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## NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Charlie Davis and Lonnie Teal, who have spent the past two weeks at Bragg, spent the weekend at home.

B. B. Cole, Jr., left Monday to report for duty with the Navy.

### Hilton Boys Now At Maxwell Field

Maxwell Field, Ala. Sept. 1.—Eldred Howell Hilton and Lawrence Libburn Hilton, from Timberland, have reported to the Army Air Forces Pre-Fight School for Pilots at Maxwell Field, Alabama, to begin the third phase of their training as pilots in the U. S. Army Air Forces' expanding program.

The Hilton boys as aviation cadets are receiving nine weeks of intensive physical, military and academic instruction at Maxwell Field, preparatory to beginning their actual flight training at one of the many primary flying schools located in the Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center.

### Capt. Lamont In North Africa Now

Capt. Charles Malloy Lamont, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lamont has notified his parents that he has landed in North Africa following an uneventful crossing.

Cpl. Fulford McMillan, who has been on maneuvers in Tennessee, arrived home Tuesday. He will report back to Camp Breckenridge, Ky. after a 15 day furlough.

Petty Officer H. T. Harlee, chief storekeeper U. S. Coast Guard, of Greenport, L. I., and his family spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freeman.

### Strong Demand For Better Grades On Lumberton Floors

Lumberton, Sept. 1.—Lumberton's tobacco market opened up its fourth week of the selling season Monday with the expectation of running close to 17,000,000 pounds sold by Friday night. Capacity houses were handled every day last week, coming to Friday afternoon with a total of 12,078,580 pounds sold for a general market average of \$40.84.

With most of the tips and common tobacco cleared up, the auction houses were expecting the better quality of tobacco to be put on the market this week and next. Most of the buying companies are now fairly well loaded with lower grade leaf and are eager for the better quality. Wrappers and all other tobacco from around the middle of the stalk are in strong demand.

Approximately half of the crop in the Lumberton area has been marketed up to the end of the week. All grades sold well in Lumberton last week, but at the close it was apparent that there would be an easing off on the lower grades to make room for pick-ups on the better leaf. Six sales are held in Lumberton every day with all of the big buying companies on all the auctions.

### Hobgood Says Firm Averaged Above Ceiling In South

"Our warehouse at Live Oak, Fla., this year averaged better than the ceiling price for over two and one-half million pounds of tobacco," stated O. T. Hobgood Tuesday, "and we aim to have our Carthage warehouse do the same thing for the farmers of this section."

Mr. Hobgood, operator of the Smothers Bros. and Hobgood warehouse at Carthage was in Hoke county doing a bit of "drumming," and dropped into the News-Journal office to start his firm's advertising campaign for the season. This is their third year of operation at Carthage, though the concern has been running warehouses at Reidsville and in Kentucky for some 15 years.

Last year the concern sold a total of 17,000,000 pounds of tobacco in warehouses located at Live Oak, Carthage, Reidsville and in Ky. "We are aiming to sell at least 2 million more than that this season. We want the farmers of Hoke county to know that we are an independent concern which works for the highest price on every pound sold in any of our warehouses."

Pullorum, one of the most infectious diseases of chickens, has been reduced one-third since 1936. Infected birds should be promptly removed from breeding flocks, say Extension specialists at N. C. State College.

### Puppy Creek Negro Held For Hearing On Rape Charges

George Maynor, 16 year old negro of the Puppy Creek section is in the Hoke county jail awaiting hearing Tuesday on charges of criminally assaulting a 12 year old Negro girl, Mildred Stewart, also of that section.

The girl reported the incident to county officers on August 21st, but it was not until Tuesday that Maynor was apprehended, according to Sheriff D. H. Hodgins. Maynor was taken near his home Tuesday evening by Deputies Crawford Wright and Rufe Saunders. Mr. Saunders told the sheriff that Maynor admitted having assaulted the girl.

According to the Stewart girl, she was on her way home from the Newton service station on Saturday, August 21st, about a mile from her home, when Maynor accosted her. She told officers that she resisted his approaches and that Maynor seized her and pulled her into a patch of woods where he assaulted her.

The girl told the officers that she had known Maynor for some time and was positive in her identification of her assailant.

A preliminary hearing will be given Maynor before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday, according to Sheriff Hodgins.

### Blackout Signals May Be Varied

The local Office of Civilian Defense released the following notice yesterday relating to future blackouts.

It is entirely probable that on the next secret air raid drill and blackout that the regular sequence of color signals may not be followed, but a distinct variance of standard sequence as heretofore practiced, for instance:

After the second BLUE, the next signal may be another RED and it is possible that a BLUE may be called and no other color until the ALL-CLEAR and also your first signal may be possibly a RED.

In the event of the varied sequence of signals, some confusion and violations may occur. The office asks for full cooperation of everyone in successfully carrying out future blackout drills.

### Brown Stamps Book III

At 12:01 a. m. Sunday, September 12, 1943, the brown "point stamps" in War Ration Book III will be used for rationing meats, fats, oils, canned fish, cheese, canned milk, and all other commodities now rationed with the red stamps in War Ration Book II.

The order in which the stamps will become valid and their expiration dates are shown below.

Stamps	Valid	Expire
A (16 Pts.)	Sept. 12	Oct. 2
B (16 Pts.)	Sept. 19	Oct. 2
C (16 Pts.)	Sept. 26	Oct. 30
D (16 Pts.)	Oct. 3	Oct. 30
E (16 Pts.)	Oct. 10	Oct. 30
F (16 Pts.)	Oct. 17	Oct. 30

### Poultry Prices Set For East Carolina

The following prices have been set by OPA for poultry in Eastern North Carolina:—Sales to dealers at the farm: broilers, fryers and roosters—28 1-2c per pound; for hens, all weights—25c lb; for roosters—21c lb; sales to dealers and restaurants delivered: all young poultry—30c lb; for hens—26 1-2c lb; roosters—22 1-2c lb; sales to individual customers: all young poultry—36c lb; 32c lb for hens and 27c per pound for roosters. No rationing coupons are required.

### Bicycles

New adult bicycles are rationed. War workers, messengers, students, and others who need them for essential transportation are the only ones eligible to purchase them; they may secure certificates upon application from their local War Price and Rationing Board.

Children's bicycles (less than 17 inches from pedal crank to post mast); bicycles made with small front wheel to accommodate large baskets for delivery purposes; used bicycles and bicycle tires and tubes are not rationed.

### Want Entertainment Articles For Camp Mackall Men

The Raeford Kiwanis club has been asked for a number of articles to be used in equipping day rooms at Camp Mackall for the entertainment of soldiers.

These are the principal items:—Five card tables  
—Playing cards  
—Phonograph records  
The Kiwanis club has agreed to aid in the collection of these things, and if people wishing to help in securing articles will give them or money toward their purchase to K. A. McDonald, they will be delivered.

The request for these articles was made through the camp and hospital committee of the Hoke County chapter of the Red Cross of which Mrs. A. S. Knowles is chairman.

### Bakers Open Cafe At Wright Place

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Baker have opened the former Wright's cafe on Route 15-A under the name of the C. & E. Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker came here from Blackstone, Va., where they operated a restaurant for some time. Though originally from Raeford they have been on the West Coast where they were also in the cafe business for about eight years.

### Home Mission Conference Precedes Synod Meeting At FMC, Red Springs

Presbyterian Groups In Sessions Next Week To Hear Many Church Leaders — Mission Leaders Meet September 6 Synod Opens Night Of 7th.

Red Springs, Sept. 1.—On Monday and Tuesday, September 6-7, a pre-synod home mission conference of workers in home mission fields in the Presbyterian synod of North Carolina will be held here at Flora Macdonald college, just before the annual meeting of the synod, which will extend from September 7 to September 9.

Dr. William Crowe, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, will make the opening address of the conference on Monday, September 6 at 2:30 P. M. Dr. J. W. Witherspoon of Lexington will preside.

After the address, Rev. P. D. Patrick of Kings Mountain will speak on "Our Outpost Work?" He will be followed by Rev. S. B. Lapsley of Abingdon, Va., on "The Home Mission Emergency Fund," of which he is the director for the General Assembly. A forum on the emergency fund will follow Dr. Lapsley's address.

Rev. O. V. Caudill of Elkin, will speak on "Our Building Problems." Mr. Caudill will have an exhibit of church architecture on display.

On Monday evening, Dr. H. B. Blakeley of Charlotte will make a devotional address on "The Christian Home in the Book of Acts." Rev. Dana Waters of Locust will preside.

Rev. H. E. Carter, pastor of Ann Street church of Mobile, Ala., will speak on "Our Negro Work," which will be followed by a forum on Negro work.

On Tuesday morning September 7, Karl G. Hudson of Raleigh will preside and Dr. Blakeley will speak on "The Christian Home in the Epistles of Paul."

Rev. M. O. Summers of Raleigh will speak on "Evangelism." Dr. Summers is a member of the assembly's committee on Evangelism. A forum will follow.

Rev. R. H. Stone general secretary of Mecklenburg presbytery, with headquarters in Charlotte, will speak on "The Challenge of the Cities," followed by a forum.

Dr. E. E. Gillespie of Greensboro, superintendent of home missions of the Synod, will present "Outstanding Things of the Year." There will be an exhibit of the work in the nine presbyteries.

On Tuesday afternoon, Dr. L. R. Scott of Goldsboro will preside and Dr. Blakeley will speak on "The Christian Home in the Epistles of Peter."

Dr. G. A. Wilson of Wilmington will make an address on "Home Mission—Soldier—Defense Work" of which he is director. Rev. A. H. Key, pastor of Bethlehem church in Union county will speak on "The Lord's Acre Plan." The closing address will be by Dr. George Mauze of Winston-Salem.

### Annual Meeting Of Farm Bureau Here Tonight

168 members of the Hoke County Farm Bureau, their wives and a number of special guests are expected to gather here tonight for the annual meeting of the association which will be held at the Armory.

R. Flanagan, executive secretary of the State Farm Bureau, will be the headliner of the evening's program. Several other outstanding guests are expected to make short talks. The meeting will be presided over by President N. H. G. Balfour who, with the assistance of Tommy Upchurch, has arranged a full and interesting program.

The meeting will be opened with a genuine Hoke County fish supper, superintended by Crawford Thomas and prepared under the guidance of John McGoogan and his able staff of cohorts who officiate over the fire at frequent intervals throughout the year. Mr. Thomas states that there are now in preparation some four hundred pounds of fish, a hundred pounds of potatoes, a flock of cabbage slaw and about so much corn bread, coffee and the other things that make up the evening's menu. "We are expecting to have some 350 people present," concluded Mr. Thomas, "and we are going to have a plenty for every one of them."

### Group Sent To Fort Bragg Monday

The following Negroes were sent to Fort Bragg for final examination and induction on August 30th, from Hoke County:

Roosevelt Gilchrist, John Allen Roper, Meldon Harris, Charles D. McMillan, John Henry Moore, George Thomas Ray, Fred Lawrence, Jr., Edward Allen Black.

Jake Byrd, (t), Alex Little, Odes Bridges, Alton Cleo Beatty, John David Gurley, James Alton Thomas, Lee Grant Bethea, Ernest James McCrae.

Johnnie B. Black, Roscoe Daniel McMillan, Malcom McQuaige, Arthur Grady Clark, Samuel Dexter McNeill, Dock Smith.

In Navy Now.  
Robert Louis Strother, of the Montrose section, reported as a delinquent by Hoke County Selective Service board, has been inducted into the Navy at Baltimore, according to Miss Peggy McFayden, clerk of the local board.

### Soon Time For Mailing Overseas Christmas Gifts

The Christmas shopping season is here... even though the weather is still warm, according to Postmaster Lacy F. Clark of Raeford.

Mailing of gifts for Army and Navy personnel overseas must begin by September 15, if many of the men and women in our armed services are not to be disappointed; and September 15 is nearly here.

Christmas gifts may be mailed by parcel post to Army men and women overseas only between September 15 and October 15. After the latter date, such parcels may not be mailed unless a written request from the soldier for the article is presented with each parcel. No soldier should have to ASK for a Christmas gift; so gifts must be mailed on time.

Mail of all kinds is vital to the spirit of fighting men. Every officer who has inspected our Army and Navy postal facilities overseas has reported that thousands of fighting men disregard mess call when it conflicts with mail call, and get their letters first. Officers at our large military and naval stations report that the spirit and efficiency of their men receive a distinct lift when mail is distributed.

Rules for Christmas mailings to the fighting forces overseas were made public in June for the guidance of early shoppers. They include:

The parcel must not exceed five pounds, and must not be more than 15 inches in length or 36 inches in length and girth combined. It should be marked "Christmas parcel."

The parcel must be well and strongly packed, in a container of metal, wood, or strong fiber board, then wrapped in strong paper and tied with twine. The cover should be such that it can be opened readily for censorship. The contents should be packed tightly.

Perishable goods are prohibited. Intoxicants, inflammable materials such as matches or lighter fluids, poisons, and anything that may damage other mail also are prohibited. Gifts enclosed in glass should be substantially packed to avoid breakage. Sharp instruments, such as razors and knives, must have their edges and points protected so that they cannot cut through the coverings and injure postal personnel or damage other packages.

Since the armed forces are being plentifully supplied with food and clothing, the Army and Navy recommend against these as gifts.

Addresses must be written clearly and completely, in addition to the return address of the sender.

### World War Knucks Figure In Court Here Tuesday

A pair of knucks combined with a short dagger, a hand-to-hand fighting instrument issued infantrymen in the first World War, figured in a case heard before Judge McDiarmid Tuesday in county court.

A young boy, Eugene Campbell, had come across the death-dealing weapon in the manner in which kids often "just find something," according to testimony. Saturday afternoon he was trying to sell it to one William Watson. Evidently Eugene was driving a hard bargain and Watson was not very fast in closing the deal. Perhaps Eugene wanted a nickel extra for an ice cream cone, over and above movie money—anyhow Chief McQuaige spotted the instrument and noted the trading. Watson had the dagger in his hands but, according to testimony, he had not come into possession of it when he was arrested. He pleaded not guilty and was found not guilty of carrying a concealed weapon.

Zig McLean, negro paid court costs for being drunk and disorderly. Johnnie F. Heath, white, pleaded guilty to charges of driving recklessly and paid costs. Johnnie McKinnon paid costs for operating car without drivers license. Jessie Brown paid costs for having improper brakes on his car.

George Cole, negro, had his license suspended and paid \$50 and costs for driving drunk. Morgan Johnson Pirkle, negro, drew the same sentence for a similar offense. Tom Murray paid costs for possession of home brew.

GETS 6 MONTHS.  
Pernel Locklear, indian, whose wife testified that he threatened to cut her throat with a knife and actually drew the knife slowly across her neck, was sentenced to the roads for six months.

Wade Hampton and Robert F. Burgess, out-of-state motorists, each forfeited bonds of \$15 posted when arrested for speeding. Norman McMillan, negro, paid costs for drunkenness. Willie Hasty, negro, paid costs in two cases where he was charged of carrying a concealed weapon, a razor, and carrying a shotgun off his premises on Sunday, and for drunkenness.

### Farmers Urged To Fight For Higher Grade Of Cotton

Local Gins and County Agent Distribute Material Urging Greater Care In Harvesting Crop.

War Food Administrator Marvin Jones has appealed to cotton farmers, ginners and pickers of Hoke County to help relieve a critical shortage of high grade cotton for war purposes. He points out that while the nation's total stocks of cotton are still large, "the decline in grade is startling."

In line with Mr. Jones' appeal, the War Food Administration and the National Cotton Council have placed in the hands of ginners in Hoke County and in the office of County Agent, A. S. Knowles, supplies of literature and other materials which show the methods through which grade may be improved by the individual harvester and ginner of seed cotton.

"To give the army an adequate supply of the grades required for military goods," says the Council, "it is going to be necessary for every individual farmer to: 1) pick his cotton only when it is dry; 2) keep leaf and other trash out of it; 3) get cotton out of the field before it suffers weather damage; 4) be sure that he does not mix good cotton with bad."

### Picnics Feature August Meetings Of Home Demonstration Clubs

The Antioch, Blue Springs, Pine Forest and Little River communities held annual picnics in August. These picnics were attended by 213 people. The Antioch club met on the spacious lawn at the home of Mrs. Ethel Watson, the secretary of the club. The Little River group, in order to save gas and tires, held their picnic jointly with the local Sunday school.

The Rockfish, Mildwood, Arabia, and Ashmont clubs, instead of having picnics in August, gave their time to canning for the school lunch rooms in their local communities.

Mrs. Marshall Newton, Mrs. Joe Lovitt, Mrs. Lucy Smith, and Mrs. Lee Maxwell attended the annual meeting of the State Council of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs which was held at State College, Raleigh, on August

11th. These ladies reported a most enjoyable meeting. Hoke was one of the 44 counties in the State which were represented.

The Home Agent, serving as local vice chairman, was joint hostess with Mrs. Laurence Poole, County Bond Chairman for Women, at a luncheon at Mrs. Poole's home on Thursday, August 26. Bond chairman from various women's organizations in Raeford and in the county were guests.

Mrs. P. P. McCain, district chairman discussed the third war loan drive and plans were made to help put the drive over in the county. Twenty four pressure cookers were received by merchants in the county during the month. These were purchased by those people whose applications for cookers had been approved by the machinery rationing (Continued On Back Page)

### Orthopedic Clinic Friday, Sept. 3rd

An Orthopedic Clinic will be held in the basement of the Agricultural building in Lumberton on Friday, September 3, 1943, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Dr. L. D. Baker, of Duke Hospital, will be the surgeon in charge. The clinic is free to indigents.

### CHRYSLER WORKERS DENIED CHECK-OFF

Washington, Aug. 19.—Sixty thousand employees of the Chrysler Motor Company today were denied union maintenance and dues check-off because of their role in numerous "quickie" strikes. In its unprecedented action the War Labor Board set up an important umpire to issue decisions in future labor disputes.