

4th. WAR LOAN DRIVE GETS UNDER WAY TUESDAY

Duplin County Quota Is \$500,000 Thompson Writes Letter To Citizens

Sites Three Hard Facts; National Goal Is 14 Million Dollars

The following letter regarding the 4th War Loan Drive, addressed to the citizens of Duplin County, was issued Wednesday by J. C. Thompson of Warsaw and Wallace, Duplin County chairman War Finance Committee:

January 12th 1943.

TO ALL CITIZENS OF DUPLIN COUNTY:

Let us face the facts: There are three hard, cold facts that YOU must face:

FACT NO. 1: This war is a long way from being won. There's still a lot of hard fighting ahead of us. More than two years have elapsed since Pearl Harbor. Despite many optimistic forecasts, the hard, cold facts remain that Germany has more divisions in the field today than at the beginning of the war. There is no sign of an early crack-up. The bitterest phases of the war in Europe are still to come.

In the Pacific the situation is much the same. Even though we have made substantial progress we are, nevertheless, not yet on the outer line of Japan's main defenses. This war is a long way from being won. Germany isn't beaten yet. Neither is Japan. Every American must be made to realize that there is a lot of hard bloody fighting ahead for us.

FACT NO. 2: The war is becoming increasingly expensive. It costs more to ATTACK THAN TO DEFEND.

Our armies have opened new fronts within the past few months. However, this is only the beginning. New invasions, new attacks will be made from the east, from the south and from the west. The opening of every new front calls for the spending of additional billions of dollars for landing craft, tanks, planes, guns and food clothing and all of the thousands of items used by our army. As a result we must be made to realize that it costs more to attack than to defend.

FACT NO. 3: The threat of disastrous inflation is increasing. Billions of idle dollars must be invested in WAR BONDS.

It is estimated that more than \$40,000,000.00 in cash money will be held by individuals - than the value of consumer goods available. This can only result in the depreciation of life insurance policies, savings accounts, fixed incomes and all other stabilizing factors of American life.

Today - your job and the job of every other American is bigger than ever before - to carry on the attack. The United States Treasury needs \$14,000,000.00 (Fourteen Billion) during the FOURTH WAR LOAN DRIVE - STARTING JANUARY 18th, 1944.

Experience has shown that Duplin County citizens will do their part in the all out war effort and we are confident that they will again meet this challenge and buy \$500,000.00 in war bonds which is our allotted quota for the 4th War Loan Drive. Duplin County has more than sold her quota during the first three War Loan Drives but we must face the above three facts and continue on to Final Victory. You can't say, "let the other man do it." Think of the 2,000 Duplin County boys who are giving their lives, their blood that we may have eternal PEACE and FREEDOM.

Sincerely, J. C. Thompson Chairman Duplin County War Finance Committee

Civilian Defense Asked To Aid 4th War Loan Drive

Again Civilian Defense is asked to lend every assistance possible the Fourth War Loan Drive. Civilian Defense workers can play an important part in this gigantic task. The house to house canvass and the face to face method proved to be of the greatest value in the previous drive.

This work should appeal to members of the Citizen's Service Corps. It is another opportunity for real and necessary patriotic service. You will not be required to handle any cash transactions. Your service should be confined to obtaining voluntary commitments of house-holders to buy some specified amount of bonds or stocks in addition to any contributions.

COUNTY BRIEFS

NO HEAT The local agricultural building and the county jail were without heat all day Monday after a pipe froze and burst some time Sunday night in the basement of the jail. Both buildings are heated from the heating plant in the jail. The Warsaw fire truck was called over Monday to aid in getting the water out. It was three feet deep in the basement.

ULRICH TO HEAD DRIVE

J. E. Jerritt, Duplin Red Cross chairman stated this week that Rev. G. H. Ulrich of Outlaw's Bridge is expected to head the 1944 Red Cross drive which will be held some time in March. Mr. Ulrich successfully headed the drive last year.

THREE WORST CRIMES

Clerk of Court, R. V. Wells says that in his opinion the three worst crimes affecting Duplin County citizens happening in his memory was the Stephen English case, the Sheprose Holland case, and the Stedman Carr murder.

ROBBERIES AGAIN

A few nights ago thefts continued their tour of Duplin when they entered the bank and three stores, Rose Hill Hardware Co., Reeds & 10, and Rose Hill Trading Co. one night this week. Their loot from all places amounted to about \$10 in change. No one has been arrested yet but some reports indicate that it is believed some boys from Rose Hill, probably aided by a Marine, did the job.

FRIDAY MEETINGS

Friday afternoon the school principals of the county will meet in Kenansville at which time Ralph Andrews of the Dept. of Education, representative of the State Highway Department, safety division, and representatives of the Army will be present and instruct the principals on the proper way school buses should be driven.

Friday night at 7:30 there will be a county-wide P. T. A. meeting here and at 8:30 there will be a war bond meeting.

Woman's Clubs Urged Back 4th War Loan Drive

The following letter has been sent out to Women's Clubs throughout the state - urging them to support the 4th War Loan Drive:

Dear Club President: Will North Carolina Club Women support our Government's War Financing Program; honor our President, Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith; and assist our District Presidents by selling or buying enough "E", "F" and "G" War Bonds, from January 18 to February 8, in every district in the Federation, so that each District can win the privilege of naming either a Heavy Bomber at \$300,000.00 A Medium Bomber at 175,000.00 or a Fighter Plane at 75,000.00 Don't you know "Our Kate" would be proud to be able to say to the 1944 G. F. W. C. Convention, "THE N. C. FEDERATION WAS THE FIRST ONE IN THE U. S. A. IN WHICH CLUB DISTRICT BOUGHT A BOMBER?" Only YOU can do YOUR share to make this possible.

THE RULES: 1. Ask your local War Finance Chairman for his or her cooperation and advice. 2. Begin selling Jan. 18 - sell to Feb. 8. 3. Sell only "E", "F" or "G" Bonds. 4. Mail all reports direct to Mrs. Karl Bishopric, War Bond and Stamp Chairman, Spray, N. C., as soon as possible after the close of Campaign. 5. NO REPORT COUNTED, POSTMARKED LATER THAN FEB. 15. 6. NO REPORT COUNTED, NOT MADE ON OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF PURCHASE: furnished by State Office, Women's Division, War Finance Committee, Spray, N. C. (Any number Certificates of Purchase required on request, or you may mimeograph your own.) Clubs selling most "E" Bonds per capita, will be honored at Convention. Counting on your Co-operation!

Sincerely yours, Mrs. Karl Bishopric.

WHEN IN DOUBT ABOUT WHAT TO CHATTER, BE SURE IT'S NOT A MILITARY MATTER BE THE SECRET GREAT OR SMALL, THE SAFE RULE IS TO TALK TO A MILITARY MAN

SPEAKER



Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman

Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman, Editor of the News-Leader, of Richmond, Virginia, will be the speaker on the program of the Southern Baptist Hour at 8:30, EWT - next Sunday morning, Jan. 16th, according to the Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Freeman, Pulitzer Prize Winner and holder of 12 honorary degrees, author of "Robert E. Lee", and now completing the last volume of "Lee's Lieutenants", is peculiarly qualified to discuss his subject, "A Free Church in a Free State".

The program on the Baptist Hour can be heard over station W P T F, Raleigh.

LEARN TO TALK OF SIMPLE THINGS. DON'T YOU KNOW RUMORS HAVE WINGS?

WILLARD TEST FARM EXPERIMENTING WITH GRAPES; MAY PROVE NEW PROFITABLE CROP IN SECTION

The State Department of Agriculture is now planning a project, which if it goes through, will result in the profitable utilization of thousands of acres of cut over, idle land in Duplin and other counties in this section of the state.

Fred E. Miller, director of the test farms division of the State Department of Agriculture, said recently that the muscadine grape experimental work being carried on at the Coastal Plains Experimental farm at Willard will be greatly enlarged. He pointed out that the increased attention given to the grape production will also include the planting of five acres of experimental vineyard at the next test farm recently purchased in Washington county.

Working closely with Experimental Station officials, State Department of Agriculture specialists will encourage farmers in the eastern counties of the state to devote more acreage to grapes,

Local Boy Is Commissioned 2nd Lieutenant



CARLTON B. DOBSON

this week received a much coveted pair of pilot wings and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army. This event marking the completion of one of the most rigorous courses of training prescribed by the Army Air Forces Training Command.

Lt. Dobson entered the Army Air Forces last year as an Aviation Cadet and was sent directly to the classification center at Nashville, Tenn., where he was chosen as potential pilot material. From there he went to an Army Air Forces Training Command Pre-Flight School where he underwent arduous toughening-up exercises and study. He received his primary and basic flying training at various training fields in the Southeast and was then sent to the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School at Marietta, Fla. for two months intensive course in single engine flying tactics and operations.

Lt. Dobson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claudius D. Dobson of Kenansville, N. C. He arrived home Tuesday for a visit.

Trial Of Richard Setzer Is Continued To May Term Of Court

Wins Wings



J. Edward Strickland, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Strickland of Warsaw, has been awarded his wings and commission as an ensign in the Naval Reserve following graduation from the Naval Air Training Center at Corpus Christi, Texas. Ensign Strickland was a student at State College prior to entering the service. He trained at Coahoma, S. C., Chesapeake, Md. and Olathe, Kan. He is now stationed at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Miss Mary Herring, Missionary; To Teach Course In Warsaw

Miss Mary Herring, of Greensboro, who is a return Baptist Missionary from China, will teach a special B. T. U. course in the Warsaw Baptist Church the week of January 23rd, to 30th. She will teach the Book of Ephesians.

Miss Herring is a native of Duplin County and has numerous relatives around Warsaw, who will indeed be grateful to know of her return from China and visit to Warsaw.

Young Democrats Are Becoming Of Age; Quinn and Johnson Named on Com'

It appears that the Young Democrats of Duplin County are rapidly becoming of age.

This week, Representative C. E. Quinn and Senator Rivers D. Johnson were named members of the state Victory War Bond Committee of the North Carolina Young Democratic Clubs by the committee chairman, Hugh G. Mitchell. They are expected to attend a meeting of the committee and a meeting of the Young Democrats in Charlotte, Saturday the 15th.

Heavy Transport Falls Near Magnolia

Last week the second airplane to fall near Magnolia crashed about one mile from Magnolia while on a practice flight, it was reported. The plane was a two-engined transport carrying a crew

Second Heavy Snow Fall Hits County

Duplin suffered its second heavy snow of the season Sunday when snow began falling near mid-day. It was preceded Saturday by some rain and sleet. The temperature was not as low as the last snow, ranging mostly around the freezing point. Most of the snow melted. It is estimated that from one to two inches stuck. Snow continued to fall until about dark when the skies cleared and folks shivered under a bright moonlit sky as the thermometer dropped to below the twenties before morning.

The snow was generally over the state and reported to be the largest snowfall in the state in several years. All schools in Duplin opened Monday morning but in many of the counties schools remained closed.

The heaviest fall in the state was reported from Boone while Raleigh had the heaviest fall in the eastern Piedmont section. Scattered wrecks were reported over the county with probably the most serious being about half a mile east of Kenansville on the Beaulieu highway when a Ford, driven by Richard Davis and occupied by Davis and Thomas Gray Farrior, skidded and turned over in a ditch. The car, belonging to someone else, was practically demolished. The occupants received minor cuts and scratches.

Herring Home Caught Fire, Monday Morn

The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Herring, about one mile west of Warsaw, caught fire Monday morning about 9 o'clock when Mrs. Herring was attempting to thaw out a water pipe under the house. She was using lightwood splinters when a blaze shot up between two walls. The Warsaw Fire Department responded and the fire was soon under control. Little damage was done, it was reported, except where Mrs. Herring cut the wall with an axe and some water and smoke damage.

Calypso Boy Held For Entering Home

Calvin Coolidge Davis, 19 year old boy of Calypso, is being held in jail here on a charge of entering a house.

According to officers, he was arrested in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Faison, aged couple in Faison, last Saturday morning at 1:45. Officer's stated that the back door of the home was not locked and Davis walked in. Mrs. Faison heard someone in an adjoining bedroom and when she entered and turned on the light she found young Davis in the act of undressing. She asked him what he was doing and he told her he was fixing to go to bed. Officers were called and he was arrested and locked up. He was said to be in a doped condition. He is being held without the privilege of bond.

of men totalling twelve. It is said the pilot ordered all men to bail out and he rode the plane to the crash landing and escaped without injuries. The eleven who bailed out landed without injuries. The plane was landed in a three acre field. Engine trouble was reported as the cause of the crash.

No Screen Test; Draftees Go To Bragg For Complete Physical

Draftees Get 21 Days Before Induction; Several Changes Noted

Washington - Jan. 7th, In a sweeping revision of the system for physical examination of draft eligibles, selective service today abolished "screening" examinations by local boards and arrangements for final examinations to be given at least 21 days before actual induction.

Under the new system, which is to become fully effective February 1, postinduction furloughs also are abolished. Currently these are three weeks for those inducted into the army and one week in the navy.

Aimed at complying with the mandate from Congress for pre-induction physical tests and eliminating uncertainty by draft eligibles over whether their physical condition meets service standards, the new system will work in this manner:

due for a call to service, will be dispatched to induction stations. There they will be examined by army and navy physicians. All will be sent back home as civilians, with those who were found acceptable having assurance that they will not be ordered to report for induction for at least three weeks.

It is intended, as a pool of physically acceptable men is built up, between examination and induction, but if a man is not inducted within 90 days a new preinduction examination will be required.

The army and navy examiners will classify acceptable men in three groups - army general service, "army limited service" and "navy" (including marines and coast guard) - according to their physical condition. The navy demands a slightly higher degree of physical fitness than does the army. The army accepts for limited service, men with physical defects barring them from general service.

Thereafter, calls to local boards will be for a definite number of army general service, army limited service, and navy men, based

of an overall total of men, as at present.

The classification by induction station doctors, however, will simply be a tag of degree of physical fitness. As far as practicable, wishes of the drafted man regarding the branch of service he enters will be followed.

The present system of sending men to induction stations for examination and immediate induction will continue in use for meeting this month's draft quotas. Boards also will begin immediately to send men to the stations under the new system in order to get it fully into operation by February 1.

The present "screening" examination is given in the draft registrant's home community to screen out those obviously physically unfit for the armed services. Although it is officially abolished, any registrant who believes he has an obvious defect may request and be given an examination by a local board physician.

Also any man who wishes no delay will, on request, be inducted immediately after passing his physical examination rather than return home as a civilian.

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A man gazing at the stars is proverbially at the mercy of the puddles on the road

- JANUARY - Smith
1 - Limit judicial power of United States to federal cases, 1788.
2 - James M. Landis appointed head of civilian defense, 1942.
3 - Arrival of first steamboat on Mississippi river at New Orleans, 1812.
4 - U. S. and Canada sign treaty for settlement of disputes, 1909.
5 - President Roosevelt creates National War Labor board, 1942.
6 - Pacific Coast shippers adapt 7-day, 24-hour schedule, 1942.
7 - Two earthquakes felt in New England, 1842.

Unable To Secure Jury From 101 Men; All But Three Had Made Up Minds; Judge Stevens Presides.

Richard Setzer, 20-year-old Willard youth, was charged with the first-degree murder of Stedman Carr, of Wallace, by a Pender county grand jury early Monday afternoon. Wyatt Blake, Burgaw attorney, was appointed by the court to defend Setzer. Blake answered, "Not Guilty", for Setzer when he was arraigned before Judge Henry L. Stevens, presiding judge.

Blake asked for examination of the prisoner by a psychiatrist, and continuance of the case. His request for the services of a psychiatrist, if one could be secured, was granted but his motion for continuance was denied. Blake was authorized by the court to get in touch with Dr. Frank L. Whelpley of the State Hospital at Goldsboro, to examine Setzer, either at the hospital in Goldsboro on Tuesday, January 11, or at the Pender county jail.

Sheriff J. T. Brown was instructed to summons a special venire of 75 men for the jury. Witnesses were excused until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, Jan. 12th.

Late Wednesday afternoon Judge Henry L. Stevens ordered the case of Richard Setzer, on trial for his life for the murder of Stedman Carr of Wallace, on December 31, continued, after 101 men had been examined for the jury and only three had been accepted. Judge Stevens stated that it was manifestly impossible to secure a jury that had not formed an opinion in the case. Twenty-six men from the regular jury list, and 75 from the special venire were examined during the day.

Examination of jurors began about 11 o'clock and continued until court adjourned for the day at 5 o'clock, when Judge Stevens ordered continuance. The case will be continued to the May 1 term of criminal court, Judge W. C. Harris, of Raleigh, is the judge scheduled for this term of court.

Setzer will remain in the Pender county jail without bond until his case is heard in May. Wyatt Blake, attorney for Setzer, stated Wednesday morning when court opened that he had not been able to secure the services of a psychiatrist for the examination of Setzer.

The court room was packed with spectators, men called for jurors and the witnesses. Because of the sensationalism of the case, and the wide publicity given it in the newspapers, most of the men called for the jury had already formed an opinion.

Setzer, slight, boyish looking, shirt open at throat, sat in the prisoner's dock throughout the day, head and eyes slightly downcast most of the time. He did not speak unless spoken to. Occasionally he smoked a cigarette. His family came from Western North Carolina to Penderlea last spring. All of the members of the family excepting himself returned to Waynesville, where they are now making their home. One brother came down for a short time this week to see Richard, but returned on the next bus because of illness in his family.

Sunday morning at the Sunday school hour at the Burgaw Methodist church, Sheriff J. T. Brown, told the congregation that Richard Setzer asked for the prayers of the good people of the church. Solicitor Clifton L. Moore was assisted in his duties by Attorney J. A. Powers of Wallace, and Senator R. D. Johnson of Warsaw.

Home On Visit Raymond Chestnutt, Seaman 2ic son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Chestnutt, was home for the New Year holidays. He took basic training at Sampson, N. Y., and is now in training at Bainbridge, Md.

"INFORMATION PLEASE" IS GOOD FOR A QUIET BUT NOT SO GOOD WHEN BULLET WHIRL! ENEMY BARRAGE BOMBS HEARD IN AREA DURING NIGHT OF JAN. 13. BOMBS WERE HEARD IN AREA OF WARSAW, N. C.