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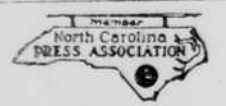
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drunken revelry, as might have been feared. The news was accepted soberly, prayerfully, with a proper sense of obligation to the memory of the 27 Washington County men who will not return.

There still is a battle to be won and a final enemy to render impotent—Japan. It will not be easy, but neither is it impossible. While the tides of war have changed, the duties of us at home have not. Our job is still that of supplying the materials and ammunition and equipment which our fighting men need for storming the Japanese homeland.

The opportunity to show our appreciation for the fruits of Victory in Europe presents itself in the Seventh War Loan Drive, opening next Monday and continuing through June 30. Our sights have been set higher than before—we must buy \$243,000 worth of bonds, \$163,000 of them "E" bonds. This is something we all can do, it is something we must do.

Blessed indeed is the event of victory. We must repeat the performance one more time.

There Is a Difference

Because newspaper accounts of conditions in the German concentration camps often appear on the same page with articles on the war prison camps, casual readers are likely to confuse the two. There is, however, little similarity between them, and the differences should be made clear.

Concentration camps contained political prisoners, many of them German citizens, and were controlled by the Gestapo. They were not under the Geneva Convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of war and received no protection from it. Neither the Y.M.C.A. nor the Red Cross had access to such camps.

Prisoners of war camps, on the other hand, were under the Geneva Convention, which was substantially observed until the recent weeks of invasion and consequent disruption of the German supply system.

IF ALL 'FOREIGNERS' WENT BACK TO THE 'OLD COUNTRY'



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Prisoner of war camps were controlled by the German Army and not by the Gestapo. Commandants of a large number of these camps were prisoners in the last war, and understood fully the plight of the war prisoners. Many of these men cooperated sincerely and effectively with the neutral representatives of the Red Cross and War Prisoners Aid of the Y.M.C.A., a participating service of the National War Fund, to better the lot of the prisoners in their charge.

War Bonds For Postwar Security

By M. F. MILLER
Dean and Director, College of Agriculture University of Missouri

The farmers of the country are among our most patriotic citizens. They can be depended upon to meet their obligations, insofar as possible, in contributing to the war emergency. Farmers have been cutting down their indebtedness appreciably during the period of high prices which has accompanied the war, and this is as it should be. However, these same individuals have found it possible to buy War Bonds in very material quantities.

In addition to the patriotic urge which farmers have for investing in War Bonds, it is highly essential to their future welfare that they provide reserve funds for later years. They will need reserves for all types of farm improvements which have been greatly neglected during the war. They will need funds for soil improvement. They will need funds for insuring protection against low prices of farm products during the postwar period.

It is also highly important that

LONG RIDGE

The Rev. Robert E. Lee, of Washington, held his regular appointment at Christian Hope Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Kelly and children, of Plymouth were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Walters Sunday.

Johnny Smith and a friend of the U. S. Navy were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garrett.

Miss Estelle Alexander, of Dardens spent Sunday here with Miss Inez Leary.

Mr. and Mrs. Howitt Wynn were in Williamston Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lee and Miss Marvin Ellis spent the week-end in Norfolk with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alexander, of Dardens were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Garrett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wynn visited Mrs. Tellie Biggs in Roper Sunday afternoon.

To Visit Here

Lt. and Mrs. R. B. Campbell and son, of Newport News, Va., will arrive Saturday to spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell.

farmers avoid speculation in the purchase of land. This is essential not only from the standpoint of controlling land prices but for the future security of the farmers themselves. The farmer who is able to place the bulk of his savings in War Bonds is providing such security for the postwar period.

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Resources	
Cash and Due from Banks	\$14,046,122.18
Obligations of the United States	\$62,043,234.61
Fed Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures	759,470.01
Federal Land Bank Bonds	456,629.53
North and South Carolina Bonds	1,523,588.14
Municipal and Other Marketable Bonds	1,282,543.68
Total Bonds (Cost less valuation reserve)	66,059,465.97
Loans and Discounts	2,418,619.06
Accrued Interest and Other Assets	177,078.51
Banking Houses, Furniture and Fixtures, and Real Estate (Tax value \$287,925.00)	256,396.94
	\$82,957,682.66
Liabilities	
Capital Stock—Common	\$ 400,000.00
Capital Stock—Preferred	100,000.00
Surplus	750,000.00
Undivided Profits	653,071.43
Reserves	306,250.00
Unearned Discount and Other Liabilities	224,576.15
Deposits	80,523,785.08
	\$82,957,682.66

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SOUND BANKING AND TRUST SERVICE FOR EASTERN CAROLINA

Local Man's Air Squadron Included In Commendation

Bomber Squadron Commanded by Capt. L. W. Gurkin Commended

Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding general of the Sixth Army Group in Europe, recently issued a commendation for the entire tactical air forces assigned to his army, which included a squadron of medium bombers commanded by a Plymouth man, Capt. Luther Wamie Gurkin. Following is the text of the commendation:

"1. After a long period during which the Armies under my command were required to remain on the defense, we passed to the offensive on 15 March 1945. Confronting us were powerful Siegfried Line emplacements, manned by hardened German troops. Our mission was to destroy the enemy and close to the Rhine as rapidly as possible.

"2. To overcome the strong enemy defenses, it was necessary for me to call on you for increased and intensive air cooperation, in excess of that which your forces had so gallantly and ably furnished in the past. Nevertheless, your pilots responded with characteristic enthusiasm and vigorous action, contributing in great measure to the successful completion of the operation ten days later on 25 March 1945, at which time we had reached the Rhine on our entire front.

"3. During this brief period, your officers and men flew on 13,281 sorties and averaged more than 175 missions a day. Over 7,000 tons of bombs and 1,000 rockets were launched against all type of targets. In cooperation with the main effort of XV fighter bombers attacked Siegfried Line positions with 875 tons of bombs on D day and D plus one alone. The target area was reported to have been extremely well covered, and enemy defenses were softened to such an extent that our troops found their task considerably less difficult.

"4. In the course of your attacks against the enemy's lines of communication, your planes destroyed 198 locomotives, 2907 railroad cars, over 3,000 vehicles and 9 rail bridges, and cut rail lines in 562 places. In addition, 255 locomotives, 2866 railroad cars, 2500 vehicles and 16 rail bridges were damaged. In the face of such an overwhelming onslaught, the enemy was almost helpless, and our troops were able to collect thousands of prisoners.

"5. I can only express in small part the gratitude which the American foot soldiers holds for his comrades in the air, who have in these recent operations once again demonstrated their outstanding courage and ability. It is therefore with a deep sense of gratefulness that I heartily

commend you, your officers and your men on your outstanding achievement from 15 March 1945 to 25 March 1945."

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WHITE POTATOES 10 lbs 53c
YELLOW SQUASH 2 lbs 17c

TEXAS ONIONS 3 lbs 20c
ENGLISH PEAS 2 lbs 33c

NECTAR TEA 1/2-lb pkg 35c

MARVEL BREAD, 1ge 1 1/2-lb loaf 11c

8 O'CLOCK Two 1-lb bags 41c

WONDER RICE 2-lb pkg 20c

PRESERVES 1-lb jar 28c

APPLE SAUCE No. 2 can 13c

FLOUR 25-lb bag \$1.40

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Starting Mash 100-lb \$3.92 25-lb \$1.11
Growing Mash 100-lb \$3.92 25-lb \$1.11
Fine Chick Feed 100-lb \$3.56 25-lb \$1.04
Scratch Feed 100-lb bag \$3.37
Laying Mash 100-lb bag \$3.80

THIS ISN'T JUST JARFUL JARGON!



Make your Victory Garden THRIVE in '45

Seven out of every ten households in the nation preserved fruits and vegetables last year.

That means that 24,800,000 families put up a total of almost three and a half billion quarts! And that home-canned food accounted for nearly half the civilian supply of canned goods.

Thanks to you and you and you, there was more food not only for the people at home, but also for our Armed Forces and our Allies.

This year the need for home food preservation is even greater because the supply of commercial canned fruits and vegetables available to civilians is less than at any time during the war, according to WFA.

That is why it is doubly important for you to make your Victory Garden THRIVE in '45! Because home canning is one of the most important wartime programs on the 1945 home front. It's up to the home canner to help fill the gap between supply and demand. Garden for Victory... and you can CAN!

LISTEN to Nelson Eddy and Robert Armstrong's Orchestra, in "The Electric Hour," Sunday afternoons, 4:30 P. M., CBS.

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