

Sale of Federal use-tax stamps, required to be displayed on all motor vehicles, have about come to a standstill at the local post office.

Private David E. Craddock, of the United States Army, returned to his post recently after spending a few days with his wife and other relatives near Plymouth.

It was announced today by the local rationing board office that no applications for fuel oil for heating purposes would be accepted after next Monday.

Produce sales in grocery stores here have declined considerably in the past few weeks, since Victory Gardens have begun to come into production.

Miss Mildred Owens and Mrs. Eliza Daniel accompanied Lieut. S. A. Ward to Washington, D. C., last Sunday.

"Brownie" Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brown, has been spending a few days here with his parents and other relatives.

Staff Sergeant Aubrey W. Liverman returned yesterday to his station in New Orleans after spending a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Liverman.

Mrs. Wannie Gurkin and little son, L. W., III, have been spending some time in Americus, Ga., where Mr. Gurkin is in training with the Army Air Corps.

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J. Richard Carr to become Commander at Ceremony Tomorrow Night

There probably will be several other matters for consideration. The local post is sponsoring its annual Fun Festival here this week, and a movement was launched at the last meeting of the past to have an "Honor Roll" billboard.

Following is the list of officers and department heads elected last month who will be installed

J. Richard Carr, commander; M. W. Spruill, Ronald Coburn and J. A. Bratten, vice commanders; J. E. Westray, adjutant; finance officer, P. W. Brown; service officer, M. W. Spruill; guardianship officer, P. B. Bateman; sergeant at arms, J. H. Swindell; chaplain, D. A. Hurley; historian, P. B. Bateman; athletic officer, P. W. Brown; child welfare officer, J. B. Willoughby; Americanism officer, Goldie Simpson, national defense officer, P. W. Brown; graves registration officer, R. L. Tetterton; employment officer, J. C. Swain; boys' state officer, B. G. Campbell; Boy Scout officer, C. E. Ayers; membership chairman, P. W. Brown; publicity officer, B. G. Campbell; and chairman, Sons of Legion, J. B. Willoughby.

Motorists Required to Endorse All Their Gasoline Coupons by July 22nd

Motorists are notified to endorse immediately all their gasoline coupons, in compliance with instructions from the rationing board which require such action by July 22.

Liquor-Making Equipment Seized and Man Arrested Inside City Limits Here

Chief of Police P. W. Brown and Policeman Paul Basnight located the principal components of a small liquor-making outfit inside the city limits late yesterday afternoon.

Gasoline Coupon No. 6 Now Valid

After what has seemed to be a long, long time to many A-card holders, gasoline coupons No. 6 in A books become valid today.

Each of the eight coupons is good for three gallons of gas, but since there are 17 weeks in the next four months, this means that A-card holders can only use slightly less than 1 1/2 gallons a week.

Get Death Certificate For Soldier Missing Since First Day War

Mrs. A. L. Clifton, of Creswell, recently received from the War Department the death certificate of her son, Private Ernest J. Davenport, who was reported missing at sea since December 7, 1941.

Legion Post Here To Install Officers At Meeting Friday

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Local Firemen Help Control Fire in Store Building at Roper

Plymouth firemen answered a call for help from Roper shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon and assisted in subduing a blaze which threatened destruction of a large two-story frame store building there.

Four Suffer Burns When Boat Catches Fire on River Here

The accident occurred over half way across the river in front of the town dock. Their cries for help brought a big crowd to the river front and they were rescued by holding to the sides of a small outboard motorboat and being towed to the shore on this side of the river.

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Made Eight-Minute Run to Nearby Town Yesterday Afternoon

The fire was just about under control when the local truck reached the scene after an 8-minute run to Roper. A bucket brigade was formed to keep the booster tank on the fire truck filled while the hose was used to completely extinguish the blaze after damage estimated at upwards of \$1,000 had been done to the building.

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More than 300 items are enumerated in the new price list, which applies to stores in practically all counties of eastern North Carolina.

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Nearly 500 in County Eligible To Vote in Referendum Saturday on Program for Control of Tobacco

Farm Organizations And Leaders Favor Quotas for Tobacco

Indifference Rather Than Outright Opposition Is Said Main Threat

Practically all farm organizations, farm leaders and business men have endorsed the idea of having tobacco quotas continued for the next three years. This matter will be decided in the referendum Saturday of this week, when tobacco farmers will have an opportunity to vote for quotas for three years, for quotas for one year, or against quotas.

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War Bond Sales Continue Slow

Unless there are some unexpectedly large sales of War Bonds within the next week, Washington County will fall far short of its quota for the month of July.

Sales picked up slightly at the post office this week, but Mr. Beam said not a single bond had been sold at the bank since last Saturday, not even a \$25 one.

13 White Men To Leave County for Ft. Bragg Monday

Nine Are From Washington County; Other Four Transferred

Thirteen white men, four transfers from other sections and nine from Washington County, have been ordered to report at the office of the local draft board next Monday, July 26, when they will be sent to Fort Bragg for their final physical and mental examinations.

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Committeemen To Supervise Voting At Three Places

May Vote for One or Three Year Quotas or Against Quotas Entirely

Approximately 500 landlords, tenant and sharecroppers of Washington County are eligible to vote in the referendum Saturday on tobacco quotas, it was learned at the office of the county agent here this week.

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Soldier From Plymouth Helped Direct Artillery Fire at Fall of Sicilian City

At least one former Plymouth man has had a part in the invasion of Sicily, it was learned from the report of an Associated Press correspondent, dated July 16, and published this week.

Private James Sitterson, adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sitterson, of Plymouth, Route 1, The AP correspondent, Harold V. Boyle, was describing the fall of Agrigento, heavily fortified city of Southern Sicily and one of the oldest in Europe.

American Seventh Army over the Italian defenders. Boyle wrote that the success of the 155-mm. "Long Tom" rifles in breaking up reinforcement battalions climaxed a three-day artillery duel in which the Italians were taught lesson No. 1 in a branch of warfare in which they are acknowledged to be no slouches.

Although it is believed there are a number of Washington County men in the Army now overrunning Fascist Sicily, Sitterson is the first one to be mentioned in any dispatches from that front, so far as known here.

Young Sitterson volunteered on November 4, 1940, and was accepted and entered the service on January 7, 1941.

Two Local Men Enroll In Merchant Marine

The office of the local selective service board has been notified that two Plymouth men recently enlisted in the United States Maritime Service. They are Lloyd Graham McNair and J. B. Harris.

Cannot Keep Hogs Inside City Limits

Chief of Police P. W. Brown this week called to the attention of several residents a town ordinance which forbids the keeping of hogs within the corporate limits. They are warned that unless the swine are removed, owners will be prosecuted.

Bible School Finals at Grace Church Sunday

Commencement exercises of the Union Daily Vacation Bible School will be held at Grace Episcopal church here Sunday night, July 25, at 8 o'clock.

of new gasoline coupons for writing the required information, and each motorist is required to fill this in as soon as they receive them. However, in the case of old coupons now outstanding, which do not have this space, the information will be filled in on the back.

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