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## Farmers To Vote Saturday On Question Of Continued Tobacco Acreage Control

Importance Of Every Tobacco Farmer In County Going To Polls Saturday Stressed In Raleigh Meet

QUOTA SYSTEM PROVEN BENEFICIAL

Agriculture Leaders Prove From Figures Of Crop For Past 11 Years That Marketing Quotas Pay Well

Important figures showing the value of tobacco marketing quotas were presented at a large number of agricultural and civic leaders from all over North Carolina at a meeting in Raleigh Wednesday. The figures were based on an eleven year period from 1931 through 1942 and they show that with the marketing quotas farmers have received more money for a smaller acreage than he received when there was no quota. The table is shown below:

Year	1,000 acres	Yield lbs.	Price per pound	Value per acre
1931	975.5	684	8.4	\$6.4
1932	915.5	695	11.6	\$13.4
1933	829.6	737	16.3	\$12.1
1934	841.2	814	27.3	\$15.7
1935	874.9	928	20.0	\$16.2
1936	844.9	739	22.2	\$15.8
1937	883.3	873	23.0	\$19.2
1938	91.1	861	22.2	17.4
1939	1,293.9	922	14.9	17.4
1940	1,410.0	1,025	18.4	18.8
1941	1,296.9	995	28.1	18.2
1942	75.7	1,024	38.4	31.3

It was brought out at the meeting which was attended by high state officials, congressmen and representatives of various farm organizations, farmers, bankers and business men, that it is most important for the tobacco farmers of North Carolina to come out to the polls on the date set for the referendum and vote. Congress expects the number of votes cast to indicate the farmers' interest in marketing quotas and therefore the interest expressed in the number of votes cast will have a bearing on whether congress will listen to farm representatives in the future or not.

E. Y. Floyd, tobacco specialist at State College, was named chairman of the steering committee which will push the campaign for an affirmative vote for the quota plan in all sections of the State.

I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service, who presided over the discussions, pointed to a great need for control in tobacco acreage for the next three years.

"This is probably the most important meeting for North Carolina farmers that has been held since marketing quotas first were discussed back in 1933," declared Schaub.

In stressing the necessity for speed in pushing the campaign, Schaub reminded the group that only a few days remained before the vote.

Congressman John Folger who spoke briefly, declared, "We cannot afford to open the door to tobacco production to people who think they can go into it successfully but whose efforts will serve only to disrupt the program and reduce the price to be paid for the tobacco."

**Warns Against Indifference**  
Floyd expressed the opinion that "the only opposition to the marketing quota program will be that of indifference." He told the group that "farmers will be extremely busy for the next several weeks."

Many of the speakers participating in the discussions expressed the opinion that the success or failure of the entire marketing quota idea will rest with the tobacco farmers of North Carolina, since more than 65 per cent of the entire vote will come from this State.

Schaub pointed out that the passage of the plan "not only will guarantee a fair price for tobacco next year, but will prevent farmers from turning away from the production of essential food crops so as to increase their acreage."

He said that the referendum was made possible by a special act of Congress and pointed to the fact that ballots for the vote already have been sent to all the counties and he declared that "the county agents have been instructed to show the farmers the necessity for an affirmative vote."

Although unable to be present for the meeting, Governor Broughton sent word to the group that he was "back of the plan 100 per cent." He spoke over a State network in behalf of the program at (Continued on page 2.)

### POLLING PLACES

Following is a list of polling places for the tobacco referendum which is to be held in this county Saturday, July 24. The polls open at 9 o'clock in the morning and will remain open until 7 o'clock in the evening:

North West Township ..... Leland School  
Town Creek Township ..... Ninnabow Post Office  
Smithville Township ..... Ward's Farm, near Antioch Church.  
Lockwood's Folly Township ..... County Office, Supply  
Shalotte Township ..... Grissetown  
Waccamaw Township ..... Waccamaw School

## Spirited Bidding Marked Sale Of W.B. & S. Monday

New York Firm Bid \$48,500 For Railroad Track And Right-Of-Way; Same Outfit Was High Bidder For Bus-Truck Franchise

LOCAL MEN BUY THE REAL ESTATE

Total Of \$72,500.00 Is Result Of Selling The Various Assets Separately After Lump Sale Is Held

Bids totaling \$72,500.00 were received Monday by E. F. Middleton, receiver, at the sale of the W. B. & S. railroad with 10-days allowed for raise of bids before confirmation by the court.

In a lump-sum bid a Mr. Garcey of Norfolk was high bidder for the entire holdings at \$55,500. This offer did not stand up, however, when the property was offered in parcels. A Mr. Freidberg, representing a New York firm, bid \$48,500 for the railroad right-of-way and all junk. Dallas Orrel and Dr. Fergus bid \$4,000.00 for real estate holdings. Freidberg was high man again in bidding for the bus and freight franchise, together with all trucks and buses, this bid being \$20,000.00. Thus the total of \$72,500, with the two biggest items being bid in by the New York firm. Just what their plans are for the continued operation of all or any part of the road was not disclosed Monday.

## Control Center Ladies Wanted

One Will Be Responsible For Each Night In Month And Will Get Someone To Be On Duty With Her

Mrs. E. J. Prevatte has secured the following organization to maintain a nightly vigil at the control center at the USO Club, the person named being responsible for the date opposite which her name appears:

- 1st, Mrs. Fred Willing; 2nd, Mrs. Matilda Barnette; 3rd, Mrs. Elsket S. George; 4th, Mrs. Preston Bryant; 5th, Mrs. J. W. Thompson; 6th, Mrs. R. C. Daniel; 7th, Mrs. E. J. Prevatte; 8th, Mrs. Robert Marlowe; 9th, Mrs. (Continued on Page 2.)

## Shalotte Man Dies At Home

John C. Anderson Dies At His Home Following Long Illness; Funeral Services Sunday Afternoon

John C. Anderson, 63, widely known farmer of the Shalotte section, died at his home Saturday following a long illness. Funeral services and burial took place Sunday afternoon at Bethel Baptist church near Southport. Rev. A. L. Brown, of Southport, and Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Bolivia, being in charge of the services.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife and ten children, also by sixteen grandchildren and many other relatives. The sons and daughters are, Mrs. R. L. Doshier, Southport; Mrs. R. V. Alford, Kingsland, Ga.; Mrs. J. P. Willis, Southport; Mrs. J. Carter, Everglades, Fla.; Mrs. Hugh Spencer, Southport; Mrs. W. H. Walker, Jr., Southport; C. H. Anderson, Key West, Fla.; W. R. Anderson, Shalotte; Sergeant G. A. Anderson, Camp Pickett, Va.; and D. M. Anderson of Shalotte. (Continued on page 2.)

## Brunswick Boy Is Elected To Important Post



Paul Ganey was elected president of the Young Business Men's Club of Raleigh at the meeting at Hotel Carolina Tuesday night. He will succeed Thomas L. Bremson, Jr.

Other officers selected were: Vice president, J. C. Munns, secretary, W. T. Sadler; and treasurer, Bill Lewis, Sadler was re-elected to the office.

Letters were received from the following members in the armed forces: Charles Goodno, James Case, Dan Sharpe, Carey Fleming, Ray Southern, Volstead Heath, Tom Cole and Robert Greene. Guests included Will Ludson, Arthur Poole and Guiford Watson. Ganey is the son of Mrs. Charlie Harvel of Leland. He is a graduate of Leland high school and attended the University of North Carolina.

## Commissioners In Regular Meeting

Members Of County Board Met Monday And Devoted Most Of The Day To Discussion Of Tax Matters

Members of the board of county commissioners met here Monday in their regular meeting.

By action of the board the beer license issued to Harry Spencer was ordered revoked.

Permission was given Harvey Robinson to pay the taxes on the Neal Hankins Estate at a valuation of \$500.00 for unpaid years.

John P. Doshier appeared before the board and made a payment of \$8.00 on his taxes, with the further agreement that he will pay \$8.00 per month until paid in full.

Worth Andrews was permitted to segregate and pay taxes on 20-acres of the J. L. Andrews estate with a valuation of \$368.00.

G. M. Gore was given permission to make a payment of \$100.00 on his delinquent taxes on September 20, with the understanding that some satisfactory arrangement will be made them for payment of the balance.

F. C. Rabon was relieved of taxes on the Schulken tract, a 70-acre tract upon which Hugh McRae has been paying taxes. It was agreed that when Rabon has paid delinquent taxes on 70-acres of woods the county will deliver him the deed.

George S. Mitchell was allowed release on 1939-40-41 taxes for double listing. He was given a refund of \$6.65 for taxes paid in 1938 on this property.

A release of \$140.00 valuation was granted R. S. Willetts for 100 acres for 1943 and prior years due to error in listing.

## Work Or Fight Meeting Held

A well attended meeting in connection with the "Work or Fight" program was held at the Court House Monday, July 12th, at noon.

The meeting was opened by J. W. Ruark, who stated its purpose. The meeting was further addressed by J. E. Dodson, Brunswick county farm agent. Judge John B. Ward and other law enforcement officers, sheriffs deputies and rural police present promised their co-operation in rounding up idlers and advising them to get in some kind of necessary work.

It was decided that the chairman would appoint precinct committees whose duty it would be to work with the chairman and law enforcement officers to the end that all able bodied persons in Brunswick county go to work in some gainful employment. (Continued on page 2.)

## County Chapter Is Represented In Area Meeting

Camp And Hospital Service Council Meeting Is Held At Camp Davis Friday Of Last Week

MRS. H. W. HOOD LOCAL CHAIRMAN

Long List Of Articles Needed For Carrying Out Duties Of Program Announced This Week

Three representatives of the Brunswick County Chapter American Red Cross attended a district meeting of the Camp and Hospital Service Council Friday at Camp Davis. They were Miss Annie May Woodside, chapter chairman; Mrs. J. W. Ruark, executive secretary; and Mrs. H. W. Hood, Camp and Hospital Service Council chairman.

The citizens of this county have been asked to help provide the following needed items:

- Mimeograph machine (legal size); table (5' long by 3' wide); 145; canes (stout); 24; card tables, 313; recorders, 1; folding chairs, 1,440; floor lamps, 216; rugs (throw); 4; table lamps, 166; lawn furniture (1 settee 2 chairs); 236; fly swatters, 576; cushions (chairs), 462; cushions (settee), 231; wire flower holders, vases (flower), ash trays (glass), 1,000; ash trays, 904; plywood, unlimited; electric pans, 11; ceiling fans, 1; erector sets with motors, 2; erector sets, 5; electric trains, 5; venetians blinds, 15; piano wheels, 4; plywood stands, 688; chess games & sets, 3; dart boards, 219; kidney boards No. 2501 Jr. R. C. 35; belts, 1,314; radio victrola comb, 1; radios, 71; victrolas, 73; musical instruments, unlimited; writing boards, 320; Albums (classical music), 6; records, Unlimited; electric iron, 1; spotlight, 1; piano, 1; mirrors, 15; sewing machine, 1; ping pong tables, 25; chisels (asst.); games, 102; cards, 59; magazine racks, 24; waste paper baskets, 98; book charts, 4; bedside tables, 13; and bedspreads, 13.

## Firemen Enjoy Banquet Here

Members Of Volunteer Fire Department Attended Banquet Last Night At Miller Hotel

The Southport Volunteer, with a record of preventing fires perhaps unequalled by any other organization in the state, equipment considered, had a meeting and informal dinner at the Miller Cafe last night. For years the boys have had their minds set on a new and modern fire engine to replace their faithful Model T. To this end they have been slowly but steadily accumulating funds with which to purchase the needed truck and other equipment.

The way is practically cleared now, but it seems that they will have to wait until after the war before a truck can be found.

Mrs. Easley and her force at the Cafe served an excellent meal. Talks were made by Mayor John D. Eriksen, Chief Harry Aldridge, Chief of Police Otto Hickman, Alderman G. E. Hubbard, E. R. Weeks and others.

Those present at the supper were Chief Aldridge, Mayor Eriksen, Chief Hickman, Ormond Leggett, Brother Christian, J. A. McNeil, G. C. Hubbard, Ed Weeks, W. E. Bell, Glenn Jones, Homer McKelthan, B. L. Furpless, W. A. Russ, Ray Spencer, Dick Brendle, Joel Moore, Jr., and Rev. Cecil Alligood.

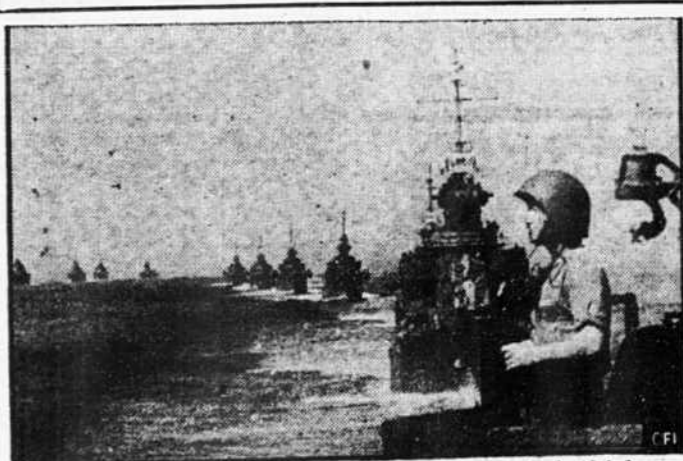
## Mrs. Eriksen To Head Enlistment

Movement To Secure Recruits For The U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserves Will Begin Here

Mrs. John Erickson has been appointed Southport chairman of the campaign by the American Legion Auxiliary to enlist North Carolina women in the U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve.

The appointment was announced today by Mrs. Nellie P. Johnson of Pittsboro, state president of the Auxiliary's drive to tell North Carolina women of the need of the U. S. Marines for women to fill home-front jobs and free male Marines for combat duty. The local Auxiliary will use every means available from July 15 (Continued on page 2.)

### HEADED FOR SICILY



INVASION—Boat masts were reported thick as trees in a forest as the Allied forces made their way from North African ports to the coast of Sicily for their current invasion. War in that theatre of operations continues to be the big news of the week, with the United States and her Allies making splendid progress against the Axis.

## Southport Gets Funds To Renovate Pole Line

Bears Develop Taste For Beef

Folks who live near the Green Swamp are being beset by a new threat to their meat supply recently—the bears have developed a taste for beef.

Within the past few days Frank Rabon has lost four head of cattle, and a fifth received such a severe rake across her back that she probably will die.

On the credit side of the ledger, Rabon and some of his friends have been operating on a nuisance permit this week, and the loss of the beef has been partially compensated through the addition of bear steaks to their daily diet.

## Urges Support Of Weed Quota

Commissioners Of Agriculture Calls Attention To Improvements That Have Come About Due To Control Program

RALEIGH, July 20.—W. Kerr Scott, Commissioner of Agriculture, has urged the tobacco farmers of North Carolina to support "wholeheartedly" the marketing quotas program in the referendum which will be held on July 24.

"We must give this program much of the credit for the prosperity the producers of tobacco have enjoyed during the past eight years," declared Scott in pointing to the necessity for a continuance of the plan which was put into effect in 1934.

Scott referred to the fact that this State produced more tobacco last year under the quotas system than in 1943 when the acreage that could be devoted to the growth of tobacco was unlimited.

"We must not forget the fact that during the past five years the yield of leaf to the acre has averaged nearly 1,000 pounds as compared with an average yield of 693 pounds to the acre for the years prior to the inception of the program," said Scott.

In pleading for an affirmative vote for the marketing quotas, Scott said that while the acreage under the plan has been approximately 20 per cent less, the yield per acre has been 36 per cent more, with the total State production of tobacco up nine per cent in the past five years over (Continued on Page Two)

## USO Club News Of Week

The concert of the band of the 144th Infantry last Wednesday evening was an outstandingly pleasant event. In spite of the heavy rain all afternoon a fine crowd greeted the band at seven in its concert played on the veranda.

The following program was given: National Emblem March, Sousa; King Cotton, Sousa; Lady of Spain, Evans; Selections from Rio Rita, Tierney; The Blue Danube Waltz, Strauss; God Bless America, Berlin; and National Emblem. The instrumental numbers were interspersed with vocal sections by Sergeant Melvin Horner who made a great hit with the service men and Southport civilians. Horner has a splendid voice and his interpretation was a real work of art. During the concert he sang: "Song of Love" by Schubert; "Deep Purple," DeRose; and "Stouthearted Men" by Romberg. (Continued on Page Two)

## Opportunity For Experienced Men To Receive Rank

"Boatwise" Civilians Are Urged To Get Into Contact With War Department Officials And Offer Services

MANY OPENINGS ARE AVAILABLE

Service On These Craft Is Non-Combat Duty In U. S. Army And Offers Variety Of Types Of Employment

The War Department is in urgent need of the services of thousands of "boat-wise" civilians to man small boats of various types operated by the Transportation Corps throughout the world and there may be some jobs that Brunswick County men can file.

These boats, which American ship-builders are delivering to the War Department in ever-increasing numbers, run from 40-feet up to approximately 170-feet in length and are not combat vessels. As completed, they are used both within and without the United States, in some cases in theaters of operation but not necessarily in combat zones. They vary in type from small launches to the larger freight and passenger vessels, and are used for harbor boat service, inter-island freight and transfer service, etc. They are powered by steam, gasoline and diesel engines.

There is an immediate need for qualified masters, mates and engineers and it is expected that the service of at least 600 junior deck and engineer officers will be needed in the near future. As a matter of fact, the War Department is prepared to give immediate employment to competent crewmen who can meet its liberalized standards in regard to marine or engineering experience and knowledge, as well as the physical qualifications.

No formal examination is required in order to qualify for any of the positions now vacant. However, officials at ports of embarkation will satisfy themselves that each individual is competent prior to assignment to a specific position and shipment out of the United States. Where practicable the requirement for licenses will be waived. Pay rates are in accordance with established levels in the Maritime industry, with payment of bonuses in zones where bonus rates are applicable, together with annual leave, medical treatment and hospitalization, reasonable insurance protection, and repatriation to home port if contract is terminated by reason other than misconduct of employee or refusal to obey lawful orders. A bonus will also be paid in some cases for good and faithful service.

Persons employed will be expected to sign a contract for at least six months of service. Length of employment will ordinarily be for the duration of the war and perhaps longer. Promotion will depend upon the demonstrated qualifications of the employee. Employees assigned to vessels are usually able to live aboard vessels, but if this is not possible they will be furnished ample victualling and accommodation allowances. It is requested that qualified personnel, both amateur and professional, make application to the Chief of Transportation, United States Army, Washington, D. C., immediately, outlining in such application all pertinent employment factors such as the extent of their qualifications and experience and stating under what conditions they are willing to accept employment and the earliest date of their availability. Application on Standard Form number 57 which may be obtained from the Secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners at any post office is preferred.

## Bolivia Youth Is Found Dead

Body Of Alex Frank Maples Found In Highway Under Mysterious Circumstances Early Sunday Morning

Alex Frank Maples, 15-year-old Bolivia youth, was found dead on U. S. highway No. 17 in the early hours of Sunday morning under circumstances that were strange and mysterious.

The youth was run over by a 1933 Chevrolet driven by some South Carolina youths whose names were not learned. However, when they stopped and examined the body of young Maple it was (Continued on Page Two)