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## Draftees Are to Be Examined by Physicians Here

New Arrangement to Save Men Here from Having to Make Journey to Hillsboro

### HEDGPETH TO BE HEAD OF EXAMINING BOARD

A medical examining board for prospective draftees has been set up here, and Chapel Hill men with draft numbers coming up will no longer have to journey to Hillsboro for their physical examination. The new board was authorized by the State Selective Service Headquarters, at the request of Clarence Pickard of the Orange county draft board.

The affairs of the examining board are under the general supervision of Dr. Ed Hedgpeth. Its other members are Dr. W. R. Berryhill, Dr. William Morgan, Dr. Robert E. Stone, Dr. Leonard E. Fields, Dr. William Fleming, and Dr. Russell L. Holman. All the physicians serve without pay.

The examinations will be held at the University infirmary on two designated days each month. One day will be for whites and the other for negroes. The board here is for men in the southern part of the county. The board in Hillsboro, which formerly examined men from all over the county, will continue to function for the northern part.

Transportation difficulties resulting from the tire and gasoline shortage made it imperative that an examining board be set up here, and Mr. Pickard went to Raleigh the other day and asked the members of the state board for permission to organize it. They agreed promptly after he told them how hard it was for men in this part of the county to get to Hillsboro for their examination appointments.

Mr. Pickard also asked the board in Raleigh if arrangements could be made for Chapel Hill draftees to be picked up here instead of their having to go to Hillsboro when they were to be transported to an induction center. But the board said this was not practicable.

## Arthur Woods in Action

Over the radio this week came the news that Arthur Woods of Chapel Hill, son of Mrs. Jean Woods, was one of the Americans in the Royal Air Force who took part in the recent sea-and-air battle in the Mediterranean. Arthur was trained in Canada and about a year ago went to England to join the R.A.F.

### Registration Card Needed

Be sure you have your state registration card, with license number of your car, when you go to get your gasoline ration book week after next. Without it, you can't get a ration book. You'd better make certain now, whether or not you have your registration card, so that if you've lost it you can send to Raleigh for a duplicate.

### First Aid Instructors to Meet

A special meeting of the Red Cross First Aid Instructors' Club will be held at 7:30 Tuesday evening in the auditorium of Howell hall. Gases will be discussed. Any first aid instructors here who are not members of the club are invited to attend.

### A Sunday Afternoon Concert

The All-State High School Orchestra, composed of students studying here in the University Summer School's high school music course, will give a concert at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Hill Music hall. Everybody is invited.

## Billy Woollen Shot Down 4 Jap Planes

Chapel Hill was brought into the news, over the radio last Saturday night and in the newspapers the next morning, through the heroic performance of its native son, Lieutenant William T. Woollen, of the U. S. Navy Air Force, known to all his friends here as Billy Woollen. Lieutenant E. Scott McCuskey, commander of a squadron of fighter planes, told an Associated Press correspondent at Honolulu how Billy had shot down four Jap planes in battles over the Pacific.

The radio broadcast in which

Billy was mentioned came at 11 o'clock Saturday night. His mother, Mrs. Charles T. Woollen, was then at the Soldiers' Center, where she had been serving as a hostess to the naval aviation cadets. When she got home a few minutes later she heard the telephone bell ring. It was Mrs. Sam Emory calling to tell her about the broadcast.

Other people had heard the news over the radio, and it was passed on jubilantly by telephone from house to house.

Lieutenant McCuskey has visited Billy here in Chapel Hill.

## New Registration under Draft Law Is Announced

The registration of men between the ages of 18 and 20, as provided for by the Selective Service Act, will take place from 7 A.M. to 9 P.M. next Tuesday, June 30, in the fire truck room at the Town Hall. Both whites and negroes will register there. George Lawrence will be in command.

The registration of University students will take place at the same time in Memorial hall under the direction of William D. Perry of the University faculty.

Students who are residents of Chapel Hill may register at either place.

The registration place at the Town Hall is for Chapel Hill and Carrboro and the surrounding countryside. Mr. Lawrence estimated yesterday that about 250 men would register there. He said that it was hard to estimate how many would register on the campus.

Citizen volunteers who helped with the other three draft registrations will help with this one.

## Model Market's Closing Startles Community

The Model Market startled the village Tuesday morning by failing to open. Nobody except the employees had been told about it.

Scores of customers called by telephone to place their orders, and got no answer. Persons who came to make purchases found this notice posted on the door:

*The management of this store is closing for a little rest—maybe for the duration of the war.*

*The reason for closing is the shortage of help and shortage of tires.*

*We appreciate the past patronage of all our customers.*

James S. Fowler  
J. F. Byrd

and I couldn't get anybody to take their place.

"I'd come down in the morning and find I didn't have anybody to drive the delivery truck. I'd have to go out with it myself, and while I was gone I'd be worrying about not being in the store to look out for things there.

"I got some girls in to help. They did the best they could, but they were not trained for the job. Our customers would wait

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## Scrap Rubber Piled High at Strowd's

Proof of Chapel Hill's good response to President Roosevelt's request for rubber for the war industries is the big pile of old tires and other rubber articles on the floor of the display room at the Strowd Motor Company.

Bruce Strowd, who is chairman of the rubber campaign in this county, says that the pile contains about 5,000 pounds of rubber, of which 3,600 pounds was bought at one cent a pound and about 1,400 pounds was given.

"There is probably a lot more old rubber in town," Mr. Strowd said yesterday. "And we will be glad to pick it up. If anybody who has rubber to give or sell will telephone us at 5161 we will come

## Community Meeting on Rationing

Two representatives of the consumers' section of the Office of Price Administration in Washington will be present at a community meeting on rationing to be held at 8 P.M. Monday afternoon, July 6, in Gerrard hall. Consumers' problems in connection with rationing will be discussed.

### Annual Red Cross Meeting

The annual meeting of the Chapel Hill chapter of the American Red Cross will be held at 8 o'clock Monday evening at the parish house. The program will include the election of officers, short reports by committee chairmen, and the showing of a movie entitled "We Were There," which depicts the work done by American Red Cross nurses in England.

### Engagement of Miss Lawrence

Rev. and Mrs. Alfred S. Lawrence announce the engagement of their daughter, Elsie Scott, to Rev. Robert Emmet Gribbin, Jr. The wedding will take place early in the fall.

## Chapel Hill Chaff

The tulip season is now several weeks in the past, but here is a tulip story that will probably be new to most of my readers. The J. S. Bennetts had an exceptional display at their home on Gimghoul road. In the garden there were plenty of the beautiful flaming springtime blossoms to give to friends, while those in a long row along the front wall were left untouched for the delight of people passing by. Late one afternoon Mr. Bennett had the whim to count the blossoms along the wall. There were 142 of them. The next morning, as he emerged from the house, he saw that the tulips had been raided. When he had recovered from his dismay, he made a recount. The thief who had come in the night had neatly clipped and taken away 85 of the tulips.

The fronds of the mimosa fold up tight at nightfall and reopen the next morning. I had known this only as an interesting fact (which W. C. Coker or Ivey Lewis or some other naturalist had told me), until Miss Josephine Sharkey informed me, just before she left for Vermont this month, that it had great practical value. "I've rented my house here for the summer," she said. "You know, it is surrounded by mimosas. The tenants every summer tell me the place is cool, and one reason, they think, is that the mimosa leaves stay open all day and give a thick shade, and shut up at night and make it easy for every breeze to blow through."

When I met Mrs. Frank Miller on the street the other day she told me that her friends down in Alabama were saying that, of her

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## Gasoline Rationing Schedule, Under Government's New Plan, Announced by Chief of Board

### 7c Cut in Tax Rate Is Indicated

A cut of 7 cents in the town of Chapel Hill tax rate—from \$1.60 to \$1.53 for town and school combined—is indicated.

The word indicated is used because the budget calling for a tax rate of \$1.53 on the \$100 of tax valuation is tentative. The law requires that the tentative budget be on file at the town office for 20 days for inspection by anybody who wants to inspect it. Before adopting the final budget the aldermen may make changes, either on their own initiative or at the suggestion of any citizen.

Evidence that property owners should not be too hastily jubilant over a tax rate cut is contained in the record of what happened last year. A cut of 4 cents, from \$1.61 to \$1.57, was indicated by the tentative budget; but the aldermen made increases in the budget sufficient to move the rate up to \$1.60.

The tentative budget now on file is only a little more than \$1,000 less than last year's budget. What makes a cut in the tax rate likely is the increase in tax valuations.

### A New Poultry Law

An ordinance regulating the keeping of poultry was passed at the last meeting of the board of aldermen. It prohibits the commercial raising of chickens or other poultry in the village and limits to 20 the number a person may keep. It also says that poultry houses or lots must be kept in a sanitary condition and that they must be at least 50 feet from any residence other than that of their owners.

The passage of this ordinance is a result of the many complaints about chicken nuisances received

by the board in the last few years. Its purpose is to prevent the maintenance of poultry under conditions that are offensive to the neighbors, and at the same time to permit the keeping of a reasonable number of chickens for family use.

### Cynthia Brown

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Brown, 3rd, of Lake Charles, La., Thursday, June 18. Her name is Cynthia. Mr. Brown, a native of Chapel Hill and an alumnus of the University, is a son of Mrs. Henry N. Brown of Chapel Hill, who is now at Lake Charles. The younger Mrs. Brown is the former Miss Edna Cole of Roxboro.

### At the Cleveland Convention

Mr. and Mrs. J. Maryon Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Honeycutt, and Dr. W. P. Richardson represented the Chapel Hill Kiwanis Club at the convention of Kiwanis International in Cleveland, Ohio, last week. The Honeycutts were the guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Honeycutt, who live in Cleveland. The quota of attendance for the Carolinas district, of which Mr. Saunders is president, was set at 85. The goal was 100—and the actual attendance was 114. Of the 48 clubs in the district, 47 were represented at the convention.

### Grave Doubt about A.H.'s Age

Among the congratulatory messages that Archibald Henderson got on his 65th birthday last week was this one from Governor Broughton: "With grave doubt as to the correctness of the information concerning your age, I nevertheless salute you on your 65th birthday and join with your host of friends in North Carolina and elsewhere in acclaiming your remarkable record of service to the state and nation."

### Moody Durham Tells at What Places, and When, Ration Books Are to Be Issued

### ONLY "A" BOOKS TO BE ISSUED AT REGISTRATION

Moody Durham, chief of the rationing board for the southern half of Orange county, announced yesterday the schedule for registration under the new plan for gasoline rationing.

The days for registration will be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of week after next—July 9, 10, and 11.

The hours will be 9:30 A.M. to 1 P.M., 3 to 6 P.M., and 7 to 9 P.M.

There will be only two places for registration, for the people of Chapel Hill and Bingham townships, white and negro: the Chapel Hill elementary school and the Carrboro school.

Two meetings of registrars—one from 12 to 1 Sunday, July 5, the other at 8 P.M., Tuesday, July 7—will be held at the Chapel Hill elementary school. At these meetings the registrars will receive instructions and explanations about the rationing procedure.

Under the new plan coupon books, not cards, will be issued to car owners. At registration, only "A" books will be issued. The holder of an "A" book will get only enough gasoline for about 150 miles, but this may be changed at any time on orders from Washington.

Anybody who considers himself entitled to more mileage must apply to the rationing board for a supplement. After he has stated his case, the board will decide how much gasoline to allow him, up to a certain maximum limit fixed by the government.

## Girl Scouts Wanted

### Motor Corps Needs Bicycle Riders to Deliver Sewing Materials

Girl Scouts who would like to become auxiliary members of the Red Cross Motor Corps being organized here are invited to meet with officers of the Corps at 5 o'clock this (Friday) afternoon at the Recreation Center in the old Methodist church.

"We want girls with bicycles," one of the officers said yesterday. "Their chief job will be to pick up sewing materials at the Red Cross sewing room at the parish house and to deliver them to people who want to sew at home for the Red Cross. Later they will collect the finished products and deliver them to the sewing room."

The girls will get credit toward a Scout merit badge for the work they do, and they will wear a sleeve insignia indicating that they are helping their country in its war effort.

The work will be fully explained to the girls at the meeting this afternoon.

### Movies Today and Tomorrow

"It Happened in Flatbush," with Lloyd Nolan and Carole Landis, will be shown here today at the Carolina theatre. "Meet the Holdens," with William Holden and Frances Dee, will be here as a late show at 11:15 tonight and as the regular show tomorrow.

### Newcomers in Graham Apartments

Newcomers among the people living in the Graham Court Apartments on McCauley street are Mrs. Dorothy P. Nelson, Mrs. M. M. Montgomery, W. G. Eberle, Dr. J. G. Wright, Lieutenant John Dickson, Lieutenant Robert Brawley, Lieutenant G. C. Gilday, and C. C. Ford.