

## Cherry Demands Action To Improve Rural Roads

### Governor Makes It Plain To Highway Members He'll Take No Excuses

Raleigh, Oct. 25.—In vigorous, emphatic language that minced no words, Governor Cherry yesterday demanded from the State Highway Commission immediate action in the repair and construction of secondary and county roads.

Declaring that "a real emergency confronts us," the Governor told the commission members, at their meeting here, that "There is a definite demand that we do something far beyond what we are now doing in the matter of secondary and county roads. In fact, the people in the west are almost on the verge of revolution."

The Governor emphasized that he wants action and that he won't take as an excuse the "inability" to get the required manpower or equipment. "The job is on us. We can't say we don't have the money to do it," he asserted. "We do have the money. I realize, too, that it will be a tremendously expensive task. . . . You must make some provision to increase what you are paying common labor—and, if engineers or draftsmen are the bottleneck, then you will have to pay them more."

As a parting shot, after he had concluded his admonitions and advice, the Governor told the commission members: "I'm watching you to see what you get done."

He recommended that the commission employ some one whose sole duty is to manage and supervise the work on county and secondary roads; that a construction force be placed in each highway division in the State; that the number of prisoners laboring on the State Highway system be reduced for the next three or four months and the prisoners thus removed from the system be put to work at once on the county and secondary roads; and that the pay of highway laborers and engineering personnel be increased to meet the competition.

"I think the commission ought to adopt the policy of taking care of the county roads that we now have, of concentrating its entire attention on putting these roads into passable condition," the Governor said. "You have got to go even farther and make improvements on community roads, roads that aren't even on the map. You must be more liberal in constraining your rule governing construction of roads for communities."

"It has come to my attention that the commission and its directing personnel is too concerned with the State highway system, its chief duty prior to 1931, when the commission took over the county roads."

"Mr. Baise, you are a fine man and you've done fine work, but I think you've kept your nose too much in blueprints and specifications. (At that point in his remarks, the Governor addressed Chief Engineer Vance Baise.)

"I have the very definite opinion that the engineering department has been fooling with blueprints and specifications for the construction of long, concrete roads and that it hasn't any vision of what it means to help the people who live in isolated sections on winding roads. I am convinced that the engineering department has got to be sold on the matter of improving and keeping improved the county and secondary roads."

"I am tremendously interested in this problem of roads. I am more interested in it than in any other problem that has come up thus far in my administration."

"The job is on us. We can't say we don't have the money to do it. We do have the money. I realize, too, that it will be a tremendously expensive task. But, I am told that Virginia is about to put some type of surface treatment on her county roads, and that South Carolina is doing the same thing. I can't for the life of me see why North Carolina can't expand its force by the employment of common labor, the transfer of prisoners, and the use of contract labor."

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As for highway machinery and equipment, the Governor said he understood that the contractors were getting plenty of machinery and that he couldn't understand why the highway department couldn't get it.

Governor Cherry prefaced his remarks with a statement in which he said that he appreciated the effort the commission is making to work out road problems, and he said that he knew the commission was handicapped in labor, equipment, and engineering and labor personnel. "But the time has now come to put more emphasis than ever on county roads," he asserted.

## The Victory Loan Summons America To "Finish The Job"

Providing the American people with the chance to evidence their willingness to move forward in peace as well as in war, is the coming "Victory Loan" campaign, which will summons America to "finish the job."

With the slogan "They finished their job—let's finish ours!" the Victory Loan campaign, which will be the final drive, will be launched on October 29th and completed December 8th.

George W. Davis, local chairman, L. E. Walton, group chairman, John B. Lewis, of the Chamber of Commerce, J. W. Menden, representing the employees, James Yates, manager of Paramount Theatre, and Mrs. Cherry Easley, of the woman's division, held a meeting Thursday to outline plans for the local campaign.

Farmville's overall quota was revealed at that time as \$151,800. E Bonds \$61,800, with an addition of one-half of the latter requested to make up part of Pitt County's deficit in the last drive. Farmville went well over every quota assigned to it in the various Bond drives, and officials expressed themselves today as confident of the success of this one.

"The war is over, but we haven't paid the bill for it. In addition to continuing sales, there must be one more big drive for extra bonds—the Victory Loan."

Why does the Treasury need 11 billion in bonds when there is no longer a war? Why should people buy Victory Bonds after the war is over? For:

- (1) Care of the wounded and rehabilitation of veterans.
- (2) Cancellation and termination of war contracts.
- (3) Inflation.
- (4) Bringing men home.
- (5) Maintaining armies of occupation.

It is believed that the American people should—and will lend their money to help pay their debts to the men who fought their war and were hurt doing so, to help pay for bringing their veterans home and for their own self-interest.

In the past four years, the American people have shown excellent judgment, by and large, in their attitude toward bond buying. As individuals, as communities, as a whole, they have, through their bond buying, laid the foundation for a sound and prosperous post-war economy. If they will exercise that same good judgment during the critical times immediately ahead, there is nothing to fear.

Today, nearly 90 million Americans own war bonds. Nearly 30 million are buying bonds regularly out of earnings. These people have learned to save and like it. They have accepted bond buying as a method of attaining such personal goals as owning a home, educating children, starting a business. They like the idea of having an emergency fund for a period of post-war uncertainty—a period which is now hard upon them.

The Victory Loan campaign is the last of the war loans. There will be no more. This is the final extra effort the American people will be called on to make. (Though E, as well as F and G, savings bonds will continue on sale, especially through the payroll savings plan.)

**ROTARIANS HEAR SPLENDID TALK BY REV. R. L. WEST**

R. N. Freeman was in charge of the Rotary Club Program Tuesday night and presented as speaker, Rev. R. L. West, Baptist minister of Fountain.

In a most entertaining manner, Rev. West held the attention of the Club with the subject, "Civic Pride." He paid tribute to the fine work civic clubs accomplish in most communities and stated that civic pride is usually expressed in activities formulated by civic clubs. Mentioning the positive results that may be obtained by the optimistic and the "do nothing attitude" of the pessimist, he urged the Rotary Club to carry on for the betterment of Farmville through a spirit of civic pride. Throughout his talk, Rev. West related many humorous experiences encountered during his years in the ministry.

Other visitors present were Dr. J. W. Hassell of Goldsboro, guest of Ed Coates, and Charles Edwards, guest of Coy Monk. Mr. Edwards, a former Rotarian and resident of Farmville recently returned from the Armed Service, and is again associated with the Farmville Funeral Home. Alex Rouse was attendance prize donated by John Mewborn. Continuing the fine attendance record, all members were present but one.

Rev. Walton spoke briefly on the forthcoming Victory Bond Drive.

**BUY "VICTORY BONDS" NOW!**

## New Store and Funeral Home Open to Public

Coming as good news to this community and as gratifying proof that forward looking and progressive business men see a bright and prosperous future for Farmville, is the announcement made by W. H. "Bill" Duke and W. G. "Bill" Garner and carried in this issue, of the opening today, October 26, of a new furniture establishment and a new funeral home under the firm name of Duke-Garner Co.

The Davis building on West Wilson street has been remodeled and redecorated recently to fit the needs of such an establishment and provides all desirable facilities for furniture display and storage, and for adequate funeral home services.

Bill Garner, a native of Elm City, Wilson county, brings with him as a necessary qualification for success in this new enterprise, 15 years of experience in the buying and selling of furniture. Beginning in 1930 with a chain furniture organization in Washington, D. C., he later accepted a responsible position with Montgomery Ward Co., and has been connected for the past 12½ years with the stores of this firm in Rocky Mount, Kingston, Asheville, Rome, Ga., and West Palm Beach, Fla. He resigned his position in September to open the new Duke-Garner Furniture Store here. Mr. Garner and small daughter will join Mr. Garner here as soon as a home can be found.

Bill Duke, a native of Warrenton, Warren county, needs no introduction to this community as he is widely known and very popular here, having been associated with the Farmville Funeral Home for the past seven years as mortician and has by his extensive knowledge of the undertaking and funeral directing business won the esteem and confidence of the people of this section of the State. Mr. Duke is a graduate of Campbell College and the McAllister School of Embalming in New York City. He has been successfully engaged in this type work for the past 16 years. He resigned his position with the Farmville Funeral Home effective October 1 to open the new Duke-Garner Funeral Home. He has organized the Duke-Garner Mutual Burial Association and is prepared to render all services in this connection. Mr. and Mrs. Duke and small son live at 112 N. Waverly street.

Setting before them a policy of fair dealing, friendly service and courtesy, the Duke-Garner firm has pledged itself to give to its customers exceptional values and has studied the needs of the farmers and citizens of this vicinity in a praiseworthy effort to bring to them at reasonable prices the highest quality merchandise possible as it comes on the market.

The Duke-Garner Co., invites the public to visit its new establishment and view the large and beautiful stock of home furnishings already on display and to call back often and inspect new goods arriving every day. It is the desire of this firm to lend real assistance to the hundreds of people in this community who are awaiting an opportunity and will welcome the chance to buy necessities as well as many new comforts and household furnishings that will bring beauty to the home and comfort and convenience to members of the household.

It will take only a few minutes to read the important personal message sent you by Mr. Duke and Mr. Garner in these pages, but those few minutes may mean the saving of hours of shopping time and many dollars. Their firm is striving to provide better household furnishings at lower cost in order that their patronage may grow and that the furniture business in Farmville may reach a new peak.

**FIRE MARSHAL SPEAKS TO PARENTS-TEACHERS**

Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh, Fire Marshal of North Carolina, who spoke on Fire Prevention at the October meeting of the Parents-Teachers Association here, Thursday, said the United States must master many problems of fire-fighting and pointed out that trained personnel is essential and that fire-fighting and fire insurance walk hand in hand with fire protection.

For fire prevention he urged elimination of all useless articles, which make fire hazards in closets and attics. He stressed safety in public places as absolutely essential.

The speaker was introduced by Richard Joyner who spoke briefly of precautions needed in safeguarding homes and told of past and present accomplishments of the State Fire Marshal.

A prize for the best Fire Prevention Booklet offered by the local Fire Department in connection with observance of Fire Prevention Week, was awarded to Jean Moore.

President George W. Davis presided at the meeting and urged support

## Farmville Is O'er The Top

### First Township In The County To Oversubscribe Its Quota In Current United War Fund Campaign

Mayor J. W. Joyner, local Township chairman for the United War Fund Drive, announces that Farmville has oversubscribed its \$5,000.00 quota, by \$688.40 as of Thursday, with a few collections still to come in.

Citizens of the community have again in their usual spirit of generosity answered the call of another worthy cause.

County Chairman Sam Underwood says "Farmville is to be congratulated on this splendid achievement. I should like to commend Mayor Joyner, chairman, Richard Joyner, secretary for the fund, together with all their co-workers for this great piece of work."

Total collections were \$5,688.40. Amounts reported by the following group chairmen and their helpers are: Group 1, led by Alex Allen and C. S. Hotchkiss, \$1,670.50; Group 2, Walter Jones, Gus Roebuck, \$1,386.50; Group 3, John Lewis, \$827.75; Group 4, R. D. Rouse, \$1,021.50; Group 5, H. B. Sugg, \$200.00; Group 6, Rural, led by Arch Flanagan, Lester Turnage, Howard Moyle, B. M. Lewis, Jack Lewis and Gordon Lee, \$607.15.

Mayor Joyner wishes to thank his co-workers, who were responsible for the success of the local campaign, for their able assistance.

**ROTARY LADIES' NIGHT SET FOR TUESDAY, OCT. 30**

Plans for the annual Rotary Ladies' Night to be held, Oct. 30, at the Country Club are nearly complete.

The program committee, composed of Walter Jones, chairman, Irvin Morgan and Alex Rouse, assisted by President, Frank Williams, has announced that Major Edmund J. Malloy, U.S.M.C., of Cherry Point Marine Base will be the speaker. Major Malloy has addressed many of the Rotary Clubs in this vicinity and everywhere he has appeared his talks have been received with great enthusiasm and interest. The committee feels fortunate in being able to secure such an outstanding speaker.

The all important Food Committee, headed by Joe Raspberry and Frank Williams, have all their plans worked out and are awaiting the evening of the 30th to show results of their work. Dinner will be served at 7 p. m.

Decorations to be carried out in the spirit of Halloween will be handled by a special committee of which Dr. W. M. Willis is chairman.

Bill Duke will be in charge of special stunts and Ed Nash Warren will distribute prizes to be awarded the Rotary-Anns and Guests. The musical portion of the program will be under the direction of Miss Nellie Butler.

**SERVICE MEN'S CENTER**

Visiting at the local Center this past week were—Farmville, T/Sgt. James (Skippy) M. Gibbs, now discharged after 19 months in the European Theater; Joseph Batchelor, M. M. 1/c, at home with a discharge after 28 months in the Aleutians; Kodiak, Alaska; Pvt. Clarence S. Davis, son of Mrs. O. D. Davis, home on twelve day furlough from Camp Blanding, Fla.; Cpl. and Mrs. Charlie R. Caraway, Snow Hill, and Farmville.

Cherry Point: Pfc. Carlos Patterson, Huntsville, Ga.; Sgt. Roy C. Gibbs, Marietta, Ga.; Sgt. Frank Demetrius, Lincoln Park, Mich.; Cpl. Jerry A. Dick, Lake Placid, N. Y.; Cpl. O. L. Montgomery, Lisbon, Ohio; and T/Sgt. Bale B. Martin, Knoxville, Ind., week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. David May.

Greenville Marine Base: Cpl. Charles E. Sholes, Cleveland, Ohio; Pfc. Hank H. Rensier, Boston, Mass., both, Sunday night guests of Miss Tabitha M. DeVlaconch.

In addition to milk donated by Mrs. B. A. Norman, chocolate cake, fried chicken, potato salad, lettuce, tomatoes, coffee, fruit and nuts were served.

Assisting Miss DeVlaconch with house duties were Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. Charlie R. Caraway and Miss Myrtle Nichols.

at the Victory Loan Drive. Rev. M. Y. Self gave the devotional based on Scripture from Paul's letter to Timothy. He spoke of how the home can help or handicap, and how its influence shows throughout life, stating that teachers can build a better world with material from Christian homes.

Mrs. W. E. Joyner's 6th Grade won the roll call. It was announced that the November meeting will be held at night, the date to be announced later.

## Merchants Donate Valuable Prizes For P.T.A. Frolic

The Farmville Parent-Teacher Association wishes to express appreciation to the merchants of Farmville and Fountain for their splendid co-operation in donating the following prizes to be used at the Halloween Frolic at the High School Gymnasium tonight, Oct. 26:

Western Auto Store, thermos bottle; Vogue Beauty Salon, Region lipstick; Rouse Printery, Informals; Misselle Electric Co., carton light bulbs; Blackwood's Wholesale Co., box chewing gum; Lott's Beauty Shop, powder mitt; Rose's 5c & 10c Store, pottery vase; Chandler's 5c & 10c Store, two crystal vases; Leona's Beauty Shop, shampoo and wave; N. Thomas, pair nylon hose; The 97 Store, box canned goods; Robert's Jewelers, rose crystal vase; Turnage Co., 30 lbs. flour; Farmville Oil and Fertilizer Co., one bag soy bean meal and one bag cotton seed meal; Esau Bros. Filling Station, carton Luckies; Moore's Service Station, 5 gal. gas; Caraway's Sinclair Station, wash job; Lum Woodens' Station, \$1.00 War Stamps; Briley's Service Station, crate Orange Crush; Carr's Grocery, 2 lbs. coffee; Langley's, crystal dish; Bell-Tyler Co., fruit juice set; J. H. Harris and Son, flour; Duke-Garner Furniture Co., magazine rack; Pippin's Grocery, carton Luckies; R. O. Lang, handkerchiefs; Wholesome Drug Co., toilet water; N. Cannon, towel; K. Cannon, towel; V. F. Bullock, half sole and heel; Greel's, apricots; Farmville Furniture Co., two bird prints; Norman's Grocery, fruit cake; Pender's, fruit cake; Farmville Implement Co., Aleutian lever gun; Williams Grocery, box of groceries; Paramount Theatre, 8 passes; Wilson and Main St. Fruit Store, basket of grapes; Farmville Flower Shop, potted plant; B. F. Owens of Fountain, cigarettes; G. W. Jefferson and Co., of Fountain, carton cigarettes; B. H. Owens of Fountain, one box wax; J. T. Horton Drug Co., box of candy; Harvey's Grocery, fruit cake; R. A. Fountain and Son, 10 lbs. flour; Fountain Motor Co., 5 qts. Esso Motor Oil; P. C. Wiggs Grocery, Fountain, 2 lb. fruit cake; J. L. Peele Grocery, carton cigarettes; Dupree's Store, necktie; donation by Dr. R. Morgan Jewell Store; City Drug Co., box of candy; Jack Allen, paint.

The Association also wishes to thank the following for cash donations, Bonnie's Place, one dollar; El Ramey's, fifty cents; Dr. Fitzgerald, one dollar; Rollins' Cleaners, two dollars and a half; Centre Hardware, two dollars; Bob Smith, one dollar; R. A. Parkey, two dollars; Dr. R. T. Williams, two dollars.

**RED CROSS APPEAL**

Right now in Pitt County we have a big quota of knitted garments for both the Army and Navy, sweaters, sleeveless sweaters, socks and gloves. The help of every knitter in the County is urgently needed.

Our occupation forces in both Europe and the Pacific will need warm clothes and the Army and Navy through the American Red Cross is appealing to you and me to continue our volunteer services. Contact our local chairman, Mrs. Neal Howard. Howard asks that any finished garments that are out be turned in now.

**KIWANIS CLUB TO HAVE LADIES' NIGHT**

Local Kiwanians will observe Ladies' Night, Friday, November 2, with a dinner and dance at the Country Club.

Dr. R. T. Williams, president, will preside and C. S. Hotchkiss, vice-president, has charge of the program.

W. E. Debnam, of Raleigh, War Correspondent and Commentator, who has recently returned from the Pacific Theater, where he saw considerable action, will bring the address of the evening. Other out of town guests expected are the District Governor and Ed Rawl of Greenville, representing the Club's sponsor.

Dinner will be served at 7 P. M. Following the program, closing promptly at 8:30 and a brief intermission, dancing will be enjoyed until mid-night. Tentative plans are to engage a five piece orchestra.

Committees include Mrs. J. W. Joyner, decoration; Elbert Holmes, special music; Lewis Williams, Henry Johnson, Seth Barrow, dinner; John Dixon, Howard Moyle, Alton Bobbitt, reception; Bob Joyner, Hubert Joyner, Lela Morris, Edgar Barrett, house; Jack Lewis, Ben Lewis, Ted Albrighton, reservations; R. E. Fickett, R. D. Harris, Ben Lang, printing and publicity; Frank Allen, Lewis Allen, Sam Lewis, dance.

Plan now to set about 100 to 200 strawberry plants in the home garden. Raspberries, dewberries, and grapes can also be added, says R. R. Niewongse, Extension horticulturist at State College.

## Senate Quickly Approves Bill Slashing 1946 Taxes

### Farmville Legion Auxiliary Host To 1st Area Conference

Mrs. O. S. Slounwhite, president of American Legion Auxiliaries, Department of N. C., addressed the First Area Conference held here Friday in the Christian Church, with the Farmville Unit as host.

The speaker stressed membership and reported gratifying results as units throughout the department have reported large numbers of members enrolled. There are 3,756 members re-enrolled for 1946, the best report during any administration.

In speaking of re-enrollment she stated that there are 1,200 patients at Oteen Hospital now and over 50 percent of that number are veterans of World War II. The First Area maintains a service worker at Oteen, also a volunteer service worker at the Fayetteville Hospital.

The Auxiliaries are cooperating with the American Legion again this year in the Christmas program in "Gifts for the Yanks who gave," with the objective that every hospitalized man or woman in N. C. will be remembered with a gift.

Mrs. Slounwhite stated that the work of the Auxiliaries is more essential now than ever before and said, "Thank God for the American Legion Auxiliary, they don't forget the Veterans, and go on to greater heights by forgetting self in doing for others."

Mrs. R. J. White of Conway, Area chairman, presided over the meeting. Mrs. R. L. Garrett of Elizabeth City was endorsed as Area Chairman for '46-'47. Attendance award was won by Rocky Mount and Elizabeth City Units. The Conference endorsed publication of a National Auxiliary magazine.

Among Farmville people taking part in the program were Misses Lola Grey Kemp and Elsie May who advanced the colors; Rev. C. B. Mashburn, who offered prayers; Miss Mamie E. Davis, president of the Farmville Auxiliary and Carl A. Tyson, Commander of the local Legion Post, who brought greetings; Mrs. J. W. Joyner who sang the National Anthem and Dear Little Boy of Mine; Mrs. A. F. Joyner, piano accompanist; Miss Joyce Tyson who played The Stars and Stripes Forever by John Philip Sousa; Mrs. M. Y. Horton, Mrs. A. W. Bobbitt, ushers; Mrs. O. G. Spell, Mrs. M. L. Eason, pages; Mrs. J. H. Bynum and Mrs. J. C. Brock who retired the colors.

A highlight of the meeting was the delicious luncheon served in the basement of the church by Group 2 of the Christian Woman's Council, to the one hundred in attendance.

**MRS. JESSE MOYE PRESIDENT 15TH DISTRICT, N. C. F. W. C.**

Clubwomen of Farmville attending the annual meeting of the 15th District NGFWC, in Columbia on Friday of last week were Mrs. J. M. Hoggood, Mrs. Jesse Moye, Mrs. R. T. Williams, Miss Annie Perkins, Mrs. Howard Moye, Mrs. George Farr and Mrs. Kate Reynolds.

Mrs. Jesse Moye was elected president of the district for 1945-46 and Mrs. Frank Allen, secretary.

**KIWANIAN ED RAWL HERE MONDAY NIGHT**

At the request of Dick Harris, program chairman, Ed Rawl from Greenville, who has been and still is one of the best supporters of the Farmville Club, and who is always welcome as he pepes every one up and leaves a message which is food for thought, gave the local Kiwanis program this week. The subject chosen by Ed was "Kiwanis Power To Share The Future." He brought out in a very strong way how we can benefit from the chances which will present themselves from time to time in the operation and fellowship of our club. Accompanying him as a special guest was former Lt. Hal Moore from Ayden who played several numbers on the piano in a most talented manner, which was very entertaining.

Other guests included Sterling Owen and C. S. Edwards. Chester Walsh was a visiting Kiwanian from Greenville.

Frank Allen announced that the Farmville Club's profit from the Softball game in Greenville totaled \$500.00 which was most gratifying.

Committees were appointed for Ladies' Night to be held Nov. 2. There will be no regular meeting, Monday, Oct. 29.

**VICTORY CLOTHING COLLECTION**

Another United National Clothing Collection for overseas relief, to be known as the Victory Clothing Collection is scheduled for Jan. 7, 1946 through Jan. 31. The national goal is 100,000,000 garments with additional shoes and bedding.

### Last - Minute Changes Add 155 Millions to the Cuts; Bill Now Goes To Conference

Washington, Oct. 25.—The Senate voted Wednesday night to reduce taxes by a total of \$5,788,000,000 next year, accepting two last-minute changes which added \$155,000,000 to previously-approved cuts.

The bill, approved by a voice vote after a single day's debate, goes to a conference with the House for adjustment of differences. The House bill, passed two weeks ago, carries reductions totaling \$5,350,000,000. Conferees expect to hold their first session Friday.

The bill which emerged from the Senate proposes the following reductions:

- Individual income taxes, \$2,544,000,000.
- Corporation taxes, 2,934,000,000.
- Repeal of use tax on automobiles and boats, \$140,000,000.
- Repeal of 1941 excise taxes on sporting goods, stoves, electrical appliances, business machines and photographic apparatus, \$70,000,000.
- The miscellaneous excise tax items were incorporated in one of the last-minute changes. Senator Taft (R-O) called them "Leon Henderson levies" and explained that they were put on in the early days of the war emergency, not as revenue producers, but as deterrents to the use of strategic materials. Unless the House insists upon reducing all wartime excise levies, repeal of the "Henderson taxes" will not be pressed by the Senate conferees.

Another Republican, Vandenberg, of Michigan, added the other floor amendment. It would give small corporations limited relief from the excess profits tax on their 1945 income by providing that the combined credits and exemptions against the tax shall not be less than \$25,000. It does not affect large corporations which already have more than \$25,000 in credits and exemptions.

**Agreed to Quietly**

Changes recommended by the Senate finance committee in the tax bill passed by the House were agreed to without debate, as rapidly as the reading clerk could drone them off.

Before the Senate started line-by-line consideration of the whole measure, however, two members cautioned against reducing Treasury revenue too rapidly in the face of an unbalanced budget and continuing demands for government spending.

**POSTHUMOUS AWARDS HONOR JOHN R. BALDREE**

Technician Fourth Grade John Rollin Baldree, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baldree of Farmville, who lost his life in France December 10, 1944, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart and the Posthumous Purple Heart. The citations read as follows:

Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy on November 25, 1944, in France. Hearing a call for medical aid during an intense fire fight with the enemy, Technician Fourth Grade Baldree, Company Aid Man, moved forward from his place of security to care for the wounded man. No sooner had he given this man needed medical aid, than another call was heard which Technician Baldree immediately answered. Once again came the urgent call and again he crawled forward to administer first aid to the wounded man and while doing so received a fatal wound. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Baldree, reflect highest credit on the Armed Forces of the United States.

Purple Heart, for wounds received in action against the enemy in the European Area, July 14, 1944.

Posthumous Purple Heart, for his supreme sacrifice on December 10, 1944, in the European Area.

Sgt. Baldree entered the Army June 1942 and was sent overseas on June 8, 1944. He was formerly a tobacco buyer on the Greenville market. Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Betty Warren of Miami, Fla., and Greenville; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baldree of Farmville, Route two; three sisters, Mrs. Bruce Pollard of Farmville, Route one; Mrs. Sam Braxton of Farmville, and Miss Grace Baldree of the home; four brothers, Bill Baldree in the Army stationed at Little Rock, Ark.; Thurman Baldree of Winterville; Otis Baldree of Farmville and Bert Baldree of the home.

**RECEIVES DISCHARGE**

Pfc. R. L. Joyner received a honorable discharge last week from Camp Shelby, Miss., and arrived home Tuesday, following two years and six months in service. He will resume his duties at the Farmville Furniture Company.

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