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## Commissioners Order All Dogs Be Innoculated

Dogs In County Must  
Be Given Anti-Rabies  
Treatment Within Thirty  
Days Or Warrants Will  
Be Issued For The Own-  
ers

## FOXES GOING MAD CAUSE OF ORDER

List Of Those Who  
Will Do The Innoculating  
Listed Below; Many  
Mules Have Been  
Bitten By Foxes

Recognizing the growing men-  
ace from mad foxes, through  
reports of mules  
other livestock being bitten  
by these animals, the Board of  
County Commissioners at their  
meeting Monday ordered that all  
in the county be innoculated  
against rabies within 30 days. Fail-  
ure to take this precaution will  
result in warrants being issued  
against the person having the ani-  
mal in charge.

Clarence Crapon was appointed  
to innoculate the dogs in Smith-  
township; W. H. Milliken at  
Shalotte; W. D. Evans, Waccama-  
maw and S. O. Lewis in Lock-  
woods Folly. In North West town-  
ship where the mad foxes are  
said to be the most numerous, A.  
Lewis and George Long were  
appointed to do the innoculating.

The use of two  
in each of these cases is a  
precaution against any one being  
bitten by a dog that may be devel-  
oping rabies.

## New Shoe Stamp Good May First

Stamp 18 In First Ration  
Book Goes Out And  
New Airplane Stamp To  
Come Into Effect

Another ration stamp will be  
good for one pair of shoes  
beginning May 1, the Raleigh Dis-  
trict Office of Price Administra-  
tion announced today.

The previous coupon, airplane  
stamp I in War Ration Book  
will continue to be good in-  
definitely. However, stamp 18 in  
Book One will be terminated on  
May 30.

An announcement was made as  
to which new stamp will be used,  
rationing officials said that  
A will designate the valid  
stamp shortly before May 1. Assur-  
ance that there will be a new  
stamp on that date is being given  
in advance so that the public and  
shoe trade can plan accordingly.  
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## Ration Pointers

### PROCESSED FOODS

Green K, L, and M (Book  
Four) now valid, expire March  
31.

Blue A-8, B-8, C-8, D-8, and  
E-8 (Book Four) good for ten  
points each until May 20.

MEATS & FATS  
Brown Y and Z (Book  
Three) now valid will expire  
March 20.

Red A-8, B-8, C-8, (Book  
Four) good for ten points each  
until May 20.

SUGAR  
Sugar stamp 30 (Book Four)  
good for five pounds expires  
March 31.

SUGAR  
Sugar stamp 40 (Book Four)  
good for five pounds canning  
until February 28, 1945  
(30 months.)

SHOES  
Stamp 18 (Book One) good  
until April 30. Airplane stamp  
(Book Three) now valid.

FUEL OIL  
Period 4 and 5 coupons (10  
gallons) expire September 30.

GASOLINE  
A-9 coupons, now valid for  
five gallons and will expire  
May 8.

NOTE: Rationing rules re-  
quire that every car owner im-  
mediately write his license  
number and state on all gaso-  
line coupons in his possession.

## Brunswick Man At Front Writes Praising Red Cross

In A Letter To A Friend At Southport, Dr. Maurice  
Rosenbaum, Of Shallotte, Now Stationed With  
Troops In England, Writes In High Praise Of  
What The Red Cross Is Doing Among  
The Soldiers

In a letter to a friend in South-  
port Dr. Maurice Rosenbaum,  
formerly of Shallotte, now Captain  
with the Army Air Force some-  
where in England, has much to  
say regarding the Red Cross. He  
started his letter by saying he  
had just received a letter from  
Mrs. Rosenbaum, who is living at  
their home at Shallotte. She men-  
tioned that the Red Cross drive  
would begin in March. Continuing,  
the letter said:

"When I was in practice in  
Shalotte before the war, I usually  
contributed a dollar to the Red  
Cross each year. This was largely  
because I was solicited and it  
usually left me wondering if the  
money would be put to some good  
use. Since coming to England I  
have seen what happened to those  
dollars, and for my money the  
Red Cross is "Tops." The organi-  
zation is doing a fine job here.  
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## Red Cross War Fund Drive Off To Good Start In County

Drive Began In County On  
Wednesday and in South-  
port Monday Night With  
Rally

### CHAIRMAN EXPRESSES HOPES FOR SUCCESS

Send-Off Program At Shal-  
lotte School On Wednes-  
day Began Drive In  
That Area

The Red Cross War Fund Drive  
got underway last Wednesday  
with all parts of the county  
actively engaged in raising their  
quota. Mrs. Jasper Russ, of Shal-  
lotte, county chairman for the  
drive, this morning expressed con-  
fidence that the county would  
raise this quota.

Mrs. Russ says that on Wed-  
nesday morning a very success-  
ful send-off program was held at  
the Shalotte school which shows  
the enthusiastic response of citi-  
zens in that area to the appeal  
for funds to carry on the Red  
Cross' greatly expanded activities  
both at home and abroad.

The Southport section started  
its main effort with a rally at the  
U. S. O. on Monday night at  
which Goody Gaskins, Red Cross  
Field Director from Camp Davis,  
was the principal speaker. Mr.  
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## Emergency Check On All Retailers

Nation - Wide Emergency  
Check Of All Retail Food  
Merchants To Be Started  
Next Monday

The Local Price Rationing  
Board is advising all retail food  
merchants of an emergency price  
check to be conducted on a na-  
tion-wide scale, beginning the  
week of March 13. The Board  
says:

"This emergency price check  
will cover certain items which  
have been flat-priced at the retail  
level and will include household  
soaps and cleaners, meats, and  
items from the Community Price  
Order. This emergency price  
check is being conducted to help  
you in checking your prices to be  
certain that you are not offering  
for sale any item above the legal  
ceiling price.

"We suggest that, between now  
and March 13th, you recheck your  
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## Wreck Results In Death Of Negro

Lewis J. Smith, Marsh  
Branch Negro, Sustained  
Broken Neck When He  
Lost Control Of His Car  
On Supply Road

Lewis J. Smith, 30 year old ne-  
gro of the Marsh Branch com-  
munity, was apparently instantly  
killed in a wreck three and a  
half miles out of town, on the  
Supply road, Monday night.

He is understood to have lost  
control of his car, a 1939 De-  
Sotta coupe. The machine turned  
over several times. Smith's neck  
was found to have been broken.  
He was driving the machine and  
had as a companion Jake Kelly,  
another Marsh Branch colored  
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### MOTORISTS MUST ENDORSE COUPONS

Dist. OPA Director Theodore  
S. Johnson, of Raleigh, today  
urged all motorists to endorse  
their gasoline ration coupons  
with their auto license num-  
ber. OPA has launched a drive  
to break up black market opera-  
tions in gasoline. Mr.  
Johnson also announced a  
54-county drive to check rat-  
ion books of motorists start-  
ing today, March 6th. OPA in-  
vestigators will check gasoline  
ration books of persons driving  
into filling stations and Mr.  
Johnson warned, "any Eastern  
North Carolina motorist who  
fails to have his coupons en-  
dorsed faces revocation of his  
gasoline ration."



This year, with service flags in windows of nearly every home,  
Red Cross will mean so much more to Americans. As depicted in this  
reproduction of a 1944 Red Cross War Fund poster, many windows  
also will display the symbol of participation in the cause of Mercy  
and Humanity—the Red Cross.

## Army Dentists Give Soldiers Excellent Care

During 1943 Close To Four  
Million Dental Treat-  
ments Given Soldiers At  
Posts In Seven States

ATLANTA, Ga., March 6.—As  
proof of the Army's contention  
that American soldiers receive the  
very best dental treatment and  
services the dental profession has  
to offer, is a report by Colonel R.  
B. Tobias, chief, dental section,  
Surgeon's office, Fourth Service  
Command, showing that during  
1943 a total of close to four mil-  
lion dental treatments were given  
soldiers at posts, camps and sta-  
tions in the seven southeastern  
states.

This is an average of more  
than 11,000 soldiers receiving at-  
tention everyday in Army dental  
clinics of this command.

Summarized these treatments  
consisted of the following: Fill-  
ings, (permanent) 2,880,539;  
bridges, 4,840; artificial dentures  
or plates, 180,111; extractions,  
872,254.

Civilians may delay a visit to  
the dentist until his teeth really  
hurt. Eut in the Army it is dif-  
ferent and that is where the  
Army Dental Corps, with 860  
trained officers and 1,244 enlisted  
dental assistants at clinics in the  
Fourth Service Command have en-  
tered the picture.

The Central Dental Laboratory  
at Fort McPherson, Ga., during  
the year 1943 expanded from 32  
officers, enlisted men and civilian  
personnel, to 90 officers, enlisted  
men and civilian personnel and  
production of dentures at that la-  
boratory increased from 2,000  
completed in January, 1943 to 7-  
593 cases completed during the  
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## Our ROVING Reporter

Meet 13th, 15th And 17th  
As Board Of Equaliza-  
tion And Review To Hear  
Taxpayers Regarding Er-  
rors

The board of commissioners of  
Brunswick county will be in ses-  
sion for three days next week,  
sitting as a Board of Equalization  
and Review for the purpose of  
hearing taxpayers as to errors in  
the 1944 listing of taxes.

W. P. Jorgensen, Brunswick  
County Tax Supervisor, is anxious  
that all owning or having control  
of property, have the opportunity  
of pointing out errors in listing,  
at these meetings.

On each of the three days the  
board will hear taxpayers from  
two different townships. Monday,  
March 13, they will hear the prop-  
erty owners of North West and  
Town Creek township; Wednes-  
day, the 15th, will be devoted to  
Smithville and Lockwoods Folly;  
Friday they will hear complaints  
from Shalotte and Waccamaw,  
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## Captain Churchill Bragaw Killed In Italy January 22

Young Southport Officer Reported By War Department  
As Having Been Killed In Action While Gallantly  
Fighting In Defense Of His Country; Was Man-  
ager Of Orton Plantation And Owned  
Home Here

Captain Henry Churchill Bra-  
gaw, manager of Orton Planta-  
tion and on leave from the post  
for the duration of the war, was  
killed in action in Italy on the  
22nd of January, according to a  
war department telegram receiv-  
ed by his mother, Mrs. Helen Bra-  
gaw, Friday.

Captain Bragaw, who never  
mentioned his own experi-  
ences in letters to his mother or  
friends here, is understood to  
have been wounded in action ear-  
ly last fall. On Christmas Day he  
was again wounded and sent to  
the rear for hospital treatment.  
Mrs. Bragaw was notified in this  
instance by the War Department.  
Returning to the front, after an  
absence of nine days, he was killed  
19 days later.

Leaving Orton in 1942 as a  
second lieutenant, he received a  
year of training during which his  
ability won him promotion to  
first lieutenant. He went overseas  
early in 1943 and saw service  
with his company almost im-  
mediately. His gallantry in the  
African, Sicilian and Italian cam-  
paigns resulted in his being  
promoted to Captain. At Salerno,  
where the first invasion of Italy  
was made, he distinguished him-  
self and was frequently mention-  
ed in the reports of war corres-  
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### Killed In Action



CAPT. HENRY CHURCHILL  
BRAGAW.—Who gave his life  
for his country in Italy on Janu-  
ary 22. The above photograph  
was made a few days after he  
received minor wounds on Christ-  
mas day and just before he re-  
turned to his command.

## Death Car Driver Is Held For Court By Coroners Jury

Driver Of Vehicle In Which  
Three Negroes Were Kil-  
led When It Collided  
With Army Convoy Car  
Is Held For Trial

TWENTY FIVE SOLDIERS  
ALSO WERE INJURED

Unnamed Lieutenant Sus-  
tained Broken Spinal  
Cord And Will Never  
Walk Again; Four  
Others Have Brok-  
en Backs

With three of his negro com-  
panions dead, four soldiers hav-  
ing broken backs and a fifth with  
a broken spinal cord that will  
leave him paralyzed for life, Eld-  
er Pee, Wilmington negro, is  
awaiting the next term of crim-  
inal court and can only gain his  
temporary liberty through the  
putting up of a five thousand dol-  
lar bond. Thus far he has been  
unable to give it and remains in  
jail.

Pee was the driver of the  
car which crashed into the army  
convoy trucks on the night of  
February 25th. All three of his  
negro companions were killed in  
the crash, one man and two wo-  
men. In addition to the soldiers,  
mentioned above, some 2 others  
in the two trucks were injured, all  
of them having to have hospital  
treatment.

The soldiers were enroute into  
this county to search for a plane  
and pilot which was supposed to  
have crashed during a heavy fog  
earlier in the day. Pee was en-  
route to Wilmington when he  
crashed into the convoy at Jack-  
ies Creek, just above Lanvale.

With some of the injured sol-  
diers recovered enough to come  
here and testify, Coroner W. E.  
Bell held an inquest Thursday  
night, State Highway Patrolman  
M. S. Parvin and one of the ar-  
my truck drivers were the only  
witnesses examined. Following  
their testimony Pee took the  
stand and testified in his own de-  
fense and thereafter, in short or-  
der, the jury returned the follow-  
ing verdict:

"We, the Coroner's Jury, after  
hearing the evidence in the case  
of Elder Pee, in which he is  
charged with driving under the in-  
fluence of intoxicating liquor on  
the State Highway, and striking  
two government trucks, killing  
three people and injuring several  
others, recommend that he be held  
under sufficient bond to insure his  
appearance at the next term of  
Brunswick county criminal court—  
Price Furpless, Fred Burries, R.  
W. Davis, John D. Eriksen, R. C.  
Swain and Roy Swain.

## Brief News Flashes

ON LST DUTY  
Charlie Williamson, Seaman,  
second class, is now an integral  
member of the Amphibious Forces  
of the United States Navy. At  
the completion of his preliminary  
LST training at the Amphibious  
Training Base, Camp Bradford,  
near Norfolk, Virginia. He has  
been assigned to the crew of an  
LST for active duty.

IN PACIFIC  
Staff Sergeant Willie H. Lewis,  
of Shallotte, is stationed at Cape  
Gloucester, New Britain, as Mess  
Sergeant in charge of the galley  
for an engineering unit.

## Brunswick Co. Exceeded Quota

Fell Short of Reaching Goal  
With Series E Bonds But  
Went Well Over The Top  
With All Bonds

Brunswick county exceeded its  
quota in the 4th War Loan drive  
by \$34,819.00. However, of the  
Series E Bonds the quota \$40-  
000, and only \$36,750. worth of  
these bonds were bought. The to-  
tal quota of all kinds of bonds  
was \$90,000.00 and the total pur-  
chases amounted to \$124,819.00.

These figures were made pub-  
lic Monday by Chairman R. F.  
Plaxco, who obtained them from  
the Federal Reserve Bank of  
Richmond.

He figured are available as to  
the good work done by commit-  
tees in various sections of the  
county. It is, however, understood  
that all worked hard. In several  
cases the workers did extremely  
well and Chairman Plaxco states  
that he is very much gratified at  
the good showing made by the  
county.

STATIONED AT HOME  
Coastguardsman Schuyler Stana-  
land, BMC, is now stationed in  
Wilmington. He has just returned  
from 14 months service in the  
Pacific. He has served in the  
Coast Guard 16 years and while  
he was here Monday he remark-  
ed that he had seen more service  
during the 14 months than he  
had seen in all his previous life.  
He is a son of Mr. D. E. Stana-  
land of Ash.

## Food Outlook For March Reviewed By Distributor

Board Lists Some  
New Registrants

Eight young white men and  
five colored men have recently  
registered with the local selec-  
tive service board. The white men  
are Augustus Otto Hewett, Sup-  
ply; Clarence Waco King, Free-  
land; Hubert Robinson, Supply,  
LeRoy Hickman, Southport; Lind-  
say Warren Gore, Ash; Claude E.  
Pittman, Shalotte; Jesse Long  
Williams, Shalotte; and Eber  
Jones Bellamy, Wilmington; all  
white.

The five colored registrants are:  
Moses Stopy Grissett, Shalotte;  
Floyd Collins Gore, Supply; Floyd  
Henry Waddell, Leland; Jethro  
Moore, Wimbrow; and David  
Willis, Wilmington.

Seasonal Abundance Of  
Many Food Items And  
Scarcity Of Others Fore-  
cast From Survey Made

Seasonal abundance of many  
food items for civilians supply and  
a continuation of others on the  
scarcity list are forecast for  
March by the nation's largest  
food distributor.

Featured in the combined re-  
ports of more than 140 field buy-  
ing offices of the Great Atlantic  
and Pacific Tea Company are  
estimates indicating improvement  
in fish supplies, a slightly shorter  
supply of meat, sharp cuts in  
poultry receipts, minor additions  
to the butter supply, and plenty  
of fresh vegetables.

Barring further labor difficul-  
ties, fish hauls in the North At-  
lantic area, which have been be-  
low normal, and production in the  
Chesapeake Bay - Norfolk area  
should offset the "between-season"  
lull in the Gulf zone, according  
to Joseph O'Brien, Boston, head  
of the A & P fish department. In  
the Great Lakes area fishing  
should open on Lake Erie late in  
March to bring many varieties on  
the market.

Although pork will remain in  
liberal supply, T. A. Connors,  
head of the company's national  
meat buying offices believes that  
a further reduced supply of beef,  
veal and lamb is likely in March.  
Smoked meats, with the excep-  
tion of ham, will be about as  
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## Postal Rates To Take A Big Rise

Beginning On March 26th  
Additional Postage Will  
Be Required On Prac-  
tically Everything Sent  
Through The Mails

Beginning with the 26th of  
this month, all mail from letters  
to newspapers, packages and  
money order fees will call for  
greatly increased postage. On and  
after that date the recipients of  
the mail you place in the post of-  
fices will have to pay whatever  
shortage in postage may be due.  
In addition there will be delay in  
delivery if you fail to attach suf-  
ficient postage when sending.

In cities that have house to  
house deliveries postage on let-  
ters, that is letters mailed in  
such towns, will advance from one  
to three cents. Where there is no  
city delivery and letters are now  
mailed to other local residents for  
one cent, the postage will advance  
to two cents on each letter.

For instance, local letters mailed  
at any post office in Brun-  
swick county to be delivered to a  
party at the same office, will cost  
two cents after March 26th.  
Your out-of-town letters, that  
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Urges Men To  
Record Papers

Register Of Deeds Will Re-  
cord Discharge Papers  
For Service Men Without  
Charging Fee For The  
Work

Register of Deeds W. S. Wells  
is urging that all discharged ser-  
vice men have their discharge  
papers recorded immediately af-  
ter receiving them. This, he says,  
will eliminate the possibility of  
the papers being lost and may  
save the holders much trouble  
and annoyance should it ever be-  
come necessary to produce evi-  
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