

man appointed by the governor, is ton on Monday, July 5, at 11 o'clock a. m., at which meeting all business leaders, farm leaders, ministers, po-lice officers, sheriff and deputy sheriffs, court officers, judges, county commissioners, mayors of all the towns in the county, members of all women's, Kiwanis, Rotary, Ruritan and Lions clubs, health and welfare

workers, school leaders, selective service officials, civilian defense workers, members of the press and all other public-spirited citizens are urged to attend and take part in the meeting and assist in the appointment of committees to deal with this time soon. problem locally during the remain-

der of the emergency. No plans for handling the vagrancy problem have been definitely ad- and in those cases, the registrant had vanced, but as a part of a state-wide been transferred to another board movement, the action in this county and had been accepted by the Army will follow a pattern in keeping with or he had volunteered and had been the emergency, it is expected. No accepted. Those men placed in 1-A-H session of the county will be held that day in deference to a study of than age, the draft limiting its calls force of French infantry. After a the pressing problem. In his proclamation, Governor age at the present. Those men plac-

Broughton said: Work is no longer merely a privi- dren, meaning that they will not be lege or opportunity; it is a high called until the draft starts taking of them. So we were not long in movpatriotic duty No man or woman, fathers. Those listed in the "B" classwhite or colored, in North Carolina ifications are in essential industry, before we moved back two "Mess-

or indeed in America today has any moral right to loaf or be idle even for a part of the time. We are confronted with the most urgent need for productive manpower in the history of our nation. Farm labor and industrial labor are absolutely indispensable for the protection of the national welfare and for the success in arms. Under these

# In "C" Draft Group

### Few Others in the Non-Farm **Group Also Classified By Draft Board**

Handling eighty-one cases recently, the Martin County Draft Board placed seventy-two of the number in the "C" classification, meaning that most of them were farmers and not subject to the draft, at least not any

Those men placed in the 2-C and -C groups are farmers. Two or three 1-C classifications were announced, have no grounds for deferment other

and those in 4-F have been rejected. The classifications:

Wilson Eldridge Ambrose, w, 3-C. Robert Guy Eakes, w, 3-C-H Nick Baker, c, 1-A-H Samuel Steward Brown, w, 3-C George Andrews, c, 3-C Arthur Thomas Rose, w. 2-B George Howard, c, 3-C Robert Mitchell, c, 2-B Donner Warren Ange, w, 3-C-H Henry Williford, c, 3-C Hubert Alphard Perry, w, 3-C Bernard Swain Harrison, w, 3-A William Kenlem Stroud, w, 3-C Joe Harvey Farmer, w, 3-C Leslie Mooring, c, 2-C-H James Robert Cobb, c, 3-C Webb Ward, c, 3-C Homer Stokes, c, 3-C Milton Ross Smith, w, 3-A Jessie Lee Andrews, c, 3-C Evan Bryant Cherry, w, 3-C Willis Bryant, c, 3-C Melvin Hubert Coltrain, w, 1-A-H Marion Gray Waters, w, 3-C John Tichard Medford, w, 2-C Chester Terry, w, 3-C Elijah Thomas, c, 3-C

sn't much to write about. Now that the campaign is over we are per-

the action I have been in.

to Tunisia, but on Nov. 15, we got scoops, grease guns, harness, hoes, a call from the English wanting all fractional horsepower motors, pails mobile forces to join them. Ours be- and tubs, pipe fittings, pliers, screw ing an artillery unit we were the drivers, shovels, tire pumps, valves

first American outfit to "hit the road". We left Algiers in the morning of Nov. 16. Our trip across the mountains was a little rough at times

but we still made good time in reaching the Tunisian border. We pulled into position on the streets in Mejezel-Bab on Nov. 19 and from there until a week ago things have really in the middle of 1940-\$85.03, but if been popping.

When we reached Meiez we discovered that we had passed the English and were supporting a small to men under thirty-eight years of short time in the streets of Mejez it was discovered that Jerry was only ed in 3-A are married and have chil- a few hundred yards away and that we were within machine gun range ing back a couple of miles. However Kit" 109's came over us on patrol

> (Continued on page four) Few Cases Heard By **Ration Board Panel**

tion puts into effect an emergency mitted to write almost anything, so program worked out under WPB's I'll try to give a brief summary of Office of Civilian Requirements to

make available at retail outlets serv-We were part of the invasion ing farmers supplies needed to in-Cologne last night with telling effect. force to take Algiers on Nov. 8th. crease food production. The list in-The original plan was for us to stay cludes such items as auger bits, bat there and let the English come on teries, chains, chisels, drills, grain tries yesterday, are again streaking

and wrenches.

Average Income Up, But-

In July, 1940, the average Tar Heel surely something is popping in that those who must have them and that had an income of about \$47.92. Military expenditures in that month fleets have been reported in the meet the situation by releasing more amounted to approximately \$1.50 per Mediterranean during the past few than a million low-quality used tires person. In April of this year, income days, aggravating a severe case of per capita was 1.8 times what it was jitters for the Italians and Germans. III rationing certificates. The air war continues on the Pathe average North Carolinian had cific with telling effect on Jap inbeen asked to pay April's war ex- stallations at Kiska where a drive der the idle tire purchase plan. They penses on the spot, it would have

> the front recently when they sent wall to identify them," Martin exeight Jap ships to the bottom, boost- plained. ing the count to 190 sunk, 29 proba-

bly sunk and fifty damaged. One the Russian front, the Ger- iceable for limited use either as nans admit reverses in the fighting spares or on low-mileage cars. Moalong the Donets River, and another torists may purchase the tiresreport states that the Russians are through their regular dealers who massing large numbers of men in the will order them through the's sup-

Velikie Luki sector. Even after the pliers, reported withdrawal of fifty divisions, it is estimated that the Ger- the emergency tires is one dollar mans have around 200 divisions in each, Martin said, with dealers per-Russia

mitted to make additional charges when they repair tires before selling (Continued on page four) them. 'The release of these poor quality

week. "Once we can start delivering quality potatoes to the northern markets in a sound condition, we believe the price will rally," a representative The emergency casings are not fit of the market said this morning, addfor recapping but can be made serving that a rotten potato is high at any price. Deliveries to the local market have

leclined slightly in volume, but the market is operating at about capaci-Approximately thirty cars have been shipped from this point with Ceiling price to the consumer on an additional six cars now standing on the siding.

speculation. Buyers were said to be

holding aloof to the North Carolina

markets, but with the government

entering the picture, it is understood

that regular trade operators are keep-

ing a close watch on shipments and

It has again been pointed out that

the "rotten" condition of early North

Carolina potatoes moved to market

had a depressing effect on the entire

crop in this section. The quality of

later shipments was said to be bet-

ter, and once the black mark is re-

moved, it is believed prices will ap-

proximate the ceiling figure. While

potatoes have been moving out of

quality

Reports from over the state indicate that farmers are marketnig the crop more orderly.

The young People's Organization is

the tentative name that has been

given to the newly sponsored recrea-

tional activities plan being formu-

lated by the Williamston Ministerial

Association. Definite plans are as

yet unformed, but more advance-

ment is hoped to be made at a meet-

ing of the newly elected advisory

board and the executive officers in

the Methodist Church tonight at

8:30 o'clock, announces Mrs. Paul

**Group Will Advance** 

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C. Alex Nicholson **Killed By Falling Tree Early Monday** 

Funeral Service for Respected **Young Man Pending** Word from Brother

Struck on the head by a falling tree while working in the logwoods

people are fairly well convinced that the invasion is already underway that they recognize destruction and defeat in the relentless air attack The round the clock air attacks on Germany have been maintained through the eleventh straight day, Digging Rapidly into the Old the raiders attacking Hamburg and

The Americans, blasting St. Nazarie and other bases in the occupied counacross the Channel today.

tion has been brought home to us, Working under the Middle East C. C. Martin, chairman of the County Command, Liberators attacked Ger- War Price and Rationing Board, said

man airfields and bases in Greece on today, with the announcement that Sunday. Little news has been heard sufficient recappable used tires are about operations against Sicily, but not available to meet the needs of Vast movements of Allied the government has been forced to

to be sold to motorists holding Grade The tires are part of the supply

A report direct from the local market today stated that the quality of the offerings was much improved. that the farmers apparently are expurchased last fall and winter unercising more care in harvesting the crop than was the case early last

this state at \$2.25 per hundred less the 30-cent charge, Virginia reported a firm market with prices holding to the ceiling figure.

**Cited By Official** 

Stock Pile of Idle Tires

To Keep Cars Rolling

"The seriousness of the tire situa-

similar to the one at Attu is predict- are called emergency tires and are

ed. American submarines pushed to branded with an O into the side-

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# **Raise \$202.00 For Crippled Children**

Results of the participation of Martin County in the sale of seals for crippled children, sponsored an-nually by the North Carolina League for Crippled Children, have been announced by Miss Mary Taylor, chairman of the program in the county. A total of \$202.00 was collected, one-half of which will go for the benefit of the crippled children in Martin County, the other half to be sent to the State fund.

The amount collected this year far exceeded the total last year, last year's fund being \$136.18. When the year's fund being \$136.18. When the program was first begun in the coun- Firemen Get Couple ty total collections usually averaged about \$35. Words of commendation Of Calls Yesterday board. Reeves, when questioned on Monday night said his boss had give were received by the Martin County Department of Public Welfare for

activity of school children, clubsand individual citizens in the campaign. department received two calls in

Any indigent child that is report- rapid succession yesterday aftered to the Martin County Welfare De-noon, neither one of the calls amount-Native of County partment may receive aid from the ing to very much.

funds. This aid includes crutches, The first call came around 5 o'clock wheelchairs, X-rays or any treat- when fire threatened the store of R ment needed by a child handicapped J. Hardison, farmer-merchant livin this manner.

Most of the seals were sold by Williams Township. A small portion school children before the schools of one of the walls was burned and in the county were closed. Schools damage was comparatively slight. and their totals are as follows: Wil- About thirty minutes later, the liamston Grammar School, \$10.78; firemen were called to the home of Williamston High School, \$13.72; Abe Sprull on White Street. Sprull friends here. About a year ago he the home Wednesday afternoon a Hamilton, \$4.60; Oak City, \$9.35; was burning out his chimney and Jamesville, \$8.20; Bear Grass, \$7.60; the sparks fired the roof. A small Robersonville, \$8.26; Everetts, \$2.67; area was burned.

\$66.18.

butions are, Dardens, \$3.00; Salis-bury, \$1.50; Oak City, \$3.00; Cross Roads, \$1.00; Whichard James, \$1.75; Jamesville, \$2.50; Williams Lower, \$2.50; Woolard, \$1.48; Everetts, \$1.48; Robersonville, \$3.03; Williamston, \$10; Corey ,50c; Spring Green, \$1.00; Smithwick Creek, 50c; Hamilton, \$1; Biggs, \$2, making a total of \$36.24.

Sales to individual citizens and civic organizations were, Williams-ton Lions Club, \$10; Williamston Woman's Club, \$5; Williamston Junior Woman's Club, \$10; Williamston Kiwanis Club, \$5; Robersonville Junior Woman's Club, \$5; Robersonville Rotary Club, \$2.50; Infantile Paralysis Fund, \$5; W. I. Skinner, \$5; G. H. Harrison, \$5; J. M. Saunders, \$5; D. R. Davis, \$5; Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Walker, \$5; Mrs. Carrie B. Morrison, \$5; making a total of \$72.50.

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Idle for some weeks, the local fire

ing on the Jamesville Highway in

Gold Point, \$1.00, making a total of Colored schools and their contri-

Compliance reports or land measurements in this county are

143 short of the goal, the office of the county agent announced this morning. Approximately 1,-450 farmers have already measured their lands and reported their measurements either to their respective committees or

to the agent's office where they are being tabulated for delivery to the State office. Those farmers who have not

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yet measured their lands are again warned that no tobacco marketing eards will be made available to them and no farm payments of any kind will be allowed until the measurements are made and reported.

The combined ration board gas and tire panels have checked very few gas-tire records and heard very few alleged speeding cases during the past two weeks. Quite a number of speedsters have been caught in this county and while their cases were heard in the criminal courts, they were directed to their respective boards-fer action on gas rations. Recent cases heard in this county include the following: W. E. Holliday's case, called for a

systematic check of tire and gas records, was transferred to the Pulp Mill board. Wm. Taylor, Parmele, was direct-

ed to submit tire inspection records. Williamston on January 1, 1917. A The R. H. Clayton speeding case was transferred to the board at Bayoroc

L. L. Blake, Parmele, was directed to submit a tire inspection rec-

The case against Richard Reeves was transferred to the Pitt County board. Reeves, when ouestioned on Monday night, said his boss had given him a loose "C" coupon to haul plant, the young man accepted a obacco sticks.

# Dies in Oakboro Besides his wife and parents he leaves two children, Charles Clay-

Joseph Bryant Purvis, a native of Nicholson, Noah and Joseph, all of this county, died at his home in Oakboro last night following a heart attack. He had been ill for a very short time and news of his death Nicholson, of Williamston. came as a shock to relatives and underwent ireatment in a Charlotte

was stricken fatally. The son of the late Jule Purvis and wife, Annie Coffield Purvis, he was born in the Spring Green community

about 45 years ago. In early manhood he was married to Miss Hattie Floyd, of Hamilton. He lived there number of years, moving to Oak-

boro in Stanly County about eight has seen plenty of action in the curyears ago to engage in the mercan- rent war, says: ile business.

but according to tentative plans the (That's latrine in the Army.)"

following in the Oakboro Cemetery.

in Poplar Point Township, Carroll Gas Stolen From Alex Nicholson, local young man, was killed instantly early yesterday morning. His skull crushed, he died instantly.

Driving a truck for Critcher Brothers ,local timbermen and mill operators, Nicholson was waiting for the woods crew to finish cutting a load. One tree was sawed off at its in Everetts late Sunday night or early Mr. Brown to direct rationing boards base, but it lodged in another. The sawmen cut down a second tree and on the amount of gas stolen could be when it fell the first one was pushed over on the young man, pinning his head to the ground. It was necessary to use a tractor to free the body. The son of Joe and Nannie Ben-

nett Nicholson, he was born near few years ago he married Miss Eve-

lyn Rogers, of near Williamston, and they made their home on North Haughton Street. Up until a few months ago he was employed as a

truck driver for Saunders and Cqx owners made some changes in their

job with Critcher Brothers. The young man was regular in

his attendance upon the services of the local Pentecostal church and was highly respected.

Besides his wife and parents he ton and Gene Carroll. He also leaves five brothers, J. B. Nicholson, View

Williamston, and Daniel, who is sta tioned with the armed forces in Wisconsin, and a sister, Jean Audrey

Farmers In The County Cure 4 o'clock by the Rev. Mr. Little, pashealth just a short time before he Church. Interment will follow in the local cemetery.

#### **Tom Skinner Doesn't** See How We Can Lose

Writing from the far Pacific, Tom the work is being launched in near- or more befoer the harvesting work Skinner, Williamston young man who ly every section of the county. Farmer Edward Corey, as far as

"Was glad to learn through the En-Besides his wife he leaves four terprise that so many "rugged" boys harvest a barn in the county. A barn since 1911 have I seen them more Cooke have earned promotions in children, Grace, Lucille, Billy and from Williamston were caught in the was pulled from the fields on the numerous and more damaging," Far- the Army. Stationed somewhere in loe ,and two brothers, Julius Purvis last draft. If you could send them old Sitterson farm near Williamston mer S. Claude Griffin said yester- New Guinea, Walter Cooke is now of Belhaven and Whit Purvis, Sr. of out to us instead of to Sammy Tay- last Friday. Lester Griffin harvest- day. The worms are hard to kill, a staff sergeant in the Air Corps. The Scotland Neck, and two sisters, Mrs. lor they might get RUGGED instead ed a barn Saturday, and State Rob- some farmers stating that they are young man is an aerial gunner, and . T. Fowden, of Williamston, and of plain rugged. I don't see how we erson, who usually leads the curing doubling the strength of poison prep- it is well established that he has

Funeral arrangements had not pay to see Paul Simpson and some been completed early this afternoon, of the others cleaning a "head"-

tires emphasizes the fact that the na

Forcing a lock on a pump, robbers Brown calling attention again to stole a small quantity of gasoline the situation. He said we are in a from the J. E. Barnhill filling station "critical" period, and called upon Monday morning. No accurate check made immediately, but it is estimated that twenty or twenty-five gallons were pumped out of the tank. The thief "borrowed" three five-gallon cans from an old garage storedrastic regulations other than limitroom nearby, and he is believed to have filled them and loaded his car

were working on a clue, and that an arrest would possibly follow. Officers stated this morning they

## **NEW QUARTERS**

The Martin County Draft Board, located for about two years in the old Martin County Bank building, corner of Main and Smithwick Streets, has moved to new quarters in the Town Hall. The board, its records requiring additional filing cabinets, needed larger quarters. Occupying three rooms, the board is now located on the second floor of the town's municipal building.

tion has to squeeze every possible Everetts Station mile from its rubber supply," Mar-tin continued. "W. M. Jeffers, the **Recreational Plans** rubber czar last week telegraphed Price Administrator Prentiss M.

to do everything in their power to get the cooperation of the community in the conservation of rubber." The text of the Jeffers telegram continued: "We do not want to be forced to impose any new and more

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shells that struck his boat.

in the Norfolk area.

reaches a climax.

Simpson, chairman of the new organization. The recreational program now being planned is to provide amusement that will be both worthwhile **On Short Furlough** and attractive to the younger people, the present war conditions having curtailed many forms of recrea-

A member of the U.S. Merchant tion.

Marine for some months, Wm. C. Besides Mrs. Simpson, the follow-Fagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. ing are members of the executive Fagan, of Dardens, experienced many board: Mr. Wheeler Martin, vice dangers while moving supplies to chairman; Miss Alberta Swain, secthe American Army in Africa the retary; Mrs. Garland Woolard, treasearly part of the year. Returning urer.

Representatives of the various home for a short furlough, the young man brought shrapnel and civic organizations of the community

make up the advisory board. These Married last Friday in Ports- are: Mrs. M. M. Levin, Williamston mouth, the young man will spend a Parent-Teacher Association; Mrs. few more days in the county before John L. Goff, president of Woman's reporting for a special assignment Club; Mrs. H. O. Peele, president of Junior Woman's Club; Rev. John L.

Goff, president of Kiwanis; Dr. E. T. Walker, president of Lions; Rev. B. T. Hurley, president of Ministerial Association; Rev. Gene Crosswell, pastor of the Presb, terian Church; Dr. W. T. Burrell, pastor of the Baptist Church.

Members of both advisory board and the executive officers are expected to be present at the meeting

tonight, says Mrs. Simpson.

### **Brothers Get Promotions** In The Armed Services

Tobacco worms in vast numbers According to information received it could be learned, was the first to are after the crop in a big way. "Not here this week, Albert L. and Walter Miss Mildred Purvis, of the old home can lose now, with all those boys parade, followed about third. Har-near Spring Green. arations in an effort to check the seen much action in the South Pa-in the Army. Would give a month's vesting is fairly general today.

Just now the outlook is not as of poisoning was not sufficient to Stationed at Drew Field, Tampa, bright as it was a few days ago. Dry meet the demand and needs, but it Florida, Albert was promoted to weather is causing much of the crop was learned today that more of the staff sergeant recently in the Signal last rites will be held Wednesday Tom concluded, "Will be seeing to blossom out before the leaves have poison had been made available and Corps, and is also platoon sergeant afternoon at the home, interment you over some week-end — what matured. Strong winds yesterday ag-following in the Oakboro Cemetery. week-end?" gravated the dry spell and whipped the material would be encountered. of 18 and 20 years.

