

LITTLETON NEWS

Robert Shearin was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riggan in Henderson Friday and accompanied Mrs. Jack Riggan of New York City to visit with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie E. Wagner, for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stansbury and Sandra Larrimore were Thursday visitors of Mrs. Hazel Jarrett and Mrs. Patricia Quenton in Roanoke Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald King of Wilson were Friday night guests of his mother, Mrs. Browning King.

Mrs. N. G. Pitt and Mrs. Alton W. Parker were recent guests of friends and relatives in Conway.

Miss Lizzie Moore is spending sometime with Misses Pat and Rachel Myrick.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hazelton and little daughter, Susan, of Winston-Salem visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Alston, last week.

Mrs. Roy Perkinson is spending sometime with relatives in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flynn and daughter of Union, S. C., are spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. W. G. Alston, and grandmother, Mrs. Nora Grant.

Mrs. Phillip Flynn of Union, S. C., is visiting her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith.

Mrs. W. C. Fallwell of Farmville, Va., was a visitor of Mrs. Henry House over the weekend.

Dr. Isa Costen Grant of Elizabeth City visited the Rev. and Mrs. M. Y. Self Saturday and accompanied them to Lynchburg, Va., and attended the graduation of Samuel Harrell Self on Sunday.

Mrs. W. G. Alston, Mrs. Cleveland Stalling, Mrs. Horace Palmer, Mrs. Alice Browning, Mrs. Norman Mitchel and Miss Carrie Myrick were in Franklin Friday.

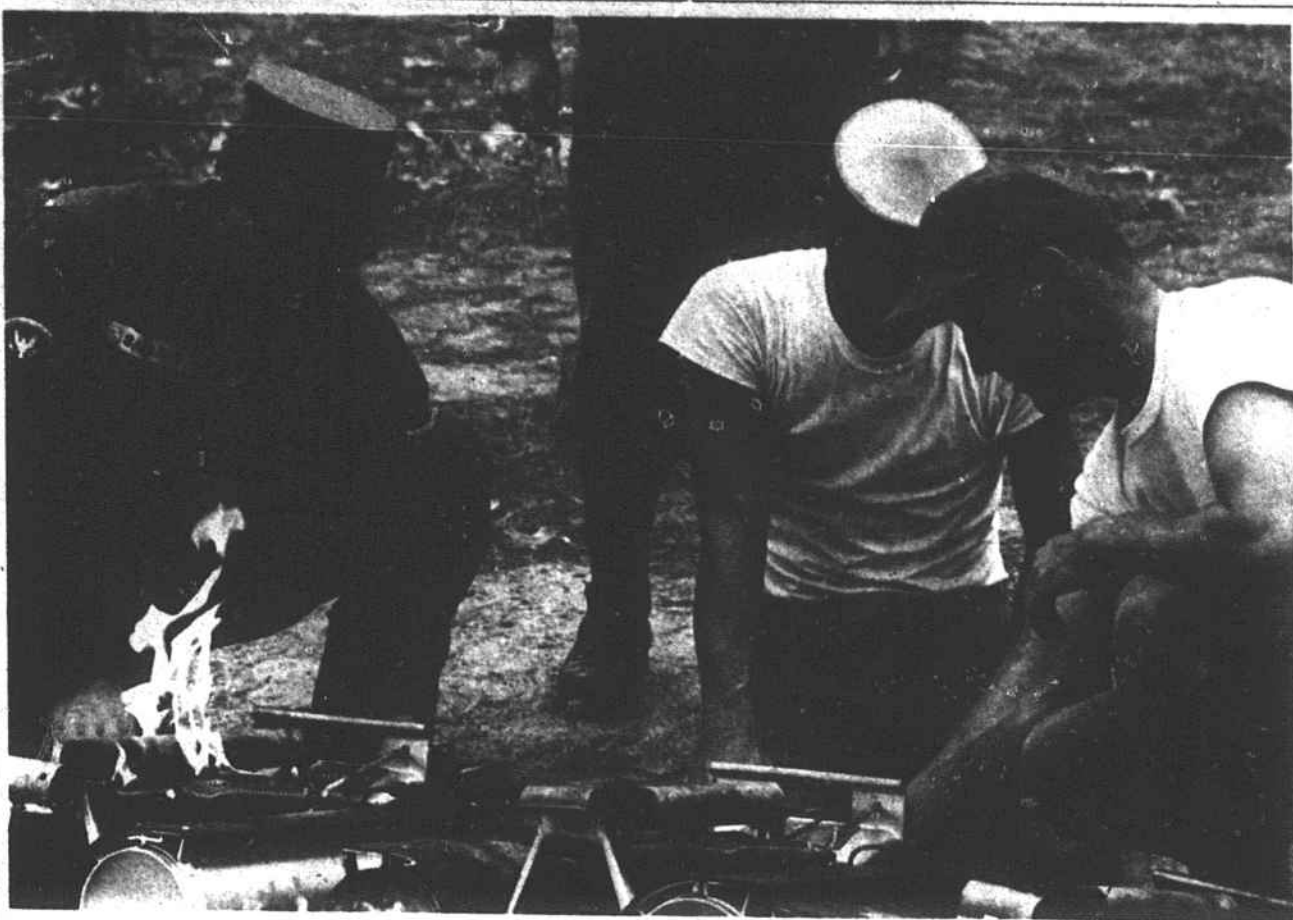
Sgt. William F. Walker of Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C., visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. Eulalia Powell of Newport News, Va., spent last week with Mrs. Ella Belle Riggan and Mrs. Macon Moore, Sr.

Willie E. Wagner has returned to his home after having been a patient in Roanoke Rapids Hospital for sometime.

Mrs. John D. Woodard and son, Johnny of Picaune, Miss., spent Wednesday night with her father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse V. Shearin, and also visited her brother, Grover Shearin, and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stansbury.

L/Cpl. Joseph E. Stansbury,



Horace Shearin, left and Lonnie Cox, right, light burners which are used to heat food served to the 100 officers and men of Company C now training at Fort Bragg.

Jr., of Cherry Point Marine Corp., spent the weekend at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Stansbury. He also attended the Shearin-Boone family reunion at The Class House at Satterwhite point, Kerr Lake Sunday. His visitors were Walter Gray Crawley and Jesse butts of Aurelian Springs who also attended the reunion.

Mrs. Harvey L. Paynter and children, Robbie, Ronnie and Gary, and Mrs. Lloyd Salmon were in Roanoke Rapids Thursday visiting Mrs. Roland Ferrell and family.

Mrs. John Powell who has visited several of her relatives including Mr. and Mrs. Willie E. Wagner and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shearin this past week returned to her home Friday in Newport News, Va.

Mrs. Edward Gill and daughter, Mrs. Tommy People, and her granddaughter, Lynn People, of Henderson and little Sharon Williams of Macon were Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stansbury.

Jack Anderson of Weldon was a Wednesday visitor in Littleton.

Mrs. Blanche Riggan of New York City and her son, Harry Riggan, of Henderson were Wednesday night dinner guests of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie E. Wagner and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shearin.

Mrs. C. B. Austin of Miami, Fla. and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall and daughter, Calbert, of Reidsville are spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith.

BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Salmon of 135 William Street, Roanoke Rapids announce the birth of a daughter, Sarah Allison, on June 5 in Roanoke Rapids Hospital. Mrs. Salmon is the former Jean Cagle of Tennessee. Mr. Salmon is a native of Littleton.



SFC Roy Cameron of Warrenton talks with Lt. Wiley D. Vaughan, also of Warrenton, commanding local National Guardsmen who participated in a mock attack. Cameron, his face blackened for the exercise, uses a walkie-talkie to carry on the conversation.



Warrenton and Henderson Guardsmen, heavily armed and partially concealed behind sprigs of bushes, move out along a trail that leads to a mock ambush area, where they will stage a simulated attack on other members of Company C posing as enemy soldiers. (Pictures by Sgt. Howard Jones)

Tunisia, Holiday City

Washington - Tunisia will build a holiday city on Jerba, legendary island of the lotus-eaters.

The government says the undertaking will be the largest tourism project ever attempted in the Mediterranean area. It will include six hostels with more than a thousand rooms and a "boatel" at water's edge. Visiting lotus-eaters can step directly from rooms to boats.

The Jerba hotel city will include a half-mile-long souk or shopping street. The main square will offer a garden, theaters, nightclub, restaurants, a post office and bank.

LOTUS-EATING

Flat, fertile Jerba is the largest island in the entire 2,450-mile sweep of Africa along the Mediterranean, the National Geographic Society says. Tradition has long associated it with the people who detained Ulysses' men, in Homer's *Odyssey*, by feeding them lotus.

"As soon as each had eaten the honey fruit of the plant, all thoughts of reporting to us or escaping were banished from his mind," reported Ulysses. "All they now wished for was to stay where they were...I had to use force to bring them back to the ships."

No one knows what plant is the time to start planning for a stocker program. "The entire program, of course, is based on the feed supply. A farmer must plan his feed program this spring for the calves he will buy in the fall."

Feeder calves to be wintered as stockers are bought in September and October and marketed in April. During the some 200 days they are on the farm, they should gain about one and one-quarter pounds per day, the extension specialist explained.

At this rate of gain, the farmer can expect a reasonable return at the stocker sales. Buchanan said farmers who are interested in getting into

cisterns during infrequent rains. More than a million date palms cover the island's 198 square miles. In their shade grow half a million olive trees as well as figs, oranges, almonds, peaches, apricots, and pears.

ANCIENT GREEK INFLUENCE
Jerbans speak the Berber language spoken in North Africa long before the Arabs invaded. They also show traces of ancient Greek influence; Women wear Greek-style conical straw hats, and potters produce water pots in the amphora style introduced by Greeks 3,000 years ago.

Such jars once carried olive oil to ancient Carthage; now they travel by truck across the Roman causeway that connects Jerba to the mainland. Long ago pirates cut the causeway to gain a back entrance to a harbor; for centuries its half-submerged blocks could be negotiated only by surefooted camels. But now it has been repaired.

Modern Jerbans show little trace of the legendary languor expected of lotus-eaters, but they are interested in food. So many work throughout Tunisia as grocers that "going to the Jerban's" is synonymous with "going to the grocer's." Typically, Jerbans leaving to work on the mainland return to Jerba after retirement.

Demand For Stocker Cattle Is Invitation To Beef Growers

The demand shown each spring for stocker cattle is regarded as an open invitation to the North Carolina farmer to enter the beef production business.

The 10 organized sales in the state sold 7,775 head of stockers this spring. "We could have sold 10 times that number," asserts Sam Buchanan, extension animal husbandry specialist at North Carolina State University at Raleigh.

The price ranged from \$24.17 per hundredweight for "good" steers to \$17.48 for "common" heifers. The average steer price was \$23.73 and for heifers it was \$19.43.

These cattle range in weight from 500 to 750 pounds. They are bought in the fall as feeder calves weighing from 300 to 500 pounds. They are wintered on corn silage, hay, winter grazing crops, field gleanings and accumulated permanent pasture.

The lighter weight calves are given protein supplement and two to three pounds of grain per day in addition to the roughage. Calves wintered on silage are given the protein supplement.

The winter stocker program is regarded as one of the best opportunities many North Carolina farmers have for turning beef production into a profitable enterprise.

"It is in many respects the easiest and quickest way to get into the beef cattle business," said Buchanan. "It is particularly well suited to the situation

of many of our crop farmers. "They can buy these calves to use the amount of feed they have available over the winter. Things are usually pretty slow around a crop farm at this time. The income from the stocker sales in the spring comes at the most beneficial time for many farmers."

Buchanan pointed out that now is the time to start planning for a stocker program. "The entire program, of course, is based on the feed supply. A farmer must plan his feed program this spring for the calves he will buy in the fall."

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