

Final Disposition Remains Of War Dead Is Problem

Relatives Have 4 Choices Regarding Burial Of War's Victims

Fort Bragg.—Of interest to the relatives of the 328,000 Americans who were war casualties is the War Department's program for the permanent burial of those who lost their lives overseas.

The War Department, through the Quartermaster General, is committed to carry out the wishes of relatives within four choices of final interment, including the dignified, reverent return of war dead and provision for their burial in the United States.

The Army is sparing no effort to identify positively the dead of World War II, and reverent care is taken of all remains. No remains will be returned to this country until the Government is absolutely sure of identification.

Many months were required in a case where the only clue was a letter addressed to "Dear Ed," signed with a woman's name. Correspondence with her established the fact that she sometimes wrote to the soldier; and she revealed his full name. A search of War Department records gave his outfit. Contact with the unit, which by then had moved to another country, brought the information that he was carried as missing in action after a battle in the area where the remains were found. Checks of his description and dental records established positive identity.

In most cases, identification tags or papers have solved the problem quickly and easily, and in our 208 temporary World War II cemeteries there are interred 240,483 identified and 12,572 unidentified remains. The total number of isolated graves of which the locations are known is 19,215, including 10,810 identified and 8,405 unidentified bodies. There are an additional estimated 19,625 unlocated isolated graves throughout the world for a total maximum number of 291,895 remains. The bodies of thousands of other war dead, mainly those who died at sea, are not recoverable.

The work of identifying the unknown dead will continue for years. No case is officially closed, even though there seems to be no possible solution, and each case record remains at hand, ready for immediate follow-up as soon as new information is obtained. Search teams are at work in the most remote corners of the 80 countries in all the continents of the world where fighting took place. They are divided into three groups: One team follows up all reports and rumors of a buried soldier; another team, after a grave has been discovered, disinters the body; and a third team endeavors to make identification.

Difficulties can hardly be imagined, but the India-Burma zone offers a good example. Some of the dangers faced there are armed bandits, unfriendly natives, disease, and air danger over the 1,600-mile "Hump" between India and Tibet. Most of the search is by air, because of the dense jungles and towering mountains; and plane wreckage is the main objective of the search. Helicopters and Cubs are often used to reach wrecks after they are spotted, but sometimes the terrain prohibits even their use. Search parties often have used parachutes and some search planes have been lost. There must be an adequate armed guard, for bandits and natives have usurped control of many forward air strips used during the war in central and upper Burma. From January 10 to December 15, 1945, more than 2,000 search and rescue missions were flown. Today the remains of 3,248 dead rest in thirteen temporary military cemeteries in the India-Burma zone. Of these, 2,964, have been identified. In addition, 1,041 remains are estimated to be in isolated locations.

It is heartbreakingly natural for wives and parents to cling desperately to some hope that their missing loved ones may somehow turn up, alive and well. Regrettably, the War Department does not expect that any living persons who were listed as missing in action or presumed dead

Poor Outlook For Peanuts In the County This Season

Damaged by excessive rains in some sections and by dry weather in other areas during the main growing season, the peanut crop more recently has been battered by weather conditions unfavorable to harvesting. General reports declare that prospects for a good crop are poor, many declaring that production will hardly equal the low yield reported in the county last season.

The crop is spotted, farmers declaring that the quality of the crop varies from section to section and even from field to field. In that section lying southeast of U. S. Highway No. 17, the crop is said to be unusually poor, reports declaring that quite a number of farmers had abandoned the goobers in the field and would leave them there for the hogs. Most of the farmers are planning to cut

the tops with a mowing machine and harvest the hay.

The crop is late in the county, as a whole, but a few farmers have already dug their acres. Recent rains are believed to have damaged the crop, causing the stems to rot.

In some sections unusually large yields are fairly certain. Farmer Jos. F. Harrison harvested his crop a short time ago, and he estimates his production at approximately 25 bags per acre. The goobers, even though planted from good seed, are very small, it was stated.

Crop reporting services in reports released before the recent rains pointed to increased yields in the State, and estimated a production of about 303,400,000 pounds or about 1,025 pounds per acre as compared with 950 pounds last season.

Miss Lilley Wins Contest Saturday

The 4-H Clubs of Martin County held their annual Dress Review Saturday afternoon at the Woman's Club Building. The club was decorated with fall flowers and the platform was covered with 4-H Club colors, white and green. The back of the platform was banked with pines. The following girls entered the contest: Mary Lou Coltrain, of the Williamston Club; Elizabeth Holliday, of the Jamesville Club; and Mary Ola Lilley, of the Farm Life Club. Mary Lou's costume was a green and brown plaid wool dress. Her accessories were brown. The approximate cost of her outfit was \$16.00. Elizabeth's costume was a lime green bolero suit of garbancine trimmed with black. The approximate cost of her outfit was \$9.00. Mary Ola's costume was a three piece wool suit. Her suit was of black wool and her top coat was of fuchsia trimmed with black. She made her accessories of the black wool and trimmed them with wool fuchsia. The approximate cost of her outfit was \$27.00.

The dresses were so well made it took the judges over an hour to determine the winner. The judges named Mary Ola Lilley as the county winner and Mary Lou and Elizabeth as a tie for second place. To the county winner a pair of nylon hose was given by Belk-Tyler Co. and an umbrella given by Margolis Brothers. After the review punch and sandwiches were served to the contestants, their parents and friends.

Judges for the contest were Miss Virginia Patrick, home agent of Bertie County, Miss Maxine Pleasant, assistant home agent of Bertie, Miss Frances Eakes, home economics teacher at the Oak City school, and Miss Florine Clark, home economics teacher in the Williamston school.

Funeral Sunday For Daniel Infant

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Daniel of Farm Life announce the birth and death of a daughter in the local hospital on Sunday, September 29.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mr. Daniel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Daniel, in Griffiths Township Sunday afternoon by Rev. John L. Goff, local minister. Interment was in the family cemetery near the home.

Mrs. Daniel before her marriage was Miss Doris Harrison of Edinburg, Indiana. She has made her home in this county since February.

Local Man Purchases Warehouse In Windsor

S. A. Mobley, local man, purchased the Farmers Warehouse and adjoining property in Windsor last week. The buildings and land which were sold at auction by George L. Madre, Jr., of Windsor, were purchased for \$21,500. The purchaser said he had no immediate plans for using or developing the property, but it was reported that he would consider offers.

Considerable interest was shown in the sale, and the price exceeded many estimates, according to reports reaching here.

PUZZLED

Stopping to observe the tobacco sales on a local warehouse floor yesterday, two New York tourists, traveling toward Florida, admitted they were greatly puzzled to understand what it was all about. They did not seem to understand the grading system, why the buyers would pay 65 cents for one pile and 66 cents for another. And they were convinced the auctioneer was using the unknown tongue. "Who knows what he is talking about and what he's saying?" they asked, admitting that the ticket marker must be mighty good at the business.

The couple was shocked to learn that the bundles were tied by hand, and they checked the American purchases.

Crops For Winter Grazing In County

By D. W. Brady, Assistant Farm Agent

Farmers who plan to sow permanent pastures this fall should get them sown by October 15th. A good pasture mixture is 10 lbs Dallas grass, 15 lbs Kobe lespedeza and 1 1-2 to 2 lbs of white clover. On well drained soils 5 lbs of orchard grass may well be added. Dallas grass is one of the earliest summer grasses and is fairly resistant to drought. Orchard grass is an excellent pasture grass growing early and late in the season.

Dallas grass and lespedeza must be sown in the spring. Orchard grass and white clover may be sown either in the fall or spring. If sown in the spring they should be sown from February 15 to March 15. If pasture is being established primarily for cows, Ladino clover may be substituted for white clover. Ladino clover, a giant species of white clover, has gained wide popularity among farmers in this State. Those who have tried it wouldn't be without it. Ladino will not withstand as close grazing as white clover. Either white or Ladino clover seed must be inoculated.

It is necessary that the soil be limed before planting this permanent mixture at the rates of from 1 to 2 tons or lime per acre. The pasture must be fertilized with phosphorus and potash. A good fertilizer is 600 lbs of 0-12-12 for the permanent pasture. Stable manure may also be added to the soil. At two year intervals 300 or 400 lbs of fertilizer (0-12-12) should be added.

If more information is desired regarding pastures contact assistant county agent D. W. Brady at County Agent's Office.

Release Electricity From Atomic Power

According to reports reaching this country, Russian scientists have already released electricity from atomic power. It was also stated that the Russians look to the new source of power as a means of improving the welfare of the people and lightening human labor. They point out that to associate atomic energy with the bomb is about the same as associating electricity with the electric chair.

Albemarle Union To Hold Meeting In Local Church

Several Visiting Religious Leaders To Appear On Program

The fourth Albemarle Union meeting of the Disciples of Christ convenes with the Williamston Christian Church on Wednesday, October 2nd, at 10:30 o'clock. A strong program has been prepared around the theme adopted by the International Convention at the recent meeting held in Columbus, Ohio: "A Crusade for a Christian World." Special music will be rendered by the local choir under the direction of Mrs. W. C. Manning and Mr. Russell Roebuck, organist.

The election of officers will be held at this meeting. J. O. Manning of Williamston is chairman; C. Abram Roberson of Robersonville and E. H. Liverman of Plymouth are the nominations committee.

The program: Morning session: M. Elmore Turner, vice president, presiding; 10:30, devotional, John L. Goff; 10:50, Welcome address, E. S. Peel; 10:55, Response, Delbert M. Sawyer; 11, Reading of Minutes, Miss Gladys Whitley, secretary; 11:05, Hymn No. 540; 11:10, Address, "The Crusade," M. Elmore Turner; 11:40, Anthem, "If Ye Love Me"; choir; 11:45, Report on local work, Miss Gladys Whitley; 12:00, sermon, "Undergirding the Brotherhood," C. A. Jarman; 12:25, Offering; 12:30, Announcements; 12:35, Benedictions.

Lunch will be served by the host church at the Williamston Woman's Club, corner Smithwick and Church Streets.

Afternoon session: John L. Goff, president, presiding; 1:45, devotional, H. Walker; 2 to 2:30, program of North Carolina Christian Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. E. Leon Roebuck, Roebuck, district secretary; 2:30, special music, choir; 2:35 to 2:50, Field in brief, church leaders; 2:50, hymn No. 363; 2:55, election of officers; 3:05, announcements; 3:10 Missionary benediction.

Invitations and programs have been sent to all the churches in the district urging them to have good representations. The host church is making ample preparations for a large attendance.—Reported.

Car Damaged In Wreck Near Here

No one was hurt but considerable property damage resulted when two cars crashed and one turned over near here on the Hamilton Highway early last Sunday evening.

Traveling in the direction of Hamilton, Edgar Lee Savage, colored man, started to make a left turn at the J. B. Cherry farm just as Ricks Allsbrooks started to pass him. Forced off the highway, the Allsbrooks car, a Pontiac sedan, turned over, Patrolman W. E. Saunders stating that damage to the machine will approximate \$450. Its left side battered and broken, the Savage car was damaged to the extent of about \$100, the investigating officer said.

Allsbrooks, employed on a construction project near Oxford, and his two companions arranged other means of transportation and continued to Granville County.

Savage, one report stated, stopped at the scene of the accident for a minute or so and drove on to his home, a short distance away. Officers trailed him to his home and he now stands charged with hit-and-run driving.

ROUND-UP

Local and county officers had another busy period last week when they rounded up and jailed in the county hoosegow a flood of drunks. Thirteen persons were jailed during the period. Ten of the thirteen were charged with drunkenness, two with drunkenness and assault and one with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

The ages of the group ranged from a low of seventeen to fifty-two years, and four of the thirteen were white persons.

Nine Called For Physical Exams At Army Center

Six of Group Were Attending School or Employed In Non-Farm Jobs

Nine Martin County white young men were called last week to report to the Army center at Fort Bragg for pre-induction examinations. Eight of the men answered the call, an unofficial report stating that two and possibly three of them were rejected. The ninth one, William Alfred Roberson of Newport News and Williamston, failed to report. "It is possible," Mrs. T. W. Crockett, assistant clerk, explained, "that the registrant has already entered the service and the board has not been notified, or there may be some other acceptable reason or excuse for his failure to report."

Most of the men reporting for the tests had visited the center previously and had been given a temporary 4-F classification.

The ages of the group range from 19 to 26 years, most of the registrants having just recently passed their nineteenth birthday. Six of them were listed as students or holders of non-farm jobs.

Names and addresses of the men answering the call instructing them to report for the pre-induction examinations follow:

John Fleming Thigpen, Williamston.

Clifford Neville Mobley, Oak City.

Noah Saunders Roberson, RFD 1, Williamston.

Jesse Howard Stroud, Hobgood.

Thomas Olen Martin, RFD 1, Jamesville.

William Peel Nelson, Williams-ton.

Francis Darrell Taylor, Everettsville.

Clavin Lafayette Warren, RFD 2, Robersonville.

Palmyra Highway Project Stopped

Although it had not been definitely listed for bids, the construction of a surfaced highway from Scotland Neck to Palmyra has been postponed if not blocked for some time by a blanket order issued by President Harry S. Truman directing a drastic curtailment of all federal-financed construction. It isn't likely now that a contract will be considered until the construction ban is lifted.

No federal aid projects are in progress on rural roads in this county at the present time, and it is likely that the present program will be continued without interruption. It had been hoped that the road from Hamilton to Palmyra would be given consideration along with the Butler's Bridge-Hassell route, but it is fairly apparent now that construction will be further delayed.

Homemakers Here Install Officers

On Wednesday, September 25, the Williamston chapter of the Future Homemakers of America held an installation service for the weekly assembly program. Appropriate music was played during the ceremony by Lilybet Muse. Rachel Chesson read the scripture and conducted the prayer. Old officers participating in the service were Elizabeth Manning, Dorothy Leggett, Louise Hines, Sally Hardison, Eleanor Banks, Nancy Roberson, and Alice Williams.

The new officers who were installed were: President, Julia Laughinghouse; vice president, Joan Peele; secretary, Lucille Quinn; treasurer, Barbara Sullivan; historian, Fannie Bowen; songleader, Elizabeth Whitley; and reporter, Elizabeth Manning.

Miss Florine Clark, new home economics teacher, is the organization's sponsor.

Local Boy Promoted To Army Captaincy Overseas

Darrell Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Price, was recently promoted to the rank of captain in the Army overseas. Stationed in Bari, Italy, for quite a while, the former local young man is now in Trieste where he heads the largest newspaper in that region.

Report Upward Trend In Leaf Price Averages Here

Influenced by poor quality and much damaged leaf offered on local floors during the peak of the current marketing season glut, tobacco prices yesterday showed considerable strength, unofficial reports indicating that the highest average of the year was chalked up.

While the market is burdened with a bad break and much damaged leaf today, prices continue much stronger than those reported ten days and two weeks ago.

After reaching a low point on September 19, prices gradually reflected added strength, climbing well above 52 cents a pound on an average last Friday. It was conservatively estimated that more than 225,000 pounds were sold Monday for an average of more

than 55 cents. Eliminating the damaged leaf on the floors today, the market will hold to about the same price figure, reports declared.

Including the sales today, the local market has sold right at seven million pounds of tobacco during the current season for an average of more than \$49.00 per hundred.

While still much in evidence, the marketing glut is beginning to lighten, reports stating that between 65 and 70 percent of the crop has been sold, that the half hour added to the daily selling schedule is helping to relieve the glut in the warehouses. It is now predicted that marketing can be handled without great delay beginning within the next week or ten days.

P-T. A. MEET

Delaying action for more than a month and after inter-ested prodding by other groups, patrons of the local school are meeting in the high school auditorium this evening at 7:30 o'clock to perfect an organization of parents and teachers. All citizens interested in the advancement of the local schools and the welfare of the youth of this community are earnestly urged to attend the meeting. Its activities handled mainly by the mothers in past years, the organization as proposed for the current term is being pledged strong support by members of the Lions Club and those of other civic organizations.

Home Building Going Forward

Despite acute shortages in materials and other obstacles, home construction is going forward fairly rapidly in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wynne started the construction of a five-room bungalow on East Franklin Street last week. Dr. and Mrs. Chas. I. Harris are starting construction of a California type home on School drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Critcher recently moved into their garage apartment in Martin Heights.

Contractors Norris and Wood recently started the construction of three new homes on Park Street in the fair grounds development. Five of the homes recently constructed there are now occupied.

Work is progressing fairly rapidly on a home for Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hardison on South Houghton Street, and Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Carrow and family recently moved into their new home on Marshall Avenue.

Several new homes are under construction in the northwest section just outside the town limits and near Pine Street.

Four building permits were issued to colored citizens last week for the construction of homes. Construction work is progressing on the A. E. Browder machine shop on West Church Street.

Officers Wreck Two Distilleries

Raiding in the Poplar Point section of Hamilton Township last Friday, ABC Officer J. H. Roebuck and Deputy Roy Peel wrecked two illicit distilleries.

At the first plant the kettle had been moved out of the officers' range and could not be located. The raiders poured out 150 gallons of inferior mash.

That afternoon the officers captured a large copper kettle and poured out fifty gallons of beer.

Holding Revival In Church At Everetts

Rev. J. R. Everett, the pastor, opened a series of revival services in the Everetts Baptist Church last evening at 7:45 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him each evening at that hour. Special music is being rendered during the meeting, it was announced.

Over 1,500 Join The Farm Bureau

Approximately 1,500 farmers, business and professional men have joined the Martin County Farm Bureau since the membership drive was launched less than a month ago, a meeting of the membership committee was advised last Friday evening. The report was based on incomplete returns from the thirty canvassers, the secretary explaining that only thirteen had actually reported their activities. The thirteen reporting had signed up 878 members and it was conservatively estimated that the remaining canvassers had lined up at least six hundred members or possibly more.

Plans were discussed for trying to complete the canvass by Friday evening, October 11, when the members will be invited to attend a supper and make complete reports. It was pointed out that each member of the committee will pay for his own supper, and that the organization will not accept any of the costs.

The drive to date, leaves the county just about 580 members short of its goal. President Chas. L. Daniel is urging the canvassers to complete the task and solicits the support of all farmers and others interested in agriculture in making the drive successful.

Addressing appeals to manufacturers and others, urging them to make repair parts available for farm implements, the organization heard replies from all of them. Each of the manufacturers recognized the need for more repair parts and assured the organization that every effort would be made to relieve the shortage existing in this section.

Opens Services In Local Church

Rev. C. Freeman Heath, Washington minister, was heard by a large congregation in the first of a series of evangelistic services at the local Methodist church last Sunday evening.

He pleaded with his hearers to carry their religion over from Sunday to their business transactions on the week days, and pointed out the individual's responsibility in advancing the cause of religion.

Services will be conducted in the church each evening at 7:30 o'clock through Friday of this week, the pastor, Rev. B. T. Hurley, announced.

Several of the churches in town cancelled their service schedules that evening to worship with the Methodists, the friendly action being highly commended by the visiting minister.

Hog Show And Sale In Kinston Thursday

Several Martin County farmers are planning to attend the registered Duroc hog show and sale at Kinston's union stock yards at 2:00 o'clock on Thursday of this week, Assistant County Agent D. W. Brady said this week.

Attending a Poland-China hog sale in Rocky Mount a few days ago, several county farmers bought boards, paying as high as \$100 for the registered animals. Limiting their activities to other crops during the war, county farmers are now showing more interest in stock raising.

Fifty-Seven Boys Register Recently Under Draft Act

At Least Twelve of the Registrants Served In Armed Forces

Fifty-seven Martin County young men registered under the Selective Service Act during the months of July and August, according to a recent report released by the county draft board. Thirty-three of the 57 are white, and eleven of the white had service records in various branches of the service.

Names of the registrants and their addresses at time of registration follow:

Samuel Whitman Casper, Jr., w. Oak City.

William Cassie Mercer, Jr., w. Williamston.

Walter Lawrence Brown, w. Jamesville.

Hewett Drexal Andrews, w. RFD 1, Williamston.

Daryl Vincent Clayton, Jr., w. Williamston.

Reginald Eugene Chesson, w. Williamston.

Frederick E. Wheeler, w. Williamston.

George Counts Beard, Jr., w. Jamesville.

Earlie Johnson, col., Williams-ton.

Reginald Davis Peel, w. RFD 2, Williamston.

John Smallwood Whitley, w. Williamston.

Josephus Daniel Baldree, w. Williamston.

Stephen Mack Ebron, col., Robersonville.

William Lewis Jones, col., Palmyra.

Joe Saunders Yarrell, col., RFD 1, Williamston.

James Harold Yarrell, col., RFD 1, Williamston.

James Harold Ellis, w. RFD 1, Jamesville.

Martin Belmer Hardison, Jr., w. Hamilton.

Elmo Marvin Wallace, w. Richmond.

Ervin Eugene Hinson, w. RFD 1, Oak City.

Ernest Elton Scott, col., RFD 2, Williamston.

Vernon Carlyle Suits, w. RFD 1, Oak City.

Harry Clemons Griffin, col., RFD 3, Williamston.

James Louis Cowan, w. Williamston.

Jasper Llewellyn Roebuck, w. RFD 1, Robersonville.

Joseph David Cratt, w. RFD 2, Williamston.

Jesse Norman Rogerson, w. RFD 2, Williamston.

William Hugh Keys, col., RFD 1, Jamesville.

Murry LeRoy Thompson, w. RFD 1, Oak City.

John Graham, Jr., col., Williamston.

John Earl Roberson, w. RFD 1, Robersonville.

Willie James Chancey, col., RFD 1, Robersonville.

Eugene Rawls, w. RFD 2, Williamston.

Harry Milton Roberson, col., Williamston.

Cecil Garnton Nelson, w. RFD 2, Robersonville.

James Rufus Stancill, w. Williamston.

James Earl Dunn, col., Robersonville.

David Brinkley Gurkin, w. RFD 1, Williamston.

Robert Keys, col., RFD 2, Williamston.

Ralph Edgar Boston, col., RFD 1, Jamesville.

Thomas Clemmons, col., Williamston.

Joseph James, Jr., col., RFD 1, Jamesville.

Clyde Howard Bunting, w. Par-mele.

Earl Milton Coburn, Jr., w. Robersonville.

Thurman Gray James, w. RFD 1, Robersonville.

Herbert Linwood Coltrain, w. Williamston.

Lundy Cleveland Hudgins, w. RFD 1, Oak City.

Carter Nathaniel Williams, col., Hamilton.

Raymond Dixon, col., Robersonville.

Dennis Myrton Hardison, w. Norfolk.

William Moore, Jr., col., RFD 2, Robersonville.

James Hoover Slade, col., Williamston.

Alexander Brown, col., RFD 3, Williamston.

George Willis Lee, col., Wil-lyamston.

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