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89th Liberty Ship Named In
Honor Of Distinguished
N. C. Woman

Named in honor of Mrs. Cornelia P. Spencer, distinguished North Carolina woman who was largely responsible for the re-opening of the University after the Civil war, the 89th Liberty ship was launched at the North Carolina Shipbuilding company Saturday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock.

The 10,500-ton vessel was sponsored by Mrs. J. M. Johnson, wife of the foreman of the yard's time-keeping department. Her attendants were Miss Maria Johnson and Mrs. Melville Bryant, both of Newport News, Va.

The North Carolina Federation of Women's clubs was represented at the launching by Mrs. J. C. Williams, of Wilmington, Mrs. Andrew Howell, of Wilmington, represented the N. C. Sorosis and Miss Dorothy Forbes attended for N. C. Junior Sorosis. Among out-of-town guests were Prof. Charles Phillips, of the University of North Carolina, and Mrs. Phillips, of Chapel Hill.

The launching brings the shipyard within one vessel of completion of its first three contracts with the U. S. Maritime commission.

Mrs. Spencer, author and leader in the early educational movement in North Carolina, was born in Harlem, N. Y., the daughter of the Rev. James Phillips, later professor of mathematics at the University of North Carolina. She was reared in Chapel Hill and there married James M. Spencer, a native of Alabama. He died in 1861. Mrs. Spencer made many contributions to literature and was the author of "The Last Ninety Days of the War." Through her letters, newspaper articles and speeches, she conducted a successful campaign in behalf of education and particularly the saving of the University at that time. She was the first woman to receive an honorary degree at Chapel Hill and one of the dormitories, Spencer Hall, at the University was named in her honor.

**EFFECTS OF WMC
RULE FELT HERE**

Greater Use Will Be Made Of
Occupational Question-
naires In Filling Jobs

Because of the recent War Manpower Commission regulation restricting transfer of workers, Felix A. Scroggs, manager of U. S. Employment Service here, predicted Saturday that greater use will be made of occupational questionnaires to supply manpower needs in the Wilmington area.

These questionnaires, which draft boards required all men between the ages of 18 and 65 to fill out, indicate the occupations of men in this age bracket in New Hanover, Pender, Brunswick and Columbus counties.

The men's questionnaires in this four-county area are on file at the employment office.

Describing the WMC regulation as having a "very beneficial" effect locally, Scroggs said it has cut down the migration of workers to a great extent and increased the transfer of workers from non-essential to essential industry.

"The application flow through this office dropped 50 per cent last week," he said.

He predicted the regulation will be helpful to employers who do not have as high a wage scale, as other war industries, in holding their employees.

He explained that "up to this week the biggest source of workers was from textile mills, but since this activity has been placed in the essential group, this source is practically exhausted."

The employment service will now look to other fields for workers to fill openings in war industries here, he announced. "This will be accomplished by examining occupational questionnaires and calling in for an interview those men who have an essential skill. They will be offered war jobs."

**Wallace Returns From
South American Tour**

MIAMI, Fla., April 24.—(P)—Vice President Henry A. Wallace returned late today from a good will trip to seven Latin American countries where he was given tremendous welcomes.

He inspected Peruvian mines, dedicated an inter-American agricultural institute in Costa Rica, talked with agricultural, labor and business groups in the various countries, and gathered a detailed picture of war-created problems on South America's west coast.

He has announced he will make another tour of the remaining South American countries.

RED CROSS DONATIONS
BURGAW, April 24.—Pender county donations to the American Red Cross War Fund have reached \$2,254.05, E. C. Wheelless, Jr., county chairman of the War Fund drive, announced today.

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Shown above making one of the largest purchases by any retail branch of a national organization here is R. Stewart (left center), manager of Sears Roebuck company, who is investing \$15,000 in government securities for the Wilmington store, and helping the city's Second War Loan campaign. H. C. Rorison, vice president of Security National Bank, is pictured at right center selling the war bonds. Looking on, left to right, Richard S. Rogers, regional chairman of War Finance committee; Allen C. Ewing, chairman of Victory Fund committee; J. G. Thornton, chairman of city War Savings Staff; and E. A. Laney, chairman of county War Finance committee.

**GARDENERS BUSY
IN LAKE FOREST**

Approximately 500 Have
Planted Plots In Backyards
Or On Parmele Land

About 500 persons in the Lake Forest Housing project section have planted Victory gardens both "in their own backyards," or on the 100 acres donated for use by residents by C. B. Parmele, prominent realtor, Herbert Senna, manager of the project, disclosed Saturday.

About 150 persons have been given tracts on the land which Mr. Parmele donated to us," the manager said, "and at least 300 or more persons are growing Victory Gardens in their own backyards."

He urged the gardeners to register at his office Monday if they wish to compete for the various prizes offered by civic clubs for the best-kept gardens. The prizes now aggregate over \$200. Mr. Senna declared the gardens must be at least 20 by 20 feet to be eligible for the contest. Points emphasized in judging the gardens are variety of vegetable grown, whether or not the garden is "year-round," cultivation, fertilization, and later, when they have matured, the number of vegetables canned and preserved for future use. Five vegetables must be grown and no more than ten should be attempted, to enter the contest.

"The reason we want them to register," Mr. Senna continued, "is that we want to get an idea of how big their plot of ground is, and what they're planning to grow, so we can estimate how much extra food we'll have in this vicinity."

He commended the spirit of the residents in the Lake Forest area, who, he said, "almost mobbed" him when he announced the land would be available for growing Victory gardens.

"A lot of the people out here used to be farmers, and they are certainly enthusiastic about growing things when given the chance," he declared. "I don't suppose you ever lose the feeling for the soil once you've lived on a farm."

COURT TO OPEN
BURGAW, April 24.—The April term of Pender county Superior Court will convene on Monday, with Judge Q. K. Nimmocks, of Fayetteville, presiding. The docket is light, and it is expected that the term will be short.

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**Spar And Wave Campaign
To Start Here Tomorrow**

Enlistment Campaign Will
Be Carried Out By Naval
Recruiting Office

The Wilmington Navy recruiting station will launch a drive Monday to recruit women of Southeastern North Carolina for enlistment as Waves and Spars, R. L. DeLoach, chief recruiter, said Saturday.

It will be the first all-out campaign by the local Navy station to seek the enlistment of women in these auxiliary branches of service, although it has energetically sought their enlistment since the women's corps were established. Several women have already been accepted for enlistment through the Wilmington recruiting office.

In addition to efforts by the staff of the recruiting office, Ensign Alice Colbert, Waves, USNR, will interview interested women at the recruiting office on the second floor of the postoffice building Monday and Tuesday nights from 7 to 8 o'clock. She will be there again Sunday afternoon, May 2, from 4 to 5 o'clock.

The Waves is an organization of women whose jobs are to replace Navy men at shore stations, and the Spars is a similar one to replace Coast Guardsmen at shore activities. Term of enlistment for Waves and Spars will be for the duration and six months thereafter. Service will be limited to the continental United States.

Advancement in ratings and pay is very rapid, DeLoach said, and there is also a substantial clothing allowance upon enlisting.

"For instance, an enlisted woman who has had two years in High school is paid \$50 a month, plus a clothing allowance of \$200 while she is in training," DeLoach explained. "Upon completion of the training the salary increases. For example, third class petty officers are paid \$160.00 per month, provided the government does not furnish food and lodging at the place of assignment, which is usually the case. As promotions are earned, this rate of pay is proportionately increased. This is in the enlisted class and open to

qualified women between the ages of 20 and 35."

Enlistment is open to married women, provided they have no children under 18 years of age. A married woman, whose husband enters any branch of the armed services after she has enlisted, retains her status in the Waves or Spars.

**Black Mountain Soldier
Is Prisoner Of Italians**

WASHINGTON, April 24.—(P)—The War department announced today the names of 11 U. S. soldiers who are held as prisoners of war by Germany, 24 held by Japan and 54 held by Italy. The list included:

Interned by Italy, camp unlocated.
North Carolina: Gray, Staff Sgt. Walter L.—Mrs. Carrie Gray, mother, Black Mountain.

**Scottish Rite Notice
Cape Fear Chapter Of
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The customary obligatory ceremonies of Easter will be observed by this Chapter this Sunday afternoon, April 25, at 3 o'clock in the Masonic Temple. All Knights of the Rose Croix are expected to attend.

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