

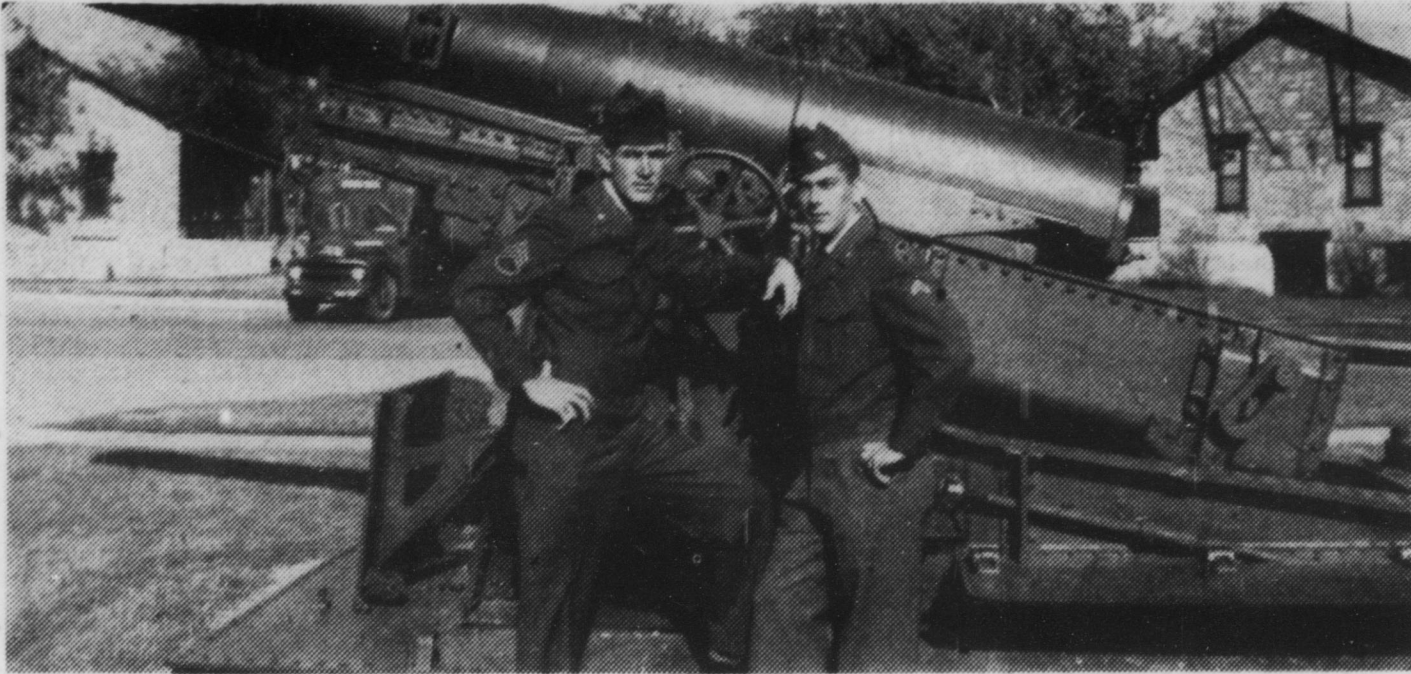
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HONOR STUDENT AT ARTILLERY SCHOOL



Two National Guardsmen from Zebulon's Battery A are making an outstanding scholastic record at the Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, Communication School. Pictured in front of one of the big guns at the military post are Sgt. Talmadge Pearce, communications chief for the local battery, and Cpl. Maylon Baker, senior switchboard operator. When the men complete the course of instruction, they will return to Zebulon and the local Guard unit.

Who Wears Low Numbers In Tar Heel License Tags

"Who owns that car?" is the question that hangs in the air whenever a low-numbered license plate is seen. Everybody knows the Governor sports No. 1 on his limousine, but who has No. 11, or No. 111?

The Department of Motor Vehicles has released its list of license plate numbers issued North Carolina officials, beginning with the Governor and running through W. D. Carmichael, Comptroller of the Greater University, who has No. 200.

Lt. Governor Luther Hodges is assigned No. 2; Speaker of the House of Representatives E. T. Bost, Jr., No. 3; Secretary of State Thad Eure, No. 4; and former Zebulon resident Henry Bridges, who is now State Treasurer, No. 5.

L. Y. "Stag" Ballentine dropped down to No. 9 when he became Commissioner of Agriculture. No. 11, by the way, is worn by Commissioner of Insurance Charles Gold; and No. 111 by Dr. H. S. Willis of the N. C. Sanatorium.

Former Governors Hoey, Cher-

ry, and Scott are assigned Nos. 14, 15, and 16. Senator Lennon has No. 17, and No. 18 could be Senator Hoey's if he wanted to drop four numbers.

U. S. Congressmen from North Carolina have No. 19 through No. 30, Harold Cooley has been assigned No. 22, in case you want to know when he drives by.

Major General John Hall Manning, Adjutant General of the State of North Carolina, has No. 33. Other National Guard officers, (See NUMBERS, Page 8)

Electrical Service Interruption Sunday

Electric service will be interrupted in the following localities Sunday, December 13, from 6:30 a. m. to 7:30 a. m., provided the weather is suitable for work:

Zebulon, Bunn, Wendell, Middlesex, Bailey, Sims and all surrounding rural communities.

This interruption to electric service is necessary in order to make important repairs to the 66000 volt line between Zebulon and Raleigh, which cannot be handled safely while the line is energized. This early morning hour is being used in order to affect the smallest number of customers possible, explained Ralph Talton, manager of Carolina Power and Light Company operations in this area.

POWER OFF

Electric power will be off on all Wake Electric Membership Corporation lines feeding out from the Zebulon Meter Point from 6:30 to 7:30 Sunday morning, Dec. 13, for emergency work on the power supplier's lines.

Guard Program Found Satisfactory By North Carolina's Top Generals

The three top-ranking of North Carolina's National Guardsmen surveyed training of the citizen-soldiers of the 30th Infantry Division this week, and found the 1953 program satisfactory in all respects.

Major General John Hall Manning, adjutant general, Brig. Gen. Claude Bowers, assistant division commander, and Brig. Gen. Edward Griffin, division artillery commander, all had strong words of praise for the units of the famed "Old Hickory" division, including Battery A, Zebulon's National Guard unit.

"This year had been one of many good years for North Carolina Guardsmen," Gen. Manning

declared, "and the officers and men of the 30th Division deserve special commendation for the manner in which they have performed their training duties."

Gen. Bowers, a native of Warrenton and a former commander of the 119th Infantry Regiment, declared that the past eleven months have resulted in a new high standard of training being set for Guardsmen.

"I was especially pleased with the summer encampment conduct of Battery A, which earned a rating of Superior," the General said.

General Griffin, a Louisburg attorney in civilian life, said that (See GUARD, Page 8)

Finer Carolina Contest To Be Repeated in '54 With \$9,550 in Prizes

"The 'Finer Carolina' contest will be repeated in 1954 with Carolina Power & Light Company, its sponsor, offering another \$9,550 in cash prizes for town-building and soil-building winners.

That announcement was made by E. N. Pope, contest director, here today on the closing date for 1953 competition among 108 towns entered this year. Scrapbooks are due from these towns by December 15, Pope said, and winners will be announced in February.

Towns have until next February 1 to enter the 1954 contest, he said, and any developments they wish to start between now and then may be listed among their projects.

About 1,500 farmers who are vying for individual 1953 prizes for "helping to build a Finer Carolina" have the rest of this year to complete their soil and water conservation projects. County and area conservationists will judge them, and these winners also will be announced next February, Pope said.

He added that complete details for the 1954 contest will be issued later.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. A. O. Gay

Mrs. A. O. Gay, 68, died at her home on Zebulon, Route 3, early Wednesday morning. Funeral services were conducted from Hopkins Chapel Baptist Church Thursday at 3 p. m. by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Caldwell and the Rev. A. D. Parrish. The body lay in state one hour.

Surviving are five sons, A. O., of Zebulon, Route 3, Leonard, Oris and Russell Gay, all of Youngsville, Route 1, and Dwight Gay of Wake Forest; a daughter, Mrs. Davis Perry of Zebulon; two brothers, F. D. Gay of Zebulon, Route 3, and William Gay of Knightdale; a half-brother, Hinton Gay, Charleston, S. C.; a sister, Mrs. B. S. Doyle, Zebulon, Route 3, and nine grandchildren.

Mother, Baby Clinic To Be December 15

The Zebulon Clinic for Mothers and Babies will be held on Tuesday, December 15, according to Mrs. Ida Hall, county health nurse. The clinic is held a week earlier each December so there will be no conflict with the Christmas holidays.

TOWN APPROVES NEW WATER MAIN TO FACTORY LOCATION

The coming factory building for Zebulon is presenting the town with some expensive additions, the Board of Commissioners found at its regular December meetings held last Monday night. The factory will require a new 8-inch water main to serve it, and so the Board voted to build the main to the town its regular December meeting limits down Sycamore Street.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Worth Hinton, Commissioners R. Vance Brown, Howard Beck, Wesley Liles, Wilbur Debnam, and Frank Wall; Attorney Foster Finch; and Town Manager W. B. Hopkins.

Commissioner Brown made the motion to build the new water main. It received a second from Commissioner Beck, and was carried without opposition.

M. H. Alford appeared before the Board and requested that Sycamore Street be opened from Whitley Street to the city limits. No action was taken on this suggestion.

A Christmas bonus of a week's pay will be given to all regular employees of the Town of Zebulon, the Board decided, as has been done in past years.

A petition was signed by Sidney Eddins, operator of Zebulon Motor Company service station, was read to the Board by Ferd Davis. It requested the help of the town in improving traffic condition at the intersection of Highways 64 and 264. The traffic island installed by the highway department presents a hazardous condition.

The Mayor and the Town Manager will confer with the highway officials to try to work out improvements, according to a motion made by Howard Beck, seconded by Frank Wall, and carried.

Drexey Thomasson Serving in Korea

Pvt. Drexel S. Thomasson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Thomasson, Route 1, Wendell, recently arrived in Korea for duty with the 3rd Infantry Division.

Thomasson, who entered the Army in March, received basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

HONOR STUDENT



Miss Ernestine Corbett, a senior at Mars Hill Junior College, has been named to the Business Club at the school. Members of this honor club must have attained an A on their major and now lower than a B on any other subject. Miss Corbett was on the Honor Roll both semesters last year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Corbett of Zebulon.

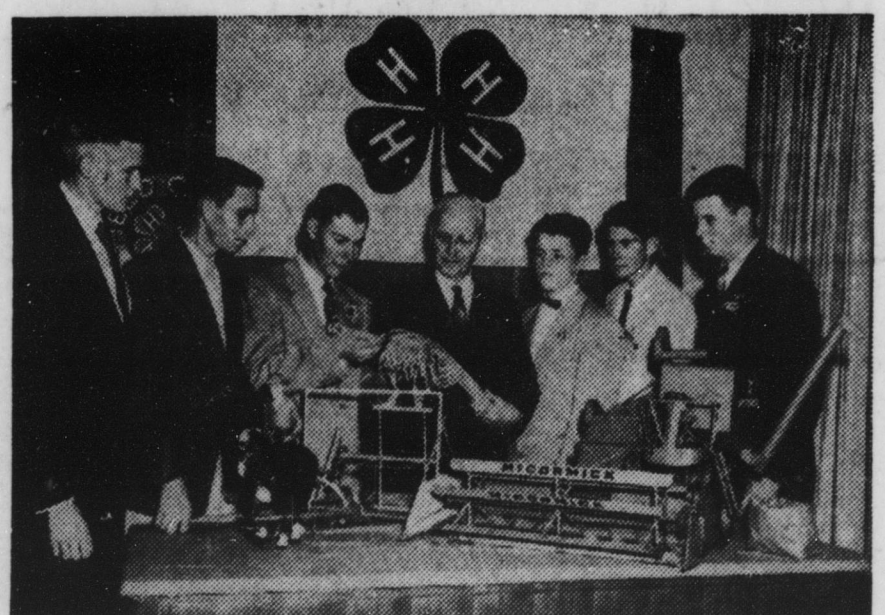
Six-Month Sentence Given in Court Here

Thomas Henry Blanton of Kings Mountain met justice as meted out by Judge Irby D. Gill in the Zebulon Recorder's Court last Wednesday. It consisted of two sentences totalling nearly six months on the roads given for convictions of speeding 75 miles per hour and driving after his chauffeur's license had been revoked.

Other cases tried during the last two sessions include:

Walter A. Wilkens of Route 1, Selma, was fined \$25 and costs for (See COURT, Page 8)

WINNERS OF 4-H CROP AWARDS



National winners of the 1953 4-H Field Crop Awards Program, of which International Harvester Company is donor of awards, hear Peter V. Moulder, executive vice president of the firm, explain the technological and engineering advances made in farm machinery since the invention of the original reaper in 1831 by Cyrus McCormick; and the latest McCormick self-propelled harvester-thresher. Examining some wheat while

looking at the 1831 McCormick reaper model and comparing it with the model of the modern combine on the table, left to right, are: Cornell E. Read, 18, Bay Springs, Miss.; Eddie M. Frazier, 17, Sparta, Ga.; Roy Lee Thomas, 20, Fredonia, Kans.; Mr. Moulder; Harold Seeley, 17, Hubbard, Oreg.; Sonny O'Neill, 19, Ponca City, Okla.; and Charles Lee Rogers, 19, Wake Forest, N. C.