

## Two Edenton Guardsmen Finish Leadership School

RALEIGH—National Guardsmen from Edenton graduated from the NCO Leadership School at the N. C. Military Academy at Fort Bragg Sunday.

Edenton based Guardsmen Spec. 4 James T. Kirby and Pfc. William E. Potts, both of Detachment 2, Company C,

### Social Security Questions-Answers

Q. I am still working but I will be 72 this month. What should I do to get my checks started?

A. You do not have to do anything. The Payment Center is on notice that you will be 72 this month, and will automatically start your social security checks.

Q. Can a person start getting an old-age benefit at age 60?

A. A widow can start getting a reduced benefit on her husband's social security at age 60. She must be 62 to receive an old-age benefit on her own record.

1st Battalion (Mechanized), 119th Infantry, are among the 68 Guardsmen who are students in this year's NCO Academy at Fort Bragg Sunday.

The leadership course is designed to familiarize enlisted Guardsmen with their duties and responsibilities as non-commissioned officers in the North Carolina Army National Guard.

The course of instruction studied during the past six months includes leadership, drill and command, map reading, weapons and methods of instruction.

Maj. Gen. Ferd L. Davis, the adjutant general of North Carolina, praised the Guardsmen for undergoing this training during the past six months. North Carolina NCO Guardsmen must meet stringent requirements for promotion and only those with the highest qualifications make the grade. Many of the requirements are over and above those established by the National Guard Bureau and the Department of the Army

regulations. Gen. Davis explained that the additional criteria imposed by this state for promotion in the Guard assures North Carolina of having the best trained leaders possible. Our emphasis on maturity and just good common sense, pays big dividends in the high standards of Guard tradition in North Carolina.

Graduation exercises were conducted Sunday at 2 P. M.

in Theater No. 10 at Fort Bragg. Maj. Gen. Daniel K. Edwards of Durham and commanding general of the 90th Infantry Division (Mechanized), NCARNG, delivered the graduation address and presented awards to the most outstanding student; to the student attaining the highest academic average during the course, and to the student attaining the highest physical fitness score.

## Post Is Voted To Dr. Bond

PINEHURST — Dr. Edward G. Bond, a specialist in internal medicine at Chowan Medical Center in Edenton, was elected councilor and Dr. Joseph A. Gill, a general practitioner in Elizabeth City, was elected vice councilor for the First District of the N. C. Medical Society at the annual meeting here.

The district includes five county medical societies—Bertie, Chowan - Perquimans, Gates, Hertford and Pasquotank - Camden - Currituck and Dare.

The elections took place at the first House of Delegates meeting on Sunday afternoon when Dr. Charles H. Styron of Raleigh was named president-elect of the 3,800 member medical society. Dr. Styron will become president next year.

Assuming the presidency of the society later this week will be Dr. Louis Shaffner of Winston-Salem. The retiring president is Dr. Edgar T. Beddingfield, Jr., of Wilson.

## It's Garden Time

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This is a beautiful day in our neighborhood. Azure blue sky, bright sun, lazy breeze, and just enough zip in the air to make you want to pick up the fly rod and go popping. I just may do that, too, a little later on.

The spring days have been gorgeous. I don't believe I ever remember, or have enjoyed more, the profuse bloom and vivid colors of all blooming plants. Grass mowing has kept me busy, too, as we have had some real fine growing weather.

I just wish that I possessed some sort of supernatural power whereby I could make this country of ours as beautiful socially and economically as the natural resources that surround us. The forces of nature are in constant conflict but somehow the beautiful seems to survive. Man, too, is in constant conflict but, unfortunately, the ugliness transcends the beautiful life. This is distressing.

Dahlias may be planted this month in all sections of the state. Be sure that you have a good bud on the stem end of the root.

Jonquil leaves are beginning to droop but don't lift the bulbs, if they need lifting and dividing this year, until after the leaves have turned brown. As long as the leaves are green, chlorophyll is being manufactured. This important process stores energy in the bulbs for next year's flowers.

If you want to try something new, and the bulbs are planted at least four inches deep, you might remove the leaves, when brown, and overplant the bed with petunias. Elephant ears, fancy-leaved

caladiums, cannas, tuberose, crinums and gladioli may be planted this month. Of these, gladioli corms should be planted every two weeks to supply cut flowers during the growing season. In the mountains, glads should not be planted after the latter part of July. Frost may catch them if you plant later than this date.

Zinnias may be seeded until July, and marigolds well into June.

In the vegetable garden, set plants and sow seed of the tender vegetables—tomatoes, eggplant, pepper, sweet corn, beans, okra, squash and cucumbers. This has probably already been accomplished by readers in the lower Piedmont and Coastal Plain. Planting of these tender crops in the mountains is not usually safe until after the middle of May.

### TREVER ALLAN WHITE

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. White, Jr., of Suffolk, Va., announce the birth of a son, Trevor Allan, on May 11. Mrs. White is the former Joyce Nixon.

The reason why so many Americans lose so much money to stock swindlers is because so many Americans want to get something for nothing.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR THIS WEEK

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For Paul was reverent and his interests (their own) as flexible in the extreme. So, also, can the false heart. He was also consistent, in idols — wealth, self-indulgence, if he was to get Christ's message across. Therefore we find him, upon observing an altar to the "Unknown God," using this as a bridge of communication with the diversified religious background of Athens, rather than insulting his listeners with charges of superstition.

How much can be learned from Paul and his missionary forays. The "silver-smiths" of Paul's time can be seen around us today—self-seekers who have only money.

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## A Thought to Remember

By MARVIN BARHAM



There is an ancient poem that we read somewhere that goes like this:

Three things there are that come not back:  
The arrow shot along its track,  
It will not swerve, it will not stay,  
It flies to strike and wound and slay!

The hasty word returneth not  
Though quickly spoke and soon forgot,  
In many hearts it lingers still  
To do its work for good or ill.

And golden opportunity—  
That, too, will not return to thee,  
Thou mayest weep and plead and yearn,  
These three will never more return.

It is true that this clever verse states things that slip away, never to return. But it is a wonderful fact that there is always a tomorrow. And tomorrow we can carefully shoot another arrow—and speak a carefully chosen word—and look for another opportunity.

It's wonderful to know that we can have second chances—and third and fourth, if necessary.

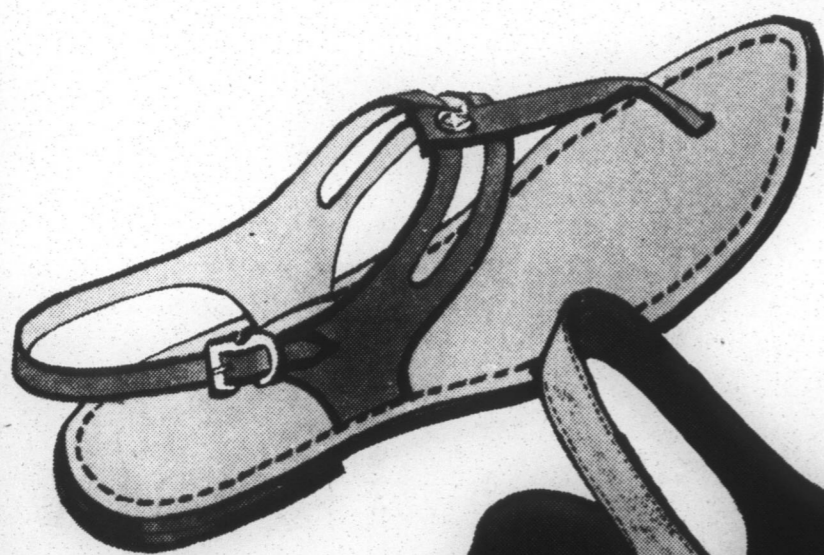
OUR THOUGHT TO REMEMBER: "Prepare yourself for new adventures—they are coming your way."

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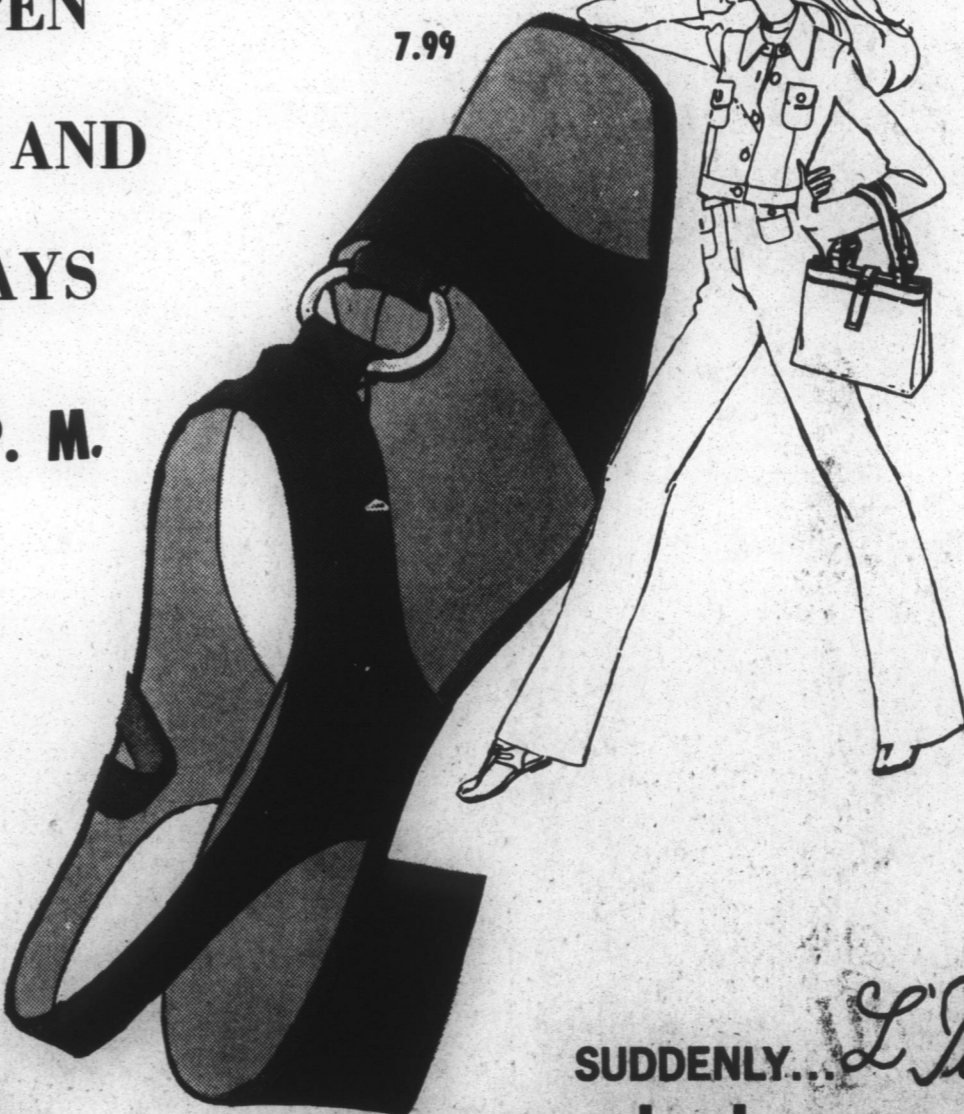


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