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## April To Be Clean-Up Month for Columbia

People Requested To Place Trash in Can That Can Be Handled Easily

At a regular meeting of the town board of aldermen held the first Monday night, the town through its mayor declared April as Clean-Up Month for Columbia. The Street Commissioner reported it was almost impossible to secure any help to haul trash from the streets, and said he would like to request the people to place their trash in cans that were small enough to be handled by one man and in that way he thought he could get the trash moved.

H. A. Owens was employed as registrar. Mrs. J. L. Snell and T. J. Davenport to be poll holders for the Town election. The registration books for new voters will be open April 7, 14, 21 and 28.

The clerk reported that a total of \$2,600 had been paid during the month for interest on the funding bonds.

A permit was granted to Mrs. Hester Fisher to rebuild and remodel her hotel into an apartment house and tea room.

A committee composed of R. G. Riddick and W. A. Williams were appointed to work with the Teen-Age club and other committees from different organizations to help secure a Teen-Age tavern. The house back of the library which once housed the fire trucks was offered to the club if they cannot find a better location or house, by the town board.

The Columbia Woman's Club was given permission to go ahead with getting a road constructed across the back and north side of the cemetery if land can be secured for it.

## Former Teacher To Help Choose Books

Miss Estelle McClees, a former teacher of the Columbia High School, had a very great honor bestowed on her by the Governor of North Carolina, April 5, when she was appointed by him to serve on a 12-member Consolidated State Textbook Commission.

The books taught in the schools of our State have a great deal of influence on our future citizenship, so Miss McClees, who is very capable for the place, will have an opportunity of great service for the youths of North Carolina.

She will serve on the high school committee and will recommend science and mathematics books to the State Board of Education.

## Tyrrell County Red Cross News

G. E. Love, 1945-46 Red Cross War Fund chairman announces that the quota of \$2,000 assigned to Tyrrell County was oversubscribed about \$100. We wish to thank all men and women throughout the county who so quickly, by their untiring efforts, raised these funds. Especially does he also want to thank the donors, who gave so generously for this worthwhile cause.

The Tyrrell County Red Cross office is open Saturday from 2-5 p.m. and all other week days from 2-3 p.m. A Red Cross member will be in the office during these hours to give information, attend to communications and help fill out applications for allowances, and other Government benefits for service people and their families. Any person who wishes Red Cross assistance is asked to visit the office during these hours.

A regular monthly meeting of the Tyrrell County Red Cross Executive Committee will be held in the Court House the last Friday night in April at 8 p.m. All Red Cross members are invited to attend this meeting.

## John B. Fleming Wounded March 1

Mrs. Beatrice Spencer has recently received a message from her husband, Pfc. John B. Fleming saying he was wounded in the leg while in action in Germany, March 1, 1945. He had only been in service since three months and had been in service since July 20. He is being hospitalized in France.

## Cpl. John W. Everett Has Returned From War Zone

John W. Everett T/5 was returned March 1 to the States from Luzon for treatment. He is now stationed in Oliver General Hospital, Augusta, Ga. He is being treated for Niferitis and is steadily improving. His wife left April 1 to be with him until he is given his medical discharge.

## Pfc. ROBERT MIDGETT



Pfc. Robert Midgett, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Midgett was inducted in the U. S. Army April 15, 1942. He received his training at Camp Edwards, Mass., and Plattsburg, N. Y. In July, 1942, he sailed for England where he stayed until after D-day. When he went to France where he is serving with the 9th Engineering Division.

## Local Legion Post In Regular Meet

Scuppernon Post No. 182, American Legion, Columbia, N. C., met in its regular meeting March 23, with a good percentage of its membership present.

Among other matters discussed it decided to invite Hon. George K. Snow, Department Commander, to be present at its meeting the latter part of April, and also to invite the Legion Auxiliary and the wives and sweethearts of the Legionnaires to this meeting.

At its next meeting, April 6th, it has urged all of the members to be present so that they can plan for the supper to be served at the meeting the latter part of April. The time for that meeting will be decided when the Commander of the post hears from the Department Commander as to when he can be present, and the members will be notified later as to the time.

## MRS. WASH BASNIGHT



Mrs. Wash Basnight and little son, Charles, 9 months old. She is the wife of Wash Basnight, W. T. 1/c, who is now stationed in the South Pacific. He has been in service for 2 1/2 years.

## Ignore Request of Women for Places On School Board

For the past nine years at the time when there were to be vacancies on the Columbia High School Board, the Columbia Woman's Club has sent a request to the County Board of Education asking them to put some mothers on the school board with the men. This year, Mrs. J. G. Brickhouse, Jr., Mrs. Charles Cohoon, Mrs. Roy Roughton and Mrs. Alma Spencer were appointed to go before the board and ask that some of the five vacancies on the local school board be filled with mothers.

The board composed of E. R. Davenport, chairman; Frank Alexander and Robert Spencer as in the past, completely ignored the request of the women, and put the same men back on the school board, namely, Howard Leary, W. D. Morris, James Davenport, D. O. West and C. A. Voliva. Some of these men have already been serving for a number of years.

## County Ministers Sponsor Series of Revival Services

The Ministerial Association of Tyrrell County sponsored for the past two weeks a revival in the Columbia High School Auditorium with the Rev. James B. Little of Mayesville as preacher and the Rev. R. N. Hinman as song leader.

The services were well attended by people from almost all sections of the county. Wonderful sermons in speech and song have been delivered and it is believed that it is going to be a real help in reviving religion in this community.

## Officers Elected by Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary of Post 182, was entertained by Mrs. Chester Hopkins at Creswell, Monday night, April 9th. At which time it was decided to send a girl from Creswell High School to Girl's State in June. Miss Matilda Alexander, a committee member, announced the girl had been selected and her name would be announced at the commencement at Creswell May 25.

Officers elected for next year are Mrs. J. G. Brickhouse, jr. president; Mrs. C. N. Davenport, vice president; Miss Martina Sykes, secretary; Mrs. F. E. Cohoon, sr. treasurer.

The Child Welfare Chairman reported she was sending in an application for assistance for a veterans family in Washington County who was in need. Mrs. W. D. Jordan was introduced at the meeting as a prospective new member. A motion was made to support Mrs. O. S. Slaughter for presidency of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of North Carolina.

The President explained a letter from Mrs. Wade Hendricks, the department president asking the Auxiliary to support the OPA and the War Production Board, to reduce currently inflated clothing prices, to halt quality deterioration and to insure apparel which would be low and medium priced in essential garments.

It was reported that Easter cards with \$1 in each card were sent to 4 service men at Oteen and 2 at Fayetteville. Those reporting they would attend the district meeting on the 10th in Elizabeth City were Mrs. J. G. Brickhouse, jr., Mrs. T. K. Yerby and Mrs. F. E. Cohoon, sr.

Mrs. Bettie Davenport was the program chairman for the night and she read and discussed a letter on Child Welfare. The hostess served a delicious congealed salad course with coffee.

## Annual Mother and Daughter Banquet

The Annual Mother and Daughter banquet for the Home Economics department of the Columbia High School, which is taught by Miss Ester Brickhouse, was held in the Methodist educational building, Friday night, March 27 with about 60 attending.

Miss Mary Lou Knight acted as toastmistress and welcomed the guests. Mrs. S. C. Chapin very graciously responded and highly praised not only the girls but the teacher for the splendid work being accomplished in that department. Miss Sadie Bateman offered the invocation. Special music was rendered by Miss Nan Chaplin and Miss Anna Lou Voliva, with several selections being sung by all present.

Miss Julia May Postum introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. John Lawrence who spoke very interestingly on motherhood. She said in part, "Many great women have achieved fame as rulers, artists, educators, scientists and musicians. But whenever the title or role of mother is given to a woman, the world searches for a son or daughter. A mother is dependent for triumph on the deeds of her children."

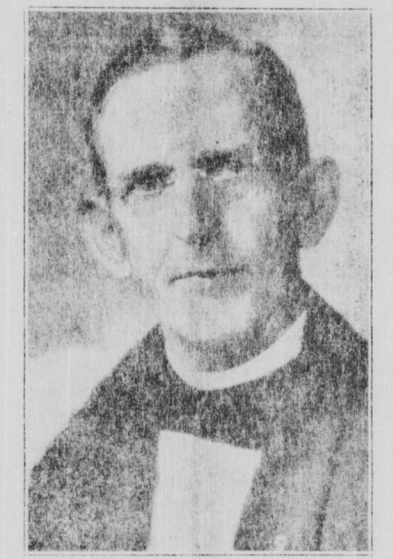
No matter how intrinsically great as a mother she may be, history records her no such recognition if the son or daughter fall her. All great mothers have been and are created by worthy sons and daughters.

To choose a high and single purpose for one's life and to realize that goal through the discipline of oneself are but two ways we might "create" our mothers and prove worthy of their love and sacrifices for us."

The banquet hall was beautifully decorated with white and green carrying out St. Patrick's Day decorations. White spirea, jonquils and lighted tapers in green holders with green place cards made a lovely setting for this very enjoyable occasion.

A chicken dinner in three courses was served by the eighth grade girls who were Misses Phyllis Liverman, Doris Rhodes, Ann Cohoon, Ollie Leary, W. D. Morris, James Davenport, D. O. West and C. A. Voliva. Mrs. Loretta Simmons, Iris Jean Simmons.

## TO BE HERE MAY 6TH



The Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Barst, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina will visit St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Columbia, May 6 at 8 p.m. He will deliver his last sermon in Columbia, as Bishop of the Diocese, as his resignation will become effective in May. He made his first visitation at St. Andrew's about 30 years ago and is widely known and greatly loved by all denominations in the community.

## Recent Rotary Club Programs

March 13—Plans for reforestation of Tyrrell county. Speaker Mr. Griffith, district Deforestation representative.

March 20—Rev. C. K. Wright and J. C. McClees made talks on embalming and burial of the dead. Pfc. James Henry McClees who was home on a furlough after being wounded twice in France made a talk on the "Activities of the Red Cross Overseas." W. S. Carawan, committee chairman reported that a survey had been made of Scuppernon River at the request of Senator Bailey to find out if the river needed dredging.

March 27—Mrs. Ruby Lee Knight gave a talk on the "Constitution." Dr. Phaff, director of the southern council on International Relations talked to a joint meeting of the Rotary and Woman's Club on International Relations.

April 9—Program by Roland Riddick on "Activities Accomplished during the Past Year and Suggestions for the New Year's Work."

## SERVING IN FRANCE



Sgt. Russell R. Rhodes serving with the 3rd Division of the Seventh Army in France is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rhodes of Columbia. He has recently been promoted from private to his present grade. He is the holder of the EAME Campaign Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Good Conduct Medal, and one bronze battle star. He has been serving overseas for the past ten months and during the last two months was wounded in action.

Sgt. Chester Tweedy is stationed in North Carolina. He was home last week-end on a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Tweedy.

## Infantryman Gives Support to Airmen

As a usual thing when co-ordinated attacks of the Army are described the air force usually supports the infantry. But during the fight of Steinstrasse, Pfc. Paul Postum, of the infantry in the U. S. Ninth Army supported the air force.

When two Boston bombers were being troubled on their bombing run by a German anti-aircraft battery in the field, Pfc. Postum leaned out a second story window and chased the enemy gun crew to cover with his M-1.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. Postum moved from Kinley to Columbia when Paul—as he is known to the Tyrrell service men—was four years old. He lived here until he was twelve when his parents moved to New Bern. Paul stayed in New Bern until he finished his high school education and then worked as an agent in the Union Station in Washington, D. C.

## Dumbarton Oaks Discussed at Meet Of Woman's Club

At the regular meeting of the Columbia Woman's Club which was held in the home of Mrs. W. H. McClees on Wednesday night the 24th of March, a program was presented by Mrs. G. E. Love and Mrs. E. J. Brickhouse on Dumbarton Oaks Proposals and several very important committees were elected.

Mrs. Elsie Holloway to organize a clothing drive in the county to help collect clothing for the people in the war torn countries.

Mrs. D. M. Bridgeman, Mrs. E. J. Brickhouse and Mrs. J. A. Pinner to help secure a road on the back and North side of the cemetery.

Mrs. O. M. Swain to secure service records of the men who carry their pictures to the theatre.

Mrs. Effie Brickhouse, Mrs. Charles Cohoon, Mrs. Roy Roughton to go before the County Board of Education and ask that some women be elected on the local school board. The president appointed the officers of the club.

Mrs. Effie Brickhouse, Mrs. Russell Everett, Mrs. W. A. Williams and Mrs. W. H. McClees to assist the Teen-Age group in securing a teen age tavern.

The next club meeting will be held the last Wednesday night in April, the 25th at 8:30 p.m. Subject of program will be American citizenship. Hostesses, Mrs. Elsie Holloway, Mrs. R. S. Knight, Jr., Mrs. F. H. Ledbetter, Mrs. Lindsey Liverman, Mrs. Forest Liverman, Mrs. D. M. Bridgeman and Miss Clara Lary.

## 29 Passenger Car Permits To Be Issued During April

The Tyrrell County War Price and Rationing Board has been notified that for the month of April only 29 passenger car permits will be issued, as compared to 48 for the month of March.

## List Men in Draft Calls Last Month

The men called by the local draft board on March 19 to be sent to Fort Bragg, for pre-induction were: Elroy Cooper Ainsley, Archie Lee Sawyer, Jesse Sawyer Jewell Jr., Roderick Dhu Reynolds, James Robert Payne.

On April 4 those sent for pre-induction were Siegfried Spencer Gibbs, William Benjamin Everton, Inez Willie Swindell, Norris LeRoy Cohoon.

## News of Servicemen

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The three Tyrrell County men in service who were on two Jima have been heard from. They were Pfc. Norman Knight, Pfc. Royce Rhodes and Pfc. Howard Ainsley. Pfc. Knight is now in a hospital in North Carolina. Pfc. Ainsley is in a hospital in California and Pfc. Rhodes is at a rest resort.

James W. Swain SP 3c TE 3c of the USNR, was on leave last week for a few days and visited his brother Oscar Swain, in Columbia. Before going in service he was manager of the Columbia Theatre.

Pfc. Epharim L. Godwin of the Marine Corp Air Station of Cherry Point spent Easter week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Godwin.

Friends of Joe Norcum are delighted to know that he has been promoted from the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Pfc. Jess Cooper who has been stationed in Hawaii for sometime has been home on a 21-day furlough visiting his mother, wife and little baby. He expects to return to his camp next week.

Cpl. Yates Roughton, and wife were in Columbia this week visiting Mrs. Nancy Roughton. Cpl. Roughton has been in service about three years. He has been overseas 19 months before he returned to the States, about two weeks ago. He was hospitalized for two months before he was returned.

Pvt. Charles Everton, of Fort Ord, Calif., was home on a 15 days furlough this week.

Pvt. Jack Hassell, of Fort Bragg, was home this week on furlough with his wife and children.

Pvt. Gerald Gibbs is home on furlough visiting his foster mother and father.

Pfc. Irving Brickhouse, his wife the

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## Dr. E. C. Pfaff Talks International Affairs

### MARRIED IN ENGLAND



Cpl. Rupert V. Mann, U. S. Army and his wife the former Miss Doreen Flower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Flowers of Devon, England, were married at St. Mary's Church England, by the Rev. G. Bennett, May 20, 1944. Cpl. Mann is now in an Army hospital somewhere in England recovering from an operation. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Mann, of Columbia.

## County Campaign For Cancer Control

M. A. Matthews has been appointed chairman of the Cancer Control Campaign in Tyrrell County. He will be assisted in the campaign by the members of the Columbia Woman's Club. Campaign begins April 15 and continues through May 1.

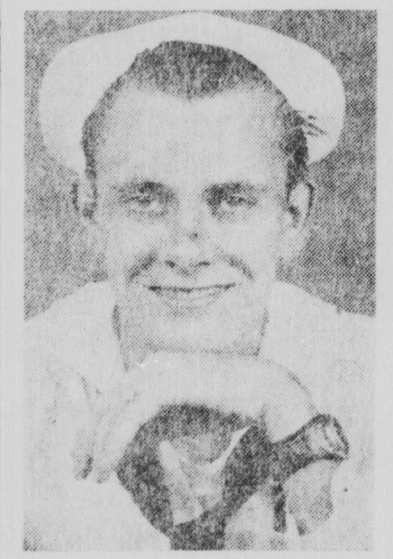
Cancer is one of the most dreaded diseases in this country. One of every 10 who have it die. Each year it destroys 3 times as many of our people as died in World War I. 50,000 needless deaths occur yearly from cancer. The president of the U. S., the Governors of the states, Congress and the N. C. General Assembly realize that it is a major public health problem so late as the month of April to secure funds throughout the nation with which to combat this disease, which ranks first as a cause of death among women.

Any person who is willing to give \$1 to help stamp out this disease which has and is so prevalent in our own community are asked to leave their donation at the bank or with any club member.

## Ruby Lee Knight In Debate Finals

Ruby Lee Knight represented the Columbia High School in a debate sponsored by the American Legion on "The Constitution in a Changing World" held during the month of March in Creswell and Rocky Mount. On April 2 she won third place debating in the State finals at High Point.

## STATIONED IN BRAZIL



Walter E. Davenport S 2/c, enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1944 and was trained at Camp Perry, Va., and Norfolk, Va. He was sent to Brazil, South America in July, 1944 and has been stationed there since that time. He was educated at the Columbia High School and was manager of Chaplin Bros. Store when he went into service.

## Melvin West Slightly Hurt When Auto Turns Over

On a curve near the prison camp on U. S. Highway 64, Melvin West turned over a V-8 Ford and only received minor injuries. He was forced off the road by an approaching car which caused his car to turn over several times and damaging it badly.

## Director of Southern Council on International Relations Here March 27

Tuesday night, March 27, Dr. Eugene C. Pfaff, director of the Southern Council on International Relations and professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, spoke on "International Relations" at the courthouse, under the sponsorship of the Columbia Woman's Club and the Rotary Club, of Columbia, at which time the public was invited.

Mrs. G. M. Garrett, International Relations Chairman for the Columbia Woman's Club was in charge of the meeting and introduced the speaker.

Dr. Pfaff aroused his hearers to their part in International affairs by describing our day as one of B-29's and B-32's, robot planes and rocket bombs. And "to save our own skins and to be able to sleep safely in our own beds," he said, we must become better informed and use our influence in regards to issues of today, that will determine tomorrow.

He likened the rebuilding of the World Federation of nations to the early history of the 13 colonies. Its development and success depend largely on our increased understanding and appreciation of our neighbors and our increased understanding and appreciation of our principles of Christian brotherhood.

The speaker compared the plans for a permanent world peace to the building of a house, its foundation being made up of bricks one dependent on the other. He named the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals and the Bretton Woods proposals as two of the first bricks to be laid, and cited matters dealing with world education, tariffs, labor and cartel control policies as others to be defined later and added to the necessary foundation.

Dr. Pfaff described Bretton Woods as an issue so important that the defeat of it would destroy the confidence of the other nations in the United States. This proposal which is now in the Senate is on International Monetary Funds, drafted by representatives of the United Nations, which would endeavor to stabilize the currency of the world and free exchange transactions from petty bureaucratic control.

Dumbarton Oaks proposals was emphasized as an issue that provides "the beginning and not the perfection of an international organization to insure peace. This proposal would organize representatives of the nations in a general assembly; prevent aggression through a world peace system; bring about peaceful settlement of disputes through an International Court of Justice; and work for the economic and social betterment of all people through a council elected by the Assembly."

The San Francisco Conference to be held April 25 merits our greatest attention since the nations will accept or reject the proposals at that time. Our responsibility according to Dr. Pfaff is to become better informed on these momentous issues and he invited the public to tune in on NBC stations each Saturday from 7-7:35 p.m. to hear discussions on our foreign policy by national leaders.

The right decision by our Congress now might prevent wars in the future, and provide peace and safety which all Americans crave.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln V. Spencer announce the birth of a daughter on March 1 at Columbia hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lee Spencer announce the birth of a son, David Neil Spencer, on March 5 at the Columbia hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Gibbs announce the birth of a son on March 10 at Columbia hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Royce Cooper announce the birth of a daughter, Jessie Velma Cooper, on March 22, at the Columbia hospital.

## MARRIAGES

**Jones - Bateman**  
Miss Lucy Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jones, of Gum Neck and Dallas E. Bateman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Bateman, were married at the home of the Rev. W. A. Hales Saturday afternoon, March 31.

**Phelps - Combs**  
Mrs. Jessie Elizabeth Phelps and Thomas Lionel Combs were united in marriage February 26 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Armstrong on Water Street by the Rev. Carl R. Wright.

**Brickhouse - Clifton**  
Miss Gladys Ethel Cauley Brickhouse and Leon Wilson Clifton were married February 25 in Columbia by Justice of Peace J. W. Hamilton.

**Davis - Davenport**  
Miss Hily Marguerite Davis, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis, of Cross Landing, and Charles Davenport, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Davenport, were married by Recorder Judge W. W. Sawyer at Travis, Friday, April 5. Mr. and Mrs. Davis will make their home on Sound Side, near Columbia, with the groom's parents.