

Tribute Is Paid To Memory of Late Martin County Boy

Tells of Accident That Cost Randolph Jackson His Life in Hawaii

In a letter to Mrs. Ora Lee Burnette, Jamesville, Ensign A. T. Nicholson tells of the accidental death of her son at Pearl Harbor some weeks ago and pays a fitting tribute to his memory. The letter, appearing under a recent date, follows:

My dear Mrs. Burnette: I wish to take this opportunity to write you a short note in regard to the death of your son, Austin R. Jackson. I know that the delay must have seemed lengthy to you, but I hope you will understand that the reason for such delay was that I wanted to be sure that you had received official word prior to my writing you. However, now that Lt. Purdy, the battery commander, has heard from you and answered your letter, it will not be amiss for me to write you.

Lt. Purdy has given you the details of your son's accidental death, so I will not dwell on that in my letter. I do wish, however, to have you

know that you have—and have had—my deepest sympathy in your bereavement. You see, Mrs. Burnette, I was your son's company officer, and I was more closely acquainted with him than most. He was one of the best men in my company, and I held high hopes for him, as he was trying to make a gunner's mate rating, being one of the most excellent prospects for that rating. Indeed, he was one of my best men in every respect, and he was, in addition to that, very well-liked by all of his shipmates. No doubt you have had cards from many of them, for many of them asked me for your address. It must be a great consolation to you to have that fact in mind, for what better can be said of any man than that he was well thought of by his fellows? I can say, speaking for myself, that I was a good sailor and worthy of being a North Carolinian; I feel that I can say that, since I am a North Carolinian myself, coming from Tarboro.

As soon as possible after the accident, your son's effects were inventoried by me and taken down to be mailed to you, and I hope that by this time you will have received them. And as Lt. Purdy pointed out, another smaller package was mailed to you several days ago in which was included the watch about which you especially inquired. I trust you will receive it in due time.

SOLDIERING FOR UNCLE SAM



Leaving this county a few weeks ago, the above group is now busy soldiering for Uncle Sam in several states. They are, first row, Robert Earl Gainer, Magellan Duggin, Winslow Latham Jolly and James David Coburn; 2nd row, Author Lee Wilson, John Thomas Davis, John Henry Pierce, and Thomas Edward Willis; back row, Alton Ward, Isaac Brown Cordon, Robert Lee Jones, Alexander Jones and Richard Hooker.

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

Reduced dangers accompanying a marked decrease in civilian automobile traffic are being offset, partly at least, by increased troop movements through this county. Several minor accidents involving convoy vehicles have been reported and last week a military truck went out of control and injured two men, one seriously. So, by a narrow margin the fatal accident column in the wreck record remains clear.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

16th Week Comparison			
Year	Accidents	Inj'd	Killed
1942	2	2	0
1941	1	1	0
Comparison To Date			
1942	30	13	0
1941	31	18	2

I might say that I was the officer on watch at the time of your son's accident, and thus can assure you that everything possible was done for him. I was notified immediately and after calling for doctor and ambulance, I personally rendered first aid and tried to make him as comfortable as possible; unfortunately, however, there was little that we could do for him. After investigating the circumstances, I knew that there was no question but that it was an unavoidable accident. Strangely enough, or unfortunately, your son's best friend was the only eye-witness and it caused him a great deal of grief.

I realize of how little value mere words are at times such as this, but please believe, Mrs. Burnette, that

Williamston High Gains Another Win

The Williamston Green Wave baseball team closed its home season by defeating Robersonville High 8-6 in a fast and exciting game here last Friday afternoon.

Robersonville scored two runs in the first inning, but was soon overtaken when the Green Waves got their chance. Both teams scored again in the third. The visitors scored one in the fourth, but the local nine, determined not to be outdone, came back with one in the fifth.

In Williamston's half of the sixth the bases were filled on walks, then Jack Sullivan hit a single into right field turning in two runs. J. B. Taylor singled turning in two more.

Nicholson flied out to left field to retire the side, Robersonville made one last try but could only manage to get two across the plate in the seventh.

Jack Sullivan was the star of the exhibition, pitching seven-hit ball. He struck out ten batters while yielding only one base on balls. He was also best at the plate with three for four.

The box:			
Player	Ab	H	R
Williamston	2	0	1
Jones, ss	4	2	2
Hardison, 2b	4	3	1
Sullivan, p	4	2	2
B. Peele, c	4	2	0
Taylor, 1b	4	0	0
Nicholson, 3b	4	0	0
L. Peele, rf	2	1	0
Moore, cf	2	0	0
Myers, lf	1	0	1
Perry	1	0	1
Totals	28	10	8
Robersonville	Ab	H	R
Wynne, ss	4	1	1
Ross, ss	4	2	2
Crawford, 1b	3	0	0
Whitehurst, 3b	3	1	0

Scouts Enjoy Trip To Roanoke Rapids

Ten local Boy Scouts reported a very enjoyable trip to Roanoke Rapids where they, along with more than 1,500 youths from all over eastern North Carolina, held a three-day camporee. The boys said they were royally entertained, and enjoyed the program greatly. "We forgot to carry any salt and had to eat our food fresh, but that was all right," one of the scouts said. All the boys did not carry enough blankets and one of the lads doubling up with another one rolled off the cot before morning.

The following boys made the trip from the local troop: John Frank Allsbrooks, L. B. Wynne, Benjamin

Power, lf	2	0	0
Jenkins, cf	3	1	1
Brown, p	2	0	1
Stalls, 1b	3	0	0
Johnson, rf	3	2	1
Totals	27	7	6

Demands For County Terracing Unit Too Great

Although the Cleveland County terracing unit is working at full time, demands for its services are greater than can be cared for, reports Assistant Farm Agent H. M. Stamey.

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Soybean Calendar Lists Best Planting Dates

A soybean planting calendar, prepared by E. C. Blair, Extension agronomist of State College, lists April 15 to July 1 as the planting dates for soybeans in this section. Blair recommends that 15 to 45 pounds of seed be used per acre when planting soybeans in rows, and one to two bushels of seed be planted when broadcasting the crop.

The ban on rubber-tired tractors, effective on or after May 1st, will have considerable effect on tractor design from now on and throughout the duration of the war.

If you do have my deepest sympathy, and please feel free to write me if I can be of assistance to you in any way.

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North Carolina Bonds	781,842.01
Municipal and Other Marketable Bonds	1,757,160.90
Loans and Discounts	2,975,829.14
Accrued Interest and Other Assets	118,622.04
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	\$34,320,542.71

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Capital Stock—Preferred	100,000.00
Surplus	750,000.00
Undivided Profits	481,990.88
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