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#### People Of Nation Willing To Share Decemed Adequateto Meet Need In Street Accident Mechanical System Of Plant **People Of Nation** "Ironing Out" Kinks In Vast Enforcement Chief Seizes Many Stills **Food With Hungry** Here Last Saturday During Fore Week

Dark Bread Due To Reach Store Shelves Within **Next Few Weeks** 

exceptions.

There was apparently feeling in free will offerings. The final report orthopedic cases in the county. Washington that an announcement listed a few late contributors, in- After serving as chairman of the of this kind would be a bombshell cluding \$35.21 from the white schools fund in the county for several years, to the American people and would in Jamesville, \$24.78 from the color-be bitterly resented and resisted. ed school at Parmele and \$10 from is being succeeded by Dr. J. T. Llew-The pros and cons and ifs and ands and buts seem to have been weighed with the utmost political caution before the shocking news was capsuled for public consumption. the last report was released. Which can only suggest that the

present administration might get a lot of sound help from a corps of itinerant pulse-feelers if it could enlist the services of citizens able to inspire honest confidence and give warm understanding to the millions of Americans who don't retain paid spokesmen in Washington

It was this kind of service that Mrs. Roosevelt did the country during the administration of the late President and to which can be attributed much of President Roosevelt's intimate understanding of the wishes and aspirations and ideals of most Americans.

Americans everywhere reacted spontaneously to President Truman's food export proposals: "It's about time!" And if they talked with their neighbors about it they found their feelings echoed. There was a feeling of relief, a feeling of conscience being eased. Because, despite all the wartime gags about rationing, all the talk, all the words of complaint, there was no real resistance by Americans to any rationing that was demonstrably Ask Appropriation necessary. There was only resistance to red tape, to the occasional blunders by local boards, occasional rulings that seemed unreasonable to the man on the receiving end.

Rationing always made a good conversation piece because, like taxation, there was a universal quality

The recent infantile paralysis fund Commenting on the fund now held drive in this county exceeded the in trust, Drive Chairman Wynne quota by nearly \$1,000, Drive Chair-man L. Bruce Wynne pointed out stated that it is considered ample for last week-end when he filed his fin- most any polio emergency. After al report on the campaign. Assign- forwarding about half of the last

The announcement by President ed a quota of \$2,120, the county rais-ed a total of \$3,021.93, Mr. Wynne tional headquarters, the chairman Harry Truman that food shipments said. Reviewing the progress of the now holds \$1,200 in trust. In addiwould be increased to hungry people drive, the chairman said that the tion to that amount, approximately in other lands even if it meant meat schools raised \$1,416.70 and \$949.23 \$2,200 is held in government bonds. rationing has been well received by was contributed by direct mail or to making a total of \$3,400 in the fund the American people, with some few personal solicitors. The theaters in at the present time. Possibly part of the county raised \$657.00 through the money will be made available .o

the Oak City colored school. The ellyn. Mrs. Glenn Norman of Rober Williamston Junior CF of the Chrissonville was named vice chairman tian church contributed \$1, and \$5 Mrs. Juanita Coltrain is succeeding was received through the mail since Mrs. E. T. Walker as secretary, and Mr. Clyde Griffin was named treas-

Most of the counties in the State urer. The officers will meet within met or exceeded their quotas, but the the next few weeks and name a record established in Martin ranks group of directors from various parts of the county to administer the fund.

Suffering Multiple Fractures **Of Skull, Dock Kennedy Still Semi-Conscious** 

Struck by a motorcycle driven by Sammy Taylor, local young man, on Williamston Parts and Metal Company last Saturday morning, Dock Kennedy, about sixty years of age, suffered multiple fractures of the

skull and continues in a critical condition in Brown's Community Hospital here. Late reports stated that ne remains in a semi-conscious state that while he is restless he doesn't seem to be suffering a great deal. It was learned at the hospital that one fracture was several inches long that four others, not quite so long formed an almost perfect diamond There was very little depression as result of the blow, giving the vic-**Plans Completed For** 

tim a possible chance for recovery. Few details of the accident could be learned from local police who made an investigation. According to unofficial information heard on the streets, Young Taylor, who lives in Martin Heights just outside the town limits, was traveling into Wil liamston about 8 o'clock last Saturday morning when Kennedy, leaving

stepped from behind on old car parked beside the street. The speed of the motorcycle was not definitely Named by Spivey In determined. Kennedy was thrown to the concrete, his head striking first. Other injuries and bruises were only

of a minor nature, it was stated. Young Taylor, recently passing his pre-induction examination at Fort

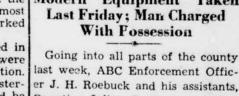
Bragg and just recently out of the Merchant Marine, was not injured. and his motorcycle was not damag

The accident was one of two reported locally during the week-end. A young man named Leggett ran his Street about 8 o'clock last Sunday evening. It was raining at the time and the car driver could not see very well, it was reported by Officer C. R. Moore who investigated the accident. No one was hurt and damage was limited to about \$200 on the car, according to the officer's estimates.

Completing the major changes in the mechanics started adjusting the ests made last Friday, operators of fans and suction lines and tuning the huge plant of the Dixie Peanut up the automatic machines. For the Modern Equipment Taken Company just recently completed most part, the big machines and most of the other many gadgets worked here, are "ironing out" the kinks perfectly. gradually in the factory's huge me-

When the big mill was placed in chanical system. Steady operation operation last Friday peanuts were is expected within a very short time, flying in nearly every direction. West Main Street at the plant of the and shelled peanuts are scheduled to Guides were enlarged and by yester start moving to the candy manufac- day afternoon the peanuts could be turers within the next day or two. heard battering the sides of the The plant is gradually working to- chutes and grading drums but could ward full production, and a second not be seen.

shift will be employed to rush mill-The big engine exhaust has a slow ing activities in answer to a strong beat, and other than the hull crusher lemand for cleaned peanuts. there is little noise inside the plant Designing the plant to handle except the steady hum of machines twice the normal capacity of a fac- and motors. The boiler room whistle tory of its size, the operators found is not up to par, but a new one is to that the flow of peanuts was so large be shipped as soon as it is available and so rapid that some of the chutes to replace the old one lent the comalthough of considerably increased pany. When the new one is install size, could not handle the load ed, the plant will add its notes to the smoothly. Changes were made and town's industrial progress.



Deputies Julian Roebuck and Roy Peel, wrecked a large number of illicit liquor plants, poured out a quantity of molasses beer, captured modern manufacturing equipment and brought charges against one man. The record was made following several weeks of increased acivity on the liquor law enforcement ront in this county.

After searching along the Edgeombe County boundary line for everal hours on Monday, the officers found five gallons of molasses in the woods, but no trace of the manufacturing plant could be found. On the following day, the officers moved into the Free Union section of Jamesville Township and wrecked a 30-gallon capacity wood still and poured out 10° gallons of molasses

**Red Cross Fund Drive** In Bear Grass on Wednesday a partial plant was found and wrecked along with four fermenters. No beer was at the plant. Moving nearer the Beaufort County line, the officers wrecked a 50-gallon capacity oil drum used for a still and tore up three fermenters.

Last Thursday, a search in Cross Roads produced no results, but the officers moved into Robersonville Township and found a still worm and still cap in Fred Gardner's barn. A case, charging him with possession of materials for use in illicit liquor manufacturing, was brought against Gardner, a colored man.

Going into Hamilton Township last Friday, the officers destroyed a 50gallon capacity still, a doubler and cooler and poured out 100 gallons of molasses beer. A fox squirrel was found dead in one of the beer barrels, the officers explaining that they were not certain whether the squir rel died of poisoning or drowned.

Before returning to their base that day, the officers found and confiscated modern equipment at a plant near Council's store. No still was found, but the officers captured a new oil burner, a copper radiator which was intended for use as a worm, and wrecked a 100-gallon fer-

menter with about 100 pounds of

Accompanied by ABC officers from Pitt County, Deputies Roebuck drive chairman who will be aided by three-fold message. First, that God Township last Saturday morning and and Roebuck returned to Hamilton wrecked a plant partially equipped. An oil drum was wrecked along with a doubler and cooler, ten 50-gallon capacity fermenters and poured out 400 gallons of beer. Five gallons of molasses were taken at the plant. Crossing the road, the officers concluded their raids after wrecking a 50-gallon capacity oil drum still and pouring out 150 gallons of molasses



Two persons were hurt, one badly, in an automobile-truck wreck between Oak City and Hamilton late last Thursday night. Considerable damage resulted, Patrolman W. E. Saunders, the investigating officer,

Serviceman Hurt In

reported. Honorably discharged from the Marine Corps at Cherry Point earlier that day, John Robert Salen and Norman Duan Potter had started north to their homes in a 1937 Pontiac coupe, Salen to Ohio and Potter to Vermillion, Illinois. Just before For Checking Land reaching Oak City, Salen, driver of the car, decided to turn around and

trace back to Williamston to get Washington .- Rep. John H. Folger something to eat. A short distance and R. Flake Shaw, executive secre- from Oak City, they met and crashabout it. Everyone had his own lit- tary of the N. C. Farm Bureau Fed- ed into the 1939 Chevrolet pick-up tle grievances and little triumphs eration, has joined agriculture offic- One report stated that Salen was he could tell. There was a certain ials and members of the Virginia driving on the wrong side of the

right along with the best.

FIFTH TO RETURN

George Wilson, served in the

Army, two others, Charlie Mayo

and L. C. Moore, were in the

Navy and a fifth one, Simon Daniel Moore, served in the

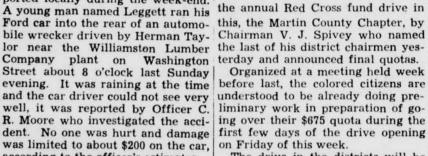
Some of the brothers were in

service four years and most of them saw action, but all return-

Army Air Force.

ed home safely.

day morning when Kennedy, leaving his home just back of the junk yard, District Chairmen



The drive in the districts will be headed by Mrs. Camille Fleming

**Chapter Yesterday** Five Townships Asked To Raise \$3,600; Canvassers

**Ready To Start Drive** 

seven persons were arrested and jailed here by local, county and state officers last week-end. Two of the seven were booked for assaults, three for public drunkenness and one each for drunken driving and carrying a concealed weapon. The drunken driver, detained by patrolmen Plans were announced virtually Saturday afternoon, was operatcomplete last night for launching ing a large army truck and his drive was so wild that his brother hopped out along the highway before reaching here.

**ROUND-UP** 

For the third time in a row,

The ages of the group ranged from 19 to 34 years, and three of the seven were young white men.

## liminary work in preparation of go-ing over their \$675 quota during the Rev. John W. Hardy **Is Returning Here**

smartness in speaking scornfully of it, because Americans are scornful by tradition of any government activity that touches them intimately. But underneath the smartness there was good American pride that those of livered his last sermon here Sunday corn meal in it.

is not what a man does that makes

Veteran Suffers

his head and rushes to the stomach

causing the attacks. Before medi-

**Oak City Young Man Is** 

us who couldn't fight the war could prevent the over-planting of the at least get a feeling of participa- weed this year. tion by doing without the little luxuries that were proscribed.

So, when almost coincidentally prevented them from sending as with the end of the war rationing many men as usual to measure towas lifted, most Americans were bacco acreage, but during that time more shocked than pleased. They the heavy demand absorbed excess began to buy more meat and more tobacco which resulted from planting butter and more shoes, but they beyond the specified allotments, so couldn't quite see how come. It the tobacco market as a whole did didn't take a career diplomat to see not suffer from over production, the that hunger was rampant in the rest subcommittee was told by North of the world. It didn't take an elder Carolina and Virginia witnesses. statesman to know that hungry peo- It was explained by them that with ple are not apt to be reasonable peo- the end of the war, the foreign marple or peaceful people. And it didn't ket was expected to fall off, and take a Congressional committee of more rigid enforcement of acreage globe girdling junket to find out that restrictions would be necessary to an America gorging itself on relative keep the price of tobacco at normal surpluses could not expect the levels. For this reason, it was as-

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### be necessary this year. Long Court Session Is Held In Oak City

Following a "little" crime wave a said that \$1,706,000 were paid in penfew days before, Justice of the alties during the 1943 and 1944 seas-Peace J. B. Whitfield held his court ons and about two and a half million in session several hours last Monday in the 1945-46 season, while the night before clearing the docket.

Herbert Goode, war veteran from penses for this year is only \$1, Alabama, was fined \$5 and taxed with the costs for alleged disorderly conduct. His wife was fined \$5 and Report Two Wrecks required to pay the costs for assaulting Mrs. Sam Bunting.

Charged with an affray, Jesse Sta-In Oak City Section ton was fined \$5 and required to pay the costs.

Hillard Knight, drunk and disorderly and booked for an affray, was no one was hurt but considerable sentenced to the roads for thirty property damage resulted in two days, the court suspending the sen- recent automobile wrecks in the Oak tence upon the payment of a \$15 fine City section. Neither of the wrecks and costs.

Roy Lanier, publicly drunk, was fined \$5 and taxed with the cost. In a second case, Lanier was charged turned a car over on Highway 44 with attempted assault on a female. Bound over to the county court under bond in the sum of \$150, Lanier had his case continued in the county court this week until March 11.

Judgment was suspended upon the and Hobgood. The car was said to payment of the cost in the case charging Gordon Williams with public drunkenness.

Charged with drunken driving, J. F. Council was bound over to the county court under \$150 bond.

#### Farm Bureau Meeting In **Courthouse Friday Night**

good American pride that those of acreage of all types of tobacco to tween the elbow and hand and Salen was slightly bruised and shocked. Beach and a companion were not During the war years, the AAA hurt.

faced a shortage of manpower which The Salen car went about fifty feet after striking the truck and the Hyde County, he was 75 years old. road was completely blocked by the two vehicles. Jack Wright, of Washington and Baltimore, was traveling south and he picked up the victims and carried them to Oak City for medical attention. Unable to locate a doctor there, Wright carried Salen and Potter to Bethel and still they were unable to find a doctor. They were finally carried to Robersonville where Potter's arm was sewed up in the Ward clinic.

The front wheel of the Pontiac was serted, measuring of acreage would

Rep. Burch, Democrat of Virginia, stated that penalty payments for overplanting more than repaid the government for the expense of sendwrecked Pontiac had been attached

ing men into the tobacco areas to for damages. survey and measure the acreage. He **Fishing Season Gets Underway** In River

#### life there Surviving are his wife, the former torn off and the front was smashed, Mrs. F. F. Spencer; three daughters, the patrolman stating that damage Etta Grant of Greensboro, Mrs. J. S. to the car would possibly amount to Lawrence of Elizabeth City and Mrs. \$300 or more. Damage to the truck E. B. Grant of Jackson; one stepson, F. S. Svencer, Jr., of Fairfield; four

was estimated at \$200. No criminal action was brought brothers, W. R. Grant of Troy,

immediately against the serviceman Claude and Kelly Grant, both of Rich driver, but one report stated that the Square, and L. S. Grant of Chester, Va., and four grandchildren. His first wife, the former Eliza-

for three years, 1934-36.

the Fairfield cemetery.

yesterday morning and burial was in

Mr. Grant was a native of North-

ampton County and spent his early

beth Carter of Fairfield, died several years ago.

#### Firemen Answer Calls Here During the Past Week-End

Local volunteer firemen were call-Very little progress has been re- ed out twice last week-end, first to

po. ted so far, but the big 1948 fish- a grass fire just off West Main Street ing season in the Roanoke is gradu-ally getting underway, and extensive an automobile fire on North Haughpreparations are still being made for ton Street Saturday noon. No damthe commercial catches. A report age was done by the grass fire, and from Jamesville states that the own- no great loss resulted in the car fire.

Driving an old model Ford belonging to Mary S. Gray, Abram Fonvill said the car fire started around the said the car fire started around the carburetor and soon burned through Ask Cooperation In

#### No Daylight Saving Time For State Is Expected

A proposal calling for a daylight saving schedule for North Carolina this spring and summer is not likely to get much consideration. While possibly a majority of the people favor the "fast "time, the opposition is quite determined and reports state that official quarters will choose to leave the clocks alone.

#### **ENTERS HOSPITAL**

Suffering with high blood pressure, Mayor John L. Hassell entered a Washington hospital vesterday afternoon for treat-

Earlier in the day he attend-ed to business marters in his of-

Mrs. John Gurkin, Mr. and Mrs. is not dead, but that with many peo-Rev. Rufus R. Grant, retired Meth-Hewitt Edwards, M. A. Price, John ple He has been domesticated, made odist minister and former local pas-Bland, Dennis Hardy, C. D. Bullock, into a harmless household pet, with tor, died in a Columbia, N. C., hospital last Saturday. A resident of John Coltrain and Mrs. C. E. Jenkins. his teeth drawn. Mr. Huske said. Wheeler Martin, N. C. Green, G. H. "God is alive, an all powerful and Harrison, Garland Woolard and Dr. just God, as well as a loving father. Serving in the ministry about for-John Biggs will solicit special gifts He is not a grandfather!" Secondly, ty years before retiring to make his locally, the chairman announced. one does not "join the church" as one home in Fairfield, Mr. Grant was pastor of the Methodist church here Canvassers for the business and resiwould a club, but is made a member dential areas will be announced toof Christ at baptism and becomes a morrow or Thursday. part of His body, the church, just as beer. Funeral services were conducted in the Fairfield Methodist Church

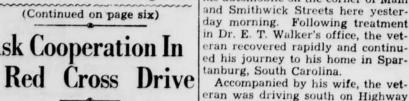
Last year, this chapter raised over \$8,000 for the Red Cross. This year, it is being asked to raise \$3,600. The tivity, constantly doing things, does tivity, constantly doing things, does and assigned as follows:

Jamesville, \$325; Williams, \$60; him a Christian-but what he is. A Griffins, \$300; Bear Grass, \$300, Wilman does good works because he is liamston, \$1,940, and colored citizens a Christian. in six townships, including Poplar Mr. Huske will leave this week for

Point, \$675. parents for a month before continu-The quotas are quite small and they were acceptable in every case, ing his work. He has made many some of the district leaders assuring riends since coming to Williamston. the chapter chairmen that their peo-The Rev. John W. Hardy who was ple would meet the test and more. granted a leave of absence from the It is planned to publish the names Church of the Advent during his chaplaincy in the army will arrive of the donors and the amount of conthis week to resume his work here. tributions, by districts.

Appeals are being made to the gen eral public to support the drive and cooperate in every way possible with the selicitors who are working without remuneration and at their own expense. It is hoped that some of the districts will complete their can-

vass and report a successful drive Te week-end. Ministers in the several churches addressed an appeal to their congregations last Sunday in behalf of the drive, some of them offering a few



Perfecting their organization last week-end, colored leaders for the was not wrecked and his wife took new Red Cross fund drive today adthe wheel and continued here. the dressed an appeal to all citizens urgman's condition becoming much ing cooperation and support for the worse about the time they reached drive which gets underway on Frithe Sinclair filling station. day of this week. They plan to com-It was learned that the veteran plete the canvass between the 1st and had been badly wounded in the Coral 8th of March. Sea battle, that often his blood leaves

The following have been named to carry the drive to the colored citizens of the town: Emma Harvey, cal aid could reach him he was giv-Mary Dell Bennett, Sarah Huff, Mrs. Armistead, N. R. Cherry, M. S. Gray, Sylvia Wallace, Mittie Mason, Len ora Rodgers, Ruth Slade, Bessie Mc Intyre, Minnie C. Ambers, Ella Mae Ormond, Richmond Faulk, W. C. Bunch, Joe Spruill, Tom Moye, L. S

S. L. H. Junhillins, R. A. Jackson Dell Smith, Z. J. Hayes, John M. Slade, and J. D. Everett.

\$300. cedes.

vived him.

# Scandal In Nation

Something wrong with the United States Maritime Commission is sus-Fayetteville where he will visit his pected in some Washington quarters, according to reports coming from the nation's capital in recent days.

A shocking report has been released by the Comptroller General's office, and Senator George D. Aiken of Vermont appealed for a senatorial investigation.

The country has thousands of 'surplus" ships. A plan for disposing of them was proposed by the Maritime Commission, then controlled by Admiral Emory S. Land. The **Attack On Street** National House of Representatives held hearings and put some safeguards in a "ship disposal" bill. It

A member of the crew of the U.S was sent to the Senate where Sena-"Intrepid" and recently discharg tor Josiah W. Bailey, chairman d from the Navy, a South Carolin-Commerce Committee, offered reian whose name could not be learncommendations blasting away the "safeguards" proposed by the House. ed immediately, suffered an attack in his automobile on the corner of Main The bill, as wanted by the admirals and as recommended by Bailey, passed without a roll call vote.

According to Senator Aiken, the Maritime Commission in the war years up to June, 11943, had juggled

its books to the tune of \$5,822,873,498 to make its records look as if they eran was driving south on Highway came out right. Back of the jug-17 when he suffered the attack and gling, the Comptroller disclosed ran his coupe off the road. The car long list of peculiar deals by the commission, such as paying insurance "up to 64 times the value of ships," after they were sunk.

#### Two Men Under Bond For Alleged Assault

Joe Henry and Ollie Gaynor, prothers, were placed under bond in the sum of \$300 each for allegedly en a stimulant and that partly reholding up and assaulting two Williams brothers in Poplar Point last week. They were given a hearing before Justice J. L. Hassell last Friday.

**Discharged From the Navy** According to one report, the Gaynor brothers blocked the road and b kill and

the liams men. "They bri I. Slade, and J. D. Everett. Colored citizens in the chapter are Separation Center. The Oak City ing saved our lives," one of the vicbeing asked to raise \$675. out of a young man, in service six years, was tims was quoted as saying. The al-\$3,600 quota. Locally, the quota is last stationed on the USS Rienamer- leged assault grew out of some family trouble, it was declared.

secretary of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, in an address at the courthouse here this evening at 8:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him The McPherson Hospital

**Crowd Scatters Before** Mrs. Erah Cobb continues quite ill n McPherson's hospital, Durham, Young Man With Pistol

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ing in the courthouse Tris evening of this week at 7.30 o'clock, for eye treatment. Undergoing mo John D. Shaw members of the Martin Co aty Farm operation on one eye, Mrs. Cobb re- sheriff and patrolmen late last Sat-Bareau will hear reports on the gained the sight in that eye and is urday night after he had dispersed State Convention held in Winston- now having trouble with the other. a crowd at Griffin's filling station Salem early this month and make Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cobb and just west of Everetts earlier that plans for the organization's annual daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Dillon night. The man was fined \$60 in the Cobb visited her Sunday. county court Monday. barbecue.

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amount requested for measuring ex-

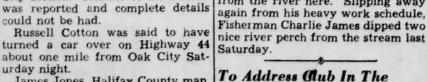
As far as it could be learned here,

167,000.

could not be had.

urday night.

a stop.



James Jones, Halifax County man, turned a 1939 Plymouth car over a **Courthouse Here Tonight** 

few days earlier between Oak City

Quite a few hunters, fishermen have been wrecked beyond repair, and interested citizens are expected one report stating that it turned over to hear Soss O. Stevens, executive possibly five itmes before it came to

**Continues** Quite III In

Biggs ambulance.

fice, but returned to his apartment when he told friends that he wasn't feeling very well.

ers have tarred the big seine there, preparatory to starting operations

within the next two or three weeks. During the meantime individual

again from his heavy work schedule. Fisherman Charlie James dipped two

fishermen are taking a few perch the floor boards. from the river here. Slipping away