

Voting By Soldiers To Be Problem

In the Sir Walter Hotel, Daily Dispatch Bureau, By LYNN NISBET.

Raleigh, Sept. 14.—Secretary of State Thad Eure is doing something this week he felt he ought to do, and yet that he doesn't believe is really worth anything at all. He is acknowledging receipt of more than a thousand requests for absentee ballots under the congressional act permitting all soldiers over 21 years of age to vote by mail for Federal officers. The Federal statute named the secretary of state as administrator of the act.

The letters to soldiers are being mailed because Mr. Eure doesn't like the idea of not acknowledging the post card requests for ballots. So along with the acknowledgment he is giving a concise statement of what procedure the voter must follow, as well as reminder that under an act of the last legislature North Carolina citizens can vote for all Federal, State and county officials, both in the primary and in the general election. It would be a genuine surprise to the prospective soldier voters if there wasn't so much chance that the laws will be changed before

there is any opportunity to use the privilege. The national association of secretaries of state will meet next month, and chief topic on the convention program is this absentee voting law. The secretaries will quite likely have constructive suggestions for amending the law, growing out of their experience with it last fall. Then several members of Congress have said they will propose changes so as to make it more convenient for members of the armed forces to vote, with perhaps inclusion of primary privileges in the Federal act. Any material change in the congressional act will make it necessary to send another letter to the soldiers telling them about it.

The main factor tending to make present advice worthless is the almost certain change of address of the voter before November of next year. To meet this problem the secretary in his letter asks the soldiers to advise him during September, 1944, of their address at that time.

Further confounding the confusion is conflict between Federal and State laws about the distribution of ballots to service men and women. The Federal law requires the administrator to forward applications for ballots to the chairman of the board of elections of the county in which the applicant holds residence. The state act requires him to turn the applications over to the state board of elections. However, since the United States government is not amenable to acts of state legislatures, it is presumed that unless the federal act is amended in that respect, the application will be sent to the counties as was done last year.

Absentee voting has occasioned a lot of trouble in the past, and despite the wholly laudable motive back of efforts to let soldiers and sailors vote developments present headaches and chances for fraud in administration of the new laws.

Million Dollars Of Federal Work Has Been Finished

Richmond, Va., Sept. 14.—Eleven war public works projects costing approximately \$1,105,277 were completed and put into operation, or substantially completed, in North Carolina during the past month under the direction of the Federal Works Agency, Kenneth Markwell, FWA regional director, announced. The projects included sewerage facilities and a public health center at Wilmington, a sewage treatment plant and additions to the water and sewer systems at Jacksonville, a recreation center for servicemen at Swanboro, additions to the municipal power plant at Southport, an elementary school building for Negro pupils at Creedmoor, a residence for nurses at the Granville County Hospital in Oxford, sewer extensions at Goldsboro and recreation centers for servicemen at Laurinburg and Monroe.

There were in addition to 43 projects previously put into operation, making a total of 54 projects which the Federal Works Agency has helped to complete in North Carolina at an estimated cost of \$1,134,120. Mr. Markwell said, Federal contributions amounted to \$2,762,352.

Meanwhile work is proceeding on 17 projects calling for expenditures of more than \$6,000,000 which are scheduled to be completed in the near future. Federal funds allocated for projects under construction amount to \$5,142,235.

The completed projects and those under construction in North Carolina, Mr. Markwell said, represent a \$10,000,000 war public works program that will provide schools, hospitals, water and sewer systems, recreation centers and other facilities for serv-

Davidson Plans Opening of Term This Wednesday

Davidson, Sept. 14.—Completion of plans for the opening of the 108th consecutive civilian autumn term was announced at Davidson College today. The Freshman Orientation Program, which began with the Chapel Hour last Friday, will come to a close this afternoon. Classes will begin at 8:30 Wednesday morning, September 15. One hundred and thirty freshmen have registered and are now ready to attend the regular scheduled hours of instruction. This also applies to laboratories and classes in physical education. Slightly more than one hundred upper classmen are expected to be on hand on Wednesday.

The rooming of the civilian students will be in three dormitories, Rimple, Georgia and Watts. East and West dormitories are occupied by the members of 24th College training detachment of the Army Air Forces. A note of satisfaction has been sounded by President John R. Cunningham over what is considered a very healthy enrollment under War Conditions. "Davidson", he stated, "is pleased to be able to carry on in full strength and to continue to render a service to the youth of our country, while making a direct contribution to the war through the Army Pre-flight training."

In the railway cottage in which he has lived 70 years Britain's oldest railway pensioner, John C. Franchlow, has just celebrated his 108th birthday.

More Volunteers Are Still Wanted For War Courses

Raleigh, Sept. 14.—Although a large number of applications have been received, still more men and women are needed as students in the series of war training courses which will begin at State College Sept. 27. It was announced today by Director Edward W. Ruggles of the College Extension Division.

He also announced cancellation of a projected course in engineering a drawing which was scheduled for both Wake Forest College and State. The five remaining courses and their lengths will be aircraft inspection, 12 weeks, 32 hours per week; architectural and machine drafting, 16 weeks, 36 hours per week; chemical testing and inspection, 10 weeks, 40 hours per week; fabric inspection and testing, 12 weeks, 36 hours per week; and industrial safety engineering, 16 weeks, six hours per week.

All expenses except textbooks and assistance will be paid by the Federal government as part of its program to provide technically trained men and women for vital war work. High school graduation is the minimum education required. The courses are open to men and women of all ages.

Women who meet requirements are urged to enroll, said Director Ruggles, pointing to a recent War Manpower Commission statement that 1,000,000 more women workers would be needed in the war effort this year.

Hundreds of men and women who have completed the courses at State not only have gone into industrial effort, but have trained thousands for life-long careers following the war, Ruggles declared.

Cotton Loan Value Marked On Cards Upon Cotton Bale

College Station, Raleigh, Sept. 14.—Classes start on bales of cotton which are handled for farmers of one-acre communities under the Smith-Dorsey Act now carry the loan value of each bale of cotton on the card. Extension cotton marketing specialists at State College announced here today.

They explained that the loan value appears on the "address side" of the green classing card and is quoted in cents per pound. They pointed out that this amount does not represent the true value of the cotton but may be "loan value" and it can be used by the grower in arriving at what his cotton is worth on the market.

Cotton has been selling at less than 25¢ loan value in several sections of the State, according to the specialists, and they urged growers to wait until they received their classing cards before attempting to market their cotton.

Loans on cotton may be obtained through approved Government warehouses through the farm storage plan, and through the North Carolina cotton associations, the specialists explained.

When there are no approved warehouses, farmers can turn to the credit company plan of obtaining loans, and the Extension specialists suggested that growers contact their county agent for information on this plan.

PASTURES NEEDED BY GOOD LIVESTOCK

College Station, Raleigh, Sept. 14.—North Carolina livestock producers and daymen can get much better returns from grain farms if pro-

ducers and daymen in North Carolina's war congested communities. Pasture tests which show that a cow producing 40 pounds of milk daily, for example, required 1 pound of grain for each 8.7 pounds of milk, if on excellent pasture; 1 pound of grain to 14 pounds, if on good pasture; 1 to 20, if on fair pasture; and 1 to 25, if on poor pasture.

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P. S. Gary Cooper, Paramount star, is investing every available dollar of his income in War Bonds.

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P. S. Miss Hayworth, Columbia Pictures star, is a hard working member of the Navy Aid Auxiliary.

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P. S. Miss Landis, 20th Century-Fox star, entertained troops in Africa during the Tunisian campaign.



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P. S. Miss Lamour, Paramount star, is one of the leading War Bond sales men in America.

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