



NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

George Bethune Hurt In Action

Warrant Officer George Gaither Bethune, USNR, was injured in a recent action off the North African coast, according to an official notification received here by his wife, the former Miss Jennie Clark, this week.

Mr. Bethune, too has notified his wife of his injuries since the Naval department notice was received and he is now recovering at a hospital in that area.

(Coincidence)

On the day of the action in which Mr. Bethune was wounded a daughter was born to him and Mrs. Bethune at the Moore County Hospital, and though word has been sent, it is not believed that he has yet received this information.

Sgt. and Mrs. Jack Bethune arrived in New Orleans last week. Sgt. Bethune has been stationed at San Juan Porto Rico. He will remain in New Orleans until he receives new orders. Mrs. Bethune, who was formerly Miss Loula Etta Rondon of San Juan is now in Raeford and is with Mrs. Lacy McFadyen.

Captain Malloy Lamont returned to Camp Stewart Monday after having spent a week with Capt. and Mrs. Bill Lamont at Fort Moultrie, S. C. An account of Malloy's marriage appears here in this paper.

John M. Gibson Visits Friends In Raeford

John M. Gibson, a member of the public health commission of Alabama, was a visitor here Saturday. Now a resident of Montgomery, Mr. Gibson formerly lived here and for a year he was associate editor of the News-Journal in 1936.

For a time Mr. Gibson was a patient at the Sanatorium and after recovering he became editor of the Sanatorium Sun for several years. He was spending a while at his old home at Gibson Station.

Shortly after his arrival home, his visit was saddened by the sudden death of his brother, Pete Gibson, who died following a heart attack.

Know Your Endorser— Require Identification

All Government checks will soon bear the printed warning: "KNOW YOUR ENDORSER—REQUIRE IDENTIFICATION." This notice now appears on millions of checks sent to dependents of men in the armed forces, and is a major factor in the Secret Service program of Crime Prevention Through Education.

The Bank of Raeford has been notified by the Treasury Department that it will perform a service which will benefit the Bank, community, and Government by having printed on the blank checks issued by the Bank "Know Your Endorser, Require Identification". Mr. McDonald, acting Cashier says the Bank is planning to do this and asks for co-operation.

SERVICES AT HICKORY GROVE

Services at Hickory Grove, F. W. B. will be conducted Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock by Rev. W. H. Ivey.

The British Red Cross has sent nearly 3,000 tons of supplies to Russia



Pete Howell Gets Promotion In Navy

Charleston, S. C., July 21.—A Navy petty officer's rating is being sported by Percy Cleveland Howell, 25, of Raeford, N. C. as a result of his promotion from seaman first class to storekeeper third class.

Now on duty in the commissary store at Charleston Navy Yard, Howell was a grocery clerk at the time of his enlistment in the Navy last August 9.

Son of Mrs. P. C. Howell, Sr., of Raeford, he attended Raeford High School and has two brothers, Dan and Walter, who are serving in the army.

Joseph C. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Campbell of Shannon, North Carolina, has been promoted from staff Sergeant to Technical Sergeant at an Army Air Base in Birmingham, Alabama. He is a former employee of the Hoke Concrete Works in Raeford, North Carolina.

Staff Sgt. Graham Clark who is with the United States Army at Curacao has recently been promoted to 1st Sgt.

Cpl. Howard Clark returned to Aberdeen Proving Grounds after spending an eight day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neill Clark.

Capt. T. B. Lester, now at Camp Davis will report for duty at Camp Sheridan, Ill. in August.

Aviation Cadets, Eldred and Lawrence Helton, were recently classified as Pilots at the Nashville Army Air Center (A A F C C) Nashville, Tenn.

Tobacco Wage Prices Discussed

A representative group of tobacco farmers met at the County Agent's office on Monday night to discuss problems in connection with the harvesting of tobacco.

It appears that sufficient labor is available to harvest the tobacco crop, but in some cases, it may be necessary to swap labor with neighbors, according to County Agent, A. S. Knowles.

Farmers attending this meeting agreed to pay tobacco primers \$2.00 per day or 20c per hour. It is expected that other farmers will follow this price schedule.

L. E. Reaves Sells Fayetteville Drug Store

L. E. Reaves has sold his drug store on Haymount Hill in Fayetteville to John Wooten. The drug store will hereafter be known as Wooten Drug Co. No. 1. The News-Journal was unable to learn what Mr. Reaves' plans for the future are.

Group White Men To Bragg 30th

The following white men have been ordered to report to Fort Bragg for final examination and induction on July 30, 1943:

William Henry Lowe, Cole L. Williams, Allen Domes Smith, Charlie Lee Cault, Thomas Alexander McInnis, Jesse Lonnie Teal, Jr., Douglas Stephens, Richard Gaston Jones, and James Jones.

Charles Eugene Davis, William McPhaul Clark, Leo Thompson, William Fred Hendricks, Kenneth Odell Wooten, Douglas Bryan Nixon, John Herbert Reynolds and Daniel Weatherly Odom, (transferred from Va.)

FARM BUREAU SUBSCRIBERS

All those who are not NOW Subscribers to the News-Journal who joined the Farm Bureau in February will be added to the mailing list upon REQUEST at the News-Journal office or by mailing this notice and your name in immediately. Bureau members please clip and notify others. This offer will last 'til Sept. 1st, and is made at this time as there was a misunderstanding in the Spring regarding this.

PAY YOUR SUBSCRIPTION BEFORE AUGUST 1st

Those who have received Cards Please Take Notice.

Negro Couple Admits Theft Of \$180.00

Judge McDiarmid Says County Will Confiscate Autos Carrying Non-Taxed Liquor.

Nathaniel Lasley and his wife, colored couple of Blue Springs township, are lodged in the county jail awaiting preliminary hearings on charges growing out of the theft of \$180.00 from Mack McPhatler, colored, also of Blue Springs.

According to members of the sheriff's department McPhatler reported the theft of the money on June 27th and on July 13th, the couple was arrested.

\$40, believed to be a part of the money, was found in the Lasley home hidden under a brick in the hearth. Officers stated that Lasley promised to show them where an additional \$130 was hidden.

In county court Tuesday Judge Henry McDiarmid served warning on David McMillan, and others brought before him on charges of transporting liquor on which state and federal taxes had not been paid, that their vehicles would be confiscated by the court upon conviction or transporting charges. McMillan was being tried on two charges; operating a car with improper equipment and of transporting bootleg liquor. He was given a 30 day suspended sentence in each case and the court ordered McMillan's car held by the county under provisions of the Turlington Act.

Gas and tires are needed for the war effort, stated Judge McDiarmid, and when a defendant is brought into this court and convicted of hauling bootleg liquor the court will see that the defendant and his car are separated, for good.

Herman Baldwin, Howard Bratcher and Norman McMillan each paid costs for operating cars with improper equipment.

Robert Carter waived preliminary hearing before Judge McDiarmid on charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Sadie McMathan had the negro indicted following an attack in which she stated he inflicted knife wounds upon her head and body which necessitated some 75 stitches. Carter's bond was set at \$500. This amount had not been posted late yesterday and he was still in the county jail.

Sam McRae and Bertha McLaughlin pleaded guilty to charges of fornication and adultery and were put under suspended sentences upon payment of costs. Leon Gary and Lillie May Smith received like sentences for a similar offense.

Liz Willis and Cliff Thomas each drew 30-day sentences for assaulting Aline Thomas, Cliff's wife. The sentences were suspended upon payment of costs, and Cliff was fined \$10 and the doctor's bill.

Francis J. Rizzo, Jonnie M. Wallace and C. E. Rotchie, each had posted bond for speeding, forfeited their bonds and these were ordered forfeited by the court.

Emergency Tires Now Available

A ceiling price for unrepaid "Emergency Tires" of one dollar (\$1) per tire is established by the Office of Price Administration by Amendment No. 12 to Maximum Price Regulation No. 107, covering Used Tires and Tubes. This controls sales to consumers of low-quality used passenger car tires which now are permitted for the first time.

The tires involved are tires which up to the present time, have not been permitted to be sold for use because they were not in a sound condition and were not repairable under the requirements previously in effect. It is now permitted to sell any passenger car tire that can be used as a tire and will deliver mileage; and it may be sold without repairs or with emergency repairs such as cold patches and reliners.

This amendment establishes maximum prices for these new transactions in emergency tires that have not previously been sold to consumers. It does not change the maximum prices for sound tires, or for tires repaired with vulcanized repairs which meet the qualifications of salable tires under the former test. To the maximum price established by this amendment for these emergency tires, it is provided that the seller may add for each emergency repair an amount equal to his own maximum price for such repair under Maximum Price Regulation No. 165 as amended. In no case shall the total exceed the maximum price for a sound basic tire carcass of the same size.

Rationing of meat and gasoline is strict in Uruguay.

D. B. Gillis Away July 26—August 8

D. B. Gillis, local representative of the Carolina Power and Light Company who maintains service for the company in this section, will be away from Raeford on vacation from July 26th through August 8th, he stated yesterday. Mr. Gillis says that he will be relieved during the vacation by J. M. Ballard and A. D. Carmichael. Mr. Ballard will be here the first week and Mr. Carmichael will be here the second. They will be at the Roberts' home and will be available for maintenance calls through telephone 2831.

Second 12 Dozen Kit Bags Sent To Red Cross

Two hundred and eighty-eight of the 400 kit bags assigned to Hoke County by the Red Cross have been made and sent to embarkation points, according to Miss Josephine Hall, through whose office these bags have been collected.

Made by members of the Hoke County Chapter according to Army and Marine corps regulations these little bags are filled with the little things that a soldier needs over seas and are unavailable through regular army supply sources. Things such as about 150 buttons of various sizes, a small soap box and soap, shoe polishing cloth, pencil, pack of smokes, a deck of playing cards, pair of shoe laces, razor blades, a humorous book, a sewing kit, paper and envelopes.

At the embarkation point they are given to the boys going to foreign training stations or to one of the points of action.

144 of the kits were sent from here some weeks ago, and already the donors are beginning to hear from the boys who received them. It costs about \$1 to equip one of the bags and the name of the person supplying that money is enclosed in the bag as donor. 144 went out to Hampton Roads this week. Another shipment is to be made soon, it was stated yesterday.

Lt. Harold Smith Cited For Bravery In African Action

Lt. Harold Smith, who lived in Raeford for a number of months last year, before shipping overseas with an armored outfit, has been cited for bravery in action, according to a letter received here by T. B. Upchurch, Jr., at whose home he lived while here.

The citation reads as follows:

1. 1st Lt. Harold Smith, O-452646, was assigned to Battalion during the Maknassy action, and moved directly into action with B Co., A. R., in an observer capacity. During this and subsequent actions Lt. Smith conducted himself in a manner that was a credit to his Division. His calmness and courage under the most dangerous situations served as an inspiration to all with whom he came in contact. In the actions near Beja he was assigned as Liaison officer to the Battalion of the Infantry. In this capacity he performed his job in a superior manner with utter disregard for his own safety and his timely information contributed greatly to the success of the operation. Later he volunteered to command a platoon going into action when all the platoon officers in that particular Company had been killed. Once again he proved himself to be an officer of courage and skill who quickly gained the support of his men. Such action on the part of an unassigned observer I deem highly commendable and deserving of recognition.

Signed Officer

MISS DELLA NORTON

Miss Della Norton died at her home in Blue Springs township, a few miles west of Raeford, at 2:45 P. M. Monday after three years of illness.

She was the eldest child of the late Hiram and Martha Norton. Surviving are two sisters, Eliza and Carrie Norton; two brothers, J. M., and E. W. Norton; all of Raeford; ne nephew and ne niece, Zane Grey Norton and Doris Norton.

The funeral was held from the home at 4 P. M. Tuesday with burial in Raeford cemetery.

Mr. Will Lamont's Condition Improved

A letter from Mrs. Will Lamont received just before going to press says that Mr. Lamont's condition is much better. He is in Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.

Hold Tobacco Referendum Saturday

The referendum on marketing quotas for tobacco will be held Saturday, and County Agent A. S. Knowles states "The tobacco farmers of Hoke County have a real opportunity to go out to the polls Saturday and support the tobacco marketing program in a way to maintain the best selling prices and advantages which have been of benefit to them. With good management," he stated, "the farmers here have been able to produce more fine quality tobacco on less acreage, and this has given them more time and more land to devote to other crops."

Voting places in Hoke County are: Allendale—Community House; Antioch—Community House; Blue Springs—Community House; Little River—Community House; McLaughlin—F. A. Monroe's Store; Jewehiffle—Ashmont School; Raeford—Court House; and Stonewall—Mildouson School.

North Carolina growers have greatly profited from tobacco marketing quotas during the six year period they have been in effect, both on tobacco and other field crops grown in the state, says Julian E. Mann, in charge of Extension studies at State College.

Comparing the before quota years of 1928 to 1932 with the six tobacco quota years, average yields of tobacco increased from 692 pounds to 942 pounds per acre. On 133,000 less acres and with correspondingly less expense, North Carolina growers produced total crops which averaged 513 million pounds of tobacco as compared with 468 million pounds in before quota years.

Yields of cotton per acre increased 31 per cent during this period and the average yield of pounds was up 22 per cent. Grain yields also increased. Wheat went up 22 per cent, oats 19 per cent, and barley 23 per cent.

The acreage of corn was increased from 2,188,000 acres a year during this period to 2,413,000 acres but the average yield went up 11 per cent and the total production was 23 per cent greater. The hay average was also increased by 324,000 acres, the average yield per acre went up 16 per cent, and North Carolina growers had 66 per cent more hay to feed a rapidly growing livestock industry.

If tobacco quotas are discontinued at this time many new growers will attempt to enter the field of production and a calamitous situation may follow with overproduction and lower prices. The wise grower will look on tobacco marketing quotas as it will affect him in years to come, when conditions may be decidedly different from what they are today.

Rev. J. D. Whisnant To Preach Here

The Reverend J. D. Whisnant, of Stony Point, N. C. will preach at the Raeford Baptist Church Sunday morning at the regular 11:00 service. The Union Service will be held at the Baptist Church Sunday night and will also be conducted by Rev. Whisnant.

Not A Man Lost Crossing Ocean

Washington, July 18.—Invasion forces to join American troops in North Africa in preparation for attacking Sicily were moved across the Atlantic without the loss of a man, the Navy department reported today.

"During the eight months intervening the invasions of French Morocco and Sicily," the Navy reported, "ships under Admiral Royal E. Ingersoll, commander in chief, Atlantic fleet, shuttled back and forth across the ocean, moving troops of the U. S. Army to Africa."

THE WEEKLY KIWANIS MEETING

Last Thursday night the Raeford Kiwanis Club was privileged to hear Lieutenant Governor Stacey Weaver of The 2nd Carolinas Kiwanis District who subbed for our own Lieutenant Governor McKinnon of Lumberton who has found it impossible to make his official trips. Gov. Weaver's address on "The Part Kiwanis should play in War and Peace" was good from beginning to end. It was probably the most appreciated and commented on speech that has been made before the club for quite a while.

After adjournment Gov. Weaver met the officers of the club in a short business meeting.

The barracuda is able to change color in conformity with its background.

Will Lamont Very Ill In Charleston

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lamont accompanied Capt. and Mrs. Malloy Lamont to Fort Moultrie Monday of last week to visit another son, Capt. William Lamont. While there Mr. Lamont was stricken with acute appendicitis. He was operated on at Stark General Hospital. Pneumonia developed and the family was very much worried over his grave condition.

W. R. Barrington Appointed War Officer For Hoke

Drive On Loading Given Impetus By "Work or Fight Committee"; Will Check Ration Books Too.

Hoke County's efforts to help Governor J. M. Broughton carry out his mandate that the able-bodied men and women of North Carolina shall contribute to the war effort was given impetus Monday night when the "Work or Fight" committee employed W. R. Barrington as special war officer.

According to Tommie Upchurch, chairman of the committee, Mr. Barrington has been employed by the committee to carry out investigations for each of the several boards represented by the committee and will be empowered by police authority from the town of Raeford and Hoke County. His duties will be to check up on all loafers, inspect their gas ration cards, check on their draft status, to work with the War Board to prevent any black market operations, and to assist the draft board in any of its investigations.

The plan of the committee, submitted to Governor Broughton for approval, was heartily endorsed by the Chief Executive and in a letter to Mr. Upchurch he promised the local committee his hearty support.

The committee is composed of a representative from the following governing units and boards: Draft Board—Edgar Hall; Ration Board—A. K. Stevens; County Commissioners—N. G. H. Balfour; Sheriff's Department—D. H. Hodgin; Raeford Police Department—Chief W. J. McQuaque; Town of Raeford—Mayor Neill McFadyen; For Highway Patrol—J. Barnes; and Mr. Upchurch who was appointed by Governor Broughton to head the group.

Mr. Barrington was former chief of police of Raeford and a special county officer.

Mr. Upchurch stated that reports and complaints from responsible persons would be highly welcomed by the "Work or Fight" committee, and by the boards or governing units they represent. Such information would be kept strictly confidential he stated, and for that reason no attention would be paid to any unsigned communications. "We are out to do what the Governor has asked us to do, and to do it rightfully and legally," he said, and all citizens should be willing to aid us in this effort. Unsigned complaints and anonymous letters show us that somebody is not willing to do his or her part. People can either see Mr. Barrington or talk to any person on the committee and tell of supposed violations of the ration requirements, draft regulations or the work or fight proclamation and we will have the case investigated."

Control Room

The Control Room schedule for the coming week is as follows:

Friday, July 23—Mrs. J. A. Baucum Saturday, July 24—Mrs. W. P. Baker Sunday, July 25—Mrs. H. C. McLaughlin

Monday, July 26—Mrs. J. W. Walker

Tuesday, July 27—Mrs. Tommie Upchurch

Wednesday, July 28—Mrs. N. A. McDonald, Jr.

Thursday, July 29—Mrs. H. K. Holland.

