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## OLIVER GETS 3 TO 5 YEARS

TERM CLOSED SATURDAY

Number of Cases Settled, Several Placed On Probation; One Notice Of Appeal

The regular October term of Franklin Superior Court came to a close on Saturday afternoon. Since our last report cases were disposed of as follows:

Carlton Oliver was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and was given two to five years in State prison, and also guilty of temporary larceny of automobile with use of fire arms, and was given three to five years in State prison, sentences to run concurrently.

Jasper Ferguson plead guilty to a charge of secret assault, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill and was given 12 months on road, suspended upon payment of cost and placed on probation for 3 years.

Edward Crupud plead guilty of larceny from person, and was given 12 months on roads, suspended upon payment of costs and placed on probation for 3 years, and to make restitution to Willie Perry in the sum of \$13.

Eugene Denton was found guilty of crime against nature, and was given 5 years in State prison. Notice of appeal.

Zollie Medlin plead guilty to operating automobile intoxicated and given 6 months on roads, and pay a fine of \$50 and costs, suspended for two years upon condition that he remain of good behavior and law abiding for said period and revoked his drivers license.

Zollie Medlin plead guilty to operating automobile intoxicated and was given 6 months on roads and fined \$50. Road sentence to be suspended upon condition that he be law abiding and of good behavior for a period of 12 months and pay costs, drivers license to be revoked for 12 months.

In a later order of the Judge, Medlin was ordered to save the County harmless, in paying costs.

## Franklin County War Fund Drive

A. Paul Bagby and W. B. Barrow, Co-Chairmen of the Franklin County War Fund Drive announce that this drive for funds will be put on the week of November 8th. Franklin County has a goal of \$8,000.00 to be raised for the Seventeen Agencies which have been selected by our Government as worthy of the hearty support of all the American people.

The goal for the County at large is \$125,000.00. The U. S. O. Chinese Relief, Greek Relief, Prisoners of War are among the causes which will be cared for in this giving. The Boys' Scout work of Franklin County is also included. It is a case of one appeal for many worthy objects instead of many appeals for each. Franklin County never fails to answer.

Messrs. Bagby and Barrow state that the County has been well organized so far as both its white and colored citizens are concerned. Amounts have been apportioned to the different districts, and outstanding citizens have assumed the responsibility of soliciting these districts. Next week names of these leaders will be published along with the goals to be reached. Great giving will have to be done. But who is not glad to give at an hour like this? Think it through.

The J. E. Cansler herd of polled Herefords at Lincolnton has been supplied with a surplus of feed, both pasture and winter feed.

## PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, Oct. 23rd:

Saturday—Gene Autry and Smiley Burnette in 'South of the Border' and Eddie Albert, Lupe Velez and Patsy Kelly in 'Ladies Day.'

Sunday-Monday—Deanna Durbin and Joseph Cotten in 'Here to Hold.'

Tuesday—Ray Milland and Madeleine Carroll in 'Forever and a Day.' Also 1st chapter of new serial 'The Batman.'

Wednesday—John Craven and Dorothy Morris in 'Someone To Remember.'

Thursday-Friday—Kay Kyser and Ban. Count Basie and Band, Guy Lombardo and Band, Xavier Cugat and Band, Freddie Martin and Band, Bergen and McCarthy and 50 famous stars in 'Stage Door Canteen.'

## Establishes New Membership Record

During the past few days the James Post of the American Legion staged a big membership drive for the 1944 enrollment.

Led by Commander Weldon Egerton, the Go-Getters of the Post smashed through to an all time record for membership, with a total of 94 members as of Oct. 19th. Again our Post has qualified for the National Department's Most Distinguished Service Citation. Last year with a membership of 88 the Post boasted of its largest membership since 1922, when it had 76 members. They are now wondering how far past 100 members it will go this year.

Eighteen New Members The Post is proud to have with them this year the following 18 men whom they did not have in their Post last year: Clyde Collier, Colonel William T. Wilder, George Foster, William B. Wheeler, J. C. Daniels, Joe Radford, Mark White, Bennie M. Gupion, Joseph E. Jeffreys, John Stovall, Walter Breedlove, Ernest J. Wheeler, Ed Harris, Joseph Driver, Roger Collins, Dick Layton.

Two of these men looked far to find a real live Post with which to affiliate. Colonel William T. Wilder lives at St. Paul, Minnesota, and Mark White, late of Glasgow, Scotland, now resides in Washington, D. C. We congratulate these two members on their good judgment and rare selective ability.

Ten Junior Legionnaires

And the Post is real down right proud that they have the following Junior members, who are recent graduates of World War II: John O. Neal, Joe Tonkel, Harvey B. Edwards, Edward Leigh Best, Bobby Winn, Billy White, Glenn Davis, Joe Mann Wheeler, Kenneth (Pat) Askew, Willis N. Fuller.

Welcome boys;—the frying pan and K. P. duty is yours from now on. That is if you live through your initiations next Armistice Day.

Commander Egerton wishes to thank every holder of a 1944 membership card for his part in building our biggest Post, and to urge every veteran of World Wars I and II to send his dues NOW, if he has not joined up for 1944. LET'S KEEP ROLLING ALONG!

## Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court held sessions two days the past week. On Tuesday the regular docket was taken up and on Wednesday jury cases were called. The disposition of the cases were as follows:

A nolle pros with leave was taken in the case of assault with deadly weapon against Chick Murray. Also the same entry was made in a like case against Hattie Murray.

Willie Gray Dunston plead guilty to carrying concealed weapon and was fined \$50 and costs.

Claude Loyd plead guilty to abandonment and non support, and was given 6 months on roads, suspended upon payment to Mrs. Claude Loyd \$250.00 cash and \$150.00 on or before Jan. 1, 1944.

Norman Perry plead guilty to unlawful possession of whiskey, and was given 4 months on roads, suspended upon payment of \$100 and costs, ordered that car be released to defendant.

Norbert J. Vollmer plead guilty to speeding and was fined \$5 and costs.

A nolle pros with leave was taken in the case of assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill against Early Stone.

The following cases were continued:

Lee Burnette, oal.

Tyre Lancaster, assault with deadly weapon in two cases.

Genie Arrington, reckless driving.

Graham S. Ball, reckless driving.

Walter A. McCrosky, operating automobile intoxicated.

Edwin Jones was found not guilty of operating automobile intoxicated, by a jury.

Chester Arthur Ragland, oal, mvv, upw, continued.

## NO MORE HOURS FOR SERVICE STATIONS

Raleigh, Oct. 18.—Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh district OPA director, said today that the Petroleum Administration for War had removed the regulation of service station hours of operation. However, Johnson said, the PAW has asked that service station operators to meet with other dealers in their areas and establish local limitations upon hours of operation by voluntary agreement.

Prospective Landlady—How do you like the room as a whole? Prospective Tenant—As a hole it's fine, as a room, not so good.

## PROMOTED



Lieutenant Richard Penner Yarborough has notified his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough of his promotion, (Oct. 1.) to Lieutenant.

On December 19th, 1941, Lieutenant Yarborough graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, winning the award for greatest improvement in rated average mark for the course over that of fourth class year.

He was at once assigned, as Ensign, to duty with the Pacific Fleet.

Less than ten months he was promoted to Lieutenant (jg.).

In the Pacific war zone 16 months, he arrived home April 31, for his first leave, soon returning to the Pacific Fleet, where he is now on duty.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD SECOND MEETING

(Myrtle Mitchell, Reporter)

The Franklin County Unit of the North Carolina Education Association, joined by the Franklin County City unit, held its second meeting of the current school year on Wednesday evening in Youngsville at the community building. This was a supper meeting of an instructional nature. Nathan Yelton, comptroller of the State Board of Education, was the main speaker. He reminded the teachers that now was the most opportune time for the best of service and also cited figures showing the improvement of teachers' salaries and the vastness of the school program.

A panel discussion of improvements to be made in classroom instruction was conducted by E. C. Jernigan of Mills School, D. J. Dark of Epsom, and O. G. Thompson of Bunn. Many valuable suggestions were given by local teachers: English—Eugenia Boyd, Mills; Primary faults—Edith Powell, Bunn; Phonics and fundamental arithmetic facts—Vivian Lucas, Mills; Making high school mathematics interesting—Virginia Jourigan, Bunn; Student participation in the social sciences—Gladys Bailey, Mills; Home economics more than "cooking" and "sewing"—Myrtle Mitchell, Bunn; A scheme in elementary geography—Alberta Davis, Mills; and language improvements through dictionary habit—Lallie Joyner, Epsom. As a result of these "brass tacks" suggestions the group voted its hearty disapproval of the present elementary geography text and the freshman high school mathematics text. Dr. L. M. Massey, representative from this district of the State Board of Education, suggested that the teachers recommend to the board the adoption of better texts.

The entire group voted by acclamation that Mr. Yelton be released from his army assignment and be allowed to remain comptroller in the new educational system.

## FREE MAIL FOR LOST RATION BOOKS

Raleigh, Oct. 18.—If you find a lost OPA ration book—owner is just as near, as the nearest mail box.

Here's all you do to return it to the owner:

Drop any found ration book into the mails without wrapper or postage and the postoffice will deliver the lost book to the owner whose name appears on the cover.

The postoffice will collect a five-cent "postage due" charge from the owner. If the owner cannot be found, the postoffice will deliver the book to the nearest war price and rationing board, Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh District OPA director, said today.

## COTTON GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 4,509 bales of cotton were ginned in Franklin County from the crop of 1943 prior to Oct. 1st, as compared with 3,586 bales for the crop of 1942.

## Tobacco Selling Good

MUCH GOLDEN WEED SOLD HERE

Warehousemen Report Great Satisfaction And Many Growers Coming "Back Home to Sell Their Crop With Home Folks"

With Warehousemen reporting large sales and great satisfaction with large numbers of growers coming "Back Home to Sell their Crops with Home Folks," it is gratifying to note that most of the talk about tobacco being off in price is mostly talk. It is true a few grades are off slightly, but they are still selling well and the inclination of better tobacco are slated for advances. The demand for all grades is strong and our splendid corps of buyers and lively at the sale.

Louisburg is your Friendly Market and invites you to come and sell with us and the business men assure you the best of everything you need for the money.

## Joe Barrow Champion

For 1943 of Green Hill Country Club—Ernest Thomas Wins In Second Flight

The finals for the 1943 Championship of Green Hill Country Club were played last week. Joe Barrow defeated Leonard Henderson 4 and 3 in a match that began on even terms. Both golfers were slow getting started and the first round ended with Joe 2 up. Although behind, Henderson didn't give up and it took the par golf which Joe was playing on the second round to defeat him.

In the second flight Ernest Thomas defeated William Barrow, Sr. 3 and 2. Thomas, playing an unusually good game, took the lead from the beginning and, in spite of the determined efforts of Barrow, never surrendered it. On the fourteenth hole it looked as if Barrow might come to the front when Thomas made a bad drive, but his second shot was on the green and he sank for a birdie, taking the hole.

The caddies for these matches did exceptionally good work. Harry Hill, Jr., for Joe Barrow, and Walter Ward for Thomas.

## LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

On next Sunday at the 11 o'clock hour the pastor will talk on the subject of "True Investment," and hopes that a ready hearing will be given.

In the evening at 7:30 o'clock a recognition service for Rev. Mr. Cobey will be had at the Methodist Church. Welcomes will be given Mr. Cobey, and he himself will speak to us in turn. The public is urged to be present for this happy occasion.

9:45 A. M. Bible School.  
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.  
6:45 P. M. B. T. U.  
7:30 P. M. Worship at Methodist Church.

## G. E. EMPLOYS 72,000 WOMEN

Schenectady, Oct. 16.—General Electric and its affiliated companies at present have approximately 72,000 or 38 per cent women in its employ, four times the number before the war, a statement issued by the company today revealed. This number is equivalent to the total number of all employees of the company in 1939. Two of its apparatus plants have passed the 50 per cent mark in female employees, one which is engaged in the manufacture of electric meters and aircraft instruments now employing 56 per cent women.

Employees now total approximately 192,000, which is two and one-half times the total in 1939. At present approximately 36,000 employees are in the armed services.

## CUB SCOUTS TO MEET

The monthly Pack meeting of the Cub Scouts will be held Monday, October 25th at 7:00 p. m. in the Scout Room at Mills School. All Cub Scouts and their parents are urged to be present.

W. D. Egerton, Cub Master.

Reporter (to hotel porter, referring to a titled guest)—And is the prince incognito? Hotel Porter—Well, no sir; I don't know as I'd say that. But he's certainly had a few.

## George Murphy Improving

ACCIDENTLY SHOT IN FOREHEAD FRIDAY

Given First Treatment At Louisburg Hospital Then Taken to Park View at Rocky Mount; Condition Serious.

It was delightful information received in Louisburg yesterday morning when it was learned that George Murphy, III, 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murphy, Jr., who suffered a very serious accident on Friday evening of last week, when he was accidentally shot in the forehead with a 22 rifle, near his home on North Main Street, was beginning to show improvement indicating his possible early recovery.

The boy had apparently left home with a .22 calibre rifle for a walk in the woods near his home. His unconscious body was found near a fence and apparently he had tried to climb over the fence. The youth was found by a neighbor about 6 P. M.

The gun had apparently been discharged while he was climbing the fence. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murphy, carried the boy to Dr. Herbert Perry's hospital here. Dr. Perry said the .22 bullet had entered the forehead, ranged downward back of the nose, had been deflected and came out the top of his head. The bullet passed through the brain and fractured his skull.

He was taken to Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount that night.

Deepest sympathy is extended the family and friends.

## Attend Battalion Ball

On Friday night of last week the local unit of the State Guard, Company 8, was one of the guest companies at a battalion ball for the Companies of the 3rd Battalion held in the 13th Company's Armory in Durham.

The blending of the decorations with the men's uniforms and the ladies' evening dresses made a very beautiful site on the dance floor. Everyone enjoyed the entire evening with the music of Jimmie Fuller's Band from Durham.

Those attending from Company 8, were as follows:

Lt. and Mrs. R. Lee Johnson, Sgt. and Mrs. Jas. A. Johnson, Sgt. Lee H. Bell and daughter, Miss May Bell, Cpl. and Mrs. J. A. Pearce, Pvt. and Mrs. James D. White, Pvt. John Perry and Mrs. Percy Ingram, Jr., Pvt. R. C. Dickerson and Miss Betty Blue Person, Pvt. Tom V. Bass and Miss Mary Frances Boone, Pvt. Joe Sherron and Miss Maxine Bailey, Pvt. Morris Ball and Miss Estelle Denton, Pvt. Guy Griffin and Miss Mervine Cooke, Cpl. R. E. Ferguson, and Privates T. K. Arnold, Jr., Clarence Gilliam, Clifford Gilliam, Joe Joyner, Frank Reavis, Willie Robertson, Howard Baggett, Joe Dennis, Gerald Bunn, Leharold Bunn, M. L. Robertson, Cratemon Mullen, John Finch, Ben Layton, Jr., Sol C. Hunt.

## LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

A "Welcome Service" will be held at the Methodist Church, Sunday night at 7:30 in honor of The Rev. Harry S. Cobey, Rector of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church. This will be a Union Service in which the three churches will participate.

The pastor, Rev. Forrest D. Hedden will preach at 11:00. Sunday School convenes at 9:45.

The Youth groups meet at 6:45. You are welcomed to these services.

## S. T. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The first early communion service since Rev. H. S. Cobey has been in charge of St. Paul's Church will be held this Sunday morning at eight o'clock. This is a half hour service of worship held in the quiet and freshness of early morning. An excellent way to begin the Lord's Day is to attend the early communion.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:45. Morning Prayer and sermon at eleven a. m. The subject of the sermon will be the General Convention of the Episcopal Church. This convention for the entire church is held once in three years and has just completed its 1943 session in Cleveland, Ohio.

The Young People's Service League will be held in the home of Mrs. Robert Smithwick Sunday evening as usual.

## WAR NEWS

London, Thursday, Oct. 21.—Moscow dispatches said today that a large-scale German evacuation of the Crimea was under way as the Russians raced to outflank the peninsula from the north and tore at the last thin protective shell from the east.

Reuters said that information brought back to Moscow through the German lines indicated that Nazi divisions garrisoned in the Crimea were fleeing through the last railroad open to them, via the Perekop land bridge.

Russians March On The Germans were desperately piling reserves and bombers into the Dnieper River bend to the north but the Russians, already west of the Crimea, sent spearheads six miles further on, killing 1,500 Nazis and reached down a railway to within 35 miles of a major objective—Kriovoi Rog, key railway junction and iron mine center.

These gains, reported by the Moscow midnight communique and recorded by the Soviet monitor, appeared aimed at trapping the Germans defending the Dnieper bulge. Soviet success here would make the Crimea untenable for the Nazis.

In addition, the Russians cleaned out new districts of Melitopol, east of the Crimea, where for more than a week the Germans have waged desperate defensive war. Beyond Melitopol lay miles of flat, virtually undefensible steppe and the Crimea.

If the Dnieper bend battle, where the Nazis faced their greatest debacle since Stalingrad, Germans were hurriedly swung from other sectors to meet the Russians pouring through a major break in the front south of Kremenchug. One spearhead swept into Zhelytye-Vody where guns and stores were captured.

This town is on the railroad leading south from Pyatikharka, captured yesterday, and is 49 miles south of Kremenchug. The line leads directly to Kriovoi Rog, the capture of which would seal the last railroad exit for the German divisions in the great bend of the river between Kremenchug and Zaporozhe.

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Oct. 20.—In the uplight of moods and venting their wrath on the Italian civilian population, the Germans fell back from the scorched Volturno valley today to a new mountain line along the Massico ridge after being threatened by a swift American advance of five miles on their left flank.

Reconnaissance showed heavy concentrations of German troops on the high ground north of Liberi, itself five miles north of the Volturno, and a major battle may be developed there by a Nazi counter-attack, said a dispatch by Reiman Morin, Associated Press correspondent on the Fifth Army front.

As American and British troops swept across the fertile Mazzoni plain north of the Volturno, they found not only the most dreadful devastation yet encountered in southern front operations, but many slain civilians as well.

Strong Nazi Defenses In addition to blowing up roads and railways and destroying everything that might be of value to the Allies, the Nazis fired farm houses and haystacks to provide smoke screens for their withdrawal and slaughtered all livestock, official reports from Fifth Army headquarters said.

Allied Headquarters in the Southwest Pacific, Thursday, Oct. 21.—Several thousand troops are locked in bitter fighting along the Song River north of Finschhafen, New Guinea, where the Japanese are attempting to cut through elements of the Australian Ninth Division to the sea to join other enemy troops.

These Australians, famed heroes of El Alamein in Egypt and the October 2 captors of Finschhafen, killed more than 200 Japanese Tuesday in repulsing a series of fierce attacks but a headquarters spokesman said today the enemy has made some progress toward the mouth of the Song River.

It was the second straight day on which the spokesman told of progress by Japanese forces moving out of Sattelberg, 15 miles northwest of Finschhafen.

Tuesday morning, the enemy airforce made an ineffective attempt to support the ground units. Fourteen planes dropped 86 bombs in advance of their attacking troops without causing damage or casualties.

Growers should make application and list their fertilizer needs with manufacturers this fall.

## PRENTISS M. BROWN RESIGNS

The news broadcasts at 2:30 yesterday gave out the announcement that Prentiss M. Brown, OPA boss had resigned. It stated that the resignation had been verified by the White House.

## WAR SURPLUSES AND CIVILIAN GOODS

Babson Says Excess Army And Navy Supplies May Present a Problem

By ROGER W. BABSON

Babson Park, Mass., Oct. 22.—At the end of World War I the Government held a bag containing \$5,000,000,000 worth of goods of every kind and description.

We all remember the so-called "Army and Navy Stores" which for more than twenty years disposed of a portion of these goods. Undoubtedly they were a nuisance to old-line established retail stores. These Army and Navy Stores seemed to have a never-ending inventory.

UNFAIR COMPETITION The great bulk of the \$5,000,000,000 surplus was bought up by mail-order houses and speculators at private sales or at auctions. Through catalogues and low-rent stores these goods were then re-sold to the general public at considerably less than retail prices for similar goods. It took from one war to another to clean out Army and Navy inventories of these materials. Few, if any, of them were adapted to the needs of World War II. Probably little of the surplus which remains at the end of this War will be retained by the Army and Navy.

Hence, the Government will be faced with another great problem of disposal. World War I excess supplies brought about 35 cents on the dollar cost. I should judge that the Government will take another loss and this time a greater loss because of the larger quantity involved. Such losses, however, are all a legitimate charge against the cost of running a war. Washington should not be criticized for disposing of these goods at cut rates. However, steps should be taken to protect existing retailers from unfair competition.

EFFECT UPON RETAILERS It is estimated that when World War II ends the surplus goods and materials owned by the Army and Navy will have a value of at least five-times that of the "odds and ends" which existed at the close of World War I. This means some \$25,000,000,000 worth of items. Consumers, wholesalers, jobbers, manufacturers, mail-order houses and retailers are all vitally concerned in this. To some groups it means good business. To others, and particularly to retailers, the effect may be bad. Obviously, these materials should not be dumped upon the market hastily.

Legislation is already proposed, calling for a study as to ways and means by which these surplus goods may best be disposed of. Some Representatives want the entire matter placed under the control of the Budget Bureau. Others seek to establish a custodian of surplus property. I strongly advise that retailers band together and insist that their consumers goods markets remain free from any unfair competition which in the end would hurt consumers as well. Congressmen ought to be fairly busy with this!

CURRENT SITUATION Already the Army is releasing certain consumer items. These include clothing, shoes, kitchen utensils and certain supplies which now have no direct military value. The Army has more of these kinds of goods on hand for current sale than does the Navy. Sales by the Navy, for the present at least, are being confined to raw materials, scrap and machinery. All these articles are first offered to other Government Agencies. If these Agencies are not interested, the goods are then sold through the Procurement Division of the Treasury. Manufacturers, as well as retailers, may be interested in securing lists of what is now available from Procurement Division Offices in Boston, New York, Atlanta, Washington, Cincinnati and Fort Worth. Most of the Army sales are made upon a negotiated basis; but the Navy usually insists upon sealed bids.

In certain instances the W. P. B. has allocated Navy surpluses to manufacturers who are in need of them. Any manufacturer engaged in war production who is presently cramped for machinery and supplies of raw materials might do well to contact W. P. B. regional offices to see what is on hand. Prices have been running

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