

### Neill McKeithen, Aberdeen Native, Dies In Lumberton

Neill A. McKeithen, 58, brother of E. T. McKeithen of Aberdeen, died of a heart attack late Wednesday.

A native of Aberdeen, Mr. McKeithen was a farmer, merchant and tobacconist of Lumberton. He was a veteran of World War I and a former president of the Robeson County Association of the N. C. State College Alumni.

Though born in Aberdeen, he was raised in Carthage. He had been in business in Lumberton for many years.

Surviving are his wife; his mother, Mrs. Mary Pleasants McKeithen of Carthage; his brother, E. T. of Aberdeen; and four sisters, Misses Annie and Frances McKeithen, Mrs. Mary Clegg and Mrs. Norman Carter, all of Carthage.

Superior Court Judge W. A. Leland McKeithen of Pinehurst and Jere McKeithen of Aberdeen are nephews.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced this morning.



SGT. WILLIAM D. HOOKER, right, of Jackson Springs, receives congratulations and a certificate of completion from Col. Glenn G. Dickenson, commander of the 95th Military Government Group after being graduated from the Advanced Leaders School recently at Fort Gordon, Ga. Sgt. Hooker entered the Army in October, 1947, and was stationed at Fort Benning prior to entering Fort Gordon for the three week course. He is the son of Mrs. Addie Hooker of Dallas, Texas. His wife, Myrtle, lives on Route 1, Jackson Springs.

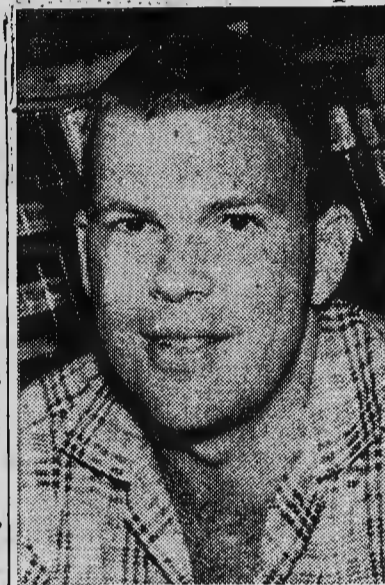
### Tom Wicker One of 11 Newspapermen To Be Awarded Nieman Scholarships

Tom Wicker, author and Washington correspondent for the Winston-Salem Journal, is one of 11 newspapermen in the country this year awarded Nieman Fellowships for study at Harvard University.

Wicker lived here in 1948 and served as the executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. He later went to Aberdeen and worked on the Sandhill Citizen. Since, he has worked on the Lumberton newspaper, and has served as director of information for the State Board of Public Welfare.

He is the author of five books, two of which have received national acclaim, "The Kingpin," and, published in January, "The Devil Must."

At Harvard, which he will attend for one year, he will study American government and economics.



TOM WICKER  
He is a nephew of Misses Mary and Rebecca Cameron of North Bennett Street.

### Services Are Held Today For Mrs. Annie McMillan

Mrs. Annie McMillan, 68, of Vass died in the Moore County Hospital Tuesday. She was born in Cumberland County, the daughter of the late Archie A. and Catherine McLaughlin McNeill.

Funeral services were held from the chapel of Powell funeral home in Southern Pines, with her pastor, the Rev. A. D. Carswell officiating, assisted by the Rev. Trivette of Vass, and the Rev. Carl Wallace of Fayetteville. Interment followed in Cypress Church Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, John M. McMillan; three daughters, Mrs. J. E. Parker Jr., and Mrs. W. B. Kirby of Fayetteville and Mrs. William Blackburn of Lakeview; seven grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. F. L. Dees of Portsmouth, Va., Mrs. N. F. Southerland of Wallace, and two brothers, Frank and Dan McNeill of Vass.

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### Carthage Jaycees Again To Sponsor Soap Box Derby

To Be Held July 20: \$1 Entry Fee

The Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce has announced plans for the annual Soap Box Derby, which it will sponsor again this year July 20.

All boys between the ages of 11 and 15 have been invited by the Carthage club to participate in

the event, the winner of which will be given a trip to Greensboro to compete in the district finals. Winner of the Greensboro event will receive a free trip to the national finals in Akron, Ohio, later in the summer.

First place winner in Carthage will receive a \$50 cash prize, with \$35 going to the second place winner. Third place will receive \$15.

Pickup stations for wheels and instructions will be located at Jud's TV Service in Carthage, Belk-Cline's store in Robbins, and the Pinehurst Garage in Pinehurst. The Southern Pines station will be announced later.

Total costs for the wheels and

steering columns, possible contestants were reminded, is \$19. Business concerns throughout the county have been urged by the Jaycees to sponsor at least one contestant.

An entry fee of \$1 will be charged. The Jaycees inaugurated the Soap Box Derby two years ago. Last year's winner was Gayle Frye of Carthage.

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