

### Five Enlist In National Guard; Activities Set

Five new enlistees this week brought the local National Guard tank company up to a strength of 68 enlisted men, well on the way to attaining the quota set for the current recruiting drive.

Latest additions to the roster are: Ernest D. Ransdell of Pinehurst, Cpl. Robert L. Davis of Southern Pines, Pvt. Jerry D. Daeke of Southern Pines, and Pvt. Henry L. Hearne and Ernest C. Evans of Carthage. Sgt. Ransdell, Cpl. Davis and Pvt. Hearne are all former servicemen. The company now has 14 former servicemen, including five ex-paratroopers, among the enlisted personnel.

Training in the use and care of the pistol continued this week, and some Guardsmen are scheduled to fire the weapon at the Moore County Rod and Gun Club's range near Aberdeen Sunday. Training in communications and basic subjects is scheduled for the immediate future, pending the arrival of a tank expected next month. The unit is to be equipped with the M-47 medium tank, which weighs 48 tons and mounts a 90 mm. gun as its primary armament.

First Lt. C. Ralph Shannon of Pinehurst, the company executive officer, said this week that future training would be designed to prepare the men for advanced tank training at Camp Stewart, Ga., in August. An outline of summer camp training was received this week. It includes instruction in tank operation, communications

### Moore Dimes Goal In Sight; \$2,500 Collected Here

Moore County is in sight of its \$7,500 quota in the March of Dimes, it was estimated Thursday by Campaign Treasurer Charles H. Bowman who said that approximately \$7,000 of the wanted amount had been turned in to him at the Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

He reported that \$1,060, \$10 more than its quota, had come from Pinehurst, where Chairman J. Frank McCaskill said he hopes for a total of \$1,500; that from Chairman Paul C. Butler of Southern Pines—where the quota was \$1,750, approximately \$2,500 had come in; Aberdeen's chairman Ray Burns has made his \$1,000 and a little bit more; and from Co-Chairmen Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sabiston of Carthage, also with a \$1,000 quota, almost \$1,300 had been remitted.

Co-Director Frank McCaskill, heading the county-wide drive with H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, has written all community chairmen asking that they make their reports in full to date, whether or not their quotas have yet been made, "so we can tell where we stand."

Other future activities planned include a detail to assist in traffic control during the Boy Scout parade in Southern Pines, Saturday, the organization of a National Guard softball team to compete in a summer league, and plans for a display at the Sunrise Theater for the showing of the picture, "This Is The Army," February 23.

## News and Personals from Vass

Bessie Cameron Smith, Representative — Telephone Vass 2171

### Baptist Services

The Rev. R. Lewis Beal, pastor of the Vass Baptist Church, will preach his final sermon here this Sunday morning before going to his new field near Hickory.

Youth Night will be observed Sunday at 7:30, when young people of the Baptist church will be in complete charge of the church service. George (Butch) Griffin was chosen by the youth group to be the speaker of the evening, and he will present the sermon. The youth choir will sing.

### Special Events

Beginning this Sunday and continuing for the next seven Sundays the Rev. Walter C. Smith, pastor, will hold a class in Christian Beliefs at the Methodist Church, for children, youth and adults who are or are not church members. This will run for an hour each Sunday, from 5:30 to 6:30 p. m.

At 7:30 o'clock this Sunday, Mr. Smith will review the book "The Master Calleth Thee," this taking the place of the regular sermon.

### Guest Minister

The Rev. C. M. Gibbs of Fayetteville will preach at the Vass Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m. this Sunday.

### Observes Birthday

Al Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Edwards, Jr., observed his 10th birthday by entertaining four friends at dinner Saturday at his home. Guests were Henry Callahan, David Crockett, Paul McNeill Burns and Danny McGill.

### Woman's Club

Mrs. C. P. McMillan and Mrs. A. G. Edwards, Jr., will be hostesses to the Vass Woman's Club tonight (Friday) at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. McMillan. The Welfare department will have charge of the program, with Mrs. J. A. Hudson as leader. Officers will be elected. Each member is asked to bring a dish towel for the Community House kitchen.

### Scout Windows

The local Boy Scout Troop has decorated the windows of Mrs. A. W. McNeill's vacant store building for Boy Scout Week. One is a soil conservation display, showing a farm home with landscaped grounds and terraced fields. It is complete—to a terrace with outdoor furniture, a car on the driveway, and tractors at work in the field. The other shows a tent and camping equipment.

### Honoring the Rev. R. Lewis Beal and Family

Honoring the Rev. R. Lewis Beal and family, members of the Baptist Church held a covered dish supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hendricks Friday night. As a special surprise they presented Mr. and Mrs. Beal, as a farewell gift, an electric deep-fryer.

### Ray Boggs Returns

Cpl. Ray Boggs, after about a year and a half in Korea, received his separation papers Friday at Fort Jackson, S. C., and gave his family a wonderful surprise by appearing at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Boggs, without giving them advance notice of his arrival date. On Sunday the family and John Boggs went to Raleigh to see Ray's sister, Mrs. Hal Womble, and family.

### Home Burns

While Mr. and Mrs. Sam Burwell, who live several miles out from Vass, were away Saturday, their home burned. Neighbors saved some of their household goods.

### Reynolds-Thomas

Miss Carol Thomas, former 10th grade pupil of Vass-Lakeview School whose family a few days ago moved to Lee County, and Leighton Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Reynolds of the Union Church section, were married in Bennettsville, S. C. Saturday. They were accompanied by the bridegroom's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Barber. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thomas.

### Attend Conference

Those from the Vass church who attended District group conference of Women of the Church at Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church Thursday were: Mrs. N. N. McLean, district president; Mrs. P. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. E. Gladstone, Mrs. H. D. Jackson, Mrs. Bob Edwards, Mrs. J. A. Hudson, Mrs. Ben H. Wood, Mrs. Hugh McLean, Mrs. Eugene Hicks, Mrs. Herbert Caddell, Mrs. Herbert Price, and Misses Agnes Smith and Polly Gilmore.

### Personals

Mrs. Thurlow Evans entered Moore County Hospital last week. Miss Martha McKay of Buies Creek visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cameron, last weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Crissman were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William John Graham in Southern Pines. Mrs. A. G. Crissman accompanied them to

Manly, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Culler.

Miss Bessie Cameron and Mrs. W. H. Keith visited their cousins, Misses Mamie, Minnie and Jackie Muse, in Cameron Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Abernathy were in Sanford Monday afternoon. Mrs. Abernathy has not been well for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Thomas of Greenville spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Redga Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. McGill and Debbie visited Airman 2c and Mrs. W. R. McGill and son, Robbie, at Sumter, S. C., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morgan and children visited her mother, Mrs. Annie Shankle, at Ansonville last weekend. Mrs. Shankle, who has been having heart attacks, was at home from the hospital and feeling much better, but must take it easy for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Rosser and children of Charlotte were weekend guests in the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Rosser. They visited Dr. Rosser at the Pinehurst Convalescent Home. Saturday was Dr. Rosser's birthday and although he was too sick for a celebration, the staff honored him with a birthday cake, his family carried gifts and many friends remembered him with cards, which he appreciated.

Mrs. W. B. Graham and Mrs. W. A. Muse were in Durham on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. S. R. Smith visited her niece, Carolyn Waddell, at Lee County Hospital Friday and Sunday. Carolyn, who lives in Sanford, was admitted to the hospital on Monday of last week. She was hoping to get home early this week.

Ralph Hendricks has returned home after receiving treatment at Moore County Hospital.

Miss Helen Callahan of the Moore County Hospital nursing staff visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Callahan, last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Beasley and family of Fayetteville visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Beasley and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Simpson during last weekend.

Mrs. H. C. Callahan had as her overnight guests Monday her three sisters, Mrs. Ed Franklin and Mrs. Lucille Freeze, of Danville, Va., and Mrs. Harry McBride of Concord; also, Mrs. Belle McKellar of Rockingham.

Mrs. Freeze was graduated last Sunday from Memorial Hospital in Danville.

Jack Musten spent last week-



SCHOOL CITED—Outstanding service by the USAF Air-Ground School at Southern Pines in the 1954 March of Dimes was recognized by an "Award of Merit" signed by Basil D. O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, presented this week by Paul C. Butler, Moore County chapter chairman (left, above) to Brig. Gen. Daniel W. Jenkins, commandant of the school. This is the second year the school has received the award. Last year's

contribution from the school amounted to \$721 from 100 per cent of the officers, airmen and civilian employees, for one of the highest per capita gifts for groups of comparable size in the nation. Looking on (at right) in acceptance of the 1954 challenge is Capt. Henry A. Jones, March of Dimes project officer at the school this year. He has reported \$831.51 contributed so far, with 100 per cent of the personnel of 138 participating. (Air Force Photo by Sgt. Bowman)

### Car Turns Over At Pinebluff, But Nobody Hurt

A car containing four teen-agers from Roxboro turned over on its top, with its wheels spinning in the air, but all four occupants emerged unhurt, it was reported today by the investigating patrolman.

He said the accident happened Wednesday about noon on US Highway 1 at an intersection near the northern town limits of Pinebluff, when a car driven by Solomon Gillis, Pinebluff Negro, turned to the left, and the car behind went out of control as brakes were abruptly applied. Both cars were headed south.

The second car, driven by Bobby Gene Burray, 17, of Roxboro, swerved to the left as the driver braked down hurriedly. He succeeded in avoiding a collision but landed his own car upside down on the highway shoulder.

Gillis told the patrolman he gave a hand signal, though Murray said he saw no signal. There was no evidence of high speed, and the patrolman said his inves-

end in Kernersville with his wife and baby son, Danny Lee, whom he carried to the home of Mrs. Musten's parents from a Winston-Salem hospital on Saturday.

tigation produced no evidence warranting the arrest of either driver.

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