

Sergeant Who Hoodwinked Recruiters Went To War At 13 And Was Hero At 15

Fort Ord, Calif.—George A. May, now a mature 20 and a sergeant in the 51st Field Artillery Battalion, is a six-year Army veteran who earned the Silver Star with the First Cavalry Division in Korea when he was 15 years old.

Not that the Army knew his age at the time.

His story begins in 1948. A 13-year-old youngster of (32241 Oceoda St.) Norwayne, Mich., he had, recruited officers all over the state trying to enlist. Turned down 20 times, he "barrowed" his older brother Leslie's birth certificate and name and headed for Dayton, Ohio—far enough away not to be recognized by Michigan recruiters.

Puzzled Dayton recruiters signed him up after a bit of head-scratching; somehow his appearance and the birth date on the certificate did not quite jibe. But they went along with the evidence.

An even five feet tall, the new soldier's gear weighed more than he did.

"Everyone kidded me about my size but I enjoyed it," May says. "I didn't know from nothing and it was like a full-time game of playing soldier."

Two years later, in 1950, Corporal May was in Korea—a seasoned soldier who could never be reprimanded for needing a shave.

In early October, the First Cavalry was having a rough time with the Chinese Reds in the rocky, gutted terrain near the 38th Parallel. Serving with a rifle company, May found himself pinned down one day by the deadly concentration of fire. The company's objective was to move in and knock out the automatic weapons and secure a hill for the advance of the division.

The assistant squad leader pointed to a good firing position 50 yards to the left but was cut down trying to reach it. George moved in. Slithering from his protective pocket, he slung to the left, dived, crawled and made the position—with a bullet in his chest. Returning the enemy fire until his rifle jammed, May threw hand grenades and broke the enemy position. Then he blacked out—a Silver Star winner.

When his brother heard of the hospitalization he started procedure to discharge George. The youngster's commanding officer had a few choice words to say to him.

"He sure was mad. If I had been captured, the Communists could have made a big propaganda splash about the U. S. having a 15-year-old fighting in Korea."

A month past 16, he went to work in a Plymouth, Mich., factory as a welder until he turned 17. Once he did, May re-enlisted, applied for airborne training and went back to Korea. He is now an Army physical training instructor.

May and his young wife, Margie, are looking forward to a life-long career in the Army. "I love it," he says. "It's the only life for me. I've never been sorry for a minute that I enlisted when I did. It's just great."

She Fell For It

"That fellow was an impudent fraud. How did he manage to wheedle money out of you?"

"Oh, John, he told me such a sad, pitiful tale about his poor wife who was a widow with six little children.

Health For All

The Baby Sitter

What do you know about your baby sitter?

You hire someone to come into your house and stay with your children while you take a well-deserved evening out. She plays with your children, gives them their supper, puts them to bed, carries them the glasses of water they demand before settling. If the baby cries in the night, she picks it up and comforts it. For a few hours she's as close to your children as you normally are.

Of course, you know her. She's that elderly woman from down the block, or from the agency, or the teenage daughter of your best friend. You know that she's reliable, that your instructions will be followed, that the children like her, that they are safe with her.

But are they safe with her? Are you sure that she doesn't have an infectious disease that might be passed on to your children? Are you as cautious about your baby sitter's health as about her character? Both are of vital importance to your children's welfare.

Of course, if the baby sitter arrived coughing and sneezing you'd send her home, sorry as you might be to miss your fun. But—tuberculosis has no warning symptoms in its early stages. Unless you know that your baby sitter has regular physical exams and a chest X-ray at least once a year, you can't be sure that your children will be safe with her.

Many other women, when asked about their health, will say proudly, "I haven't been to a doctor in years." It's nothing to boast about. Tuberculosis has no respect for age and gray hair. In fact, it is becoming increasingly a disease of older age.

You owe it to your children to inquire into the health of your baby sitter. And if she's offended? Well, they're your children, aren't they?

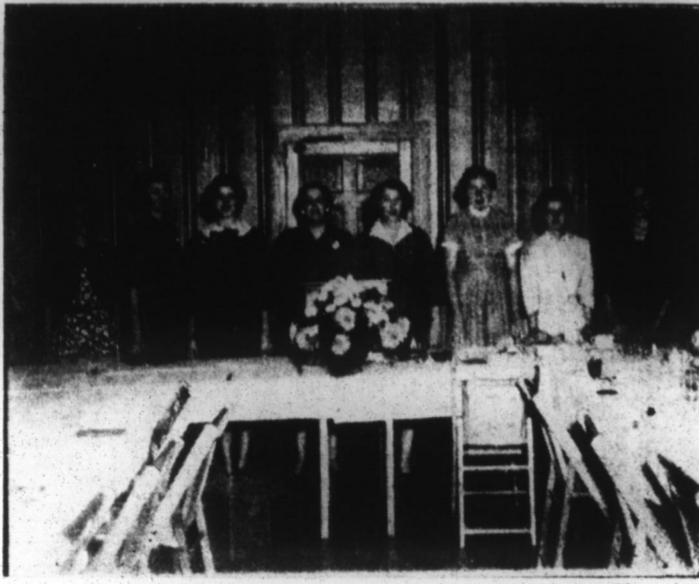
SBA Office Opened To Give Help Due To Hurricane Damage

Chowan Among Counties Declared Disaster Areas

The Small Business Administration is resuming its disaster loan activities in North Carolina to aid the victims of Hurricane Ione.

Clarence P. Moore, Richmond Regional Director of Small Business Administration has announced that an office was opened on Wednesday, September 28, at New Bern in the New Bern Chamber of Commerce Building, 511 Broad Street, telephone 6-167. Applications for disaster loans will be accepted at that office from individuals, partnerships or corporations suffering damage who cannot obtain financial assistance from private enter-

NEW EDENTON SCHOOL TEACHERS



After the Edenton Rotary Club's Teachers Night banquet Thursday night in the Masonic Temple N. J. George, snapped a group of new teachers in the Edenton schools. Pictured, left to right are Mrs. Doris G. Godwin, Miss Alice Langston, Miss Mollie Hester, Mrs. Bomar Raines, Mrs. Margie V. Koonce, Miss Coleen Ward, Miss Lula Williams and Miss Gloria McCollum. Three other new teachers not in the picture are Mrs. Dorothy D. Jess, Mrs. Joan K. Shaw and Mrs. Audrey N. Vinson.

The following counties in North Carolina have been declared as disaster areas: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, and Washington. However, anyone who has suffered losses in undischarged nearby counties may determine their eligibility under the SBA disaster loan program by contacting the New Bern office. Applications will also continue to be accepted for damage due to Hurricanes Connie and Diane.

Although the New Bern Office will be the only established headquarters for SBA, at this time, it is planned to send SBA representatives to various points in the strike areas on certain days to receive applications and consult with hurricane sufferers. The location and dates of these itinerant stations will be announced through the newspapers and radio stations. Meanwhile persons desiring to obtain information or file applications should apply to the New Bern Disaster Office, or to the SBA Regional Office at 900 North Lombardy Street in Richmond, Virginia, or its Charlotte, North Carolina Branch Office, 1315 Independence Building.

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CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Lloyd E. Overton, Sr., celebrated his 60th birthday at his home in Chowan County Sunday, September 25. All of his children and grandchildren were guests during the day, when a delicious turkey dinner was enjoyed.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Overton and daughter, Kathleen, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Wilson, Jr., and children, Diana, Frank and Ann of Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Overton, Jr., and children, Connie, Debbie and Nancy and Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, Jr., and children, Gayle and John Lloyd of Edenton.

A Manly Fit, Too!

Mrs. Gush—That dress is the most perfect fit I have ever seen.

Mrs. Craig—Then you should have seen the one my husband had when he got the bill for it.

Minutes Of Board Of Public Works

Edenton, N. C., Sept. 7, 1955.

The Board of Public Works met this day in the Town Office at 7:30 P. M. in monthly session. Members present: A. B. Harless, chairman, Philip S. McMullan, Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., and W. J. Yates.

The following bills for the month of August, 1955 were examined and approved for payment:

Dail and Ashley, \$16.96; W. D. Holmes Wholesale Grocery, \$29.25; Thurston Motor Lines, Inc., \$10.77; R. J. Boyce, \$23.99; Sinclair Refining Co., \$84.07; Graybar Electric Co., \$1,129.68; Electrical Equipment Co., \$173.79; Burch's Garage, \$30.87; The Chowan Herald, \$5.00; Burroughs Corporation, \$3.54; Williamston Office Supply Co., \$71.90; International Salt Co., \$196.00; Weston Electrical Instrument Co., \$2.50; Killebrew's Radio I & M Service, \$45.00; Chowan Motor Com-

pany, Inc., \$1.25; Charleston Rubber Co., \$5.68; Baker Equipment Engineering Co., \$30.40; A. S. Smith Machine Co., \$15.89; Gray & Creech, Inc., \$5.35; Southwire Co., \$187.32; M. G. Brown Co., Inc., \$9.11; Mitchener's Pharmacy, \$2.50; Byrum Hardware Co., Inc., \$20.01; Edenton Ice Co., \$13.92; Ralph E. Parrish, \$2.55; Butler Blueprint Co., \$22.40; Virginia Electric and Power Co., \$9,479.20; General Equipment Co., Inc., \$1.92; The Texas Co., \$18.60; Kennan & Corey Plumbing Co., \$21.20; Railway Express Agency, \$1.80; Norfolk & Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., \$57.67; Postmaster, \$36.70; Norfolk-Southern Railway Co., \$488.00; R. N. Hines, \$25.00; General salaries paid for August, 1955, \$3,102.89; total, \$15,372.59.

Received for current, water and merchandise, \$18,239.47.

Amount of receipts in excess of disbursements, \$2,866.88.

Motion was made by Philip S. McMullan, seconded by W. J. Yates and duly carried that action on rate changes be deferred until a full board is present.

Motion was made by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., seconded by Philip S.

McMullan, and duly carried that a letter be written to Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion, requesting that they bring their payments up to date in accordance with a contract dated October 1, 1953.

Motion was made by Philip S. McMullan, seconded by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., and duly carried, that a letter be written to K. N. Floarg requesting that he make immediate payment of his account for merchandise received from the E & W Department.

Motion was made by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., seconded by Philip S. McMullan, and duly carried that R. N. Hines be authorized to employ a firm to repaint the water tanks inside and outside for an amount not to exceed \$2,689.00.

Motion was made by Philip S. McMullan, seconded by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., and duly carried that Chairman A. B. Harless and W. J. Yates be authorized to purchase a heating plant, including installation for the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

ERNEST J. WARD, JR., Clerk.

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