



WAR NEWS

Washington, Feb. 11.—To thwart any Axis grab for the oil wealth of the Dutch West Indies, the United States announced tonight that it had sent troops to the Dutch islands of Aruba and Curacao off the coast of Venezuela.

This follows up the government's action last November in sending troops to Dutch Guiana, on the north coast of South America, to guard the mines producing bauxite, from which aluminum is manufactured.

Tonight's step was taken at a time when the Dutch East Indies, on the other side of the world, are newly menaced by the imminent fall of Singapore, and it was apparent that the United States and the Netherlands wanted to be in a position to repulse any synchronizing stab by Germany at Dutch resources in the Atlantic.

Singapore, Feb. 11.—British authorities ignored a Japanese demand for unconditional surrender tonight as Singapore's troops reeled back on this city under a hurricane of fire by Japanese tanks, bombers, fighters and bayonet-wielding infantrymen.

A Japanese plane dropped the surrender note at 7:30 a. m., addressed to the British commander. Thus far it has not been answered and bitter hand-to-hand fighting by the out-numbered British Imperials continues on the western approaches to Singapore City.

Tonight's communique said: "The enemy drive from the west has been directed on Singapore City and has been pressed with vigor during the night."

"In addition, there has been some infiltration today."

"The enemy's advance has been assisted by tanks and considerable bomber and fighter support and our troops covering the west sector have been forced back further."

"This morning a Japanese note was dropped by air and addressed to the high commander (which) asked for the unconditional surrender of the entire forces in Malaya."

"No reply has been made to this note."

"In the western and northwestern sector bitter fighting continues. In the east of the island enemy activity has been slight."

Moscow, Feb. 11.—Russian ski troops, gliding nine miles behind the German lines under cover of a swirling snowstorm, have captured Makalchi, 25 miles north of Bryansk, and thus hurled another barrier in the pincers drive on Smolensk, the Red army reported tonight.

A strategic communications center in the network between Bryansk and Vyazma, Makalchi is near Zhidra and about 140 miles southeast of Smolensk. The Soviet push up through that sector appeared to be synchronized with the drive on Smolensk from the north where a salient already has reached the Velikie Luki region and is being expanded southward. The white-clad ski legions, at home on the deep snow which immobilized German mechanized equipment, were said to be operating over a wide area, with a particular proficiency at stealing through weak points on the German lines.

Rangoon, Burma, Feb. 11.—Strong Japanese forces have crossed the Salween river above Martaban after apparently seizing that strategic city protecting the approaches to Rangoon, the British high command acknowledged tonight.

The Japanese also were attempting to cross farther upstream at the east bank city of Paan, and a communique said that "the situation, although critical, is believed to be in hand, with our positions still intact."

Still farther north near the juncture of the Thailand-Burma-Indo-Chinese frontiers, the communique said that Chinese troops going into action for the first time repulsed another invasion thrust. Thirty casualties were inflicted and some ammunition abandoned by the invaders, identified as Thailanders, at that point, it was said.

Lifting the curtain on the Martaban conflict at the mouth of the jungle-fringed Salween, the British said heavy casualties were inflicted on the Japanese in the hills east and west of the city, "but Martaban itself now is believed to be in enemy hands."

DEBNAM GETS 2 TO 5 YEARS

IN STATE'S PRISON FOR MANSLAUGHTER

J. M. Dickerson Tenders Plea of Assault With Deadly Weapon and Gets Three Years Probation; Court Ended Thursday Evening

The February term of Franklin Superior Court for criminal cases came to an abrupt end late Thursday evening following the trial of J. M. Dickerson, whose attorneys tendered a plea of assault with deadly weapon and it was accepted. But for this, with the large number of witnesses and speeches, the case would have consumed the balance of the week. Following the submission and the plea Judge Carr sentenced Dickerson to 12 months on the roads, but suspended same upon his paying costs of \$35 and he was placed under parole for three years.

Lorenza Debnam, who had been convicted of manslaughter, was given a sentence of 2 to 5 years in the State Prison. His attorneys gave notice of appeal. Final discharge from probation was ordered by the Court in the cases against Booster Stallings and Frank Green.

The two cases against R. G. Fuller were continued. The Court then adjourned.

Court Changes

The FRANKLIN TIMES was in error the past week in stating that the jury list published was for April Court, they were for March Civil Court.

The error came about by the 1941 Legislature making changes in the time of Courts for Franklin County. At present we have one week Civil in January, one week Criminal in February, one week Civil in March, this year beginning on the 16th, one week Criminal in April, beginning the 6th, and one week Civil in April beginning on the 20th, one week Civil in September, one week Criminal in October and two weeks Civil in November.

Annual Church School of Missions

On Tuesday evening, February 17, and the succeeding Tuesday evening, Feb. 24, at the same hour, the Annual School of Missions will be conducted at the Louisburg Methodist Church immediately following the fellowship supper which will be served at 6:00 o'clock (War Time). The entire church membership, both men as well as women, are urged to participate in this study which the church is sponsoring.

Every family is urged to bring its supper to the church both of these evenings and remain for the study class which will be taught by several excellent instructors. The study is called "The Methodist Meeting House," and is written by Dr. Paul N. Garber, Dean of the Divinity School of Duke University.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Friday Feb. 13:

Friday—Lew Ayres and Lionel Barrymore in "Dr. Kildare's Victory."

Saturday—Charles Starrett in "West of Tombstone" and Frances Langford and Johnny Downs in "All American Co-ed" also Chap. 2 Dick Tracy vs Crime, Inc.

Sunday—Monday—Fredric March and Loretta Young in "Bedtime Story."

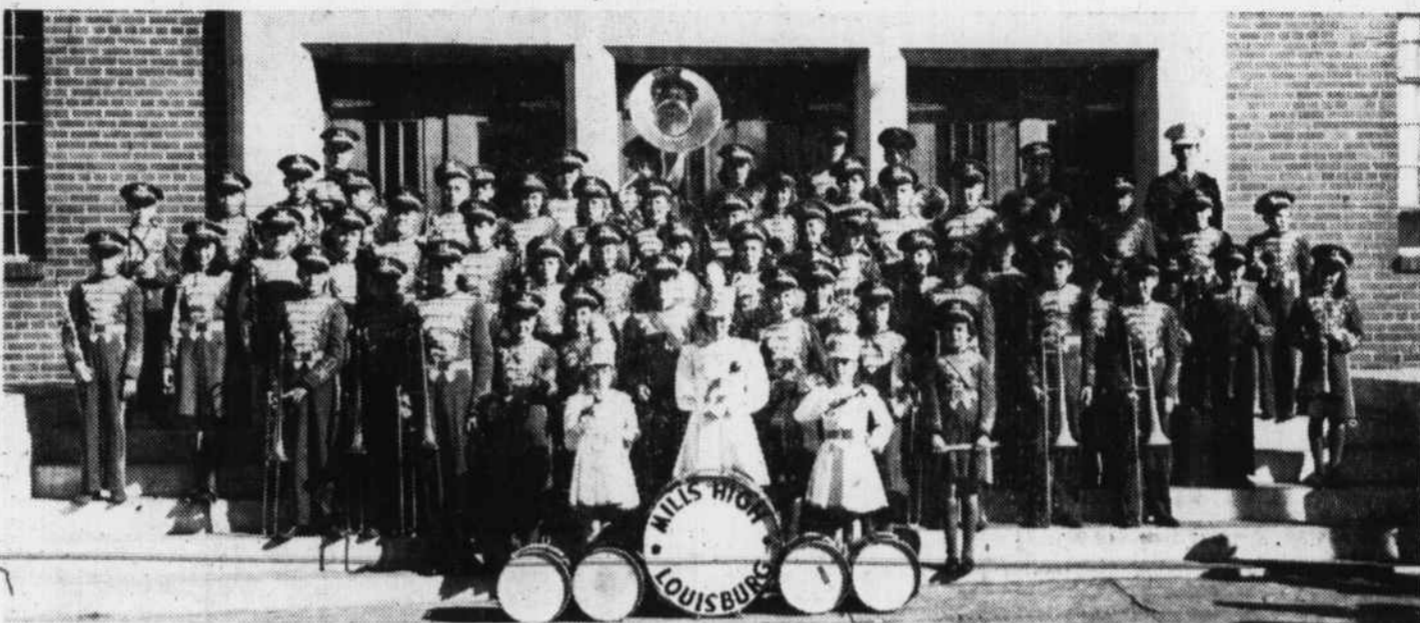
Tuesday—Priscilla Lane, Richard Whorf, Will Osborne and Band, Jimmie Lunceford and Band in "Blue In The Night."

Wednesday—Jeffrey Lynn and Jane Wyman in "The Body Disappears."

Thursday—Tyronne Power and Gene Tierney in "Son of Fury."

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BAND CONCERT



The Mills High School Band, under the direction of James Byerly, will present its first formal concert in Louisburg on Thursday night, Feb. 19, at 8:00 o'clock in the school auditorium.

The Band has played at many public functions during the past year and has paraded several times, both in Henderson and Louisburg. This concert will give the citizens of the town a chance to hear what the Band can do with concert band music. A varied program of marches, overtures, and semi-classical favorites has been arranged. Although the Band numbers 60 members, only 45 will play in the concert. This year's beginners are not sufficiently advanced but it is hoped that they will graduate into the older group in the Spring.

Also included in the program will be several numbers by a very fine girls trio from the High School and several novelty songs by the two young Band Major-ettes.

An admission fee of 30c for adults and 15c for all school students is being charged. The proceeds will go toward paying for the new uniforms. The tickets will be sold by the Band Boosters Club and by the band members themselves.

Bitten By Mad Dog

Little Julian Lewis, small son of Mrs. Harrell J. Lewis, and Robert Ashley, little son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ashley, were bitten by a mad dog while on the streets in Louisburg Saturday. The dog was soon found by Chief of Police Cash and killed and his head was cut off and taken to Raleigh for examination by Mr. Maurice Joyner. The opinion of the State Chemist confirmed the belief that the dog was mad and Julian and Robert are receiving the Pasteur treatment from Dr. W. C. Perry.

It is reported that quite a number of other dogs were bitten by this dog, therefore it will be wise for all persons to keep a strict lookout for all suspiciously acting dogs in order to protect themselves.

Recruiting

The FRANKLIN TIMES is requested to state that on February 16, 17, 18, there will be in your city several Navy Recruiters for the purpose of receiving applications for enlistment in the U. S. Navy.

They will maintain an office in the Post Office Building and will receive applications between the hours of 8:30 A. M. and 4:30 P. M. on those three days.

P. T. A. TO MEET

Mrs. W. J. Cooper, President, announces the next meeting for the Mills P. T. A. will be held at the high school auditorium on Thursday afternoon, February 19th, at 4 o'clock. At this meeting a playlet "How the P. T. A. Came About" will be given by Miss Davis' class. The following subjects will be discussed: "What are the main leisure time problems in our community", by Mrs. Gladys Bailey, and "Constructive use of leisure time" by Mrs. George W. Ford. All are invited to attend.

To aid the war program, 4-H Club members of Sampson County are collecting scrap metal as a club project, reports J. P. Stovall, assistant farm agent.

Draftees Leave For Induction

The following Selective Service Draftees left Friday morning for Fort Bragg for induction in the Armed service of the United States, according to announcement of the local Board:

- Benjamin Curtis Wood, R 2, Spring Hope.
- Fred Ayscue, R 2, Louisburg.
- Rial Omega Parnell, R 2, Franklinton.
- Ballard Edward Pruitt, R 2, Franklinton.
- Johnnie Rabon Medlin, R 2, Zebulon.
- James Hubert Hales, R 2, Zebulon.
- Russell Spencer Raynor, Wood.
- Ronald Errington Biddle, Franklinton.
- Weldon Cooper Leonard, Wood.
- Linwood Harris Gupton, Wood.
- James Howard Perdus, R 1, Louisburg.
- Mack Aycocke, R 1, Castalia.
- Cary Mills-Howard, Louisburg.
- Charlie Richard Tucker, R 3, Louisburg.
- Bennie Brooks Williams, R 2, Zebulon.
- Owen Clifton Denton, R 2, Zebulon.
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- Hollis Calvin Bunn, R 2, Zebulon.
- Trois Lee House, R 4, Louisburg.
- Oscar Eugene Turner, R 1, Louisburg.
- William Albert Tant, R 4, Louisburg.
- Broadus Cameron Denton, R 2, Zebulon.
- LaVerne Gupton, Wood.
- Edward Culom Lancaster, R 3, Louisburg.
- Marvin May Harris, R 2, Louisburg.
- Roger Perry Marshall, R 3, Louisburg.
- Doret Napoleon Poole, R 2, Franklinton.
- John Eley Jenkins, Carolina Beach.
- Frank Graham Jenkins, R 1, Castalia.
- David Williams Parrish, R 3, Louisburg.
- Burt Wester, Louisburg.
- Jasper Milton Pearce, R 1, Youngsville.
- Julian Burnard Gilliam, R 2, Franklinton.
- Sidney Joyner Green, Franklinton.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

NEW REGISTRATION MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1942

The third registration will be held on Monday, February 16, 1942. All men who attained their 20th birthday on or before December 31, 1941, and who have not attained their 45th birthday on February 16, 1942, and have not heretofore registered, must register on February 16, 1942.

The importance of giving correct HOME ADDRESS cannot be stressed too much. The Home Address will determine to what county each card will be sent and registrant will be under the jurisdiction of a Local Board located in that county.

Another important fact to remember is when giving the name and address of the person who will always know your address, DO NOT give name of wife. Give name of a relative or friend.

The white schools will be used as places of registration throughout Franklin County except in Louisburg where the Armory Building will be used, and Youngsville, the Community Building. All registration places will be kept open continuously on that date from 7:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. Registrars have already volunteered their services and the school principals will qualify as Chief Registrars in each place of registration.

This plan has been submitted to State Headquarters of Selective Service and been approved, and it is expected that this new registration will be carried out as smoothly and efficiently as the past two.

ARRANGE FOR DINNER



SEN. L. Y. BALLENTINE

State Senator L. Y. Ballentine, of Wake County, today announced that the organization of 15 counties in the Central North Carolina district for the campaign to raise Democratic funds at Washington birthday dinners on February 21 was "practically complete."

Headline attraction for the Central dinner will be United States Senator Burnet R. Maybank, of South Carolina, who was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of Justice James F. Byrnes to the United States Supreme Court.

Senator and Mrs. Maybank will be house guests of Governor and Mrs. Broughton while in North Carolina for the Central dinner in Raleigh. The Senator will be introduced by Governor Broughton. Mrs. Maybank is a native North Carolinian, having been born in Wilmington and the family is well known in Durham and Goldsboro.

Counties in the Central district are Chatham, Durham, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Johnston, Lee, Nash, Orange, Person, Vance, Warren, Wake and Wilson.

Sen. W. L. Lumpkin has been appointed chairman and will be in charge of arrangement in Franklin County.

Twenty Marines overwhelmed 150 foreign rebels in a revolt in California in November, 1847.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEET

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, Friday, Feb. 6th, at 7:30 P. M.

All members of the Board were present except W. B. Barrow.

The Clerk read a notice to the Board of a District War Time Emergency meeting to be held at Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 11th, 1942. All members of the Board were urged to be present.

The Board voted to accept the contract offered by the Mathieson Alkali Works, Inc., for Liquid Chlorine, and ordered the Mayor to sign the new contract.

Lieutenant Hill Yarborough requested the Board to donate to the Home Guard Unit the total amount of rent paid by the Home Guard Unit for the Armory, to the local Home Guard Unit. A motion was passed granting Lieutenant Yarborough's request.

The Board adopted an Ordinance on Blackouts and Air Raid Protection.

Mr. Beck informed the Board that a serious condition exists at the Power Plant, caused by the damaging of a piston and cylinder on the 375 H. P. Engine.

This damage, in the opinion of Mr. Harkins is possibly caused by a grade of lubricating oil that is too light in weight. After a discussion of the existing emergency the Board passed the following motion: "That the Board purchase sufficient Atlantic Diesel Lubricating Oil or Texas Co. 'Algol' to carry the plant through the present emergency and that the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. Gar-Koyale Vacuum B' lubricating oil that is in use at present moment be analyzed in order to ascertain whether or not it meets with the specifications that the Board contracted for; and that the Chairman of the Light & Water Committee be given the authority to purchase any and all necessary parts with which to replace damaged parts in the 375 H. P. Engine."

The Board approved a number of invoices for payment, after which adjournment was taken.

Dies in Service

Information was received in Louisburg by Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Massenburg, that Lieut. Cargell Massenburg Barnette, of Atlanta, Ga., had died while in service. Lieut. Barnette was graduated from West Point Military Academy in the Spring of 1941. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Barnette, of Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Barnette will be remembered by Louisburg people as Miss Lula Massenburg. He was also a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Massenburg.

GOES TO ATHENS

Mr. W. E. Adams, who has been with the Soil Conservation Service in Franklin County for many years, left Saturday for Athens, Ga., where he has taken a position with the Southern Appalachian Experiment Station. This represents a promotion to Mr. Adams, and while the many friends he has made since coming to Franklin regret his leaving, congratulate him on his promotion and wish for him much success in his new field.

He will be succeeded in the Franklin County work by Mr. Walter O. Lambeth, who comes highly recommended as a most efficient worker.

EDITOR DANIELS SPEAKS

AT FARM AND HOME SHORT COURSE

Held at Louisburg College

Wednesday and Thursday; More Attending This Year; One Hundred Forty-six Receive Certificates; Other Speakers On Program

Editor Josephus Daniels, of the News-Observer, and former Ambassador to Mexico, delighted a large audience at the Farm and Home Short Course at Louisburg College with one of his splendid speeches Wednesday morning. After stating that he was afraid this Country is getting too far away from the soil, he described the relations and the operation of the good neighbor policy in Mexico and classed this policy as one of the brightest spots in this administration's achievements. He expressed the belief that had the American people followed the advice of the late Woodrow Wilson there would have been no second world war. He discussed the Chinese situation paying tribute to them in their struggle for liberty and their Christian leadership, of General Cheung Kai Shek, who owes his Christianity to the education of his father-in-law in North Carolina.

Returning to the subject of farms he says that liberty is in constant touch with the Soil Emphasizing the importance of "vittles" in winning the war and the importance of growing food and feed, declaring "The war is going to be won, and so help us God, the peace that follows. He urged all farmers to dedicate themselves to the task.

The speaker was introduced by Sen. W. L. Lumpkin and the addresses of welcome were made by Mayor W. C. Webb and President Walter Patten.

The meeting was presided over by F. W. Justice, Chairman of the Short Course and Mr. E. H. Malone, Chairman of the Franklin County Civilian Defense Board, delivered certificates of awards to 146 farmers who during 1941 raised at least 75 per cent of their food and feed requirements.

In the afternoon session H. R. Niswonger spoke on the subject of Victory gardens, stressing the need of leaders to carry this program to the 900 farmers in Franklin County who didn't have gardens last year. He advised an increase in small fruits and explained the nutritional value of different varieties. Willie N. Hunter, extension clothing specialist, addressed a meeting of women on "Quick Method of Making a Dress." E. V. Vestal, extension swine specialist, spoke to a meeting of men on "Livestock for Freedom."

Miss Lillie Mae Braxton, home demonstration agent, and W. C. Boyce, county farm agent, had charge of arrangements for the course.

The meeting Thursday was called to order by Mrs. E. M. Carter, Vice Chairman, who presided. At this session splendid addresses were made by W. L. Clevenger, specialist in Manufacturing dairy products, H. W. Taylor, marketing specialist, Miss Mary E. Thomas, food and nutrition specialist, and O. F. McCrary, district agent.

County Agent Boyce and Home Agent Braxton were especially well pleased with the attendance and splendid work done and interest shown by the many who attended.

ON VALENTINE'S DAY...

Remember Uncle Sam, too!

Also Give U. S. DEFENSE BONDS STAMPS