

Ge Home To Work On Their Fences

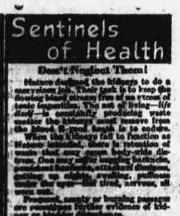
The recess taken by Congress, ter to the beginning of the regular tegislaters got home for the holidays and had an opportunity to discuss various public issues with their condituent

The idea that most of the mem-Bers of Congress go home for the purpose of finding out what their constituents desire is a bit far-fetched. The chances are that most of the Congressmen have a pretty fair idea of back-home opinion. The spare time of the holiday was, no doubt, used mostly for the purpose of build-ing up political fences. One of the matters that might be

discussed with profit by Congressmen and voters is the European Recovery Program, sometimes referred to as the Marshall Plan. A thorough understanding of the reasons why the United States should give assistance to the sixteen nations of Europe will be beneficial to legislators and voters. tributed forty per cent of the budget.

The voters should clearly underand the threat to the American eco-nomic way of life. If they do, they upport to the Marshall Plan and to budget. the Congressmen who vote to put it Will Anti-Inflation Bill into effect.

A recent poll intimates that people in the rural areas of the nation do not understand the Marshall program. The chances are that a mawrity of the urban residents of the ation likewise have no clear-cut unentanding of its purposes and its Driver States is to act wisely, in its



own interest, there must be som method of acquainting the voters upon whose consent the assistance program will depend, with the basic facts upon which the European Recovery Program is based. "Weighted Voting" Fair In Economic Affairs

Not many Americans are aware of the fact that at the International Trade Conference in Geneva, the United States was awarded twenty per cent of the voting power of the proposed organization.

The small nations of the world, now represented at the Havana conference, know all about the "weighted" voting power and most of them are pumping for "juridical equality" by which they mean one vote for each nation.

We have previously called attention to the fact that the smaller nations have not objected to "weighted" financing of the international organizations. In UNRRA, for example, the United States, in a typical year, con-It would be somewhat natural for the stand the facts of international life United States to expect to have greater voting power under such circumstances, than nations which conwill be more inclined to give their tribute less than one per cent of the

Counter Economic Danger?

In a speedy action before adjourn ment, Congress has passed a bill giving the President two of the ten requests made by the Chief Executive for the purpose of meeting the increasing cost of living.

The Taft measure extends export controls and continues transportation controls through February 28, 1949,

and authorizes the President to en courage voluntary agreements with business men designed to hold prices in line without actual price-fixing. These agreements are to last until March 1, 1949, but must have Presidential approval to allocate transportation facilities, inventories, allocate scarce commodifies and regulate speculative trading on the commodity ex-changes. In addition, the measure provides for a food conservation program in this country and the promotion of food and feed production in non-European countries.

It should be noted that two Repubican Senators, Flanders of Vermont and Baldwin of Connecticut, offered an amendment requesting the Presi-dent, whenever there is any "critical shortage" of a cost of living item, to also involved was the Austrian peace submit to Congress a detailed pro-gram to parcel out such items. As take up the Austrian question first adopted, the amendment would re- and to handle the German economy quire action by the Senate-House Economic Committee within fifteen days. It should not be overlooked that the "parcel out" phrase is an-



Fort Bragg North Carolina. The division's new strengt new strength will be approxi-mately 16,000

other term for rationing.

and economists.

Marshall Explains How Soviet Blocked Agreement

Reporting on the collapse of the Conference of the Big Four in London, Secretary of State George C. Marshall says that the interminable discussions were a dreary repetition of what had been said and resaid at the Moscow Conference.

Mr. Marshall points out that the basic issue was whether the Allies could agree to reunite Germany and problem second. The Soviet delegation "held a different view." Another question raised was the

present and future frontiers of the German State. Three delegations agreed that the Saar should be integrated into the French economy but Mr. Molotov "refused to commit his government."

The U.S. delegation took the position that before the question of a only damage these pests cause. They unified Germany could be considered. | are carriers of Bubonic plague, tyit was necessary to establish a fron-tier commission to study proposed tier commission to study proposed changes from pre-war German fron-

divisions through

In e withersting will be approximately 16,000 men, the number al lotted with reorganization plan.
About 17 percent of the total many division allow will be atrength of the division will be made up of Negro troops, forming five combat units, including one field artillery (165 mm. howing the last war. The New Orleans POE, through which tousands of troops embarked for combat duity, has been renamed in honor of allow the division and the division will be at Fort Brags, and the statalion, 25th Infantry battalion, one anti-aircraft artillery battalion, and one tanti-fort Benning, Georgia. One sarti-fee duartermaster Field Service.
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retary of State says, "I fear there can It is almost impossible for any be no settlement until the coming person to predict the effect that this months demonstrate whether or not act will have upon the present trend the civilization of Western Europe towards inflation. The strong prob- will prove vigorous enough to rise ability is that it does not go far above the destructive effects of the enough to be effective, but no person war and restore a healthy society." has been able to correctly forecast Moreover, "until the result of this future events. There may be un-struggle becomes clearly apparent, known factors at play which will pro- there will continue to be a very real duce the goal sought by legislators difficulty to resolve, even on paper. agreed terms for a treaty of per The Soviet Union and leaders of the Communist Party, according to Mr. Marshall, openly predict that the restoration of Western Europe as a going economic plant will not take place. The United States, on the other hand, is confident that the civilization of Western Europe, with its freedoms, can be rehabilitated. -Until events prove which opinion is correct, there is not much that can be

Almost Every Farm Harbors Some Rats

with Germany.

Practically every farm in North Carolina harbors at least a few rats, says Director I. O. Schaub of the State College Extension Service, and he points out that rats with plenty to eat are hard to trap or poison.

Thousands of bushels of grain destroyed by rats each year is not the

may raise six or more litters per year

tish piles), especially buildings. Pile lumber ap terisis on racks at least a foot above the ground. Replace wooden feeding floors with concrete, wherever pos-sible. Otherwise, raise them a foot or more above the ground, or prevent I rats burrowing under them by sur-rounding with an underground barrier c of concrete, sheet metal or hardware cloth.

Director Schaub urges every North Carolina resident to join in the Statewide rat control campaign which is scheduled to be held the first week in December. In cooperation with the Predator and Rodent Control Division of the U.S. Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service, the Extension Service will sponsor the program in the rural area, while the State Board of Health supervises the work in urban centers.

Drive Progressing For Re-opening Of **Old Chowan College** Prospects Bright De-

spite Meeting With **Many Obstacles**

By Jack Rider, Ahoskie The drive now progressing in Northeastern North Carolina to reopen historic Chowan College in Murfreesboro strikes many most responsive chords in hearts and homes throughout North Carolina and Tidewater Virginia where graduates of the 100-year-old school now guide the thinking and footsteps of so many families.

Much more than sentiment, however, enters, into the labors and thoughts of the men and women who are today fighting to bring back to life a school with a proud history and a noble background, for today with the educational facilities of North Carolina ever moving further and further to the west, the need for a revitalized and readily accessible seat of learning in the rich and long cultured Albemarle becomes far more than an emotional consideration and demands positive action both from social and economic points of view.

Celebrating its centennial next October, Chowan College is the last of four schools that flourished in Murfreesboro in the past 151 years, causing that colonial town to long be known as the educational center of done in the way of making a peace Eastern North Carolina.

In 1911 the name of the school was! changed to Chowan College and 20 | years later, in 1931, the school was! made co-educational. Through wars, depressions and prosperity, the old school carried on, turning out hundreds of fine citizens who today are the backbone of the reopening that will be held next fall on the celebration of the beautiful old school's 100th an-

niversary. The present drive is the result of

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leaves to enter away and never returns, seldom in spirit. The simore trained men and v velop and extend the rich home lands. The desire in and minds of many to broken cultural chain the been filled since the closing wan in 1942.

The reopening of Chowan has run onto some pretty snags: Indifference, lack of standing, plain stinginess, flicts; poor cooperation betw West Chowan and Chowan Associations, owners of the the desire among many to ce education in the huge "diplo

tories." Today as you read this, vomen throughout this area working and giving and Drive tor the Rev. Lonnie Sasser of freesboro, one whose faith par when others were laughing his back, says that the \$100,0 January 15 goal is well on it toward success toward success. Another \$100,000 will be rai

opening time next fail and st other \$300,000 will be raised next few years for the expan the proud and historical edu center; since the men and won are reopening Chowan College plan to merely "reopen," they go forward with a program that give the students in this par North Carolina and Virginia an portunity to attend one of the schools in the country, if not largest.

Meetings have been held in Ja son, Severn, Conway, Roxobel, Ahee-kie, Elizabeth City, Lewister and many more places; in each there has been no air of doubt, for now en one knows that Chowan College live once again.

In the nearly one hundred years its history 4,215 students have studi in this famous old school, and 1.0 have graduated.

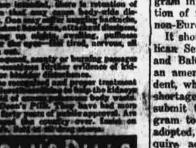
ONE MINUTE SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. What is the opening date for the major leagues this year?
- 2. What are Joe Louis' plans for the next couple of months? 3. Where is the Gator Bowl? 4. What Army football player made most of the All-American
- teams?
- 5. Does Army play Notre in football next year?

The Answers

- April 20th. Louis will make 2.
- tour in England. Jacksonville, Fla. 3.
- Captain Joe Steffi. No. 4. 5.







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The three Western delegations favored the establishment of a German provisional central government only after conditions had been created for German political and economic unity. Otherwise, they considered a central government would be a sham. This

was "completely unacceptable" to Mr. Molotov. The Secretary of State points out that reparations, meaning the booty that Soviet Russia should get from Germany, soon emerged as a key is-sue. He explains that at Potsdam, it food supplies. Such a combination is was agreed that payments would be made by the transfer of surplus capital assets, that is, factories, machin-ery and assets abroad, and "not by payments from time to time out of the daily output of German production

It was recognized that Germany would be involved in a desperate struggle to build up sufficient foreign trade to pay for food and other items and that, unless this was a reality, the United States and Great Britain the United States and Great Britain would have to provide food and other items to provent starvation and the complete disintegration of their oc-cupied zones. He points out that reparations from current production "can be made only if the countries at present supplying Germany, notably the United States, foot the bill on the basis of 'we put in and the Russians take out'."

Not going into other matters dis-used at the conference, it is worth-hile to point out that the Secretary t State understands that Europe was urgely shattered during the war, ith the result that a political vacuum me created. Until this vacuum has an filled "by the unstantities of the secretary to the Not g created. Until this vacuum has filled, "by the restoration of a hy European, community." he not think that paper agreements hasure a lasting peace. his explains, in his opinion, why Soviet expressed complete opposi "to almost every proposal th

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with from six to 22 in each litter. Ignoring the death rate, the offsprings from one pair of rats could exceed 350,000,000 in three years. The population can be quickly reduced, however, by using improved modern control methods, and now is the time to put those control methods into effect.

Rats cannot be eliminated if they have places to hide. Piles of rubbish, stacks of lumber or other material, and wooden floors close to the ground are favorite hiding places for rats. Many farms have several such hida perfect "rat hotel." Do not let your farm become a "rat

STOCKHOLDERS' MEET

The annual meeting of Stockholders of the Hertford Banking Company, Hertford, N. C., for the election of the Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting will be held Tuesday, January 20, 1948, at its Bank-ing House between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M.

R. M. RIDDICK PRESIDENT

A MESSAGE WE'RE HAPPY December 15, 1947.

Darden Brothers. Hertford, N. C.

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Very truly yours,

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G. D. Babcock, Vice President and