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Warsaw Bond Rally To Feature Cast Of 60 In Musical Comedy

"Hi-Mate" Rated Outstanding Attraction; Admission By Purchase of Bond or \$1.00 In War Stamps; Buy A Bond Or Stamp and Receive a Ticket; 8:30, June 30th, Warsaw High Auditorium.

Warsaw is planning a big Rally on the night of June 30th at 8:30 in the school auditorium. Residents of Kenansville and Faison are invited to join them. Admission is by ticket received for the purchase of a war bond or \$1.00 War Stamp "Hi-Mate" a roaring musical comedy with a cast of 60 people including former radio and stage stars will be given under the direction and supervision of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Co., of Wilmington. "Hi-Mate" has made 30 successful presentations in Wilmington and has been on every leading radio station in North Carolina.

Your attention is called to a page advertisement of the event in this issue.

Kenansville Board To Send 201 Boys Ft. Bragg Monday

The Kenansville Draft Board has issued a call to 201 white boys between 18 and 28 years to report to Ft. Bragg for pre-induction physical. They have been notified to report to Kenansville at 7:30 Monday morning.

The group: Charlie David Brock, Harold Dexter Rackley, Kenneth Gordien Grady, Roy James Houston, Graham Carlton Raynor, John Edward Lanier, Roscoe Veston Edwards, Alkon Moody, Alvin York Lanier, Edgar Williams, Leon Cleo Heath, Arthur Sumner, DeLeon Wilson Quinn, Pearlle Milton Henderson, and Odel Hall. Marvin Edson Rhodes, Grover Welly Byrd, Arthur Carroll Rivenbark, Anthony Fields Jones, Richard Laverne Pickett, Kenneth Nethercutt, Elzie Edward Maready, Ervin Albertson, Jesse Jackson Andrews, Hoyte Randolph Miller, Johnnie Franklin Quinn, Ronnie E. Maready, Thurman James Garner, Herman Hatcher, and Freeman Ray Raynor.

Guy Davis, Jr., Grover Reed Grady, Andrew Joseph Lanier, Elwood Ray Fountain, Norwood Mercer, Alton Edward Mobley, Thurman Milton Williams, Edwin Radford Williams, Norwood Charles Harrell, Davis Norman Brinson, Matthew Newton Teachey, James Wilton Kelley, Norman Brown, Listen Henderson Moore, and Clayton Mac Brown. James William Batts, Elbert Groce Kennedy, John George Nethercutt, John Franklin Wells, Durwood James Hall, Robert Allen Andrews, Preston Lee Dail, Rashie Wells Sanderson, William Riley Brown, Moses Jarman, Jr., Adolph Mercer, Darrell Worley, Kenneth Allen Blanton, John George Bostic, Durwood Clifford Futrell, and Ralph Chambers.

Howard Horne, Seth Turner, Delbert Futrell, Listen Brown, Lemuel Joby Stroud, Elbert Littleton Ball, Levy Allen Brock, Linwood Edmondson Jones, Carlis Liston Hanchey, Jr., Clifton Frank Fountain, Ransom Houston, William Edgar Simmons, Calvin Coolidge Jones, and Eric Harper. James Henry Parker, Jr., Herbert Mathew Perry, George Lindwood Surcy, Otis Penny, Ashley Heath, Jr., Hughie Maxwell Rhodes, David Walter Carter, Paul Swinson, Albert Alton Dail, Norwood Williams Cavenshugh, Rivton Milo Raynor, Kenneth Stuart Lanier, William Junior McClung, Pearlle Price and Lester Kennedy.

Robert William Craft, Jr., Richard Epoch Smith, Ralph DeLeon Merritt, Jr., Franklin Melton, John Duncan Robinson, Edwin Hulbert, Algie Ray Baysden, William Osborne Grady, James Edward Hatcher, Ransom David Basden, Ransom Carl Wheeler, and Paul Baker.

Limer Wilbur Hatcher, Larry Gordon Hinson, William James Whaley, Edward Bryan Hatcher, Wayne Sanderson, Lester T. Baker, Leonard Henry Jones, Henry Floyd Murray, Ralph Ed Jones, Arthur Campbell Williams, Julian David Smith, Jr., Steadman Williams, Thurman Haywood Batchelor, H. G. Lanier, Robert Linwood Edwards, Edwin Carroll English, Lancy Franklin Kennedy, Gurman James Jones, Raleigh Washington Sholar, Floyd Watson Brinkley, and George Ward Batchelor.

Jessie Casper, Allen Sherwood Futrell, William Wright Davis, James Warren Kennedy, Dorwood Bostic, Morris Mobley, Cleveland Turner, Sewell Allen Quinn, Paul Edward Dail, Chester Junior Houston, James Agusta Gladson, Jr., Vance Hill, Jacob Dawson Stokes, Jr., Warren Edwards, Robert Jackson Herring, John Lewis O'Quinn, DeLeon Smith, Jr., and David Edwin Murphy. J. Kirby James Edwards, Anthony Lawrence King, Rivers Baker, Lawrence King, and Back Paine

WHAT MORE CAN ANY MAN GIVE THAN THAT HE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR A FRIEND?

—BY JUDGE HENRY L. STEVENS, JR.—

War in all its gory ferocity is abstract, unless we are participants in battle or unless it strikes close to home. This past week we, in Warsaw Township, had our sensibilities shocked into the stark realization that war is not the glamour of uniforms, rhythm of marching feet, pride in the wearing of insignia of rank, or any of those things which characterize the parade ground soldier in time of peace. We have found out, all of us, that war means hardship, sweat, disease, parasites, thirst, hunger, and to many death itself.

On the historic plains leading to Rome, the very city of art and music, history and agelessness, religion and culture — all those things which we, in summing up, call civilization, one of our younger and finer citizens Samuel R. Bowden, Jr. of Warsaw Township, laid down his life in combat as his contribution to the successful advance of the Fifth Army in the capture of Rome and the liberation of its people.

When the day of complete victory comes to our armies he will not be there in the flesh to receive the plaudits of a grateful world. His ears will not hear the screaming of sirens of ship and shore as the troops move into our great harbors on the day of return to their homeland. The empty chair at the fireside of his home cannot be filled. The gnawing pang of sorrow will continue to fill the breast of his family and intimates. His spirit must take comfort in the single fact that he, as an American soldier, exhibited a love of country and its cause that made for him a hero's death. For us here in the security of this vast domain we call the United States, 3,000 miles to the nearest battle zone, let us be thankful that our way of life, the teaching of our children, the appreciation of our freedoms and guaranties, has produced millions of Sam Bowdens who are willing to drain their heart streams dry in order that America may live.

As other Sam Bowdens are being called upon day and night and the several tomorrows to come to pay the extreme sacrifice, may we, as individuals, be shocked into our responsibilities as Americans and reminded of our duty towards our heroic sons in Service? Can we do less than to forego all expenditures for pleasure and non essentials in order that we may send our dollars into the fight along side of our young men and women. There is really a big job that all of us can do and do now and that is buy every bond that the Government has to sell during the Fifth War Loan Drive. You have sent your boy, and your girl in many instances, into battle — surely you do not hold more sacred the idle dollars that crowd your pocket and bank account. You are not in the front line but you are in support and your country is now calling for the reserves to come up. Get these reserves out of the bank, out of the sock, out of the very fruit jar and report them for duty. After all you are not giving one cent. You are investing in the finest security on earth, the earlier return of your child to the peace of home from the infernos of battle.

Former Local Resident Completes Course

Ensign Ronald A. Basinger, formerly with the Wells-Oates Lumber Co., here in Kenansville, has recently completed a specialized course of instruction at the U. S. Naval Frontier Base in Charleston, S. C.

Report Full Supply Of Cotton Bloom

C. H. Williams of Ft. 1, Rome Hill, writes the Times that in his cotton patch one can find a full supply of 1944 blooms.

Town, County Officials Will Discuss Tax Collections, At New Bern

A series of eighteen district meetings for town and county tax collectors and attorneys is now being held throughout the State, under the auspices of the Institute of Government of the University of North Carolina. Albert Coates, Director of the Institute, has pointed out that these meetings should be of particular interest to town and county tax collectors, attorneys, accountants, mayors, managers, chairmen of boards of county commissioners, etc. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss matters of local taxation and possible improvement of the tax laws.

WARSAW'S FIRST CASUALTY



SAMUEL RUFUS BOWDEN, JR. His Life And Character

By Mrs. Henry Middleton My fine young friend and neighbor, Samuel R. Bowden, Jr., was born Dec. 28, 1923, near Warsaw, N. C. He attended N. C. State College and Presbyterian Junior College at Maxton, N. C. He entered the Army at Ft. Bragg on April 25, 1943. From there he was sent to Camp Wheeler, Ga., where he received basic training in Infantry. He was transferred to Ft. Meade, Md., where he stayed for a few weeks. He landed in North Africa some time in Oct. 1943 and from there went to Italy. On Jan. 6, 1944, he was wounded and received the Purple Heart, Infantry Badge, Campaign Medal, and Good Conduct Medal. He was killed in action on May 23, 1944 in Italy. He was the son of Sarah McGirt and S. R. Bowden, Sr.; and the brother of four sisters, Sarah, Nell, Dorothy, and Ann, all of Warsaw, N. C. Sam endeared himself to me by his close association with my boy, George. He was such a likeable boy. Seldom do I find a boy with so many fine traits of character. He was always full of life and fun;

still, he was gentle, kind and considerate of others; even sacrificing his own ease and comfort if he knew it would add pleasure or be of any help to a friend. I looked forward to Sam's visits as though he were my own son. There is a vacancy in our home now, which makes me sympathize more deeply with mothers and fathers who have their dear boys in this terrible struggle. I have never known Sam to hold malice, hatred, or ill will towards any one. He made one feel that there was something good in every one. He loved his home and called his mother "his best girl." In a letter to me from Italy, he said, "I landed in North Africa, came on through Sicily, and now in Italy, I tell you, I wouldn't give Duplin County for the whole thing." So he loved Duplin too. The friendships of life are the most treasured things that come to us. My fine young friend has gone from me and my heart sorrows at his going; yet my life has been enriched because I have been privileged to share in his friendships.

WARSAW MILL GUTTED BY FLAME

The Warsaw Flour and Feed Mill suffered a tremendous loss of equipment and grain Friday night when it was gutted by fire, one of the worse in Warsaw in many months.

J. C. Surratt, owner of the mill, which is a comparatively new enterprise in Warsaw, reported the loss to run into the thousands although the equipment was not completely demolished. The fire, which started in the feed room annex, was of mysterious origin.

The Warsaw Fire Department was called immediately to the scene and soon had the leaping flames under control. Fireman Clyde Surratt suffered painful cuts on his arm which required 15 stitches to close the wound.

Johnnie Pecora Graduates From Marine School

Quantic, Va. June 22—Marine Second Lieutenant John Louis Pecora, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silvio Pecora, of Bowden, graduated recently from the 47th Officers' Training Class, Marine Corps Schools, here.

Active in football and baseball at N. C. U., Chapel Hill, Lt. Pecora enlisted in the Marines on March 9, 1942. He joined the Officers' Candidate Class March 1, 1943 from Camp Lejeune and was commissioned Second Lt May 24.

The meeting for Carteret, Cranven, Jones, Duplin, Lenoir, Onslow, and Pamlico Counties will be held at the County Courthouse in New Bern at 3 p. m. Tuesday, June 27, 1944.

MAKE D-DAY V-DAY

Women between the ages of 20 and 50, American citizens, without dependents under 14 and with a minimum of two years' high school, are eligible for enlistment in the Woman's Army Corps.

In cases where substitutive qualifications exist, the educational requirements may be waived. Mrs. Ines G. Bosny, Civilian Recruiter for Kenansville and vicinity, states that now that the long awaited thrust in Europe has begun, H Hour and D Day is here now for the women of our country.

With the ever increasing casualties mounting daily, women are needed not only as replacements, but must be ready trained to care for the wounded, the crippled and maimed.

Enlistment in the WAC will help materially in turning D-Day into V-Day.

Dr. W. H. Carter To Speak MONUMENT DEDICATION

Dr. William H. Carter, Special Representative of the Woodmen of the World, of Goldsboro, will be the principal speaker at the dedication and unveiling ceremonies to be held at the Cemetery near Magnolia on Sunday, June 25th, at 2:30 o'clock, when a monument will be unveiled and dedicated to the memory of the late Sovereign Jacob H. Chestnut.

The Magnolia and Rose Hill Camps of the Woodmen of the World will have charge of and participate in these impressive and beautiful ceremonies.

The late Sovereign Chestnut was an active member of Tuberosa Camp No. 327 for twenty years.

Love, Honor, or something Mrs. — Several men proposed to me before I married you. Mr. — Why didn't you marry the first fool that came along? Mrs. — I did.

Severe Heat Wave Broken With A Rain Worth A Million Dollars

TO BOND BUYERS

The Kenansville District is composed of Smith, Glisson, Albertson, and Kenansville Townships.

To insure proper credit for the district and for the sponsor of the Ship-Christening, buy your bonds from an issuing agent in this district.

Ella L. Gooding, chairman 5th War Loan Kenansville District.

Seymour Johnson Field is furnishing a 30-piece Band for the Rally and Demonstration of the Fifth War Loan Drive which is being held at Kenansville Monday morning, July 3rd, at 10:30.

Prizes such as Hams, load of Wood, ton of Coal, and many other valuable and worthwhile prizes have been donated for the event.

We are hoping that the people of Duplin and other counties will attend the rally and that many thousands of dollars will be put into War Bonds on that day.

PROMOTED TO CPL.

The promotion of Pfc. William F. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Powell of Wallace, to that of Corporal, has been announced by the headquarters of the Ninth Air Force Service Command unit to which he is attached. Prior to entering the Armed Forces in December 1940, Cpl. Powell was engaged in farm work.

INJURIES FATAL TO ROSE HILL SEAMAN

P. S. Newton, Jr., 27, Navy pharmacist mate, first class, died in a hospital in Lapiata, Md., Saturday at 8 p. m. as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident near there on June 9.

Newton, son of Mrs. P. S. Newton, joined the Navy in 1937 and recently returned from 19 months submarine service off the coast of Australia. He was stationed at the U. S. Naval air station, Patuxent River, Md., where he and Mrs. Newton made their home. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Genelle Rouse, of Teacher, his mother, Mrs. P. S. Newton, Sr., of Rose Hill; three sisters, Mrs. L. E. Smith of Savannah, Ga., Mrs. P. R. Rouse of Rose Hill, and Mrs. Charles Teachey, Jr., of Rose Hill. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning at 11 in Mt. Zion Church in Rose Hill. Burial followed in Rose Hill cemetery.

ROSE HILL BOND RALLY TO BE TOMORROW

Rose Hill will put on a Bond Rally tomorrow and a band from Seymour Johnson Field will be there to furnish entertainment. They expect to put their quota of \$80,000 over during the rally.

Daughter Former Kenansville Couple Killed in Accident

Margaret Ann Bendall killed in Auto Accident; Lived in Kenansville and Warsaw.

Funeral was conducted in Petersburg, Va., recently for Margaret Ann Bendall, 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bendall. She was instantly killed in an automobile accident on highway 301 between Stoney Creek and Jarrete, Va.

The car in which Miss Bendall was riding with several other young people struck an open culvert after being forced off the highway by two large trucks that were attempting to pass each other. The impact threw the Bendall girl through the windshield, severing her jugular vein.

Surviving are her father, J. R. Bendall of Weldon; her mother, Mrs. Margaret Bendall of Petersburg; two sisters, Bobby and Mary Frances and a brother, Dickie, all of Jarrete, Va.

Mr. Bendall came to Kenansville with the Duplin Times when the Printing Plant was moved from Weldon and worked here for some time. He lived part of the time in Kenansville and part in Warsaw.

Rotarians Hear Jack Glisson

The Warsaw Rotary Club held its weekly luncheon last Thursday with Jack Glisson as the speaker. Jack talked on Industrial Insurance, its purposes and advantages. Stacy Britt was received as a new member, making a total of 17 members.

Thermometers Here Said 110 Degrees; Rain Fell Generally Over County; Lightning Strikes One Farmer; Hail and Wind Damaged Few Crops.

People as well as crops received a long awaited break Monday afternoon when the elements turned loose with wind, rain, lightning, thunder and hail. When surveyed the next day a million dollar rain had descended upon all the county, lightning struck Remus Outlaw in the Scott's Store section, but he lived to tell the story. Some crops were damaged by hail and wind, every telephone line in the county was reported put out of commission but everyone was walking around with a big smile.

A drought which set in about a month ago had played havoc with the crops. Tobacco was burning up in the fields, and truck crops were damaged and corn shiveling up. Last week a severe heat wave set in with thermometers in Kenansville touching 110 degrees over the week end. Monday about mid-afternoon clouds came up and Kenansville and east received a good seasoner while other sections of the county received a light fall. Some hail fell but no serious damage was done. About five o'clock rain set in again and in every section of the county it fell almost steadily until past midnight.

Some hail damage was reported around Faison, Magnolia, Wallace and Chinquapin. Joe Wood's tobacco and corn crop at Chinquapin suffered its second hail damage this season.

It is reported that every telephone line in the county was put out of commission and linemen were working until after midnight to get service restored. Last night about midnight a storm struck in Kenansville and another heavy rain fell for about an hour.

DUPLIN WAR BOND DRIVE IS LAGGING

Chairman, J. C. Thompson of the Duplin Fifth War Loan Drive says that we are lagging behind and double efforts must be put forth if Duplin is to reach her quota of over a half million. To date about \$130,000 has been sold.

Tobacco Housed in Duplin This Week

A report from the B. F. Grady section said that one farmer put in his first barn of tobacco Monday. It was burning up on the stalks and he decided he might save some by housing now. This is probably one of the earliest housings ever known in this county.

CORRECTION

An ad appearing on an inside Page, advertising "Hi-Mate", Musical Comedy to be given in Warsaw on June 30th, reads admission by Bond. This is an error. It should read: ADMISSION BY \$1.00 WAR STAMP OR BY BOND.

Rer Store Terrors Defeat Beulaville

Last Sunday afternoon the Red Store-Terrors traveled down to Beulaville and defeated the Beulaville nine by a seven to four decision. It was a tight game all the way through. Beulaville, was leading 3 to 0 until the fourth, when the Terrors collected two runs and in the fifth, they took another to tie the game at 3-all. In the sixth inning the Terrors struck again and came in with four more runs, taking a lead of 7 to 3. Beulaville got one more run and the game ended with the Terrors on top 7 to 4.

Cates Ships Pickles To Army and Navy

The boys in service seem to like Cates' pickles and relishes. Last week and this the following were shipped to the quartermaster depots: two cars to Memphis, Tenn., and three cars to Boston. Mr. Chas. W. Cates, father of A. P., and brother of Roy, has been in Faison for the past few weeks looking after the plant. Roy, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis is recuperating in the Veterans Hospital and A. P., is in South Carolina supervising the new plant they have recently built there.

Never Seaman — Do you believe that kissing is unhealthy?

Kate — I really never. Seaman — Never been kissed? Kate — Never been sick.