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2 Billion Ration Tokens Out Feb. 27



For several months workers of a Cincinnati, Ohio, manufacturing company have kept the plant operating 24 hours a day 7 days a week turning out the new red and blue ration tokens which go into use on February 27. George J. Nealans (left), OPA token distribution manager, and President M. P. Pfeil of the company look over a bag of the new disks.

Tag Day, Dances, Show To Boost Polio Fund

News Briefs

Items of interest—state, national and international—compiled in brief form for our readers.

Allied Headquarters, Algiers.—Reinforced by tanks and artillery, Allied seaborne forces have pushed four miles inland and are shelling the Appian Way in swift expansion of their new offensive at Rome's doorstep, with still no signs of the fully expected German counterattack, it was announced.

The next 24 hours, a military commentator, said could be decisive to the outcome of the outflanking movement and Gen. Henry Maitland warned that the Germans probably were preparing counterattacks which might touch off another bloody Salerno.

Raleigh.—Hathaway Cross, Gates county native and commissioner of paroles, Monday was sworn into the United States army as a buck private and has returned to Raleigh for a 21-day furlough.

Washington.—The United States refused Monday to recognize the new Bolivian revolutionary government and recalled its ambassador in a double-barreled diplomatic counter-offensive against anti-Allied elements which "have been plotting disturbances against the Americans government . . ."

Washington.—House and Senate conferences reached accord compromise veterans' mustering-out pay legislation calling for \$300 for overseas personnel and from \$100 to \$200 for those who serve in the United States.

Washington.—General George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, said that "the overwhelming success of the Fourth War Loan will serve as positive evidence to our enemy that their defeat is at hand."

Collections in the Gates county drive for \$146 for the Infantile Paralysis fund Monday stood at \$30.50 with one week left in the allotted time to raise the amount, according to a report from Miss Clarine Gatling, chairman of the committee.

Tag day January 29—a day to be observed nationally as "tag day"—will bring the drive in Gates county to a close. Children in every community will be active in selling tags for 10 cents. Everyone is urged to buy these tags. "Give now and help our children for the future."

Miss Gatling made the following announcements concerning the drive in the county:

Sunbury School Dance

The Sunbury school with B. L. White as leader is conducting a dance in the school building on Friday night, beginning at 8:30 p. m. Admission 50c. This dance is being sponsored for the benefit of the Infantile Paralysis Campaign.

Square Dance at Carter's

The Carter's Home Demons-

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2-C, 3-C Registrants Advised To Give Their AAA Farm Status

Changes in Peanut Marketing Program Studied at Meeting

At a conference called by the North Carolina Farm Bureau, peanut producers and Farm Bureau officials in the peanut producing counties of North Carolina met in Tarboro Tuesday to study proposals for changes in the peanut marketing program for 1944 which would yield farmers higher prices and better profits for the crop to be planted this year.

All counties of the Roanoke-Chowan area, with the exception of Gates county, were represented at the conference. Those attending were: Hertford county, D. B. Spiers, Como; and Mayon Parker, Ahoskie; Northampton county, B. D. Stephenson, Will Stephenson, of Pendleton, C. C. Barrett, Buck Turner, and E. L. Norton, of Jackson; and J. B. Fearing, of Windsor, Bertie county.

Foremost among the changes sought by the farmers for the 1944 peanut marketing season

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Gates Methodist Church to Honor Men in Service

Services will be conducted Sunday night at 8 o'clock in the Gates Methodist church in honor of the men and women from the church who have joined the armed forces.

The Rev. W. L. Clegg of Elizabeth City will conduct the service. A service flag will be dedicated in memory of those who have left the community. Music will be furnished by the high school students.

Gates County to Name Five-Man County Board in 1944 Elections

Although Gates county will elect a five-man board of county commissioners, the judge and solicitor of recorder's court for the first time this year, most of the election talk in the county is centered around the senatorial and the gubernatorial races in North Carolina, an Index survey revealed this week.

Senatorial race between former governors Cameron Morrison and Clyde R. Hoey and the gubernatorial race between Gregg Cherry and Dr. Ralph McDonald overshadow all talk of the county political lineups this year.

Authority for Gates county to elect a five-man board of county commissioners and for the people to name the judge and solicitor of recorder's court instead of the commissioners appointing the two court officers was granted by the last state legislature.

County commissioners this year will be named from each school district—Eure, Gatesville, Gates, Sunbury and Hobbsville. Representatives from Eure, Gates and Gatesville will be elected for a term of two years

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John Artz, Gates county farm agent, released the following announcement Monday concerning a series of meetings in nine communities at which farmers are to give information concerning their available manpower on their farms during the coming season:

"Every farm operator who has a man on his farm with a 2-C or 3-C classification is advised to meet his community AAA Committeemen at a designated time and place and give in all information concerning all crops, livestock, poultry, and all manpower on the farm for 1944.

"This information should show the intended acreage of each crop, the number of sows, shoats, fattening hogs, hens, fryers, baby chicks, milk cows, heifers, calves, beef cattle, sheep and turkeys. The names of all men and boys 13 years of age and over who expect to work on the farm in 1944 should be stated along with the order number of each 2-C of 3-C registrant.

"Just as soon as the above information is completed for each farm on which one or more registrants live it will be turned in to the Selective Service Board.

"The operator certifies that the information and statements given are correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

"All those in the county operating farms in 1944 are also urged to meet their Community Committeemen and give in their 1944 intentions. However, the manpower information is not necessary unless there is a registrant on the farm. In some cases the operator himself is a registrant."

Places and dates of meetings are:

Gatesville, Friday and Saturday, January 28 and 29, Agricultural Building;

Hall, Saturday, January 29, and Saturday, February 5, C. E. Sawyer's store;

Hasletts, Thursday and Friday, January 27 and 28, C. B. Lee's store;

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Your Bonds Are Buying a Fighter Plane

By ROBIN HOOD
Chairman, War Finance
Committee

Gates county for the first time in one of its war drives has a special object to work for in the purchase of Series E bonds. We are trying to sell \$75,000.00

RULES TO NAME PLANE

1. Anyone may enter this contest—white or colored.
2. A letter must be written addressed to Robin Hood, War Bond Committee, Gatesville, N. C., in which a name for the plane is suggested.
3. The best name selected by a committee will receive \$10.

in Series E. bonds so that we can buy a fighter plane. The minute that the selling agencies in our county have sold this amount, this will give us the privilege of naming it. We are

trying to sell this amount during the months of January and February. All bonds bought for this plane will be counted in the county 4th War Loan Drive quota of \$132,000.00.

The white school children of

our county are in a war bond contest to stimulate the sale of these bonds. Each child in these five schools has pledged to ask five people to buy a war

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War Bond Sales Box Score

The results of the war bond contest in the five white schools in the county show that Gatesville school is far in the lead. The results are as follows:

School	Students	Amt. Receipts	Percent Pupil
Eure	118	\$ 18.75	.15
Gates	133	562.50	4.23
Gatesville	217	7,475.00	34.45
Hobbsville	225	.00	.00
Sunbury	301	206.25	.68
	944	\$8,261.50	\$ 8.31

This contest just started this week and some of the schools have not had the chance to get their contest started. This week should show a larger change in the totals. Help them, help Gates county boys and help yourselves by buying a war bond now.

RULES FOR CONTEST

1. Only bonds bought in this county will be counted.
2. The student must turn into his or her teacher a receipt for the bond as an evidence that the bond has been purchased.
3. Only Series E bond purchases are to be counted.
4. The school with the highest amount of money represented in the receipts on a percentage per pupil basis will receive \$50.
5. The class room in each of the five schools with the highest average per pupil will win \$10.
6. Anyone may buy the bonds but a receipt must be turned over to the student so that it may be given to his or her teacher.
7. All Series E bonds sold between January 1 and February 29 count.