

Bodenheimer Serves On Ship Rescuing 75 Off Iwo Jima

CHICAGO, (Delayed) — Ensign Edward C. Bodenheimer, USNR, of Red Springs, N. C., served during the war with a Pacific Navy Service Forces group whose personnel was credited with saving the lives of 75 survivors of a small tanker during the height of a raging typhoon off Iwo Jima, newly revised Navy records of the group have disclosed. The ship had to be abandoned 300 yards off shore. Even while the crewmen of the stricken vessel were going overboard, ambulances were arriving at the beach to care for the injured if they ever reached shore through the roaring surf.

Rescue parties went to work. Men entered the sea, some with lines about their waists to keep them from being pulled out to sea by the undertow; others didn't wait for the lines. No one could count the individual acts of bravery performed, but when the weary group had completed its task the announcement came: "All survivors and rescue parties accounted for and all safe. Well done."

Pearl Harbor, T. H.—James E. Green, S 1-c, son of James Green, of Maxton, is on his way home. Green is one of over 1,000 high-point navy veterans whom the "Magic Carpet" is bringing back to the States aboard the U. S. S. Sherburne.

S-Sgt. Martin English, who returned last month from New Guinea where he had spent 20 months, has received his discharge under the provisions of the Selective Training and Service Act. He has secured his position with the City market in Maxton.

Lt. (jg) Jas. R. Dalrymple, Jr., has returned to Maxton this week from Guam, where he has been stationed for the past 14 months. Mrs. Dalrymple and their little daughter and son have made their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rory MacNair while he was away.

Pvt. John Leach McNeill of Maxton returned last week from Lowery Field, Colo., where he was a cadet in the Air Corps and has received his discharge.

S1-c Delmus C. Prevatte has received an honorable discharge from the Navy after 24 months service. He received his discharge from U. S. Naval Separation Center, Nashville, Tenn., on November 23rd and is at home in Floral College with his wife, Bonny Campbell Prevatte and their little daughter, Sally Dell.

S-Sgt. Frank L. Campbell of Floral College received an honorable discharge from Army Separation Center at Camp Shelby, Miss., on Nov. 23rd, having served 39 months in service, 10 months of which time was spent in the ETO. Sgt. Campbell holds the ETO Ribbon with 3 Battle Stars, Good Conduct Medal, Victory Ribbon, Combat Infantryman's badge and the Bronze Star. He is spending a while with his sisters.

Pfc. Thomas Hill Campbell of Floral College has been honorably discharged from service. He received his discharge from Camp Butler, and he and his wife are making their home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Campbell. He holds a position with Burn's garage.

Pfc. Ralph Watson of Maxton has received his discharge from Camp Butler, Durham, and has arrived home.

Capt. Charles Campbell of Maxton has returned to duty overseas after spending a 45 day furlough at home.

S-Sgt. Louis Essey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Essey of Maxton, reached home this week after two and a half years service in the ETO. He has been in the army for four years and will be discharged under the point system.

S-Sgt. Darrell Middleton, whose wife is the former Miss Helen Kirkpatrick of Maxton, has received his discharge and will have a position in the Air Base of Orlando, Fla., with the Civil Service. Mrs. Middleton and their sons are with him.

Capt. and Mrs. Thos. R. Wolfe, who have been in Colorado Springs, Colo., left this week for his home in Orangeburg, S. C., where he will be on terminal leave, pending his discharge February 1st.

G. C. Lytle and a truck belonging to Amos Furniture company, were involved in a collision near Hodgins' store at Antioch last Monday afternoon. Lytle was driving a pickup which was considerably damaged.

Christmas Concert At FMC Monday By Glee Club

Program Will Feature A Cantata And A Reuter Composition.

The annual Christmas Concert by the Flora Macdonald college glee club, will be presented by Dean Robert Reuter, director, on Monday evening, December 10, at 8:15 o'clock. The glee club numbers seventy-six members who have been chosen by careful voice test from the entire student body, and their skillful training has been evidence in the very beautiful programs which have been presented on several occasions during the fall. These were finished productions, unusual in a group of college students, and reflected great credit on the ability of Dean Reuter as a director.

The lovely Christmas program to be presented Monday evening will feature "Childe Jesus," a Christmas Cantata, by Joseph Clokey and Hazel Kirk. Two groups of Christmas carols will open the program, and the closing number will be "The Lord's Prayer," a composition of Mr. Reuter. The public is cordially invited to attend this concert.

Body Identified As That Of Mrs. Quessie Connor

LUMBERTON, Dec. 6.—Sheriff E. C. Wade announced today that the body of a woman killed last Thursday night in a bus-oil tanker collision near here that took five lives, had been identified by members of her family as that of Mrs. Quessie Walters Connor, 29, of Lumberton, route three.

Although positive identification was not possible as the woman's body was so badly burned, Wade said, after the woman's son, 13-year-old Carson Connor, and several of her relatives who viewed the body, they were satisfied that she was Mrs. Connor in view of the description of her clothing given by survivors of the crash.

The boy told Wade that he and his mother left the home of an uncle, Brown Walters, last Thursday. Late, he said, he returned there while his mother went in search of work. She was to return Saturday.

Coroner D. W. Biggs said he would hold the remains at his funeral home for another week for any other persons to view in an effort to establish positive identification.

Fifteen of the 22 persons originally hospitalized are still in two hospitals here, at least two of them said to be in critical condition.

Cotton Picker Is Put Through Paces For Gov. Cherry

Large Group Guests Of Liberty Manufacturing Company At Luncheon Saturday.

The big red bug, with the loud airy hum was put through its paces Saturday morning when Governor R. Gregg Cherry and a group of prominent farmers and business men witnessed a demonstration picking of cotton by the International cotton picker which is owned by the Liberty Manufacturing company of Red Springs.

The demonstration at the Williford farms near Wakulla followed a luncheon at the Lorraine hotel of Lumberton where some sixty farmers, businessmen and state political leaders were guest of the local concern. George T. Ashford, general manager of the concern acted as master of ceremonies and Edwin Pate, president of Liberty, presented the out-of-county men attending the affair which included Leroy Martin of Raleigh, Lloyd Griffin of Edenton, and Tom Pearsall of Rocky Mount. Mr. Pearsall introduced the Governor.

Those witnessing the picker demonstration commented very favorably on the speed and quality of the work done by the mechanical cotton picker, and several suggestions of growing of the staple for more efficient picking mechanically were offered. It was suggested by the Governor that the state should have a larger acreage of such higher grade of staple as was obtained at the demonstration.

Christmas Program Of Music Next Thursday

The music department of Presbyterian Junior College will present a Christmas program in the college chapel on the evening of December 13th, at 8:00 o'clock. The program will depict the Spirit of Christmas in Art, Literature, and Song, and will be preceded by a prologue, "A Santagram from Santa Land." Art will be portrayed by a living picture of Rachel's Madonna of the Chair. For the literature section Mrs. George Jones will read "The Gift of the Magi." Music will occur in each scene, but the climax is in the last group, which consists of carols by the mixed chorus (vested choir) and the nativity scene. Closing with the theme of universal peace, the tableau ends when the angel of peace says, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Mrs. B. D. Croom is soloist, and the quartet is composed of Miss Elizabeth Currie, Mrs. R. D. Croom, Mrs. P. C. Frosick, and Mrs. R. A. McLeod. Mrs. W. A. Webb is the director and Mrs. J. P. Stansel will be the accompanist.

Flu Closes Maxton Schools For Week

Upon the advice of Dr. R. D. Croom, Jr., Maxton health officer, and Dr. J. O. McClellan, W. K. Cromartie, principal, closed the Maxton white schools Tuesday morning, as there were 137 pupils absent because of influenza or colds. Mr. Cromartie states that classes will be resumed Monday unless the health authorities advise otherwise.

Dr. Croom and Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, request the parents of children under 16 years of age to see that they do not attend any public gatherings during the epidemic, as there is little point in closing the schools if the children attend these places.

Orthopaedic Clinic In Lumberton Tomorrow

An orthopaedic clinic will be held tomorrow, December 7, in the basement of the agricultural building in Lumberton. This clinic is free to indigent children under 12 years of age.

Dr. O. L. Miller of Charlotte will be surgeon in charge and patients must register between nine and eleven A. M.

Dr. and Mrs. William L. Rule were most interesting visitors at the college on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Rule is the former Miss Effie Crane of Atlanta, Ga., an alumna of Flora Macdonald, class of '38. Dr. Rule is a graduate of Davidson, and since completing his medical education has been a medical missionary in Africa.

Lawrence Morris Wins First Prize In Corn Production Contest

Lawrence Morris, 15 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Morris of Maxton Route 1, was winner of \$100.00 Victory bond, which was the first prize, in a three-acre corn production contest sponsored by Merchants Association of Laurinburg, Lawrence, who is a member of the 4-H club and one of the F. F. A. produced a yield of 80 bushels per acre, the highest in Scotland county.

He applied 300 lbs. of phosphate in the row April 14th when the corn was planted. Two weeks later he applied 500 lbs. 4-10-6 fertilizer between the rows that were 48 inches apart. 100 lbs. of nitrates were applied as top dresser to each middle when the corn was knee and waist high. He is very proud of the result of his 4-H corn project and of his Victory Bond.



THE REV. CHARLES HOWARD, who is conducting a series of evangelistic services at the Maxton Baptist church which began Monday and continuing through December 16th.



THE REV. C. J. ANDREWS, who has recently assumed the pastorate of St. Paul's Methodist church in Maxton.

Red Springs Girl Rates Who's Who

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 4.—Miss Barbara Brewer, daughter of H. E. Brewer of Red Springs, has been selected as one of 16 students from East Carolina Teachers college whose achievements on the campus here merit the inclusion of their names in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." The students, all seniors, were chosen on a basis of outstanding records in scholarship, leadership, and participation in extracurricular activities and because of good character and indication of future usefulness to business and society.

"Who's Who," college year book, is published in Alabama with the cooperation of 600 American colleges and universities.

Miss Brewer has been a student leader here during her years in college. She has served on the house committee of Cotten Hall, Women's dormitory, and has been vice-president and treasurer of the Commerce club. At present she holds the office of secretary of the senior class.

\$1,100 Prize For Cotton Champion

The state cotton growing champion of North Carolina will receive a prize of \$1,100 for his efforts at the meeting of the North Carolina cotton ginners' association, Dec. 10.

The money is to be awarded to the winner of a state-wide "five-acre" cotton contest sponsored by a group of agricultural agencies interested in the production of better quality cotton.

Thomas McLean Of Wakulla Dies From Kerosene Burns

Two Others In Lumberton Hospital With Severe Burns Resulting From Explosion.

Thomas McLean, 17 months old negro child, died of burns Tuesday following the explosion of an oil can which was left near an open fire, and his brother, James Charles, is not expected to live, according to Baker Sanatorium officials.

The explosion happened early Tuesday morning at the home of Saul McLean, grandfather of the children, after a fire was built in a fireplace of the house, which is located on one of the McArthur farms near Wakulla. According to Dan McArthur, the mother, Queen Esther McLean, 20, made the fire before the children arose, left the can near the fireplace. It exploded and threw flaming oil over the beds and against the walls and ceiling of the room. The young mother was burned painfully about the arms and legs in trying to put out the flaming clothing on the children. Other members of the family and neighbors arrived in time to save the house from destruction though practically all the clothing and bed clothing was damaged by the flames.

This was the second fire for the Saul McLean household in two years. Their first fire was in 1943 resulted in the total loss of clothing and furniture.

Lions To Handle Food Collection For UNRRA

The Red Springs Lion club will collect food for the starving in war-devastated lands, L. E. Baldwin announced today. The local appeal is in cooperation with the national wide Victory Collection of Canned Food, on behalf of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA).

George Thrower is chairman of the collection committee. His committee includes Tommie Aros, Ben Jenkins and L. E. Baldwin.

"This is an appeal we're sure every family in Red Springs will want to support," Mr. Baldwin said. "We'll open our collection center on Dec. 15 at Amos Furniture company. We hope the men and women of Red Springs won't wait to be contacted by members of our committee, but will start beginning their contributions to the collection center the day it opens. Speed is essential. The slogan 'Give a can and save a life' is literally true.

"We are assured by UNRRA that all food collected in Red Springs will be shipped to a seaport promptly and sent overseas without delay. Plenty of cargo space is available. UNRRA will pay the shipping costs and will distribute the food to the needy and destitute in war-torn countries without any discrimination whatever.

Husband Of Former Parkton Girl Dies

Raleigh.—Frederick Norman Fisher, 2512 Everette avenue, Raleigh, husband of the former Miss Karlie Keith of Parkton, died in Rex hospital of a heart attack Sunday night. Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 a. m. from the Yelverton Funeral home, Raleigh, with Rev. Lee Shepherd, pastor of Pullen Memorial church, in charge, and interment will be made in the Monticello Memorial park.

Mr. Fisher was owner and operator of the Fisher sandwich shop, a member of the Exchange club and of Pullen Memorial church.

Surviving are his wife; 2 sons, Winfield Thomas Fisher of Raleigh, and Lt. (jg) Frederick Herbert Fisher, who is with the navy in China; one niece, Miss Virginia Fisher of Raleigh, and 4 grandchildren.

Red Springs Negro School Recommended To New York "U"

Classroom practices of the Red Springs school for Negroes, were recommended for study by students of the graduate department of the New York university this week, according to a notice received today by Prof. J. T. Peterson, principal from the State Department of Education.

The notice stated that the Red Springs school was being placed upon the lists of the university as representative of the school of the state.



R. GREGG CHERRY, Governor of North Carolina, takes the operator's seat of the mechanical cotton picker while a Citizen photographer "shoots" him at the demonstration of the machine at the Williford Farms near Wakulla last Saturday.



DUMPING ITS LOAD—The cotton picker unloads the gigantic hamper atop its weird looking frame. The hamper is high enough to dump directly onto a truck, or into sheets placed on the ground when the truck is not handy.