

## NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Cpl. Eugene R. Seaford, who is stationed in Curacao, B. W. I., arrived home Thursday to spend a 30-day leave, his first since going to the Caribbean area some 18 months ago.

Tech Sgt. Buist Bethune, gunnery instructor at Kelly Field, Texas, spent a short while at home last Thursday while being grounded at Fort Bragg. Sgt. Bethune was enroute to Washington for a medical checkup. He expects to return to station later this month.

### IT'S "LIEUTENANT" AUSTIN

Truman Austin received his commission as second lieutenant in the army air forces recently, following completion of the officer candidate course at Miami Beach. He is now stationed at the Alliance Field, Alliance, Nebraska.

S/Sgt. Jack Bethune, now stationed in Porto Rico, is spending a leave here with home folks.

Lt. North Lilly, AAF, son of C. A. Lilly, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his father. Lt. Lilly is stationed at Napier Field, Ala.

Petty Officer P. C. Howell, Jr., stationed at Charleston, S. C., spent the weekend with his mother.

### TO MERCHANT MARINE

D. C. Cox, Jr., is spending several days here with his parents. Formerly with the shipyards at Wilmington, he has signed up with the Merchant Marine.

Pvt. Paul Sanders, who has been in service with the Marines in the South Pacific waters, is spending some time here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufe Sanders.

A cable was received Monday from Sgt. James Milton Campbell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Campbell, that he was safe and well. Sgt. Campbell has been in service since July 1942, and has now arrived at a Foreign service station.

## The Week's News — But Briefly —

Thursday—Catania, Munda, Orel and Belgorod fell to United Nations—Sweden announced closure of her borders to Axis troops and material as of August 20th—believed to be a sign that Sweden no longer expects to be invaded by a German force. The next German city to receive the block-buster calling cards of the around-the-clock air raiders may be Berlin.

State news—The night jailer of Wake county has been fired. He is reported to have been host at a party for some of the inmates—including a couple of girls indicted under the May act—and two of them "escaped". The jailer is reported to have been convicted of drunkenness 52 times in Raleigh county. 1010 North Carolina lads of 17 joined the Navy during July and 1,100 enlisted in June. General H. H. Arnold got an eyeful at the special maneuvers of night landing forces of the Airborne troops in training at the Maxton Airbase. Night landings, landings in the woods and on McNair's Mill pond, and a band playing "Coming In—" on a glider at four thousand feet, with special glider loops and dives done by Maj. Murphy at the first public demonstration of glider activities at the base. Whiteville's Legion Juniors baseball team won the state championship from Albemarle taking all three games, and not being defeated during entire season.

Friday — Reports from Germany indicate Hitler is only nominal head of German Reich now. Goerring is probably chief of armies, following panicky reaction to Mussolini's down fall. Red armies begin drive on Kharkov-Bryansk. Harry Hopkins announces plans to move from White House—some say at Mrs. Roosevelt's suggestion. Tobacco prices on opening of Border Belt are slightly higher than \$41 ceiling.

Saturday — Italy, reports say, finds terms of Allied nations "unacceptable" and continues in war on German side. Swiss give evasive answer to U. S.-British request that no neutral nation would give Axis leaders asylum. James A. Bowers, Jr. of Beaufort, S. C. was fined \$3,000 for six violations of gas rationing act. Drive on Kharkov continues.

Sunday — North Carolina, Maryland, and New Jersey join in farm labor exchange plan, other states (Continued On Back Page)

## Night-Lights Interfere With Blackout

The blackout of Tuesday night, which came as a surprise to all civilian defense officials, was very finely observed here except in two cases where lights were left burning in a locked residence and in a local cafe, it was stated yesterday.

The night-light of Lee's Cafe was left burning while the manager went to the picture show. There was no outside switch and the warden of the business district had no jimmying tools with which to enter the establishment. It was finally extinguished as the all-clear signal was given.

Lights were left burning at the home of John Calvin McLean while Mr. McLean was down town. They were turned off about the time the warning period was over.

Airraid officials state that the publication of the names of violators this time should serve as a final warning to citizens, and add that warrants will be secured for all violators during succeeding blackouts.

## South Carolina Farmers Ask New Weed Roof

A group of tobacco growers from South Carolina, headed by Senator B. R. Maybank appealed to President Roosevelt and the OPA Tuesday for changes in ceiling prices on the golden weed, claiming that the \$41 roof for flue-cured tobacco average price was too low.

This price was set for all tobacco of this type grown from Florida to Maine. In the Georgia-Florida belt, it is sold ungraded. Many growers in this belt, state that if some allowance is not made for this expensive handling, grading and tying process, they will dump their crops on the market in the Georgia state.

A meeting of tobacco growers of North Carolina was called for yesterday by the Farm Bureau, where J. E. Winslow, president, argued that the farmers of the Carolina belts were entitled to a better price because of this extra handling and grading than were the growers of Georgia.

The OPA announced from Washington that it was "considering some action to ease the market's handling of the crop" but it definitely will not mean more money.

Light sales were recorded throughout the border belt on both North and South Carolina markets last Thursday and Friday and most sales averaged somewhat higher than the \$41 ceiling for total poundage sold, according to reports. Many farmers, however, had little weed ready for the early opening because few have finished curing their entire crop in this section. Others have had such constant demand on their short supply of labor since the recent rains that they have not yet had any time for grading and handling their tobacco.

Crops in this section are turning out better than mid-summer estimates indicated, some farmers say and a fair return is expected in spite of the heavy rains at the height of the growing season.

Cotton farmers throughout the county state that they will probably market a little tobacco now and then, as the weather interferes with their harvesting their cotton crop, but the staple is opening so fast now that many expect to sell little tobacco for several weeks.

## Antioch Pastor To Move To Virginia At Early Date

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Henry R. Poole will regret to learn that, with their family, they plan to leave Antioch about the last of August.

Mr. Poole has accepted a call to the Glenwood Presbyterian church in Norfolk, Virginia, after serving efficiently as pastor of the Antioch church for the past seven years, during which time the Poole family as a whole has endeared itself to the entire community claimed by the Antioch church, as well as the surrounding section. The increase in membership during Mr. Poole's pastorate has approximated between 75 and 100.

The Antioch church, which is more than a hundred years old, has become increasingly well known through its annual fall "in-gatherings," for many years the largest of any church in this section of the state.

A pastor has not been secured to succeed Mr. Poole.

## Mr. Upchurch Is Somewhat E

T. B. Upchurch, Sr., patient at Highsmith's hospital, is reported to be slightly improved from a severe case of influenza. Mr. Upchurch had to undergo an operation to lose a foot Tuesday when a balky mule whirled machine about. The blade severed the left leg just above the shoe, severing the foot.

## News Truck And A. & R. Bus Each Kill Mule Here

On Monday a frightened mule belonging to a Mr. Hendrix of Arabia was struck and killed by the motor bus of the A. & R. railway at the Arabia crossing. The driver attempted to pull the mule away from the crossing but the struggling animal reared and plunged into the motor bus, it was stated.

On Tuesday afternoon a wagon belonging to Louis Parker was struck by a truck driven by Joseph Bening Tyler, Jr., on the Fayetteville highway about five miles north of Raeford.

The mule pulling the wagon, though clear of the highway itself, was killed by the impact of the wagon after it was struck. Alex Blue, driver of the wagon, was said to have escaped uninjured. Tyler is being held under \$100 bond on careless and reckless driving charges on a warrant sworn out by Highway Patrolman J. Barnes, who investigated the wreck.

## United War Fund Committees Will Meet Friday

In letters mailed yesterday J. Lawrence McNeill and Mrs. W. L. Poole, chairman and vice chairman of the War Finance Committee and the United War Fund of Hoke County, invited representative leaders from each section of the county to meet here Friday evening at 8:30, at the Court House for a conference on the Fund drive and the new bond drive which are to be held throughout the nation in the coming weeks.

Details of the drive plans and the forces which have led up to their necessity will be outlined, according to Mr. McNeill, who states that those invited to attend the conference Friday evening will be asked to serve on both committees.

The United War Fund, he states, has been decided upon in order to make just one nation-wide campaign for all of the 16 recognized war relief agencies operating both here at home and on the battle fronts.

The War Finance Committee, which so successfully planned the recent War Bond drive, has been called on by the President and Secretary of the Treasury for another drive to be conducted in September. Plans for this campaign will also be discussed at the meeting Friday.

### VISITING MINISTER

Chaplain J. R. Steel will conduct the morning worship service at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday, August 15th. Capt. Steel is a Methodist minister from Oklahoma City, Okla., and is now stationed at Fort Bragg.

## Superior Court Convenes Here August 23rd

A term of Superior Court, both criminal and civil, will be convened here on August 23rd with Resident Judge Q. K. Nimocks, of Fayetteville, presiding, according to John Cameron, clerk.

Mr. Cameron stated that dockets for the term had not been completed as yet but, since the mid-summer term was omitted, it was expected that a full week would be required to clear the criminal docket and the civil calendar.

Jurors for the term were drawn as follows:

**JURY LIST AUGUST TERM 1943.**  
J. L. Wood, Raeford, W. E. Hughes, Little River, R. M. Cox, Raeford, Daniel F. McInnis, McLauchlin, Lee Maulsby, Quewhiffle, C. W. Covington, Quewhiffle, L. D. Brooks, Little River, E. A. Winecoff, Juewhiffle, Alpheus Pittman, Stonewall, Hugh Hair, McLauchlin.

G. B. Bostic, McLauchlin, N. J. Ritter, McLauchlin, J. L. McFadyen, Stonewall, T. B. Lester, Sr., Raeford, Murdock Cameron, Little River, M. L. Wood, McLauchlin, R. W. Thompson, Quewhiffle, G. T. Hardister, Quewhiffle, Joe Gullede, Raeford, W. L. Thornburg, Quewhiffle, George Shaker, Quewhiffle.

R. F. Clark, Blue Springs, M. B. McLauchlin, Antioch, J. F. Chisholm, Blue Springs, T. C. Sinclair, Quewhiffle, David Hendrix, Stonewall, Julian B. McLeod, Raeford, L. M. Huggins, Antioch, O. L. Wood, McLauchlin, H. M. Bedsole, Stonewall, Will Watson, Antioch.

J. W. Cain, Raeford, M. F. Livingston, Stonewall, M. B. McBryde, Antioch, Henry Garner, Little River, Will Rose, McLauchlin, D. H. Yarborough, Blue Springs, J. S. Poole, Raeford, Dan McKeithan, Raeford, and M. S. Hair, McLauchlin.

## Nashville Group Names Class For Hoke Native

The following, taken from the Weekly Bulletin of June 5, 1943, of the Men's Bible Class, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tennessee, will be of interest to friends of Murdock MacLeod in Hoke county.

### "Class Renamed for Dr. W. Murdock MacLeod.

"Those commemorating lines will serve to further preserve the memory of our former and dearly beloved pastor, William Murdock MacLeod, whom God in His wisdom and pleasure called home on May 30, 1940, to be forever there with Him.

"Mack," as he was intimately known, was born near Raeford, North Carolina. He graduated from Davidson College in 1922 and from Union Theological Seminary in 1925. His first pastorate was in Pinehurst, North Carolina, a Home Mission Church with fifty members. This membership he rapidly built up to more than five hundred. Under his guidance a beautiful colonial type church was erected, serving twelve denominations.

In response to an urgent call he came to Nashville in April, 1934, to accept the pastorate of Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church. Five years (Continued On Back Page)

## Power To Be Off Twice Sunday

Electric service will be interrupted on Sunday, August 15, in Raeford, according to an announcement by R. C. DuBose, Manager of the Carolina Power & Light Company in this area.

"The interruption," said Mr. DuBose, "is to permit important repair work which could not be done with safety without disconnecting service. We sincerely hope that it is planned for hours when a minimum of inconvenience will be caused customers in the areas to be affected."

Service will be off from 8 A. M. to 8:15 A. M. and from 4:45 to 5 P. M. on Sunday.

Mr. DuBose said, "We regret the necessity of disconnecting service for even a short period of time, but it is essential that our lines be kept in good repair at a time when abnormally heavy demands are being imposed upon us by the war production program."

## Director Walsh Of USO Explains War Fund Plan

John J. Walsh, of Southern Pines, area director of the United Service Organizations, was the speaker at the Raeford Kiwanis club meeting last week. Mr. Walsh talked to the club on the plans now being completed for the coming War Fund Drive in which the USO will share.

Mr. Walsh stated that J. Lawrence McNeill would serve Hoke county as chairman of a committee which would be made up of citizens from over the county to solicit contributions to the fund. Hoke's quota for the drive is \$3,385, and the goal for the nation is \$125,000,000.

The United War Fund will be the name under which a drive will be conducted for monies to finance the operations of some 16 war service agencies serving men in service throughout the world on every front, and also to provide for relief of refugees from Axis-occupied countries, stated Mr. Walsh.

The sixteen agencies are:

War Prisoners Aid; United Seamen's Service; Refugee Relief Trustees; Russian War Relief; United China Relief; United Czechoslovak Relief Fund; United States Committee for the Care of European Children.

U. S. O.: The United Yugoslav Relief Fund; Greek War Relief Association; The Belgian War Relief Society; Norwegian Relief; Polish War Relief; The Queen Wilhelmina Fund; The British War Relief Society; French Relief Fund.

## McInnis Clan Will Gather August 15th

The annual gathering of the McInnis clan will be held on Sunday, August 15th, it was announced here yesterday. The meeting will be held at the Dundarrach Presbyterian church and the Rev. Henry R. Poole, pastor, will preach the sermon. All members are urged to attend—with full baskets for the picnic dinner.

## Supplies Reach Guadalcanal in Pulpwood Cases



(Official U. S. Marine Corps photo.)  
FRESH AMERICAN DIVISION, just arrived from New Caledonia, unloads rations packed in waterproof containers made from pulpwood, as landing barges are beached at Guadalcanal in South Pacific, which our troops captured from Japs. Photo shows soldiers carrying cases to supply depot. Transports in background, in inset, left, containers float ashore in surf. Vastly increased quantities of pulpwood are needed for war—NOW!

## Negro Woman Held On Forgery Bill Waves Hearing

Mary Frances Harrington, Negro woman, indicted on charges of forgery in passing a check on T. B. Upchurch, Jr., waived a preliminary hearing before Judge Henry McDiarmid in county court Tuesday morning and was ordered held for trial during the August term of Superior court.

Daniel Brown, alias "BUNK" Brown, Negro, was arrested last week on charges of drunkenness and assault with a deadly weapon preferred by his wife. In court Tuesday he pleaded guilty of drunken and disorderly conduct, but his wife failed to prosecute him on the assault charges. He was ordered to pay the costs in lieu of sentence of 30 days on the roads. Jesse D. Grant, white, paid costs for speeding. Thurman Davis, white, paid costs for operating car without driver's license. Bundy Allen Ring, Negro, pleaded guilty to possession of non-tax-paid liquor and paid court costs.

The case against Raymond McPhatter, Negro, accused of the larceny of a pistol from Jasper Chavis, watchman of the planing mill, was not pressed. Dalton James Godwin pleaded guilty to driving on wrong side of road and paid court costs.

## Group White And Indians Go To Bragg Today

White and Indian men from Hoke County who will be given their pre-induction examination at Fort Bragg today are:

James Locklear, James Wilton Dickerson, Julius Alex Brigman, Daniel Festus Talley, Jr., Edward Sorrell Smith, James Jones, Alton Rosser Holder, Foster Ammons, Arthur Richard Skipper.

## Federal Attorney Asked Proceed Against Hoke Men

Several Hoke county men have failed to comply with Selective Service regulations recently, it was stated yesterday by Miss Peggy McFadden, chief clerk, and names of some of them have been turned over to the district attorney of Federal court. Other papers are in process of being issued, Miss McFadden added.

Among those being sought are Robert Lewis Strother, white, lately of Baltimore, and whose home is in Ashley Heights. Strother failed to report for induction here some time ago, but he was able to satisfactorily explain his failure to the FBI. More recently his papers have been transferred to Baltimore where he was supposed to be working. Draft officials there have called him for induction two times and he has failed to appear each time. The district attorney has been instructed to proceed with indictment in his case.

Leon Potter, white, formerly of Edinburg Mills, is also being sought, having failed to return his questionnaire.

William Leonard McAllister, Negro, failed to report for induction and his papers have also been turned over to the Federal attorney.

Those failing to report for physical examination include: Norman Troy Carter, white, Hedrick Callahan, Indian, and the following Negroes:

Herbert Williams, Raws Graham, Oscar Allsbrook, Samuel Dexter McNeill and James Everett Corbitt. Complaint has been filed against them with the state office of the Selective Service, and it is expected that unless they appear here within the next few days the state office will request the F. B. I. to bring them into Federal court for trial.

## Control Room

Control Room Schedule for coming week:

- Friday, August 13—Mrs. Israel Mann.
- Saturday, August 14—Mrs. J. A. McGoogan.
- Sunday, August 15—Mrs. D. H. Hodgins.
- Monday, August 16—Mrs. E. C. Crawford.
- Tuesday, August 17—Mrs. Herbert McKeithan.
- Wednesday, August 18—Mrs. H. L. Gatlin, Jr.
- Thursday, August 19—Mrs. E. E. Smith.

Corn has been an important food since antiquity. Grains of corn have been found in tombs in Mexico and Peru which are declared to have been sealed more than two thousand years ago.