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Brunswick County Making Good In War Bond Drive

Several Communities Said To Be Doing Exceptionally Well With Sale Of Bonds Of Fourth War Loan

SHALLOTTE SEEMS TO GOING VERY STRONG

Southport Starting House-to-house Canvass With Lt. Comdr. J. I. Davis In Charge As Chairman

With the activities of the chairman and other workers increasing in various communities in Brunswick county, it is said that Brunswick county will definitely go over the top this week in the Fourth War Loan Drive. Reports also indicate that many of the workers, once county has secured its quota, will go on and add several thousand dollars for good measure to both Germany and Japan at the American people are behind the men who are fighting.

From information obtained from Sheriff Prince O'Brien at the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, yesterday, it is also apparent that in addition to the house-to-house canvass throughout Brunswick county, with bonds being bought everywhere, there will also be several communities that will have their cause to be proud when their sales of the bonds are added and the results announced.

Shalotte seems to be going strongest this week with a big start ready and sales there still going up. It is evident that the workers there will have something to show of the manner in which they are backing up the attack on the bond drive is over.

Bolivia, too, is still going strong with sales of \$7,000.00. The chairman and workers are busy. The same can be said of Leland and it is understood that Ash has also been doing very creditable work.

At Southport Lt. Comdr. J. I. Davis organized yesterday a house-to-house canvass. He said yesterday that he and his workers were not beginning any one (Continued on page 4)

o Campaign For Better Gardens

Some And County Agents Will Endeavor To Encourage Year - Round Home Garden Production Among Brunswick People

Miss Elizabeth Norfleet, home agent for Brunswick and County agent J. E. Dodson, are planning a general campaign for more and better home gardens in Brunswick county. The plan is to have a series of planning for everything to plant in the spring and have crops mature at the same time, with the result that much will go to waste. They intend to stress the importance of continuous planting (Continued On Page Four)

Ration Pointers

PROCESSED FOODS

Green G, H, and J (Book No. 1) expire February 20.
Green K, L, and M (Book No. 2) valid February 1, expire March 20.

MEATS AND FATS

Brown V and W (Book No. 3) expire February 26.
Brown X (Book Three) becomes valid February 6, expires February 26.

PORK

Red Stamps A-8 through M-4 (Book Four) 120 points valid in advance to purchase pork from farmers only, not from retail stores.

SUGAR

Sugar stamp No. 30 (Book No. 4) good for five pounds. Expires March 31.
Sugar stamp No. 40 (Book No. 5) good for five pounds. Expires April 30.

SHOES

Stamp No. 18 (Book One) valid indefinitely. Airplane Stamp No. 1 (Book Three) now valid.

FUEL OIL

Period 3 coupons (10 gals) now valid. Expires February 21.
Period 4 and 5 coupons (10 coupons (10 gals) expires Sept. 20.

GASOLINE

A-8 coupons now valid. Expires February 8.
A-9 coupons valid on February 9.

Rabies Makes Appearance Among Foxes In County

Several Seen This Past Week, One Is Killed; Man Saved By Rubber Boots From Being Bitten By Another Of The Usually Timid Animals

During the past week several foxes, unmistakably suffering from the rabies, have been encountered near Southport's. One of them was killed.

A mad fox attempted to attack one of the fine mules belonging to John Berry, who lives just across Dutchman's Creek on the Supply road. Berry, a colored man, succeeded in killing the animal. A day or two later another fox, also said to be suffering from rabies, attacked Forney Hickman, who operates the Swain farm a quarter of a mile from and adjoining Berry's. Hickman was wearing heavy rubber boots and the fox slashed and bit holes through the boots without actually touching Hickman.

Ralph Sellers, who bought the Benny Williams place near the county home, about a mile from Hickman's and Berry's, is reported to have seen two different mad foxes during the same week.

On account of the great area of woodland, much of which gives dense cover, it is believed that Brunswick may have more foxes than any other county in the state. If the disease really gets going, considerable damage may be done to dogs, livestock and even human beings. Some five years or more ago Bladen county had an epidemic of mad foxes that became so serious that state authorities were appealed to for aid. The disease continued to run its course among the foxes for three or four years and an occasional mad animal is still reported. Reports from Bladen while the disease was at its worst were to the effect that the animals did not hesitate to attack livestock and human beings.

Order Relative To Wells Rescinded By Co. Board

Amos J. Walton Continues In Office Until Auditors Can Check His Books, No Salary To Wells In The Meantime

SICKNESS OF AUDITOR DELAYS TRANSFERING Expected That Office May Be Restored To Wells This Week If Books Can Be Checked

At their meeting here Monday, the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners rescinded an order passed at a special meeting called on January 26. The present status of the office of Register of Deeds is that Amos J. Walton, acting Register of Deeds, will continue in office and receive the regular salary thereof until he is cleared from his duties by the auditing of his books.

W. S. Wells, the duly elected official, will not resume his duties and will receive no pay until Mr. Walton is checked out by the auditor.

At the special meeting, called after he was discharged from the Naval Reserves, Wells appeared before the board and asked that the office be restored to him. He had been on a leave of absence for the duration of the war, or until such a time when he was discharged from service. At this meeting the board understood that it would take only about one day to audit the books of Acting Register of Deeds Walton. Accordingly an order was passed providing for Wells to have his duties and salary restored on February 1st.

It has developed since the special meeting that the regular auditor has been ill and unable to check out Mr. Walton. That left a situation where the county was apparently due to pay both Wells and Walton the regular salary. Monday Mr. Walton proposed that as he could not quit the job until he was cleared by the auditor, he, rather than the county should have to pay two salaries, would work until he was cleared and would give Mr. Wells one half (continue: on page four)

Building & Loan Had A Fine Year

Local Association Has Rendered Fine Service To Citizens Of Town, Dr. R. C. Daniel Re-Elected As President

The 31st annual stockholders' meeting of the Southport Building & Loan Association was held at its office Friday, January 28th, 1944 at 7:30 P. M.

Dr. R. C. Daniel presided as Chairman of the meeting. The annual reports of the President, Dr. R. C. Daniel, and J. E. Carr, Secretary-Treasurer were made.

President Daniel reported a gain in assets of the Association during the year of \$15,000.00, and a substantial gain in number of shares of stock in force.

"Due to building restrictions and to the ability of some borrowers to pay off their mortgages before maturity says J. E. Carr our mortgage loans have been reduced about \$10,000.00 during the year, however this has enabled the Association to purchase War bonds, and we have invested \$22,000.00 in these bonds. (Continued on Page 4)

FATHER-SON



IN SERVICE—Serving the County Board of Education for many years as mechanic in charge of all school buses in Brunswick county, Ernest E. Parker, Sr., (left) of Shalotte, resigned last year and shortly thereafter entered the service by enlisting in the Cat Guard. He is now a Motor Machinists Mate, first class, and is stationed at Charleston. His son and namesake, Ernest E. Parker, Jr., (right), enlisted in the Marines last year and is now in the pre-radio school in Chicago, receiving training. He is a graduate of the Shalotte high school. He was a student at Chapel Hill when he left his studies there to join the Marines.

Hold Meetings All Next Week

Important Series Of Gatherings Are Being Scheduled By Home And County Agents For Next Week

With two important purposes in view, Miss Elizabeth Norfleet, home agent for Brunswick county and J. E. Dodson, county agent, have scheduled a series of five meetings for next week.

Beginning Monday night and continuing through Friday night, it is urged that Brunswick people living nearest to any scheduled speaking point, attend the meetings and urge their neighbors to attend.

Last night Miss Norfleet stated: We hope to accomplish two things. First, to encourage the increased production of food and feed in 1944. Second, to give information that will help the (Continued on page 2)

Woman's Club Elects Officers

Majority Of Offices Will Be Filled For Second Year By Same Persons; Three Changes

Officers for the new year to begin in the fall were elected at the regular meeting of the Woman's Club on Wednesday.

Mrs. C. Ed. Taylor will continue as president of the organization for the coming year. Vice-President will be Mrs. George Y. Watson, taking the office held last year by Mrs. R. C. Daniel. Mrs. (continued on page two)



W. B. KEZIAH

About three years ago Thompson McCracken of the Lehigh Farm, across Walden Creek, bought a herd of some sixty hogs. His aim was to use them in clearing up the underbrush and briars in his pastureland. In this animals have been more than worth their keep, which has amounted to about nothing. The goats would have paid better if they had not been in the same pasture with hogs. Each spring when it has come time for the old goats to drop their kids the McCracken hogs have feasted royally on goats. In three years there has not been an addition to the goat herd because of the fact that the hogs devoured the young about as soon as they were born. This year the little twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. McCracken are watching for the new arrivals. As soon as a kid is born, if the hogs don't beat them (Continued on Page Four)

Partial List Of Red Cross Fund Workers

Mrs. J. A. Russ, County Chairman For Red Cross War Fund Drive Announces Some Of Her Helpers For Next Month's Drive

MORE WILL BE GIVEN LATER

Hopes To More Than Make County Quota Of \$8,800 In Year's Only Drive

Mrs. J. A. Russ has completed the organization for covering Brunswick County in the coming Red Cross War Fund Drive which will be during the month of March.

As the County quota has been double this year Mrs. Russ is asking the wholehearted cooperation from the people of Brunswick. She hopes that the \$8,800.00 quota will be passed as the activities of the Red Cross both at home and abroad have greatly increased.

"It is up to us here at home to do all in our power to help our boys who are facing danger for us," says Mrs. Russ. "The American Red Cross has given us this opportunity. I hope sincerely that everyone in Brunswick will give as liberally as they are able. Remember YOU CAN'T BUCK THE AXIS WITH A BUCK so give more than the usual dollar you have given heretofore."

Mrs. Russ' county-wide organization is as follows:

Leland: S. D. Wright, Ch'n. Lattie Mae Galloway, colored teacher.

Orton and Funston Community: James Ferger, Ch'm. Ethel Bogie, Emma Robbins and Lenora Moore.

Winnabow: Mrs. Janie Henry, Chm.

Lanvale: Miss Sallie Betts Knox, Chm.

Bolivia: Glenn Tucker, Chm. Grissett Town. Rev. Lester Mintz, Chm.

Thomasboro: Mrs. Louise Lewis, Chm; Mrs. Hilton Pierce, Chm.

Pickman's X Roads: Mrs. S. T. Bennett, Chm., Mrs. Lydia E. (Continued on Page 4)

Fire Danger On Rapid Increase

A Number Of Damaging Forest Fires Have Occurred During Past Week And Danger Of Them Said To Be Daily Increasing

Forest fire danger is now rapidly increasing with heavier winds adding to the menace of the dry weather that usually prevails at this season of the year. During the past week the number of fires which have broken out and caused damage have been a source of worry to County Fire Warden Mercer.

Some of these fires have been small with relatively minor damage. Others have been quite extensive and as the ground, grass and brush continue to dry out the number of fires that do much damage is expected to increase unless there is public cooperation with the officials in an effort to prevent fires, and to restrain them if they do break out. (Continued on Page 4)

Hardship Gas Rations Now

Boards Are Allowed To Issue Rations In Personal Necessity Emergencies

Local war price and rationing boards are now allowed to issue, from available gasoline allotments, rations to motorists who face "personal necessity" emergencies not already covered by the regulations, OPA has announced.

"It does not mean," Theodore S. Johnson, district OPA director said, "that there is any more gasoline available for rationing, nor can such 'hardship' rations be used for business purposes. 'Frequently in the past, local boards have been faced with dilemmas where the issuing of small quantities of gasoline seemed justified, and we believe that such emergency rations can be issued out of the total gasoline supply allotted to civilian motorists.' Monthly quotas will be assigned (Continued on Page four)

Five Army Gliders In Crash Landings In Waccamaw

Big Transport Gliders With Men And Equipment Caught In A Jam When Towing Cables Break During Heavy Winds, Only One Injured

U. S. Army gliders, carrying airborne engineers and equipment, rained down on Waccamaw township late Friday evening. Five of the huge transports, understood to have a capacity of sixty men and equipment each, all made crash landings in pine woods during a heavy wind. All machines were badly damaged and the miracle is that only one man, Pvt. M. P. Fuschl, is reported to have been injured.

Four of the gliders carried only equipment, the pilot, and co-pilot; the fifth had ten men. These are Flight Officer R. H. Moody, First Sgt. W. B. Donouan, Sgts. S. G. Zakis and W. R. Bresean, T-Sgts. H. J. Smith and S. B. Shure, Cpl. Meyer Goldman, Pvt. Andrew R. Miland, Pvt. Sam Marz and Pvt. M. P. Fuschl, all Airborne Engineers. The names of the pilots and co-pilots of the other four machines were not learned.

One of the officers stated that all five of the gliders, towed by a plane, were making satisfactory progress on the flight, despite a very high wind. The wind and loads of equipment and men caused one of the towing cables to break when the gliders were at an altitude that did not permit them to navigate in the wind for any distance. The broken tow line forced the cutting loose of all machines from the plane and all (Continued on Page Four)

Voting On Conservation District To Begin Friday

You Must Have Inspectors Report

Applications for any type of gas rations cannot be considered unless they are accompanied by the reports of tire inspectors.

The above very definite statement was made yesterday by Mrs. Grace J. Jones, gas clerk with the Brunswick County Ration Board.

Deputy Christman Makes Schedule

Will Be At Southport Wednesday, March 1st, And At Supply March 2nd And 3rd To Assist In Filing Income Tax

Raymond D. Christman, chief zone deputy of the Internal Revenue Service, stated this week that in order to assist in the filing of income tax returns he had arranged for three days itinerary in Brunswick county, beginning March 1st.

Mr. Christman stated that, having no adequate place at Shalotte where he could work, he was arranging to limit his visits to the office of the county agent at Supply and to the court house in Southport. He will be in Southport on Wednesday, March 1st and will be at Supply on Thursday and Friday, March 2nd and 3rd.

Working in a number of counties, the deputy has very limited time for all the work that must be done. He stated that with only three days for Brunswick he felt it would be to the advantage of those concerned to give the other two days available to Supply, which is conveniently located for a great many of the taxpayers.

Big Area Burned In Smithville

Large Fire Did Considerable Damage, Mostly To Young Pines And Seedlings

A large land area lying south of Lockwoods Folly River and between the Supply and Bell Swamp highways, was burned over last week with considerable damage to timber in some places.

Ed Sayre, an experienced forester, local manager for the International Paper Co., stated that much of the damage was to seedlings and very young pines. In many places where there was an excellent stand of very small trees and in others where seedlings were just sprouting a great deal of damage was done.

Mr. Sayre showed the representative of this paper a match (Continued on Page Four)

Army Finds Land Owners Co-operative

Town Creek And Smithville Township Folks Are All Cheerfully Granting Permission For Use Of Their Land By Army

NEW MANEUVER AREA INCLUDES 2 TOWNSHIPS

No Refusals From Landowners Met With To Date By Army Field Representatives Working In Brunswick County

The campaign to sign up land for maneuvers in Town Creek and Smithville townships is proceeding at a very fast rate according to a report from campaign headquarters in Fort Jackson, S. C. With seventy five percent of the landowners already contacted and signed, confidence was expressed that the remaining twenty five percent will be signed up within a very short time.

All persons owning five or more acres were sent letters and a Maneuver Rights Permission Card explaining in detail that the Army wants to increase the present training area for Camp Davis troops, and requesting that these cards be signed and returned immediately. A large number signed and returned their cards but a great many failed to do so, making necessary a personal visit to obtain the permission. Several cards were never delivered for want of a complete address.

To personally contact those whose cards were not received, Private Daniel S. Grant and Private Donald S. Rodger of the Rents and Claims Board of Fort Jackson, S. C., were sent to Brunswick County. They have worked three weeks in the county bringing the total number of permissions granted within twenty five percent of their goal.

In a statement made yesterday by the Field Representatives, they said, "We are pleased that our work is progressing so rapidly. Without the splendid cooperation received from the residents of the County, it would have been impossible to achieve the results attained. We are particularly grateful for having met with no refusals. We realize that Brunswick County inhabitants who in no other way can contribute to the War Effort are doing their part by granting to the Army the right to maneuver on their land."

NEWS BRIEFS

JOB CHANGES
Clyde Newton, who has held a civil service job as one of the four guards at the Caswell Base pumping station, has resigned to go with the Southport city waterworks and light plant. His place at the pumping station has been taken by Herbert Rogers.

SENIORS CLASS PLAY
The seniors of Bolivia High School will hold their class play in the school auditorium, Friday night, February 18, at 8:00 o'clock. This is a three-act comedy, entitled "Uncle Josh Perkins." Members of the cast have been selected and rehearsals indicate that a good performance is in store for those who attend.

HOME ON FURLOUGH
Charlie Williams, who is in training at the Naval Station, Bainbridge, Md., is spending a ten days leave with his family. Mrs. Williams and their four children live in Southport.

GOOD FISHING
Sandy Simmons, Southport fisherman, made \$150.00 in four days of fishing last week. His catch included 250 pounds of headed shrimp which sold for \$35.00 per hundred. The shrimp were of good size and several boats are at work this week.

"YANKEE DOODLE"
There will be a full night's entertainment at the Southport High School auditorium on Friday night at 8 o'clock with a one act play "Yankee Doodle" being featured. There are also specialties. The program is sponsored by the local Red Cross Camp and Hospital Committee.

CPL. WILLIS SICK
Hex friends will regret to learn that Cpl. Winnie Willis has been seriously ill with pneumonia in a Norfolk hospital for several weeks. She will have to remain there for three more weeks.