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## IT'S TIME TO SAY "STOP!"

The greatest traffic accident toll in the history of the United States—a nation locked in a life and death struggle, has just been announced by the National Safety Council.

Forty thousand needed citizens, the majority of them in the productive years of life, were in 1941 forever removed from participation in their country's fight because they met death on the streets and highways. Fifty-five thousand more were permanently disabled. Another 1,345,000 persons received injuries that were not so serious in nature, but which must have effected dangerously the titanic effort we are making to preserve everything that is worthwhile.

The time has come for an entirely different attitude on the part of the public, and upon the part of the officials whose duty it is to eliminate most of the causes for these figures.

No longer is it a citizen's right to waste his life or his well-being by carelessness on the road, whether walking or driving. No longer can officials disregard some of the proven safeguards that are known to protect life and limb on the road.

One of these that comes immediately to mind is adequate illumination for those streets and roads that have the worst traffic records. When it is remembered that 24,000 of the 40,000 killed last year met death AT NIGHT, the importance of visibility (the only factor that makes night driving six to ten times more dangerous than day-light driving) at once becomes apparent.

A few years ago an Insurance Company surveyed 46 cities and found that almost half of the night accidents in those communities could have been avoided if the streets on which they occurred had been equipped with modern lighting.

It seems that great public reforms come only when a nation has been rocked on its heels by an intolerable condition. The statistics of the National Safety Council have just revealed a condition of this kind, aggravated manifold by our present necessity to fight for our lives. Many of those citizens we are depending upon to help us win that struggle are being needlessly lost to the common misfortune of us all.

It's time for every American to walk and drive with the same caution he would use if he were fighting with General MacArthur—and for the same reason. It is time for responsible traffic and safety officials to employ their fullest ingenuity and training in putting an end to this tragic waste of lives and production.

It's time for all of us to say "Stop!" to a most serious drain on our war energies.

## Farms Of The County Lack Home- Grown Foods

The place of the farm in this war is the production of "Food for Victory." Dean I. O. Schaub of State College, and other leaders of the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, including our own county farm agent, say that farmers of this county generally are deficient in home production of such essential food products as garden vegetables, milk, pork, poultry and eggs.

From the last Federal census comes proof that a large number of farms in Pitt County are without gardens, cows, hogs and chickens. The 1940 census shows that there are 5,650 farms in the county.

The census report also reveals that 676 farms were without gardens, 4,118 farms did not keep a cow, 1,505 farms had no hogs, and 1,028 were without a single chicken.

"This is the first war-time task of farm people," Dean Schaub declared, "to see that every farm has a garden, at least one cow, and some hogs and chickens. These are all vital to the health and welfare of rural people. Our farm families must be well-fed before they can expect to feed the rest of the Nation, and our Allies in the fight for freedom."

The 1940 census listed 278,270 farms in North Carolina. Eighty-nine percent of them, or 247,127, had gardens, leaving 31,143 without gardens. Those farms which did have gardens valued them at a total of \$14,773,625, or an average per garden of \$468. Figured at the same average value, the 31,143 farms without gardens would have \$14,600,000 worth of gardens to grow vegetables and small fruits.

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# No Strikes On The Farm Front

## M. G. Mann Addresses Joint Meeting Held In Greenville; Farmers to Play Big Part

The man with the hoe in the field of corn or cotton is just as important in the nation's fight for freedom as the man with the gun on the field of battle, M. G. Mann of Raleigh, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and the Farmers Cooperative Exchange, declared in Greenville last Friday at a meeting in the Woman's Club of Pitt County members of the two organizations.

"Unless our soldiers are well-fed and well-clothed they cannot do their job at the front," Mr. Mann said, adding that the 30,000,000 people on the farms of America will do their part. "This is a war of production," Mr. Mann said, "and there'll be no sit-down strikes and no walk-outs on the farm front because farmers value freedom too much to imperil our democracy at a time when it is fighting for its existence."

"It is true that farmers have a right to feel that if a ceiling is to be placed on prices of farm products then a comparative ceiling should be placed on the wages of labor and profits of industry. Compare the average wage for farm labor of 19c an hour in 1941 with hourly wages of 35c to \$1.50 for industrial workers, plus time and a half for overtime, and you can't overlook the disparity."

"But this is no time to talk about what the three-fourths of our people are doing. It is up to us on the nation's farms to do our part to produce the food that will win the war and write the peace."

Mr. Mann told how the FCX is cooperating in the victory program through the advance booking of seeds and fertilizer so that they may be delivered on the farm in an orderly manner before they are needed and thereby prevent a strain on needed transportation facilities by providing seed for "Victory Gardens," by initiating a bag return program so that one feed bag can be used to get several hundred pounds of feed to the farm, and by making available high analysis fertilizers that will save on transportation costs and in man-hours in distribution.

Mr. Mann reported that Pitt County farmers purchased through the Pitt FCX Service last year farm supplies valued at \$50,495 and announced the regular six per cent dividend paid in cash to stockholders on all outstanding stock.

Mr. Mann urged farmers to plan ahead and buy their farm supplies and have them delivered to their farms well in advance of the time they will need them. "This," he said, "is not hoarding. It is patriotism. By doing this you are relieving transportation facilities and putting yourself in better position to produce food for our army."

He warned farmers to save every bag and every yard of tobacco cloth, to repair and conserve their farm machinery, and generally look toward making old things do rather than buying new supplies and equipment. The FCX, he said, has just initiated a bag re-use program under which it will pay farmers up to 14 cents for returned bags which will then be fumigated and used again in order to help stretch the dwindling supply of bags.

Turning to the Cotton Association, he reported that deliveries of 1941 cotton have already passed the 85,000 bale mark and that the association is handling more than 15 per cent of the last year's cotton crop—the highest percentage in its 19 years of operation. The 10,000 farmers who handled their cotton through the association, he said, already have on today's market a profit of more than \$1,250,000 over what they could have received if they had followed the advice of others and sold last fall.

He urged farmers to plant improved seed but warned against the planting of extremely long staple cotton such as Sea Island which, he said, after the last war sold for less than shorter staple cotton. "What we need in North Carolina," Mr. Mann added, "is more cotton of middling and better grade and ranging in staple from an inch to an inch and a sixteenth."

**POULTRY**  
A striking trend toward more poultry in the Mississippi Delta has become pronounced as farmers have reduced their once huge cotton acreage.

**PROTECTION**  
Vast strides made since World War I have caused forest lands of the United States to be better defended against fire than ever before, reports the U. S. Forest Service.

**SOAP**  
The average American uses 22 pounds of soap annually, as compared with 17 to 18 by the British, 10 by the Italian, 15 by the German, and 18 to 21 by the Belgian, Frenchman, and Hollander.

## WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Beaman and son, Jimmie, and Mr. Ben Wheeler of Norfolk, Va., spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wheeler.

Mrs. Gordon Simmons, Sr., of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Melvin Perry of Coltraine, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Floyd of Roper, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burch.

Mrs. W. P. Jenkins of Fairmont, has returned to her home after spending several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jenkins.

Miss Fannie Mae Smith was the week end guest of Miss Hazel McKeel in Enfield.

Miss La Rue Jenkins, a student of E. C. T. C., Greenville, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jenkins.

Misses Janie Marlowe, Pat Mass and Ann Jackson of Columbia, S. C., spent Friday night with Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Marlowe. They spent the week end with Miss Ruby Marlowe in Chapel Hill.

Mrs. W. A. Marlowe and son, Jimmie, was the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Barnes in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bunn of Snow Hill spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bundy.

Mrs. Paul Craft and Mrs. Alice Bundy visited Mrs. Lenwood Tugwell near Farmville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Craft attended a surprise birthday dinner in honor of Mr. Jack Thomas, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas near Snow Hill Saturday night.

Mrs. W. E. Lang is spending some time visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson and Carolyn Lang Simpson in Washington, D. C.

**Missionary Society Meets.**  
The Woman's Missionary Society of the Christian Church met in the home of Mrs. I. F. Smith Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. J. C. Gardner as program leader led the devotional.

The president, Mrs. A. J. Craft, presided over the business session. After the regular routine of business, Plans were made to make bandages for the Red Cross.

The hostess served a sweet course and salted nuts to the following: Mrs. Estelle Bailey, Mrs. J. C. Gardner, Mrs. W. E. Lang, Miss Lillian Corbett, Mrs. A. J. Craft, Mrs. W. A. Marlowe, Mrs. L. N. Shelton, Mrs. W. I. Shackelford, Mrs. L. N. Goin, Mrs. W. E. Moye, Miss Annie Moye and Mrs. Paul Craft.

## FOUNTAIN NEWS (By MRS. M. D. YELVERTON)

Miss Eloise Owens, of Raleigh, was at home during the week end.

Miss Elizabeth Smith, a member of the school faculty of Roanoke Rapids, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith, Sunday.

Miss Estelle Yelverton, student of Meredith College, was at home during the week end.

Mrs. Calvin Baker is at home recuperating from an operation performed recently at Park View hospital in Rocky Mount.

Miss Helen Brown Jefferson, member of the school faculty of Bethel, was at home during the week end.

Miss Maude Emily Smith, student of E. C. T. C., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith over the week end.

Miss Mary Walters, of Raleigh, spent the week end with Miss Lucile Yelverton.

Friends will be glad to learn that W. L. Owens continues to improve from a recent illness at his home near Fountain.

Edgar Caffee left recently for Baltimore, Md., where he has accepted a position in the mechanical department of an airplane factory.

Mr. and Mrs. William Walker, of Washington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Yelverton.

F. D. Turnage, of Chapel Hill, visited relatives here Monday.

Scott Peelle, a student of Maxton Presbyterian College, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peelle.

Prayer Services were held Monday evening in the Presbyterian Church. These services will be conducted each week on Tuesday evening at 7:30, alternating between the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches. Everyone is urged to attend the service Tuesday evening at the Baptist Church.

## BETTER BRIDGE? WELL MAYBE

Current bridge experts have overlooked the well-worn maxim that the best defense is an offensive. . . . Properly used, the pass is not only a good defense, but it can be offensive, too. Very!—"How to Pass," by Ely Lenz, in the current Rotarian magazine.

**TEXTILES**  
Due to the greatly increased war requirements, 1941 United States consumption of the four major textile fibers—cotton, wool, rayon, and silk—broke all previous records.

**CHICKS**  
American farmers report an intention to buy 12 percent more baby chicks this year than in 1941, but may purchase more or less depending on feed and egg prices during the hatching season.

## A WEEK OF THE WAR

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formation of the 1st Filipino Infantry Battalion at Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif., to provide loyal Filipino a means of serving in the U. S. Armed Forces and the eventual opportunity of fighting in their homeland. The War Department reported American pilots in the Chinese Air Forces "are giving Japanese airmen their worst licking of the war—knocking down more than 10 Jap planes for every loss" of their own. The Army Signal Corps is seeking civilian engineers to fill radio and telephone positions in Civil Service Jobs paying \$2,600 to \$3,800 annually.

Selective Service Headquarters announced new Army physical standards for inductees will permit reclassification as Class 1-A of thousands of men now deferred due to teeth and eye defects. SS Director Hershey instructed local draft boards to defer labor leaders and Government labor liaison men to permit continuance of their work in aiding war production and to defer men engaged in maintenance of essential agricultural activities. Men registered February 16 will be called for induction only after local boards have exhausted their existing lists, he said. A lottery in March will determine the order of classification and induction. Questionnaires on vocational experience will be sent to every registrant who has not yet been called for service.

**The War Front.**  
Gen. MacArthur reported continuous fighting on the Bataan Peninsula and battery attacks on the fortifications throughout the week. The Navy announced the destroyer Shaw, previously reported lost at Pearl Harbor December 7, arrived at a U. S. West coast port, is being repaired and within a few weeks will be in service again on the high seas. A U. S. tanker was torpedoed in the Atlantic area, while U. S. forces inflicted enemy losses which included: 10 planes, one large and one small enemy transport and one 5,000-ton cargo ship sunk, and two enemy barges destroyed.

**Navy.**  
Navy Secretary Knox said the Navy, operating over three-fourths of the globe under the heaviest burden in its history, must now protect U. S. shores and coastal commerce, strategic areas vital to our defense, the American Republics, and the flow of supplies to Great Britain. It must check Japanese aggression until "we can muster our forces and send it hurtling back whence it came." The Navy announced launching of a battleship, four destroyers and a submarine chaser. The Navy said 1,000 Naval and Marine Corps officers and enlisted men and 1,200 civilians in the Pacific war area presumably were taken prisoners of war by Japanese after December 7. The Portland Ore., recruiting office topped all others in January with 114 enlistments for each 100,000 persons in its area. The nation's schools started work on a program to make 500,000 accurate scale models of United Nations' and enemy warplanes for U. S. naval, military and civilian defense forces.

The Chief of Naval Operations ordered representatives of local Naval District Commandants to arrange with ship owners to do preliminary work when ships are in port loading or unloading to speed arming of American merchant vessels. The House passed and sent to the Senate the War Appropriation Bill providing nearly \$4 billion to expand the merchant fleet. The Senate passed a bill authorizing an additional \$100,000,000 appropriation for expanded Navy manufacturing and production facilities.

**Rationing.**  
Price Administrator Henderson announced three consumer forms for sugar rationing are expected to be printed and distributed by March 7. He said there will be two registrations for rationing cards, one for housewives and another for small commercial users. Petroleum Coordinator Ickes said nation-wide rationing of petroleum products may be necessary if other methods fail to prevent shortages on both coasts. He announced regulations governing sales of fuel oil to all East coast consumers to keep stocks at a reasonable minimum and to prevent hoarding. The Justice Department said it is prepared to prosecute all violators of wartime industrial regulations including prioritization, allocation, rationing and price control.

**Protection From Sabotage.**  
President Roosevelt authorized the Secretary of War to move out of vital defense areas any persons believed inimical to the U. S. war effort—citizens and aliens alike. Attorney General Biddle said the FBI has apprehended almost 4,000 alien enemies since the outbreak of the war. Approximately one-half of these are Japanese from California, Oregon and Washington.

**Priorities And Allocations.**  
The WPB froze all stocks of new mechanical refrigerators except those in the hands of retailers, in preparation for conversion of its 320,000,000 industry and its 36,000 workers to war production. All refrigerator production will end April 30, the Board said. It also assumed full control of the entire 1942 raw cane sugar supply, curtailed use of critical materials in manufacture of all musical instruments, and restricted use of natural gas.

## To Assist Taxpayers In Filing Tax Returns

J. C. Herring and W. O. Borch, Deputy Commissioners, will be at the City Hall here on the 6th and 7th of March for the purpose of assisting the taxpayers in filing their State Tax returns. Citizens are urged to call and receive the help they need along this line.

Any person subject to filing either Income Tax or Intangible Personal Property Tax or both returns must file returns with the Department of Revenue on or before March 15, 1942 and pay the tax due thereon.

**INCOME TAX:** Any unmarried man or woman, either married or unmarried having an income of \$1,000 or more during the year 1941, and any married man having an income of \$2,000 or more must file an Income Tax return.

**INTANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX:** Any person owning on December 31, 1941 Intangible Personal Property, such as, Money on Hand, Accounts Receivable, Notes, Bonds, Mortgages, or other evidences of debt, or Shares of Stock of Corporations (not wholly in this State), must file an Intangible Tax Return.

A compliment is encouragement to the young people but a virtual miracle to the older folks.

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING \$6,000 FIRE FIGHTING EQUIP- MENT BONDS OF THE TOWN OF FARMVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Farmville:

Section 1. That pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, 1921, bonds of the Town of Farmville, North Carolina, are hereby authorized to be issued for the maximum aggregate amount of \$6,000 for the purpose of acquiring fire fighting equipment for said Town, the same being a necessary expense within the meaning of the Constitution of North Carolina.

Section 2. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the bonds herein authorized shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 3. That a statement of the debt of the Town has been filed with the Clerk and is open to public inspection.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its first publication unless in the meantime a petition for its submission to the voters is filed under the Municipal Finance Act, 1921, and that in such event it shall take effect when approved by the voters of the Town at an election as provided in said Act.

The foregoing ordinance was passed on the 3rd day of February, 1942, and was first published on the 27th day of February, 1942.

Any action or proceeding questioning the validity of said ordinance must be commenced within thirty days after its first publication.  
R. A. JOYNER, Clerk.

## PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION

State of North Carolina,  
Department of State.

To all to Whome These Presents May Come—Greeting:  
Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Holme Brothers & Company, a corporation of the State, whose principal office is situated at Nos. 112-114 Belcher street, in the Town of Farmville, County of Pitt, State of North Carolina, (Elbert C. Holmes being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 25, Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this certificate of dissolution:

Now, Therefore, I, Thad Eure, Secretary of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 31st day of January, 1942, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Raleigh, this 31st day of January, A. D., 1942.

**THAD EURE,**  
Secretary of State.

**OFFICIAL SEAL**  
Recorded in Record of Incorporations No. 4, Page 291.

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