

Town And Farm In Wartime

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NORTH CAROLINIANS TO ANSWER ROLL CALL

On the farm production front, the Department of Agriculture, in a roll call to be held from March 1 to 20, will call on all North Carolina rural women to pledge every family to produce as much of the home food supply as possible. A good part of farm people, especially in "one-crop" areas, either raise only a small part of their own garden supply, or do not raise a sufficient variety of fresh vegetables to give a well-balanced diet. With canned foods limited, it is essential to improve the diet and health of rural families through home gardens.

HOW TO "SPEND" POINTS

Here's a way to spread your "spending" as evenly as possible over the full month of March, says the State OPA, so you won't run short toward the end of the month—divide March into four shopping periods—March 1 through 8 (eight days), March 9 through 16 (eight days), March 17 through 23 (seven days), March 24 through 31 (eight days).

If the 48-point-per-person allotment is used evenly over these periods, the rate of spending in each period by families of from two to eight persons works out in 12-point multiples. For two in the family, spend 24 points per shopping period, for three, 36 points, four 48, and so on.

DAVIS TO BROADCAST

Elmer Davis, Director of the Office of War Information, will begin a series of weekly 15-minute broadcasts on Friday evening, March 12. The series will be broadcast over NBC, CBS and blue networks each Friday evening from 10:45 to 11:00 P. M., Eastern War Time. They will be re-broadcast each Saturday at 4:00 p. m. over the network of the Mutual Broadcasting Company.

CEILING PRICES ON PORK AFTER APRIL 1

On April 1, 1943, ceiling prices will be fixed on all retail sales of fresh and processed pork. Bigger markups are allowed to independent stores doing less than \$250,000 a year than are allowed to large stores and chains. The maximum prices for five products are: sliced bacon (dermed, smoked) grade A, 48 and 46 cents per pound; skinned, smoked ham, center slices, 61 and 58 cents; skinned, smoked whole ham, 41 and 40 cents; center cut pork chops (fresh or frozen pork loins) 43 and 41 cents; and salt pork (dry salt bellies), fresh, cured or frozen, 26 and 24 cents per pound.

On and after April 1, a retailer may sell only—(1) Pork cuts given dollars and cents prices under OPA 336, and (2) pork products whose prices are fixed under general maximum price regulation, including—Pork sausage, canned pork, pork variety meats or offal (including—temple meat cutlets, brains, chitterlings, liver, plucks, kidneys, tongues, lips, snouts, ears, hearts, cheek and head meat, stomachs, weasand meat and heads), and quick frozen cuts which are delivered to the retailer in individual packages in which he sells them. Ceiling prices on pork must be posted in each store beginning April 1, and, upon request, the retailer must give a customer a receipt showing the date, name and address of retailer, name and weight of each pork cut sold, and the price paid for it.

COOKIE PRICES ON THE RISE

North Carolina housewives will soon be paying for crackers, biscuits and cakes. The increase will be small in the case of cakes, but on crackers and cookies, where flour is a larger factor in production costs, the

increase may eventually be great. Because rising soft wheat prices in the East have put a severe squeeze on flour millers, OPA has raised by approximately 8 per cent the ceiling prices at which soft wheat flour may be sold by Eastern, Southern and Midwestern millers and blenders.

NO CLOTHES RATIONING

Acting to spike vicious rumors which have nearly cleaned out many stores in North Carolina of their clothing stocks, the Office of Price Administration, the War Production Board and the Office of War Information have joined in stating definitely that no rationing of clothes is in present prospect. There is no shortage of clothing now, nor of the textiles out of which clothes are made, according to these agencies. The F. B. I. is investigating reports that the rumors are Axis-inspired.

Timely Hints

By RUTH CURRENT
State Home Demonstration Agent

Let's talk about soup today,—that food which is so nourishing and filling for a cold March day. The wartime cook is wise if she makes soup one of her specialties. It can be made from parts of food, which might otherwise go to waste,—bones, and the trimmings of meat and vegetables, as well as the liquid which is left from cooking vegetables.

You have been hearing many requests lately, about saving all the fat from meat. But, have you also considered making use of every bone? For instance, bones left from chickens and bones from roasts, steaks, and other cuts, as well as the traditional "soup bone" may be used to advantage.

The vegetables, which you add to the bones, contribute some of the needed vitamins and minerals. They also perform another function. Tomatoes, for example, will help dissolve even more calcium from the bones. Relatively large amounts of calcium are needed in the balanced diet, and bones, trimmings and peelings can all do their bit toward nourishing your family.

Here are some suggestions for patriotic spending and saving during wartime: Pay off all debts except those which are needed for efficient operation of the farm. This does not conflict with War Bond buying, because the money you pay on debts can be used by someone else in buying bonds. It is also sound economy to buy bonds now to help pay for the war, and to help build financial reserves for your family.

Topia News

By MRS. D. M. PUGH
Staff Correspondent

Misses Doris Blevins and Mary Fields, of Piney Creek, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Beulah Fields.

Mrs. Mattie Phipps, who has been ill for some time, does not improve.

O. E. Moxley made a business trip to North Wilkesboro, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Pugh and children, of Darlington, Md., are spending a few days with their parents, here.

Mack Ward, of Crumpler, was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pugh, Sunday.

Mrs. Della Ward and daughter, Edna, of Crumpler, spent Sunday with Mrs. Myrtle Toliver.

Mrs. F. G. Weaver, of Peden, was in this community on business, Monday.

5-Lb. Sacks Of Sugar Here Again

North Carolina housewives again will buy sugar in the familiar five-pound sacks and boxes when sugar ration stamp Number 12 become valid on March 16, the State Office of Price Administration announced here today.

The five-pound ration, however, must last from March 16 through the end of May, a period of 11 weeks. Stamp 11, good for three pounds, is valid March 15.

The reason for validating the coupon for five pounds of sugar, OPA rationing officials explained, is twofold. It will save manpower,—not only in packaging the sugar, but in requiring less handling. It will cut by nearly one-half the actual number of packages that processors, wholesalers, retailers, and consumers must handle, and at the same time reduce the number of times sugar must be bought at retail.

It also is expected that this change will prevent some of the waste now involved in the present small package sizes.

Scottville News

(Mrs. W. F. Shepherd)

Rev. Worth Sweet filled his regular appointment at Scottville, Sunday night.

The ladies of the Scottville community pieced a friendship quilt for Mrs. Robert Little, of Nathan's Creek, and met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Atwood last Friday to put their quilt blocks together, each block already being padded and quilted. Those contributing blocks were Mesdames Elizabeth Lanier, J. C. Atwood, E. B. Shepherd, W. F. Shepherd, Melvin Richardson, Emma Absher, Tom Absher, W. L. McMillan, Floyd Phipps, Ethel Huffman, Wm. Phipps, J. H. Joines, Gladys Atwood, Curran Dixon, and Miss Oma Church. Mrs. Little's home recently was destroyed by fire.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Shepherd spent Sunday at the home of their son, George, at Furches.

Mrs. Joshua Fender, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

There was a singing at Mr. Oscar Berry's, Saturday night.

Miss Freddy Atwood spent the week end at the home of her uncle, Mr. Welborn Atwood, at Furches.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Woodie, Sunday, were Misses Eula Grey and Ruth Woodie, Thelma Kennedy, Carson Wiegler, Charlie Wiegler, Emerson Woodie and their son, Oscoe Woodie, who is manager of the Shell Service Station at Sparta.

Blair Nuckolls, of Norfolk, and Miss Phyllis Nuckolls, who is attending Draughons Business College, Winston-Salem, visited their mother, Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, over the week end. Mrs. Nuckolls has been ill.

Miss Jean Faircloth, of Fayetteville, is visiting her father, Mr. Bob Faircloth, who is ill.

It is reported that a substantial number of peanut pickers, which were manufactured in 1942, will be made available for distribution in 1943. Efforts will be made to have more pickers manufactured this year.

Inflation prices in Italy have brought the price of good farm land to around \$2,000 an acre, and poorer land is proportionately expensive.

Directory Of The Church Services

SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH

V. W. Sears, Minister
N. D. Fox, Supt.
Sunday School each Sunday, 9:45.
Church service each Sunday, 11:00.

Young Peoples' Meeting 6:30 each Sunday Evening
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Pastor
Sunday School each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Church Services:
Mt. Carmel, First Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Bellview, Second Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Liberty, Third Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Chestnut Grove, Fourth Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

SPARTA METHODIST CHURCH
C. E. Allison, Minister
Sunday School each Sun. at 10
Charles R. Roe, Supt.

Church service, 1st & 3rd Sun., 11
Epworth League each Sun. 6:30
Hazel Tompkins, Pres.

SPARTA CIRCUIT SERVICES
Shiloh, 2nd Sunday at 11 A. M.
Piney Creek, 2nd Sun. at 3 P. M.
Gentry Chapel, 1st Sun. at 3 P. M.
Walnut Branch, 3rd Sun. 3 P. M.
Cox's Chapel, 4th Sun. at 11 A. M.
Poisto Creek, 4th Sun. at 3 P. M.



His Figs Go to War
Young Johnny Clay of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, is typical of farm children raising victory pigs and devoting profits to War Bonds.

Dick Reynolds Gives Farm Movies To State College

A gift of a series of motion pictures on agriculture to the recently organized State College Foundation, Inc., by Richard J. Reynolds of Winston-Salem, has been announced by Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of administration of the college and president of the Foundation. The moving pictures, to be made in sound and color, will be produced to aid North Carolina farmers in increasing the value and output of their farms, particularly during the war emergency.

When completed, the pictures will be given to the State College Agricultural Extension Service, for use of this and the other college agricultural agencies in their rural education activities.

Mr. Reynolds, now a lieutenant in the U. S. Naval Reserve on active sea duty, completed arrangements to make the movies during a recent leave.

"I am doing this," he said, "because I think that nothing is more important to the war effort than the production of food. The farmer has a big job, and needs such aid as I believe these educational movies can give." Mr. Reynolds' interest in agriculture has been stimulated by the operation of his own large farm on which he raises the typical crops of the Piedmont section.

Col. Harrelson expressed appreciation to Mr. Reynolds for the gift. Dermid Maclean of Winston-Salem is making the movies, with the cooperation of the office of F. H. Jeter, agricultural editor of State College, and the technical assistance of Extension specialists and county farm and home agents.

SPARTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

E. L. Berry, Minister
Church service 2nd & 4th Sun. 11
Glade Valley, 1st Sun. 11 & 7:15
Glade Valley, 3rd Sun. 11 & 7:15
Rocky Ridge, 2nd Sun. at 3 P. M.
Rocky Ridge, 3rd Sun. at 3 P. M.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

C. R. Kilby — S. G. Caudill
Pastors
Church service 3rd Sat. at 2 p. m.
and Sun. at 11 A. M. in each month.

REG. BAPTIST CHURCHES

Little River Ass'n
Big Springs, 2nd Sat. and Sun.
Double Spring, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Landmark, 4th Sat. & Sun.
Laurel Glen, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Mountain View, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Mt. Arat, 4th Sat.
Mt. Carmel, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Mt. Olivet, 1st Sat. and Sun.
New Bethel, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
New Salem, 2nd Sat. and Sun.
Pleasant Home, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Prather's Creek, 2nd Sat. & Sun.
Roaring Gap, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Saddle Mountain, 4th Sat. & Sun.
South Fork, 4th Sat. & Sun.
UNION BAPTIST CHURCHES
Cherry Lane, 4th Sat. and Sun.
Glade Creek, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Liberty, 2nd Sat. and Sun.
Mount Union, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Pleasant Grove, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Saddle Mt., 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Whitehead, 2nd Sat. and Sun.
Welcome Home, 4th Sat. and Sun.

LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Van Miller, Supt.
Sunday School each Sunday at 10 A. M.

Church services, 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 A. M., 2nd & 4th Sundays at 7:00 P. M. Rev. V. W. Sears, pastor.

Farm Youth of U. S. Looks to Tomorrow

TOMORROW'S farmers and farm homemakers are second to no school group in their enthusiasm for investing in War Bonds and Stamps to make sure their future is secure. Through the Schools At War program they are investing what they save and earn in War Stamps and Bonds.

First evidence of this is the amount the 4-H Club boys and girls and the FFA boys invested in war savings in 1942 from "Victory Pig" and other projects. A million and a half 4-H Club members put \$8,000,000 of their own savings in War Bonds and Stamps and sold \$2,500,000 worth of War Savings to their neighbors. Nearly a quarter million members of Future Farmers of America invested more than \$1,500,000.

Spurred by the realization that the financial welfare of farm families the next 20 years depends on how wisely they use today's higher incomes from increased food and other wartime production, both groups have set their goals still higher for 1943.

These farm youths are building financial reserves, and urging their parents to do the same, for after-the-war necessities, to meet financial emergencies and to help them get started in college.

They're building reserves today for tomorrow's farm buildings and for the other things they will need when they're tomorrow's farmers and homemakers.

The Red Cross gave us. We couldn't possibly have done what we did in our stay if you all hadn't so cheerfully given your time and effort to make so many special arrangements for us. We hope that we will have the opportunity to visit London again and continue our exploration. You and the Red Cross work are doing a magnificent service for the soldiers all over the world and we wish to add our thanks to those of the many who have benefitted by your unstinting labour. We know that yours is a difficult and at times a thankless task, but the boys honestly are grateful for your efforts.

Just the word "thanks" and yours sincerely,
Fred Stobaueus
William Watt
(Somewhere in England)

Dear Mrs. Mattei:
Remember the two boys that had just come back from Russia and stayed at the Hans Crescent Club while in London? Well we are back home again (getting ready for another trip). We would like to thank you for the nice time we had while at the club and for arranging the tour with Mrs. Rowe for us.
Hoping to stop in and see you again,
Donald Wampler
James Stesan
417 Penn., St.
Camden, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Mattei:
Arrived back at camp safely after one of the most enjoyable passes I have ever had, thanks

mostly to you and the kind ladies at the club. I suppose you received the note of thanks from McCormack and myself but just had to sit down and drop you a few more lines before by mind could be at ease. Our passage couldn't have been enjoyed more, it would have been impossible. We are looking forward to seeing you again soon but one can never tell in this game. We are hoping anyway. It was quite a let-down getting here at 10:30 Sunday night, but we have gotten back into harness and looking back with sighs to our four days there in London. I know you are very busy but I would appreciate hearing from you if you can find a bit of time. I hope you will remember us, the medium built blond serg. and the tall dark one who wore glasses. We will try to send a photo later.

All our thanks and sincerest best wishes.
Sgt. "Artie" Tozar.

Packers are required to re-serve 50 percent of their weekly production of lard for purchase by the Food Distribution Administration, Civilian supplies of lard will be slightly larger than last year.