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"If It Concerns Harnett, It's In THE NEWS"

## LOCAL GROUP TO ATTEND MEETING OF RED CROSS

CONFERENCE OF SOUTHEASTERN OFFICIALS TO PLAN FOR 1946 FUND CAMPAIGN AT SOUTHERN PINES JAN. 28

A delegation from Harnett Chapter of the American Red Cross will be in Southern Pines on January 28 to attend a regional conference with Southeastern Area officials on plans for the 1946 fund campaign which is to be held in March. Bill Johnson, chapter chairman, announced.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a. m. at Southern Pines Country Club, with Regional Director Francis P. Simerville leading the discussion of campaign plans. After luncheon the group will hear Lucy H. Darter, Red Cross hospital worker, in a talk on her experiences in serving hospitalized servicemen.

Miss Darter is the Red Cross field director at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Pensacola, where she directs and supervises all Red Cross activities in the hospital, including recreation and social service. Since joining the organization in 1943 she has served at LaGarde General Hospital, New Orleans, and in the station hospitals at Selman Field, La., and Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla. She is a graduate of Hollins College, Roanoke, Va.

The local delegation will consist of Messrs. Bill Johnson and Reddin O'Quinn and Mrs. Margaret Gourlay, Chairman Johnson stated. Representatives of the area headquarters who are expected to be present include R. T. Schaefer, assistant area manager, Velma Tinsley, chief of radio, and Mary Phillips, general field representative.

Goal of the 1946 campaign has been set at \$100,000,000. Red Cross postwar services are vital to the nation's well-being, Chairman Johnson pointed out. Our armed forces are still deployed all over the world, and our wounded are still entitled to the same grateful service as ever. The campaign slogan, "Your Red Cross Must Carry On," is particularly appropriate, he added.

Other chapters of the region which are to send representatives to the meeting are: Anson Co., Bladenboro, Cabarrus Co., Clarkston, Columbus Co., Cumberland Co., Dunn-Erwin, Hamlet, Hoke Co., Montgomery Co., Moore Co., North Bladen, Robeson Co., Rockingham, Scotland Co., Stanly Co. and Union Co.

## Fuquay-Varina Lions To Stage Show

Seeking additional funds to finance its extensive program of aid to the blind and conservation of sight, the Fuquay-Varina Lions Club will stage a variety show in the auditorium of the Fuquay Springs high school on Friday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. A. G. Crumpler is general chairman of the show project and says the best entertainment talent available in the section will take part in the performance.

The Lions desire proceeds from the show to provide examinations and eyeglasses for needy children, and to aid blind persons in this area in keeping with the major project of Lions International.

## Moore Resident Killed In Auto-Bus Crash

Collision of the car in which he was riding with a bus carrying Negro selectees caused injuries to Joseph Duncan Adcox, retired brick mason of Pinchhoff, Moore county, last Wednesday morning, from which he died soon after being carried to Rex Hospital in Raleigh. The accident occurred near Kipling and was investigated by Patrolman Hughes J. Hunt of Lillington.

Coroner J. M. McLean has scheduled an inquest for today. Adcox was riding with his son-in-law, a Mr. Adams, who was taken to a Southern Pines hospital for treatment following the crash.

Chickens should be dressed and chilled thoroughly to prevent discoloration and off-flavor from developing in storage, says T. T. Brown, Extension Service poultryman.

## HOT SHOTS!

Like putting a hot shot to a balky automobile on a cold morning, those little Want Ads you'll find on another page of The News put the MOVE on things. . . Folks who find they have something they don't want can mighty easily get rid of it by putting a hot shot to it (a little Want Ad in The News).

Oh, so you are from Missouri and want to be shown, eh? Well, try them for yourself. Others have and they declare the little Want Ads are like hot shots.

(The little Want Ads are set in type just like this. But they yell out in great big letters when they reach the folks who read them.)

## Criminal Term Lasts Only 3 Days; Few Cases Disposed Of

Harnett Superior Court had a short session last week, adjourning Wednesday after disposing of only seven cases on the rather slim docket.

Following is the list of cases tried with the result in each case:

Albert Turlington, charged with operating an automobile while intoxicated, was found not guilty.

Malcolm Stewart Jr., Winfred Messer, Roy Roberts and Robert Stewart, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, were found not guilty.

Mildred Ferguson, charged with larceny, was found guilty and was placed on probation for five years. Fred Hall, charged with violation of the prohibition law, was found not guilty.

Johanne R. Walker was sentenced to serve two years on the roads after

being found guilty of housebreaking and assault.

Prayer for judgment continued was entered in the case of W. R. Adams, charged with violation of a town ordinance.

Although there were a few cases left on the docket, there were none of a serious nature. The criminal docket has been noted for the past several terms for its narrowing down to less than half of its usual number of cases to be tried.

The next term of the court will convene February 4. It will be a two weeks term for the hearing of civil cases. Judge Q. K. Nimocks, who presided over the court last week, is scheduled to preside over the February term.

Names of the jurors to serve for the February term were published in The News last week.

## SAVED HIS COINS, PAID CASH FOR A REFRIGERATOR

WIFE WAS MORE CUNNING THAN HUBBY, BUT WHEN HE SAW WHAT SHE HAD DONE, HE WAS HAPPY

In a letter The News, Mr. J. W. Purdie, general manager of the Dunn Tractor & Equipment Co., relates an unusual incident which occurred on the company's sales floor last Thursday. Here is the story:

You have heard the story of the couple who saved up their dimes in order to take care of the doctor's bill upon the arrival of their new baby. During the past week a General Electric refrigerator was being delivered to a customer by the Dunn Tractor & Equipment Co. The customer had been notified by mail that his refrigerator had been received, and had come into the salesroom to pay for it. When he was told the price he said: "Just wait a minute," walked out to his car, returning in a few minutes with a red knitted bag.

Smiling, he said: "Count these and let me know how much more I owe you." The bag was opened and half dollars poured all over the counter. When they were counted it was found to be \$100.00—or 200 fifty-cent pieces. When asked why all the half dollars the customer explained that some time ago he and his wife had decided on the type of refrigerator they desired and had notified the Dunn Tractor & Equipment Co. of their choice. They were told that as soon as these were available they would be notified.

It seems that the wife would go into the trousers of her husband each night, when he came home from work, taking all the half dollars he might have in them and put them away, all without his knowledge.

When they receive the notice she went to her trunk, removed the bag, and then told him what she had done.

When last seen, the man was all smiles and no doubt his wife was even happier than he was, for she had a "shining brand new" refrigerator.

## Supplies Tax Listers With Instructions

Harnett County Tax Supervisor Berles C. Johnson has received from the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill a 25-page set of instructions for each list taker and assessor in the county. It was announced today by Albert Coates, director of the Institute.

Prepared by Peyton B. Abbott, assistant director of the Institute, 2,500 of these instructions were distributed to tax supervisors throughout the state for use in the 100 counties during the 30-day listing period beginning on January 1. The manual contains instructions on filling out the tax listing abstract, listing and assessing of real and personal property, listing of dogs for taxes, exemptions and deductions, carrying forward listings from the previous year, and discovery of unlisted property.

Supervisors were urged to supplement these instructions with instructions of their own necessary to execute the listing of property in their particular county and to distribute them to the list takers.

## Citizens Invited To Talk With Board

Any citizen having conservation problems or suggestions is invited to appear before the Board of Conservation and Development at its meeting in Raleigh Jan. 21-23, Director R. Bruce Etheridge said today.

"Our streams, forests, game, minerals and other natural assets belong to the people of the state," Etheridge said, "and this board is merely the custodian and guardian of these resources. All citizens should be interested in the proper administration of these responsibilities, and we urge anyone with helpful suggestions to present them before the board so that it may more intelligently fulfill its duties."

Meetings will be held in the board room on the second floor of the Education building.

## Promoted

(Special to The News) Public Relations Office, 392 AAA Auto Wps. Bn., APO 958.—Technician Fourth Grade Joseph T. Long of Lillington, N. C., has been promoted to Staff Sergeant in the 392nd Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion in the Hawaiian Islands.

S. Sgt. Long was inducted into the Army in November 1942 at Ft. Bragg and has served 13 months in the Pacific and wears the Good Conduct, Asiatic-Pacific, American Theater and World War II Victory ribbons.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Long, reside on Lillington R-1.

## Scouts To Hold Court of Honor

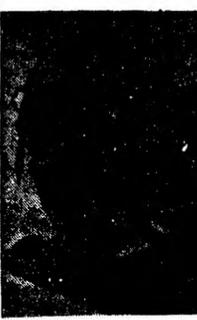
The Boy Scouts will hold a Court of Honor Thursday night, January 17, at 8 o'clock at the courthouse. Scouts are expected to be present from Dunn and Angler. Parents and friends of all Scouts are invited.

## First Woman to Become Master State Grange



Harry B. Caldwell, retiring State Grange Master, is shown above handing the gavel over to Mrs. Caldwell, first woman to become Master of the North Carolina Grange. There are many members of the Grange in Harnett county.

## At Keesler Field



(Special to The News) Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., Jan. 7.—Capt. Joe H. Ross has reported for duty at Keesler Field.

Capt. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross of Lillington and husband of Mrs. Clyde L. Ross of Lillington, arrived at the AAF Training Command station from Hondo, Texas.

## CAN NOW CURE GONORRHEA WITH ONE TREATMENT

AMAZINGLY NEW TREATMENT IS BEING ADMINISTERED AT THE OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Something that is entirely new—and amazingly effective—in the treatment of the abhorrent venereal disease, gonorrhoea, has been adopted by Dr. W. B. Hunter, head of the Harnett County Health Department, and is being administered at the Lillington and Dunn offices of the Board on clinic days.

Hours for administering the treatment are: At the Lillington office, on Tuesdays, from 2 to 4 p. m. At the Dunn office on Wednesdays, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Speaking of the new treatment, Dr. Hunter states that it is necessary to give only one dose, and that it is effective within 24 hours. Only one dose is needed.

Persons afflicted with the disease must visit either the Lillington office or the Dunn office on the days and during the hours named.

The average person no doubt would be astonished upon learning of the prevalence of the disease. Its loathsomeness is generally recognized but few people are aware that it is so widespread. Heretofore, persons afflicted with gonorrhoea would carry it for weeks, months and sometimes years. The new treatment will prove a boon to sufferers.

## Albert Turlington Found Not Guilty

Through an unfortunate mistake in the last issue of The News it was stated, in giving a summary of proceedings in Superior Court, that Albert Turlington was found guilty of operating an auto while intoxicated.

Mr. Turlington was found not guilty of the charge.

WALTER JOHNSON SR.

Walter Johnson Sr., 77, of Lillington R-1, died Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Novie Keith of Lillington R-1.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at 2:30 p. m. from Neill's Creek Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. G. Scott Turner, assisted by Rev. A. C. McCall of Bunnlevel. The body lay in state at the church for half an hour preceding the services.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Pearl Johnson, Mrs. Novie Keith, Mrs. Lola Weaver and Mrs. Lynda Arnold, all of Lillington; three sons, Lloyd Johnson of Lillington, Marlie Johnson of Akron, Ohio, and Monroe Johnson of Durham; 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## Coming Home

(Special to The News) Pearl Harbor, T. H.—1st Lt. Arthur L. Wilkins of Angler is one of 3,227 high-point Army veterans whom the Navy is returning to the states for discharge aboard the USS General Sturgis, a troop transport in the Navy's famed "Magic Carpet" fleet. This ship left Yokohama Dec. 23 and was scheduled to arrive in Seattle about Jan. 5.

The General Sturgis served as a troop carrier during the war against Japan. When surrender terms were signed in Tokyo Bay this ship was chosen to transport signers for China, Canada, the Netherlands and U. S. General Hodges to the ceremonies.

N. C. cotton ginners are saving seed for planting this year in a cooperative plan to beat the seed shortage.

## Tax Supervisor Endeavoring To Complete List by Jan. 31

Harnett county's tax supervisor, Berles C. Johnson, is trying hard to gain a complete listing of property by January 31, the deadline set by the County Commissioners before a penalty will be applied for failure to list in time.

The Commissioners have heretofore been extending the time for listing fifteen days, or to February 15, but Supervisor Johnson is hoping this will not be necessary this year. He is urging all property owners to list during January, and the listers in each township are making efforts toward that end.

In the meantime, the supervisor is urging all farmers to prepare their farm census data before they go to the listing place. This farm census is of greater importance than most people seem to realize. It should be

borne in mind, however, that this county gets recognition in due measure with all agricultural department activities of the state and federal government according to the values listed as farming property.

Supervisor Johnson is also insisting that all male persons between the ages of 21 and 60 list for poll taxes. This reminder is given especially for the benefit of those who may not own any property, real or personal, for listing. The penalty for failure to list for poll tax applies to this group as well as to all others subject to the tax.

Reports from some of the listers say that listing is proceeding well, but from others the report is that the work is proceeding rather slowly, but it is expected to be speeded up from this time until January 31.

## Power Co. Fixes Expansion Budget

The board of directors of the Carolina Power & Light Co. on Jan. 9 approved a construction budget for 1946 calling for expenditures totaling \$5,393,366.

The principal item in the budget is a total of more than \$3,000,000 for rural line construction. The company expects this expenditure for rural lines to bring about the addition of approximately 10,000 rural customers. The sum will provide about 2,500 miles of rural lines and will be a continuation of the company's postwar rural expansion program announced last fall. Some work already has been done on rural construction since V-J Day and the release of construction materials, with about 300 miles of rural lines already completed.

Funds also were approved by the directors for the purchase of new automobiles, trucks and buses. The company has had buses on order for several years, but those available were diverted to defense areas. The CP&L has been promised delivery on several buses within the next several months.

The budget as approved, containing nearly 90 different items, also includes funds for high-voltage transmission lines, substations, transformers, substation improvement and enlargement, additional lightning protection equipment and plant improvement. Funds also were approved for the extension of urban lines in towns and cities throughout the system to add about 5,000 new urban customers.

More than the usual amount of additions and improvements to CP&L property and equipment is being provided for during 1946, since construction improvements were at a standstill during the war.

## F. M. Holloway To Open Plumbing Shop

Mr. F. M. Holloway is moving to Lillington from Wilmington and will this week open a plumbing shop in the building occupied by the Fowler Radio Company. Mr. Fowler will move his shop to the new building recently erected next to Stewart's Garage.

Mr. Holloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Holloway of Hector's Creek, has been working in Wilmington for some time. He states that he is anxious to build his home here and enter into the business life of Lillington.

## County's Quota \$4,560 in 'March of Dimes'

Harnett county's quota in the "March of Dimes" drive for funds to combat infantile paralysis has been announced by Dr. Ralph McDonald, state chairman, as \$4,560.

The drive opened Monday morning of this week.

Earl McD. Westbrook of Dunn is county chairman.

## OVER THOUSAND SS BENEFICIARIES IN THIS AREA

REPRESENTS MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN HARNETT, CUMBERLAND, HOKE, ROBESON AND SAMPSON

In the area served by the Fayetteville office of the Social Security Board there were 1,095 monthly old-age and survivors insurance benefits in force at the end of 1945, according to Cecil G. Rollins, manager of the Fayetteville office. This figure represents the number of men, women and children in the counties of Harnett, Cumberland, Hoke, Robeson and Sampson now eligible for monthly old-age and survivors insurance.

"Our estimates indicate an increase of 34.2 per cent over the number of benefits in force at the close of the year 1944," said Mr. Rollins. Recipients of old-age and survivors insurance in these five counties include 185 widows, 568 children, 270 retired wage-earners, 64 wives of retired wage-earners and 7 aged dependent parents.

The field manager explained that when a fully insured wage-earner, who is 65 years old or more, files claim for his monthly old-age insurance benefits, his wife may also claim monthly benefits. If she is 65 years old or when she reaches that age. In addition, each of his children under age 16 (16 if in school) will receive monthly benefits—except that the benefits for the entire family may not be more than twice the amount of the retired wage-earner's own monthly payment.

When an insured worker dies, leaving a widow with minor children, monthly payments of survivors insurance are made to his widow and to his children who are under age 16 (16 if in school). An insured worker's widow who has reached age 65 is eligible for benefits whether or not she has a child in her care.

Where the insured wage-earner dies and leaves no survivors entitled to monthly benefits, a lump sum death payment is made to the widow or widower or children or parents of the deceased. If no one of the above-mentioned relatives is living, a payment covering the burial expenses, up to an amount of six times the primary insurance benefit, will be made to the person who paid such expenses.

One hundred and four lump sum death payments, amounting in all to \$12,397.95, were made in the Fayetteville service area during 1945.

MR. PRINCE HERE

Mr. R. E. Prince, president of the Bank of Fuquay, was here Friday on business.

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## DR. JOE F. MCKAY EMERITUS MEMBER HEALTH BOARD

BOARD IN LETTER TO DR. MCKAY EXPRESSES APPRECIATION OF HIS LONG AND ABLE SERVICES AS MEMBER

The Harnett County Board of Health met Jan. 7 at 3:30 p. m. at the courthouse. The three ex-officio members—Mr. J. B. Emis, Mr. J. O. Sutton, Mr. G. T. Profit—and Dr. W. B. Hunter, Secretary, were present. The three ex-officio members elected public members as follows: Dr. P. G. Parker of Erwin, for a period of four years; Dr. C. D. Bain of Dunn, for a period of three years; Mr. Wilbur R. Adams of Angler, for a period of two years and Mr. W. D. Bruce of Overhill, for a period of one year.

The Board expressed its appreciation of the long and able services of Dr. J. F. McKay of Brit's Creek as a member of the Board of Health and as the founder of the Health Department. In recognition of his outstanding services, Dr. McKay was elected permanent member, emeritus.

The Board sent the following letter to Dr. McKay:

January 11, 1946.

Dear Dr. McKay:

At a meeting of the three ex-officio members of the Harnett County Board of Health, for the purpose of reorganizing the Board, on January 7, 1946, your long and able service on the Board of Health was recognized.

It was brought out that you were the first to advocate a Public Health Department for Harnett county and that you labored for many years to attain this objective.

As a token of appreciation of your leadership in the cause of Public Health in Harnett county, you were elected a permanent member, emeritus, of the Harnett County Board of Health.

It is hoped that you will be able to attend the meetings for many more years and your advice and counsel will always be welcome. Harnett County Board of Health. W. B. Hunter, Secretary.

The next meeting of the Board of Health will be at 9:30 a. m., Monday, Jan. 21, at the county courthouse.

## Pulpwood Receipts Drop Below Level

Total pulpwood receipts by U. S. mills in November 1945 were 287,607 cords less than in October of the same year, according to the latest monthly report just released by the Bureau of Census of the U. S. Department of Commerce. November receipts were 1,247,555 cords.

Mills in the South reported 591,992 cords for November, a slight increase over the receipts of the preceding month's total of 587,741 cords.

Total domestic pulpwood receipts for November, as reported by the nation's mills, were 1,140,018 cords. This compares with receipts of 1,367,623 cords obtained in October 1945 and 1,138,659 cords in November 1944.

Total imports reported by the Census Bureau for November were 107,533 cords, a decline of 60,802 cords from October 1945, and not quite equalling the total of 107,733 cords imported in November 1944.

Mills in the South are in urgent need of more top quality pulpwood now, and are continuing to recruit workers for woodsland mill jobs through the U. S. Employment Service.

## DISCHARGED

Cpl. Dewey W. Fuquay, son of Mrs. Eula Fuquay of 616 Hilleboro street, Raleigh, has been honorably discharged from the Army Air Forces. He entered service in March 1942 and served overseas as a radio operator. The Fuquays formerly lived in Lillington.

## Found

FOUND—On a street in Lillington last Saturday morning, a bill fold containing a sum of money, social security card and other identification cards, photos and other papers.

Mr. Beencie F. Wood of Lillington R-2 found the billfold, brought it to The News office, and it was delivered to its owner, Mrs. Clara Lee Reaffeng, wife of Capt. Harry R. Reaffeng, 409th A-B QM Co., 18th A-B Div., Ft. Bragg. The Reaffengs live in an apartment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bryan.

Mr. Wood was recently discharged from the Service after serving in Europe.