. Lieutenant David Kittner of the United States Army Engineers is his brother.

### Mrs. Eudora P. Hawkins

Mrs. Eudora P. Hawkins, 71, died at her home in the Hawkins Chapel community Friday after an illness of several months. Funeral services were conducted from the home Sunday afternoon by the Rev. Mr. Boone and burial followed in the Hawkins Chapel cemetery.

Mrs. Hawkins was the widow of the late Charlie Hawkins former deputy sheriff of Faucetts township. She was a member of Hawkins Chapel Church and had lived in this community for fifty years. She took an active part in the church and civic activities of her community.

Survivors include two sons, Irwin G. Hawkins of Roanoke Rapids, Raymond C. Hawkins of Richmond, Va., four daughters, Miss Ethel Hawkins of the home, Mrs. J. W. Steele of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. T. J. Carpenter and Mrs. Clarence Hawkins of Roanoke Rapids, one sister, Mrs. Madison Shearin of Roanoke Rapids, one brother George Pittard of Connecticut, eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Home Sphere

Halifax County will be represented next week at National 4-H Congress in Chicago, with delegates, Agnes Ellen of Enfield, R. 1, and Virginia Pittman, R. 2. These girls will also represent North Carolina as the winning girls in the Dairy Demonstration.

The State representatives will be in Raleigh on the morning of November 1st. They will have a day in Washington, D. C., for seeing and will leave for Chicago on Saturday morning and will be in Chicago on Saturday morning and will be in Chicago on Saturday morning and will be in Chicago on Saturday morning.

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## Remade Furniture Polish

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## AAA Soil Builders

Must Be Used Before Jan. 1st.

It was announced today by the Office in Halifax that farmers in Halifax County who have received AAA limestone and AAA phosphate for use on their farms must apply this material to their soil by January 1, 1945, if they wish to receive credit for tax purposes for the material. If they do not apply it by that date, the material will be deducted from their materials allowance. It is not necessary to transfer the material to the 1945 program if the farm will not be eligible to receive as much material in 1945 as it would have if the material had been spread during the 1944 program year. When the material has been spread farmers are urged to report it to the AAA Office in Halifax.

## Cotton Ginning Report

Report shows that 22,176 bales of cotton were ginned in Halifax County from the crop of 1943. Prior to November 14 as compared with 22,207 bales for the year of 1943.

## Missing In Action

Mrs. Katherine Elias Anderton of Weldon has been notified by the United States War Department that her husband, Sgt. Dan M. Anderton has been missing in action since November 9th. Anderton has been in France since August 1944. He was in France for two years in Trinidad. His parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Anderton reside in Alexandria.