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## Wickard Urges U. S. Convoys For British Supplies

J. M. McGougan Attends AAA Conference at Charlotte.

J. M. McGougan, of Stonewall township, local AAA county committeeman, reports that 700 farmer representatives at the East Central Regional AAA Conference roundly applauded Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard when the secretary, in a widely broadcast address, struck out with both fists at Nazism and dictatorships.

Mr. McGougan returned Saturday from the conference which was held May 8-10 in Charlotte. With him he brought a copy of the Secretary's address, excerpts from which follow.

"Speaking for myself, I would never ask the farmers of this country to grow more food for the British if I did not believe we would see that this food gets to the British. I don't believe the people of this country favor half-way measures. Let's do what ever is necessary to see that our food and munitions actually get to England—and let's do it right away. The situation is urgent, terribly urgent."

To put it bluntly, we had better take risks on getting aid to England than to risk bombing raids on American cities, and tank attacks on our own fields. \* \* \*

"From the outbreak of the Second World War, I have hoped with all my heart that the United States would remain at peace. But to refuse to take decisive and vigorous action to help Britain is no guarantee of peace. Frankly speaking, I see no cause for the United States that gives any real promise of keeping us from becoming deeply involved in this world conflict. To refuse to fight until an attack has been made upon us is no guarantee of peace. If anyone doubts that, let him ask the peoples of Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Greece and other countries under Nazi domination. \* \* \*

"Some British leaders thought that Hitler would listen to reason. After Munich he would settle down. Chamberlain thought that appeasement had guaranteed world peace for his time. Let those people who are talking about war-mongering think back a little while. Who attacked Poland? Who intervened in Spain? Who overran Austria and Czechoslovakia? Who gobbled up Denmark? Who invaded Norway? In the light of history, the persons who believe Britain's down-fall would be followed by peace and prosperity need a guardian. They have got no business wandering around loose in this cruel and chaotic world. \* \* \*

"The combined economic power of the United States and Great Britain is almost twice the power of Germany, Italy and the conquered countries. If we enable England to hold out, Hitler might as well prepare himself for defeat. In modern war, with its dependence on all sorts of machines and supplies, basic economic power is the final test of might. England and the United States together are an unbeatable combination. Without England, the balance of power would be with the dictator nations, and we would face a desperate struggle against heavy odds. \* \* \*

"In the light of the world situation, we have the choice of abandoning democracy, or making it triumphant over dictatorship. We cannot always play it safe. The time for decision grows nearer every day. The farmers and people of this country will soon have to decide what further steps are necessary to safeguard the American way of life."

## CCC Camp Host To Business, Men Of Raeford

It was open house at the C. C. C. camp at Mott's Lake in Hoke county last Friday. The boys in their freshly laundered khaki suits were on hand all afternoon to serve punch and commanding Officer, Lieut. Edward Goodman, was on the march showing the ladies over the camp.

That evening Lieut. Goodman was host to the business men of Raeford at a steak supper. The meal was prepared and served by the boys of the camp. Before the feed Lieut. Goodman showed the men around the camp. Everything was clean and in perfect order with many new buildings and other improvements underway. After dinner four or five of the boys came in and delighted the party with some mountain music.

Lieut. Goodman seems to take a great deal of interest in the boys and a great pride in his camp. The men in their visit got a splendid idea on the value of C. C. C. work. The boys are mostly in their teens and early twenties; none over twenty-three. They receive \$20.00

## Lt. Miner Holds Meeting In Hoke On Army Games

General County Meeting Here  
Saturday; Precinct Meetings  
Begin Monday.

A general meeting of Hoke county farmers will be held at 2:30 Saturday afternoon at the court house for the discussion of the part the farmers of Hoke county will play in the War Games to be held in North and South Carolina in October and November of this year.

1st Lieut. Kenneth C. Miner, of the United States army, and L. M. Lester, director for Hoke county appointed by Gov. J. M. Broughton, will speak to the farmers at a series of meetings to be held during the next two weeks. A meeting will be held Saturday at which the purpose of the maneuvers and the system of settlement for all damages to farms will be explained.

The first of the township meetings will be held in the Mildouson school at 8 p. m. Monday, May 9th, for Stonewall township.

Tuesday evening the farmers of Antioch township are requested to meet at the community house at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday evening those of Quewhile township will meet at Ashemont school at 8 o'clock.

The government is asking the cooperation of every farmer of the county by their agreeing to allow the Army the use of their lands for the games and temporary encampment during the maneuvers. In case there is any damage to properties or crops all just claims will be paid by the government.

The cooperative sign-up asked of the farmers is under the direction of Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of State College and state maneuvers director. County civilian directors, appointed by Governor J. Melville Broughton include E. G. Jones, farmer, Wadesboro, Anson county; L. M. Lester, tinsmith of Hoke county; J. C. McCaskill, businessman of Montgomery county; B. E. Beasley, schoolman of Moore county; Robert J. Gasque, businessman of Richmond county; Dan McGirt, farmer of Wagram, for Scotland county; J. T. Maby, Stanley county; and M. Bruce Liles, schoolman, of Union county.

An army officer, under the direction of Major Harry B. Grimesley, of Winston-Salem, has been assigned to each county to assist the county civilian director in the work. The county commissioners, county agents, and Legion post commanders of the several counties also will aid in the program.

It has been estimated by the general staff of the Army that nearly one half a million men will participate in the games under conditions of nearly actual military combat. The movement of large bodies of armed forces will extend from Ft. Bragg to Fort Jackson, with opposing forces operating from the two military training centers.

Col. J. C. Mehaffey, director of maneuvers of the first army, has stated that the only costs to the farmers for allowing the soldiers to practice war on their lands will be some slight inconvenience. "But our troops must be prepared," he said, "and the landowners who cooperate will be at the roadside when the guns start firing, the parachute troops start landing and the tanks start roaring up and down the roads. It will be war, with all the excitement but without casualties."

The agreement the farmers are being asked to sign reads as follows:

We, the undersigned, invite the U. S. Army to maneuver and bivouac (camp temporarily) upon our lands during October and November, 1941, with the understanding that we will be compensated by the United States Government for any damage which may occur as a result of such use.

Mary Lib Trawick, Frances McFadyen, Gladys Sanders, Dixie Smith of Flora Macdonald, spent the week end with their families.

month, board and clothing, an a nice place to camp. From their salary, \$15.00 is sent home each month; \$7.00 held in reserve for the boy until he leaves the camp, and the other \$8.00 is given to the boy for spending money. They enroll for six months at a time, and no boy can serve over two years. What West Point and Annapolis are to the privileged boy the Civilian Conservation Corps is to the less privileged. It gives the boy a splendid opportunity to prepare himself for life. Many a boy has been saved from a life of crime to that of a useful citizen by these camps. And the kind of camp one sees at Mott's Lake and the kind of behavior one sees on the part of C. C. C. boys who come to Raeford indicates that Lieut. Goodman is putting the emphasis of his camp in the development of character.

They receive \$20.00

## Three Hurt In Wreck At Fort Bragg Tuesday

Miss Peggy McFayden is in the Post Hospital at Fort Bragg with a fractured spine and Miss Estelle Maultsby and Roscoe Sandlin are seriously injured as result of an accident near the entrance of the 9th Division quarters at Fort Bragg Tuesday night.

Sandlin, an engineer at the fort, was driver of the car which skidded at a high rate of speed on the military highway there and turned over several times before finally landing in the drain ditch of the roadway.

Misses McFayden and Maultsby were thrown from the car while it was rolling over. Miss Maultsby was treated in the hospital there but was released Monday. Sandlin was found to have sustained a fractured collar bone, a severe back injury with a possible fracture of the spine and many cuts and bruises on the head and body. He is a native of Jacksonville, N. C.

Miss McFayden is now in a cast and it was reported that she would probably be several months recovering from her spinal injury. She is clerk to the Hoke County Selective Service Board and of the County Board of Commissioners. Both the young women are natives of Hoke county.

## Questionnaires Mailed To 200 Men By Board

Classification of Hoke County Registrants Now Under Way;  
No Quota Until July 1st.

Two hundred men of Hoke county will receive questionnaires this week from the Hoke County Selective Service Board. It was announced yesterday by Chairman T. B. Lester.

Classification of the men who received the first batch of blanks last week is now well under way as many of the first 200 questionnaires are being quickly returned to the board. Hoke county has been assigned no quota so far due to the large number of men already in various branches of the military services; though it is expected that a quota will be assigned with the new draft period which begins July first.

Additional registrants also are expected to add several hundred names to the list of 1543 men registered in the county when the new registration is held for men who have become 21 years of age since the first sign-up day last fall. The date for the new registration has not been definitely announced though it is expected to be early in July.

Miss Frances Bevan is acting as clerk to the board in the place of Miss Peggy McFayden who was seriously injured in an accident last Tuesday.

A list of the 200 men receiving questionnaires this week will be found elsewhere in the paper.

Miss Bonnie Williamson, of Princeton, is visiting her sister, Miss Myrtle Williamson, of the school faculty.

## Nine Offenders Face Judge In County Court

George Purcell Waives Preliminary Hearing On Rape Charge.

George Purcell, 30-year-old negro of Blue Springs township, indicted by his sister on charges of rape and of having carnal knowledge of Vera Mae, his 12-year-old niece, waived preliminary hearing in county court Tuesday and is being held for the August term of superior criminal court.

James Barefoot pleaded guilty of drunken driving and was given a sixty day sentence on the roads which was suspended upon payment of \$50 and costs; Sam Gore drew 30 days for assault and drunk and disorderly plea, suspended upon payment of the costs.

John Leach was found guilty of damage to personal property and taxed with the court costs and was bound over to Superior court for assault with deadly weapon, to wit one school bench, on James Baldwin. His bond was set at \$200.

Vance Clark paid costs for carelessness and reckless driving; Harold McDairmid was sentenced to serve 60 days on roads, or pay \$50 and court costs and the costs of repairing two trucks for driving a car under the influence of intoxicating liquors at which time he hit the trucks of C. E. Bishop and Farmers Furnishing Co.

Carlyle Perkins drew 30 days or court costs in each of two cases, charging drunk and disorderly conduct and violation of the prohibition laws.

Glenn Fulk paid costs upon pleading guilty to a careless and reckless driving charge.

## Wheat Referendum

On May 31st, a wheat referendum will be held in all wheat producing counties, reports A. S. Knowles, county agent. Those producers sharing in wheat on farms producing 200 bushels or more will be eligible to vote. The enormous supplies of wheat in the United States and Canada make it necessary to have quotas in order for the government to support the wheat price with a loan.

## Tour of Coker Farm

Hoke county farmers will have an opportunity to tour Coker farm at Hartsville, S. C., on Tuesday, May 27th, says A. S. Knowles, county agent. The small grain of wheat, oats, rye and barley will be in a good stage to see at that time. Those wishing to make the tour should notify the county agent by May 24th.

## Notice

The pupils who subscribed to the Hoke High Lights and did not receive their copies, may get them at the Hoke Drug company.

Mrs. J. H. Blue and children will join Captain Blue at Scriven tomorrow for an indefinite stay.

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE RALEIGH

J. Melville Broughton  
Governor

TO CITIZENS OF MOORE, HOKE, SCOTLAND,  
RICHMOND, ANSON, UNION, STANLY AND  
MONTGOMERY COUNTIES:

### Greetings:

It is the desire of the War Department of the United States to hold certain military maneuvers by its First Army within the borders of Moore, Hoke, Scotland, Richmond, Anson, Stanly and Montgomery counties this fall, probably during the months of October and November. As Governor of North Carolina I have issued a proclamation calling upon our citizens to aid in this purpose because I feel that such an activity on the part of the Army is necessary to prepare its officers and men for our defense.

The movement of large bodies of soldiers with mechanized equipment might do some damage to such crops as are in the fields at that season of the year but, in the main the movements will be confined to the vicinity of the main highways. However, any damage done will be paid for by the Army and no land will be used unless the owner gives his permission.

Starting immediately, an officer of the Army will be assigned to each of the eight counties named and will canvass farmer-owners for the right to use their land. This canvass should be completed by June 15th.

It is my hope that every person will cooperate fully in this plan and will tender the temporary use of his lands for the purpose of this defense training. Some of us perhaps can serve our country in no other way but each of us wants to do his full duty. It is imperative that we prepare to defend ourselves against whatever aggression may come in the future. It is not too much to ask that we allow the Army to use our land at a time when few crops will be on it, keeping in mind that payment will be made for any actual damage done.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this vital matter, I am

Respectfully,  
J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON  
Governor of North Carolina.

## Broughton Says Ultimate Outcome Of War Depends On Skill-Training-Faith Of The Workers of the Victorious Peoples

North Carolina's Chief Citizen Addresses Hoke High Seniors As Fifty-Three Graduate.

Hon. J. Melville Broughton, governor of North Carolina and proponent of many advancements adopted for the North Carolina educational system by the recent legislature, delivered the address to the graduating class of the Hoke high school Tuesday evening.

Fifty three seniors were awarded diplomas at the close of the exercises by Principal E. D. Johnson. (Pictures and names of members of the class appear on another page of this issue of the News-Journal).

Following the processional Rev. H. K. Holland, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church, pronounced the invocation and a song was sung by the glee club. The salutatory "Opportunity Still Calls" was given by Miss Johnnie Autry. The valedictory "Youth Looks to Tomorrow," was given by Miss Mildred Campbell.

Hon. Laurie McEachern, Hoke county representative presented the speaker as a man imbued with the primary principles of our democratic life destined to fill the office of chief executive of our state with distinction to himself and honor to the state.

Governor Broughton prefaced his address with a tribute to Mr. McEachern and to State Senator Ryan McBryde, complimenting their work for progressive legislation in the recent General Assembly, and to Hoke county for its continuous cooperation with the state and the management in the operation of one of the state's outstanding and most humane institutions, the Sanatorium which is located in the western section of the county.

He called attention to the great army maneuvers which will take place in the two Carolinas this fall and expressed the appreciation of Secretary of War Stimson and of the N. C. Director, Col. J. W. Harrelson, for the fine spirit of cooperation shown by the farmers of this county and the other seven counties of the state which will have so important a part in this greatest of all army maneuvers.

Stating that nothing was more expensive than ignorance, Governor Broughton called attention to the educational program enacted under the leadership of his administration. He said that the value of this great educational program should not be measured in the terms of the dollars and cents, the millions of dollars which it would cost, but should be judged solely for the greater value to the young people of this and succeeding generations.

The British government announced from the home of Prime Minister Churchill at No. 10 Downing street that Hess was in a Glasgow hospital under treatment for a broken ankle suffered in flying down from a German Messerschmitt fighter plane near there.

While the British statement did not specifically say that he had deserted, it made three observations of seeming inescapable significance:

That Hess had brought along photographs taken at varying years in his life to establish his identity if it were questioned.

That he had arrived in a plane which could not possibly have had enough gasoline for a return to Germany—and thus, inferentially, that his trip was clearly not a one-man offensive but one-way flight.

That the Messerschmitt's guns were empty.

### Surprising Development:

This most extraordinary flight of this or any other war was disclosed in London a few hours after the Germans in Berlin had announced that Hess—Hitler's political heir but once removed—was missing, that he presumably had taken a forbidden plane flight and had cracked up; that he appeared to have been suffering "hallucinations" and had "left behind a confused letter."

The implication was that he was mentally unbalanced and had been deranged for sometime; for it was stated that Hitler personally had directed that he not be permitted to use any plane.

## Roy Stroud Dies At Lumberton

Roy Stroud, brother of Mrs. C. P. Kinlaw, died at his home in Lumberton Thursday. Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning by Rev. Wilbur Edwards at Zion Tabernacle, and burial was in the Kinlaw Graveyard near Lumberton.

He is survived by his wife and two children. Also surviving are four sisters: Mrs. C. P. Kinlaw, of Raeford, Mrs. Edmond Smith, of Lumberton, Mrs. Rowland Fields and Mrs. Duard Basley, both of Washington, and a brother, Clarence Stroud, of Lumberton.

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## LEGION MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT

The American Legion, Post 20, of Hoke county, is called to