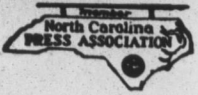


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The Black Shank Evil

Person's Farm Agent H. K. Sanders is greatly, and rightly, concerned over the re-appearance in Caswell and Person of Black Shank, a tobacco disease that — if not controlled — can cause serious damage to the weed crops hereabouts.

And what other growers are doing in the way of fighting on the Black Shank front can be done just as well by Person farmers. The rules for prevention of infection are simple. But they must be followed.

There is no need for Person growers to work themselves up to a point of hysteria about Black Shank, but it is quite clear that if they do have it in their fields and then deliberately fail to follow the advice offered by Sanders and other experts, they have only themselves to blame.

One More Group That Meets

From Mrs. Sue Featherston, executive secretary of the Person and Roxboro Red Cross chapter, we learn that the Executive Committee, headed by Dr. Robert E. Long, chapter chairman, is to meet once each month and that one such session has already been held.

Officials of the Red Cross chapter here have done wonderful work in the past: by having regular board sessions they can do an even better job from now on, and we say this although we know that meetings can degenerate into pallid, monotone affairs.

A few weeks ago Mrs. Featherston praised highly the office assistance rendered during the Summer by the Junior Red Cross corps, but the Juniors are back in school now and cannot continue to find time to carry this part of their work forward.

Only those who keep in touch with af-

airs of the Red Cross can realize that it offers chances for all kinds of community work and that even in places the size of Roxboro its demands are constant, whether in the making of kit-bags or bandages or in the furnishing of home service information.

The Silver Star Confirms An Impression

Awarding of the Silver Star for gallantry in action to the late Pfc. Sam C. Fisher, of Nathalie, Va., and Roxboro, comes as no surprise: it merely confirms an impression that was conveyed in that first brief message sent last January when Fisher was killed.

Medals and stars are at best a poor compensation for life, but they do remain as one of the forms of recognition and as such they are accepted, although it must be observed that the members of Fisher's family, for example, probably appreciate still more the generous letter from Captain Robertson and the dignified message of the citation prepared by Lieut. Gen. Harmon.

Particularly is this true of Robertson's message. He did not have to send it, but he did send it, and those at home who knew Sam Fisher, Jr., must be and are grateful. By such thoughtfulness, rather than by medals and stars is the hard reality of a grave in Guadalcanal made more bearable.

Quietly And Without Fanfare

Thursday of this week marks opening date for the Third War Loan drive in which Person and Roxboro participation in the quota sense has been set at \$567,000. It is significant that the drive here begins quietly and without fanfare.

The contrast between what is demanded of those who are called upon to do actual fighting and those whose duty it is to stay at home, ought to be a sales argument of most potent capacity for the sale of War Bonds. With such a contrast in mind, patriotism deserves to be melted into shame if the quota is not met.

WITH OTHER EDITORS

Gaudalcanal Message

(Published below is a copy of the message of Major General J. Lawton Collins, Commanding General, at dedication of the American Cemetery, Guadalcanal, on April 20, when Memorial Day exercises honoring Pfc. Sam C. Fisher, Jr., of Roxboro, and others buried there were held.

We are gathered here today in the American cemetery on Guadalcanal in respect and memory of our fellow soldiers who have died on this Island. Without distinction — as to creed or heritage we offer our united prayers in their behalf to their common Maker.

But as we look over this quiet scene, so peaceful now in the morning light, these dauntless dead seem to answer us and say, "Grieve not! We have lived to the full our youthful lives. There are no regrets amongst us. We have a clearer picture now of why we fought and died in this far off place. We fought to preserve inviolate those things which in the privacy of our hearts we call America: our homes, our loved ones, our blessed land, our freedom of thought and religion, our priceless right to live our individual lives as we see fit. There can be no real tragedy in dying for such things — un-

less they are lost! Grieve not! Keep up the fight!"

We will keep up the fight. And so, as we offer up our prayers this morning for the men who died here, let us ask the Almighty God for a share of their strength, their loyalty, their bravery, their willingness for self-sacrifice. If we can thus infuse ourselves with the essence of their spirit they will truly never die but will live on within us, strengthening and guiding us in the fight that lies ahead.

Still Too Early To Celebrate

Camp Butner's Lightning

Every time our forces score a victory worthy of real rejoicing, a lamentable cockiness seems to come over a lot of us. We

Plan For Saving Good Cotton Seed Says Shanklin

North Carolina growers will soon face the problem of saving planting seed for the 1944 cotton crop and J. A. Shanklin, Extension cotton specialist at State College, suggests that they make definite plans now for saving seed of highest quality.

The germination of cotton seed may be affected by weather damage in the field, by heating of the seed-cotton after it is put in the house, and by heating of the seed after the cotton is ginned.

Shanklin advises that the cotton in the field should be fluffy and fully matured to give seed with high germination. It should be picked when there is no dew on it and not too soon after a rainy period of weather.

Cotton should not be picked and carried directly to the gin under average conditions. The specialist suggests that it be put into the cotton house and turned for several days so as to be sure that it is thoroughly dry and does not have the opportunity of going through a heat.

When the cotton has been ginned, he advises that the seed be immediately taken from the sacks and spread out in thin layers so that they may dry out. Too much moisture in the seed will cause them to heat and reduce the germinating qualities.

Shanklin points out that when growers have seed showing about 50 percent germination, they simply overcome this factor by planting twice as many seed. He suggests, however, that if proper care be taken in saving the seed so as to obtain high germination, the extra seed that would have been planted can be delivered to the mills to produce oil and extra feed for cattle.

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can't lose; we're bowling 'em over like duck-pins; it's all over but the armistice night whoop-hoorahing.

When we talk like this—and too many of us do—we're guilty of speaking unwarranted bushwah. Actually, we have gone only a little ways down the path that must end with the complete crushing of the enemy.

Kicking the Japs out of Kiska and booting the Fascists all over Sicily were both boom-swelling feats. But there's no time for boasting until the German, Jap and Italian armies—all three still powerful, hard-hitting forces—are utterly destroyed.

LIBRARY CORNER

Library Hours: 12:00-5:00

The Person County Public Library, Chub Lake street, has just received the following easy books for the very smallest library patron:

- All Day Long, Always Ready, Animals Are Fun, Animal Parade, At Don's Farm, Animals Work Too, Away We Go, Before Winky, Beginning Days, Biddy And The Ducks, Bigger And Bigger, Bob And Judy At Play, Book Of Clothes, Book Of Food, Book Of Heat And Light and Book Of Houses.

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