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ARMISTICE CELEBRATION NOW UNDER WAY IN WARSAW

There is a big thrill awaiting everyone in Warsaw on Monday, November 12, 1945, when the Charles R. Gavin Post, No. 127, of the American Legion, will stage its annual armistice day celebration and you should come early and remain late in order that your day will be packed with marvelous entertainment and that you may join the multitude in paying tribute to the heroes of Duplin County who have so valiantly sacrificed their time and their lives in the European, Asiatic, and Pacific wars as well as the veterans of the first World War.

It is fitting that this occasion should be a joyous and fun filled celebration after the hardships which even the civilian population have undergone and to that end time and money have not been spared by the Legion in order that this should be the largest and best celebration ever staged.

So be sure that you come and bring your friends with you for this gala occasion and help us to have an marvelous time. Beginning early that morning with the Carnival which is brought to us by the R and S Amusements Co., and will be located at the side and rear of Frank Thomas' Filling Station and by the Town Hall. You will find on the lot amusements for both old and young. Shows, Wheels, Chairs, Octapuss, small cars and many other rides as well as free acts staged by the management.

At ten o'clock the parade will assemble at the Grammar School under the management of Commander Ralph Jones, assisted by Jean Thompson and Edgar Pollock, in line of march led by the Color Guard and the Color bearers followed by Distinguished guests, marvelous fifty-six-piece band of Ft. Bragg, the veterans of World War II, field pieces and other weapons, a detachment of forty six women Marines from Camp Lejeune, veterans of World War I, a float of captured Japanese weapons, a War Dog act, Girl and Boy Scouts, the E. M. I. Cadet Corps and their band and then other floats and School Children. The parade will pass the Fair Grounds and proceed up College Street and down Main Street to Pollock and then around the block and by the Legion Hut in review at 10:45, and there everyone will assemble. All stores and other places of business in the Town will close their doors at 10:30 and remain closed until 12 Noon.

On the porch of the American Legion Hut the distinguished guests will be seated and after a few band selections, to the Colors will be played and the flag raised at 11:00 A. M. which will be followed by the Invocation and then an address by the speaker of the Day, the Honorable Graham A. Barden, member of Congress from this District. He is a magnetic speaker and always has something to say that will strike the keynote in every heart.

Immediately after the address and a few band selections, a War Bond Rally will be held under the leadership of the efficient County Chairman, Jean C. Thompson. Many varied, useful and handsome prizes will be given at that time and the auction will be conducted by Bill Dudley and Bill Hines.

At this point the American Legion will hold open house for its members in honor of the veterans of World War II and enjoy a barbecue.

During the afternoon acts will be staged by veterans of Camp Lejeune which will be of interest to everyone and especially those of us who have a son, daughter, or relative in the services. The Carnival and all the stores will at that time be open for your pleasure, profit and enjoyment. Ample provisions are being made by the Cafes and other organizations to insure that you will be adequately and satisfactorily fed during your day in Warsaw.

of Self-propelled Howitzers and 20 Scout Cars. of the 13th Air Borne Division and a display of the First Army (CONTINUED ON BACK)

Beulaville School Building Destroyed By Fire; Auxiliary Buildings Saved

Largest School In County Destroyed; Plan Resume Classes Nov. 19th.

Fire of undetermined origin gutted the Beulaville Consolidated School Tuesday night, causing a damage estimated at \$65,000, of which only \$55,000 was covered by insurance. Volunteers and firemen from Warsaw, Kinston, Jacksonville and Camp Lejeune saved the nearby gymnasium, auditorium, agricultural building and teacherage. Lack of water doomed the school building. The fire was well advanced when it was discovered.

Authorities are planning to resume classes on November 19 in the gym and auditorium. A large quantity of furniture, including an almost new refrigerator was saved. A barn near the school caught fire twice but was saved. Bucket brigades help protect adjacent buildings.

A meeting of the Duplin Schoolmaster's Club was held in the building Tuesday night but had adjourned about three hours before the blaze was discovered. About 1,000 pupils attended the school.

Water pressure was at an all-time low, firemen declared, making it impossible to "effectively" fight the flames in the main building. Kinston firemen directed the organization of volunteers for the protection of other buildings.

A new heating plant had just been installed and school authorities were planning to rewire the building and put on a new roof in the near future and add 8 rooms to the building. The Beulaville plant was the largest school in the county. Supt. Johnson stated that the auditorium gymnasium and agricultural building could be petitioned off to make 25 rooms and necessary furniture and equipment has been ordered. All permanent records were destroyed.

Midway Attractions

The Midway attraction at this week's American Legion Fall Festival and Victory Celebration at Warsaw are again presented for the third consecutive year by the popular R and S Amusement Co., a North Carolina amusement enterprise which has its winter quarters in Wilmington. It is owned and managed by Jimmy Gafferty from that city, one of the most popular of all outdoor showmen and who has many friends here in this section.

The R and S midway this year is much larger and far greater than in former years and most of the rides are new, including the Sky Rocket, which is a real "thriller". The Ferris Wheel, mile a minute ride; Tilt a Whirl; Merry Round; Chair-o-plane; Dive bomber; Whip; Caterpillar; Hi Yo Yellows; and others are popular. The "Pin Up Girls" review features beautiful models in attractive poses and Art Spencer thrills the crowds in the "Globe of Death" motorcrome when he battles four fighting lions and rides at break-neck speed on the steep walls of the Drome at every performance. There are other big shows and plenty of fun for everybody — children as well as youngsters.

Every night at 10:30 and Saturday and Monday afternoons at 4 P. M., a free thrill circus is staged on the midway of the R and S Amusements during its Warsaw engagement. The famous "All-American Thrill Girls, Jackie and Jean Teeter, perform sensational and death defying stunts 125 feet in midair on high steel ladders climaxing their exciting exhibition with a thrilling 500 "slide for life" from the top of the steel ladders of the ground below.

The R and S Amusements midway will be open tonight and continues on Saturday, Victory Celebration Day, and Monday, Armistice Day, from 10:00 AM until midnight.

RETURNS TO HOSPITAL



SGT. JOSEPH GRADY

Above is Sgt. Joseph Grady, who recently spent a 30-day convalescent leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anson A. Grady of Rt. 2, Warsaw. He returned to the United States Naval Hospital, Ward No. 10, Portsmouth, Va.

Sgt. Grady entered service in November, 1940. After training at Parris Island, S. C., and Quantico, Va., he served until October, 1943 in Puerto Rico and Trinidad, B. W. I. He spent several months at Camp Lejeune, taking an extensive course in machine-gun practice.

He left for the Pacific in July, 1944, where he was wounded in the Okinawa campaign on May 29, 1945. He holds the following ribbons: The American Defense, The American Theatre, Asiatic-Pacific, and The Good Conduct Medal and The Purple Heart.

Sgt. G. D. McDonald Gets His Discharge

Sgt. G. D. McDonald was recently discharged from the Air Forces from the separation center at Shreveport, La., after three years in service. He is now in Warsaw with his wife, the former Miss Mary Hodges, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mills Hodges, along with his young son, Jerry. In a few weeks he and his family will go to his home in De Quincey, La., where they will make their home.

STEVENS PRAISES WORK OF LEGION

Jurist Says Day Will Come When Veterans Will Fill All Public Offices.

Chapel Hill, Nov. 1. — The 2,300,000 Legionnaires in the United States were responsible for bringing pressure on Congress to create the Veterans' Administration, Judge Henry L. Stevens, of Warsaw, former national commander of the American Legion, told veterans of both World War I and II in an address in Memorial Hall at the University of North Carolina last night.

The Legion, he said, also was responsible in large part for getting such bills through Congress as the veterans' rehabilitation program, the GI Bill of Rights, and Unemployment Compensation. "With assets amounting to \$100,000,000, we have leaders all over the country from President Truman in the White House to the village smithy in Warsaw", he said.

Judge Stevens was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Durham and Chapel Hill "40 and 8" of the American Legion which held a banquet in the N. C. Cafeteria prior to the public address in Memorial Hall.

Describing the work of the Legion to the young World War II veterans enrolled in the University under the GI Bill, Judge Stevens said that despite "political rebuff when it was first formed, the Legion survived, concentrating its efforts in its earliest days on improving the lot of incapacitated veterans and the families of war casualties.

"We've never asked for anything unfair or unjust — just things we feel are necessary, and thus we have the power to push them through.

"There will come a time soon," he declared, "when only men in public office will be those wearing veterans' buttons."

Outlaw's Bridge A. U. W. To Meet Saturday

The Outlaw's Bridge A. U. W. will meet Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. J. H. Parker. All members are urged to be present at the meeting.

Outlaw's Bridge Army Flyer Killed In Plane Crash October 31st.

Major Wallace Named Service Officer

New Duties To Begin First of Year; Now Provost Marshall At Miami Beach, Fla.

Major Joe Wallace, for the past 41 months in the services of the Armed Forces and at present Provost Marshall at Miami Beach, Monday was named Duplin County Service Officer by the County Board of Commissioners. Major Wallace is expected to be released from the Army around the first of the year, and if he decides to accept the position will take over his new duties at that time.

The following resolution was passed by the Board of Commissioners Monday:

NORTH CAROLINA, DUPLIN COUNTY, Before the Board of Commissioners 11 - 5 - 45

At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on this day, all members present and voting in the affirmative, it was ordered that Major Joseph B. Wallace be and is hereby appointed County Service Officer for Duplin County, beginning January 1, 1946. Also ordered that Major Wallace be requested to avail himself, if possible, of a Service Officers Training School to be held in Chapel Hill, N. C., November 25 through November 30, 1945.

By order of the Board this 5th day of November, 1945.

L. P. Wells, Chairman. It is not known here whether Major Wallace will accept the appointment.

Receives Discharge

S/Sgt. David W. Barnette, son of John W. Barnette of Warsaw, received his discharge on Oct. 7th, after serving more than five years, of which twenty-two months were spent overseas in action. He is now living with his sister at her home near Warsaw.

IN TOKYO



OTTIS J. SIMPSON

Ottis J. Simpson S 1c, USNR, of Beulaville, writes his family that his ship, the U. S. S. COWPENS, was the first carrier to enter Tokyo Bay and Sayami, and has now returned to the States without damage.

He also mentioned that his skipper, Capt. H. S. Duckworth, was one of the first men to land on the Jap Homeland. They also were with Comdr. Harold Stassen, who took charge of the liberation of prisoners of war in the Tokyo area.

His ship was the first carrier ever to enter the China Sea. The Cowpens is now in San Deigo for a short while and then back to Pearl Harbor for a few days.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Marriage licenses issued, this week by the Office of the Register of Deeds were to: George Giles and Janet Dobson (W). James Henry Wilson and Willie May Williams (C). and Joseph and Louise Sullivan (W).

Tax collections during the month of October 1945 were \$90,578.42

McGOWEN IN HOSPITAL

Faison W. McGowen is a patient in the Goldsboro Hospital. He is suffering with a back ailment.

PROCLAMATION

THAT WHEREAS it has come to the attention of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Warsaw that Monday, November 12th is a legal holiday by Act of Congress.

AND WHEREAS in order that the Armistice Day Celebration this year will not only celebrate the victory of World War One but also the victories in the Pacific and European Theaters of War which so many of our valiant citizens have fought and died.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power in me vested as Mayor of the Town of Warsaw, I do proclaim and declare a legal holiday and all stores and places of business within the limits of the Town of Warsaw shall close their doors and cease to do all business at 10:30 A. M., and remain closed until 12 Noon, on said date.

Done at Warsaw, N. C., this 6th day of November, 1945.

A. J. Jenkins, Mayor. Dorcas B. Rogers, Clerk.

Chinquapin Seaman

Returns To Pearl Harbor Marlon Allen Wilkens, motor machinist's mate, 2/c, of Chinquapin, and other crewmen of the repair ship the USS ULYSSES, have returned to Pearl Harbor to continue in the "repair business" -- working ships damaged in the recent typhoon at Okinawa. The Ulysses came through without serious damage, although she lost her anchor three times before the wind abated. After the third anchor was lost, a fourth was shackled to the remaining chain and, by continual maneuvering of the ship to ease the strain, the last anchor held.

Lt. Tyson Mewborn, (Jg), naval flyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses T. Mewborn of the Outlaw's Bridge section was instantly killed in the crash of a transport plane near Page, Okla., on Oct. 31.

Young Mewborn was engaged in ferrying planes from a Florida base to points in Oklahoma. He was returning as a passenger on the transport plane after delivering his plane to its destination. After another trip he was expecting to join his family in Wayne and this county.

His wife, the former Miss Mary Alice Harper and baby daughter, Andrea, had just come from Florida.

Lt. Mewborn was married about a year ago.

Surviving in addition to his wife and child are his parents and one sister, Miss Louise Mewborn of Goldsboro.

The body arrived at the Tyndall Funeral Home in Mt. Olive accompanied by officer escort. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon.

Lt. Mewborn graduated from B. F. Grady, took pre-flight training in Athens, Ga. Additional training in Va., Texas and Fla. He also served in the Pacific area on combat duty. Since returning to the States he had been stationed at Quonset Point, R. I., and Daytona Beach, Fla.

November 11-17 Is 'Legion Week'

Governor Cherry has proclaimed the week of November 11-17 as American Legion Week in North Carolina.

Calling upon the public to cooperate in the Legion's enrollment campaign during the week, the Governor pointed out that the American Legion "is taking the lead in observing Armistice Day as the event of one of the greatest triumphs in our history and a day on which all should resolve to make more and greater sacrifices to speed up reconversion and the proper rehabilitation of all returning veterans of World War II."

The Governor added that the American Legion's "great rehabilitation, child welfare, and Americanism programs, together with the Legion's junior baseball, oratorical contests, school awards, Boys' State, and many other worthy activities, are entitled to receive more and greater support from all Legionnaires and citizens generally throughout the State."

Father Wallace People Dies

C. F. Garriss, 65, of Watha, died unexpectedly Friday morning at his home following a heart attack. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Watha Free Will Baptist Church. Interment was in the family cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mattie Burnett; and nine children, Austin of Greensboro, Carr of the Navy, in the Philippines, Elton of the Navy, in Maryland, Mrs. Allen Norris and Mrs. Joe Cavenaugh, both of Wallace, and Mrs. A. C. Wheeler and T. W., L. W., and Charles, all of Watha.

NATION'S MOST COMPLETELY EQUIPPED KILN AT N. C. STATE



Raleigh, Nov. 5. — The Global electric kiln in the Department of Ceramic Engineering at N. C. State College (shown above) is the most completely equipped instrument of its kind in the entire country. Dr. A. F. Greaves-Walker, head of the College's Department of Ceramic Engineering, is

shown adjusting some material which is being processed by the kiln. The kiln, which is capable of attaining a temperature of 2,750 degrees F., is equipped with electronic tubes which automatically control its operation. The kiln was installed in the laboratory of the department during the

war for the purpose of carrying on an important research project on radio and radar insulators for the Army Signal Corps. It will now be used by the faculty for research and for instructing students in the firing of ceramic products by electricity.