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ROBERT H. McCOMMONS, Captain, U. S. Merchant Marine, July 5, 1942



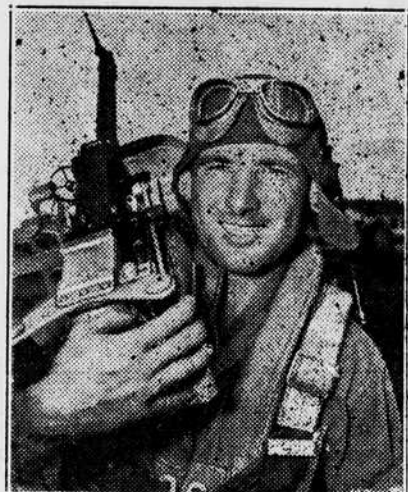
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TWO MORE YOUTHS IN SERVICE



WILLIAM BELL

SERGEANT HURLEY MIDGETT

William Bell (left) is a former Herald employee, now stationed with the Army in Australia. His sister, Miss Ruth Bell, of this city, has heard from him twice recently. Hurley Midgett is shown on the right. Complete story of his promotion to Sergeant will be found on Page 12—Section A.

2 PRISONERS ARE AT LARGE

All but two of the 17 prisoners who escaped from the State Highway Commission Prison Farm at Jackson shortly after midnight on Wednesday, August 12th, have been captured.

Lloyd Bennett, of Atchison, Kansas, and Delma Stanley of Asheville, are the two prisoners still at large. Authorities are said to be following down several clues in their capture, but it is thought the man-hunt may spread to other states.

Four of the prisoners were captured Thursday afternoon about 5 o'clock at Branchville, Virginia, where they had taken refuge in a vacant house. The men were seen to enter the house and authorities were notified who quickly sent prison department employees and state highway patrolmen to the scene whereupon surrounding the house they were captured. The four

men who gained cover in the empty house had a shotgun in their possession which they had stolen from the prison guards at Jackson when making their escape. They did not attempt to fire the gun and all four men made their exit from the house with their hands up.

Thursday night brought the capture of two more of the fugitives between 2 and 5 a.m. near Vaughan. One state employee who had been called from the Raleigh office to assist in the man hunt Thursday was returning to the capital. He left the camp about 9:30 and as he was approaching the town of Vaughan he saw three men, whom he recognized as prisoners, run from the road. He notified authorities at the camp, who hurried to the scene and caught two of the men on

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BROTHERS IN FOREIGN SERVICE



JAMES E. COOPER



THOMAS A. COOPER, JR.

The two brothers shown above are now seeing service on foreign soil. James Cooper is in Hawaii where he was sent soon after he entered the Army in September, 1940. Thos. A. Cooper, Jr., entered the Army in October, 1941, and is now stationed in Northern Ireland. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cooper, of near Weldon.

ROMANCOS are UNDEFEATED

TESTS SHOW CD GROUP UP TO PAR HERE

Another air raid drill was held Wednesday afternoon, the air raid alarm being sounded at 6:30 P. M., the all clear at 7:15 P. M. The Citizens' Defense Corps unit worked perfectly and at the Control Center, two minutes after the last report of air raid damage was called in, the emergency service panel was cleared of "services needed", which means that units had been dispatched to every single incident which had been reported.

Two cases of persons not observing the traffic directions of the policemen were reported and both men were immediately sent to jail.

One of the problems brought back problems of the 1940 flood when it was reported that a high explosive bomb had wrecked the power plant and damaged the canal. Several minutes afterwards a call came for "more sand bags". Other incidents included heavy fires in the Rosemary section and one air raid warden reported that a high explosive bomb had wrecked the downtown ABC store, and he re-

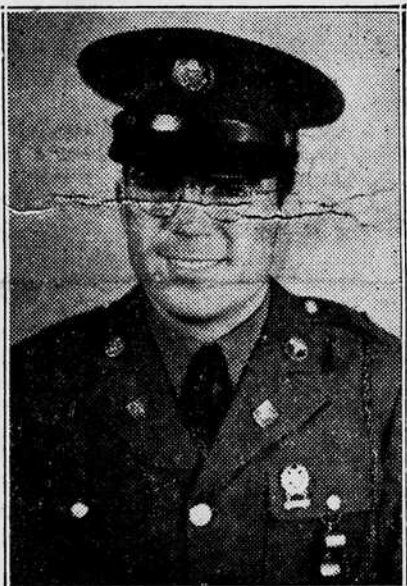
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COMPULSORY TO DISPLAY GAS STICKER

Unless local motorists have their gasoline rationing sticker prominently displayed on the windshield or rear glass of their automobiles they may be turned down on their requests for gasoline from filling station attendants, according to announcement made this week by H. B. Speight, chairman of the Halifax County Rationing Board, NC-42-1.

Speight declared that it was obvious some motorists had neglected to display their stickers, which are furnished each motorist with the issuance of their rationing book. The rules require each motorist to display one sticker, which conforms with the rationing book in their possession. He declared that filling station operators would soon be instructed by the State office not to make deliveries of gasoline to an automobile unless it displayed a rationing sticker.

IN AUSTRALIA



Staff Sergeant Elwood L. Goodfellow, above, is now serving in Australia. See story on Back Page of this section.

R. W. VAUGHAN OF ENFIELD DIES TODAY

Robert W. Vaughan, Enfield Ford dealer and service station proprietor, died shortly after noon today at a Rocky Mount hospital, allegedly the result of injuries he received in a fight with Harry Hardison, former Enfield night policeman. The two men are known to have had an altercation at Vaughan's filling station about noon today. Vaughan was injured to the extent that attending physicians advised that he be taken to the hospital. He died shortly after arrival at a Rocky Mount hospital.

Hardison is reported to have given himself up to Deputy Sheriff Cliff Strickland, and is now being held in the county jail at Halifax.

Very few details of the difficulties between the two men were available at press time. Vaughan, about 45-years old, served as a town commissioner at Enfield. Hardison had served as a night policeman for about 18-months when he was recently suspended from the service.

Fifty Nazi police agents were killed in Poland last June, including the Gestapo chief at Lublin.

TO PLAY IN FINAL GAME SATURDAY

State Tournament To Be Held In The City If They Beat Pilot

Roanoke Rapids bids fair to have the state Softball tournament held in the city if the Romancos continue their winning streak and defeat the Pilot Mills team in Raleigh Saturday night. The Eastern finals have been postponed for a fourth time because of rain.

The Romancos were state champions for the past three consecutive years, and it is said they are favorites to take the Eastern title, thereby giving them a chance at Greensboro, the Western champions, for another state championship.

Interest in softball has always been high in the city and the prospect of having a state tournament played here makes Saturday night's game in Raleigh looked forward to with great interest.

The final game to be played between Pilot Mills of Raleigh and The Rosemary Manufacturing Co. Romancos of Roanoke Rapids was to have been played originally on Saturday night at Red Diamond in Raleigh but was postponed until the following afternoon because of wet grounds. The game on Sunday was called off because of rain at the end of the third inning with both teams deadlocked in a 1-1 tie. Again the game was put off until Monday night. There was no game on Monday so the game was forwarded to Tuesday. When no game could be played that night the tournament officials decided to postpone the playing of the game until Saturday night.

These excessive postponements have made it necessary to move the date of the state finals forward to next week at which time the winner of the Pilot-Romancos game will meet Greensboro, the Western champion, on the Eastern winner's home grounds.

So far in the tourney Roanoke Rapids holds victories over Goldsboro and Rocky Mount and Raleigh has defeated Fayetteville, having drawn a bye in the first round of tournament competition.

Birmingham, Ala., held a "scrap-out" recently, with air raid wardens supervising a drive which netted 279 tons of metal and rubber.