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## Person Men Take Part In Important State Conference

### Mobile Unit Of Recruiting Crew For Army Returns

#### Regular Staff Members Coming A Day Earlier Next Week.

The mobile unit of the United States Army Recruiting Service will be in Roxboro on Thursday, December 6th. The mobile unit is operated by Sgt. James Allen and Sgt. Gilbert Bailey, who will be happy to discuss any phase of the regular army with any interested person.

While most veterans know something about the opportunities offered by the regular army, we repeat briefly a few of the major provisions of the new recruiting act for the benefit of anyone who may not be familiar with them. Retention of grade and a reenlistment furlough of up to ninety days provided reenlistment is affected within twenty days after discharge, a reenlistment bonus of \$50.00 for each year of last enlistment provided reenlistment is effected within ninety days after discharge. Choice of branch of service and overseas theatre on a three year hitch, The GI Bill of Rights and family allowances still in effect. Twenty year retirement, Thirty days furlough each year. These and many other favorable inducements make the Regular Army a very attractive proposition.

Young men about to be drafted are urged to come in and talk over the advantages offered by voluntarily enlisting rather than going into service through the draft board. The army offers an extensive educational program for which both high school and college credits are given. Enlistment may be made for as short a period as 18 months. A man is eligible for enlistment in the regular army at any time before he is actually ordered to report for induction by his draft board.

## Tobacco Leaders At Conference

Wilson.—R. Flake Shaw, of Greensboro, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau was in Washington conferring with officials of the United States department of agriculture on tobacco quotas for 1946 it was learned here today.

Saturday midnight will be the deadline as far as the government is concerned for declaring quotas for 1946.

Both the North Carolina Farm Bureau and the North Carolina Grange have come out recently in favor of quotas for the next year and both have pointed out the dangers of allowing quotas to be disregarded for the next year. Whether or not the department of agriculture will declare leaf quotas for next year was apparently problematical to-night but Grange and Farm Bureau leaders were urging the declaration today and working toward that end.

At the same time here today Joe Williams, field representative of the State Farm Bureau, disclosed that the membership of the bureau in the state was now at 37,000, largest in the state's history.

The Farm Bureau will hold a meeting at the Sir Walter hotel in Raleigh next Tuesday at 10 a. m. to make plans for the Tar Heel delegation to the American Farm Bureau convention to be held at Chicago December 17.

### Dr. Rankin Coming

Dr. W. S. Rankin of the Duke foundation, Charlotte, will address a group interested in Person Memorial hospital here Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at Person Court House, where a full attendance is requested. Chairman of the General Committee is R. L. Harris.

## Four Boys Fail To Report With Others For Army

### One Of The Missing Said To Be In Navy.

Four young white men scheduled to have left Thursday for Fort Bragg for pre-induction examinations failed to report, it was announced today by Miss Jeanette Wrenn, chief clerk. One of the missing men is listed as F. Ford Thomas Holt, of Wooddale, said to be in the Navy and any information concerning him or the other three will be appreciated, said Miss Wrenn.

The other three who failed to report are listed as—George Roach, general delivery, Roxboro; Mason Matthews Bowers, of Longhurst and Roy Lee Shepard, of Cave.

Three men left that morning for induction. They were Reuben Carl Bows, leader, Jefferson Daniel Clayton and Frank Whitt Gentry.

Those who went down for examination were: James Earl Hester, Jr., leader, and Ernest William Brann, Kelley W. Carver, James Talmadge O'Brian, Flo Bryant Miller, Calvin Edwin Postum, Patrick O'Brien, Terrell King Duncan, Walter Herbert Powell, Howard Arthur Rimmer, Edgar Blacklock Davis, Edward Carlyle Gentry, Elandrie Day, and James Earl Moore.

Bernice Cornelius Wade, Ira Lee Bows, Earle Preston Bows, Joe Carlton Stewart, James Earl Hester, Jr., Hugh Glance Blacklock, Jr., Roy Clay Fogleman, Luther Earket Talley, William Howard Wilburn, Jr., Gordon Stover Davis, Victor James Roberts, and Charles Thomas Tatum.

## OPA, Army, Aid In Fight On Used Car Racket

Raleigh, Dec. 1.—Alarmed by increasing reports that discharged servicemen are being victimized by some unscrupulous used car dealers, OPA has joined with the Army's Fourth Service Command in efforts to stamp out the practice, according to Theodore S. Johnson, OPA District Director.

The used car racket is especially prevalent near separation centers, Johnson said, explaining that some dealers are using dodges to collect over-ceiling prices from veterans who want a car to drive to their homes. In some cases reported to the Army and OPA, sellers have been flagrant about violations, acting on the promise that the price that the veteran would prefer to pay the overcharge rather than be delayed by a court suit to recover the overpayment.

Johnson quoted Major General Edward H. Brooks, commanding general of the Fourth Service Command, as saying that the army will make every effort to protect the rights of returning veterans. Separation centers throughout the Southeast have already been notified of illegal methods employed by used car dealers, and are "briefing" discharges accordingly, Johnson said.

The OPA official emphasized that all individual cases of violations should be reported to local Price Control Boards, which the agency promising swift, effective enforcement action in every case.

## Cooks Birds As They Fly In Beam

Washington.—Birds were actually "cooked" in flight by radio heat waves during the allies' electronic warfare against the nazis.

This was disclosed today in connection with a report by the armed forces and the office of scientific research and development on the effectiveness of "countermeasures" against enemy radar. Scientists of the Harvard radio research laboratory at Cambridge said birds were killed when they accidentally flew into the "horn" antenna of a huge radio transmitter employed by the allies to "jam" the radar sets of nazi night fighters.

## Furlough Expected



**BERNARD WHITE**  
Bernard White, radio operator with the United States Maritime Service and son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White, of Hurdle Mills, entered service in December 1944, and received boat training at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, New York. He is expected home on furlough in January. He was here in August 1945. He finished radio school at Gallup's Island, Boston. Two brothers in service are now in Germany. A third, Lawrence White, was wounded in Italy and has since received his discharge.

## Mrs. G. C. Hunter's Father Passes Suddenly Today

### S. S. Wilson, Of Reidsville Has Sudden Heart Attack While Driving.

S. S. Wilson of Reidsville, father of Mrs. Gordon C. Hunter, of Roxboro, died early this morning from a heart attack, which occurred while he was driving his car to his farm, according to a message received here.

Mr. Wilson, who was seventy-eight years old, had been associated with the American Tobacco Company for many years. It was reported that his car struck a tree, but that he was dead before the crash occurred.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and their daughters, Mrs. George C. Cushman and Mrs. Paul Vittur, left this morning for Reidsville immediately after receipt of the message.

Also surviving are his wife, of the home, two daughters, Mrs. Enoch Price of Miami, Fla., and Mrs. John Thomason of Charleston, S. C., and one son, C. P. Wilson of the Marshall Fields corporation, Leaksville.

Five grandchildren, in addition to Mrs. Cushman and Mrs. Vittur, also survive.

## Utility Shirt At Stabilized Price

Raleigh, Dec. 1.—The recent price increase granted manufacturers of cotton utility shirts will not mean an increase in retail prices, Theodore S. Johnson, OPA State Director, assured consumers today.

The increase was given manufacturers, he said, to stimulate production of cotton flannel and cotton oxford shirts, and cotton suede and moleskin shirts. Recent rises in production costs had made these items unprofitable for the manufacturer, under previous ceilings, Johnson explained.

The price increase granted the manufacturer will be absorbed by wholesalers and retailers, in line with OPA's cost absorption policy, designed to hold down the cost of living for the ultimate consumer. Even after absorbing this increase, wholesalers of these items will still have a margin of 5 1/2 percent, and retailers a margin ranging from 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 percent, Johnson said.

## Miss Umstead Ill

Miss Jane Umstead, of Greensboro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Umstead, of Roxboro, who several weeks ago was bruised and shocked in a bus wreck between here and Burlington, is spending some time here with her parents and may enter Duke hospital this week for treatment and observation. Miss Umstead is director of the Dairy council for Greensboro, High Point and Thomasville.

## Tobacco Quota To Remain Same For Coming Year

### Agreement Reached Friday, Keeps Program For 1946.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The Agriculture Department has announced that marketing quotas on farm sales of burley and flue-cured tobacco will be continued through the 1946 crop marketing season. This will be the third consecutive year that quotas have been imposed.

Small increases in the production and marketing of both types of tobacco will be permitted. Farmers voting in a referendum previously approved quotas for a three-year period. The quotas are designed to help keep supplies in line with market demands. Growers selling in excess of their quotas are subjected to penalty taxes.

The tentative 1946 planting allotment for flue-cured tobacco was set at 1,120,000 acres compared with 1,120,000 allotted for the 1945 crop and with 1,056,300 actually planted.

Secretary Anderson, in an announcement on suggested 1946 farm production goals, called for 1,162,000 acres of flue-cured tobacco. This is slightly below the total acreage to be allotted. No explanation was given for this difference.

The tentative 1946 allotment for burley was set at 627,000 acres compared with the 1945 allotment of 607,300 and with 1945 planting of only 529,600 acres.

Secretary Anderson's suggested goal for burley was 476,600 acres. The department said the supply of burley was much more nearly in line with current demands than that of flue-cured.

## Police-Making Changes Indicated Toward Europe

Washington, Dec. 2.—President Truman has revealed that the United States is seeking to break the four-year deadlock over control of Germany through revision of the Potsdam declaration.

He declined to give specific information on the grounds that a detailed discussion might prejudice negotiations. But only yesterday he released a report by Byron Price, former director of censorship, warning that France was exercising her veto power in the allied control council to bring about the economic dismemberment of Germany.

The President vetoed that of any more meetings with Generalissimo Stalin and Prime Minister Attlee. He said he is looking to the united nations to solve problems heretofore reserved for the big three.

At the same time, he expressed confidence in Russian co-operation for world peace and said he does not share fears that lack of co-operation by Russia would lead to war.

In a busy few minutes at his news conference the President: Revealed that negotiations are under way for revision of allied control machinery in Germany—particularly for a change in the requirement that no action affecting all four occupation zones can be taken until the United States, Britain, France, and Russia are unanimously agreed.

Said that Gen. George C. Marshall will leave for China in three of four days as special envoy following up Maj. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley, resigned ambassador. Marshall will be under instructions to carry out established American policy in China and his instructions will be published.

Promised full discussion at a later date of the whole question of re-converting international affairs from war to peace.

Expressed conviction that most other nations are as wholeheartedly in favor of the united nations as is the United States.

## Hirohito Trial Keenan's Task

Washington, Dec. 3.—Whether Emperor Hirohito will be tried as a war criminal will be decided after Joseph B. Keenan, chief prosecutor of the Japanese war criminals, reached Tokyo, Keenan said in a broadcast last night.

## Mill Creek Church Levelled In Spectacular Night Blaze

### \$41,000 More To Go In E Bond Sale

Person County and Roxboro residents have as of today bought \$108,000 in Victory Loan E bonds, it was reported this morning by District Chairman Gordon C. Hunter, who cited the fact that the E bond quota here is \$149,000.

In a further statement on progress of the sale of E bonds Mr. Hunter, says: Person County has never failed down on a War Bond quota and I am quite sure that we are not going to fall down on this the last War Loan Drive. There is no other investment that will pay as much interest and be as safe as our Victory Bonds.

If every one will purchase bonds that have been delaying buying until they could see what money, they would have to invest, would buy bonds between now and December 8th, we will sell the remaining \$41,000 by December 8th. Corporations and business firms are not to subscribe for their quota until December 3rd. We do not anticipate any trouble in reaching the overall quota of \$394,000.

## Commissioners To Inspect Home

### Mrs. E. M. Wrenn Of Gentry's Store Dies At Residence

#### Prominent Person Woman Dies This Morning After Long Illness.

Mrs. Ed M. Wrenn, 58, of NE Gentry's store, a sister of Dr. George W. Gentry and of Osbey Gentry, of Roxboro, died this morning at eight-thirty o'clock at her home from complications after a critical illness lasting two weeks. She had been in ill health about a year.

The former Miss Louvenia Gentry, a daughter of Mrs. Zachary Gentry and the late Mr. Gentry, she was a life-long member of Mill Creek Baptist church, which last night was destroyed by fire.

Surviving, in addition to the Roxboro brothers mentioned above, are her husband, and Bill, of the U. S. Naval hospital, Coney Island, New York, and four daughters, Mrs. J. Carroll Millam, Mrs. Howard Anders, Mrs. Draughn Parham and Mrs. Eddie Love Perkins, all of Cave, and her mother, Mrs. Zachary Gentry, of Allensville.

Also surviving are five other brothers, Eugene, Roy, Earl, Hubert, and Huel Gentry, all of Roxboro, and three sisters, Mrs. Hattie Gentry, Mrs. Eddie Turner and Mrs. Edwin Thompson, all of Roxboro.

Funeral will be Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock at the Wrenn home by her pastor, the Rev. J. E. Funderburk, assisted by the Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, of Roxboro First Baptist church, with interment in the Mill Creek church cemetery. Active pallbearers will be, B. B. Strum, Robert and Arthur Wade, Clyde and Kendall Gentry, and Oscar Wrenn.

## Look For Markers On Nylon Hose OPA Recommends

Raleigh.—No one seems to know just when the market will be flooded with a plentiful supply of nylon hose, but when the nylons arrive they will carry a tag giving all the information the customer needs in making her purchase, according to OPA. Shoppers should look for these markers for their own protection.

The OPA said these official tags, attached to one stocking in each pair of nylons, will give such salient data as the retail ceiling price; the gauge and denier of the hose; the name of the maker; whether or not they are irregular, second or third quality; and whether they are outside or extra-long.

OPA also reminded a nylon-hungry public that the hose would return to the market at prices at least one-fourth below those charged in 1942, with ceiling prices for first quality, full-fashioned nylons ranging from 95c to \$2.05, compared to previous ceilings of \$1.65 to \$2.50.

**RATION CALENDAR**  
SUGAR: Sugar Stamp No. 38 now valid, expires December 31.

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## City Managers Meeting Today

Raleigh.—City Manager Henry A. Yancey, of Greensboro, president of the North Carolina City Managers' association, will preside at a two-day session of the association at the Sir Walter hotel here.

Dr. C. E. Ridley, of Chicago, executive director of the International City Managers' association, addressed the group at the opening session Sunday night, December 2, on "Pitfalls of the Manager's Job."

Col. Wiley M. Pickens, executive director of the North Carolina veterans' commission, will speak on the morning of December 3 on the problems of the war veteran and the cities' responsibilities in the matter, with particular reference to service centers.

A variety of subjects, including the rising costs of manpower and materials, the returning veterans and service centers, retirement plans and taxicab control, will be discussed at the luncheon session on Monday, December 3.

Yancey will come to Raleigh, Thursday to preside over a meeting of the North Carolina League of Municipalities' roads committee, of which he is chairman. Main purpose of this meeting will be consideration of urban phases of federal highway legislation. Chairman A. H. Graham, of the state highway and public works commission, and W. Vance Baise, state highway engineer, will confer with the committee.

## Symphony Fund

The North Carolina Symphony fund formed a portion of a two part program for Roxboro Rotary club Thursday night at Hotel Roxboro, with W. Wallace Woods as chairman. Contributions are being sought for the fund, which is sponsored here by the Rotary.

## Mother Wants Child Returned

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, 17, reiterated that she wanted to regain custody of her year-old daughter whom she "gave" to a discharged sailor Nov. 15.

"I want my baby back," she said in an interview. "I had no intention of letting her go provided I could find my relatives and give her a home. I know now I can do it."

The child is in custody of the Omaha, Neb., juvenile court, which assumed jurisdiction when sailor Donald Caffrey and his wife, of Omaha, reported the "girl."

Caffrey said that on a train from the West coast to his home following his discharge, Mrs. Johnson gave him the baby and a note saying that if she did not call for her within 60 days he could begin adoption proceedings.

Mrs. Johnson contended she left the baby to Caffrey "only until I could come to Utica and arrange for my brother and his wife to care for her." Recently she wired Caffrey, saying she wanted the baby back.

The Omaha court is investigating in conjunction with Utica authorities.