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Men with the Colors!



This column is devoted to news of men serving their country. Such news is solicited from parents and friends of these men. "Revenge Pearl Harbor."

Bert Wagoner, Seaman 2-C, is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clate Wagoner. Seaman Wagoner is stationed near San Diego, Calif.

Sgt. W. Paige Bare, Santa Maria, Calif., is spending a 26-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bare, at Twin Oaks. He has been in the army for more than two years and is now a crew chief of airplane mechanics.

Clyde Goodman, Seaman 2-C, arrived here Monday from San Diego, Calif., to spend a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Goodman. He has been in the navy for the past year.

Pvt. Thomas Zack Osborne, with the First Marine Division on Okinawa, writes that he is getting along all right. Pvt. Os-

borne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Osborne, of Sparta.

Sgt. John Ulus Irwin, of Bergstrom Field, Austin, Texas, recently spent a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Irwin.

Sgt. Richardson Awarded Medal

S-Sgt Earl Richardson has been awarded the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal "for exceptional coolness and bravery in the face of determined enemy opposition."

He is with the Eighth Air Force, stationed in England and has completed 26 combat missions in a B-24 Liberator Bomber over Germany.

He writes that most of the 8th

Conservation Of Soil Is Praised

Wade E. Eller And District Lauded By Regional Director Buie

Wade E. Eller, chairman of the New River Soil Conservation District, has recently received a letter from Dr. T. S. Buie, regional conservator, praising the district and the work done here.

The letter, in part, is published here:

"As I read the report of the supervisors of the New River Soil Conservation District for 1944, I was reminded of my visit to your district last fall, and the excellent dinner served the party. Although this was my first visit to that section of North Carolina, I assure you it will not be my last.

"The reception you gave me may have reacted against you, for as a result of the treatment I received and the excellent work I saw, I arranged for Dr. Lowdermilk and his party to visit you also. Others, likewise, have been encouraged to pay you a visit and I am sure that all came away well pleased with what they saw.

"You are doing a splendid job, one in which it is a pleasure for the soil conservation service to assist and I assure you that we want to do everything we can to facilitate your work and expedite the carrying out of your ideas.

"I noted with interest your reference to the need for a national association of soil conservation district supervisors. Certain others have been talking along this line, and I believe that within a relatively short time such an organization may come into being.

"Again, may I express appreciation for a good job well done, with the expectation of still greater accomplishments in the future."

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Cpl. and Mrs. Peter Dexter Johnson announce the birth of a son, Peter Dexter Johnson, Jr., at the Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, Elkin, on May 4. Mrs. Johnson is the former Miss Jessie Lois Jones.

will go to the Pacific, but some would be furloughed through the States.

TO CLEAN CEMETERY AT LANDMARK CHURCH

It was announced this week that anyone interested in clean-

ing the cemetery at Landmark church, should be there on the fourth Saturday at 9:00 a. m., for the purpose of cleaning the cemetery before the hour for the serv-

ice. Those persons who are interested are asked to bring scythes and pitch forks and other tools needed in the work.

Burning woodlands to drive away mad foxes is a poor policy because the animals are driven to fire.



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Was \$42.50, NOW
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Were \$1.25, NOW
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Were \$1.50, NOW

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Saturday, May 26 - 11:00 o'clock

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- 4000 feet lumber.
- 2 colts, each two years old.
- 1 cow, six years old.
- 1 mare, eight years old.
- 1 light two-horse wagon.
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- Household furniture.

Hurshel Anderson

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In prints, batiste and dotted swiss. Blues, pink and green, in sizes 1 to 3. 89c - 97c - \$1.20

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Beautifully made in blue or red. Just the thing for summer wear. Sizes 7-12. \$3.48

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FOOD VALUES

From Our Grocery Dept.

- Queen of West Flour 100 lb. bag \$4.25
- Queen of West Flour 25 lb. bag \$1.15
- PORK AND BEANS, 1 lb. can 9c
- MUSTARD, 2 lb. jar 12½c
- KARO SYRUP, 5 lb. jar 39c
- WHEATIES, extra big pack 15c
- MATCHES, 3 large boxes 10c
- CARNATION OR PET MILK, tall cans 9c
- APPLE BUTTER, 38 oz. jar 24c
- DEL-MONTE DICED CARROTS, 16 oz. can 12½c
- CONCORD GRAPE JUICE PUNCH, pint 18c
Makes Four Glasses

Smithey's Store

SPARTA,

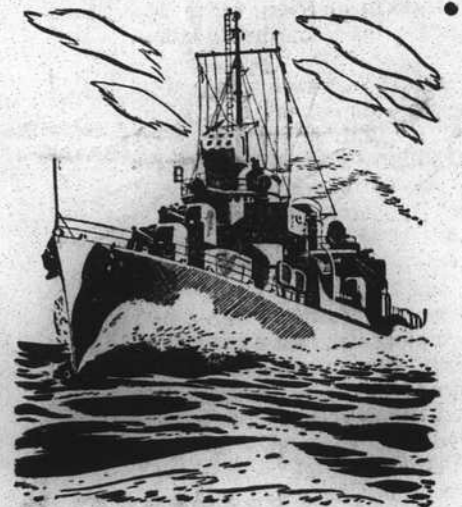
"The Place For Bargains"

N. CAROLINA

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1944
from the General Electric annual report



JET PROPULSION. General Electric developed the world's most powerful engine for the world's fastest plane—the G-E jet propulsion engine for the Lockheed P-80 "Shooting Star." It is over twice as powerful as previous models produced for the Army Air Forces.



PRODUCTION INCREASED. For the fourth successive year, General Electric turned out record quantities of war goods despite an average of 2 per cent fewer employees. G. E. produced over 8,000,000 horsepower of ship propulsion turbines for the Navy in 1944.



EMPLOYEE EARNINGS UP. The average G-E employee earned \$2,772 in 1944. Employees also shared \$234,000 in Suggestion Awards. Top award was \$2,000 for an idea that speeded production of G-E gun control for the B-29. G-E employee suggestions aid the war effort.



234,732 STOCKHOLDERS. Ownership of the company was divided among more stockholders than ever before. Dividends were \$1.40 per share—same as 1943 and 1942, less than 1941 and 1940. Net income was less than 1940, while sales billed were 3½ times greater.



NEW DEVELOPMENTS. G-E research and engineering played a part in such recent developments as radar, silicones, jet propulsion, rocket weapons, remote gun control for the B-29 "Superfortress," the A-26 "Invader," and the P-61 "Black Widow."



4735 WAR VETERANS HIRED. By the year's end 4735 returned service men and women were working at plants of General Electric and affiliated companies. 2986 were former G-E employees. On December 31, 1944, a total of 50,226 employees of General Electric and affiliates had entered the armed services.

VOLUME OF BUSINESS	1944	1943	CHANGE
Orders received	\$1,808,600,000	\$1,360,600,000	+18%
Net sales billed	\$1,353,000,000	\$1,288,400,000	+5%
NET INCOME AND DIVIDENDS			
Net income for the year	\$ 50,800,000	\$ 44,900,000	+13%
Per share	1.76	1.56	+13%
Dividends declared and paid	\$ 40,300,000	\$ 40,300,000	—
Per share	1.40	1.40	—
TAXES			
Total taxes	\$ 176,000,000	\$ 163,000,000	+8%
STOCKHOLDERS			
Number on December 31	234,732	229,127	+2%
EMPLOYEES			
Average number on payroll	167,212	171,133	-2%
Total earnings of employees	\$ 484,000,000	\$ 472,000,000	-2%
Average annual earnings	\$ 2,772	\$ 2,756	+1%

Hear the G-E radio programs: The G-E All-pipi Orchestra, Sunday 10 p.m. EWT, NBC—The World Today news, Monday through Friday 9:45 p.m. EWT, CBS—The G-E House Party, Monday through Friday 4:00 p.m. EWT, CBS.

General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York

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