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Bragg Joins Nation Honoring Chaplains

PVT. McDUFFIE AIRBORNE GRADUATE

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—From a starting of 400, Private Leroy McDuffie, son of Mrs. Lula Jones of 413 Harnett Street, was one of 209 that graduated from the 82nd Airborne Division Jump School, Class number one. One of the most active schools in the Army, the paratroopers pride themselves in their rugged training.

Here is a sign on the School's Headquarters wall that reads, "There are no outsiders! We reject them!" The main downfall of the would-be troopers is the 34 foot



Leroy McDuffie

tower. The least of reasons for dropping out of the school is the actual jumping from a plane. Of all who managed to get through the first two weeks of training there were but a single jump refusal in the plane.

The school starts out with an introduction to parachute training and related subjects the first morning. That afternoon actual work begins with mock door training, parachute landing falls and the tower. This, along with very strenuous physical exercises, makes up the rest of the week.

The second week is more of the same, until the third day when classes in parachute collapsing techniques are introduced. A light airfall is used as the wind machine. The final two hours of the week are devoted to pre-jump orientations.

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FORT BRAGG — On Sunday July 29 Fort Bragg will join with other posts, camps and stations throughout the United States and overseas in observance of the 10th anniversary of the Army Chaplain's Service.

Primarily, Sunday's celebration will be in observance of the Service itself, but in a larger sense it will honor the individual Chaplain who braved the biting cold with the ill-clad and ill-fed soldiers of General George Washington's Revolutionary forces at Valley Forge, accompanied General Pershing's forces through France during World War I, was seen in his typical role as spiritual counselor to troops in all major theaters during World War II and for more than a year now has been experiencing the agonies of front-line combat while serving as spiritual adviser to troops in the mountainous peninsula of Korea.

Along with the Service they represent, these "men of God," many of whom have died courageously in the execution of their duties, will be proudly honored with special religious services and formations wherever American troops are stationed and conditions are favorable.

Locally, Fort Bragg plans to go all out in honoring this Service on Sunday. According to Lt. Colonel Sidney R. Crumpton, post chaplain, special services will be conducted, with appropriate exhibits and formations in all chapels on the reservation. In addition a huge birthday cake commemorating one hundred and seventy-six years of faithful service will be exhibited at the Main Post chapel.

Because the Chaplain's Service anniversary is particularly important in the Army's Community Relations activities, plans are also being made to participate in services conducted at churches in the city of Fayetteville and nearby communities.

In its service to our Army, the Chaplain's Service performs an indispensable role in our nation's security. It is the Chaplain's Service that the mission of promoting the spiritual and temporal welfare of the men and women in the Army is entrusted.

The spirit of the Chaplaincy was recognized during the American Revolution when General Washington in General Orders, wrote: "All Chaplains are to perform divine services every day and every Sunday. Every neglect will be considered not only a breach of orders, but a disregard to decency, virtue and religion."

At the outbreak of World War I there were but sixty-seven chaplains. During the period of actual warfare 2,305 chaplains were commissioned in the three parts of the Army, the Regular Army, National Guard and National Army.

Shortly after the war the Office of the Chief of Chaplains was created. During World War II, 8,896 chaplains served in the United States Army, the largest number on duty at any given time being 8,141 of which 1,747 received 2,464 decorations. Of more than 200,000 men assigned to our troops in Korea at the present time, 49

equal parades and graduation exercises on Friday. The first jump is made carrying light packs and six individual tap-outs. The second drop, the same day, is made up of eight-man sticks. The jumpers then carry a roll on the back and a weapon, either a carbine or an M-1 rifle. The fourth jump adds a 15-man stick. The fifth qualifying jump is made "en masse" with the planes flying in V formation. On Friday the new "troopers" get the wings for which they have undergone and passed the rugged airborne training.

Private McDuffie is now assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division's 505th Airborne Infantry.

have received 63 decorations. Lt. General Matthew B. Ridgeway's estimate of chaplains now serving in Korea was revealed in a recent statement in which he said: "It is felt that the American public will rejoice in knowing that our fellow chaplains are performing their duties in a manner which merits these awards. The Chaplains serving in Korea are 'magnificent.' To a newspaper correspondent he added: When the chips are down, the men turn more and more to their chaplains, and the bigger the man the greater he does. His influence goes right down into the heart, you see, they are better than ever."

Chaplain Services are not always confined to garrison duty. Frequently the chaplain accompanies troops into the field where regardless of conditions his services have proved an invaluable factor in the upkeep of a high degree of morale among soldiers. A good example of the Chaplain's service in the field will be brought out during Exercises Southern Plains (maneuvers) scheduled to get underway here next month. With Chaplain Lt. Colonel Emil A. Zund already named Director of the giant field exercise, approximately seventy-two others have been selected to serve.

Head in scope, Chaplain Services are made available to all religious faiths. At Fort Bragg there are five different religions ministered by many two chaplains. These religions include, Protestant, Catholic, Episcopal, Jewish and Christian Science. Sunday church services include twenty-five Protestant and eleven Catholic.

Two Jewish services are conducted each week. There are 26 chapels served by a total of 32 chaplains. Those assigned Post duty are Lt. Col. Sidney R. Crumpton, Capt. William J. Boucher, Capt. John F. Hanley, Capt. Frank W. Marshall, Jr., 1st Lt. Morris W. Margolis and Capt. Thomas Q. Whitmore. Chaplains assigned to miscellaneous, numerical, tactical units are Major Lillian W. Cain, Major Augustus C. Summers, Capt. William L. Jones and 1st Lt. Thomas Christmas. Gordon, F. Cook, Paul J. LeBlanc and Richard I. Carty. Chaplains assigned to Pope Air Force Base are Major John F. Nolan and Capt. F. E. Zigan and Edward A. Masalewicz. Those with the 82nd Airborne Division include Capt. Henry D. Carter, Lieutenant F. Faist, Frank, H. T. Gosser, Douglas F. Hall, Erhard H. Hains, James E. Morris, Theodore Owens, James Skelton, William Gamble and J. M. Holder and 1st Lt. Edward B. Cowing and John J. O'Neil. Two Chaplains are assigned duties with the Eighteenth Airborne Corps. They are Lt. Col. Wallace M. Hale and Major Chester Lozewski.

Traditionally American democracy is based on the sound spiritual welfare of its people. Today, the role of the chaplain in the United States Army solely as a "man of God" dedicated to the promotion of the spiritual welfare of the men and women serving in the Army, insures the effectiveness of the Army in maintaining our nation's security.

Farmers tractor dealers and business men of Sampson County have joined hands in the fight against boll weevil. Over 300 farmers attended a cotton dusting demonstration recently.

Commercial hog production is increasing in Pitt County, and County agent believes that production will continue to increase because of improved pasture and increased yields of corn.

In recent years, the Retail Merchants Division of the Chamber of Commerce has conducted a very aggressive trade promotion program and the special sales events have served to stimulate greater interest in Fayetteville as a shopping center. Earlier this year Fayetteville Dollar Days proved very popular with shoppers throughout the trade area, and thousands of visitors were welcomed from many of the towns and cities of North Carolina.

Other sales events will be held this fall similar to the events held last fall. And these future events, no doubt, will attract many more thousands from the constantly growing trade area, as these events will be bigger and better as time goes on.

The visitor soon learns that free parking is provided during these events for persons whose cars bear licenses from other towns and cities. As soon as his car is spotted in the parking space, whether in a metered zone or otherwise, it is "tagged" with a courtesy parking ticket. This ticket entitles him to remain in the same place all day if he so desires without worrying about the overtime parking regulations. As an added convenience, especially for visitors, the city maintains public comfort stations.

Statistics on sales volume are sometimes misleading, especially during inflationary periods, but such figures do give an indication of trends. According to the 1948 Business Census retail sales in Fayetteville during that year

were \$45,718,000. The 1939 Business Census showed only \$10,100,000 in retail sales for the entire county, including Fayetteville.

Such a remarkable increase is ample evidence that an ever-increasing number of persons are learning that Fayetteville is a shopping center where the merchants strive to serve everyone to the best of their ability — where there is merchandise to fill every need at a price to fit every purse.

Population of the Metropolitan Area is estimated to be between 45-50,000. Visitors who have not been to Fayetteville in recent years will be amazed at the changes which have taken place. The appearance of the shopping district has been drastically changed by the addition of new stores and by the remodeling and expansion of older ones.

The process is still under way, and even now scaffolding mars the appearance of the main street, while additional building and renovation takes place. In the wearing apparel group, there have been added several new local stores and several new chain stores since the termination of the war and some of the older stores have more than doubled their size.

Fayetteville now has ten department stores, four shoe stores, and many other stores handling women's apparel, men's furnishings and similar specialties. There are fine jewelry stores and five variety stores. There are fourteen furniture stores in addition to large furniture departments in several of the department stores.

Other stores too numerous to mention handle virtually all makes of electrical and mechanical home and farm appliances and equipment, sporting goods, automobile accessories, novelties, gifts, and novelties.

Strides Noted In Decade

FAYETTEVILLE — Fayetteville has continued its rapid progress as a shopping center and it now compares very favorably with any other city in North Carolina in this respect.

Not so many years ago the city was rather small and centered particularly to its own citizens and those of the nearby rural communities. With a 98.5 increase in population between 1940 and 1950, Fayetteville has become by far the largest city in the famous Boomer Belt and its trade area extends for many miles in all directions. Being the largest city between Raleigh and Columbia, South Carolina, and between Charlotte and Wilmington, Fayetteville has a trade area of approximately 6,500 square miles with an estimated population of nearly half a million.

Local citizens who used to feel that it was necessary to go to some of the larger cities to shop have long since found out that the local stores carry the same nationally advertised brands of merchandise at the same prices as the stores in the larger cities and that shopping in Fayetteville is far more convenient. The rapid growth of the city has made possible the expansion of retail establishments not only in number but in lines of merchandise handled. Each year finds more new retail establishments open to serve the public and each year shoppers come from distant points to take advantage of the excellent shopping facilities offered by the Fayetteville merchants.

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Hardware and farm implement dealers give the buyer a wide choice of makes of paint, tools, and machinery, virtually every make of automobile manufactured in the United States is sold and serviced in Fayetteville by regularly franchised dealers.

Realizing their responsibility to the customers of southeastern North Carolina, Fayetteville merchants are constantly striving to do so that the customers can get the best possible values for their money.

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Flaming Bombs And Whiz Kids Vie For Bragg Honor

By Sic BOB PHILLIPS

FORT BRAGG—The terrific race found disputed possession of top place in Fort Bragg's baseball league ended in a dead heat last week with the "Flaming Bombs" from the 343rd Ordnance Battalion and the "Whiz Kids" from the 14th Quartermaster Battalion sporting identical figures in the won and lost columns.

Storming through a rugged sixteen game schedule the two teams wound up regular season play with records of twelve wins against four setbacks. Named the two teams to test at the opening of the season on last May 15, both came through, as predicted, setting a terrific pace for their league opponents, they jumped up front on the very first day and stayed there, most times running one-two and at other times neck-and-neck. With the exception of a brief period during the latter stages of the season when the 14th QM Field Cardinals launched an unstoppable ground-gaining attack and tied the 14th QM for the second place berth, it was all "Flaming Bombs" and "Whiz Kids".

At one time during the stretch the Ordnance nine threatened to make a "runaway" of the league race. But then they bumped into the 12th FA Group. The meeting was fatal as they walked off the field on the short end of a 3-2 count. Other losses sustained by the 343rd were an 8-7 loss by the 37th Engineers, a humiliating 21-5 trouncing at the hands of the 142nd FA Group and a 5-1 licking by the 503rd MP Battalion. Losses chalked up against the 14th QM included an 8-7 beating by the 343rd, a 3-0 shutout by the 503rd MPs, a 5-2 trouncing by the Pope Field Cardinals and a 9-2 lashing by the

343rd Ordnance. The race for the league leadership went right down to the tape and was not determined until the two teams engaged in their last regular scheduled contest on Wednesday July 11, leading by a one-game margin. The 343rd couldn't cope with the four-hit cauchion of "Nick" Nichols of the 503rd MP. The results, the stick totin' law-keepers walked off with a 5-1 decision. The loss enabled the 14th QM to move into a first place tie for the league lead, having tucked away an easily earned 5-0 shutout victory over the 3420th ASU nine in the first game of the evening.

Despite a 2-0 white-washing at the hands of the 503rd MPs on Monday night July 9, the Pope Field Cardinals finished the season in third place with a record of eleven wins and five defeats. The sensational mound performance of LeRoy Nichols made the difference in this game. He limited Cardinal batsmen to two singles while hanging up his first of two victories during the week. In the nightcap Furbick moved onto the mound from his hot corner position and became a strikeout artist in leading the 3420th ASU to a 6-1 win over the 37th Engineers. In addition to allowing four hits, he whiffed fourteen batters, Hatcher, losing hurler did all right for himself too. He struck out eleven ASU stickmen and collected two of his team's total hits.

The 343rd Ordnance and the 12th FA Group picked up one win each via forfeit over the 322nd Signals who dropped out of league play two weeks ago due to pressing military commitments.

In two outings during the past week the 142nd FA Group played at a 500 clip, losing a 7-1 decision to the 12th FA Group on Tuesday night July 10 and winning over the 37th Engineers 4-1 behind the four-hit blowing of Tommy Springer on Thursday night July 12. Springer, former Rock Hill Chiefs moundman in the Tri-State league further proved his mastery over the situation by striking out fifteen Engineer batsmen.

By winning both ends of a two game series during the week the 503rd MPs moved into a tie for fourth place with the 142nd FA thereby causing a one-game playoff on Tuesday night to determine which of the two nines will represent the fourth team in play for Post championship honors which got underway last night at Bowley Field.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	PTS
343rd Ordnance	12	4	750
14th Quartermaster	12	4	750
Pope Field	11	5	688
142nd FA Group	10	6	625
12th FA Group	7	9	438
37th Engineers	4	12	250
3420th ASU	3	13	188
322nd Signals	3	13	188

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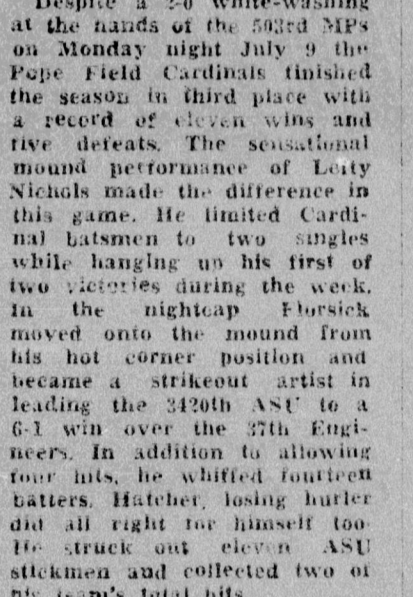
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