



County Young Man Writes Of Trip To African War Zone

Irvin Griffin Impressed By Friendliness of French In North Africa

Even though he held a college degree which, no doubt, would have supported a claim for a commission, Irvin Griffin, young son of Farmer and Mrs. S. Claude Griffin, chose to accept the events as offered by time and tide.

About five days before we landed we were told where we were going. Most of us had an idea that we were coming to Africa when we boarded the ship but we didn't know exactly where we would strike.

As we approached the Straits of Gibraltar we began to feel a little nearer real action. Our trip until this time had been a quiet and unexciting one but we were sure we would be spotted by enemy planes and submarines as soon as we entered the Mediterranean.

Another Gas Ration Denied for Duration

Paul Daniel, Martin County colored man, lost his gasoline ration book for the duration as a result of action taken by the Martin County Rationing Board sitting as a board of inquiry in the county agricultural building Monday night.

According to one member of the board of inquiry many irregularities in the gas rationing program could be eliminated if the filling station operators would only cooperate.

D. O. Bowen, charged with violating the ban on pleasure driving, got under the wire only because the ban had been lifted after the alleged violation was reported.

Bonus for Farmers Who Sold Oil-Peanuts To Government

According to unofficial reports received in the county this week, Martin farmers are to receive a substantial cash bonus on the sales of "oil" peanuts delivered to the government from the 1942 crop.

The bonus will be delayed until shortly after planting time, the report received here stating that no sales would be made until the 1943 crop is planted.

DRIVERS

A crop of new motor vehicle drivers in North Carolina is in the offing. But the law making it legal to license 15-year-olds may prove disappointing, because it does not permit the youths to operate a vehicle weighing in excess of 3,000 pounds.

Getting wise to the law, local youths moved in on Safety Examiner McLeod in the town hall building here yesterday. One reported in a large car and when he got ready to take the driving test, he learned he could not qualify with it and went home and got another.

Food Conservation Workshop Here Last Week Was A Success

The two-day food conservation workshop held in the Home Economics Department of the local high school last week-end was quite successful. The first day was for all trained Home Economics workers, white and colored, in the county.

Miss Maybell Lacey, of the Vocational Home Economics Department, in canning, drying and brining of vegetables and fruits, and to perfecting an organization in which the program might be carried to every one in the county.

Local Boy Writes From Miami Beach

A member of the 412 Technical School Squadron, Flight No. 1, A. A. F. T. C. No. 4, Miami Beach, Bob Levin, local boy who was called from his studies in Chapel Hill a few weeks ago, writes of the training program there, as follows:

"B" BOOKS

Their "A" gas card rations reduced, Martin County motorists made a run on the rationing board here yesterday, clamoring for "B" books. It was estimated that between fifty and 100 applications were filed during the biggest rush of the season at the rationing board office.

No action was taken on the applications, a report stating that the applicants will be asked to report to the board in person and support their claims for "B" books.

TOWN - FARM IN WARTIME

(A weekly news digest from the rural press section of the OWI news bureau)

Frozen

The sale of butter, margarine lard and other edible fats have been frozen for the current week, and will be rationed under the point system beginning next Monday.

Easteners Get 6 Gallons of Gas a Month

Autoists in 17 eastern states now will get only 6 gallons of gasoline a month, although they may use it for any kind of nonoccupational driving.

More Meat For Shortage Areas

OPA has empowered regional administrators to report to the food rationing division of OPA whenever an area has an acute meat shortage which endangers public health.

Plenty of Canning Supplies

Plenty of metal closures and rubber jar rings will be available for American housewives who will be doing an increased amount of canning this year.

More Turkeys This Year

Turkey growers plan to raise about 37 million turkeys this year, according to February 1 returns from over 5,000 farmers throughout the U. S.

Extra Food for Temporary Workers

An employer who temporarily hires workmen for periods of less than 30 days may obtain rationed foods for them by applying to his local War Price and Ration Board.

Ceilings on Corn

Permanent maximum prices on corn - America's top-ranking farm crop in point of size and value - have been fixed by OPA. The ceilings apply from the time the corn leaves the farmer's hand until it is sold by retail dealers.

County Young Man Gets Commission In California

Stationed at Camp Callan, California, Eurus Vanderford, Martin County young man, was recently promoted to the rank of sergeant in the U. S. Army.

Called To Fayetteville By Death Of Her Father

Miss Mary W. Taylor, Martin County Welfare Department superintendent, was called to Fayetteville yesterday afternoon by the sudden death of her father.

Married Men Lined Up For Next Draft Call When Board Handles Claims for Deferment Last Night

Martin County's White Draft Quota for March Will Be Met

According to reliable information received today, Martin County's white draft quota for March will be met. A general order from Selective Service headquarters prohibits the publication of the names of the men called to report for induction "soon," and few details of the call are to be had.

It was generally believed that a 30-day blanket deferment for all farm registrants would make it impossible for the draft board in this county to meet the current white quota, early estimates pointing to a shortage of approximately fifty per cent in the call requirements.

Allied Divisions Are Driving Forward To Trap Rommel Army

It may take weeks or even longer, but the drive to trap Rommel's Africa Corps in Tunisia is gaining momentum as the British Eighth Army batters away at the Mareth line to the south and American forces continue their push toward the Mediterranean further north.

Late reports state that a prong of Montgomery's army had made a 100-mile swing around the southern end of the Mareth line and was within 30 miles of the seaport town of Gabes, that the Americans had taken Maknassy. Current reports coming from Tunisia today, while devoid of details, are encouraging.

Oratorical Contest In Legion Hut Here

Youths, representing about twenty northeastern North Carolina counties, will compete in an American Legion-sponsored oratorical contest here next Monday night at 8:00 o'clock.

WANT RECRUITS

An urgent call for volunteers in the WAACS and Waves is being directed to young women in this county, according to Assistant Postmaster F. E. Wynne in Williamston. Mr. Wynne has been asked to distribute as many as fifteen application blanks to young women interested in joining the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps, and the Waves are urging interested young women to write the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, Post Office Building, Raleigh, N. C. for information on enlisting in that branch of the service.

Accept Twenty-Two Negroes For Service

Out of the fairly large number of colored men reported for induction from this county, the armed services kept only twenty-two, unofficial reports indicating that the percentage retained was larger than it was in the previous month.

Seventy Men Given Deferment for One Reason Or Another

Working for more than four hours here last night, the Martin County Draft Board brought its classification work up to date, leaving the draft blowing strong in the direction of married men with children. Just when the draft will start grabbing registrants in that group cannot be determined at this time.

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WARNING

No more War Ration Books Nos. 1 and 2 will be issued to replace those lost, stolen or mutilated, the county rationing board office announced this week at the direction of the Office of Price Administration.

Mrs. J. R. Mobley Dies At Home Here Monday Afternoon

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