

News About Company "B" 105th Medical Regiment On Active Duty In Army

Items Of Interest About Local Boys At Fort Jackson, S. C.

(By St. Sgt. James T. Martin)

(Crowded out last week)

This coming Tuesday, Sept. 16, will mark the one-year period for our boys. Beginning on that date, the boys will start another period of service and time and length will be unknown. But, here's hoping that it won't be as long as it has been! Most of the boys had already made many plans, but from the looks of things now they will all have to be postponed.

Looking back over the year's service we can find many interesting things; going as far back as last September 16th, when Company "B" was inducted into service by our President. Company B had at that time as its Commanding Officer, Captain Thomas J. Taylor, and sixty-six (66) enlisted men. Going by special train, by way of Raleigh, the boys were started on that one-way trip to Fort Jackson, South Carolina—there to start their first term of regular Army service. Arriving at Fort Jackson, the men were first put in barracks to remain in them for about three months. Then they were moved into tent homes, where they have been for the rest of the period at the Fort. During this period of time the company's strength was raised to war-time strength of 100, or more men, and five officers.

Lt. Martin L. Sebastian is now commanding. He's from New York; Lt. William H. Moore, N. Y.; Lt. Martin Spector, Pa.; Lt. Abram Rubin, N. Y.; and Captain Taylor from Roanoke Rapids are the other officers. Small maneuvers were held on the Fort reservation during the stay there before leaving on the Tennessee maneuvers. After the maneuvers were over in Tennessee Captain Taylor was taken away from the company and put in command of Company G, 105th Medical Regiment. Many changes have been made in the entire company throughout the entire time.

Many of the boys have carried themselves forward beyond the be-

lief of most people, really making soldiers of themselves. And here's hoping that the boys will be able to return home to their families before very long.

When this fine bunch of young men return to civilian life, they will have the advantage on most young men as they have learned the rules of life and the standards of living—hardships, friendships, good times, and all combined into one to make them appreciate things from the logical standpoint. They are men that will now live by the American creed. Live the life that was taught them while a soldier. Uncle Sam will have a fine bunch of young men. Men that he knows he can depend upon whenever he needs them. Knowing that they are all highly trained, well organized and highly intelligent young men. So do your part, people of the gunless defenders of America, to help keep the spirits of these boys soaring high!

LETTERS from Our Readers

Letters should be short and to the point. Their content does not necessarily express the views of this newspaper. However, we value short letters of expression on any matter of general public interest from any Herald subscriber. All must be signed.

Co. "A", 1st. Sep. Cml. Bn.,
Schofield Barracks, T. H.
28 August 1941

Mr. Carroll L. Wilson, Editor,
The Roanoke Rapids Herald,
Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

Dear Mr. Wilson,

I want to thank you for the copies of the "Herald" that I have

been receiving for the past several months and I want you to know that I immensely appreciate being able to keep up with the news of my home. I understand that I am not the only one in the military service receiving the Herald but it would be hard to find another who gets as much enjoyment from it as this soldier in the foreign service. Of course, you may realize that there are many diversions in the "Isles of Paradise" which keep me occupied but I always anxiously await the latest Herald to keep me informed as to the status of affairs in my old home town, which if the truth is to be known, I miss more than I would like to admit.

In the Herald recently I noticed stories and pictures of the activities of the local boys in the service and I want you to know that I do not envy them at all for they must encounter hardships in their training and maneuvering that are hard to overcome. We soldiers of Oahu are just beginning to see what the army life of a draftee is like and I am most certain that I am the happiest service man from North Carolina for joining the regular army instead of waiting to be called. My home is one of the newest barracks here and is completely modernized making it very convenient and comfortable for us. The civilians here are also very considerate and are always willing to do their part towards making us feel at home but as I said before, "There's no place like my old home town!"

I want to thank you once more for your generosity and I want to extend my best wishes to you and the rest of those I left behind, and now it is

Aloha,
Worth B. Connell.

Hurt On Bicycle

Hayward Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harrell of Hamilton Street, was slightly injured Friday afternoon about 5 o'clock when he got a foot caught in the bicycle he was riding. The youngster, about five years old, got his heel lacerated and it was treated at the local hospital.

Dorton Selects Fair Directors

Appointment of 44 directors for the 18 divisions of the State Fair, to be held at Raleigh October 14-18, were announced today by Dr. J. S. Dorton, manager.

"National Defense" will be the theme of the 85th annual exposition which will feature 92,000 square feet of exhibits depicting the State's growth in agriculture, industry and education.

More than 18 divisions of State government and other public agencies will be represented at the fair, in addition to hundreds of commercial exhibitors. F. E. Miller, director of the test farms division of the State Department of Agriculture, will again be general director of exhibits.

Fair division directors, and the departments they will supervise, are:

County Progress exhibits, F. H. Jeter, of State College; field crops and farm exhibits, R. E. Currin, Jr. of Rocky Mount and R. J. Harris of Central Experiment Station, State College; egg show, C. W. Sheffield of the N.C.D.A., Dr. Roy S. Dearstyn and C. F. Parrish, both of State College; Horticulture products, Dr. Charles Dearing of Willard, H. R. Niswonger and Robert Schmidt, both of State College livestock, J. A. Arey, Earl H. Hostetler, R. H. Ruffner, all of State College and Dr. William Moore, N.C.D.A.; beef cattle and sheep, J. E. Foster and L. I. Case of State College; dairy cattle, Dr. C. D. Grinnells and A. C. Kimrey of State College and Dean W. Colvard, Swannanoa; swine, H. W. Taylor and E. V. Vestal, State College; draft horses, J. J. Rea, Jr., Wenona; poultry, J. Wade Hendricks of Statesville, W. C. Boon of Gibsonville and S. A. Horn of Burlington.

Women's department, Miss Ruth Current, State home demonstration agent; boys and girls 4-H Clubs: L.

R. Harrill and Miss Frances MacGregor; bees and honey, C. H. Brannon and P. G. Craddock, N. C. D. A., and C. L. Sams, State College; education, Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of public instruction, with A. B. Combs, R. B. Giffith, E. N. Peeler, Reid Ross, C. F. Gaddy and S. Marion Justice, representing the State Department of Public Instruction or the School Commission; vocational education, Roy H. Thomas, Miss Katherine T. Dennis, George W. Coggin and C. J. Warren; fine arts, arts and crafts Mrs. William Hodges of Raleigh; farm machinery and tractors, David S. Weaver, State College; horse and mule pulling contest, Paul L. Fletcher, N.C.D.A.

INSCRIPTION

Due to an oversight the full text of the inscription on the memorial tablet placed in the local hospital to the late Dr. T. W. M. Long was not carried in this newspaper. The complete wording on the tablet is as follows:

"In grateful memory of Thomas Williams Mason Long, M. D.
"January 14, 1888—February 3, 1941.

"A leader of the founding of Roanoke Rapids hospital and training school for nurses, and in the eradication of malaria in this community.

"A token of appreciation for his long and self sacrificing labor for this hospital and humanity.

"Placed by the Roanoke Rapids Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association 1941."

BREAKS ARM

Sam Ledge of the Rosemary section of the city fell while working at the Imperial Theatre here Friday morning and broke his left arm. The fracture was set and the limb put in splints at the local hospital, after which he was sent home.



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