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Kids Build Own Course At Air Base

BY HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Staff Correspondent
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE
Ill. (AP) — The general recently invited the flying farmers in this area to have a day for themselves on this base. And "bring the family." Youngsters, wives, and overalls dirt-farmers were among the 1,500 who showed up. The invitation said the tillers and their families could partake of a wonderful lunch for 75 cents or rough it, picnic style, any place on the base.

The party was going strong when a sergeant burst into Maj. Gen. T. E. Gates' office, forgot to salute, and shouted:
"All hell's busted loose, general. Some characters are eating lunch on your front lawn."
"That's fine," said the general. He slapped on his hat and drove from headquarters to his home on the base. There was a farmer and his wife and three kids, gnawing on chicken bones in his front yard. He asked the folks how about someiced tea? He went into the house and asked Mrs. Gates to stir up a lot of iced tea.
"That's the way the general, nicknamed "Hungry," operates. He loves people.
More than flying farmers, though he loves the boys on this base which covers about 2,000 acres. He has taught them, among other things, to pay for what they get. His present pride and joy is a nine-hole golf course, which the non-coms built for themselves.
"In the last 60 days," he told me, "we have planted 4,000 trees on this course. Most of the trees were donated by nurseries and the University of Illinois. We also have thousands of shrubs and rose bushes. The kids did most of the work. The course—we already had the ground—is paid for already."
"Hungry" Gates is an operator. The general played wise with the contractors—and it worked out all right. They would have a pile of dirt, dug out of a hole, with no place to put it. Gates would say "put it here." "Here" just happened to be a green. This happened at least nine times.
"One fellow needed a lot of fill," Gates said. "I told him where they could find some dirt. I said dig it deep and talk all you want. (See that hole over there? That's going to be a fine lake and a fine hazard.)
How is the golf course going to make it financially?
That's easy. There will be a 50 cents a round charge for officers and men. The non-coms will be allowed to caddy for 50 cents a round. The fees will pay for the upkeep.
"In a few years, when all of these trees and shrubs and rose bushes come of age," the general said, "we'll have one of the finest little courses in the country. You taxpayers ought to give us a bow; it didn't cost you anything."

Dear Santa:

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I am a little boy two years old. I am too small to write but mother is writing for me. I have been a good little boy and I want you to bring me a tricycle, a freight train, and color book and crayons. Please be good to all the little boys and girls everywhere.
Love,
Michael Hagwood
511 W. Broad St.
Dunn, N. C.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I am a little girl six years old in the first grade at Dunn Grammar School. My teacher is Mrs. Jones. Will you please bring me a doll that can walk, a doll bed and a piano. I have been a good little girl. Look on the dining room table for some cake and milk.
I love you,
Gloria Benson
900 S. Layton Ave.
Dunn, N. C.

DEAR OLD SANTA,
I guess you are resting getting ready to start on your long journey. Well Old Santa, I have been as good as you could expect from a six year old. Santa, I would like for you to bring my little brother, Dennie, a teddy bear, dog, and baby doll for Christmas. Bring me a hol-

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ster set with gung and a truck. Bring my little sister, Sandra, Faye a set of twin dolls and a new dress. I will have you some cake and fruit on the table. So I will be waiting to see my presents. Don't forget the little children that don't have any mother or dad, also the orphans.
Love always
John M. Gregory Jr.
Dunn, N. C.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I am a little boy 3 years old and I have been a smart little boy. So will you please bring me a bulldozer for Christmas and a truck too, with candies and fruits and remember the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Charles Wayne Norris
Benson, N. C.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I am a little boy two and one half years old. I am too small to write, but my mother is writing for me. I am a good little boy and go to Sunday School every Sunday with my parents. Please bring me a tricycle doll, and an airplane.
Love,
Wayne Johnson
503 West "E" t.
Erwin, N. C.

P. S. Please put this letter in The Daily Record.

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little girl in the first grade. I have been a good girl and have studied hard. Please bring me a doll that walks, a bike, a desk, and clothes.
Thank you,
Becky Lee
Dunn, N. C.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am two years old. Please bring



IN SERVICE — Paul H. Barbour, pictured above, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Oscar Barbour of Dunn, is currently in military school with Company 104 at Fort Benning, Ga. Barbour was inducted into the service in Raleigh in March of this year.

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BOSTON (AP) — Sign in Irving Bamberick's store window: "Whoever thinks work is a pleasure can get a hell of a lot of fun in this organization."
me a train, a jeep, and a doll. Don't forget my little brother who is sixteen months old. He wants a tractor and a doll and also a surprise.
Love,
Jerry Jones,
Angier, N. C.

Benson Raises Fund To Organize Band

Under the sponsorship of the Meadow-Benson Kiwanis Club, a three-week drive ended this week with the original goal of funds have been raised to organize a band for the Benson school. It was announced this week.

Woman Wins \$25,000 For Cake Recipe

NEW YORK (AP) — The "inspiration" of a South Dakota housewife, who put the nuts on the bottom and the chocolate in the middle before she baked a cake, paid off for her yesterday with a \$25,000 check and a half-kitchen full of new equipment.

Mrs. Bernard Kanago, wife of a painter and paperhanger of Webster, S. D., and mother of two children, said she will use her grand prize money from the fifth national Pillsbury Mills bake-off for her children's education and a family nest - egg.
In addition to the money, "My Inspiration Cake" — which Mrs. Kanago says she is re-christening "My Golden Inspiration"—won a combination freezer - refrigerator and the stove and mixer used in the final baking.

Benson area realize the need of a band.
School Principal W. J. Barefoot termed the band "a valuable addition to our school program. I sincerely hope it will be successful."
Already 30 students in the Benson school are receiving instruction on a part-time basis. Lee Rogers, director of Smithfield's band, goes to Benson twice weekly, on Mondays and Wednesdays, for three hours of instruction each day. Other children are expected to register for instruction now that there is hope of beginning a band.

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