

Correctness Urged By Bond

Postmaster James M. Bond today urged the citizens of Chowan County to be sure to use the correct address on their letters and packages going to servicemen overseas to avoid serious delays in delivery.

Postmaster Bond reported that millions of letters and packages going overseas have been delayed because they were insufficiently addressed. He said that one of the biggest problems has been the failure of persons to include the very important five digit APO or FPO number in the military address. Mail not containing this number is incorrectly addressed.

He said that last year more than nine million pieces of mail were delayed in delivery. Of this number, 3 1/2 million pieces failed to include the complete five digit APO or FPO number in the address. This improperly addressed mail had to be sent to a military locator directory where time-consuming searches were made to determine the proper addresses.

"As the Christmas mail volume going overseas is expected to increase up to 30 per cent or over four million pounds above last year, every precaution should be taken by friends

and relatives of servicemen to address their letters and packages properly to assure rapid delivery to its destination," Postmaster Bond said.

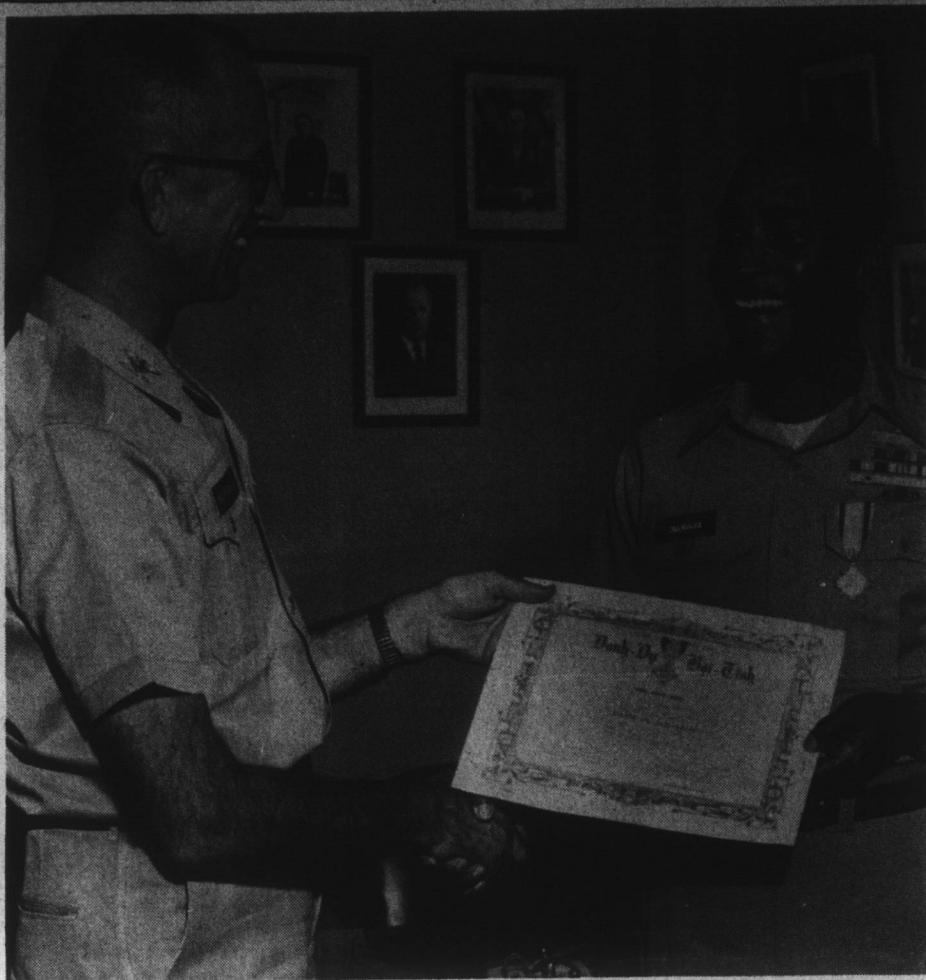
There are four essential elements to an overseas military address. They are:

1. The identity of the serviceman: grade, full name and service number.
2. His military unit: complete.

3. Gateway post office: New York, San Francisco or Seattle.

4. APO or FPO: a five digit number.

When any of these elements is missing, the letter or package will be delayed in delivery.



DECORATED—Lt. Col. Eugene C. Chandler, right, has been decorated by the Government of Vietnam for Outstanding Contribution to Nation Building and Bravery and Honor Medal, First Class. A native of Hertford, the 38-year-old career officer is currently stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla., with the U. S. Army Artillery Board. His guardians are Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie C. Sharpe, Route 3, Edenton.

Senator Sam Ervin Says

WASHINGTON—Few issues command more intense day to day concern than crime and justice in this country as our citizens try to cope with lawlessness and its tragic effects.

Like other Americans, I am deeply concerned about this problem. It has a direct bearing on the survival of our civilization. No individual is truly free if he remains in mortal fear that his person, his property, and his home will be ravaged by criminals and that all that he cherishes may be senselessly destroyed.

For this reason, I have fought to secure legislation to aid the police and the courts in their prosecution of criminals. Recently, the Senate Criminal Laws and Procedures Subcommittee favorably reported three amendments, which I have sponsored, as a part of the 1967 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act.

My amendments, in essence, would restore rules of evidence which have protected society from the menace of crime since the founding of the Republic. They would restore the use of voluntary confessions in criminal prosecutions and the use of eye witnesses to identify the accused. My third amendment would permit the accused to have his day in court, but would terminate endless litigation over the guilt of criminals who have exhausted their appellate rights through the highest state and federal courts. It would prevent lower federal courts from sitting in judgment on criminal cases previously tried in state

courts.

These amendments are necessitated by recent decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court which ignore the fact that the victims of crime are just as much entitled to justice as is the accused. These rulings are contrary to all the precedents down to the date of the decisions, and are based on sentimentality for the accused rather than upon the gravity of the problems they foster.

Voluntary confessions by the accused in criminal trials have been largely excluded as evidence as a result of the June 13, 1966 Miranda decision. Under this strange ruling, the Supreme Court reversed the role of the police officer from that of society's protector of that of protector of the rights of the criminal.

More recently, the Supreme Court went a step

further and made it ridiculously difficult for courts to receive in evidence eye witness identifications of criminals, if the witness has taken a "forbidden look" at the accused while the accused is in custody.

These court opinions have created absurd and illogical handicaps for law enforcement officers who deal with staggering crime burdens never before experienced in the history of this nation. Evidence continues to mount that these court rulings are obstructing the administration of justice in this country.

The prevention and control of crime is our country's most serious domestic problem. In fighting for these amendments, I feel that the crime control bill will accomplish little unless it permits the police and the courts to deal with crime without illogical restrictions.

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This Is The Law

By ROBERT E. LEE
(For the North Carolina Bar Association)

NEW APPELLATE COURT

There are now two appellate courts in North Carolina: the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

The Court of Appeals, sometimes referred to as the "intermediate appellate court" was created by the 1967 General Assembly, pursuant to an amendment to the North Carolina Constitution approved by the voters of the state at a general election held on Tuesday, November 2, 1966.

An appellate court, in general, is concerned only with errors of law allegedly committed in the court below. The litigants are represented therein by attorneys. Rarely do the litigants themselves appear even as interested spectators.

In an appellate court there are no jurors or testifying witnesses. An appellate court renders its judgment on the basis of the written record of the case as made in the trial court below. There is no new trial of the facts in the appellate court.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina consists of a Chief Justice and six associate justices. The sessions of this court are required to be held in Raleigh.

A Chief Judge and five other judges presently constitute the new Court of Appeals. The number of judges on this court will be increased to nine in 1969.

The members of the Court of Appeals sit in panels of three judges each. The 1967 statute provides: "The Court of Appeals shall sit in Raleigh, and at such other locations within the state as the Supreme Court may designate."

Thus, beginning in 1969, it would be possible for the Court of Appeals to hear appellate cases in three separate cities on the same day.

The members of both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals are elected by the qualified voters of the state for terms of eight years.

Governor Moore has made temporary appointments to the six initial judgeships. These appointments will serve until January 1, 1969.

The Herald Poet's Corner

THE LAST BUTTERFLY

The last butterfly of summer flutters its wings to and fro across the last days of late autumn. Butterfly, oh beautiful butterfly, your beauty is real and deep, yet it is an intangible thing. You toss and wave in the air on your aimless course, yet everyone wants to catch you; fly on, fly on, fly on. His wings waving freely in the air takes him across the schoolground where children are running and playing London Bridge is falling down, my fair lady. His flight takes him across a corner where the dead leaves crackle like dry bones dancing with one another to a muffled minuet. As he glides and floats through the air, the sidewalk beam with brightness from a recent shower; they glaze like fine porcelain with a network of fine cracks running through thin pottery. The last afternoon has a spiritual sound that floats along in pleasing harmony; the peas have fallen from the vines and the seed are scattered in the garden. The lightning bugs have long gone, so have the frightful spiders in the passing fall; the forests are filled with perfumed scented berries and fragrant flowers that spill over the ground same as tiny pearls or beads on a thread that breaks. In the hushed silence the butterfly stops his flight for a short rest, as the butterfly crosses the Sound to John's Island, the mellowness and ripeness of the tender evening glasses itself in a burst of glittering colors across the water. Into the night soft as red wine the butterfly flutters under a sky that has a ringing similar to tinkling chandeliers suspended by an umbrella of stars. In the night of cold and pearly ice the butterfly is left calm and watching with a piercing stare. The last butterfly of summer flutters and expires as the icy fingers of the mulberry tree holds him softly in their grasp, little winter birds give a shudder and go back to sleep.

—MURRELL SMITH

Bits Of Wisdom

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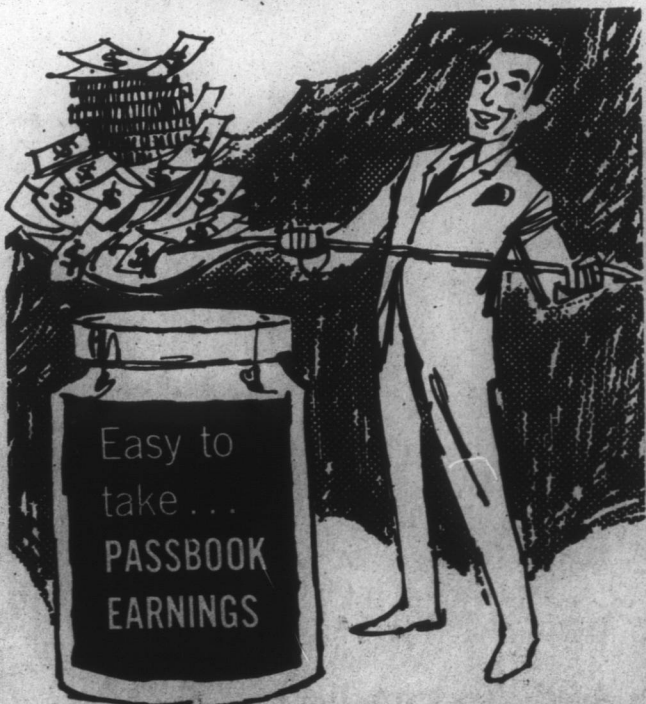
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Hatteras Downs Chowan Cagers

By WANDA MORRIS
The Hatteras Blue Devils hosted the Chowan Bulldogs Friday, November 17, for their third non-conference game of the season.

The Blue Devils held the lead at half time with a score of 20-11. Final score was 32-22 in favor of Hatteras.

Ward netted 11 points for the Bulldogs. R. Bunch and Goodwin both dropped in four points for the girls. Burrus was high scorer for Hatteras with 16 points.

The Bulldogs were defeated by the Blue Devils with a score of 81-32. White swished the net for a total of 18 points for the boys' team and Copeland was next with eight points. Hatteras' T. Midgett dropped in 16 points for his team and Gray netted a total of 10 points.

Individuals, like successful generals, have to be bold enough to take some chances—if they wish to become successful.