



Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin

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RED CROSS DRIVE FOR \$14,300 STARTS SUNDAY

Chairman Ulrich Makes Plea To Duplinites To Do Their Share

Lists Community Chairmen And Quotas; Giving To Red Cross Makes Going Of Boys And Girls In Service Easier; National Quota Two Hundred Million, Largest Red Cross Fund In History.

BY REV. G. H. ULRICH—The Duplin County Share of the National American Red Cross Fund Drive is \$14,300. This share has been divided in School Districts, as follows:

B. F. Grady, \$764; Beulaville, \$1,280; Calypso, \$997; Chinquapin, \$841; Faison, \$1,075; Kenansville, \$1,433; Magnolia, \$1,037; Outlaw's Bridge, \$268; Potters Hill, \$182; Rose Hill, \$1,420; Teachey, \$136; Wallace, \$2,800; Warsaw, \$2,076. Total, \$14,300.

These figures include the entire districts, including the schools. All of the County Chairmen have been secured.

B. F. Grady, Mr. Rodolph Harper with Mrs. H. D. Kornegay Sub-Chairman in charge of Glisson Township; Beulaville, Mr. Stephen Smith; Calypso, Mr. Alec Sanderson; Chinquapin, Mrs. Cornelia Judge; Faison, Mr. H. R. Cates; Kenansville, Mr. Robert Grady; Magnolia, Mrs. L. E. Pope; Outlaw's Bridge, Mrs. M. L. Outlaw, Jr.; Potters Hill, Mr. L. M. Bostic; Rose Hill, Mrs. Edwin P. Blanchard; Teachey, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Boney; Wallace, Mr. A. C. Hall; and Warsaw, Mrs. H. L. Stevens, Jr.

The Drive will start March 5, and is planned to be completed by March 15. The various committees are now being organized with a number already having been completed.

The spirit among the committees is splendid and promises the end of drive that spells success. WE WILL DO OUR SHARE.

Our Duplin County Share of the National American Red Cross Drive for 200,000,000 dollars is \$14,300. This is a large quota. It is an increase of \$5,500 over what was given by the people of Duplin County to the Red Cross Drive in 1943. It is a tremendous challenge that faces the people of Duplin. We are not in the habit of doing less than our share. When it comes to standing behind the men and women in the Service of the United States the citizens of Duplin will be proud to do their share.

There is not a healthy minded person to be found but is anxious to help our boys and girls as they answer the call to National Duty. We all know it is tough going and we are all proud of the sacrificial spirit which is called for from them.

11 Year Boy Literally Blew Self To Death Dynamite Caps In Pocket

Raphard Earl Sprouse's Abdomen Literally Blown Out as Pocket Full Dynamite Caps Explode; Lives Several Hours; Did Not Know What They Were; Brother Injured.

Raphard Earl Sprouse, eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sprouse of near Potters Hill was fatally injured last Sunday morning when a pocket full of dynamite caps exploded. He and his brothers and sisters were playing in the back yard of their home. His father had gone to Beulaville. Raphard found the caps in a box in a brooder house and filled his pockets. He told his mother just before he died he did not know what they were. Some were scattered around the yard.

He went to a chopping block and laid a cap on the block and attempted to cut it with an axe. The other children ran and all but one got out of danger. As the cap on the block exploded it caused the caps in his pockets to explode. Neighbors report that his intestines were blown to pieces and mostly blown out of his abdomen. His brother, Chas. Allen was only slightly hurt.

The youth was rushed to a Kingston hospital where he succumbed at 2:25 in the afternoon.

Funeral services were held from a home Monday, conducted by Rev. Robert Kennedy and burial was in the Sandhill Church cemetery.

Warsaw Boy is Wounded In Mediterranean Area

Pvt. Samuel R. Bowden, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Bowden of Warsaw has been wounded somewhere in the Mediterranean area according to reports from the War Department. He is with the Army.



G. C. MILLER yeoman 1c, son of Mrs. L. C. Miller, of Beulaville is with the Navy in the Southwest Pacific. He entered service in April 1942 and formerly saw service in Trinidad.

Giving to the American Red Cross is one of the important ways in which we can make their going a bit less rough. Then let us give generously, more generously than we have ever given before. Let us give cheerfully and make the work of the committees a thrilling experience.

"I SEND MYSELF TO STAND BESIDE MY SOLDIER AS LONG AS HE NEEDS MY HELP; I would go if I could, to be with him. I would cheer him when homesickness pulls him down. I would try to make him forget the horrors he has witnessed. I would take his worries on my shoulders and relieve his mind of fear for the welfare of those at home. I would give him comforts, things not expected of the time and place, and precious on that account.

If my soldier were taken prisoner, I would see that he got extra foods, warm clothing and needed medicines. If he were wounded I would furnish my blood to save his life and surgical dressings to bind his wounds. I would be beside him in the hospital to give him comfort, and to make the hours less long.

If he were crippled I would help him adjust himself to his new and smaller world, and were he discharged for disability I would seek to safeguard his interests and to see him and the family through any difficulty.

I AM NEEDED TO DO THESE THINGS. I CAN DO THEM. By my generous gift to the American Red Cross, I can do them all.

This is the largest fund the American Red Cross has ever raised. It is the largest because, the need we face today is the greatest.

MOBILIZATION BOARD

The Duplin County Labor Mobilization Board held its regular meeting Wednesday evening Mar. 1, in the Courthouse. Labor conditions in the County were discussed generally.

A message from Governor Brroughton was read, in which he urged us not to allow our interest to wane or let our efforts lag on account of increased needs for labor in production for the war effort.

The County Board will hold regular bi-monthly meetings on the First and Third Tuesday evenings in each month. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Mar. 21, 8:00 o'clock, at the courthouse.

The Board urges all citizens in the county to report any and all cases of able-bodied persons who are not working at a gainful occupation as required by the Governor's Emergency Proclamation.

POTTER CHAIRMAN WARSAW POST-WAR PILE PROGRAM

Paul Potter, secretary Warsaw Draft Board, has just been appointed chairman for Warsaw Township of the Post-War Pile by R. E. Wall, president of the Warsaw Rotary Club which is sponsoring the program.

The purpose of the movement is to make a survey of all possible jobs for service men who are being released from service. Mr. Wall expressed the opinion that the movement, which is nation wide, would produce a wholesome effect

Beulaville P T A Meets Monday Night

Friends and patrons of the Beulaville School are invited to attend the meeting of the P T A, which will be held on Monday night, March 6th, at eight o'clock. The Second Grade will furnish the entertainment by presenting a play, "The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe." The Publicity Committee of the P. T. A.



T-SGT ELMER T. PICKETT son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pickett, of Beulaville, has been with the Army in England for nine months. He entered service Sept. 24, 1942.

SCOTTISH RITE BODY TO MEET IN WILMINGTON IN MAR.

Announcement is made of the Annual Spring Reunion of the Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted-Scottish Rites of Free masonry in Wilmington, which will be held March 28, 29, and 30, in the Masonic Temple, at which time the degrees, fourth through the thirty-second will be conferred upon a large number of Master Masons from nearby sections of Eastern North Carolina. These degrees are conferred by ability and long experience, supported by elaborate scenery and effects.

Several Masons from Duplin County are planning to attend. The ideals and philosophy of Masonry have always appealed to the better part of a man and to his higher senses, and contemplating the age-old principles of this ancient and honorable order, it having withstood the various changes of time, we find they stand today for the highest and noblest impulses of the human heart and mind.

It teaches toleration, love charity, duty and obedience. It opposes tyranny, usurpation, prejudice, falsehood and superstition, and endeavors to replace the false with the true, to reclaim the heritage of the disinherited, to protect the weak, the poor, the suffering, and to aid the persecuted and oppressed.

It courageously supports the public schools, so the youth of the land may obtain an education without dogma or creed, believing that an enlightened and intelligent people will maintain their freedom, and will refuse to be coerced or persuaded into anarchy and disorder. It regards no man of his material possessions, or position, but teaches a valuable lesson of equality of rights and privileges for all, regardless of social, material or political standing.

The Reunions of the Scottish Rite Bodies in Wilmington are always largely attended by members from all parts of the State.

on service men to know that the folks back home are already making definite plans to have jobs waiting for them the minute they return.

Every place of business and home in Warsaw is to be contacted and the number of jobs that will be available tabulated.



ELMER JACKSON son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jackson, of Beulaville, who entered the Navy in August 1942, is now in the Pacific. He is seaman, 2c.

WARSAW, KENANSVILLE DRAFT BOARDS ISSUE CALLS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Warsaw draft board has issued a call for a number of white men to report to Ft. Bragg Monday March 6th for pre-induction physical examination and the Kenansville Board has issued a call for a number to report Wednesday March 8th. In these calls are a large number of married men and fathers.

The Warsaw list is Harry Lane Anderson, Dorcy Whaley, Max Benjamin Kramer, Herman Alvis Brogden (transferred to Elizabeth City), Edwin Jay Merritt, Wesley Clement Sullivan, Lemuel Sutton Rhodes, Henry Noel Blackburn, James Bryant Newkirk, Graham Albert Phillips, Robert Stafford Cameron, Clarence Phines Malpass, Guy Franklin Hardison, Jack Vinson Glisson, Harold Conrode Ezzell.

Benjamin Earl Langston, Roland Winifred Outlaw, Braxton Morris Faulk, Robt. Wm. Brake, John nie Wm. Westbrook, Leland Troy Braswell, Theady Franklin Johnson, Wm. Thurston Blanchard, Daniel Jerome Fussell, Robert Lu ther Lambert, James Deboise Pus sell, John Gerald Potter, Major James Kelly, James Rufus Harrell, Emmett Lee Holman, James Hubert Simmons, John Wm. Stokes, Elma Jernigan Jennings, Ralph Davis Faircloth.

Elbert James Anderson, Gurney Vance Blanton, Henry Lee Boone, Wm. Anderson Jones, John Wilkes Swinson, Jr., Wilbert Herring, Edward Rudolph Kennedy, Eccles Veach Pridgen, Eugene Worth Merritt, Henry Sloan Har Eastman, Hayward Brown, Jr., Shep- ert Thomas Sanders, Ralph With- ington, Gordon Urben Bishop, Floyd Daniel Boone, Gerthia Har rel, Clarence Wilbur Holland, Thurston L. Wiggins, Wm. Alexander Powell, Joseph Holloman.

The Kenansville list is: Robert V. Leary, Edward Miller, Gerald Carr, Albert I. Stroud, Leslie A. Jenkins, James A. Grey, Clifton L. Dupree, Vernon D. Fisher, Henry V. Rich, Rennie, M. Eastman, William J. Yates, John Kirby Heath, William H. Norris, Roland C. Henderson, Ruby F. Craft, David H. Rivenbark, Adrian G. Williams, Jesse B. Batts and Davis M. Hill.

William H. Farris, Jr., William H. Adams, Arthur C. Williams, James B. Best, William J. Whaley, Wilton E. Rivenbark, Lummie B. Rivenbark, Lewis F. Stroud, Oscar Rivenbark, and John J. Deifel. Billy P. Jones, Joe F. Lanier, Boyd W. Brigman, J. G. Stroud, W. P. Roberson, Paul Whaley, William H. Forlaw, Mark Smith, Alvin B. Sholar, Albert T. Blanton, and John W. Albertson. John T. Batts, Ayden Albertson, George R. Whaley, Leslie B. Williams, Livvie K. Knowles, Fred R. Norris, David B. Merritt, James R. Grady, Carl L. Hardison, Dockie D. Sandlin, Henry H. Bonham, and William D. Houston.

BEEF CATTLE

The cash income from beef animals last year was more than from all our cotton and wheat combined, statisticians report.

Large Contingent Of American Troops Land Safely In Britain

Duplin County Girl Makes Honor Roll

The name of Miss Mattie Kornegay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Kornegay appears on the second honor roll recently released at Mars Hill college.

To be eligible for a place on the second honor roll one must make an average of C or above on all credit courses and 30 quality points. Of the 657 students enrolled at the college during the first semester, 39 made the first honor roll and 99 made the second.



JAMES WILBERT EVERTON seaman 2c, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Everton, of Beulaville, entered the Navy June 24, 1943. He is serving somewhere in the Atlantic.

Army Navy Qualifying Test Warsaw Mar. 15

The Army Navy College Qualifying test will be given in Warsaw High School March 15 from 9:30 to 11:30. This test is known as the V-12 and A-12 test. Seventeen to twenty years may take either Army or Navy, seventeen to twenty-one may take Army. Requirements are High School graduate or seniors graduating this year and in an upper bracket in grades and be recommended by the principal of the school. There are other requirements that fit other cases but these are the ones that affect our High School boys or recent graduates. Boys who desire to take this must notify this office not later than Monday morning Mar. 6.

PINK HILL MAN'S DEATH STILL UNSOLVED

Coroner F. A. Garner, of Lenoir County said that James Ezzell, twenty-two year old farmer of the Pink Hill section who was found dead on the unpaved road near his home about midnight Jan. 22, came to his death after being struck by a car, the driver of which is unknown to authorities.

CHURCH MEETING

The Womans Missionary Society for Christian Service of the Methodist Church will hold a three day meeting in Wilson next week beginning Tuesday. A number of Methodist ladies from Duplin are expected to attend.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Sally Reitha Brown of near Kenansville is critically ill in a Portsmouth hospital. She was stricken with Meningitis shortly after arriving there for a visit. She recovered from the attack and then Pneumonia set in and last reports say her heart has gone bad and little hope for her recovery is held. Sally graduated from Kenansville high school last year. She was a bus driver.

COLD WAVE

Tuesday afternoon skies were heavy and a cold wind blew up. It looked for a time as if it might snow. Wednesday and Thursday found clear skies and colder weather.

Army Man Power Shortage Is Acute The President Says

Workers In Essential Industry and More Fathers Face Induction; Figures Released.

Washington — The manpower shortage for the armed services which President Roosevelt has called "grave" must be made up from family men and others, a special medical commission reported to the White House Monday, and not by lowering physical standards.

The commission was created at the suggestion of congress on a theory that a relaxation of induction requirements, especially for limited service, might delay drafting of fathers and others with dependents. But it reported existing standards could not be reduced "without impairing the efficiency" of the armed services and no more limited service inductions are needed.

The report was sent to congress Tuesday. It follows publication Saturday of a memorandum President Roosevelt sent to manpower officials saying the nation's manpower pool has been dangerously depleted by liberal deferments. He said the deficit should be made up from those with occupational deferments, especially in the younger classes. A review of this group was ordered Sunday night.

There are nearly 8,500,000 men in the groups the commission and the president urged to be tapped, 3,834,000 deferred for occupational reasons and 4, 645,000 for dependency. Major General Lewis B. Hershey, selective service director, listed these figures in Monday's

All Highly Trained For Combat Duty and Fully Equipped; Convoy Is Not Attacked; Local Boys Along.

London — U. S. forces massing in Britain for an invasion of western Europe have been strengthened by the arrival of one of the largest contingents of American troops ever to cross the Atlantic in one convoy.

The crossing was made without a single attack by enemy submarines, but heavy storms, which were encountered enroute caused some discomfort among the men. The number of troops landed from the convoy is, of course, a military secret, but all are highly trained and ready for combat. They include mechanized units and specialized groups of many types. All were fully equipped with the latest weapons.

In addition the convoy carried many planes of various types. Immediately upon disembarking the troops were dispersed to American bases scattered from one end of the United Kingdom to the other.

A letter was received from George Pridden, of Warsaw, Tuesday, stating that he was somewhere in Northern Ireland and it is presumed he was in this convoy. He is in the Navy. Says the trip was OK except he was a little seasick for three days. Also it has been announced that Dr. Morton's son of Faison has just arrived somewhere in Britain and it is thought he was in this convoy.

New Cafe Opens In Warsaw

Ed Benson and A. J. Jenkins announce the opening of the Legion Cafe two doors from Branch Bank in Warsaw. The cafe is "A" Grade, new and modern in every respect, and large enough to accommodate clubs and various meetings.

Mr. Benson, an experienced cook, came to Warsaw several years ago and has been connected with the A. J. Jenkins, contractors. He has had experience in a number of cafes and has cooked on ocean going vessels. His reputation as a chef stands out. He will have charge of the cafe. The public is extended a cordial invitation to visit the new cafe.

Local P T A Will Meet Monday Night

The Kenansville Parent-Teachers Association will meet at the school house Monday night at 7:30 instead of 8:00 o'clock. The program will be given by the children of the school. All parents and especially the men are urged to attend. Attendance on the part of the men lately has been light.

Advertisement for the Red Cross with text: 'Maybe You Know... KNOWING THAT PLASMA AND PROMPTNESS SAVES LIVES, US ARMY MEDICAL CORPSMEN ONE TO WOUNDED MEN ON MOVING LITTERS PLASMA TRANSFUSIONS FROM BLOOD DONATED THROUGH THE RED CROSS IN AMERICA MONTHS BEFORE' and 'YOUR RED CROSS IN 178 DISASTERS IN 12 MONTHS AIDED A NUMBER OF MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN SUFFICIENT TO PEOPLE 24 TOWNS OF 5,000 POPULATION'.

ALMANAC section with illustrations of a car and a truck, and text: 'Be always sure you're right—then go ahead!—Crockett' and a list of events for March.