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Official U. S. Navy Photo
A group of Navy personnel rescued from the Jap prison camp of Cabanatuan in the Philippines, after three years of suffering. Your heavier purchase of War Bonds in the Mighty 7th War Loan opening May 14 will help rescue many more American prisoners.
From U. S. Treasury

Beer Dealers Warned To Operate Places In Proper Manner

Advisory Group Is Appointed to Work With Col. Edgar Bain

Retail beer dealers of Chowan County heard a frank discussion of the proper operation of establishments at a meeting held in the Court House yesterday afternoon, when Col. Edgar A. Bain of Goldsboro, state director of the North Carolina Committee-United States Brewers' Foundation, minced no words in saying that his organization intended to do all in its power in the interest of decent retailing of beer.

Col. Bain likened retail beer operators to a bag of apples containing one rotten apple, which in course of time would affect all of the apples in a bag if not removed. In such cases the "rotten apple" in beer establishments will be removed, for he made it plain that if any place is not operated as it should be, the supply of beer can very easily be cut off.

Local Rotarians Will Elect Officers Today

Entire Membership of Club Placed in Nomination

Rotarians at their meeting today (Thursday) will elect officers and directors for the fiscal year which will begin July 1. At last week's meeting the entire membership was placed in nomination, so that any member of the club is eligible for any of the offices. Though elected officers, the new officers will not be installed until July 1, the election being placed so far in advance in order to allow the new president and secretary to attend the Rotary Assembly, where much information and instruction is given to incoming presidents and secretaries.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC EXAMINATIONS IN CHOWAN SCHEDULED APRIL 27 TO JUNE 1

Parents Urged to Take Children to Nearest Clinic

According to an announcement made Tuesday by the local Health Department, pre-school clinic examinations will be held in Chowan County beginning Friday, April 27, until June 1.

The recent State-wide whooping cough law requires every school child entering the first grade this year to produce a certificate of immunity either having had the disease or the vaccine. Verbal proof for the former will be accepted but written certificates signed by a physician will be necessary for the latter.

All vaccinations and immunizations are free, including whooping cough.

The State Board authorities are advocating whooping cough vaccine to be given infants from one month of age on and each year following a booster shot, since 60 per cent of all whooping cough deaths occur under one year of age.

- Edenton High School—April 27, from 9 to 12 A. M.
- Rocky Hook Central School—May 4, from 9:30 to 10:15 A. M.
- Chowan High School (club house)—May 4, from 10:30 to 12:30 A. M.
- St. John's School—May 11, at 9:30 A. M.
- Triangle School—May 11, at 11:30 A. M.
- Edenton Colored School and at the Episcopal Kindergarten on East Church Street—May 18, at 9:30 A. M.
- Virginia Fork School—May 18, at 10:45 A. M.
- Ryan's Grove School—May 18, at 11:30 A. M.
- Warren's Grove School—May 25, at 9:30 A. M.
- Green Hall School—May 25, at 10:30 A. M.
- Center Hill School—May 25, at 11:30 A. M.
- White Oak School—June 1, at 9:30 A. M.
- Hudson Grove School—June 1, at 11 A. M.
- Britts School—June 1, at 12 noon.

FIREMEN CALLED OUT
Edenton's Fire Department was called out Monday afternoon when a fire threatened to break out in the apartment of Lloyd Bunch on East Queen Street. An oil heater in the bath room flared up, and while the house was filled with smoke, no damage was caused by fire.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Born to Mr. and Mrs. West Leary, on Monday night, April 23, at their home, a daughter.

Navy Chaplain At Local Presbyterian Church On Sunday

The Rev. Thomas Hunter Will Preach at 11 A. M.

The Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, announced Tuesday that Navy Chaplain Thomas H. Hunter of Johnstown, Pa., a minister in the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., will preach in the local Presbyterian Church on East Queen Street next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Rev. Mr. Hunter is now stationed temporarily at the Edenton Naval Air Station. He is a graduate of the McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, and is now completing his indoctrination training at the Chaplains' School at Williamsburg, Va.

The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

Pfc. Erie Forehand Killed In Germany

Chowan County Boy a Member of Patton's Third Army

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Forehand have been officially notified by the War Department that their son, Pfc. Erie Forehand was killed in action in Germany on March 28. He was 26 years old and was a member of the infantry in General George Patton's Third Army.

Pfc. Forehand entered the Army October 6, 1941, having served three years and six months when he lost his life. He spent 26 months in the Bermuda Islands and then returned to the States, where he was subsequently stationed at Camp Pickett, Va., and Camp Butler, N. C., going overseas again in January of this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Forehand have another son in the service, Sgt. Sanford Forehand, who is with the Ninth Army now in Germany. Both sons spent Christmas at home with their parents.

Infantryman's Badge Given Jesse Copeland

Private Jesse E. Copeland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Copeland, Route 3, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for gallant performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy.

Aircraft Observers Get Certificates For Honorable Service

Officials High In Praise of Loyalty and Sacrifice of Volunteers

Volunteers in the Aircraft Warning Service in Chowan County last week received attractive Certificates of Honorable Service, which were awarded by the Aircraft Warning Service of the Army Air Forces First Fighter Command. The certificate is a testimonial of loyal and faithful volunteer service and certifies that the recipients are members of the Army Air Forces Aircraft Warning Service Reserve. The certificates were issued at Mitchell Field, New York, and are signed by Col. Stewart W. Towle, Jr., commanding officer of the Air Corps. Accompanying each certificate was a letter from Henry L. Stinson, Secretary of War, in which he in part said: "The aircraft warning centers, at which so many of you have served and to which so many others have reported as ground observers, are closed. The Aircraft Warning Service, on a reduced scale, will be absorbed into installations used for the training of fighter pilots. The resulting savings in military personnel and equipment will be substantial.

"This does not mean that the War Department is of the opinion that all danger of enemy bombing has passed. On the contrary, a small-scale sneak raid is still within the capabilities of our enemies. We must win this war in Europe and Asia, however, and the calculated risk we are assuming in reducing our air defense measures is justified by the offensive power we will thereby release.

"This war has a long way to go. We are only just entering upon its crucial phase and victory lies far ahead beyond many bloody battles. The War Department sincerely hopes that you will not relax your war effort, and urges that you transfer to one of the many remaining vitally important jobs the loyalty and self-sacrifice you have shown in your work for the Aircraft Warning Service.

"The War Department is deeply grateful for the important service you have rendered your country."

"It has been almost two and one-half years since that Sunday in 1941 when thousands of patriotic Americans sprang to the defense of their country by manning round-the-clock watches at observation posts, filter centers and information centers," said Col. Towle. "It is my conviction that there never existed a more sincere and loyal group of Americans than those who volunteered for this work.

"You have done a splendid job and have successfully accomplished your particular mission which must now be terminated because of the developments of our strategic situation. Now with the war almost entirely in its offensive phase, I hope and believe that you will turn your patriotic efforts into other forms of work which will help to support the attack and bring the day of victory nearer."

Lt. Col. Charles A. Gayle of the Air Corps had this to say regarding the volunteer observers:

"Although there is no yardstick with which the value of the services of ground observers can be measured, you should certainly feel proud of the knowledge that this nation has not been subjected to aerial bombardment. It is not unlikely that the enemy's knowledge of the existence of our warning service was a great deterring factor. That many lives were saved by the vigilance and quick action of alert observers, and that the training of fighter pilots was advanced through the efforts of observers are in themselves contributions of inestimable value."

Rev. D. C. Crawford Repeats Address On Juvenile Delinquency

The Edenton Parent-Teacher Association will hold its final meeting of the school year on Tuesday afternoon, May 1. The meeting will be held in the High School Library at 3:30 o'clock. At this meeting officers for 1945-1946 will be elected and installed.

The Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, has consented to repeat the talk on "Juvenile Delinquency," which he made a few weeks ago to the St. Paul's Auxiliary. Everyone who heard this talk was impressed by its timeliness and it is hoped that many of the PTA members will take advantage of the opportunity of hearing it.

Chowan County's Overall Quota Seventh War Loan Drive Is Set At \$442,147

Coveted Assignment Given Nelson Powell Stationed In Rome

Edenton Girl Red Cross Staff Assistant at Corso Club

According to a story sent from the American Red Cross in Italy, when Miss Nelson Powell of Edenton arrived in Italy this month to begin her overseas duties with the American Red Cross, she had no idea that she would draw the most coveted assignment in this theater, being stationed in Rome. And if someone had told her that two weeks later she would be having lunch with Ambassador Alexander C. Kirk and Edward J. Flynn, she would never have believed it. But this is war and anything can happen—and usually does.

Nelson is a Red Cross staff assistant at the Corso Club, which is the largest American Red Cross club in the Mediterranean theater. Formerly the Ruspoli palace, the club, which was built during the 16th century, boasts a theater which seats 1,200 soldiers, a bath house with 40 tubs and showers, and 40 rooms devoted to music, books, games, four snack bars and a ballroom for dancing.

Last week she and a dozen American soldiers were invited to be the luncheon guests of Ambassador Kirk. Guest of honor for the occasion was Edward J. Flynn, who was in Rome at that time on business for the late President Roosevelt.

It is not unusual for Ambassador Kirk to invite soldiers and Red Cross girls for lunch or dinner. However, the experience was definitely an unusual one for Nelson, who has been walking on air for a week.

Miss Powell is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Powell.

Five Negroes Guilty Of Bootleg Charges

Arrests and Convictions Follow Investigation Of ABC Agents

Five local Negroes were found guilty in Recorder's Court Friday of bootlegging, the group being rounded up last week by Chief of Police J. R. Tanner and Sgt. George I. Dail of the State Highway Patrol, following recent investigations by State ABC agents.

Charles, alias "Rabbit" White was found guilty on three charges, Judge Marvin Wilson sentencing him to 12 months on the roads, suspended upon payment of \$50 and costs and being placed on probation for five years.

Jeff Williams and Walter Lewis, alias "Big Time Shorty" Lewis were found guilty on two charges, both being sentenced to 12 months on the roads, which was suspended upon payment of \$50 and costs and placed on probation for five years.

Will White and Ferdinand Booth both faced one charge and were sentenced to six months on the roads, suspended upon payment of \$25 and costs and placed on probation for three years.

Chief Petty Officers' Club Opens At Base

Members of Town Council, the Board of Public Works, their wives and a number of other invited civilians were guests of the Chief Petty Officers Club which was formally opened Saturday night at the Naval Air Station.

The feature of the evening was music furnished by a Naval orchestra from Norfolk, which included some musicians who before they entered the service were members of some of the nation's most outstanding bands. The affair began at 8:30 o'clock and continued until midnight, during which the service people as well as civilians had a very enjoyable time.

Preliminary Plans Discussed at Meeting Saturday

OPENS MAY 14

Bonds Purchased Until Then Count Toward County's Quota

Saturday morning at 11 o'clock T. C. Byrum, who succeeds the late J. G. Campen as chairman of the Chowan County War Finance Committee, and W. H. Gardner, who is the successor of the late D. M. Warren as vice chairman, met with co-chairmen of former War Loan drives in an effort to lay preliminary plans for the Seventh War Loan drive in Chowan County.

The meeting was held in the directors' room at the Bank of Edenton and present for the occasion was W. H. Woodard of Greenville, chairman of Region 1, who offered information relative to the drive.

Mr. Byrum has announced Chowan County's overall quota in the drive as being \$385,000, of which amount the Series E Bond quota is \$141,000. The latter figure is far above the individual quota in any of the previous War Loan drives. In the Sixth War Loan, Chowan's overall quota was \$348,000, of which \$81,000 was set as the E Bond quota. Final figures submitted by Mr. Campen before he died showed that overall sales totaled \$442,147, while E Bond sales amounted to \$109,425. So that the overall quota was oversubscribed by \$94,147 and purchases of E Bonds went \$28,425 above the quota.

The drive will officially start Monday, May 14, but Mr. Byrum says all bonds purchased from now until the start of the drive will count in the quota.

Both Mr. Byrum and Mr. Gardner sense a distinct loss in the sudden death of Mr. Campen and Mr. Warren since the Sixth War Loan, for both contributed much of their time and energy in the various loans, and in fact they practically single-handedly set up the machinery for and conducted the various drives. However, both the new chairman and vice chairman realize the importance of the forthcoming Seventh War Loan and the necessity for Chowan County to meet its quota in both classes of bonds. They plan, therefore, to follow similar lines adopted by their predecessors and, of course, will appeal to all workers in former drives to again help in raising the county's quota. Every quota has thus far been met, and it is the hope that, despite the size of the amount to be raised, the county will maintain its perfect record.

In this Seventh War Loan the Government is asking the largest sum in investments by individuals in the history of America, so that Chowan, like all other counties, has an increased E bond quota. The quota for the nation is fourteen billion dollars, of which amount seven billion dollars, or half, is the amount set up to be raised by E Bond purchases.

Clarence Leary Given Certificate Of Honor

Presented For Distinguished Achievement In War Fund Drive

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross Chapter, early this week received an attractive Certificate of Honor which is to be awarded J. Clarence Leary by the American National Red Cross for distinguished achievement in the 1945 War Fund drive.

The certificate is signed by Basil O'Connor, chairman of the American Red Cross, and O. M. Chester, national chairman of the 1945 Red Cross War Fund.

Mrs. Pruden has already presented the certificate to Mr. Leary, who modestly stated that it was not he, but the people generally in Chowan County who made the 1945 drive such a splendid success.

"We are glad, indeed, to attach a Certificate of Honor recognizing the distinguished achievement of your War Fund chairman in leading your chapter toward the attainment of its 1945 War Fund goal," wrote Francis P. Simerville, regional director of the Southeastern Area, in sending the certificate to Mrs. Pruden.