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ITALY SURRENDERS

GEN. EISENHOWER GRANTS MILITARY ARMISTICE

Peace Granted Day That British Invaded

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Sept. 9.—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower today announced the unconditional surrender of Italy in the greatest victory for Allied arms in four years of war.

Italy ordered its armed forces to resist the Nazis if they should try to interfere with the surrender.

General Eisenhower announced he had granted a military armistice—approved by Russia as well as Britain and the United States—to the war-sick, tottering junior Axis partner being chewed by invasion.

'EUROPEAN FORTRESS' CRACKED

Hitler's "European fortress" was cracked, the way was opened for new offensives, the course of World War II immeasurably shortened.

Surrender of Italian armed forces "unconditionally" was made by the Government of Marshal Pietro Badoglio, successor of Benito Mussolini, the architect of Fascism.

Thus the Casablanca "unconditional surrender" ultimatum received its first application.

SIGNED FRIDAY

Eisenhower said that he had granted Italy a military armistice on Sept. 3 and that it was effective "this instant" (12:30 P. M. E. W. T.)

At that hour Eisenhower went to a microphone of the United Nations radio station here and read his statement to the world. Announcing the brilliant news, Eisenhower, who led the Allied triumph in Tunisia and Sicily as well, declared:

"Unconditional" The Italian Government has surrendered its armed forces unconditionally.

"As Allied Commander in Chief, I have granted a military armistice, the terms of which have been approved by the Governments of the United Kingdom, the United States and the Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics. Thus I am acting in the interests of the United Nations.

"The Italian Government has bound itself to abide by these terms without reservation.

Armistice Signed

"The armistice was signed by my representative and the representative of Marshal Badoglio," Eisenhower said.

"Hostilities between the armed forces of the United Nations and those of Italy terminate at once. All Italians who now act to help effect the German aggressors from Italian soil will have the assistance and support of the United Nations."

The truce actually was reached last Friday at Allied advance headquarters in Sicily—the very day that British and Canadian troops swept across Messina Strait to invade the Italian toe—but it was agreed, a special announcement said, "that the armistice should come into force at a moment most favorable to the Allies, and be simultaneously announced by both sides. That moment has now arrived.

"The possibility of a German move to forestall publication of the armistice by the Italian Government was discussed during the negotiations.

"To meet this eventuality, it was agreed that one of the senior Italian military representatives should not return to Rome. He is now in Sicily."

"Further, Marshal Badoglio arranged to send the text of his proclamation to Allied headquarters."

Badoglio issued a proclamation saying the armistice had been requested and granted, and called on all Italian armed forces to "cease all acts of hostility against Anglo-American forces wherever they may be met."

"BACK YOUR BUCK PRIVATE WITH YOUR PRIVATE BUCKS"

The Third War Loan Campaign began yesterday, September 9th. Franklin County's quota is \$327,000.

Mr. G. M. Beam, at great personal sacrifice, has accepted the chairmanship for Franklin and is perfecting his organization. It will be a big job but it is for a great cause, and Franklin County will do it Let everybody help.

E. H. Malone, Chairman, Franklin Civilian Defense Council.

COMMISSIONERS BUY BONDS

DRAW JURY FOR OCTOBER COURT

Youngsville Fire Department Given Donation—

Walter E. Fuller Elected Assistant Farm Agent—Accepts Resignation R. C. Whitfield, As Vice Recorder.

The Board of County Commissioners met in the Commissioners room of the Court House Monday, with the following Commissioners present: J. Z. Terrell, Chairman, Howard Pearce, Percy W. Joyner, T. S. Dean, H. T. Bartholomew.

The following letter was received by the Board: Franklin, N. C., July 25th, 1943. The Board of County Comm.

Gentlemen: Due to the fact that I am leaving the State I herewith tender my resignation as Vice-Judge of the Recorder's Court to become effective Aug. 1st, 1943.

I wish to express my deep appreciation and gratitude for the honor which you bestowed upon me by this appointment. To learn that you responsible thinking citizens who shoulder the great burden of guiding the affairs of our County considered me capable for such an important post was and is gratifying and I am deeply grateful. With kind personal regards, I am Yours very truly, R. C. WHITFIELD.

The above resignation was accepted by the Board. Reports were received from the following and ordered filed: Dr. S. P. Burt, County Health Officer; W. C. Boyce, Farm Agent; Lillie Mae Braxton, Home Dem. Agent; M. J. F. Mitchiner, Supt. Welfare; R. H. Richardson, Supt. County Home; H. H. Price, Negro Farm Agent.

Mr. G. M. Beam appeared before the Board in regard to the Debnam Tract of land situated in Sandy Creek township, owned by K. P. Hill, formerly owned by G. W. Ford, then to Shearin and later to K. P. Hill. The County of Franklin having foreclosed said tract of land for taxes, Mr. G. M. Beam asked that the County make some price on said land whereby Mr. Hill may redeem the land. Motion by Com. Bartholomew and second by Com. Joyner and duly carried that Com. J. Z. Terrell and Com. T. S. Dean investigate the tract of land and make price to Mr. K. P. Hill or his Attorney, Mr. G. M. Beam.

Mr. W. F. Shelton appeared before the Board and asked that if the County had any inactive money that the Commissioners purchase War Bonds with said money. The Commissioners stated that the cause was a good one, but the County did not have any inactive money at this time. They also stated that the County bought all War Bonds they possibly could some time ago. However, each member of the Board bought a person War Bond.

Motion by Com. Pearce, second by Com. Bartholomew that the Youngsville Fire Dept. be given the sum of twenty-five dollars. Motion duly carried by the Board. Motion by Com. Dean, second by Com. Joyner and carried that Mr. G. M. Beam be elected Vice-Recorder Judge.

Motion by Com. Joyner, second by Com. Pearce that Mr. Walter E. Fuller be elected Assistant Farm Agent for Franklin County. Term ending June 30, 1944. The above motion carried.

Dr. S. P. Burt stated that Mr. W. Hall Brooks, Junior Sanitarian, started work with the Franklin County Health Department on August 2nd. During the month he has made visits to 48 private premises, 36 schools, and 16 food handling establishments, investigated eight complaints and held 133 conferences. Traveled 894 miles during the month on inspection and investigation visits.

A jury was drawn by the Board with the assistance of Sheriff J. P. Moore for October Criminal term of Court.

There being no further business and a number of accounts allowed the Board adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

REVIVAL AT SAREPTA

The FRANKLIN TIMES is requested to state that Revival services will begin at Sarepta Methodist Church, Sunday, Sept. 12 Services will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday and each night throughout the week at 8 p. m.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach in the morning on the "Hardening of Pharaoh's Heart." Why and how did God harden Pharaoh's heart will be the questions raised. Does He do the same today? Is Hitler an example of it? In the evening the subject will be, "Elijah, the Man of Prayer."

9:45 a. m. Bible School. 11:00 a. m. Morning worship. 7:00 p. m. B. T. U. 8:00 p. m. Evening worship.

—On Pay Day, Buy Bonds—

THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE

With the opening of the Third War Loan Drive Thursday, G. M. Beam, county chairman of the drive announced that Franklin County Commissioners and county employees had given the drive its initial push by purchasing \$2,700 in War Bonds.

Mr. Beam pointed out this week that the county had a quota of \$327,000, the largest ever, and that it would take a lot of individual effort to put the county over the top.

The War Loan Chairman and Committee will this week name township committees and set quotas for each township. Using the slogan, "Back the Attack," the individual township workers will list every person in their area and see every person to give them the chance to invest in America's future.

The Central Third War Loan Committee is composed of Mr. Beam, Rev. S. E. Mercer, Franklinton, J. L. Brown, Youngsville, D. T. Dickie, Epsom, A. H. Vann, Franklinton, A. E. Henderson, M. C. Murphy, W. F. Shelton, Wiley F. Mitchell, Dr. A. Paul Bagby, Edwin H. Malone, and Mrs. Ben T. Holden.

Chairman Beam and Supt. Wiley F. Mitchell are drawing plans for the full participation of the county school system in the individual solicitation drive of the Third War Loan. Other committee members will plan other features of the local campaign which will be later announced.

Hospital Nearing Completion

Dr. Herbert G. Perry, proprietor of Louisburg's new hospital, announces that his hospital is now about completed. The carpenters have about finished the new addition and the painters are almost through. About the only thing now needed is the placing of the beds which have been shipped and are expected to arrive any day.

At present five rooms have been furnished and are now ready for use and it is expected that the remaining twenty beds will be in place before the end of another week.

Already many are seeking accommodations here rather than to hospitals at a distance. Dr. Perry says he has decided to name the new hospital the Louisburg Hospital, and that he is delighted with the splendid reception this new institution is being accorded. Also that he will see that no effort or expense will be spared to make the Louisburg Hospital, though small in the beginning, one of the best in the State.

DISCONTINUANCE OF SILK AND HOSERY CAMPAIGN

G. M. Beam, chairman of the Salvage Committee, announces that after September 30th, the gathering of silk and nylon hose will be discontinued. All persons having old silk and nylon stockings should immediately take them to local stores in order that these stores can make their shipment by the 30th.

The director of salvage says: "The appeal has brought one of the greatest public responses thus far given to any Government-sponsored campaign of volunteer contributions to aid war production. A total of over 46,000,000 pairs of stockings, weighing more than 2,300,000 pounds, has already been collected, and September collections are expected to swell the amount substantially."

All silk and nylon hose collected has been used in the manufacture of power bags, parachutes and other war equipment. The only reason for calling off this campaign is that the proportion of silk and nylon to the total poundage collected is on a declining scale, due largely to the fact that little or no hose of silk or nylon has been manufactured for the past several months.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

"Ladders which reach to Heaven" is the sermon subject for the 11:00 o'clock service Sunday morning.

"Central Certainties," is the subject for the evening message at 8:00 o'clock.

Church School meets at 9:45 a. m., led by Prof. I. D. Moon. The Methodist Youth Fellowship meets at 7:15 p. m. You are welcomed to these services.

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MR. C. A. RAGLAND who died at his home in Louisburg early Sunday morning.

C. A. RAGLAND DEAD

Formerly Prominent Highway Contractor and Builder; Passes Early Sunday, Buried Monday Afternoon

The announcement of the death of Mr. Chester A. Ragland Sunday morning was received with much surprise and regret from his many friends. While he had not enjoyed good health for several years, he was not considered in any immediate danger. He visited his son in Littleton on Saturday and retired in his usual health. He suffered an attack later and the end came around 10 o'clock Sunday morning. He was 57 years of age, being born in Granville County, on April 12, 1886, and is survived by his wife, the former Eva Adeock; four sons, C. A. Ragland, Jr., of Louisburg, George G. Ragland, of Littleton, William W. Ragland, of Edenton, and Jimmy Ragland, of Louisburg; two sisters, Mrs. Gypsy R. Hawkins, of Jacksonville, Ala., and Mrs. Jewel R. Burch, of Raleigh; two brothers, H. Grady Ragland, of Wilmington, and O. K. Ragland, of Baltimore, Md.; and four grandchildren.

Mr. Ragland came to Louisburg around 1917 and was a member of the contracting firm that built the paved streets in Louisburg. He has been active in the town's civic activities since. For many years he was among the State's most prominent and successful highway contractors and builders. One of his last contracts was the construction of the larger portion of the new Raleigh-Louisburg highway No. 59.

Mr. Ragland was a member of the Louisburg Baptist Church, Louisburg Masonic Lodge, a Shriner and a member of the Weldon Lodge of K. of P.

Funeral services were held from the home Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by Rev. A. Paul Bagby, pastor of the Louisburg Baptist Church and Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church, and interment was made at Oakwood Cemetery.

The pall bearers were as follows: Active—P. W. Elam, W. B. Barrow, J. R. Allen, H. T. Bartholomew, Hill Yarborough, E. H. Malone, Dr. J. B. Wheelless and I. P. Wheeler. Honorary—Sheriff John P. Moore, S. C. Foy, Medlin, O. Y. Yarborough, W. G. Lancaster, G. W. Murphy, D. F. McKinne, A. E. Henderson, W. D. Egerton, Lt. B. H. Browning, of Littleton, A. J. Watkins, of Henderson, T. W. Chandler, Jim Battershill, of Virginia, J. M. Gregory, A. E. Finley, of Raleigh.

Large numbers of friends attended both service and the floral tribute was especially large and beautiful, speaking a silent, but impressive, love and respect for the deceased.

ENTERTAINS FOR GIRLS ENTERING COLLEGE

On Friday afternoon, Misses Nancy Griffin and Talmadge Thomas entertained at two tables of bridge for the following girls who enter college this fall: Misses Evelyn Smithwick, Jane Moon, Martha Ann Strowd and Imogene Phillips, who will attend the N. C. College for Women at Greensboro, Misses Virginia Howard and Betsy Cobb, who will enter Greensboro College for Women, Miss Helen Welch Tucker, who will enter Hollins, and Miss Betsy Blue Person, who will attend Louisburg College.

MILLS SCHOOL TO HOLD P. T. A. MEETING

The P. T. A. of Mills School will hold the first meeting of the school year of 1943-44 in the school auditorium. Thursday, Sept. 16th, at 3:30.

LIONS TO MEET

The Louisburg Lions Club will meet at Mrs. Beasley's Dining Room Tuesday, September 14, 1943 at 7:00 p. m. As this meeting will start the 100% attendance contest for the coming year, all members are urged to be present.

SEVENTEEN NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS IN ALMANACE COUNTY RECENTLY MADE PLANS IN COOPERATION WITH COUNTY AGENT FOR AN INCREASED ACREAGE OF SMALL GRAINS.

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MARKET ALL READY

For the Sale of The 1943 Crop

Three Big Warehouses All Put in Ship Shape, Buyers Are Here or Will Be—The First Load Arrived Wednesday at the Southside

With the first load of tobacco from the 1943 crop arriving at the Southside Warehouse in Louisburg for the opening sale on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from Wilson County; the activity for the opening on Monday morning became more alive and enthusiastic.

During the summer, changes were made in the personnel of two of the warehouses although that of the Market as a whole will remain about the same. Many improvements have been made to the houses, among which are more and better outside driveways to better accommodate loading and unloading.

A full corps of buyers have been assigned to this market this season. Many of these are already on the scene and the others are expected to be on hand for the opening sale on Monday morning. Splendid auctioneers have been secured and are "rearing to go" with the sales.

Each of the warehouses have secured splendid personnel for the accommodations of the many growers who will visit this market this season, each of whom are well experienced in their several positions, and well known to the growers of this section.

The Union is the only warehouse that will be operated by the same personnel this season. It will be operated again by Messrs. Grover Harris and Numa Freeman.

The Southside changes and will be operated this year by Messrs. Charlie Ford, John Williamson, Ben Wood and Tom Wilson.

The Planters is the other change, and will be operated by Messrs. Arch Wilson, Sterling Cottrell and Bryant Cottrell.

Each of Louisburg's civic organizations and all business men and houses are joining in close cooperation to make it especially advantageous to growers to sell at Louisburg, not only in getting the best of prices, but also in getting the best of bargains for what they have to buy.

Get your tobacco ready and bring it on to Louisburg, the Friendly Market, and then continue to sell where your interests will always be respected.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Morning service will be held at St. Paul's Sunday, beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. The Rev. Mr. Parsley from Durham will be the speaker.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 and will last for one hour. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

ENTERTAINS

On Friday evening the following members of the local high school faculty entertained in honor of the new members of the faculty school board, the principal and superintendent: Mrs. Hugh Hayes Perry, Mrs. Arthur B. Inscow, Mrs. Alice J. Uzzell, Miss Helen Smithwick, Miss Alberta Davis, Miss Vivian Lucas, Mrs. Harrell J. Lewis, Mrs. Gladys Beam Bailey, Mrs. W. D. Jackson, Mrs. Don J. Dorey, Miss Gertrude Winston, and Miss Marjorie Gardner.

The reception was given at the home of Mrs. Gaither M. Beam. Mrs. A. B. Inscow greeted guests at the front door and Mrs. Gladys Bailey introduced them to the receiving line comprising of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Jernigan, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley F. Mitchell, Mrs. W. J. Cooper, Arthur W. George, W. B. Tucker, Mrs. A. B. Perry, Miss Louisa Jarman, Miss Mattie McGinnis, Miss Eugenia Boyd, Miss Ruth Jenkins.

Miss Gertrude Winston directed callers to the guest log presided over by Miss Helen Smithwick and Miss Alberta Davis. Miss Vivian Lucas invited guests into the dining room which was lighted by tall white tapers in crystal holders. Mrs. Alice J. Uzzell and Mrs. Harrell J. Lewis poured punch which was served by Miss Marjorie Gardner and Mrs. Don J. Dorey. Mrs. Hugh Perry directed guests into the hall, and good-byes were said by Mrs. W. D. Jackson. Approximately a hundred patrons of the school called.

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