

Weather

Variable cloudiness and rather warm today and Wednesday with a chance of mostly afternoon and evening thundershowers. Low today, 67; high, 85.

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"GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS"



"... TO THE DEPTH OF EVERY HEART."

"Chuck" Gattis Comes Home - - - To Stay

"Chuck" Gattis has come back home. This time, he has come to stay.

Marine Lance Corporal Charles Manley Gattis, III was buried with full military honors here Monday afternoon. He lies beside his father. His request has been granted.

Standing at the doorway of life, nineteen years old, "Chuck" Gattis gave his life for his country. Wounded by ambush on June 27 at Con Thien, Vietnam, he died in the base hospital at Dong Ha on July 6.

His body arrived here Saturday. The flag-draped coffin was escorted by a Marine buddy, who remained until the final rites Monday.

Son of a Franklin County native and grandson of a man held in highest esteem by his neighbors, "Chuck" Gattis was laid to rest on a sloping hillside where grass grows green and the blue sky keeps watch by day. He is home.

The sleek honor guard, replete in full military dress, stood rigidly at attention in final salute as the firing squad fired three volleys. In the background, from a station far away, came the sound of the bugler. The echoing strains of the awe-inspiring final tribute seemed to pierce the humid July afternoon and penetrate to the depth of every heart. The notes lingered on long after the sound on the faraway hill had ceased. "Chuck" Gattis has come home.

Aubrey S. Tomlinson, Pastor of the Louisburg Baptist Church, read a letter from "Chuck's" own minister in his hometown of Crete, Ill. The minister wrote: "We continue to ask why, why, why. But there seems to be no answer. Only God can give us the answer."

He said "Chuck" had seen the good and the bad of life. He told of his boyhood and school friends. He said these were valuable things that all young men do not have.



A MOTHER. HER GRIEF AND HER FLAG.

Chaplain (Capt.) Volz of Raleigh read from I Corinthians, 15th chapter: "O, Death where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory?"

His mother, sister, step-father and grandmother, with other family and friends, stood solemnly by as the hero's flag-covered casket was carried from the hearse by six Marine pallbearers to its final resting place.

Methodically, two proud Marines carefully folded the flag—corner to corner—with only the blue field dotted with the white of the stars showing. One stepped over and presented it to the mother. He paused and spoke quietly to this gracious lady, who has given so much to her country.

Corporal Gattis is survived by his mother, Mrs. E. C. Betus and his step-father of Crete, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Dale Spiess of Joliet, Ill.; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Lessie Bradley of Raleigh; four aunts, Mrs. F. N. Tyson of Durham, Mrs. S. P. Gup-ton of Wilmington, Mrs. Robert E. Lee of Winston-Salem and Mrs. H. C. Leach of Mt. Airy; one uncle, Marvin Bradley of Baltimore, Md. and several cousins in Franklin County.

"Chuck" Gattis was not a frequent visitor to this county. His chief memory was perhaps of the sad day he attended his father's funeral here. Although his heritage was here, he spent his life

elsewhere. He had asked that if "anything" happened to him, he be buried beside his fa-

ther. He is part of Franklin County now. He will be forever. "Chuck" Gattis is home.

Story and Pictures by Clint Fuller



FINAL TRIBUTE

Moss Re-Elected Development Head

Youngsville - Mr. J. T. Moss was re-elected as President of the Youngsville Development Corporation at the annual business meeting of the organization which was held on Thursday night, July 13, at the Town Hall in Youngsville.

Mr. L. A. Woodlief was re-elected as Vice President. Mr. Arthur Hall and Mr. Howard White were selected as directors for three year terms to replace the outgoing members of the board of directors. Other members currently serving on the board are Dr. A. N. Corpening, Mr. D. H. Cyrus, Sr. and Mr. Wiley M. Roberts.

Mr. N. A. Brown was re-appointed to serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporation.

Mr. Moss had a progress report on the completion and operation of Tre' Jay, Inc. which is located in town. Report was also made of progress at the Diazit Company, Inc. which is on Highway One just outside the town limits.

Continuing efforts are being made by local corporation members to secure further business and industry in the Youngsville district. Discussions were held in regard to pertinent needs in the town business area.

Flue-Cured Crop Above Last Year

Raleigh - Production of flue-cured tobacco in North Carolina is forecast at slightly over 789 million pounds by the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. If this estimate materializes, the 1967 crop would be 3.7 percent above the 761 million pounds marketed in 1966. This is the first forecast for the season and is based on reports from growers as of July 1.

Flue-cured growers expect to harvest 410,500 acres—6,000 acres or 1.5 percent more than the 404,500 acres harvested last year.

The expected North Carolina average flue-cured yield for all types combined is 1,922 pounds—or 40 pounds above the average of 1,882 pounds per acre realized in 1966.

The supply of plants was reported as adequate in all areas this season, and transplanting of the crop was completed somewhat earlier than last year. Completion of transplanting was relatively more advanced in the Middle and Old Belts than in other areas. Dry weather in some areas at time of transplanting ne-

County School Suit Set For Federal Court Next Week

The suit brought against the Franklin County Board of Education by local NAACP members, in which the U.S. Justice Department intervened in January, 1966 is set for trial in U.S. Eastern District Court in Raleigh next week.

Notice from Judge Algernon Butler informed attorneys that the case will be called at 10 A.M. Wednesday, July 26. However, since the Wednesday date was set, it has been learned that Mr. Frank E. Schwelb, Chief counsel for the Justice Department has been chosen Federal Bar Association Younger Federal Lawyer of the Year and will need to be in San Francisco on the 27th. A request to move the date to Tuesday, July 25 by the Justice Department attorney has been agreed to by attorneys for the Board of Education. It is expected that the Court will grant the request and that trial will begin next Tuesday.

The case, which was first begun in December, 1965 by eleven Negro parents seeking to gain admission of their children to previously all-white schools under a lateral transfer provision of the County's Freedom of Choice Plan, was heard, in part, last July and an Interim Court Order was issued by Judge Butler setting down certain provisions for the Board of Education.

CAP Lists Promotions

The North Carolina Wing Civil Air Patrol in Charlotte, N. C., has announced promotions for the following officers of the Franklin County Civil Air Patrol, according to Major Joe Shearon, Commander. Captain James L. Gupton, Promoted to Major; First Lieutenant Talmadge G. Fuller, Promoted to Captain; First Lieutenant Forrest Y. Poythress, Promoted to Captain and First Lieutenant Harlon S. Trogdon, Promoted to Captain.

The above officers have contributed a great amount of their time and effort to the Civil Air Patrol in which they receive no pay. They have made it possible for Franklin County to be recognized throughout the state and made this Squadron most outstanding.

The order, upholding Freedom of Choice, ordered a new registration period for all Negro children in the county and also warned against any intimidation or harassment. Depositions from a large number of people of both races have been taken this summer by attorneys for all three parties.

Judge Butler calling attention to a May 9, "Pre-trial Order" by Judge Alexander Harvey of Baltimore, called for not more than five witnesses for the Board of Education and five for the NAACP

Voting Today

Franklin farmers are joining others in the area today in voting on three issues in a tobacco - cotton - peanut referendum.

Polling places opened this morning at 7 a.m. and will remain open until 7 p.m. this evening. Local farm leaders and businessmen have pointed to the market quotas for flue-cured tobacco as the most important of the issues being decided upon, in the local area. Both groups have urged a "Yes" vote for continuation of the acreage-poundage program for tobacco.

Local leaders have called for eligible voter to participate in today's balloting.

and Justice Department combined, to be heard next week. Board attorneys did not concur with the original request, nor have they agreed to an estimate of two days for the trial as made by the Justice Department.

Judge Butler requested attorneys for all sides to try to hold the proceedings to the two-day limit.

In the long-hanging case, the Justice Department is contending that the Board is not adhering to the federal guidelines under its Freedom of Choice Plan. They are calling for the Board to show that it is complying with the guidelines, or seeking to ask the court to order some other plan of desegregation.

The NAACP is attacking the Plan itself and is calling for a court-ordered plan of total desegregation.

Community hostility, which figured prominently in the hearings last July are still a part of the case, although there have been no reported incidents of intimidation connected with the desegregation of schools in the county system.

Board attorney Edward F. Yarborough declined to estimate how long the trial might take or to predict the outcome. He indicated the Board of Education has and is attempting to comply with the guidelines as handed down by the U.S. Office of Education.

Glickman Rites Held

Funeral services for Harry Glickman, 65, former Louisburg merchant and more recently an employee of the State Highway Commission,



HARRY GLICKMAN

were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. from the Lancaster Funeral Home Chapel with Rabbi Leo Still-pass and Rev. Norwood Jones officiating. Glickman died at Franklin Memorial Hospital last Thursday.

Burial followed in Maple Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hilma Perry Glickman, one daughter, Mrs. Rebecca G. Scoggin of Morganton; his mother, Mrs. Bessie Glickman of Baltimore, Md.; one sister, Mrs. Blanch Beck of Baltimore; one brother, Alvin Glickman of Baltimore and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Edward F. Yarborough, Hill Yarborough, M. C. Murphy, Hobart Robertson, Harvey Strother and Roy Holmes.

Man Drowns On Vacation Here

Funeral services were conducted Monday in Virginia for a Newport News naval electrical inspector who lost his life in a drowning accident here Saturday afternoon.

Franklin Coroner James Edwards ruled that Jasper Meeane Raper, 52, son-in-law of Mrs. Rufus Harris of Louisburg, was stricken with a heart attack prior to his falling into the Harris farm pond Saturday afternoon around 4:30 p.m.

Raper, according to reports, had mowed the lawn and walked to the pond to fish. He was riding an aluminum boat which was still afloat when Rescuers arrived.

His 12-year-old son arrived at the scene in time to see his father go under the water and reported the fact to his mother. Rescuers recovered the body shortly after 5 p.m. in six feet of water. The victim, a frequent visitor here,

was reportedly a good swimmer.

A native of Forsyth County, Raper is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lucille Harris Raper, two sons, Bill and Stevey, both of the home; one daughter, Mary Lou of the home and his mother, Mrs. Flora Meebin Raper of Burlington.

This was the third drowning connected death in the county thus far this summer.



Drowning Scene

Ten In Wrecks, One Drowns, Four Arrested Another Routine Weekend

After two weeks of relative quietness, the area returned to what has almost become a routine weekend of accidents and death. Six persons were injured, five automobiles were severely damaged and one person lost his life as a result of a Saturday afternoon drowning.

Friday Accident

Leading off the period which kept Rescuers and officers on the go was George Edgerton, a 58-year-old Route 2, Franklinton Negro employee of Franklin Memorial Hospital. Edgerton's car ran off N. C. 56 west of Louisburg Friday night around 8:45 p.m. and overturned in the yard of a home striking several trees and demolishing the car. Edgerton was treated at the local hospital for what was described as minor injuries.

Boulevard Smash-up

Saturday afternoon around 6 p.m. a three-car collision on Bickett Blvd. sent two women to the hospital and damaged all three vehicles. Louisburg Police Chief Earl Tharrington reported that Mrs. Clyde Ball said the brakes on the car she was

driving on Noble Street failed and caused the vehicle to move onto Bickett Blvd. where it struck a car being driven by Miss Kay Pittman, 21, who lives near the scene. The impact caused the Pittman car to strike another vehicle driven by a lady identified as Nina B. Nebill of Raleigh.

Miss Pittman and Mrs. Ball were taken to the local hospital for treatment of what were described as minor injuries. Mr. Ball, a passenger in his wife's car, reportedly was uninjured.

Sunday afternoon around 4:30 p.m. a late model Chevrolet, reportedly driven by James King, w/m/25 of Route 1, Louisburg, left a rural unpaved road just off NC-39 near Four Bridges, causing severe head injuries to the driver. Two girls, identified as Phyllis Barham and Jane Ray, both of Wake Forest, were uninjured.

Louisburg Rescue Service answered a call around 6 p.m. Saturday to aid L. L. Burnette, 68-year-old White Level man who was reportedly suffering from a stroke. He was transported to Franklin Memorial Hospital.

Drowning

Jasper Meeane Raper, 52-year-old son-in-law of Mrs. G. R. Harris of Louisburg, was drowned Saturday in the Harris farm pond when his boat overturned around 4:30 p.m. Raper was on vacation and was fishing at the time of the fatal accident. This is the third drowning of the season in Franklin County after two years without a fatal water accident.

Arrests

Other weekend activities included the capture of four 800-gallon submarine type still near Youngsville by Sheriff William T. Dement and ATU officers.

Three Wake Forest men were charged with possession of materials and manufacturing non-tax-paid whisky following their arrest at a still site near Youngsville Saturday.

The three men were identified by Franklin Sheriff William T. Dement as James William Smith, 27, William Herbert Perry, Jr., 24, and Robert Royal, 20, all of Route 1, Wake Forest. Smith and Perry are both white.

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