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Winston-Salem Marine Dies As Flash Flood Sweeps Road

PFC PRICE IS DROWNED NEAR CAMP LEJEUNE

Marine Loses Footing And Falls Into Creek Swollen By Flood

WINSTON-SALEM — Federal arrangements were being completed here early this week for Marine Private First Class Anthony Price, son of Mrs. Blanche Price of 602 1-2 W. Fifteenth Street here, who died when swept into a swollen creek bed near Jacksonville, N. C. last week-end.

Private Price toppled into the swollen waters of Chapel Run Creek near the Camp Lejeune Marine Base on Saturday as he and three other companions attempted to leave a car in which they had been riding after the car had become stalled as heavy rainfall created a flood in the eastern area.

According to Price's companions, the youthful serviceman was swept away in the rushing creek waters when he dismounted from the car on the wrong side. His foot slipped upon the bank of the creek and his body went dashing downstream in the creek which had swollen more than 18 inches above its usual level.

The accident occurred about three miles from Richlands, N. C. after heavy rainfall had turned the highway into a (Continued on page 8, this section)



MORALE BUILDER: Corporal Ralph E. Hargrave from Ypsilanti, Michigan, wounded in the fighting on the Korean battlefield, received a surprise visitor at his bedside at the Tokyo General Hospital. It was none other than the Army Chief of Staff General J. Lawton Collins, who took time from his conferences to visit wounded GIs.

Gavin Opens Drive For Senate Vs. Willis Smith



SMITH'S OPPONENT — Opposing Democratic nominee for U. S. Senate Willis Smith in the November elections will be Edwin L. Gavin of Sanford, who opened his campaign for election to the post as Republican candidate with a home-town rally recently.

Sanford — A non-partisan rally here last Friday evening marked the opening of the campaign of Edwin L. Gavin, prominent Sanford attorney, for United States Senator from North Carolina.

Gavin, Republican candidate for the Senate seat held now by Frank P. Graham, told the rally, "I think that in the present serious situation, partisan politics should be kept to a minimum in the interest of getting the best qualified public servants in public office."

Gavin, former law partner of Governor W. W. Kitchin, was elected Mayor of Roseboro before he reached the age of 21. He has also held the offices of State Senator from the Fourteenth District, and United States District Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina.

The more than 1,200 delegates to the 1950 Republican State Convention nominated him unanimously to oppose Democratic nominee Willis Smith for the Senate in the general election November 7.



ELECTED PRESIDENT — J. H. Wheeler, executive vice president and cashier of Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham, was elected president of the National Bankers Association during the 23rd annual meeting of the association last week-end in Danville, Va. (See Story)

LIFE OF SECOND YOUTH CLAIMED BY SHYING MULE

HENDERSON — A 10-year-old youth became the second Negro boy to be killed this season by a shying mule. Thad Whitley, Jr., was killed last Friday afternoon when the mule he and a smaller brother were riding became frightened when approached by a truck (Continued on page 8, this section)

IT HAPPENED IN CAROLINA

Not Guilty, Sir

WINSTON-SALEM — John Glenn, 21, and Sam Valentine, 25, both pleaded not guilty to the charges of assault on Emma Brown in the Forsyth County Court this week and both men were found not guilty as per their plea.

The plaintiff had contended that the two assaulted her on August 15.

Who Dun It

LENOIR — Police here are holding George Powell, a 48-year-old rock mason on charges of fatally beating 27-year-old Miss Winifred Tilley here some time during the past weekend.

Miss Tilley's battered body was found near the Freedman School early Sunday morning. Powell's arrest followed shortly thereafter. Police believe it was he "who dun it."

Put In The Place

WILSON — A 30-year-old man has been charged with the fatal shooting of his wife here.

Struck By Auto

RALEIGH — Glenn Lilliams, 12, of Garner, Route 1, was seriously injured early this week when struck by an automobile as he was crossing Highway 50 near his home.

Fast Get Away

RALEIGH — Reports were received here this week about a youthful convict who possibly was influenced by the outdoor signs which laud the fast get away of a certain automobile.

A Cool Cap

RALEIGH — The caps that local cab drivers wear may be hot to the head, but they're cool to have on when the Long arm of the Law reaches into the car.

Parents Demand Better Facilities For Pupils In Eastern County

PERQUIMANS IS SITE OF NEWEST EQUALITY SUIT

COMBAT BADGES GIVEN TO STATE MEN ON FRONT

Eight North Carolina Men In Famed 24th Are Accorded Honor

WITH THE 24th INF. REGIMENT IN KOREA — Eight North Carolinians were listed among the 111 members of the 24th Infantry Regiment receiving the highly prized Combat Infantryman's badge here last week.

The 24th, already a legendary regiment in the current war against the North Koreans, is composed of veterans of many long days of action on the front here. In many situations, the valiant 24th has proven the difference between ignominious defeat for United States forces and glorious victory.

The badges presented to the men here last week can be earned only by those soldiers who have been in close combat with the enemy.

The badge, a rectangular blue-lace object trimmed in bronze, has a musket stamped upon it. A number of the members of the 24th, including some of the North Carolinians so honored, were receiving the badge for the second time.

NAMES LISTED

North Carolinians receiving the Combat Infantryman's Badge during impressive ceremonies within sound of the front here were:

Pvt. Luther Terry, Fayetteville, N. C.
Pfc. William R. Foster, Louisburg
Pvt. K. C. Wiley, Durham
Pfc. William Bright, Raleigh
Pfc. Claude Springs, Charlotte
Cpl. Charles Simmons, Clinton
Pfc. Willie Terry, Henderson
Pfc. Johnnie Meyers, Wilmington

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EDITOR'S NOTE: According to the State Attorney General's office, the action filed in Perquimans County this week is the fifth such action taken by North Carolina Negro citizens in their quest for equal school facilities. A suit for equality in public schools in Durham is still pending. Decision in the University of North Carolina Law School Case brought by law students at the North Carolina College Law School is expected momentarily. A suit has been filed in Washington County contending proposed location of a Negro high school, and in Wilson County, a suit has been preferred charging bias in the county's building (Continued on page 8, this section)



PRIZE CATCH: (Left to Right) Private First Class James Burrell of Fortis, Texas, Corporal Charles Johnson of Meridan, Texas and Sergeant First Class Theodore Norris, Detroit, Michigan, all of the 24th Infantry Division search two North Korean prisoners dressed in stolen U. S. Army clothing. Reports are that many North Korean troops disguise themselves as Negro soldiers, but in this case their efforts were fruitless.

Negro Schools Get Million Dollars From School Board

ROCKY MOUNT'S BUS BIAS CASE IS DISMISSED

BY J. B. HARREN
ROCKY MOUNT, N. C. (Special) — The charge that John D. Williams, prominent civic leader of Spring Hope, had violated the state segregation laws when he refused to move from the fourth seat from the rear to a back seat on a Carolina Trailways bus September 4th, fell flat in local police court here Monday before Judge Norman Gold. Mr. Williams was represented by attorney Conrad O. Pearson of Durham.

Court spectators were not surprised at the interest shown in the case by city solicitor Thomas D. Dill when he held an extended consultation with Mr. Pearson before calling Policeman Evans, who made the arrest on complaint of the bus driver, who did not appear to testify against Williams. Officer Evans admitted he thought all Negro passengers were subject to the Jim-crow seating arrangement. (Continued on page 8, this section)



NOT GUILTY — "Not guilty" was the implied verdict when a Rocky Mount lower court judge had a violation of bus Jim-crow charge dismissed against John D. Williams, civic leader of Spring Hope, N. C. The policeman who preferred the charges against the Spring Hope NAACP branch president was not present at the hearing. (See Story)

RALEIGH — More than a million and a quarter dollars was allocated for Negro school work by the State Board of Education last week as the Board reached the half-way mark in its efforts to live up to the dictates of the 1949 Legislative ruling that a fund of \$50,000,000 was to be used to put the state's school plants in better condition.

Negro schools were allocated the major share of the funds set aside by the state group for additions, repairs and general betterment of schools. The state's white schools were granted over a million dollars for needed works, with Indian projects running a very poor third and being allowed only a meagre \$3,000.

Granted for Negro work in the state, according to locale was:

Alexander County, Happy Plain School, additions, \$51,000.
Bartie County, W. S. Ethridge School, additions, plumbing and heating, \$84,000.
Columbus County, Artesia School, additions including auditorium gymnasium, \$87,000.
Duplin County, Faison, new building, \$129,000; Charity, new building, \$199,000.
Tarboro (city), Patilio High School, new building, \$117,000.
Greensboro (city), Washington (Continued on page 8, this section)

OH HAPPY JANUARY 1st

R. J. Reynold Company To Increase Wages Next Year

WINSTON-SALEM — It will be "New Year's Day" but it will possibly seem like Christmas and that "Happy Days are here again" when the wage increases listed by the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company go into effect here on January 1, 1954.

According to an announce-

ment issued by the company this week, the 10,000 persons employed by the company here and working on hourly-rated, piecework and salaried arrangements will be eligible for the increases.

The announcement reveals that these employees will receive a two-week

paid vacation after one year's service and a three-week paid vacation after 20 years of service.

FIGURES NOT LISTED
The exact rate of increase has not been listed by the company but company officials have revealed that the increases will cost (Continued on page 8, this section)

DURING DANVILLE MEETING

Mechanics & Farmers Bank Cashier Named Bankers Head

DANVILLE, Va. — J. H. Wheeler, executive vice president and cashier of the Mechanics & Farmers Bank of Durham, N. C. was elected president of the National Bankers Association here last week as the banking group held its 23rd annual session as guest of the local Danville Bank and Saving Company here September 8 and 9.

Mr. Wheeler was elected to head the association succeeding

LeRoy F. Ridley, president of the Crown Savings Bank of Newport News, Va. The National Bankers Association is composed of representatives of 14 Negro owned and operated banks with plants in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, Texas, Kansas, Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia and Oklahoma.

Business meetings were held here

at the Textile Hall, Patton Street with a public meeting being held Friday night at the Loyal Baptist Church, the Rev. Doyle J. Thomas pastor.

Member banks of the association include: Carver Savings Bank, Savannah, Ga.; Citizens Savings Bank, Trust Co., Nashville, Tenn.; Citizens and Southern Bank and Trust (Continued on page 8, this section)