

Sufficient Number Of Smiths to Have Army of Their Own

But the Many Smiths Are Just Another Headache at Mail Time in Maneuvers

Camden, S. C.—There are 2203 Smiths, 1117 Williams, 1079 Johnsons and 1059 Jones on maneuvers with the First Army in the Carolinas. That's just one of the many mail problems confronting Major Erastus E. White, Postal Officer of Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum's First Army.

Many pieces of mail are received bearing no other notation than the man's name and Fort Bragg, N. C. Other mail arrives bearing simply the man's name and the notation "Somewhere on maneuvers in the Carolinas." About 2500 pieces of such improperly addressed mail are received daily.

Improperly addressed or not, 90 per cent of all the mail intended for First Army soldiers on maneuvers reaches the addressee. If the mail is properly addressed, showing the soldier's complete name, Army serial number and organization, no delay in delivery occurs.

This remarkable delivery record results from a master locator card file maintained at First Army headquarters, Army Post Office 401. Every officer and enlisted man in the First Army has a card bearing his name in this file. The card shows the soldier's rank, Army serial number, organization and other pertinent data.

The master locator card file serves other important purposes. Many telegrams and other urgent messages bearing news of deaths, serious illnesses and other emergencies are delivered only through the help of the file. The file also is used to locate the owner of lost identification tags, by the Adjutant General's office, the Message Center and by long-distance telephone operators. It is the only complete First Army file outside of the Adjutant General's office in Washington.

APO stands for Army Post Office. These are numbered in accordance with a plan provided by the War Department. Infantry divisions are numbered from 1 to 200, cavalry divisions from 201 to 250, armored divisions from 251 to 300, Army Corps from 301 to 350, Armored Corps from 351 to 400 and field armies from 401 to 500. Thus, APO 401 serves the First Army, APO 306 the VI Army

Love Life of Bullfrog Not In Booklet Form

A congressman, pleading recently in the House of Representatives for non-defense economics, charged the Department of Agriculture with squandering the taxpayers' money on a pamphlet about "the love life of the bullfrog." Reports of his speech brought to the Department of Agriculture 300 requests for the booklet. The department found it hadn't issued any such brochure, and its press agent issued a statement to the papers refuting the report that was publicizing the bullfrog's love life. The statement caused 600 more persons to write requesting a copy. That burned up Secretary Wickard, so the next time he went on the radio he repeated emphatically that his department had not issued, and did not intend to issue, any work on frog amours. Result: Another 1,300 requests to the department for the booklet.

Thanksgiving Dinner Menu Is Announced In Army

The Quartermaster Corps announces that for Thanksgiving dinner, the soldier in camp is to eat grapefruit, shrimp, soup, turkey, cranberry sauce, candied yams, mashed potatoes, peas, corn, mince and pumpkin pie, cheese, nuts and coffee.

If this Army "travels on its stomach," it will roll over.

Corps, APO 26 the 26th Infantry Division.

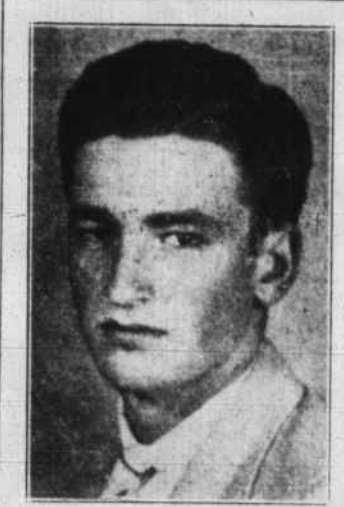
All mails are concentrated at Fort Bragg, N. C., and Fort Jackson, S. C. Fort Bragg supplies APOs 302, 28, 29, 44, 306, 1, 26, 9 and 401, while Fort Jackson handles mail for APOs 301, 8, 30, 251, 252, 351, 304, 4, 31 and 43.

"Army Serial No. 48,259,999—Bingo!" That's the comment one correspondent writing a soldier added to the soldier's address. Apparently this particular writer thought there must be simpler ways of contacting a soldier through the mails than by attaching all the information requested by army postal officers on the envelope.

But none of this information is superfluous — take it from Major White. If you're a soldier's best girl and you want your soldier boy to hear from you with the shortest possible delay, address your letters as follows:

"Private James Russell Smith
Army Serial No. 32,147,862
21st Ordnance Company
APO 401
Fort Bragg, N. C."

PROMOTED



Wheeler Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Martin, of Williamston, was recently promoted from second to first lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. The young man is stationed at France Field, Canal Zone.

Highlights From Nation's Capital

Possibility of anti-strike legislation; talk of "vastly greater" arms drive under the head of "Victory program," and consideration of another multi-billion-dollar tax bill this fall highlight capital business news.

On the latter, the Treasury has estimates that between five and eight billion dollars of what it calls "extra" purchasing power must be "mopped up" quickly to guard against inflation. Tentative plan is for a three way withdrawal of this "extra" cash—that is, buying power in excess of the goods available:

- (1) More general taxes, especially income taxes on individuals and excess profits taxes on corporations (applicable to 1942 earnings but enacted as soon as possible so people will start saving the money to meet the tax bill);
- (2) Sharply increased social security payroll taxes;
- (3) Increased individual savings, represented by investments in defense bonds. Weekly payroll-deduction plan, to help employees save income-tax money, will be urged on big employers.

Cotton Referendum Scheduled Dec. 13th

A referendum to determine whether growers want to continue cotton marketing quotas, which have been in effect for the past four years, will be held December 13th. E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive assistant of N. C. State College, announced to North Carolina farmers.

"There is little need to explain the marketing quota system to cotton growers of our State," Floyd declared. "They have realized the benefits of this orderly marketing system for four consecutive years, and there is no reason to doubt that quotas again will be approved by an overwhelming majority."

Quotas on the 1941 cotton crop were approved in a referendum on December 7, 1940, by 92.8 per cent of the 60,246 farmers who voted in North Carolina, and by 92.3 per cent of the 918,857 growers who cast ballots in the nation. The vote in North Carolina was: 55,937 for quotas, and 4,309 against quotas.

The AAA official quoted Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard as saying that "the 1942 planting allotment for cotton will be 27,400,000 acres in the United States, or about the same as this year."

Floyd said it is necessary to continue restrictions on cotton production because of the "collapse of foreign markets," and the accumulation of the large surplus. He added that this country already has enough cotton on hand to fill an extra year's needs.

As in the past, it will require a two-thirds vote of those balloting throughout the cotton belt to put quotas in effect for 1942. If quotas are approved, growers will be free to sell all the cotton they produce on their allotted acreage. Overproduction will be subject to a penalty

The pupils of the eyes of all monkeys are round like those in human eyes, says the Better Vision Institute.

TAX PAYMENTS

Record tax collections are being reported in this county for the tax year of 1941, according to information coming from Collector M. L. Peel's office in the courthouse today.

Nearly one-half, of \$94,117.78, of the 1941 levy has already been collected. Statements of accounts were mailed to the property owners less than a month ago. Exact comparisons are not available, but it is believed that this fall has been one of the best for tax collections in many years.

Education - Business To Work Together

A new keynote on teamwork between education and business has been struck by James M. Wood, president of Stephens College at Columbia, Mo. Discussing the forum to be held there in November on "the American woman and her responsibilities," he said "our business and professional leaders must assume a share of the responsibility for providing education in health and financial matters. Every business has in position to do an especially outstanding job in establishing financial security for homes. However, he said, they have not "followed through" in the matter of educating beneficiaries in the principles of investments of such funds—approximately a billion dollars a year of which 80 per cent is paid to women.

"The educational problem here, of making sure that the beneficiaries get the utmost possible value," Dr. Wood said,

Eyes of children do not move in unison until three months after birth, reports the Better Vision Institute.

Tip To Young Girls With Timid Suitor

Fort Jackson, S. C.—Here's a tip for girls who are waiting impatiently for a proposal from a timid suitor. Encourage him to join the Army. A perusal of the records of the 43rd Field Artillery Battalion here at Fort Jackson indicates that six months of Army life will spur the most reticent swain to an immediate expression of his desire for marital bliss rather than martial bliss. No less than seven members of the Headquarters Battery of the 43rd had the knot tied while on recent furloughs.

It isn't that the boys dislike the strictly military side of their Army life. It's simply the matter of sewing buttons, washing clothes, making beds, and doing K.P. that opens their eyes to the joys of living in a snug little nest, with the "one and only" in constant attendance to keep the place properly policed.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by W. D. Daniel and wife, Beatrice E. Daniel, to the undersigned Trustee, dated December 28th, 1939, recorded December 29th, 1939, in Book Y-3, at page 151, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Martin County, N. C., and at the request of the holder of the note secured thereby, default having been made in the payment thereof, I will, on Thursday, the 6th day of November, 1941, at twelve (12:00) o'clock noon, in front of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company door in the Town of Robersonville, Martin County, N. C., offer for sale at public auction, for cash, subject to all prior encumbrances to this paper, the property described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust, as follows:

"Lying and being in Griffins Township, the aforesaid County and State, bounded on the East by M. Lumber Co., bounded on the South by Hattie Daniel, bounded on the West by N. T. Daniel and Roberson heirs, and bounded on the North by N. R. Daniel, containing 90 acres,

more or less, and being the place we now live."

A deposit of 10 per cent of the purchase price will be required of the last and highest bidder at the time of the sale as evidence of good faith.

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