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Guard Recruiting Campaign Fails To Reach Goal

The National Guard recruiting campaign being carried on by A Battery, 113 FA Bn, has slowed to a virtual standstill, according to First Sergeant Sidney Holmes. After setting new records in reaching its first half hundred men, the local unit decided to continue recruiting until it attains a strength of 70 men.

Capt. Barrie Davis, commanding officer for A Battery, expressed his disappointment over the slow-up in recruiting but attributed it to the Yuletide Season.

As soon as the National Guard reaches its full strength of 396,000 men, all recruiting will be ended and every unit in the country will be frozen to its strength at that time. In an effort to increase its strength to the maximum possible, the local battery is putting emphasis on immediate recruiting.

Sgt. 1c Clifford Gilliam is at the armory behind the Recorder's Court five days each week and has all necessary forms for applicants. Three local doctors, Dr. Chas. Flowers, Dr. Ben Thomas, and Dr. Durward Stallings have been appointed medical examiners by the North Carolina National Guard.

Checks to Be Mailed

Payment for the quarter ending December 31 will be made early in January. The checks will be mailed to the home address of the Guardsmen, according to the Adjutant General's Department in Raleigh. The pay roll for the present three month period will be much greater than any previous pay roll.

Sectional training will continue in January, the commanding officer stated, when five drills will be held. During the last six months of 1949, the battery missed five drills and these will be made up before the end of July 1950. All members of the battery will be paid for every drill attended.

Employers of National Guardsmen have been urged by North Carolina National Guard headquarters to plan their businesses so that every member of the Guard will be able to attend summer camp in 1950.

In the case of some businesses where more than one Guardsman is employed, it will be impossible for all to go on the two weeks of maneuvers, but where possible, every employer should give his workers a chance to participate.

Local Lions Attend Two Charter Nights

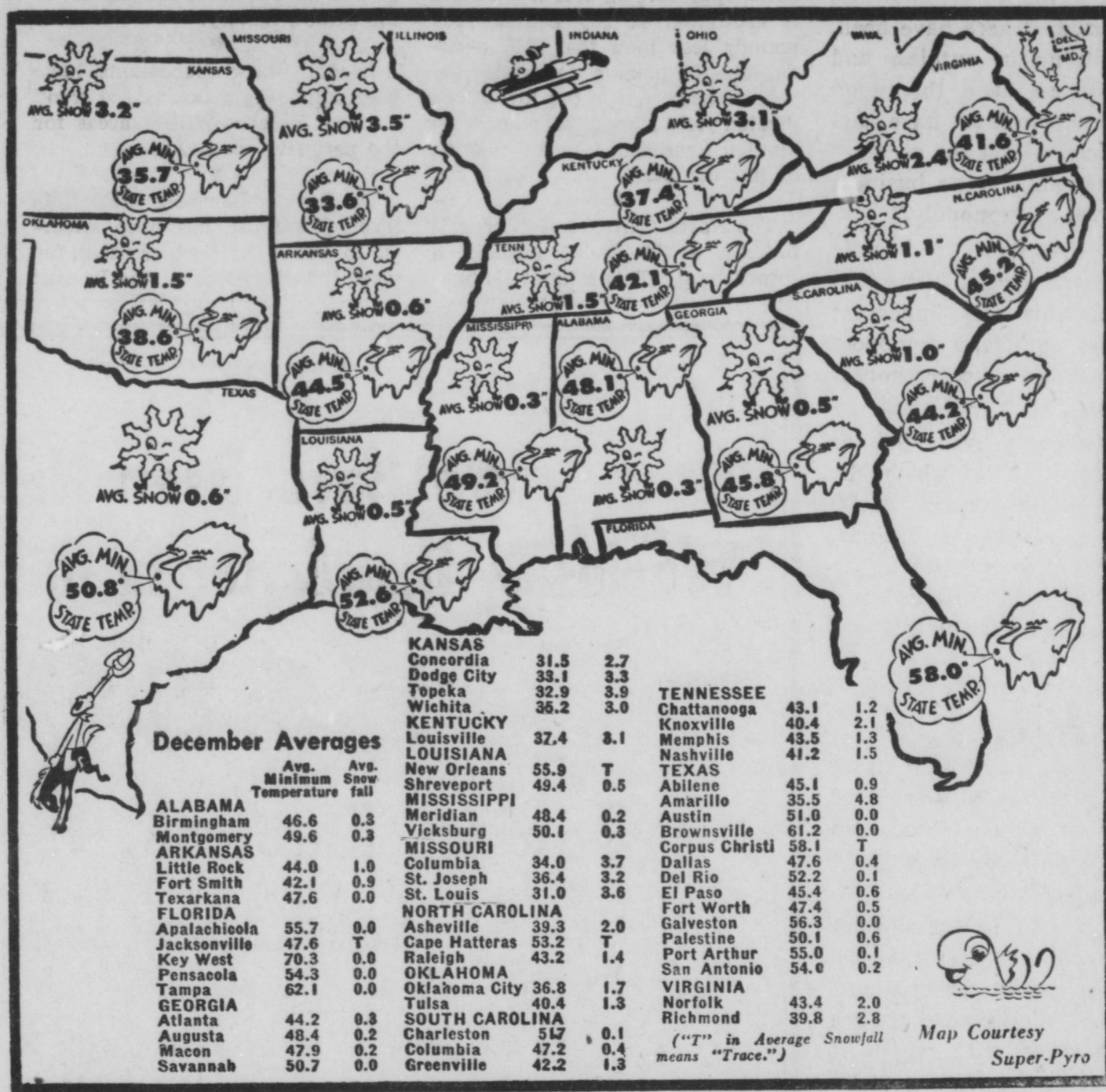
Donald Stallings, J. C. Debnam and Royal Bunn attended the Charter Night ceremonies of the Holy Springs Lions Club on Wednesday night.

Attending the Lions Charter night in Rolesville Thursday night from Zebulon were Worth Hinton, Frank Kannon, Eston Corbett, Donald Stallings, J. C. Debnam, Rudolph Manning, Philip Massey and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Massey.

Ted Pippin to Be Sent To Duty in Finland

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pippin and children have been visiting his parents, the T. C. Pippins. They left today for Mississippi to visit Mrs. Pippin's parents. His next assignment will be in Finland where he will be stationed for three years.

December's Weather Record for North Carolina



Many Wake Farmers Will Make Major Conservation Changes in '50

By G. L. Winchester and S. W. Holleman

Farmers have taken advantage of the good weather this fall to construct terraces. These terraces are being built with farm equipment, using the delayed system. One or two plowings are made this fall or winter and completed early next spring. In this way the terraces become firmed during the winter and can withstand the spring rains better.

Some of the farmers who are now building terraces are: Garland Powell of Holly Springs; Ed O. Fleming and Crawford Ransdell of Fuquay Springs; Sherwood Howell of Apex; E. V. Richardson of Wendell; John M. Jones of Garner; N. A. Dunn of Rolesville, and others.

The Soil Conservation Service

has assisted the following farmers in developing complete conservation farm plans on their farms within the last month: John T. Adcock, Harold Parker, and E. H. Clark of Varina; J. C. Stephens and B. O. Holland of Holly Springs; John M. Jones of Garner; K. H. Bailey of Knightdale; and W. B. Upchurch of Green Hope.

The complete farm was planned for conservation and good land use. With the conservation survey as a basis, the farm was divided into the various land classes. Then, as nearly as possible, every acre was put to the use to which it was best suited.

The more level land with the smaller erosion was planned for row crops. The steeper land is to be used for more sown or close growing crops and less clean tilled crops. The still steeper land is

to be used for permanent vegetation such as pasture, hay crops, or trees. Much of the poorly drained land is being planned for pastures.

Fields generally to be established in permanent vegetation need very little treatment other than fertilizer and lime to keep the hay crops or pasture producing. The treatment decided upon was written into the plan.

The cultivated fields where the greatest amount of erosion takes place were planned for meadows, terracing, soil conserving rotations, and contour cultivation.

These farmers will receive a copy of the plan along with a land use map and a land capability map superimposed over an aerial photograph of each farm. These farmers will then have a blue print for building a conservation farm.

Jeter Reviews Farm Year in Letter

The moving finger has written the record of another year. For your readers out in the country the record is fairly good. Those who depended upon cotton have again felt the sting of ingratitude because the old king failed them again. But, aside from that, the record is not so bad. There is more green land in North Carolina today as Ladino clover has superseded broom sedge. We added 150,000 new acres of Ladino pasture this fall to the 200,000 acres planted in the fall of 1948. The state ranks next to Texas in the number of farm homes electrified — that was accomplished by July first.

We have started a new sweet potato industry; beef cattle are being exchanged for eastern tobacco dollars by our mountain farmers; every county and every rural community has had its corn contest with great acre yields authenti-

cated by reliable citizens; there is that new thing known as a grade "A" dairy in almost every community and from these dairies goes an increasingly greater stream of pure milk into processing plants; the swine industry seems to be on a definite upswing, with over 30 cash hog buying stations offering a ready market; and almost everywhere you go, your readers can tell you of new poultry flocks and fat broilers.

Finally, there are endless chain clubs popularizing all of these among the youth of our state.

So, you ought to feel pretty good even though you cannot keep very much of the money you have earned. Your paper told the story of how these new things came about in the rural life of the State. You have not allowed the story to grow old or stale. You have kept it fresh and alive and up-to-date, because you have had the facts as fast as they have been developed.

As your reporter here at State College, where new research and new demonstrations constantly uncover the new facts of interest to your rural readers, we are glad to be associated with this progress. We thank you for your handling of the news items sent to you and we wish for you and yours a happy Christmas season.

F. H. Jeter, Editor State College Extension Service

STORE HOURS

Zebulon's dry goods and department stores will remain open until 9 p.m. each night until Christmas, beginning Wednesday night, store owners said yesterday, to take care of increased Christmas trade.

Income Tax Facts Given Zebulon Farmers by Expert

Income tax time soon will roll around again for Zebulon's farmers, reminds C. Brice Ratchford, in charge of farm management extension at State College.

Two important changes in laws relating to filing returns and paying tax on farm income have been made during the past year, says Ratchford. He explains these changes as follows:

In past years farmers have been required to file an estimate of their income by January 15, pay on the basis of this estimate by the same date, and make final return and payment by March 15. They still will be able to do this for the current income year. If they prefer, however, they may wait until January 31, making final return and payment at that time.

Another change is that if the farmer's business year does not end on December 31, he may file his return and pay his tax any time within 31 days after the close of his business year, or he may file an estimate within 15 days and make the final return and payment any time within two and a half months.

The latter change, however, will not affect most North Carolina farmers, since a majority of them close their business year at the end of the calendar year.

Ratchford points out that everyone whose 1949 income was more than \$600 before expenses were deducted, must file a return regardless of whether he has to pay any tax.

Necessary forms may be obtained from the nearest collector of internal revenue or the local bank or post office. Forms needed are 1040-F and 1040-ES for filing estimated returns; and Schedule D for listing gains and losses from sale of property.

Local Baptist Pastor Addresses Rotarians

Members of the Zebulon Rotary Club heard a discussion of vocational satisfaction and service last Friday night by Rev. Carlton T. Mitchell, pastor of the Zebulon Baptist Church.

Mr. Mitchell provided each Rotarian with a questionnaire designed to indicate to the individual the degree of pleasure he obtained by following his occupation and the amount of service he felt he was rendering his community.

The program was the second by the vocational service committee, of which the speaker is chairman.

Church Has Party

Members of the St. Eugene's parish of the Catholic Church held their annual Christmas party last night in the Zebulon Woman's Club building. Special entertainment was provided for children, and gifts were exchanged.

Members of the parish, which includes Zebulon and Wendell, presented Rev. Frederick Koch, pastor, with a special gift.

YWA Holds Party

The Y. W. A. of the Zebulon Baptist Church held its Christmas party last Thursday, December 15, in the home of Brooks Pearce.

Gifts were exchanged by members at the party, and a gift of a potted poinsettia was presented by the group to Mrs. Wallace Temple, Y. W. A. counsellor.