

Capital Letters

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

DOGWOOD — There is always somebody trying to cause trouble, and now it is the dogwood folks. They are writing into John Harden, private secretary to Governor Gregg Cherry, wanting to know just what species of dogwood is the State flower—as if that made any difference.

Harden is no student of botany, neither is he especially well versed in horticulture or forestry. After checking around a bit, he found there are six species of dogwood growing in North Carolina. Well, which one?

Harden finally emerged with the assertion that ANY species of the dogwood is the State flower. So far, that answer has satisfied everyone.

VE-Day—Was your VE-Day the Associated Press variety (Monday), the President Truman setup (Tuesday), or the Josef Stalin day (Wednesday)?

Raleigh merchants began closing Monday morning, meaning to open Tuesday, and then came the announcement Monday was not the real VE-Day, and they didn't know what to do. This reporter was in Raleigh, Durham, Burlington, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem on

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Crabtree-Iron Duff Senior Class To Give Play Friday

The members of the Crabtree-Iron Duff senior class will present "The Cuckoo's Nest", a three act comedy, on Friday evening, May 18, at 8:00 o'clock in the high school auditorium under the direction of Mrs. J. T. Chappell, class sponsor.

The cast of characters is as follows: Hazel Arrington as Jane Dean; Lucille Honey as Polly Talley; Betty Jo Hawkins as Virginia Wiedler; Phyllis Bradshaw as Elizabeth the maid; Roberta Dotson as Daisy; Hazel Franklin as Pansy; Leon Sanford as Benito; Ben Davis as Signior Fratantoni; Glenn Davis as Jerry Rowan; Josephine Crawford as Harriett Wiedler; Charles Ferguson as Officer Kelley and Max Best as Verne Douglas. Jonathan Caldwell is serving as stage and property manager.

Kernersville

AID There was a time when Dare County's schools, for instance, could not compare with the Surry County school system. When the Equalization Board was set up, North Carolina schools were placed more nearly on an equal.

The same thing is now proposed on a national basis through Federal aid to education. This should mean a great deal to North Carolina, especially in the way of teacher pay.

But Senator J. W. Bailey is against it. He has his reasons. Here is what he has to say:

"I am opposed to Federal aid to help local and State schools for the following reasons: First, the Federal Government is now confronted with a debt of 300 billions of dollars. It cannot take on new appropriations and responsibilities. Over against this, the states have been reducing their debts. I fully agree that the teachers ought to be paid better salaries, but they cannot safely look to the Federal Government now."

"Second, I am opposed to any policy tending to predicate Federal control of our public and State schools. I know it is proposed that the Federal Government shall appropriate 300 million a year for the public schools and it is proposed that the Federal Government shall not have any supervision or control over the public schools. I am sure that this cannot be made good. The Federal Government will supervise the schools sooner or later if they look to the Federal Government for part of their support."

FOR Senator Clyde R. Hoey is for Federal aid. More about this next week.

LAFF-A-DAY



"But, I tell you, I'm not interested in a machine that will take the place of a secretary!"

Sgt. Richard E. Turpin Has Made Outstanding Record in AAF Service

Technical Sergeant Richard E. Turpin, radio operator and gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress son of Mr. and Mrs. John Turpin, of Waynesville, holds the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf clusters for "meritorious achievement while participating in the air offensive against the enemy over continental Europe."

Sgt. Turpin is a member of the 34th Bomb Group, a unit of the Third Air Division, the division cited by the President for its historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt plants at Regensburg, Germany.

Sgt. Turpin is a veteran of more than 25 bombing attacks, carried out despite flak, fighter opposition and hazardous weather conditions, common in the European theatre of aerial warfare. He has participated in assaults on targets at such well known centers of Nazi industry as Merzburg, Hanburg, Berlin, Cologne and Frankfurt-on-Main.

Sgt. Turpin arrived in the European theatre of operations in April, 1944, and had a part in the softening of Western Europe for the invasion of the Allied ground forces in June, 1944. Sgt. Turpin was a show horse trainer, employed by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Buckley, of Sharon, Conn., whose circus paraded up and down the Atlantic Seaboard. Sgt. Turpin is a graduate of the local high school.

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NOTICE OF SUMMONS
NORTH CAROLINA,
HAYWOOD COUNTY.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE
vs.
M. L. GREGORY and wife, NANNIE B. GREGORY; HAYWOOD COUNTY, ET AL.

The defendants, M. L. Gregory, Nannie B. Gregory, all heirs at law and devisees of M. L. Gregory and Nannie B. Gregory, if deceased, and all lien holders and creditors and assignees of said heirs at law and devisees, and any and all other persons having any claim or interest in the property formerly owned by M. L. Gregory in the Town of Waynesville, Haywood County, North Carolina, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina to foreclose the lien of taxes and street assessments due the plaintiff, which taxes were duly listed by said M. L. Gregory, and which street assessments were made against said property in his name, and which constitute a first lien upon real estate lying in Grandview Subdivision of the Town of Waynesville, in Haywood County, North Carolina, in Waynesville Township, being lots Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive (four lots) and lots Nos. 41 to 44 inclusive (four lots), as shown by map of said Subdivision recorded in Map Book "A" page 35, Office of the Register of Deeds of Haywood County, a part of which said lots front on East Street and adjoin the property of Mrs. Dave Russell, et al., and the relief demanded consists in the sale of said real estate for taxes and street assessments due the plaintiff, and in excluding all persons from any lien or interest in said property.

The defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Haywood County at the court house in Waynesville, within twenty days after the 31 day of May, 1945, and answer or demur to the complaint filed in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 2nd day of May, 1945.
C. H. LEATHERWOOD,
Clerk Superior Court.
1432—May 10-17-24-31.

Sgt. Joe Tate Wins Second Oak Leaf Cluster To Air Medal

S/Sgt. Joseph N. Tate, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tate, who is serving as a waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, has been awarded the second oak leaf cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement, coolness, courage and skill during Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on Nazi held strongholds in the path of the Allied troops advancing on the Western Front.

Sgt. Tate, a graduate of the Waynesville Township high school, was a driller supervisor for the North Carolina Shipbuilding Company at the time he entered the ASE.

He is a member of the 34th Bomb Group, a unit of the Third Air Division, which was cited by the President for its historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt aircraft plants at Regensburg.

Tobacco Beds
Tobacco plant beds that received chemical treatment to control weeds should not be reworked before seeding. Rake the seed into the bed gently and do not otherwise disturb it.

Pic. Ben Underwood Serving In France

Private First Class Ben Underwood, son of E. C. Underwood, of Hazelwood, is serving at an advanced depot of the Eighth Air Force in France, according to information received from headquarters. He is a member of a service team which put battle damaged heavy bombers and fighter planes forced down on the continent back in the air again by further blows combat.

The depot, commanded by Col. Howard A. Moody, Santa Cruz, Calif. in France, was formerly a Luftwaffe air base, but now serves as a supply and repair field, a refueling point and an emergency landing field for heavy bombers and fighter aircraft. More than 600 combat aircraft have been repaired or re-serviced and returned to their British bases by his command since shortly after D-Day.

Assigned to the Transportation Division Pic Underwood hauled aircraft supplies to down aircraft in many sections of the continent. Prior to entering the army he was employed as a furniture maker.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 1944

from the General Electric annual report



EMPLOYEE EARNINGS UP. The average G-E employee earned \$2,772 in 1944. Employees also shared \$24,000 in Suggestion Awards. Top award was \$2,000 for an idea that speeded production of G-E gun control for the B-29. G-E employee suggestions aid the war effort.



4735 WAR VETERANS HIRED. By the year's end 4735 returned service men and women were working at plants of General Electric and affiliated companies. 2986 were former G-E employees. On December 31, 1944, a total of 50,228 employees of General Electric and affiliates had entered the armed services.



FASTEST JET PLANE
JET PROPULSION. General Electric developed the world's most powerful engine for the world's latest plane—the G-E jet propulsion engine for the Lockheed P-80 "Shooting Star." It is over twice as powerful as previous models produced for the Army Air Forces.



234,732 STOCKHOLDERS. Ownership of the company was divided among more stockholders than ever before. Dividends were \$1.40 per share—same as 1943 and 1942, less than 1941 and 1940. Net income was less than 1940, while sales billed were 2 1/2 times greater.

	1944	1943	% CHANG.
VOLUME OF BUSINESS			
Orders received	\$1,009,600,000	\$1,360,000,000	-26%
Net sales billed	\$1,352,000,000	\$1,288,000,000	+5%
NET INCOME AND DIVIDENDS			
Net income for the year	\$ 50,600,000	\$ 44,900,000	+12%
Per share	1.76	1.50	+18%
Dividends declared and paid	\$ 40,300,000	\$ 40,300,000	—
Per share	1.40	1.40	—
TAXES			
Total taxes	\$ 176,000,000	\$ 185,000,000	-5%
STOCKHOLDERS			
Number on December 31	234,732	229,127	+2%
EMPLOYEES			
Average number on payroll	167,212	171,133	-2%
Total earnings of employees	\$ 464,000,000	\$ 472,000,000	-2%
Average annual earnings	2,772	2,756	+1%

Hear the G-E radio program: "The G-E All-girl Orchestra, Sunday 10 p.m. EST. NBC—7.5. Radio Tables Monday through Friday 6-8 p.m. EST. CBS—The G-E House Party, Monday through Friday 7-9 p.m. EST.

General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York

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