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MUCH INTEREST MANIFESTED IN MEMORIAL MOVEMENT

Rev. Mr. Haney Addresses D. A. R. At April Meet

Featuring the business session of the April meeting of the Major Benjamin May Chapter, D. A. R., held Saturday, was the announcements of memorials by committee chairmen of the Chapter's Memorial Movement launched on February 22.

Reports made by Mrs. E. B. Beasley, Mrs. M. V. Jones, Mrs. U. H. Cozart, Miss Tabitha DeVisconti and Mrs. G. Alex Rouse revealed the fact that great interest had been manifested by descendants of prominent pioneer families of Eastern North Carolina in the movement and that the first goal set by the Chapter had been passed. Upon motion it was agreed to set another goal and continue the movement until fall. In the meantime, committees will be designing and planning proposed memorials, the volume of family sketches and various improvements of the Chapter House and grounds.

A nominating committee, composed by Mrs. E. B. Beasley, Mrs. U. H. Cozart, Mrs. J. O. Pollard, Mrs. A. C. Monk and Mrs. S. T. White was appointed.

Following the resignation of Mrs. T. C. Turnage as regent, the nominating committee chairman recommended her reelection, which received a unanimous vote by the Chapter.

Rev. H. G. Haney, of Greenville, guest speaker of the afternoon, was presented by Mrs. C. S. Eagles. The speaker developed his subject "Gardens of the Bible," an interesting innovation in the Chapter's War and Post War program, by tracing the origin and describing the Garden of Eden, the Manging Gardens of Babylon and the Garden of Gethsemane as representing the Gardens of Disobedience, of Greed, and Decision, respectively.

Depicting the agony of the Master in the Garden of Gethsemane, the Rev. Mr. Haney spoke at length on the results of His decision, "Not My will but Thine be done."

After adjournment, refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, pickles, stuffed eggs, cookies, salted nuts and hot tea, were served by Mrs. W. C. Holston, Mrs. Henrietta M. Williamson, Mrs. Venessa Townsend, Mrs. C. S. Eagles, Mrs. Louise Harris, Mrs. Herbert E. Hart and Mrs. G. Alex Rouse.

Sprays of spirea and white candles were used on the mantels of the drawing room of the Chapter House and spirea, red tulips and blue iris emphasized the national colors in other floral arrangements, which provided an appropriate setting for the meeting, termed as a "momentous" one.

Future of Navy Depends On Youth Of The Country

Uncle Sam's Navy of the future depends upon the youth of today who are eligible to apply for educational opportunities never before offered in any branch of the armed services.

This statement was made yesterday by Lt. Cmdr. C. B. Neely of Raleigh, officer in charge of recruiting and induction for North Carolina, in urging 17-year-old boys to take advantage of the vast field of work now available in the Navy.

"As a Naval officer and only last week," Commander Neely declared, "the United States always has had a Navy and always will, but its future depends upon the young men of our country."

"To be a 'man-of-warman' is not the only requirement for Naval duty; every man must be a specialist in a given line. For that reason the Navy has developed an educational system to an immense degree in order to train its men in trades of their own choosing."

Commander Neely cited radio technician training as only one of the many studies now available, but which offers one of the finest futures for anyone who follows it as a life's work. Increasing numbers of 17-year-old boys are taking the preliminary examination for radio school before enlisting, the hearing of which automatically advances them two ratings before they are sworn in.

"Radio offers a good opportunity for young men who take advantage of the Navy's training," Commander Neely concluded.

Recruiter D. B. Taylor of the New Bern station, will be in Farmville on Saturday, April 22, to interview interested young men.

At the same time, Taylor will also interview young men interested in the Navy's training.

Notice of Democratic Precinct Meeting

All Democrats of Farmville Precinct are notified to meet at Farmville, N. C., Saturday, April 22nd, at 8:00 P. M., at the City Hall, for the purpose of electing an Executive Committee to serve for the ensuing two years, and to select delegates to the County Convention, to be held in the court house, at Greenville, on Saturday, April 29th.

Large Hospital In London Hit; Death List High

One Ward Housing Male Patients Completely Destroyed; Death List Heavy

London, April 19.—Rescue workers dug through the wreckage of one of London's largest hospitals Wednesday in a search for casualties after the building had been blasted and set on fire by a direct hit during a German air raid on the capital early Wednesday morning.

Nearly 2,000 patients were in the hospital and it was feared a number of them were buried under the debris. A ward housing male patients was completely destroyed.

The raid—the first on London in four nights and the third attack this month—started about 1 a. m. and lasted for an hour.

Anti-aircraft batteries hurled up a heavy barrage but it failed to turn the raiders and vari-colored flares, incendiaries and high explosives rained down on the city. At least 18 enemy planes were reported shot down.

Firemen and air raid workers quickly extinguished the fire at the hospital and rescue squads, worked through the night hours seeking victims.

ATTENTION CITIZENS!

Please call 326-1 or register at the Center if you wish to have Service men in your home for a meal or for the week end. Do this as early in the week as possible so that the committee in charge may make plans accordingly.

A family tree is worth much more to a monkey than a man. The monkey can live in his.

Give Study To New Tax Plan

Both Branches Of Congress Expected Approve Measure

Washington, April 20.—"Painless" extraction of income taxes was the goal set by house fiscal leaders Tuesday as they launched legislation designed to relieve 30,000,000 persons from the job of filing any returns after this year.

Chairman Doughton (D-N.C.) called the Ways and Means Committee together to go over the first draft of the simplification measure, which also is calculated to make the March 15 headache less severe for the 20,000,000 other persons who still would have to file returns.

Beginning next January 1, if the bill is enacted, the present withholding system against wages and salaries will be revised upward to take from pay envelopes and salary checks the full tax liability for persons earning up to \$5,000 annually.

The measure will make no change in amounts withheld this year, and it provides that the government itself compute the taxes on 1944 income for those with wages or salaries under \$5,000.

A simplified tax form is provided for the 20,000,000 other taxpayers. The Ways and Means Committee approved the principles of the plan on March 17, and since then a staff of tax experts has worked out the details which were submitted to the committee today.

Rep. Kuntz (R-Minn.), committee Republican leader, predicted the House would approve the bill within three weeks and Chairman George (D-Ind.) of the Senate Finance Committee estimated that about 10 more days would be required for Senate action.

Decision said the legislation would make no fundamental change in the burden of any taxpayer. The new plan will be a lot more of help than the old one.

5,000 Planes Blast Roads To Invasion

Nazi Aircraft Factories and Rail Centers Smashed; Northern France and Berlin Receives Another Taste of Destruction

London, April 19.—Sending out more than 5,000 warplanes, the Allies have blasted a new road toward D-day by dropping more than 7,000 tons of explosives on Hitler's Europe in the last 24 hours.

Nearly 2,000 U. S. bombers and fighters went out Wednesday smashing fighter plane factories as a similar armada had done Tuesday. Sandwiched between them was a night assault on French rail junctions by more than 1,000 British bombers, the heaviest force ever dispatched by the RAF against occupied territory.

(The Vichy radio said Rouen was badly hit and the cathedral there was hit. Another French city of 15,000 was declared in flames.)

Lighter bombers joined in the assault—U. S. Magusters against northern France and British Mosquitoes against Berlin, bombed by U. S. "heavies."

The Eighth Air Force's objectives Wednesday included fighter plane factories and aircraft parking fields in western Germany—at Kassel, Eschwage, Paderborn, Gutersloh and Werl. Thunderbolts, Lightnings and Mustangs accompanied the bombers.

Picture Show Damage. U. S. headquarters announced: "Photographs made during Tuesday's Eighth Airforce attack on Germany show bomb hits on enemy aircraft plants at Oranienburg and Rathenow in the Berlin area, on a rayon plant at Wittenberge, 75 miles northwest of Berlin, airfields at Lüneburg 25 miles southeast of Hamburg and Perleburg (near Wittenburg) and docks and warehouses at Cuxhaven on the North sea at the mouth of the river Elbe."

"Two patterns of bombs fell across the Heinkel 177 component plant at Oranienburg, hitting four major buildings and numerous smaller ones. At Rathenow, 40 miles west of Berlin, an aircraft component plant was hit by heavy concentration of explosives and incendiaries. Two of the three major buildings received direct hits. The plant area was obscured by smoke rising several thousand feet at the end of the attack."

"At Cuxhaven a pattern of bombs was strung across warehouses, along docks, and a number of bombs fell in nearby marshing yards."

German Report Battles. The first report that U. S. bombers were continuing in great force the campaign to destroy the roots of German air power came from the Berlin radio. The Germans reported that violent air battles were raging as Nazi fighters tried to beat off raiders sweeping over northwestern Germany.

The RAF lost 14 planes in the overnight operations which included extensive mine-laying in enemy waters.

The British air ministry said that the greater part of the RAF force dispatched to Europe concentrated on vital railway communications in France, including yards and workshops at Noyes LeSec and Juvicy near Paris, and at Rouen and Targuier.

This indicated that the operations probably represented the heaviest RAF night attack ever carried out on occupied France.

To Open Up New Jewelry Store Here Friday, April 21st

Robert's Jewelers, who formerly had just a small display in the El Reno store on the corner of Main and Wilcox streets, have recently rented the store next door to the City Cafe, which has been fixed up and redecorated especially for this firm.

H. S. Hatem, manager of the new store, states their formal opening will be held this week, Friday and Saturday, April 21-22, and invites the public to drop in and see their display.

This firm expects to carry a full and complete line of Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Silver, Glass and Cut-crystals, at prices that you will find most reasonable.

They have on hand many articles especially appropriate for Gifts and Graduation presents, and asks that you see them before making your selection.

See their advertisements elsewhere in this issue for further particulars, and drop by and see their display at your first opportunity.

Mr. Hatem states his firm is here to serve the people of this community and if they do not have just what you want in stock, they will be glad to get it for you, if possible.

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Funeral Services For J. T. Bynum

Life-Long Resident of Farmville Succumbs After Long Illness

Funeral services for John Turner Bynum, 57, who died at his home here Friday afternoon after a long illness due to heart complications, were held from the Farmville Funeral Home on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Rev. J. B. Roberts, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church, officiated assisted by Rev. C. B. Masburn, Christian minister, Rev. M. Y. Self, Methodist minister, and Rev. E. C. Chamber, Baptist minister.

"Crossing The Bar," "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" were sung by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holmes, Mrs. Alton W. Bobbitt and C. F. Bacon, with Mrs. Haywood Smith as accompanist.

Interment was in Forest Hill cemetery, beneath a lovely floral tribute.

Mr. Bynum, a son of the late Peter and Florence Sugg Bynum, was a life-long resident of the community and was well-known throughout the county. He was engaged in farming and prior to his illness had been active in the business life of the town, having worked in the office of the East Carolina Railway, with the firm of Askew, Smith and Beman, and The Turnage Co.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lydia Hasberry of Greene County; a sister, Mrs. R. B. Havens of Tarboro, and a brother, Henry Bynum of Richmond, Va.

Active pall-bearers were Suggs Askew, Leroy Bass, T. C. Turnage, Sr., Lewis Godwin, Henry Johnson, A. W. Bobbitt, LeRoy Rollins and Melvin Rollins.

Honorary pall-bearers were: R. A. Fields, Roland Lang, J. W. Bass, S. A. Roebuck, John Stansell, L. E. Walden, Andy Martin, R. K. Pippin, L. T. Lucas, Joe Gregory, Leonard Joyner, N. E. Smith, A. C. Monk, Sr., Leroy Parker, Lynn Eason, Milton Eason, J. B. Briley, Theodore Moore, Fred Moore, Lewis Grech, F. A. Darden, W. D. Fields, M. G. Thorne, Berry Taylor, R. D. Rouse, John Fountain, Lloyd Smith, Grover Webb, Ed Suggs, Jr., W. T. Eason, John D. Dixon, Frank Davis, Jr., Geo. W. Davis, L. T. Pierce, Neal Howard, W. S. Royce, James Lang, R. G. Barrett, L. E. Flowers, Seth Barrow, Ed Naah Warren, Marvin Horton, John B. Lewis, Carlton Carr, Paul Ewell, C. A. Tyson, J. B. Joyner, R. A. Joyner, G. E. Beckman, Luther Thomas, T. E. Joyner, Ernest Barrett, R. J. Wainright, Dr. C. E. Fitzgerald, Dr. J. M. Mewborn, Hal Winders, R. E. Newton, J. H. Harris, John King, W. A. McAdams, Willie Turnage, Ben L. Lang, E. O. Turnage, J. Y. Monk, Curtis Flanagan, Arch Flanagan, Sam Flanagan, J. M. Wheeler, Sr., W. Leslie Smith, Lath Morris, G. A. Rouse, John T. Thorne, Alex Allen, F. M. Davis, Sr., R. H. Knott, H. W. Kemp, Dr. W. M. Willis, Mark Dixon, J. C. Gibbs, J. N. Edwards, El Ramey, Ray West, Sr., Bob Hinson, Jimmie Nunnay, Jessup Morgan, Ben Walston, Jalmar Brown, R. E. Bynum, Zeb Whitehurst, Ross Harper, Charles Harper, Ed Harper, Lee Herring, Carson Herring, J. G. Exum, Kirby Cobb, Joe H. Bynum, John Wilkerson, Joe Spivey, Archie McKeel, Marvin Owens, W. L. Wooten, John Gardner, Jim Joyner, Hubert Joyner, W. C. Askew, Cyril Askew, Tommie Suggs, Marvin Jones, A. B. Moore and J. M. Wheeler, Jr.

Among those from out-of-town attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Lymon Exum and Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Dall of Walstonburg; Mr. and Mrs. John Hill, Wilmington; Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Smith and Mrs. Harry Taylor, Grifton; Miss Lola Sutton, Mrs. Minnie Gardner and Miss Estelle Gardner, Goldboro; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Midgett, Betty Bonner Midgett and Mrs. Tom Herring, Kinston; Mrs. J. E. Exum, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Eason, Frank Harper, Ralph Bynum, Charlie Harper, Kirby Cobb, Ed Harper, Mrs. Harry Brown, Miss Lola Exum, Miss Mary Exum, Cason Herring and Lee Herring, Snow Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Speight, Stanstonburg; Mrs. J. Walter Bell, Jr., Eureka; Mr. and Mrs. John T. Cobb, Fremont; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bynum, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. R. B. Havens, Sr., Mrs. R. B. Havens, Jr., and Jack Havens, Tarboro; Mrs. Marvin Owens, Wilson; W. H. Dall and Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Hollowell, Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Moses Turnage, Plymouth.

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U. S. Bombers Knock Out Air-strip in Carolines

Other Airmen Strafe Aitape Sector of New Guinea and Hammer Rabaul Again

Allied Headquarters, Southwest Pacific, April 19.—One more air-drome in the defense ring around Truk in the Caroline Islands was useless in force and the weight of explosives carried was sizeable in view of the 2,000-mile round trip over water flight from Solomons bases.

Satawan was bombed just once before, by two Liberators on April 10. Allied airmen continued the pressure on the Japanese along the bomb-packed north coast of New Guinea and gave Rabaul, the enemy's fast-crumbing base at the northeast tip of New Britain, a bad mauling.

Patrol bombers strafed the Aitape sector of the New Guinea coast, destroying supply dumps and buildings. They sank two Japanese supply luggers and damaged a 2,000-ton freighter.

Devastated Rabaul was hammered by 125 tons of bombs, unloaded by more than 150 Solomons-based bombers which concentrated on air-drome runways and buildings. There was no mention of opposition. Nine barges were strafed in the wide area nearby.

Far to the west, Liberators tore up the air-drome and supply areas at Faan in the Kai Islands with 21 tons of bombs, and in the Mapia islands a patrol bomber shot down a Japanese four-engine flying boat. The Kai Islands are between Timor and New Guinea, and the Mapia islands are north of the New Guinea "turkey neck."

Late, but still incomplete, tabulations of the Sunday raid on Hollandia raised to 296 the tonnage of bombs dropped on the north New Guinea base which has taken more than 1,400 tons this month.

Announces Program For Walstonburg High School Commencement

Principal B. L. Davis announces the following commencement program for the Walstonburg High School.

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Raleigh, will address the graduating class on Tuesday night, May 16. The graduating class and the Walstonburg community feel fortunate in having Dr. Erwin to make this address and are looking forward to this occasion.

The Music Recitals under the direction of Mrs. Cecelia Walston, will be presented on Friday night, May 5, and on Friday night, May 12. Due to the large number of music students it has been necessary to present the Music Recital in two programs.

The Reverend Edwin S. Coates, Presbyterian minister of Farmville, will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night, May 14. Since coming to Farmville, Reverend Coates has won the love of his people by his splendid preaching and pastoral work.

The Senior Class Night, under the direction of Miss Josephine Stephenson, senior class advisor, will be presented on Monday night, May 15. This program will be woven around a garden scene.

All exercises will be at 8:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The seniors expected to be graduated are: G. R. Batten, Arthur Beaman, George Beaman, Willie Coggins, Duwood Russell, Alton Shirley, Raynell Bailey, Sallie Mae Barnes, Ethel Beaman, Helen Beaman, Jean Cox, Pauline Dixon, Dorothy Ellis, Evelyn Grant, Dorothy Hardison, Virginia Hunsot, Mary Jones, Lucille Jones, Mary Ellen Kittrell, Jean Parker, Carrie Lee Shelton, Lillian Suggs and Gladys Wooten.

The marshals for all exercises will be Geraldine Diddy, Chief Marshal, Wina Ruth Tugwell, Edna Earl Walston, W. M. Satter and Jimmie Wheeler.

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Sevastopol Struggle Continues; Germans Attack In Lwow Sector

WAR IN BRIEF

Furious struggle for Sevastopol continues, with Russians capturing several Axis strongpoints near fortress in The Crimea. Meanwhile, Germans launch powerful drive in Lwow sector of Poland.

Allied aerial offensive rises to new heights of fury with more than 6,000 sorties and 9,000 tons of bombs figuring in the widespread attacks that overwhelmed the German air force.

Status of Rome continues in debate, with President Roosevelt informing Eire Premier De Valera that fate of city rests with Germans. London reports says Nazis showing signs of abandoning Rome.

Allied troops in India break through Jap lines to relieve garrison at Kohima. Pacific war fronts feature continued air raids on Jap bases.

New battle for Anzio headlined seems imminent, with gun and patrol activity increasing sharply.

Army discloses loss of 44 men and 10 planes over Catania, Italy, last July, due largely to friendly guns. Congressmen criticize withholding of news revealed first by Columnist Drew Pearson.

Germans reported to have sounded invasion alarm all the way from Norway to the Spanish frontier, saying Allied attack is imminent.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

"Finishes That Are Durable and Attractive" was the subject of the demonstration given by Miss Verona Lee Joyner at the meeting of the Farmville Home Demonstration Club, Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. W. A. Hinson, clothing leader, assisted by Miss Joyner, in presenting this most helpful demonstration during which many of even the more experienced seamstresses present, were shown a better way of sewing on buttons, putting in sleeves, hems and collars. Several members modeled attractive dresses which they had made at home.

In the business period, Mrs. J. H. Bynum stated that the Walstonburg Glee Club party on April 4th was a big success and Mrs. W. J. Baker, Mrs. Norman were nootesses for the afternoon and served assorted sandwiches, lemonade and nuts.

Mrs. S. F. Holgood and Miss Pen-Garden Leader, gave her report.

GARDENS

Canners have been asked to set aside about 40 per cent of this year's pack for war uses as compared with 25 per cent last year. More and better Victory Gardens are needed this year.

Don't blame a boy for thinking he is smarter than his daddy. Likely, he is.

Give Up Plan To Call 4-Fs

Committee Abandons Proposed Labor Battalion Idea

Washington, April 20.—The House Military Committee has abandoned for the time being plans for special legislation to force 4-Fs into essential work through the threat of induction into army and navy labor battalions.

Chairman May (D-Ky.) announced following an executive meeting that the committee had decided that government agencies such as Selective Service and the War Manpower Commission already had ample authority to require physically disqualified men to move into essential jobs.

The committee acted after Rep. Costello (D-Calif.) chairman of a subcommittee that has been studying draft policies, asserted his group had agreed that special legislation was not necessary at this time.

The Costello committee had previously recommended that the armed services and Selective Service make plans to utilize the services of all 4-Fs able to work.

Legislation to force 4-F holders of non-essential jobs into army labor battalions had been under consideration by the Costello group.

Selective Service officials have estimated there are about 5,000,000 non-classified as 4-Fs, rejected for military service because of disabilities.

Many of them, May said, are now in essential work and many others are willing to take war-important jobs when they find them.

Committee members pointed out that under existing authority, Selective Service may call up 4-Fs for re-examination and induce 4-F holders to take war-important jobs.

The action of the committee is viewed as withdrawing, at least for the present, the bill of Rep. Ladd (D-Iowa) to establish special work camps composed of 4-F non-filers.

Russians Capture Several Axis Strongpoints On Sevastopol Outskirts; Germans Launch Powerful Drive In Poland On Road To Lwow; Moscow Says Offensive Halted

London, April 20.—Russian troops, led by veterans of the 250-day siege of Sevastopol in 1941-42, yesterday captured several powerful German strong-points guarding the approach to the great port city, while in southeastern Poland the First Ukrainian Army stemmed strong enemy counterattacks in the Stanislawow area on the road to Lwow.

Moscow's broadcast war communiqués, indicating that enemy resistance had stiffened on the 12th day of the Crimean campaign, failed to announce the capture of a single town by troops of Gen. Andrei I. Yeremenko's Maritime Army or Gen. Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Fourth Ukrainian Army, who had won more than 2,800 communities in the previous 11 days. It was the first time since January 15 that the Moscow bulletins did not announce the capture of any towns.

"In the Sevastopol direction our troops continued fighting during the course of which they expelled the enemy from several heavily-fortified defense points," Moscow said.