

### Annual Negro Tobacco Meet

The Annual County-Wide Tobacco meeting for Negro farmers will be held at the Agricultural Building in Kenansville, Dec. 11, 1961 at 2:00 P. M.

S. N. Hawks, tobacco and Furley A. Todd, tobacco plant path-

ologist will lead the discussions. Several promising new lines will be on the market this year according to R. E. Wilkins, Negro County Agent. The performance of these varieties and other vital information will be given by the Specialist. All Negro tobacco growers are urged to attend this important meeting.

The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the agricultural building in Kenansville.

### With Our Boys In Service

**DAVID R. WILSON**  
Second Lt. David R. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd E. Wilson, 203 W. James st., Mount Olive, N. C., achieved recognition as a top Army marksman by qualifying for the expert marksmanship badge during range firing with the M-1 rifle at Fort Eustis, Va., Nov. 7.

Lieutenant Wilson, who is attending the officer orientation course at the Transportation School at Fort Eustis, fired 191 out of a possible 200 points to achieve this honor.

The 22-year-old officer was graduated from Mount Olive High School in 1957 and from Davidson College in 1961. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Airman Basic William A. Pickett, whose wife, Anna, and his parents reside on Rte. 1, Kenansville, N. C., is being assigned to the 45th Medical Squadron at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Airman Pickett, who has completed his basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex., was selected for the advanced training on the basis of his interests and aptitudes.

He attended Chiquapin High School in Chiquapin.

Sp. Five James L. Mobley  
Army Specialist Five James L. Mobley, 32, whose wife, Mabel, lives on Route 2, Wallace, N. C., recently arrived in Germany and is now assigned to the 45th Medical Company.

Specialist Mobley, a helicopter crew chief in the company in Darmstadt, entered the Army in 1961.

He attended Chiquapin High School. His father, Alex Mobley, lives on Route 1, Chiquapin.

**CHARLES L. EZZELL**  
Army PFC Charles L. Ezzell, whose wife, Nena, lives on Route 1, Magnolia, N. C., recently participated in Exercise Brandywine, a field training exercise involving some 26,000 troops in Germany.

The exercise was conducted to train small unit leaders and test the combat readiness of participating units. Ezzell and other members of his unit maneuvered against an "Aggressor" force. They

were supported in the exercise by atomic-capable and conventional artillery and other combat and logistical support elements of V Corps.

Ezzell, a member of the 51st Infantry's Company A which is regularly located in Mannheim, came to the Army in July 1959, completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and arrived overseas in December 1959.

The 19-year-old soldier attended James Leman High School in Warsaw.

His mother, Mrs. Bessie T. Jones, lives on Rouse 1, Warsaw.

**LEAMON R. HARPER**  
Army Sergeant First Class Leamon R. Harper, 35, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Harper, Route 1, Albertson, N. C., recently arrived in France with other personnel from Logistical Command. The unit, now located in Poitiers, was moved from Fort Bragg, N. C., under the Army's new augmentation program.

Sergeant Harper, a member of the command's Headquarters Company, entered the Army in 1946.

**Lloyd D. Smith**  
Army Maj. Lloyd D. Smith, whose wife, Edna, lives at 605 W. Main st., Mount Olive, N. C., recently participated with other personnel from the 3rd Armored Division's 533d Aviation Company in Exercise Brandywine, a seven-day field training exercise more than 26,000 troops, was designed to test the ability of participating units to move, shoot and communicate under simulated combat conditions.

The 3d, which is known as the "Spearhead" division, is one of five U. S. divisions in NATO's "Pyramid of Power" in Europe.

Major Smith entered the Army in 1948 and is division aviation operations officer in Hanau. He arrived overseas on this tour of duty in December of last year.

He is a graduate of Richlandville (Ky.) High School, attended Western Kentucky State College in Bowling Green, and is a 1950 graduate of the University of Omaha (Neb.).

**MAURICE L. HOWARD**  
Army Sgt. Maurice L. Howard, 30, whose wife, Phyllis, lives on Route 1, Beulaville, N. C., recently participated with other members of the 8th Infantry Division and supporting units in Exercise Main Barge, a V Corps field training exercise in central Germany.

The exercise, which involved some 28,000 troops, was designed to develop small unit leadership and test combat readiness. Friendly forces, opposed by an "Aggressor" force, and supported by both conventional and atomic-capable artillery, maneuvered in a 187 square mile area during the exercise.

Sergeant Howard, who arrived overseas last July on this tour of duty, is a gunner in Battery B of the division's 81st Artillery, which is regularly stationed in Mainz.

He attended Pink Hill High School before entering the Army in September 1949. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Howard, live on Route 1, Deep Run.

**JACK G. KNIGHT**  
Army PFC Jack G. Knight, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Euodias F. Knight, Route 1, Teachey's, N. C., recently participated with other members of the 8th Infantry Division and supporting units in Exercise Main Barge, a V Corps field training exercise in central Germany.

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Knights, a rifleman in Company E of the division's 505th Infantry, which is regularly stationed in Mainz, entered the Army in September 1959, completed basic training at Fort Benning, Ga., and arrived overseas last March.

He is a 1959 graduate of Wallace Rose Hill High School.

**EMANUEL COSTON**  
Army PFC Emanuel Coston, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Coston, Warsaw, N. C., recently participated with other members of the 8th Infantry Division and supporting units in Exercise Main Barge, a V Corps field training exercise in central Germany.

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Coston, a rifleman in Company A of the division's 505th Infantry, which is regularly stationed in Mainz, entered the Army in August 1957 and arrived overseas in January 1960.

He is a 1957 graduate of Douglas High School.

### F-Cured Tobacco Allotments Sent

Notices of individual farm acreage allotments are now being mailed to farm operators, O. I. Willard, Chairman of the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, has announced. The notices are sent in advance of the December 12 marketing quota referendum so that farmers will know how the quotas they are voting on would affect their individual farming operations for 1962.

Growers voting in the referendum may approve or disapprove marketing quotas for the 1962, 1963 and 1964 crops of flue-cured tobacco. All growers who were actually engaged in the production of flue-cured tobacco in 1961 are eligible to vote on the quotas. Also, each person who was either the owner or operator of a farm in which a 1961 flue-cured tobacco allotment was established is eligible to vote even though no tobacco was actually produced on the farm, if any of the allotment was preserved for history purposes.

If at least two-thirds of the growers voting in the referendum approve quotas by voting YES, the law provides that quotas and acreage allotments will be in effect for the 1962, 1963 and 1964 crops. Penalties for marketing "excess" tobacco will also be in effect, and price support will be available to growers who comply with their farm acreage allotments.

If marketing quotas are not approved in this referendum there will be no quotas, no acreage allotments, no marketing penalties and no price support on the 1962 crop of flue-cured tobacco. In that event, another vote would be held next year on quotas for the following 3 years.



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