

Brief Review Of State, National And World News During The Past Week

31st DIVISION COMING HOME AT EARLY DATE

San Francisco—The 31st (Dixie) Division, which distinguished itself in the first World War and again on the Philippine Island of Mindanao during World War 2, is coming home.

The port of embarkation reported word from Manila that the first of Major Gen. Clarence A. Martin's units already had departed on three vessels and that five other ships had been deployed to pick up the remainder of the outfit.

ALLIES ORDER 59 JAP LEADERS ARRESTED

Tokyo—In the most important single list of war crime suspects yet issued by Allied headquarters, General MacArthur ordered the arrest of 59 prominent Japanese, reaching for the first time into the Imperial household and the ranks of Japan's industrial-financial hierarchy, the Zai-batsu.

MacArthur's abolition of the National Financial Control Association and completion of a detailed inventory of Japanese industry to form the basis of whatever reparations Japan may be required to pay, were other steps in the direction of demilitarizing Japan.

TRUMAN SEES ARMY DEFEAT NAVY, SAT.

Philadelphia—President Truman witnessed Army's 32-13 triumph over the Navy Saturday along with more than 100,000 other shivering Americans, then departed by special train for Washington at 4:45 p. m. (e.s.t.).

In accordance with tradition, Mr. Truman rooted for both sides, sitting during the first half of the game on the Army side, the latter half in the Navy stands.

He and Mrs. Truman got so cold during the early part of the game that Secret Service men wrapped blankets about their shoulders. Both boxes were steam-heated although not enclosed.

It was the President's first real holiday since his Carutherville, Mo., and Reelfoot Lake trip in early October, and he seemed to enjoy himself.

BITTER HATRED OF U. S. RULE IN REICH

Frankfurt, Germany—A secret survey by American intelligence officers disclosed German resentment against American occupation methods is developing into bitter hatred with growing talk of resistance.

The 20,000 word report on "the German view" was compiled by two American intelligence officers and two trusted Germans and disclosed what Germans are talking about among themselves. The report was described officially as "more nearly true than any yet produced."

Even among some clergymen and Germans who profess pro-Allied sympathies the view is held that the American military was involved in red tape, and suffers from lack of policy which has led to injustices and confusion.

NAVY DIVER FINDS BUS IN 200 FEET OF WATER

Clelan, Wash.—A school bus, which carried the driver and 15 students to their deaths in Lake Clelan last Monday, was found by a navy diver in 250 feet of water off shore.

The diver, C. E. Meyers, of New York City, reported the bus was resting upside down.

Meyers did not determine immediately how many bodies remained in the machine.

Sheriff Bruce Parkinson said a line would be placed around the front axle and an effort to raise the bus almost to the surface of the lake, from which point divers would endeavor to remove the bodies before lifting the car out of the water.

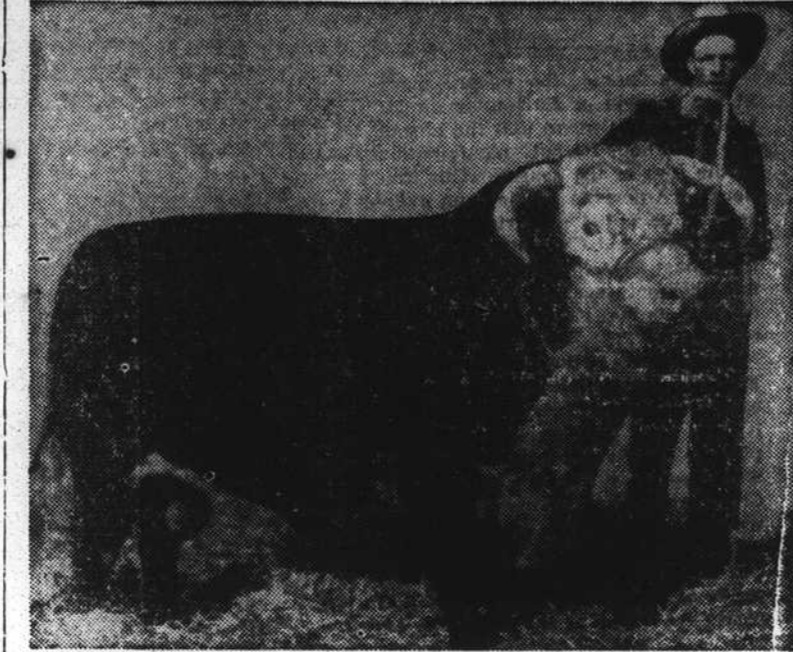
15,000 DOCTORS ARE TO BE RELEASED SOON

Washington—The War Department made ready this week to release 15,000 doctors and 5,000 dentists from the service under a reduced discharge score.

The score for these medical officers went down from 80 to 70 points, or three less than the raw critical total for other officers which became effective.

In addition, medical personnel with 42 months of service or who are 48 years old are eligible for

Bocaldo Tone Brings Record Price



Above is shown Bocaldo Tone the 18th with his former owner, John W. Runner of Saratoga, Wyo. The bull was sold at Ogden, Utah, livestock show for \$5,000, the highest price paid for an animal in 27 years of Ogden's stock show history.

Soil Conservation Association Elects Officers; Work Planned

discharge now. Some specialists in scarce categories, however, will be retained.

Pine Swamp News

Mr. and Mrs. Cary Brown and sons, Dwight and Keith, visited Mr. and Mrs. Levi Caudill in Winston-Salem, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Evans, of Sparta, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gaither Evans, here.

Miss Cora Lee Owens was taken to Galax Hospital, Saturday. Miss Owens has been seriously ill for several weeks.

Miss Bertrice Pruitt spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Myrtle Evans.

Mrs. R. N. Joines and Mrs. Kell Crouse recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Traverse McBride, of Wolf Branch.

Mrs. Floyd Brown spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Henry Evans.

Eller Is Named As Vice-President; History Of Work Is Revealed

Raleigh—Alonzo C. Edwards, of Hookerton, State representative from Greene county, was elected president of the State Association of Soil Conservation District supervisors at its annual meeting here. He succeeds D. S. Rhyme of Gaston county.

Other officers selected: W. Herbert White, Rockingham county, first vice-president; Wade E. Eller, Ashe county, second vice-president; W. W. Eagles, Edgecombe county, treasurer; and E. B. Garrett, of Raleigh, State Conservationist, secretary.

The meeting was held at the Hotel Carolina. The subject "How To Get More Conservation on the Land," was discussed by the following supervisors: George F. Wiese, Caldwell county; H. S. Hogan, Orange; J. H. Brodie, Vance; and V. V. Secrest, Union.

A second subject, "Functions of Agricultural Agencies in Getting Conservation Applied on the Land," was discussed by O. J. Holler, Rutherford; Henry Vann, Sampson; A. C. Edwards, Greene; and George R. Garrison, Alamance.

Fertility problems involved in soil conservation were outlined by Dr. Ralph Cummings, head of the Agronomy Department at State College at the afternoon session.

A feature of the meeting was a report of the progress of soil conservation work in North Carolina by Dr. I. O. Schaub, of State College, chairman of the State Conservation Committee. Special reports were made for each district by the chairman in each area.

At the annual banquet, the feature address was delivered by William B. Umstead, of Durham, former congressman from the sixth district.

In his address, Umstead gave a brief review of the soil-conservation movement in America and stressed the part President Franklin Roosevelt played in initiating the movement "Back in 1933, President Roosevelt allocated a relatively small sum—\$5,000,000. I think it was—to be spent in soil conservation," Umstead said. Later, he increased that sum with monies from relief funds.

"Now, a combination of experiment with relief money is sometimes a dangerous thing, but in this instance that project was worth the risk.

"From seven small experimental projects—two of which were laid in North Carolina—there has grown the present great program, which ties in with the Triple-A to rebuild a portion of our vast national wealth that was lost.

"Whether you agree with all the things that the late President Roosevelt did, it is my humble judgment that no man has lived in our day who saw more clearly the need of conserving the nation's resources—all the resources of every kind.

"I am pleased to know that 21 districts have been created under the State Law, involving 83 of our 100 counties; that under the program are some 23,600 farmers who have adopted farm plans, and that of that number 46 per cent are fulfilling the recommendations concerning these plans. That means that scattered throughout North Carolina there are farmers which, under the direction of skilled men, are being brought back to greater fertility and great production.

Through the soil conservation

program and the Triple-A, the farmer is being aided. The main thing about these programs is that they help the farmer to help himself, and I have always believed that that is all that the farmer wants."

Umstead paid tribute to Dean I. O. Schaub, chairman of the State Soil Conservation Committee and director of Extension at State College and others for "their fine vision of the future and knowledge of the past—that is, by experiment and patient work, bringing in new things and ways to aid the farmer in North Carolina."

A. C. Edwards, newly elected president, presided at the banquet. The invocation was given by D. G. Wilson, of Davidson county, and the group was led in singing "America" by Dr. L. D. Bayer, of State College.

The only food item under rationing control is sugar, and the USDA has extended import controls to include all sugar-containing products shipped to the U. S.

Many North Carolina farmers are missing a real opportunity of making good money by not raising sheep, say county agents of

the State College Extension Service.

"I plan to plant more of my land to permanent grasses so

that the cows can harvest the crop and bring it under their own power to the milk barn," says Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson.

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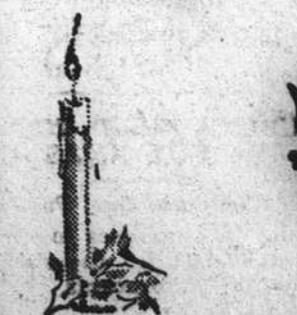
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