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Facts

Behind The News

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JAPANESE HOMELAND

Civilians in Japan are undergoing many privations now that the war is coming right into their big cities in the same form of devastation as that which they have wrought on China and the people of the South Pacific. Our B-29's make raids on Tokyo and all the other big cities of Japan in the effort to put out of commission a part of the war industries. In these raids many houses have been destroyed, and no wonder, since they are constructed mostly of wood, tile, and paper. Every year 150,000 houses have to be rebuilt due to fires, earth-quakes, and other forms of natural devastation.

Besides an acute housing shortage there is a rationing of all foods such as rice, salt, eggs, and fish. These have been rationed since 1941 and sugar since 1940. The average yearly consumption of rice per person was 370 pounds, but this has been cut to 40 pounds. That is about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pint of rice per day. Rice is their main food but fish is second and there has been a shortage of this food because there is a lack of fishermen, boats, and fuel for the boats.

The coast of Japan is heavily mined and 85 boats were sunk in two years due to many so unfortunate collisions which have added a good many new ancestors to Japanese families. On top of this there is only enough fuel to operate each boat about 4 or 5 days a month.

Nearly all forms of clothes have been rationed since 1942 and the scarcity has grown worse because

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Wildcats To Play Dunn Next Tuesday

Proconian Party Huge Success As Sharkey And Stanbach Star

The feature event of the festive week-end, the Proconian Dance, held at the Episcopal Parish House, brought to a close Proconian Day, Saturday. Due to precarious weather conditions the Dutch Picnic was called off, but the Wildcat's victory was celebrated in full at the dance.

At 10:30 the dancers drew up their chairs and took in the first half of the entertainment. A quartet, Three Hits and a Miss, sang "You Belong to My Heart." The well known recording of "Chloe" was then played over the loudspeaker with the audience joining in. Jimmy Blake and Venitah Sanders performed a novelty number in form of an illustrated poem on types of dancers. Coach Stanbach, taking over the duties of Master of Ceremonies introduced the highlight of the

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WOW!



HILDA SHARKEY

Hieseslinger Aids Coach Stanbach In Training Cat Baseball Squad

Al Hieseslinger from U. N. C. is to be assistant coach of baseball under "Bud" Stanbach. He has been helping to coach the wildcats when Stanbach was in the hospital. Al has and is doing a good job. He has coached the team for two games, one to M. O. which was his first victory, 16-3, and the other one also M. O. which had a "bad Day" as Al said and lost 12-5.

Hieseslinger is in the same fraternity as Stanbach and is one of his best friends. He is getting along fine with the team and

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Alumni Notes

Watts Poe was home this week on a four day leave.

Bill Kilpatrick was seen in the village on a week-end pass from Norfolk.

Teddy Morgan, who was wounded somewhere in Belgium, is here now on leave.

Joe Harrer is here on fifteen day leave from the Army.

George Pickard came home Saturday. He has been serving in the Pacific area and took part in several invasions, such as Saipan and the Philippines.

Game To Be First Of Series Semi-Finals

The Chapel Hill High School baseball team by virtue of their 17-4 victory over Hillsboro last Saturday will meet a strong Dunn High School nine this Tuesday in Chapel Hill it was announced this week by Athletic Director Bud Stanbach.

Whether or not the two teams will play a series or a single game was not known when this paper went to press, but should more than one game be played, the second game of the series will be played Friday at Dunn. If it is necessary to play a third game, that contest will be played the early part of the following week at an undisclosed spot.

Victory over Dunn would win for the Wildcats the right to face the winner of the 4th district (Laurinburg, Sanford, and Hamlet). Victory over the winner of this district would place the Hillians in the State finals and win them the right to face the western winner.

Although no actual confirmation has been given, Coach Bud Stanbach will probably start his star twirler, Bernard Lloyd, on the mound with either Mebane Durham or Leonard Smith behind the plate.

Junior Marshals

Friday morning at the Senior Class meeting the class elected Junior Marshals. Billy Basnight was chosen chief marshal. Those to serve with him are Rodney Waters, Ardie Hamilton, Clyde Pridgen, Houston Teague, Margaret Taylor, and Jimmy Blake. Marshals will officiate at the senior play, baccalaureate service, and at the commencement exercise.