

Sanford Soldier Is Killed; 3 Persons Hurt in Car Wreck

Car Is Knocked About 80 Feet in Collision With Bus Near Cameron

Cpl. William Homer Willett, 18, of Sanford and Camp Mackall, a member of the 508th Parachute Infantry, was instantly killed about 4:30 Saturday p.m. when the automobile in which he was riding was involved in a collision with a Queen City passenger bus said to have been driven by Frank Alexander Broome, 39, of Charlotte. The accident occurred on Highway 1 a short distance south of Cameron.

Three other persons were seriously injured. David Julius Hobbs, 30, Aberdeen warehouseman who was driving the car, suffered head and chest injuries. He was taken to the Lee County Hospital. George E. Featon, Jr., and Charles B. Stevenson, Jr., Camp Mackall soldiers who were riding with Hobbs and Willett, were critically injured. Both were taken by ambulance to the station hospital at Camp Mackall. The bus driver and passengers escaped injury except for minor bruises.

Highway Patrolman J. H. Coleman investigated the accident, and placed Broome under a \$500 bond on a charge of reckless driving. Patrolman Coleman is quoted as saying that the south-bound bus was apparently on the wrong side of the road. Hobb's car, a sedan, traveling north, was knocked about 80 feet by the impact, which buried the bus about half way into the automobile.

Acting Coroner Hugh P. Kelly of Carthage impaneled a jury at the scene of the accident and then adjourned until Friday, July 23.

Corporal Willet, a son of Alex Willet of Sanford and the late Mrs. Willet, had been in the Army about a year. Funeral services were held Tuesday from the East Sanford Baptist Church and burial was at Gulf.

Alex F. Maples, 15, of Pinehurst Dies

Youth is Victim of Automobile Accident at Wilmington Sunday Morning

Funeral services for Alex F. Maples, 15, of Pinehurst, who was killed in an automobile accident near Wilmington early Sunday morning, were held from Culdee Presbyterian Church at 2:00 p. m. Tuesday with the Rev. Troy D. Mullis, Presbyterian minister of Manly, in charge. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Alex is survived by his father, W. P. Maples of Fayetteville; two brothers, Pvt. Elmer P. Maples of the U. S. Army and Buddy Maples of Barium Springs, and by five sisters, Mrs. A. L. Adams of Fayetteville, Mrs. Robert Hunt of Pinehurst, Mrs. Dennis Greene of Blowing Rock, Miss Edna Mae Maples of Pinehurst and Miss Dorothy Maples of Barium Springs.

TORRENTIAL RAIN

A torrential rain along the Lobelia Road on Vass route 2 last Sunday afternoon is reported. For a mile or more along the Keith and McKeithan farms and on toward Vass the road had the appearance of a river bed, completely covered with water for a long distance and in other places with just a bit of roadbed showing here and there. The dam of Neill M. McKeithan's fish pond on the farm was broken by the high water.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

John Ruggles says his always good-hearted dad let a mother and child occupy the living room the other night. Next morning five people fled out: the mother, the child, the mother's father, her sister and her husband. They allowed they owed a little more than the rate agreed on. Mr. Ruggles accepted the additional fee, but hasn't yet figured out where they all slept.

JUSTICE

A distinguished citizen of Southern Pines had a misadventure at the post office the other day. As he took a package notice card from his box he observed a lady. She must have been one of our visitors for she wore a pair of skin-tight track pants and a ditto brassiere. The next thing our distinguished fellow-citizen knew he was down at the other end of town and she was going into a house and slamming the door. He was still holding the card in his hand. Had to walk all the way back to the post office to get the package. Turned out to be a c.o.d. dress for his wife. Served him right.

Picking the Piccolo at Dunes Results in Sour Notes in Court

One Defendant Has 12 Liquor Ration Books; Other Court Cases

For the larceny of money from the piccolo at the Dunes Club, Will Gaddy, Pinehurst Negro, was in Recorder's Court Monday given four months on the roads, to be suspended provided he pay a fine of \$25 and the costs, and upon further condition that he not violate the law during the next two years.

Sue Lyles, 18-year-old Negro of Aberdeen, pleaded guilty in an assault-with-deadly-weapon case in which she was charged with cutting a soldier and another man named Thomas with a knife. She paid a \$10 fine and the costs and her 60-day jail sentence was suspended upon condition of good behavior for a year.

Allen Kennett, colored, of Camp Mackall, in three cases, was found guilty of careless, reckless driving and leaving the scene of an accident without giving his name, driving a car with improper license and without driver's license, and unlawful possession of tax-paid whiskey. He is to be turned over to military authorities for punishment if they call for him, otherwise he is to serve three months in jail, assigned to work on the highways. It was ordered that the sheriff destroy the whiskey found in Kennett's possession and hold the 12 liquor ration books found in his possession until further order of the Court. He gave notice of appeal and bond was fixed at \$300.

Each woman charging that the other had assaulted her with rocks and had used vile and profane language, Addie Davis and Evelyn Saunders of Eagle Springs were in court. Addie Davis was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and given 30 days in jail, suspended upon payment of two-thirds of the cost. Evelyn Saunders was found guilty only of simple assault, and was taxed with one-third the costs.

Jake Addison, Southern Pines Negro, demanded a trial by jury on a drunken driving charge, which was allowed upon deposit of the proper jury fee. The case was continued to next Monday, as were several others.

HOME PAPERS RATE TOPS

Colonel John W. Thompson, spinner of exciting tales of the men of the U. S. Marine Corps, writes in "Mail Day": "And there are the little home papers—little four sheet weeklies and semi-weeklies, Sentinels and Eagles, or Patriots, and Post-Items. They are read before anyone bothers to read the great dailies."

We in THE PILOT find it so. Men returning to the Sandhills from far off outposts tell us of the scramble for news of the home folks and of men in the service and are confirmed by the tenor of our mail. Now and then we find included an anxious inquiry as to the whereabouts of a missing issue—lost, no one knows where. Happily not many papers go astray and when they do, Soldier, Seaman, Marine, Coast-guard or Wac of our long mailing list of nieces and nephews of Uncle Sam is sped another copy. —C.M.

IN THE ARMY



SGT. THOMAS K. ATKINSON
Staff Sergeant Thomas Keith Atkinson has been transferred from Camp Breckinridge, Ky., to Headquarters, Second Army, at Memphis, Tenn. After his induction in February, 1942, Sgt. Keith was in training in Aeronautic Engineering at Camp Claiborne, La. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Atkinson of Southern Pines.

IN THE ARMY



SGT. JAMES F. WILSON
Sgt. James Frank Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson of Manly, was inducted into the Army March 2, 1942, and was stationed at Camp Claiborne, La., for six months, then transferred to Fort Bragg with the Airborne Command. He is now stationed at Camp Mackall. Sgt. Wilson attended school in Southern Pines.

One Soldier Killed, Two Civilians Hurt in Unusual Wreck

Gasless Car Being Pushed by Soldiers Collides With Auto

Pfc. George L. Webb of Camp Mackall was killed and J. W. Bowman and son, J. W. Bowman, of Aberdeen were injured in an unusual automobile accident which occurred about one mile south of Pinebluff on Highway 1 around 10:30 o'clock Friday night.

The car occupied by six soldiers had run out of gas, according to the report, and with Pfc. John A. Vaughn steering, the other five were out pushing, turning the car around to return to Pinebluff. This car and the Bowman car, driven by J. W. Jr., collided causing the soldier car to swerve and strike Pfc. Webb.

The Bownmans were carried to the Moore County Hospital, Mr. Bowman suffering from internal injury, bruises and lacerations and his son from concussion. A late report is to the effect that both are getting along well.

Investigation of the accident has not been completed, according to a statement by State Highway Patrolman Jones, who visited the scene.

WINS FIRST HALF SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The 834th Guard Squadron team of the AAFTC, Knollwood Field proved themselves superior by winning the first half of the softball league tournament. Opposing teams giving them stiff cooperation were Officers Club (winning second place); Statistical Control Unit; Motor Pool; Airport; and Southern Pines team.

Line-up for 834th Guard Squadron is Joe Kowalzik, pitcher; Staff Sgt. Paul McRae, 1st base; Pvt. Charles Babcock, catcher; Pvt. Jim Butler, 2nd base; Cpl. Dick Mayforth, shortstop; Sgt. Maurice Brush, 3rd base; Cpl. Charles King, short field; Sgt. Chick Piontich, left field; Pfc. John Dubina, center field; Cpl. Dick LaFontaine, right field. First Sgt. Harold Blevins is manager of the team.

FORMER LOCAL MAN PASSES IN FLORIDA

Word reaches The Pilot of the death of Parker Quincey Moore, a former mayor of Wilmington, at his home in Sarasota, Fla., Sunday night. Mr. Moore was well known in Southern Pines as the proprietor of the Broad Street Pharmacy following the death of Dr. R. E. Wiley in 1922, until its purchase by the late Dr. R. L. Hart.

Growers Are Urged to Vote on Tobacco Control in Referendum Saturday, July 24

VOTING PLACES

The township voting places for the tobacco control referendum to be held Saturday, July 24, as given out by the County AAA Committee, are as follows:
Ritters: High School, High Falls.
Deep River: Dowd's Store, Glendon.
Sheffield: Ritter's Hardware, Hemp.
Carthage: Court House, Carthage.
Sandhill: Burney Hardware Store, Aberdeen.
Greenwood: High School, Cameron.
Bensalem: School House, Eagle Springs.
Mineral Springs: Community House, West End.
McNeill: Town Hall, Vass.

The polls will be open from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. in all townships

Manly Group Honors Its Men and Women in The Services

Dedicates Service Flag in Impressive Ceremony at Presbyterian Church

In an impressive service held at the Manly Presbyterian Church Thursday evening of last week with the Rev. Troy D. Mullis leading, a service flag in honor of the young men and women from the Manly church and community now in the service of their country was dedicated.

The meeting opened with the singing of a hymn, after which the Roll of Honor was read and a star for each person on the list was pinned on the flag.

A beautiful ritual of dedication adapted from "Church Management" and arranged by Orville K. Melquist was used, the responses being given by the people following words of dedication by the pastor.

The flag was dedicated "In honor of the men and women who go from this church and community to serve the call of the nation; to the spirit of that real America which has ever sought to place the idealism of freedom and equality of all men high in its virtues; to the glory of God who has taught us that life is more than meat and the body more than raiment; that the inspiration of our own men and women may be remembered by us; as an expression of love for the homes from which these men and women came, for the affection of fathers and mothers."

The people pledged themselves and their homes to greater faith in God; to keep faith with their young men and women in service, to serve, and to pray for each of them, and to dedicate themselves to the task which lies before, that these men and women shall not have served in vain.

The Roll of Honor lists the following names: Harry B. Adams, William A. Boney, John D. Chisholm, Thomas H. Wilson, Frank Wilson, Harold Morrison, Clyde Morrison, John Moore Goldsmith, Joseph J. West, Roland Norton, Eugene Norton, Neil McDonald, Raymond Cameron, J. H. Patterson, Sarah Patterson, John Paul Gargis, Blois Gargis, James Robert Monroe, Russell Monroe, Clyde Holt, Nick Jonker, John Monroe, Lloyd Woolley, J. and Jasper Swearingen, Jr.

SPECIAL PROTECTION

E. H. Mills, who runs the Jefferson Inn, is, so far as known, the only hotel proprietor under the special protection of Providence. Last Saturday a lady guest sold him a radio for fifteen dollars on the plea that she was short of funds. E. H. gave her the full amount and she immediately flew town owing a week's board. Before E. H. had time to cut his throat the expressman brought two full suitcases consigned to the lady and ample security for the bill.

"It Was Indifference That Lost the Program in 1939," Agent Reminds

By E. H. Garrison, Jr.,
Moore County Farm Agent

On Saturday, July 24th, tobacco farmers will again vote on tobacco control. It is most important that all tobacco growers, both landlords and tenants, cast a ballot in this referendum. There appears to be no real opposition to the program, but as you know, it was indifference that lost the program in 1939. Each time that control has been voted out, we have lost some acreage. The last time we lost about 10 per cent of our acreage.

Recent legislation permits farmers to vote on flue-cured and Burley quotas.

If a favorable vote is cast for quotas throughout the flue cured and burley areas, they will be the only crops which will have quotas in 1944. One type of tobacco is not dependent on the other.

Tobacco quotas will provide for additional food and fiber and at the same time assure tobacco farmers of a price support.

Without quotas there can be no price support as I understand it.

Wheat and cotton have been released from control. If we can not show that we are vitally interested in a crop which has meant so much to the State of North Carolina, we may lose the control even though the election might carry. For this and many other reasons I hope that every grower will turn out and vote according to the dictates of his conscience.

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Body of Soldier Is Removed From Lake

Clothing Seen in Aberdeen Lake Bath House Saturday; Body Discovered Monday

A Camp Mackall soldier identified as Pvt. Cecil R. Taylor, Post Motor Pool, was drowned in Aberdeen Lake during the week-end. Life Guard Hugh Bowman and Sonny Keith discovered the body around 10:15 Monday morning between the pier and the dam. They removed the body to the shore and called Police Chief Lamar Smith, who notified the coroner and Camp Mackall authorities. The body was taken to Camp Mackall for an autopsy, a report of which has not been returned.

The young boys who were looking after the bath house had noticed the soldier's clothing there Saturday.

SHOOTING STARS

In a few weeks many "shooting stars" will be seen in the sky, according to James Stokley of General Electric's Research Laboratory.

Mr. Stokley, former director of the Fels Planetarium, says that "we will cross the path of the Perseid meteors about August 12. Around that date as many as 50 to 100 meteors an hour should be seen after midnight."

Meteors are commonly called shooting stars, but are actually small bits of celestial dust, which vanish in a flash of light when they encounter the friction of the earth's atmosphere.

ENJOYING VACATION

Miss Maida Jenkins, county accountant, is enjoying one of her infrequent vacations this week. She will return to her office next Monday. In the meantime the assistant, Mrs. Glendon Wicker, is efficiently serving the public.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

THE PILOT is pleased to have a communication from the F. B. Pottles in Jefferson, N. H. Mr. Pottles' Southern Pines friends will be glad to know that he is at home again after undergoing a very serious operation at a Boston hospital.