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## Chamber Commerce Seeks To Relieve Labor Shortage

### Citizens Needing Additional Help Asked To Give Secretary Bundy All The Facts

Sam D. Bundy, secretary Farm-Chamber of Commerce, announced today that his office plans to work hand-in-hand with the Employment Service Commission. The Chamber of Commerce will not try to place the workers, but will accept orders for workers of any type business and will turn these orders over to the Employment Service Commission.

Stores and business firms, farmers and housewives, warehousemen and factory owners, and any person who needs labor can place an order with Sam D. Bundy at the Chamber of Commerce office and these will be turned over to the representative who comes to Farmville on Thursday of each week. Such orders may be turned in personally or may be phoned in by dialing 4900. The order must contain such information as the name and address of the employer, the type of worker needed and type of work involved, the hours of work and the rate of pay. Other information can be added.

The Chamber of Commerce is offering this service due to complaints arising from the fact that labor cannot be obtained "whenever" at the same time a large number of persons are receiving unemployment compensation. The officials of the Employment Service advise that orders must be obtained and then, if the applicants for unemployment compensation will not accept these jobs, then they can cut off the unemployment compensation being paid to those who refuse to work.

If you need help, contact Sam D. Bundy at the Chamber of Commerce or call phone 4900. Your orders will be placed in the proper hands and possibly many job placements can be made.

### TO JOIN ENTERPRISE STAFF AS AD MANAGER

James B. Hockaday, now on terminal leave from the Navy, is associated with THE ENTERPRISE as Advertising Manager and as a NEWS EDITOR.

He is in Farmville at present, planning to establish permanent residence, and is looking for a house, an apartment or a suite of rooms, to which he can bring his wife, the former Miss Dorothy Terrell, of Wendell and Chapel Hill, a native of Kingston, and his four-year-old daughter, Georgia Tull, who are residing in Lillington, his home town.

A son of Mrs. W. F. Hockaday, of Lillington, and the late Mr. Hockaday, he was graduated from UNC in the class of 1936. He was afterwards associated with The News in Lillington for a period of six years, prior to volunteering for military service in August, 1942.

He served 34 months in the Pacific theatre; on the USS Whitney, a destroyer tender, and later as Navigator and Executive Officer on the USS Scania, a cargo attack vessel. He returned from Japan in May of this year.

### RE-ENLISTMENT BENEFITS CLARIFIED BY RECRUITER

To clear up misunderstandings of veterans of reenlistment in Grade, G. Manning, Staff Sergeant, Inf., of the Greenville Army Recruiting Station today explained matters which appear to be confusing most would-be enlistees.

Dependency allowances will remain in full force for the duration of the emergency plus six months, for every man enlisting on or after July 1, who has dependents. Those who enlisted before July 1 were guaranteed dependency allotments for the duration of their enlistment. It was pointed out that the dependents of any man enlisting within the immediate future, will probably receive dependency allotment for at least the greater part of his enlistment period.

### Guaranteed Re-enlistment in Grade Effective July 1, 1946, Army Veterans Must Be Sworn in Within 30 Days From the Date of Discharge to Be Guaranteed the Rank Held at the Time of Discharge.

Thus, if discharged on June 22, he must be sworn in no later than midnight of July 22. Those enlisting within 30 days will also receive a re-enlistment furlough up to 30 days, as well as a re-enlistment bonus at the rate of \$50 for each year of continuous service. It was pointed out that re-enlistment furloughs are not counted against the normal 30 days furlough granted each year.

Any man enlisting on or after July 1, who has dependents, will receive a dependency allowance of \$100 per month, plus \$10 per month for each dependent child under 18 years of age.

### At The Rotary Club

Ways of bridging the gap between prospective employers who need additional workers and unemployed who register with the United States Employment Service in search of work or compensation benefits were discussed Tuesday night by the Rotary Club which went into an overtime session obtaining an overall picture of the situation.

Leading the interesting discussion, which was in the form of an open forum with many questions coming from the floor, was F. C. Brooks of Greenville, representative of the United States Employment Service, who was introduced by Paul Ewell.

Since the matter was of deep concern to the entire community, special guests were invited and introduced by Ewell, who had charge of the evening's program. These were C. S. Hotchkiss, president of the Kiwanis Club; Lewis Allen, president of the Merchants Association; Sam D. Bundy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Additional guests were J. T. Lewis, introduced by his brother, John Lewis, and James B. Hockaday, presented by Alex Rouse. The former has been living in California for several years and has recently returned to Pitt county to make his home. The latter is a new member of The Enterprise staff.

Brooks, whose talk clarified many questions relating to the activities of the employment and compensation agencies, explained that his agency and the North Carolina Unemployment Compensation Commission are distinct organizations; yet, he added, the two work together and cooperate whenever problems arise.

The financial statement for the period from January 1 to June 30 was presented and explained by John Stanell, treasurer. His report showed the club was sound financially, as is to be expected from an organization that is sound in so many other ways.

Bill Duke, president, presided.

## Church Merge Seems Likely

### Episcopalians, Presbyterians Agree On Formula

Philadelphia, July 8—Merger of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. and the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A.—a move that will unite about 4,195,000 Americans spiritually—was a step closer to realization today.

A document embodying the proposed basis of union of the two churches, was released by spokesmen of the groups in a joint statement.

Dr. William Barrow Pugh, Philadelphia, stated clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church and Dr. Alexander Zabriskie, Alexandria, Va., secretary of the Commission on Approaches to Unity of the Episcopal Church, said the document provides a formula for "mutual recognition of orders and extension of authority of the clergy of both communions." They said the document does not provide details of the organization of the proposed united church.

"The future constitution of the united church will lay down the principle that ministers who have been ordained in either church prior to the union will receive his authority after the union will bear the authority of either tradition," the statement said.

The merger would affect 2,000,000 members of the Episcopal Church and 2,195,000 persons of the Presbyterian Church.

### MRS. JOHNSON'S FATHER PASSES AT WOODRUFF, S. C.

Funeral services for John T. Miller, 75, of Woodruff, S. C., who succumbed, Saturday, June 23, to an extended illness, were conducted from the Baptist Methodist Church, at 11:30 o'clock, Sunday morning, June 30, by the Rev. L. B. George, the pastor. Interment was made in the family plot in the churchyard.

He is survived by five daughters, Mrs. T. E. Johnson, of Farmville, Mrs. Cary Johnson, of Owens, S. C., Mrs. Clyde Robinson, of Enon, S. C., Mrs. Joseph Dunning, and Mrs. H. C. Woodruff, of Woodruff, S. C.

## Commissioners Complete Plan For Bond Sale

### Low Interest Rate Anticipated On \$230,000 Issue For Streets And Water Improvements

Meeting in special session Monday night, Farmville's Board of Commissioners completed plans for the sale of \$230,000 worth of bonds recently approved by voters and passed ordinances which are required before the State Local Government can proceed with advertising for bids.

Within the coming months, the town will spend \$230,000 on improvements to streets and the water system. This total is sub-divided as follows: \$62,000 on water system, \$4,000 on sewer system and \$224,000 on streets and sidewalks. Only \$20,000 in bonds will be sold now, however, as it is anticipated the additional \$50,000 will be made available by property owners paying their street assessments.

The bonds will be serial bonds, in denominations of \$1,000, and will be staggered so as to be repaid over a period of 20 years, with the first ones maturing in 1948 and the last in 1968.

Throughout the lean, depression years, Farmville met its obligations without default. Because of this excellent record, members of the Board believe these bonds will sell at very low interest rates. Other towns, whose records are nothing like as good as Farmville's, have been borrowing money recently at 2 per cent and less. Since the only way of judging the future is by the past, it is reasonable to assume that the forthcoming issue will bring attractive interest rates.

Also within the next year the town will spend \$186,000 on its light plant. These bonds have been approved and will be ready for sale whenever the money is needed. Since much of the machinery has not yet been manufactured, it is estimated that the funds will not be required before winter.

Present for Monday's session were Mayor J. W. Joyner and members W. A. Allen, Manly Liles, C. H. Flanagan, J. M. Stanell and W. C. Wooten.

At present the town's bonded debt totals \$156,000. The total valuation is \$3,600,000 and the tax rate for 1946-47 will be \$1.10.

## Town Is Zoned For Building Purposes

### Map Showing Boundaries Four Districts Will Be Posted In Conspicuous Place

The task of laying off the Town of Farmville into four building zones was officially completed Tuesday night of last week and henceforth all construction must be approved by municipal authorities or the builder, if his structure does not conform to specifications required by the recently adopted ordinance, may be forced to tear down the building or use it for a purpose other than originally intended.

Defined as Residence A, Residence B, Business and Industrial, the four zones have been designated on a special map which Clerk R. A. Joyner will post in a conspicuous place as soon as possible. In the meantime, those who have any questions on the zoning are referred to him at his office in the Municipal Building. Since these zones are not laid off exactly according to streets, The Enterprise will make no attempt to bound them.

In the future, those who propose to erect structures must present a plot of their lot showing the location of the building on that lot, together with a statement of the intended use. Haywood Smith, chief of the fire department, is the building inspector.

Working with Farmville authorities in this zoning project was Geo. C. Franklin of the North Carolina League of Municipalities. The zoning committee was headed by Mayor J. W. Joyner, together with his wife, W. A. Allen of the Board of Commissioners, Dr. J. M. Newborn, E. Long Collins and C. S. Hotchkiss. The ordinance, approving the work of the committee and legalizing the zoning, was adopted Tuesday, July 2.

At least for the time being, the shortage of material, scarcity of labor and high prices have stymied any real business and industrial expansion that is anticipated. That these factors are likely to be overcome will be for a real construction boom. When that time comes, it will be important any way in the location of buildings.

## Greenville Banquet Honors Masonic Grand Master

### W. J. Bundy Extended Tribute From Home Lodge; Many Grand Officers Attend

Greenville, July 4—W. F. Owens, Master of Greenville Lodge No. 254 A. F. and A. M. in his address of welcome to the newly 400 Masons, their wives and guests, who attended the banquet in the Greenville armory, Tuesday night in honor of W. J. Bundy, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of N. C., truly expressed the spirit motivating this tribute when he said that they had come to honor one whose sense of humor, whose congeniality with his fellow man, had endeared himself to all Masons that knew him, whose fidelity to the principles of Masonry and whose labors within the Order had strengthened the ties among the members.

The response was made by W. L. Melver of Sanford, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of N. C.

The following Grand Officers and their wives were present and were recognized by B. B. Sugg, master of ceremonies; Past Grand Master Watson Sherrod and Mrs. Sherrod; J. Enfield; Past Grand Master J. C. Hobbs of Wilmington; Grand Secretary W. J. Melver and Mrs. Melver; Grand Marshall W. H. White and wife, Sanford; Grand Steward Robert Pugh and Mrs. Pugh of New Bern; Grand Lecturer G. A. Farrior and Mrs. Farrior of New Bern; Grand Chaplain Rev. Robt. S. Boyd and Mrs. Boyd of Greenville; Assistant Grand Chaplain Rev. W. C. France, Edenton; Grand Orator Rev. Harold Glen Cuthrell of Marshallburg.

J. J. Gilbert introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Charles P. Eldridge of the Grand Lodge of N. C., who in a very interesting and humorous speech, entertained his audience. He eulogized the late C. K. Proctor, Supt. of Oxford Orphanage, who would have been the speaker, but for his untimely death last week.

The master of ceremonies introduced Past District Deputy Grand Master J. T. Bundy and Mrs. Bundy of Farmville, parents of the guest of honor; his wife, Mrs. W. J. Bundy; and his brother, Sam D. Bundy and Mrs. Bundy of Farmville.

J. R. Tanner announced the musical part of the program, which was given by Mrs. Christine Smith, Mrs. Margaret James, Bill Evans and J. R. Pittman.

The following District Deputy Grand Masters were present: Harvey Smith, Beaufort; H. A. Campen, Edenton; C. B. Shulenberger, Raleigh; Tom Slate, Fayetteville; A. R. Willis, Wilmington; James W. Brewer, Greenville; H. M. Waggoner, Sanford.

The chairman of the Banquet Committee, James W. Brewer, thanked the various committees for their splendid work with the program.

J. R. Tanner, chairman of a special committee, announced that as a token of affection and esteem, and also as the Grand Master's duties require a lot of traveling, the lodges in the Fifth Masonic District were presenting the Grand Master with a gift. At this signal, the doors were opened and in rolled a shiny, new Chevrolet, driven by H. J. Sawyer. The other members of this committee were C. H. Hamrill, Godfrey Oakley and T. L. Moore.

Bundy expressed his deep appreciation of the honor, accorded him and paid fitting tribute to any honoree that might be given him, to his parents and wife.

### MENACE OF WEEVIL IS NOW CRITICAL IN THIS STATE

Boll weevil infestation is approaching the critical stage and Tar Heel farmers must begin the dusting of their cotton, if large losses are to be avoided, James T. Conner, Jr., Extension entomologist at State College said Tuesday.

Infestation counts in 15 counties in the southeastern section of the state show that 92 out of 95 counties were infested and the average count was 25 per cent. Dusting should begin when infestation reaches 10 per cent, according to Conner.

Two visits were made in Gaston and Cabarrus counties and the infestation there was only 4 per cent but with favorable weather conditions it can increase at a rapid rate.

"Everything now depends on the weather during the next few weeks," Conner said. "The situation in some areas is already critical and it is fast approaching that condition in others. Unless dusting is begun immediately, heavy losses will probably occur. Recent weather has been ideal for the boll weevil and infestation has increased at an alarming rate. Now is the time to

## Cherry Urges Farmers to Vote For Weed Control

### Defeat Will Mean Lower Prices, Opines Governor In Statement On Today's Referendum

Governor Cherry, Monday urged Tar Heel tobacco farmers to go to the polls Friday, and cast their ballots for a three-year extension of government crop controls.

In a prepared statement issued Monday morning the Governor said: "North Carolina, which state produced about two-thirds of all the bright leaf tobacco grown in the United States, has found growing tobacco under the quota system has proven a sound system for producing this important crop. Quotas under which North Carolina tobacco farmers have been growing allotments will expire with the 1946 crop. The Congress of the United States is allowing an expression of opinion as to continuation of quotas in a vote that is scheduled for Friday, July 12, 1946. At that time, growers can express themselves in favor of the continuation of quotas for one year, three years, or can vote against quotas entirely.

"As governor of a state where in the tobacco crop has a dollar value more than four times that of its nearest competitor among the cash crops, I wish to take this occasion to emphasize the importance of this forthcoming election.

"I am convinced that it is to the decided advantage of the State, and the citizens of the five-cured tobacco counties to have an overwhelming vote favoring quotas for three years. If we do not record such a vote I fear that disastrous prices for this commodity will be inevitable."

Prior to the governor's statement G. Tom Scott, State Director of the Production and Marketing Administration, announced that polls for the five-cured tobacco referendum will open at 7 a. m. and remain open all day.

Scott said that all growers with an interest in the 1946 crop, owner, tenant, or sharecropper, are eligible to vote in the referendum.

## Pitt County To Observe Veterans Day

### Veterans World War 1 And 2 Will Be Honored Aug. 14 With Big Celebration

August 14 has been set aside as a celebration day for all veterans of World War I and World War II. The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars with the cooperation of other organizations of Pitt county are sponsoring this day to honor the veterans of the day.

Tentative plans have been made for an all-day celebration to be held in Greenville.

The committee in charge has arranged a parade of veterans led by one or more bands. One of these bands will be from a military post near here. The Merchants Association is cooperating by having all the business establishments except cafes and drug stores close before the parade and remain closed during the day.

A big barbecue dinner will be served to all veterans and their immediate families free of charge. Since the dinner committee will have to know how many to prepare for, the Veterans' Auxiliary of the Legion will set up registration booths from July 15 to August 1 in places over the county to be later designated. Veterans must register in these places to receive their tickets to the barbecue.

A ball game will be arranged for the afternoon program and the recreation committee is investigating the possibilities for a dance in the evening.

This day is one of the most important days to all citizens of Pitt county. Without the veterans whom we are honoring no one knows what would have happened to our country. All citizens are urged to come to Greenville for the celebration. Keep in touch with your newspaper and radio for the latest developments, the committee in charge suggests.

### KIWANIS PLAN CARNIVAL

Plans for the Kiwanis Carnival are still in the embryonic stage but work is going forward. The date is Sept. 28th and 29th.

## Living Economy Depends Upon Quota Vote Today

### Price Support For Tobacco To Be Withdrawn And Loans Unavailable For 1947 If Control Disapproved In Referendum

### At The Kiwanis Club

The importance of an overwhelming majority in favor of the tobacco control program, whose fate will be determined in a referendum today (Friday), was stressed Monday night as the local Kiwanians briefly discussed ways they could assist in getting out a big vote. Also featured at the weekly session, presided over by President Charlie Hotchkiss, was an interesting talk on underprivileged children by K. T. Fattrell of Greenville, welfare superintendent of Pitt county.

W. A. Allen, chairman of the Farmville group of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, called the club's attention to the referendum and outlined plans for placing in the hands of workers a list of landlords and tenants entitled to vote. Special trips will be made to persuade and bring in those who have not cast their ballots by late afternoon. Polls will be open until 9 o'clock.

Supporting Allen's remarks was Carl T. Hicks of Walsenburg, chairman of the tobacco group of the North Carolina Farm Bureau. Hicks, who recalled that the vote in the last referendum was 95.5 per cent in favor of control, asked for a 100 per cent turnout this time and urged the members to carry out the plan explained by Allen, adding that in Greene county they were following this procedure. Hicks sounded a solemn note when he told the club that he and his fellow workers have been informed by Congressmen that the control program is in dire danger of being defeated unless a huge vote is rolled up in North Carolina to offset the opposition in states which are clamoring for increased acreage. Tar Heel growers at present have 51 per cent of the total quota. A slump in prices and glutted markets, harking back to the days of the unmitigated depression, are envisioned if the control program is rejected in today's referendum.

The second feature of the night's program was an interesting and highly educational talk by the Pitt county welfare superintendent, who was introduced by Ferd Satterthwaite. Fattrell prefaced his remarks with a statement that he had once been a Kiwanian and had never gotten away from the club's influence. Certainly, some of the things he talked about were in line with the objectives and activities of the civic organization.

Distributed among members were mimeographed sheets outlining the multiple functions of the department. It was on these points that Fattrell talked and some of them were quite thought-provoking. For instance, there are now 36 adoption proceedings underway in this county; the county has an average of 42 law-breakers on parole, some of whom are hesitant about making their required monthly report to welfare authorities and are locked up before an interview can be obtained; the county has seven juvenile delinquents in State Correctional Institutions, a stigma they will carry through life; \$700 is paid monthly to the department by third grade parents for passing to children and mothers; \$100,000 is expended annually in the Federal-State-County welfare program; 25 from this county are in tuberculosis hospitals, with 60 per cent of the 50-cent per day fee paid by the county.

As he closed his talk on underprivileged children, Fattrell called on the club to continue its good work and urged members to always speak to youngsters and encourage them in whatever ways possible.

Three new members were recognized. They will be formally inducted next Monday night. They are Billy Smith, Cotton Davis and Beulah Tidwell.

W. E. Cooper of Oxford was a visiting Kiwanian. Other guests were Cecil Davis, George W. Davis, J. E. Lewis and James B. Hockaday.

### SEVEN PINES CLUB

The Seven Pines Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday at 8:00 o'clock with Mrs. Davis Windham as hostess. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Joe Jones. There were twenty-two members present and a new member welcomed into the group at this time.

In the absence of Miss Verona Lee Joyner, Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Windham conducted the demonstration in "What To Eat and How to Serve It."

Delicious refreshments were served after the demonstration.

(By the Associate Editor)  
The entire living economy of Eastern Carolina, and the incomes of innumerable growers of many sections of this state, and those of other states, are involved in the referendum to be held July 12, when tobacco growers will vote on the continuation of allotment quotas.

Everyone who lived under the darkening shadow of accumulated debts, during the depression years, and the threat of collapse which haunted the doorstep of the farmer as a big bad wolf, will recall that the program, mapped out by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in 1932, was a challenge to the general opinion that the farmers will not organize.

The first act of the program was the tobacco sign-up campaign, which was carried forward with great rapidity and success in North Carolina. This was an acknowledgment by the farmer that his former independence and isolation of action were obsolete, that his frontiers were no longer confined by the territorial bounds of his plantation, and that the power of his old adversaries, droughts, deluges, furies of wind and hail and disease in his stock had been augmented by an intangible foe—low prices for his produce—and of his inability to combat this one singlehandedly.

So, the farmer girded up his loins and motivated at long last by a willingness to fight for the good of all, even if it were accompanied by some misgivings, joined the rank and file of an army of planters and presented a solid front to the enemy—surpluses.

Material prosperity was an immediate result. The tobacco crop in 1932 in North Carolina sold for \$32,000,000; in 1933, the first year of the control, it sold for \$76,000,000—concrete evidence of the policy of unification of purpose and effort. Statistics revealed, during the first year, an almost unbelievable increase in the price of this commodity.

The farmer has experienced the serious situation that can be brought about by a surplusage of everything he produced and the imminent danger of being eliminated from the economic picture altogether, and he can "thank his lucky stars" that the administration was brought to a realization of his woeful plight and was moved to intervention in his behalf. As a consequence, the surplus problem was overcome and a profitable agricultural system was constructed and has been maintained to the present day.

The farmer has a big responsibility to face in the preservation of this manifestation of faith and confidence that the administration has demonstrated in a tangible and practical way. Each time he marches up to the polls and votes for a continuance of the control program, he gives added assurance to the administration that its confidence and almost super-human effort in this venture in his behalf was well placed.

During four successive years of depression, prior to the control program, the farmer experienced the impossibility of securing loans on seemingly substantial collateral from his banker to meet maturing obligations. If quotas are approved Friday, loans at 90 per cent of the parity value of his tobacco will be available, and since the government is not acting now in the capacity of purchasing agent for other nations buying tobacco, loans in the future can afford a real protection to growers against drastic price declines or losses. Price supports, including loans of every kind, will not be available on the 1947 crop if growers disapprove quotas.

The continuance of crop control will require a majority vote of 66 2/3 per cent, and it is being pointed out by tobacco authorities that there is danger of three favoring controlled quotas being so certain that the program will be approved that they will let some small difficulty stand in the way of their voting their approval. Those who are against the allotment system will be sure to vote and the vote of every single grower, landlord or tenant, will be needed to pull the measure over.

Merchants and other business men have, greatly concerned over the result of the referendum, as their prosperity depends on that of the farmer, the potential buyer of their goods, have expressed themselves through the Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association as fully supporting the average controlled program and are urging a heavy vote to act in the future in