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Guardsmen Arrive At Ft. McClellan; Training Is Begun

The main body of troops of the famed 30th Infantry Division began arriving at Ft. McClellan, Ala., at 4 a.m. Monday, and the men began immediate preparations for two weeks of the most intense field training given National Guard units since the end of World War II.

Zebulon's Battery A arrived about 5 a.m., unloading their baggage and immediately went to their tents to begin the first day of training.

On hand to greet the Zebulon Guardsmen were the twenty officers and men who traveled to the Alabama army camp as members of the advance detachment, mess detail, and motor convoy.

Beginning Tuesday, the artillerymen will be in the field everyday during the first week preparing for service practice and the combat efficiency test next week.

All the post recreational facilities are available to the National Guardsmen during their off-duty hours including the Post Exchange, movies, service club, amphitheatre, and swimming pools.

During the weekend, passes will be given the men so that they can visit Anniston and other nearby points of interest.

Mrs. Coats Is Named Most Courteous Clerk

Mrs. Rachel Coats, receptionist in the dental offices of Dr. L. M. Massey, was selected as most courteous clerk of the week by the Chamber of Commerce committee, and was awarded a \$3.00 cash prize last Saturday.

Winners in Saturday's Silver Harvest drawing were Rossie Brantley of Zebulon, Route 4, and Mrs. D. C. Pearce of Zebulon. Each received a cash award of \$51.00.

The Silver Harvest treasury for Saturday, July 12, totals \$490.00, according to R. Vance Brown, treasurer.

SEEN AND HEARD

Aggressor Claimed He Couldn't Be Questioned Because He Was Dead

Members of Battery A are not relishing the thought of standing guard at lonely posts during the four days the unit spends in the field during the second week of summer training. But guard posts will have to be manned to protect the Zebulon battery's guns and men from Aggressor Forces who will be in action each night.

The older members of Battery A still remember two summers ago when two Aggressors were captured in the Battery A area. Brought before the unit commander for interrogation, they protested vigorously. "He can't question us," the two said. "We just blew him up twenty minutes ago!" A check revealed that the truck beside which the battery commander had been sleeping was completely covered with chalked "Destroyed," indicating the two Aggressors were correct in their claim. Killed with the commander were the executive officer, the first sergeant, the motor sergeant, the supply sergeant, and the unit administrator. It was a sad night for Battery A that summer in 1950.

TOPKICK



First Sergeant Sidney Holmes, who, according to his battery commander, is "the best topkick in this or any other army," is at Fort McClellan, Alabama, for the next two weeks, attending the National Guard 1952 encampment.

Dr. Richard A. Spring To Practice Veterinary Medicine in Community

Dr. Richard A. Spring has opened offices for the general practice of veterinary medicine in the building formerly occupied by Tipplon Cafe on Highway 64 about a mile east of Zebulon.

Dr. Spring, who received the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in June from Michigan State College, is already living in the Tipplon building with his wife and two daughters, 22 months and 5 months old. As yet he has set no office hours, but is available on a call basis.

In addition to receiving his doctorate at Michigan State, Dr. Spring also did his pre-veterinary study there. He is a native of Kensington, Connecticut, where he attended the Congregational Church.

Zebulon merchants and farmers have been unanimous in the belief that Dr. Spring's arrival will enrich the community by filling a need long felt by local owners of livestock and pets.

A prisoner captured later in the night seemed to be an exceptionally smart Aggressor. He was not wearing an Aggressor uniform, so the Zebulon Guardsmen assumed he was a spy.

"What outfit do you belong to," asked First Sergeant Sidney Holmes.

"The United States National Guard," was the answer.

"I mean where did you come from," the topkick said.

"From the armory back home," was the helpless reply.

Recruit Was Lost

Further questioning revealed that the supposed "Aggressor" was a raw recruit from an adjoining battery who had gone out for a late visit to the latrine and gotten lost on the return trip to his tent.

For two hours he had wandered in circles through the pines before being captured by Battery A outposts.

An escort of two Battery A guides was provided to show the lost soul to his tent and tuck him in bed.

Softball Schedule For Current Week Given by Director

A heavier softball schedule will be played in Zebulon each week, Recreation Director Jim Fish announced yesterday, with most teams playing two games weekly. The fuller schedule calls for games at the Wakelon diamond Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, with rained out games being made up each Friday night.

"Managers of the various teams have requested more games," Mr. Fish said, "and the Recreation Commission is seeking to give the players what they want; so we are scheduling, where possible, two games a week for each team in order for the players to get more recreation in the form of softball."

Tonight's Game

This week's schedule calls for the Wakefield Teen-Agers to meet the Zebulon Teen-Agers at 7:30 tonight, with the Lions playing the Rotarians in the second game.

Tomorrow night the Scribes meet Wakefield at 7:30, and Griswold's Gizmos play Jack Mitchell's "Old Men's Team" in the nightcap. Thursday night the Zebulon Teen-Agers play the Wakefield Teen-Agers again in the first game, and the Lions play the Gizmos in the final.

Managerial Duties

The home team is listed first for each game, and the manager of the home team is responsible for marking the baselines with lime.

Managers are requested by Mr. Fish to post their entry fees as soon as possible. Fee for each team, regardless of the number of players carried on the roster, is \$15.00.

Little League

Little League baseball practice begins this afternoon at 5 o'clock, and will continue at that hour each Tuesday and Thursday until further notice. Boys between the ages of nine and fourteen are asked to bring their own equipment to the practice sessions.

Swimming Trips

Swimming trips to Wake Forest will be made each Monday and Friday at 1:30 p.m., Mr. Fish stated. Admission to the Wake Forest pool is 15 cents for children under 12 and 25 cents for older children. All children must bring their own towels. Departure for Wake Forest will be from the Baptist Church.

Poultry Needs Plenty Of Water in Summer

Both growing pullets and layers need plenty of fresh, cool water now that hot weather is here.

Chickens won't drink much water unless it is cool and fresh, says T. B. Morris, extension poultry specialist, North Carolina State College. This means, he says, that the pullets will not grow but as they should and the hens will not lay as many eggs as they could if they don't have a constant supply of cool water on hot days.

One way of having water available when needed is to install an automatic system. This saves time and labor and makes the job of caring for chickens easier.

"It has been said that water is the cheapest feed for chickens, so make sure your birds have plenty of fresh, cool water at all times," advises Specialist Morris.

Tractors, Workers Make \$500 Improvement July 3 on Zebulon Park Area

Thirteen tractors, representing \$30,000 worth of machinery, attacked the too-thick trees and underbrush on the Zebulon community park site Thursday morning and Thursday afternoon, thinning the trees and dragging them to the road beside the park. The work would have cost over \$500.00 if the community had hired it done,

but those who worked on the park contributed their labor, according to Ed Hales.

None of the tractors came from inside the city limits of Zebulon. Every one of the thirteen were from communities surrounding the town. They averaged nine hours of work each during the day.

In addition to the tractor drivers, 15 men voluntarily worked through the day helping pull down and clear the trees from the park.

Workers Listed

Working Thursday with their tractors were Berdon Eddins, H. H. "Bubber" Eddins, Robert Ed Horton, Joe Cunningham, Steve Blackley, Smoot Draughan, Jack Mitchell, Robert Perry, John Clark, Herbert Perry, R. G. Moss, Harold Greene, and J. R. Murray.

The tractors pulled up many of the pines to allow the poplar, maple and others trees room to grow. Where a tree proved too large for one tractor, two teamed up to pull it from the ground.

Working behind the tractors were H. U. Whitley, Charles Creech, I. B. Richardson, Ned Moss, Billy Wayne Perry, Billy Boy Greene, Wilbur Debnam, Bobby, Driver, Frank Kemp, M. L. Hagwood, James Debnam, Ed Hales, and Willie B. Hopkins.

Colored Workers

Two colored men, J. C. Montague and Eugene Montague, provided valuable assistance as they voluntarily gave their help during the day.

Plans for the outdoor fireplaces and shelters are being completed, according to Chairman Wilbur Debnam of the Zebulon Steering Committee. He reported that members of the committee have investigated various fireplace designs to select the most appropriate design for the park.

Strange Growth

Willie Bullock brought several sprigs of a wild cherry tree into the shop Friday morning. The leaves, which were found in Nash County, had hundreds of small growths on the tops.

The growths resembled small cherries, although some folks thought they might be some parasitic growth which had become attached to the cherry leaves by air currents.

SOFTBALLER



Our featured softball player is Fred Beck this week. Fred, who is a member of the Beck Brothers Veneer Company, pitches and plays the outfield for the Lions' Club entry in the local Bloopers League.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Lizzie Bunn Last Friday Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Lizzie Hopkins Bunn of Zebulon, Route 4, who died at her home at noon Thursday at the age of 79, were conducted from the home Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Rev. A. D. Parrish, assisted by the Rev. Fred Crisp, officiated. Burial followed in the family cemetery.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Allen Perry, Mrs. W. M. Richards and Exie Bunn, all of Zebulon, Route 4; a son, Albert Bunn, of Zebulon, Route 4; and a brother, D. B. Hopkins, also of Zebulon, Route 4.

APOLOGY

Don't blame the post office if you didn't get your Record last Saturday. The papers were printed, but we failed to get them to the post office in time!

Local Negro Killed in July Fourth Automobile Accident; Arrest Made

Elbert W. Hodge, 23-year-old Negro of Zebulon, Route 4, died before he reached the hospital on July 4 following Wake County's first fatal holiday traffic accident.

The truck-auto collision occurred between the Clyde Weathers place and Cary Robertson's store on the Martin's Center-Rolesville highway.

Hodge's wife and two children escaped with slight injuries when their truck was rammed by an automobile driven by Duke Mickens, 34-year-old Negro of Garner, Route 2.

Mickens drove his car through

a stop sign at an intersection on the Martin Center-Rolesville road between the Clyde Weathers place and Cary Robertson's store, hitting Hodge's truck about 5:15 Friday afternoon. An unidentified passenger in the Mickens car was not hurt.

Highway Patrolman F. R. Wick-er said Mickens has been charged with manslaughter and was being held Saturday under \$3,000 bond.

Hodge's wife was treated at St. Agnes Hospital for lacerations of the face. The two children, Everett Wayne and Clemon Ruffin, were treated for minor cuts.