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1944 WILL BE OUR YEAR OF VICTORY

THE RECORD OF 1943 REVEALS OUR ENEMIES RECOILING FROM AIR, LAND AND SEA DEFEATS

BY HUGO S. SIMS

There is one way to understand the progress made in two wars that the nation is fighting and which will enter decisive stages during 1944.

Turn the pages of time back a year and consider the war news that was being read by the people of the United Nations as 1942 was fading and 1943 beginning. Compare the situation with the battlefronts today and there is only one sensible conclusion, regardless of prophecies and postmortems.

A year ago, the Germans were in Stalingrad, with a month to elapse before Gen. Palus was to surrender. Soviet offensives were underway along the Middle Don aimed at Rostov and Red army soldiers were taking the offensive.

It is a long way from Stalingrad Rostov and the Caucasus to the southern battlelines in Russia today in the Mediterranean? It is quite no magician to understand that the scene has changed there.

Today an Anglo-American army holds a ninety-mile line across the Italian peninsula, slowly driving toward Rome, some eighty miles away.

The islands of Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica have been reclaimed.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power of authority contained in and conferred by a certain deed of trust dated September 8, 1935, and executed by Zedie Futrel and wife Jamie Futrel to Robert C. Wells, Trustee, and recorded in Book 361 at page 558 of the Duplin County Registry. And whereas Robert C. Wells duly resigned as Trustee and H. D. Bateman was appointed as substitute Trustee, all by authority contained in those instruments in writing which appear on record in the Duplin County Registry to which reference is hereby made.

And whereas default having been made in the payment of the notes and indebtedness thereby secured in said deed of trust herebefore referred to and in accordance with the terms and stipulations thereof and at the request of the holder of the notes that the same be foreclosed, the undersigned substituted trustee, as aforesaid, will on Monday the 17th day of January, 1944, at the hour of twelve (12:00) O'clock, Noon, at the Court House door in Kenansville, Duplin County, North Carolina, offer at public sale, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following tracts of land in Limestone Township, known as the Zedie Futrel farm, containing about 733 1-2 acres of land:

FIRST TRACT: BEING the same tract of land deeded by S. J. Williams and others to C. B. Williams, on October 18, 1909, and recorded in Book 119 at page 350 of the Duplin County Registry, containing 230 acres, more or less.

SECOND TRACT: BEING the same tract of land deeded by S. J. Williams and others to John W. Williams, on October 18, 1909, and recorded in Book 119, at page 351, of the Duplin County Registry, containing 230 acres, more or less and known as the James Williams house tract.

THIRD TRACT: BEING the

There is hard fighting in the Balkans, where Allied supplies are reaching our fighters. The Italian fleet is out of the way and Italian soldiers, except in isolated instances, no longer fight for the Nazis.

In the Pacific? The Gilbert islands have been seized and American planes are daily attacking Japanese bases in the Marshall islands, which are likely to be attacked at an early date.

Rabaul has been under heavy aerial attack and is said to be untenable as an important Jap base. The Japs have lost huge numbers of planes and ships.

There are other important differences between the ending of 1942 and 43, some of which are, the overcoming of the German U-boat situation, while the shipping resources of our enemies are severely strained from the activity of our submarines.

No accurate picture of the war situation can be obtained without noting the greatly increased bombing of German industry, ports and facilities.

Everywhere throughout the year our enemies have lost ground. The promise for 1944 is that the pressure will increase against both, Japan and Germany.

tract of land deeded by J. W. Williams and others to Lucy G. Williams, dated October 18, 1909, and recorded in Book 119 at page 367, of the Duplin County Registry, CONTAINING 230 acres, more or less, and known as the Lucy Williams tract.

FOURTH TRACT: BEING the same tract of land deeded by the Virginia-Carolina Joint Stock Land Bank to Andrew J. Pickett, on the 2nd day of March 1931, and recorded in Book 339 at page 128, of the Duplin County Registry, CONTAINING 43 1-2 acres, more or less and further described as lot number 20 as shown on plat of the D. F. Blizzard estate, made November 20, 1930, by G. B. Cooper and duly rec'd in Book 216 at page 176 of the Duplin County Registry.

The above tracts of land are the same as described in a deed of trust from Zedie Futrel and wife, dated Sept 8, 1935 and recorded in Book 361 at page 558 of the Duplin County Registry to which reference is hereby made for a more complete description of the same.

A deposit of ten per cent of the

KENANSVILLE Society and Personals

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williamson for the Xmas holidays were, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lee Williamson and daughter Betsie Shaw; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williamson; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pearsall, also Mrs. J. H. Wilkes, cousin of Mrs. Williamson, and Mr. Wakes of Fayetteville.

(Intended for last week)

BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

The Kenansville Kontract Klub met last Wednesday night with Mrs. F. W. McGowan, Miss Mildred Pate was an additional guest. High score was made by Mrs. N. B. Boney who was remembered with a box of handkerchiefs. After the games, fruit cake and coffee was served. Gifts were exchanged from a prettily lighted Xmas tree.

Mrs. Stokes Hostess

The Monday night Bridge Club was entertained by Mrs. J. O. Stokes. They also had an exchange of gifts from a lovely tree after the games. Mrs. J. B. Wallace won a lovely gift in piling up high score. Ambrosia, cake and coffee was served.

BRIDGE SUPPER

Miss Helen Hunt was hostess Friday night in the Crooms Cabin near Magnolia. After a tempting supper of barbecue, chicken salad and accessories, several progressions of bridge were enjoyed. Mrs. Vance B. Gavin received high score prize and Mrs. D. S. Williamson carried home the traveling prize. Prior to departure each guest was presented a gift from the huge tree that tastefully decorated the cabin.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Erma Williams Meadows amount bid will be required of the successful bidder, at the time of the sale, as evidence of good faith.

This the 16th day of December, 1943.

H. D. BATEMAN, Substituted Trustee, E. Walker Stevens, Atty 1-14-44, B.B.

was hostess to her bridge club one night last week. Miss Louise Ellis won both the high score and floating prizes. Mrs. Louise W. Mitchell was given the "Sonsolation". Christmas Delight and dainty cookies were served and gifts were exchanged before departure.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Miss Margaret Williams and her sister, Mrs. Al Fiedler entertained in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams. The living and dining rooms were en-suite for the occasion. Six tables were arranged for bridge, and Xmas tallies were used to seat the guests. Assorted candies were enjoyed throughout the games. Mrs. Mitchell Allen made high score while Mrs. Vance B. Gavin made second; they were each presented gifts. Mrs. J. B. Wallace captured the traveling prize. Lime-ice and salted nuts plus coffee was served.

SEWING CLUB MEETS

Mrs. A. T. Outlaw entertained the B. M. G. Sewing Club Tuesday afternoon. Quite a number of members and one visitor, Miss Lula Hinson were present. Chicken salad was served prior to adjournment.

FAISON NEWS

(INTENDED FOR LAST WEEK) Sesame Club Meets

The Sesame Club met in regu-

lar session on Wednesday afternoon at the Community Building with the president, Mrs. M. C. Bowden presiding. The program was in the hands of Mrs. Archer Williams. A very interesting Christmas program was enjoyed by the members. Pictures of Madonnas were displayed by Mrs. H. L. Hoey and Henry Hoey, Jr. Mrs. H. L. Hoey and Mrs. A. L. Mansfield, served refreshments.

Lions Club Observe Ladies Night

On Friday evening in the community building, the local Lions entertained their wives and friends at a delicious turkey supper. A musical program was enjoyed after the meeting, led by Mrs. Archer Williams. The program was added to greatly by several of the Lions, who were in the choruses.

MAXWELL NEWS

Mr. Ervin Brock of Norfolk is spending the week with his parents Mr. Daniel Simmons is visiting here this week.

Mr. Leo Ezzell left Wednesday to join the Navy.

Mr. Eugene Rouse was a visitor here Sunday.

Prayer meeting will be held each Wednesday night in the community.

Mr. Edward Brock went to Warsaw Sunday.

Mr. Robert Jarman visited here this week.

War-time developments in insect control will be highly useful after the war, especially in food production and sanitation, entomologists say.

The maximum price of corn has been raised 9 cents per bushel at Chicago by the OPA to give a more normal flow of corn into terminal markets and through distributive channels.

The operator of a road house in Georgia has been sentenced to serve more than ten years in prison, after conviction of peonage. The man, it seems, secured two women from prison to serve as waitresses in his roadhouse and forbade them to leave, forcing them to date men customers.

This is dirty business and we can well understand the ire of the Federal Judge who heard the case and pronounced it the "most sordid" he had ever heard.

Incidentally, it is matter of regret that Federal courts have to try cases of peonage. What is the matter with the advocates of state's rights? There are other circumstances that amount to peonage but it is usually the Federal courts which go after the offenders.

The accusation is often made that white men, in Southern States, coerce Negroes to labor for them against their will. This is peonage and should be prosecuted. We would prefer to see the

State courts handle the matter, but, when they fail to do so, we are thoroughly in favor of Federal action.

SEND NO CASH

Here's a new racket, designed to take advantage of the next of kin of relatives who may be prisoners of war.

A letter, advises that a message has been recorded, via enemy radio, about the relative, which can be secured for cash.

The OWI calls attention to this sucker enterprise but finds the problem somewhat difficult because there are well-meaning persons in the country who, out of a desire to be comforting, relay news of prisoners of war to their relatives.

The best advice we can give our readers is that they send no money for any alleged information, whatever. If the writer is imbued with a desire to be helpful, no request for cash will be requested.

What has become of the columnist who used to poke fun at the newspaper editor for re-

"I've Just Buried My Buddy"



U. S. Marine Corps Photo

Pfc. Thomas J. Raddington of Milton, Mass., and Pfc. John J. Denton of Republic, Pa., have marked the graves of their buddies killed in action at "Snicker Point," Guadalcanal Island, in the Solomon Islands, and a cross made of shell cases. Their fellow countrymen whom they journeyed there and back to their homes. Raddington gave his life fighting that liberty might be preserved in the country he called home.

printing favorable comment? Well, boys, he's busy doing the same thing.

A United States Marine... TO SAVE HIS SQUAD... WITH U. S. MARINES ON BOUGAINVILLE, Solomon Islands, Nov. 16 (Delayed) (AP) - Sergeant Herbert J. Thomas, of Charleston, W. Va., was one of the heroes of the early fighting on Bougainville. Thomas, leading a detail of nine men against a Japanese pillbox, threw a grenade which hit a tree and bounced back among his own men. There was no time to pick it up and throw it again. Thomas hurled himself bodily on the explosion, but none of his men were hurt.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" - JOHN 15:13



Admiral Chester Nimitz, Commanding Officer of the U. S. Pacific Fleet, faced a formidable task after Pearl Harbor, says the March of Time in "Naval Log of Victory." Wake, Hong Kong and Singapore were gone; the Philippines going. But naval engagements like Midway and the Coral Sea plus a record-shattering shipbuilding program saw nemesis closing in on the Japanese, until daily it becomes clearer their Navy is facing eventual disaster.



In the Atlantic, as this scene from March of Time's "Naval Log of Victory" shows, Nazi U-boat packs, operating out of bases in conquered France and Norway, roamed the sea lanes preying on Allied convoys. Hundreds of thousands of tons of Allied shipping were sent to the bottom each month. The Murmansk route, particularly, was a death run for our lend-lease supplies to Russia. Doggedly running this suicidal gauntlet, our ships slugged their way ahead, and those that got through saw the tide of victory turn.

Guadalcanal Railroad Built by Seabees... Seabees, members of a Naval Construction Battalion, completed "G. B. & T." (Guadalcanal, Bougainville & Tokyo) Railroad in three powered engines, a spur nearing completion, the division's... U. S. Marine Corps Photo... Seabees show one of the line's gas-powered engines and the "last spike" ceremony.

TO MY FRIENDS THROUGHOUT DUPLIN: With the closing of the year 1943 and the approach of the New Year, 1944, I wish to extend to everyone my sincere thanks and appreciation for your friendship and patronage in the past and to wish for you - HAPPINESS WITH EVERYTHING THAT'S BEST IN LIFE THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR. Cordially, your friend, C. E. QUINN, GENERAL FARM SUPPLIES, KENANSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

1944 TAX LISTING BEGINS JAN. 1 And Must Be Completed By Jan. 31 (There Will Be No Extension) SEE YOUR TOWNSHIP LIST TAKER EARLY