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United War Fund Quota Is Reached

The following report on the United War Fund was written by Robin Hood, chairman of the fund drive in Gates county.

The final report for the United War Fund Drive in Gates county shows that the quota of \$2,821 has been reached.

The check for the quota was sent into the North Carolina headquarters Saturday in the amount of \$2,796.

On Friday, November 12, a letter was received from the North Carolina headquarters stating that the Virginia Electric & Power Company had given a donation and had given Gates county \$25 on its quota. This was a big help in the final wind-up since two of the townships did not reach their quota. All townships except Haslett and Reynoldson reached their quotas. The best showing in the county was obtained by Hunters Mill, Mintonville, and Holly Grove in their speed in raising their quota and also in exceeding their quota. A table of the final results is as follows:

Quota and Amount Raised

Haslett, \$250.00, \$101.40; Reynoldson \$300.00, \$262.73; Hall, \$300.00, \$300.00; Hunters Mill, \$450.00, \$502.75; Mintonville, \$450.00, \$508.45; Holly Grove, \$500.00, \$550.70; Gatesville, \$500.00, \$569.97; credit Virginia Electric & Power Company, \$25; total, \$2,821.00, \$2,821.00.

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5 Gates County Men Stationed At Great Lakes

New recruits at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, are five Gates county men.

Upon completing their recruit training, these men will be home on a nine-day leave. They are: Thomas Warren Mathias, 20, Corapeake; Thomas Altan Umphlett, 19, Eure; Roland Calhoun Greene, 20, Eure; Shirley Clinton Baines, Jr., 20, Gatesville; Quinton Felton Eure, 27, Roduco.

'Jimmie' Hobbs Dies In Automobile Wreck

Funeral services for Thomas Everett Hobbs, 27, ("Jimmie" Hobbs) son of Rufus L. Hobbs of Hobbsville, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m. from the Brick Swamp Baptist church with the Rev. J. M. Joliff, pastor of the Gatesville Methodist church, officiating. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Hobbs was killed instantly Saturday night about 11 p. m. when his car overturned on the Suffolk - Sunbury highway. He was returning to his home in Suffolk after spending some time at the home of his father in Hobbsville.

He resided at 809 West Wash-

Germany's Latest 'Secret Weapon'



Winston Churchill was the first Allied leader to reveal news of German rocket gliders which are pictured in a photograph smuggled from that country. The gliders are launched from an airplane and are said to be controlled by radio. There have been rumors of long-range rocket gliders that could be used to bombard London from France.

Audit Reveals Large Surplus for County

Audit of Gates county received this week by the county accountant, Tazewell Eure, reveals the county to have a surplus of \$13,563.04.

Total assets of the county are listed as \$154,995.83 and total liabilities as \$98,953.99. The figures do not include the board of education or the clerk of superior court books.

The audit was made by A. T. Allen and Company of Raleigh.

Concerning the audit of the county books, the following was said in the general comments section:

"Our examination did not disclose any evidence of irregularities in the cash and we believe the funds have been carefully and honestly handled and fully accounted for."

As to the audit made of the clerk of court's books, the following was said:

"We made a careful examination of the funds for which the clerk was accountable for the 12 months and it is our opinion that a full accounting has been made for all funds for which the clerk was responsible."

Following is the comment made on the school board books:

"We made a careful analysis of the cash transactions and, where practicable, traced the

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Services Held Tuesday P. M. For Mrs. Pierce

Corapeake.—Funeral services for Mrs. L. M. Pierce, 83, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Rountree, Corapeake, Sunday afternoon, November 14, at one o'clock, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Rountree, by the Rev. J. M. Roberts and Rev. R. E. Miller.

Burial was made in the family cemetery.

Mrs. Pierce is survived by her husband, L. M. Pierce, of Sunbury; one daughter, Mrs. L. M. Rountree, of Corapeake; one adopted son, L. Q. Pierce, of Sunbury; one brother, R. L. Speight, of Suffolk, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Brinkley, of Port Norfolk, Va.; and Mrs. Sam Liles of Sunbury. She is also survived by three grandchildren.

Commissioned



Nick Long, Jr., of Roduco, who has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States army air forces, is pictured above. He was commissioned at Altus Field, Altus, Oklahoma, on November 3.

Farm Bureau to Lay Membership Drive Plans Here Friday

Tubercular Xmas Seal Sale Starts On November 22

Mrs. J. L. Sawyer, chairman of the Christmas seals sales committee for Gates county, issued the following announcement this week concerning the sale of seals:

Gates county joins the North Carolina Tuberculosis association in the nation-wide annual sale of Christmas seals again this year, the campaign dates covering the period between November 22 and Christmas Day.

The quota for Gates county is \$200—much larger than in any previous year. Let us approach our personal responsibility in this matter objectively. Essentially, it is an issue of self-interest. What we do through this organized agency, we do for our personal destinies.

Seventy-five percent of all funds contributed for tubercular purposes remains in the county, twenty-five percent goes to the support of the state and national work.

Accomplishments for 1943 include one dozen sputum cups purchased to be loaned to tuber-

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Program Given On Scrap Metal

The Sunbury 4-H club held its regular meeting on November 10, with the vice president, Blanche Brinkley, presiding.

Marjorie Brinkley led the devotional. A very interesting program was then enjoyed with the subject being, "Get in the Scrap." The following members took part in a program on scrap metal: Jesse Jones, Ellen Spivey, Marion Eason, Blanche Brinkley.

BASKETBALL GAME THURSDAY

Gatesville boys' and girls' basketball teams will play South Mills, N. C., boys' teams there Thursday night, November 18, at 8 p. m.

A meeting to plan for a membership drive for the North Carolina Farm Bureau in Gates county will be held here Friday night at 7:30 in the Legion Hut.

A group of representative farmers from all townships who are members of the Farm Bureau have been invited to attend the meeting and bring a guest who is not a member but who is a good prospect.

R. Flake Shaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, of Greensboro, and Joe Williams, Shaw's assistant, also of Greensboro will be present to discuss the Farm Bureau and what it means to the farmer.

Membership in the Farm Bureau in Gates county has dropped considerably and bureau leaders are anxious to build the membership back to the point where it was during the peak years of 1938-40 when 400 Gates county farmers enlisted. Only 82 farmers were members of the bureau in 1943.

A goal of 300 has been set for 1944 and leaders hope that this meeting Friday night will provide the stimulus to bring in the 300 members.

Men who have been asked to attend and bring a friend are: Mintonville: Ike Riddick, Curtis Hollowell, W. M. Hollowell, Lester Rountree.

Hunters Mill: Marshall Hobbs, B. H. Ward, Miss Ethel Parker. Gatesville: Linwood Piland, C. E. Lang, L. T. Lilley. Hall: E. P. Story, M. C. Lilley, W. L. Askew.

Holly Grove: Walter Ward, George Kittrell, Lee Riddick. Reynoldson: E. D. Miller, H. P. King, Jr., W. L. Lawrence. Hasletts: Linwood Taylor, I. G. Riddick, J. M. King.

Members of the Carter's Home Demonstration club will serve supper.

COTTON GINNINGS SHOWS DECREASE

Census report shows that 2,735 bales of cotton were ginned in Gates county from the crop of 1943 prior to November 1 as compared with 2,791 bales for the crop of 1942. A. C. Matthews, special agent, announced.

Superior Court Convenes Monday

Judge C. E. Thompson will open a one-week term of Gates county superior court in the court house in Gatesville on November 22 with a docket of seven criminal cases and six civil actions.

Criminal cases on the docket are: Johnnie Trotman, manslaughter; L. E. Francis, reckless driving; Lonnie (Buck) Johnson, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill; James Walton, assault on female; E. F. Turner, cruelty to dumb animals; James A. Parker,

larceny and assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Civil docket includes the following divorce cases: Dorothy Mae Hall vs. John Manly Hall; Ollie Pruden vs. Arthur Pruden; James Vann vs. Carrie Vann; George Smith vs. Mate Smith; and Arthur Lee Boone vs. Bertha Olivia Boone.

The M. G. Brown and Co., Inc., has entered suit against the Atlantic Coast Railroad Company for damages. The case has been docketed for trial.