

Communists Found Fanatical Fighters

Sgt. Drexel Hinson Of New Hope Section Says Many Prisoners Appeared To Be Doped

HE FOUGHT ALL OVER KOREA IN 10 MONTHS

Morale Of American Soldiers Dropped Tremendously When General MacArthur Was Recalled

Communist soldiers are fanatical fighters, Sgt. Drexel Hinson, who spent 10 months on the Korean battlefronts, said here this week.

"They made suicidal advances and there was plenty of evidence that they had been doped," the 21-year-old non-commissioned officer said.

Sgt. Hinson is home on furlough under the rest rotation program for combat soldiers, and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hinson, in the New Hope section south of here.

Quite modest in his comments on his experiences, the sergeant had little to say about what he went through during his combat services which covered virtually all of Korea. He admitted however, it was no picnic.

The most desperate situation in which he ever found himself was when his 19th Regiment was

On Furlough



SGT. DREXEL HINSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hinson of New Hope section, who is now home on a rotation furlough from Korea. "It was no picnic," he says of his 10 months of fighting North Korean and Chinese Communists.

surrounded and they had to "run a road block." In lay language, this means they were under a steady stream of fire for about

10 miles as they made their escape.

In response to the inevitable question as to the reaction of American soldiers to the recall of General Douglas MacArthur, Sergeant Hinson fired back quickly: "The morale seemed to drop 100 percent."

Soldiers liked and respected General MacArthur, the Columbus soldier said, and they couldn't see how he could be fully replaced.

Sergeant Hinson spent 18 months in Tokyo before being sent to Korea, and had a chance to observe General MacArthur being sent to Korea, and had a chance to observe General MacArthur's influence over the Japanese. "What sort of progress had been made in teaching the Japanese the principles of democracy? Had they moved in that direction?" These were the questions he was asked. And his answer was that they "seemed to have gone as far as possible in so short a time."

Sgt. Hinson entered the Army on June 16, 1948 and left for Japan Dec. 9, 1948. He remained in the Tokyo area until June 25, 1950 when the 24th Infantry Division of the Eighth Army was sent to Korea for "police action." The boys went with the understanding that it was a minor military action, he said.

"It was so sudden we didn't know what the score was."

Unlike many of his comrades, Hinson was never taken prisoner and was never wounded. "We did suffer from the cold considerably."

He was on the long drive to the Yalu near Manchuria, and was also in the long and perilous retreat.

He came in contact with nu-

GOOD HEALTH



Answer to Question No. 1:

1. Not directly, or by themselves. An untreated or unchecked cold may lead to such serious illnesses as pneumonia, pleurisy, tonsillitis and other infections of the upper respiratory tract. Even if it does not cause complications it must be remembered that the longer a cold hangs on, the more susceptible the body becomes to more serious illnesses.

Answer to Question No. 2:

2. No. Although statistics show an increase in the number of cases of tuberculosis reported in the U. S., the figures are misleading because case-finding methods have improved so that

more cases are now discovered, especially in the early stages when cure is relatively easier and quicker. Whereas five years ago only 2,000,000 chest X-rays a year were taken (outside the armed forces), seven times that many were taken in 1949.

Answer to Question No. 3:

3. There is little harm in using average amounts of salt. In certain kidney and heart diseases your doctor will reduce your salt allowance. Salt in the system helps retain fluids. Contrary to popular belief, it does not make the bones brittle or arteries hard.

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RECORDER HOLDS

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drunkenness, motion for jury trial granted.

James Wyatt Couie, reckless operation, possession, fined \$25 and costs.

Hot Headon Smith, overloading, ordered to pay costs.

John Alfred Lindsey, speeding, fined \$10 and costs.

Emory Green Bullard, drunken driving, fined \$100 and costs.

GALLOWAY BOY

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The following members of his Sunday school class served as pallbearers: Elmer Dance, Albert Parker, Billy Gray, Floyd Kirby, Jr., Dwight King and Stanley Knowles.

Honorary pallbearers were H. C. Stone, Dr. R. H. Holden, J. J. Hawes, Elwood Gore, Floyd Kirby, Sr., Dr. R. C. Daniel, Dr. M. H. Rourk, Murdock Sermons, the Rev. L. D. Hayman, J. M. Parker, William King and A. S. Knowles.

SOUTHERN BELL

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be at easily accessible spots in the town and all calls will go through the Wilmington exchange of the company and be routed out over its wires in the same manner as other regular tele-

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that the plant will not be a nuisance that will detract from the value of their property owing to the bad smell it creates. It is said that there are 50 residences within 2000 feet of the proposed processing site.

OLD FASHIONED 4TH

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the club will serve a lunch, featuring seafood, at the Community Building, the proceeds to go to the Doshier Memorial Hospital fund.

After the noon hour will come the patriotic address and the crowning of the queen of the day's festivities. This is to be followed by an outdoor motor race, which is to be limited to entrants from Brunswick county or visitors to one of the Brunswick county beaches. At the conclusion of the racing program, Chas. M. Trott will take over as master of ceremonies at a greasy pig and greasy pole contest.

The program will continue full blast through the supper hour

merous prisoners and said it was his opinion that the North Korean Communists were more inhuman and cruel than the Chinese Communists. He said practically all of the enemy who made suicidal drives in the face of Allied gunfire appeared to be under the influence of opium or some other dope.

Sgt. Hinson did not remain in Korea long enough after MacArthur's recall to find out whether their morale went back up. He was there only a week after the news broke.

When the rotation plan was put into effect, he was transferred from the battletroop on May 2 to Sasebo, Japan. Eight days later he was on a ship, carrying 1485 passengers, returning to the United States.

Korea is a land of devastation, Sgt. Hinson said. He said the principal crop was rice, but that the Koreans raised some tobacco for their own use and a little cotton.

While the boys are ready and anxious to fight aggression, he left no doubt that they were unimpressed by Korea. The country, with its foot-deep snows and rain from April through July, is a far cry from the United States and he cares nothing about ever returning to that scene.

He will report to Fort Jackson, S. C. on June 28 and expects to be assigned to assisting in training recruits for combat duty.

What has helped American soldiers to withstand the onslaughts of the fanatical enemy? Sgt. Hinson believes it is their better training and superior fighting equipment. He hopes to do his share in training replacements for the buddies he left in Korea.

Bankers Arrange 15th Conference

The 15th Annual Carolinas Bankers Conference will be held at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, July 8-13, it was announced last week by Joseph H. Wolfe, Registrar-Treasurer. The Conference, oldest of its kind in the United States, is sponsored by the North Carolina Bankers Association, the South Carolina Bankers Association, the State Banking Departments of the two Carolinas, and the University of North Carolina.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Captain Frederick Doshier, veteran Cape Fear Riverman, has returned from the Marine Hospital in Norfolk. He was a patient there for several weeks.

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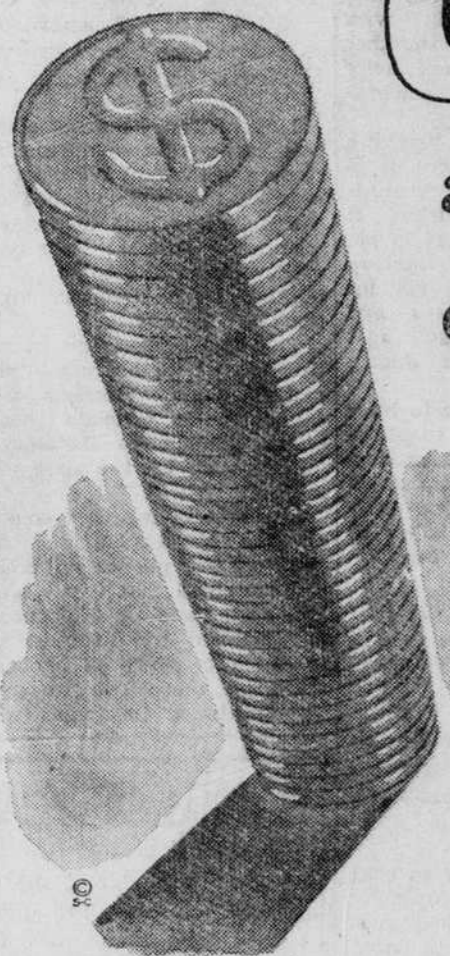
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BLUEBERRY CROP IS

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growing of peaches. You have to wait about three years before the returns begin to come in. There is one difference. The regular cultivation and care of the blueberry fields, while waiting for them to bear, is much more costly than the care of a peach orchard.

Since the start about six years ago, there has been a small increase in acreage on the Key and Graham farm. This has brought things to the point where there is an increase in the bearing acreage each year. At the same time the old bushes have been steadily developing and reaching the stage where they will produce larger crops each year.

From now on the plans are to have a larger increase in the acreage of new bushes. Within a few years they will have reached their goal and will have a 200 acre field of blueberries.

The present harvesting is calling for about 100 workers in the field and at the grading house. For next year the grading house will have to be greatly enlarged, and with this enlargement will be a corresponding large increase

in the number of workers next year and thereafter.

The industry gives the promise of becoming a really big thing in Brunswick county, both through the expansion of this farm and through farmers taking up blueberry culture as they realize the value of the crop. Owing to its moisture retention properties, plain, hard pan soil is the best suited for growing this crop. Hard pan is worthless for most agricultural purposes. It is ideal for blueberries and a turn to this crop could easily convert thousands of acres of subnormal lands into something just as valuable as the best farm-

ing lands in the county.

The Keys and Mr. Graham have spent many years in growing blueberries. Before coming to Brunswick they had a large farm in another southeastern North Carolina county. There, however, their plants are said to have been badly effected by disease. Believing that soil and climate in Brunswick county were better suited to withstand this disease they sold out their old farm and came here. They do not expect to regret this move. Mr. Keys, Sr., said this week that the plants they have here are much the best they have ever grown.

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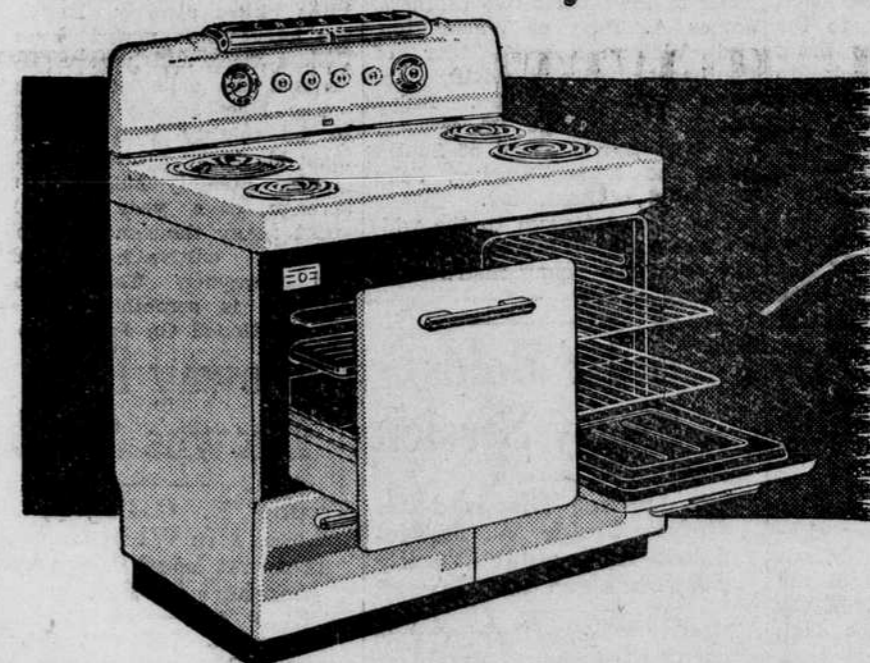
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