

WEATHER FORECAST

Colder today and early tonight.
Sunset today, 6:25 p. m.; sunrise Tuesday, 6:32 a. m.

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MONROE MARKET

Table with market prices for various goods like cotton, eggs, and wheat.

SEVENTIETH YEAR

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1943

SEMI-WEEKLY, \$2.00 A YEAR

Register 180 County Youths

December 31 Was Deadline; Good Reason Required For Failures

BOARDS WILL CLARIFY

A total of 180 Union county youths registered during the last registration under the Selective Act, according to figures released by the local boards today.

CAPTAIN RAMSEY IS NEW PROVOST MARSHAL

Succeeds Capt. Rodriguez, Stationed At Camp Sutton Since Opening.

Capt. James D. Ramsey of Greenfield, Ohio, a police officer of long experience, has succeeded Capt. Charles Q. Rodriguez as provost marshal here.

FUNDS ALLOTTED NEGRO RECREATIONAL CENTER

Local Project To Cost \$24,700 Gets Presidential Approval.

Announcement was made today from Richmond, Va., by Kenneth Markwell, FWA Regional Director of Presidential approval for the construction of two recreation centers for military personnel in the state, at a total cost of \$38,950.

An allotment of \$18,250 representing the estimated cost of construction and equipment, was authorized for a recreational center to be built by the FWA regional office at Laurinburg and to provide facilities for service men stationed in that area.

Coming with the same announcement was also presidential approval for an allotment of \$20,700 for a recreation center to serve colored troops stationed at Camp Sutton.

Both buildings will be designed according to FWA standard plans for war emergency type construction, with a minimum use of critical materials, the announcement said.

SALIENT FACTS ABOUT NEW INCOME TAX LAW

Some Provisions Of Act Are Explained In Questions And Answers.

Tax-payers subject to the individual income tax law now longer will have to swear to their returns, but there is nothing in the statute as revised by the 77th Congress to prevent them from swearing at them.

Congress eliminated from the old law the requirement that all returns must be sworn to before a notary or some other official unaffiliated to administer oaths.

Here are some other provisions of the new law as explained in a "question and answer" booklet being printed for the public:

Q: Were any changes made by the bill in the regular income tax as applied to individuals?

A: Yes; the exemptions were lowered and the rates increased.

Q: What are the new exemptions?

A: Five hundred dollars for single persons, \$1,200 for married persons and heads of families, and \$350 for each dependent.

Q: What is the amount of the normal income tax on individuals?

A: It is increased from 4 per cent to 6 per cent.

Q: What changes are made in the surtax rates?

A: They have been increased all along the line. The minimum rates is raised from 6 to 13 per cent and the maximum from 77 to 82 per cent.

Q: Combining the normal tax and the surtax, what will be the total rate applicable to the first dollar of taxable income in excess of the personal exemption?

A: The total rate on the first dollar of taxable income will be 19 per cent, compared with 10 per cent under old law. Including the 5 per cent victory tax, which is something else, the initial rate will be 24 per cent.

Q: Is there any change in the earned-income credit?

A: No; it still may be deducted in computing the normal tax, in an amount equal to 10 per cent of the earned income.

Q: Are husbands and wives required to file a joint return?

A: No; they may continue to file separate returns.

Q: Will the short form of income tax return be continued under the new law?

A: Yes; where the gross income is not more than \$3,000. Its use is optional with the taxpayer.

Q: Does the law provide for current collections of income tax through withholding at the source?

A: No; the withholding tax was levied in connection with the victory tax.

Q: How about allowances for extraordinary medical expenses?

A: Where the expenditures for medical and dental costs exceeds 5 per cent of the taxpayer's net income, he may deduct the excess amount in computing his income tax, but the deduction may not exceed \$1,250 for a single person or \$2,500 for a married person.

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UNION COUNTY FARM GOALS SET FOR 1943

Each Farmer In County Will Be Contacted At Early Date.

The members of the Union County USDA War Board attended a meeting of county and state War Boards at Charlotte on December 30, 1942.

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WARTIME RATION GUIDE

SUGAR—Stamp No. 10 good for three pounds until January 31.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 25 good for one pound until February 1.

FUEL OIL—Coupons marked Period 2 now good for 10 gallons. Coupons marked Period 2 still valid, good for 10 gallons until January 25.

GASOLINE—Coupon No. 3 in A books good for three gallons until January 25.

Tires—On trucks, taxicabs and other commercial vehicles must be inspected by OPA by January 15.

Jap Warships U. S. Targets

Latest Attack Of Americans Centered On New Georgia And Shipping Lanes

JAP SHORE BASES HIT

Two enemy destroyers were blasted and the Japanese airfield at Munda was twice heavily bombed in a series of air raids made by American forces against enemy warships and shore bases in the Solomon Islands during the past two days, the navy reported today.

One of the destroyers was set afire and when last seen was "burning badly," a communiqué said, while the other "appeared to be in a sinking condition."

At Munda, on New Georgia Island, bomb hits were scored on antiaircraft emplacements and other installations in the first attack Saturday (Solomon time). In the second attack three Japanese gunners were hit and some United States planes suffered minor damage from antiaircraft fire.

The first of the two raids at Munda, which has been attacked almost daily for a month, was delivered at 8:20 a. m. Saturday by army Marauder medium bombers and navy-marine corps Dauntless dive-bombers escorted by Wildcat, Albatross and Warhawk fighter planes.

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COUNTY BOARDS TO PLAN FARM MOBILIZATION DAY

National Farm Work Day To Be Observed Next Tuesday.

County USDA War Boards throughout North Carolina have been charged with the responsibility of directing preparations for the observance of National Farm Mobilization Day in individual counties on Tuesday, January 12, according to G. T. Scott, chairman of the State USDA War Board.

National Farm Mobilization Day has been proclaimed by President Roosevelt with the request that farmers meet with representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and other agricultural agencies on that day to discuss ways and means of insuring maximum production of vital food crops in 1943.

In his proclamation, the President said, "I should like Farm Mobilization Day to be a symbol of a free America; a symbol of the might and productivity of our nation; and a symbol of our unalterable determination to put to full use our agricultural resources, as well as other resources, in the achievement of complete victory."

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"Every farmer in North Carolina will have his war job to do in 1943," Scott declared. "We must increase our production of certain food crops above the record levels of 1942. Mobilization Day is the time for every farm family in the state to resolve to throw its entire resources behind the 1943 production program."

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GREETINGS IN HOSPITAL

En route to visit relatives, W. M. Stevens, of Los Angeles, fell at a bus station in Cambridge, O., and broke his hip. He was taken to a hospital in Cambridge for treatment.

In a hospital ward he found his nephew A. Stevens, in an adjoining bed. Stevens had been injured in an accident on his farm. They shook hands and began what looks like a lengthy visit in the institution.

Justice is very often on the side of the litigant who has the most money.

THE WAR IN BRIEF

Russians cut Leningrad-Vitebsk railway and drive a long Moscow-Riga line to Novosokolniki to within 70 miles of Latvian border; vital Mordok falls to Reds in Caucasus.

French advance several hundred miles in southern Libya from Lake Chad area; Axis hurls Rommel may make stand 100 miles southeast of Tripoli; Allied aerial blows continue in Tunisia and Mediterranean.

U. S. bombers and Allied fighters raid docks at St. Nazaire, France; German planes attack Isle of Wight and southeast Britain.

U. S. pilots set one Japanese destroyer afire and leave another sinking in series of raids on Jap ships and shore bases in Solomons. Allies clear Japanese from Buna Mission, taking control of northern New Guinea port; all types of Allied aircraft bomb and strafed Japs at Lae.

U. S. battleship destroys entire flight of 20 Jap bombers and bags 12 others before attackers give up trying to sink ship in South Pacific.

Allied air forces destroy 28 enemy planes and damage 34 more in burst of fierce activity described as greatest yet in North Africa. Lose only seven planes.

MULBA HANDEL DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Funeral Services Held This Afternoon; Burial At Stanley.

Mulba Handel, age 54, prominent Monroe Business man and former manager of Ehrd's Department store, died in a local hospital Sunday morning following a short illness. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 1:30 at the Harris-Wells Funeral Home, with a second service in the Methodist church at Stanley.

Active pallbearers were John Earn, J. H. Price, M. W. Williams, O. B. Shelley, E. E. O'Neal and A. B. Mills, and Ira Sidney Handel of Monroe; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Handel of Stanley; five brothers, Oliver, Ralph, Albert, Tom and Russell Handel of Stanley; four sisters, Mrs. Loula Howell and Mrs. Carl Watt of Stanley; Mrs. Kate Bradshaw and Mrs. E. V. Williams of Charlotte.

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MISS JENNIE PRICE

Funeral services for Miss Jennie Price, who died Friday morning in a Charlotte hospital, were held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the chapel of Harry and Bryant funeral home of Charlotte.

Dr. G. R. Jordan, pastor of the First Methodist church of Charlotte officiating, assisted by the Rev. Howard C. Wilkinson. Interment was in the Weddington cemetery. Grave-side services were conducted by the Rev. J. O. Cox of Weddington.

Miss Price, who made her home at 2114 Crescent avenue, died at 4:10 o'clock in the morning. She had been ill for the last few days.

A native of Union county, she was the daughter of the late A. J. and Nancy Howey Price of Weddington. She was a charter member of the First Methodist church. She graduated at Davenport college and taught in the public schools of North Carolina for a number of years.

She was the wife of Harry Price, of Stanley, and they had two children, a son, Harry, and a daughter, Charlotte. She was a member of the First Methodist church of Stanley.

Surviving are three sisters, Miss Beulah Price and Miss Lucy Price, both of Charlotte, and Mrs. F. H. Wolfe of Charlotte; one brother, J. B. Price of Wesley Chapel; and one foster brother, Charles Whittington of Sanford, Fla.

Pallbearers were nephews, Page Price, Brock Price, Glenn Price of Union county, Harry Price of Charlotte, and Fred Deal of Weddington.

THE DEATH OF MRS. A. F. TYSON

Mrs. Julia MaDean Richardson, the wife of A. F. Tyson, died in the Monroe hospital, December 29, 1942 after a long illness.

Mrs. Tyson was the daughter of the late General Richardson one, of the pioneer families of Union county. She was a life long member of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyson had celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary the ninth of December. To this union were born eight children who survive together with their father, Miss Pickett Tyson of the home; W. B. Tyson and Mrs. Furman Moser of Great Falls, B. C.; Mrs. W. Todd of Waxhaw, S. C.; Arthur, Starob of Monroe, S. C.; B. and A. F. Tyson, Jr., of Waxhaw.

The funeral was held at Bethlehem Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by Rev. Faulkner of Bethlehem; Dr. G. N. Hunevout of Indian Trail; Rev. Fitzgerald of Waxhaw; Rev. Robert Turner of Monroe;

Announce Stove Rationing Plan

Citizens Are Urged To Save Fuel Oil By Using Coal Stoves

MUST FILE APPLICATIONS

Anybody in Union county who wants to lend a hand in the nation's oil conservation program, by replacing his present oil-fired heating stove with a new coal stove, will have the government's help, local rationing officials said today in announcing OPA's stove-rationing program.

Rationing of new coal stoves began on December 18. It was stated, "and should do a great deal to save fuel oil in Union county as well as in other counties where supplies of fuel are low."

"This is an extremely simple rationing program," said officials, "designed to make it as easy as possible for anyone who is eligible, to apply for and buy a new coal stove. Wood stoves and second-hand stoves are not included in the program."

Since the main purpose of this program is to save fuel oil, anyone who will use the stove to replace an oil heater is eligible for a purchase certificate. He must however, turn in all his unused and unexpired oil coupons.

The following may also buy rationed stoves:

1. Anyone who needs a stove to heat essential living or working space for which he has no stove at all may apply to the Board for a certificate. He must state in his application that he has not disposed of a heater that could have done the job, within 60 days of the time he applies for a new one.

2. Anyone whose present coal-burning equipment is damaged or worn out beyond repair is also eligible to buy one of the new coal stoves under the rationing program.

3. Persons who were granted an auxiliary ration of 350 or more gallons of fuel oil, because of illness or infirmity, to the family or other reasons, may buy a coal stove to use instead. Such persons will be asked to turn in their ration stamps for supplementary oil when they apply for a purchase certificate.

"Anyone eligible to buy a new coal stove under the rationing program, must follow these simple instructions," officials said:

"First obtain at the board office an application form, and fill out the information called for. We're using the same forms that are used for rationing typewriters.

"Second, if the Board accepts your application, it will issue to you a certificate which will be your authority to purchase the stove at any store you choose."

"Third, when you've decided on the stove you're going to buy, give the purchase certificate to your dealer. And this is all there is to it."

Although new coal stoves have been hard to get in Monroe for some time, the OPA says that the Army is releasing some of its "Victory" model stoves—originally made for heating army barracks—for sale by local dealers but they have not yet arrived.

The War Production Board has recognized the great need for coal stoves in the fuel oil states, and has arranged for the release of both materials and plant capacity to manufacture stoves for civilian use.

These stoves are all being shipped into the fuel oil rationed states, and dealers should soon be able to have stocks for meeting the ration demand.

While coal stoves are to be rationed as freely as possible under the new order, the sale of oil stoves will be practically stopped. Only those who are already using oil for heating, and whose equipment is too worn out to be repaired will be granted a purchase certificate, and then only if the Board is convinced that the applicant cannot use any other fuel for one of the following reasons:

1. That he cannot obtain coal or a coal-burning stove;

2. That the space to be heated has no flue, chimney, or other provision for venting.

3. That the space to be heated is a house trailer; or

4. That no one in the household is physically able to operate coal-burning equipment.

DOG LANDS FISH

Ever hear of a dog fisherman? No? Well, last year in Wisconsin, a water spaniel jumped into the water of Lake Winnebago and seized a fishing pole which had been lost by a fisherman. For over 20 minutes the dog played his fish until he was able to bring it to shore—a four and one-quarter pound pike, the largest fish for that species caught in those waters last year.

"No," he had the dog can't talk. What a swell that would make to tell about the fish that didn't get away.

Rev. W. S. PePittus, of Great Falls, S. C.

The active pallbearers were her nephews: Messrs Ware Penegar, Raymond Robinson, George Tyson, David Tyson, Earl Richardson, and Jimmy Tyson.—Reported.

ARMY PLANS GENERAL ALARM IN THIS AREA

Citizens Warned All Rules Must Be Obeyed; Cooperation Urged.

Civilian defense officials yesterday pointed to the virtual certainty that an air raid drill in the Charlotte district and throughout the East Coast area will be called by Army officials in a surprise test of raid defenses during early January.

Spokesmen that included Assistant Co-ordinator Mrs. Albert S. Wilson and former State Defense Chief Ben E. Douglas pointed out that the alarm will come without notice, may signal a real or practice raid, and could herald either a daytime drill or nighttime blackout.

They warned all persons in this area concerning the rules to be observed under penalty of arrest.

If the alarm comes after dark, all lights visible from the outside of residences or commercial establishments must be extinguished or completely covered, and must remain invisible until the all-clear sounds.

All traffic (except interstate trucks which will be permitted to move if the road is a practice exercise) must come to a full stop.

Persons other than those in active service as auxiliary defense wardens must remain indoors, refraining from cigarette smoking or any other action that might permit light to be exposed.

All manufacturing or industrial establishments, whether engaged in war work or not, must comply with the blackout regulations unless authorization has been obtained in advance, on forms available at OGD offices, to continue after a brief test observation of the blackout regulations.

Observance of a daylight drill will entail identical procedure on the part of the general public except that lights, smoking, etc., will be permitted and plants enabled to continue operation. But traffic will be required to halt, and persons outside to seek immediate shelter.

If the alarm comes while children are on their way to or from school, pupils will be instructed to seek shelter in the nearest house, and householders were urged to care for children seeking entry until the drill ends.

Parents caught on the way to schools were notified to stop and seek shelter until the drill is over. No pupil will be permitted to leave any school building during the raid test.

The almost certain immediacy of the test could be assumed because of the fact that the drill, originally scheduled for December, was deferred until after the holidays at the request of State OGD heads.

FULL CASUALTY LISTS TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE

War Department Reverses Policy Effective Since Pearl Harbor

The army and navy said Wednesday that future casualty lists may be published and broadcast in full—reversing a policy effective since a few days after Pearl Harbor.

The first list to receive such treatment was given out for use in morning newspapers of Thursday, or for broadcast after 5 p. m. in a time zone Wednesday.

Heretofore, both newspaper and radio stations could use only the names of those casualties whose next of kin resided in the immediate area.

This policy had the purpose of preventing the enemy from deducing what naval or army units might be operating in specific areas from the names contained in full nationally published casualty lists.

The new arrangement was worked out by the Office of War Information in the interest of a more complete war news coverage.

The old restriction were specifically imposed by the army and navy, and had no relationship to the voluntary code promulgated by the Office of Censorship. The old rules were:

"The list shall in no circumstances be used in full.

"Newspapers shall publish only those casualties whose next of kin are residents of their local circulation areas. Where such areas do not cover an entire state, the full list of any state shall not be used, but only those names whose next of kin are residents of the area served by the publication."

"Magazines whose publication cover the nation in general shall use only such names as have national significance or interest.

"Local radio stations shall use only those names whose next of kin live in their vicinity.

"Network broadcasts shall use only those names that have national significance or interest."

COUNTY TAX INTAKE GREATLY INCREASED

Despite Holiday Season Collections Are 15 Per Cent Up.

According to the report of County Tax Collector J. Hamp Price, county tax collections are running 15 per cent higher than last year as of the same date and didn't even slow up for the Christmas holidays.

The report shows that receipts on all county taxes during the month of December, 1942, were \$26,942.20, \$25,530.89 of this amount being paid on 1943 or current taxes, \$1,315.50 delinquent poll taxes, \$2,086.91 delinquent real estate, \$10.00 Schedule B License Tax. This makes a total of \$178,175.98 now having been paid in on the 1942 current taxes leaving an uncollected balance on the levy amounting to \$86,926.47, which is a collection percentage of 68 per cent.

IN BUYING MEAT

This is no time to buy a mistake in meat. To avoid running that risk watch for these unmistakable signs of quality: Beef should be bright red, close grained, and have a firm, even covering of fat. Veal should be light pink. Lamb is at its best when pink with creamy or pinkish fat. Top quality pork is pale grayish pink, close textured, firm, flecked with fat. Light colored liver is best.

Long Orders For Men 18-45

Big Penalties Face Men Who Do Not Carry Draft Cards

EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1

Beginning February 1, all men in Union county and those throughout the nation in the age group 18-45, who for six months or more have been subject to registration must carry their classification cards as well as their registration cards or risk penalties as great as five years in prison and \$10,000 fine, according to an announcement from National Selective Service Headquarters in Washington yesterday.

The announcement further stated that "vigorous action" against draft delinquents will be started by the Justice department February 1.

The action will be directed against men "believed to be delinquent by reason of failure to keep in touch with their local boards as required." Selective Service estimated their number at "less than three-eighths of one per cent of all registrants."

In connection with the campaign, Selective Service issued these two orders:

Beginning February 1, "All men in the 18 to 45 age groups who for six months or more have been subject to registration" must carry their classification cards as well as their registration cards or risk penalties as great as five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Local draft boards shall mail notices to delinquent registrants immediately and report to U. S. district attorneys those who do not "comply with their obligations during January." The boards also are to review their records on delinquency and keep them up to date, notifying the prosecutor when each delinquent complies with his obligations.

The requirement that the 18-to-45 registrants—who include many men deferred by the recent order lowering the maximum draft age to 37 years—carry classification cards will enable them to "show that they are in communication with their local boards and have been classified as to availability for military service," the announcement said.

Registrants who do not have classification cards or have lost them should communicate with their local boards before February 1 and obtain them