

### Casual Comment

by ED MOSS

Short Subjects: Oriental and Occidental soldiers conversing on the street — refuting Kipling's theory that "East is East and West is West, and never to twain shall meet" — the shoe shine boys of the bus terminal in Greensboro cutting prices to get business filling the air with their cries, "shine soldier?" — soldiers returning to camp being conveyed to the bus station by lovely lassies. . . . the wind flirting with the ladies skirts around Jefferson Square; the windiest corner in North Carolina. Overheard on the street in Greensboro. A group of soldiers were walking down Market street suddenly looking for a place to eat. One of the mook across the street to an establishment which had Famous Stern's Food written in that order across the front. When the soldiers reached the corner one of them said, "Let's go over to Famous' to eat."

Tommy Heritage, a former student at Burlington High School and now a Junior at State college, is hanging out with hot licks on a service stick as he leads his band down at State. The band is called the State College Collegians. A hooteniarie to the guitarist whose version of "Two Guitars" on the 1-45 sustainer last Sunday was somekinda nice. The program features music from the local station.

Interesting People: The New England lady from Massachusetts with a touch of Irish brogue who is visiting in Greensboro and returning over the week-end. The mysterious lady is visiting her son who has recently been inducted in the army. She thinks the people in the south are just wonderful and it is so lovely seeing the men attend church on Sunday as well as the women and children. She thinks her son in the army is not getting enough milk and the milk down here is sooo different from the milk in New England. The secretary in North Carolina is nice but so monotonous, she continued, and not at all like it is in New England. Simile — America might be compared to a giant checkerboard with every man a king. Why realtors get rich: We are

told of this bone fide incident that happened recently in Fayetteville. A couple rented a house for thirty-five dollars a month and prepared to move in. Six people went to the owner of the house and offered forty dollars a month for the house. Results: the couple moved into the house but they will pay forty dollars a month for it!

Crummy Commentary: She was only the mailman's daughter but she knew how to handle her male.

### Lespedeza Matures Early This Year

Farmers who ordinarily wait until after frost to harvest late-maturing varieties of lespedeza seed, will find the seed have matured early this year as a result of the late summer and fall drought according to William E. Adams, conservationist of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

Failure to harvest perennial and annual lespedeza seed when most of the seed are mature, may result in severe loss from shattering, it is pointed out.

For this reason it is well to watch closely areas of perennial and annual lespedeza to determine the state of maturity of the seed.

High-quality seed of lespedeza and other legumes are expected to be scarce next spring. By saving their own lespedeza seed, farmers can prevent having to make a cash outlay for seed next spring and any surplus they may have a ready market.

### HOW TO GET OUT OF A SKID

Turn the front wheels in the same direction as the car is skidding. Keep your foot off the brake and clutch pedals. Sometimes stepping lightly on the accelerator will help to stop the skid.

If it is necessary to start on a slippery road, use the high gear rather than the usual low gear. Step lightly on the accelerator and engage the clutch slowly.

Passing other cars on hills and curves, at intersections and other dangerous places is not only dangerous but is forbidden by law.

### Camouflage Division Made Up Of Engineers Experts In Their Line

#### 31 Officers 402 Enlisted Men Serving In The Organization; One-Third Are Professional Artists

Camden, S. C., Nov. 13. — The 84th Engineer Battalion (Camouflage) of Lieutenant General Hugh A. Drum's First Army is one of the few outfits in the U. S. Army that has no basic privates among the 31 officers and 402 enlisted men serving in the organization. The officers of the 84th are all engineers, and each one of the enlisted men is either a non-commissioned officer or holds a specialist rating.

The reason for the extra pay available to men of the 84th is that the battalion is entirely an organization of technical advisers; the only unit in the entire U. S. Army devoted solely to camouflage advise and instruct units of the First Army on how best to camouflage their material and troops. They made Lieutenant General Ben Lear's command post look like a soda pop stand during the Second and Third Army maneuvers.

To make the army realize that it must keep itself covered or be blown to bits, the unit has been broken down into groups as small as two men, who work with regiments and never see each other for weeks on end. Each group puts on

demonstrations of how concealment works, lectures at the spot on the subject, and then stands by to help out while the units go through their practice. The fact that the camouflage work must be performed by the troops immediately concerned is stressed, since the man power of the camouflage units is insufficient to do more than supervisory work.

### Winter Peas Worth More Than \$3.00 Per Acre Payment

Thousands of North Carolina farmers are sowing Austrian winter peas this fall in order to complete their AAA soil building units. They hope eventually to receive a payment of \$3.00 per acre for turning under the legume.

E. C. Blair, Extension agronomist of N. C. State College, says the far-sighted farmer will sow winter peas even though he has earned all his Triple-A soil building units. "The peas pay much bigger dividends than the \$3 per acre government payment," he asserted.

Using tests carried out by farmers in 1941 as the basis for his statement, Blair said that winter peas turned under in the spring will increase the yield of corn that follows as a summer crop by \$15 worth per acre.

Here are reports of several demonstrations conducted by farmers in cooperation with their county agent:

### Winners Announced In 4-H Competition

Winners of various State 4-H contests and free trips to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, November 28-December 4, have been announced by Miss Frances MacGregor, assistant club leader for the N. C. State College Extension Service.

First place and a trip to the Illinois city for submitting the best 1941 record among North Carolina 4-H Club girls goes to Sara Curran, 19-year-old club girl of Granville County.

A club member for five years, Miss Curran has conducted projects in canning, clothing, home beautification, room improvement, food preparation, marketing, handicraft, and wild life conservation. Alternate is Louise McPhearson of Camden County.

Winner of the dress revue is Annie Mae Dickerson, 19-year-old Vance County club girl. In club work for the past five years, Miss Dickerson has conducted projects clothing, food preparation, room improve, canning, and wild life. Alternate in case she is unable to make the Chicago trip is Laura

Louise Lucas, a Wilson County girl.

In the clothing achievement contest, Arlene Johnson, 17-year-old Surry County girl, won first place and a free trip to the club congress. She has conducted projects in clothing, canning, food preparation, room improvement, gardening, home beautification, and wildlife conservation. Alternate is Dorothy Mann of Alamance County.

Jackson County club girl won the rural electrification contest and a free trip. She has been a club member six years and has conducted projects in rural electrification, food preparation, canning, garden-room improvement, and baby beef raising. Runner-up and alternate is Sara Ann Morris of Pamlico County.

Bobby Lou Martin, Cumberland County club member, won the State home beautification contest, but since only six trips in the nation will be awarded in this division, she must compete against other State winners in this region for the Chicago trip.

### Joint Session Whites & Negroes

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quate Nutrition and How Far North Carolina People should go in producing and conserving their food supply."

During the latter part of the session officers for the Negro Extension Organization were elected as follows: S. T. Brooks, Negro County Agent of Robeson county, President; W. B. Harrison, Negro County Agent of Mecklenburg county, Vice President; Mrs. E. T. Nixon, Negro Home Agent of Durham county, Second Vice President; R. T. Winchester, Negro Home Agent of Guilford county, Secretary; Mrs. E. T. Mitchell, Negro Home Agent of Northampton county, Financial Secretary; H. L. Mitchell, Negro County Agent of Gates county, Historian; R. L. Hannon, Negro County Agent of Rockingham county, Reporter; D. D. Dupree, Negro County Agent of Pitt County, Chaplain; J. C. Hubbard, Negro County Agent of Durham county, Parliamentarian, and Otis Buffalo, Negro County Agent of Anson county, Treasurer.

On Wednesday night the County Agents were entertained by the North Carolina Mutual Insurance Company in an "All Out Stage." Dr. C. C. Spaulding addressed the group on this occasion, tracing and lauding the progress of the Extension work in North Carolina. The entire group also enjoyed a happy evening at Pine Acres Inn where they were entertained with a chicken dinner.

### Founders' Day Speakers



Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, left, president of Bethune-Cookman College, was the principal speaker last week in the A. and T. College Founders' Day celebration. She is shown with Dr. F. D. Bluford, president of the college, and Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, who introduced her to the audience.

### HAMPTON PIOLET

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Immediately seek appointment as aviation cadets. Searching through the enclosed application form and two pages of rules and regulations, the young men found no mention of racial discrimination and thought that at last they would be given an opportunity to fight for their country with the U. S. Navy.

Two of the student pilots, Richard W. Hall of Albany, Georgia, and Edward A. Gibbs of New York City, immediately wrote Lieutenant Bucknam to verify this assumption and told him that they were colored.

His point blank answer, which still the hopes of Hampton students that the Navy had at least accepted democracy, stated that the Navy accepted "applications from Negroes in none but the messman branch."

Continuing, Lieutenant Bucknam said that "this policy was instituted in the interests of harmony and efficiency aboard ship." And while the Navy continues

its urgent appeal for flyers, many hundreds of experienced Negro pilots all over the nation continue to train for the day that they may serve in the defense of America.

### Roseboro Citizens Raise Over \$2,500 For Negro School

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provide additional W. P. A. workers to carry on the work of the school cafeteria.

The new school cafeteria, now under construction, will have modern tables and chairs, a radio, frigidaire, a \$100 coal range and accepted two oil stoves. Only the Roseboro school, the Sampson county training school at Clinton and a few elementary schools in the county have lunches for children.

Losses due to fires on the railroads in 1940 were approximately one-third as great as in 1920.

### THIS IS LOVE

The VI Army Corps' 1st Division spends five days a week fighting a "mock war" "somewhere in the Carolinas." No bathing facilities are available until the men return to their base camp at Candor, N. C., and then the best that can be done, of course, is cold water showers.

An ever-loving piece of advice on this subject was received by a lieutenant of the 16th Infantry, 1st Division, in a letter from his anxious girl.

"When you go for your bath be sure to wash the tub out first—you never can tell how dirty the last person was who used it. And, remember, don't step out in the cold air too soon after taking a hot bath."

The lieutenant brooded over this for several days. Then he journeyed to Charlotte, hired a hotel room, and after carefully washing out the tub, he sat in it for a long time. When he got out of the tub he was careful, also, not to step out in the cold air.

Total railroad investment, including road and equipment, amounts to \$6 1-2 billion dollars.

Claims paid by the railroads in the first half of 1941, because of loss due to theft of freight, averaged less than one-fifth of a mill for every ton of freight handled.

### CHOICE

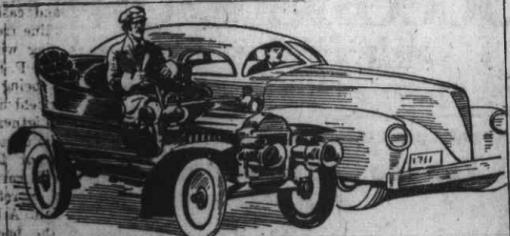
Strawberry, Boysenberry, young berry plants, List Free on request, Jas. Sterling & Son, Judsonia, Arkansas. (Nov. 10, 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 29 and Jan. 5.)

### GAME

The drought has caused large numbers of upland game to leave their accustomed ranges in search of water, reports James L. Huff, assistant farm agent of Durham County.

### AT SUNDOWN

Remember to turn on your lights at sundown. In case you must keep them on until sunrise. One cannot see as far at night as in daylight even with new and properly adjusted headlights. Average headlights provide safe vision for only about 150 feet. This is about the stopping distance at 40 miles per hour under average conditions. You should not therefore, drive faster than 40 miles per hour at night or you will over-drive your lights.



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BEEES ARE CLASSIFIED AS LIVESTOCK IN WYOMING.

WETS' BIG GUNS

**The Worried Wets.** Repeal Associates, headed by Pierre S. du Pont, is generally recognized as the group which brought back beer, wine and whisky with an amazing 1919 to 1933 propaganda campaign. Fletcher Dobyns, a veteran lawyer-writer, analyzed the Associates' most effective methods as sponsoring public disregard for the nation's laws.

The wet organization is again fighting temperance, recently announcing a "nationwide drive against the trend toward prohibition," according to Newweek.

Noting this revival, President Ida B. Wise Smith of National W.C.T.U. declared: "The wets are bringing up their big guns; they must be worried."

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