

V-J Day 1 . . . V-J Day 2 - Peace In Our Day

The world looked back on a year of freedom from global war yesterday, August 14. It has been a critical year and dramatic year, in many senses more critical and dramatic than the horrendous years that preceded it. The United States, together with other nations, has spent the past 12 months struggling to set its feet back on the highway to peace and security. It cannot engage in this struggle without the deeply-etched reminiscences of the dark and bloody times that were encompassed by Pearl Harbor and Okinawa.



THERE WAS MORTAR FIRE on the black beaches deep into the volcanic sand. This August, 1946, two of two Jima, for the Marine (left), his face plunged and many of its grim sister islands of the Pacific are silent monuments to American valor and sacrifice. On the white beaches of the United States the veteran (right), remembering, but alive and at home again. (Official U. S. Navy Photo.)

78 Cases Docketed For Court

A docket of 78 cases has been scheduled for next week's term of criminal court in the Orange county superior court with Judge Clawton L. Williams presiding, Ed Lynch, clerk of court, announced this week.

Heading the cases is the trial of W. T. Wingate, smooth-talking South Carolina man charged with obtaining money under false pretenses.

Wanted in a number of North and South Carolina towns for taking orders for clothes, securing a deposit in some instances up to 25 percent, and then not making delivery, Wingate was arrested in West Hillsboro by Carl Hurley, recently appointed deputy sheriff for West Hillsboro, on a suspicion charge.

It has been estimated by SBI officials that Wingate fleeced North Carolina merchants out of "thousands of dollars." Since his arrest several weeks ago, he has been held in the Orange county jail here.

Another case expected to attract a lot of attention is a manslaughter charge against Howard Duncan, West Hillsboro man. Duncan was the driver of a pick-up truck in which two West Hillsboro men—Archie Hicks and Garland King—met their death.

Other cases on the docket are: Willie Andrew Bradshaw, crime against nature; J. C. Carr, driving drunk; John T. Johnston, reckless driving; Thomas A. Henry, driving drunk; T. B. Wilkerson, Jr., driving drunk; Charlie McBroom, driving drunk; John W. Jeffries, driving drunk; Samuel J. Whittington, nonsupport; Ped Neville, illegal possession of intoxicating beverages and did sell same; Leola Foust, illegal possession of intoxicating

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Feed Shortage About Over, Says Tilson

The animal feed shortage, which has plagued farmers of this section for months and which until recently was the most serious in this country's history, is about over, according to C. W. Tilson, general manager of the Farmers Mutual Exchange in Durham.

Practically all feed materials and grains have started moving through normal channels to manufacturers and distributors of feeds. Although many of these feed grains and materials were too high when ceilings first were removed, Tilson said, they are now settling down rapidly toward a reasonable feed and livestock ratio.

Reasons Given

The rather sudden improvement in the feed picture is generally credited to the progressive development of prospects for bumper feed grain production this season, some reduction in livestock and poultry numbers, and to the expiration of price ceilings on farm products.

Feed manufacturers, Tilson said, are certain that feed supplies will be so large that at no time during the coming year will the cost of feeds in a free market become unreasonably high.

Corn Crop High

This prediction is based primarily on the U. S. Department of Agriculture's report of July 15 which estimates a record corn crop of almost three and a half billion bushels. Feed men say indications are it will be not only the largest corn crop in history but of high quality as well. Corn is the basic ingredient in feed, representing 75 to 80 per cent of all grains normally used in producing meat, milk, and eggs.

In addition, a near record of 1,741,000,000 bushels of oats is indicated for this year, Tilson said. To this must be added one of the largest carry-overs of oats on record.

"The unusually large feed supply at hand, plus the information that Canada may soon be seeking an outlet for some of her surplus grains here, means an increased production of meat, dairy and poultry products," Tilson pointed out. "This production boost should help to prevent any inflationary prices for these commodities."

TO ORGANIZE N.D.C. FOR WEST HILLSBORO

A meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Doris Whitfield on Friday, August 30, at 3 p.m. for the purpose of organizing a home demonstration club for the women of West Hillsboro.

Over 2,000 Veterans In Orange Benefit Under Terminal Pay Bill

Over 2,000 veterans in Orange county will receive benefits from the recently enacted terminal pay bill for enlisted men. Orange county draft board reported that it had records of 2,530 men from Orange county who served in the armed forces during World War II. "A number of other men in the county served," Miss Fay Jones, clerk to the board, said, "but we do not have any record of them."

It was conservatively estimated that approximately 2,000 men would receive money for furlough time they did not receive while a member of the armed forces. The 2,000 estimate was believed conservative in some instances, many believing the number would approach 3,000.

The bill as passed by congress and signed into law last week by President Truman provides \$2,700,000,000 for distribution to enlisted men who had accumulated leave. Officers for many years have received terminal pay.

The payments will be made to enlisted personnel of the armed forces who have served at any time between September 8, 1939, and September 1, 1946. They will be paid, up to a limit of 120 days, for the number of days leave due at the rate of two and one-half days per month, minus the number of days actually taken.

Payment will be at the rate of the last grade held, plus 70 cents per day for subsistence. In the case of persons with dependents in the three highest pay grades, an additional \$1.25 per day will be allowed.

300 Attend Night Program Closing West Hill Frolic

Nearly 300 West Hillsboro citizens packed their way into the auditorium of the West Hillsboro school Saturday night for the final exercises in the afternoon and night program of fun and frolic sponsored by the West Hillsboro civic organization.

Dr. O. David Garvin, district health officer, was the principal speaker for the occasion which featured talks, songs, music and presentation of awards and a \$25 government bond.

Stressing preventive medicine in his talk, Dr. Garvin pointed out the necessity of sanitation, vaccination and observance of the general rules of good health. He was introduced by Sidney Green who served as master of ceremonies.

Awards were presented to the following: Roland Holden and Dewey Collins, winners of the sack race; Bobby Riley, potato race; Davis Wagner and Roland Holden, first and second in watermelon eating contest; Charles Andrews, potato scramble; Melvin James, walking contest; Charlie Keck, hog calling contest; Mrs. E. D. Young, husband calling; Mrs. Annie Hardee, rolling pin and balloon-blowing contests.

They were each presented prizes contributed by merchants of West Hillsboro. Mrs. J. W. Richmond

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Grange Group Is Organized At New Hope

Friday night, August 9, an open Grange meeting was held at New Hope Hut. G. O. Reitzel, Orange County Grange Deputy, introduced the principal speaker, Mrs. Harry B. Caldwell, Master of North Carolina State Grange.

Following Mrs. Caldwell's talk, Don S. Matheson, County Farm Agent, discussed the proposed establishment of freezer locker plants in Hillsboro and Chapel Hill. It was decided by those present to organize a Grange at New Hope. J. R. Pulley was elected Master; Christine Cates, Secretary and Treasurer; and Miss Mary Hogan Lecturer. Other officers will be elected at next meeting.

The next meeting of the Grange will be held Wednesday night, August 21, 8 o'clock at which time Mrs. Harry B. Caldwell will again be present.

Cold Plant Drive Still In Progress

Movement to secure enough signers for freezer locker plants in Chapel Hill and Hillsboro this week had exceeded the one-third mark in Chapel Hill and the one-quarter mark in Hillsboro with new signers being reported every day, leaders in the two efforts reported.

Farmers-Mutual Exchange, needing 200 farm users and 100 town users of a freezer locker plant, has indicated its desire to construct in both areas a plant if enough support were received to merit construction.

In a farm news letter sent out from the farm agent's office this week the following statement was made concerning the drive to secure signers willing to make a \$15 deposit for one year's rent for lockers:

"There is danger of losing our freezer locker plants. Don't let it happen. Act now! While quite a few have already paid their year's rental in advance, there are still a great number to be signed up before you will be assured of a freezer locker plant in Chapel Hill and Hillsboro. You are not asked to buy stock in this plant, but only

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Assistant School Head Is Employed

G. T. Proffit, former district principal and acting superintendent of schools in Harnett county, Monday assumed the duties of assistant superintendent of schools in Orange county. R. H. Clayton is superintendent of schools.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina, class of 1926, Proffit had been connected with the Harnett county school system for 12 years before accepting the position here.

His wife is teaching science at Campbell College, Buies Creek, and will not join him here until a later date. At present, Proffit is staying in the home of G. W. Ray, county accountant, until he can locate a place here to live.

Forest Fires On Decrease For 3 Years

A steady decrease in the number of forest fires in Orange county has been recorded for the past three years, P. H. Johns, county fire warden, reported this week.

Johns last week returned from a two-day conference of fire wardens in this district. The conference was held in Rocky Mount and featured discussion of law enforcement and viewing demonstrations of various phases of their work. Rocky Mount is headquarters for wardens of District 5 of the State Forest Service.

At the meeting an equipment demonstration was given by J. R. Spratt of Raleigh, assistant state forester. J. W. Keel, Rocky Mount attorney, spoke to the group on law enforcement.

A demonstration of fire line plowing and a movie on warden training was included in the program. P. W. Tillman of Raleigh, forest inspector, spoke on phone education and public relations work.

Enforcement Is Aid

In pointing out that the number of forest fires in the county has steadily decreased for the past three years, Johns attributed the decrease to strict law enforcement.

"Burning permits are strictly required for all types of burning over 50 yards from a building," he said. A person is liable for conviction on a misdemeanor charge if found guilty of violating the burning regulations, he asserted.

He urged that Orange county citizens discovering forest fires burning in their sections contact him immediately.

It is our desire, he said, to discover fires as soon as possible and to do all in our power to prevent valuable woods from being destroyed.

TRANSFERRED TO CALIFORNIA

Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate Harry Gates, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gates of Hillsboro, has been transferred from the Naval Air Station in Memphis, Tenn., to San Diego, Calif. Enroute to his new post, he and his wife spent 17 days in Hillsboro visiting his parents.

Farm Tour Scheduled In Schley, St. Marys Thursday Afternoon

By DON S. MATHESON, County Agent

Thursday afternoon Orange County farmers will go on a tour of several farms in the Schley and St. Marys communities. Leaving the county agent's office in Hillsboro at 2 o'clock, we will first go to the dairy farm of G. O. and Fred Reitzel. This farm was one of the first in the county to be 100 percent mechanized. There are no horses or mules on the farm, all

work being done by tractor and electricity.

4-H Youths Are Attending Short Course

Thirteen 4-H Club members left Monday morning, August 12, to attend Short Course at State College in Raleigh. It is expected that some 1200 to 1500 4-H Club boys and girls will assemble at the college for this educational event, it was announced.

The morning period of each day is being devoted to instructions in 4-H organization, citizenship, health, family relationship. These courses are taught by college professors and members of the Extension staff at the college. The afternoon program consists of team demonstrations, campus tours, and visits to the various places of interest in the capital city. Evenings are devoted to entertainment and recreation.

Those attending Short Course from Orange county are: Hubert Durham, Tommie Bradshaw, Curtis Whitfield, Henry Cate, Wade Whitfield, Ben Lloyd, Stanford Whitfield, Marie Lloyd, Doris Taylor, Jane Cate, Clyde Young, J. E. Grasty, Jr., and Dorothy Hogan.

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Tobacco Crop Nearing Stage To Be Placed In Warehouses

Orange county's good quality tobacco crop is rapidly nearing the stage where it will be ready to be placed on the warehouse floors and offered for sale in a market which has progressively become better as additional belts begin sales.

A few farmers in the county were this week making plans for trips to the border belts which are now open. Don S. Matheson, county farm agent, said that a survey through all sections of the tobacco producing areas of the county show a "quality crop" this year.

"The good seasons we have had this year," he continued, "have materially affected the growth and preparation of the tobacco. The crop has ripened normally and indications are for a 900 to 1,000 pound acre average for the county."

Although the tobacco is heavier than at one time was expected during the early part of the season, the crop on an average is still lighter than it has been in prior years, it was pointed out.

If the present price trends continue, Orange county should have a \$2,000,000 tobacco crop, growers have said.

Rent Signup On Monday

Raleigh—An estimated 2,000 rented dwelling units in Orange County must be registered with the Chapel Hill Rent Control Office beginning Monday, August 19, at 9 o'clock, J. Frank McInnis, District Rent Executive, said today.

Final plans have been completed for the registration and full instructions were made available today. Every rented dwelling quarters must be registered before September 1.

McInnis said that personnel from other rent offices will be in Chapel Hill to help in the registration beginning Monday so that "those who can register at once may get prompt service. These persons are being loaned to the Chapel Hill office in an effort to put the office in immediate action for the benefit of landlords and tenants alike."

Hillsboro landlords will be able to register on Tuesday at the U. S. Post Office in Hillsboro.