

## NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

### Henry Culbreth Dies At Camp Myles Standish

Major Henry Culbreth, 48, provost marshal at Camp Myles Standish, Mass. since May and a veteran of the first world war, died suddenly Tuesday, Oct. 26, of a heart attack.

A resident of Wilson, where he operated an insurance business and farming interests, Major Culbreth entered the army in April 1912. He was a native of Parkton, and a graduate of Davidson, where he was in school with a number of boys from this section. His widow survives.

Sgt. Jesse N. Gullledge, who has been spending a leave here with his mother, Mrs. W. B. Gullledge, will leave today for his station with the armored command at Fort Knox, Ky.

Cpl. Sandy Livingston, with the 7th Armored division at Fort Benning, leaves for his station Saturday after spending a week with his parents near Duffies.

Cpl. and Mrs. Paul Livingston announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, on October 21, 1943, at Highsmith's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Culbreth have received word from their son, Sgt. Malcolm B. Culbreth that he was in Sicily, well and doing fine. He has been in England and North Africa. Recently while on a short leave he ran into a cousin, Col. J. W. R. Norlon, whom he had last seen while both were stationed at Fort Bragg in June 1942. Pfc. John W. Culbreth also a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Culbreth has recently been awarded the Good Conduct medal and ribbon. He is stationed at Camp Horn, Arizona.

P. A. Webb, Jr., is spending several days at home with his folks. "Junior" is in the Marines and is now studying at Chapel Hill.

C. H. Giles, Jr., is at home for a few days from Marine Station at Duke University.

Major James Gordon Currie, son of Mrs. J. W. Currie, is spending a while at home, enroute from a California station to a new assignment.

Lt. Annie Neal Currie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Currie has been transferred from Ft. Bragg to Northington General Hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

### Annual Meeting Lumbee Co-Op Here Wednesday

The annual meeting of the members of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Co-Operative will be held here next Wednesday, November 3rd.

Called to order promptly at 10:30 by Chairman Carl V. Alford, the meeting is expected to last about an hour, it was stated yesterday by D. J. Dalton, superintendent.

The annual report will be presented by Mr. Dalton, and then there will be several items of routine business including the election of the directorate for the year. Nominees for these posts are the same who comprise the present board: Mr. Alford, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Dan T. McGirt, Marshall Newton, C. L. Ballance, J. McE. Gillis, J. E. Morrison, Lambert Lewis and J. R. Caddell.

A number of attendance prizes will be awarded, including a dehydrator, electric fence units, brooders, light bulbs and coffee makers.

### Deduct From Tax

County accountant John A. McGeagan wishes it called to the attention of the folks here that donations to the United National War Fund are deductible from one's income tax.

### Whisnant To Be Kiwanis Speaker

The Rev. J. D. Whisnant, new pastor of the Raeford Baptist Church, will be the speaker at the Kiwanis meeting this evening.

### Food Needs

For the duration of the war, no matter how much food America produces, we will always need more. The ever-increasing demands for food will continue to exceed the supply.

### Ration Book Four Being Issued In County Today

Beginning today, at 3:15 P. M., War Ration Book Four will be issued in Hoke county from all school buildings except the Hoke High School building.

The hours will be: Thursday and Friday—3:15 to 6 P. M., and Saturday from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

In addition to the school buildings, ration books will be issued at the office of Edinburg Mills, Sanatorium office, and the Community House at Lobelia in Little River Township.

At the same time that the ration books are being issued the Home Front Pledge campaign will be put on. Everyone is urged to be sure and sign the pledge before leaving the place of registration.

Every person in the county is urged to register for their Ration Book Four during these three days. An off-year census is being taken from the ration board's records of this registration and will be completed in a "sampling" of certain areas throughout the county to estimate population trends.

Members of the Armed Services, who eat at home or eat at a boarding place away from military posts will make their application for ration books in the same manner as civilians.

### Ration Notes

**TURKEYS**—The maximum prices for live young turkeys under 18 pounds: sold to wholesaler—36c lb; to a retailer—37 1/2c lb; to a consumer—45c lb. For turkeys over 18 lbs, see price clerk at ration board.

**SHOES**—Aeroplane stamp No. 1, in Ration Book Three has been valid until beginning November 1, for purchase of one pair shoes. Shoe stamp 18 from Book One is good indefinitely. Next shoe stamp will probably be about May 1.

### Fired—Re-Hired

In the Ration Board set-up in the county, there has been a committee which has been passing on gasoline allowances to farmers. This group has been studying the applications and approving quarterly allowances. To some of the members of the Ration Board the group was being some too liberal, what with continuing demands that gasoline allowances be cut.

The group told the board that they had been studying the needs pretty closely, and comparing their allowances with that issued for other civilian uses... such as to civilians working at army bases, etc., and added that when these civilians quit doing a lot of extra riding to beaches, football games and the like, then it would be time to cut the farmer's allowances. Reported to Raleigh, state officials arrived here Monday evening for a conference and consultation with the Ration board members and the Farm Committee. The Raleigh folks expected to see some fireworks, but the Farm group was so glad to be out of their duplicative work that, instead of a good scrap, the joint meeting was nearer a love-feast, with the ousted farmer committee the more good natured because they had been fired. Result: they were hired again—at the usual pay—just the thanks or cussing of the pleased or displeased farmers.

### Hoke County School News

#### Ashemont

There will be a Halloween party at the Ashemont school on November 1, beginning at 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

#### Rockfish

The Tar Heel Boys program was well attended last week. The school netted \$21.52.

Fifty boys and girls had perfect attendance the first month. Their names will be in the next school news.

#### Hoke High

Plans for an extra fine program for the annual Halloween carnival are nearly complete. It will be held at the high school building at 7:30 this evening, October 28th. There will be a main show and a number of side shows.

The series of lectures on vocations at our mid-week assembly is continuing and much interest is being developed among the students. Miss Ella Stephens Barrett, acting state supervisor of schools lectures Wednesday, October 28. She gave matters of importance in the selection of vocations and in obtaining vital basic knowledge. She also had individual conferences with students.

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**PRESIDENT**—Dr. Marcus R. Smith, Raeford dentist, who was named president-elect of the 4th District Dental Society at the annual meeting in Raleigh last week.

## BULLETIN

### Pulpwood Cutting Demonstration In County Tomorrow

C. H. Flory, forestry specialist of the regional office of the U. S. Soil Conservation, will be in Hoke county Friday, October 29, for the purpose of demonstration proper methods of pulpwood cutting and timber stand thinning. A public demonstration will be held at the farm of O. B. Israel, located 1 mile southeast of Ashmont school.

All farmers are invited to attend this demonstration, and those having timber stands which may need thinning or stands ready for selective cutting are especially urged to be present.

### Terracing—Fish Pond

Terracing engineer, E. H. Schloudf, will be here this week, according to J. C. Hutchinson, district conservationist, and will be available for consultation and on terracing problems. He will also assist in the location and engineering on the layout of a fish-pond for E. R. Pickler of the Ashley Heights section.

### Cary Stevens Now Remodeling W. B. McQueen Home

Cary Stevens, who recently bought the Willie Brown McQueen home, is remodeling the structure and making it into a number of apartments. These apartments will fill a pressing need here for additional living quarters.

### New Jersey Lad Praises Hospitality Of Hoke Folks; Likes Soldiers Center

A most timely letter, received Tuesday afternoon, will give many folks an excellent idea of what our Hoke County Soldiers Center means to the boys who visit here. Hartland Mershon, former news writer on the New Brunswick (N. J.) Daily Home News, who is stationed with a medical detachment at Fort Bragg has visited the News-Journal office on several Saturdays recently to shoot the breeze about his civilian profession. Just why he keeps spending these weekend passes here is very plainly expressed in the letter, which follows:

U. S. O., Fort Bragg, N. C.  
October 25, 1943.

Editor, News-Journal  
Raeford, North Carolina  
Dear Sir:

After having spent several very enjoyable days in Raeford during the past month, I would like to take this opportunity to express the appreciation of many of the soldiers to the people of your town for their hospitality.

The Hoke County Soldiers' Center is an institution which very few towns the size of Raeford have, and which none can approach for its home-like atmosphere and the friendliness of the hostesses who welcome every soldier. At times soldiers have been stopped on the street and invited to the center. Such hospitality is hard to equal.

The retiring director of the USO Club, Mr. Walsh, paid tribute to the citizens of Raeford on Saturday night when he thanked them for their help and declared that his work could not have been successful without their cooperation. It seems to me that he expressed the thoughts of every serviceman in regard to the kindness of the people.

When the soldiers aided in saving the furnishings of the Presbyterian Church from damage by fire and water during the tragic fire last week, they repaid in a small way for the many kindnesses done them by preventing further loss to one of the town's fine churches. Even though the servicemen would have acted the same way in any event, the action may be considered a token in evidence of our friendship.

Sincerely,  
Hartland Mershon  
Pvt., M. C., U. S. Army

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The Young Men's Christian Association, The National Catholic Community Service, The Salvation Army, The Young Women's Christian Association, The Jewish Welfare Board, The National Travelers Aid Association.

### Ingathering At Rockfish

The Raeford Baptist Church at Rockfish will hold its annual ingathering on Wednesday Nov. 3, at 11:00 o'clock.

Picnic with barbecue will be served at the noon hour. Those who wish to donate to the dinner will be given the opportunity.

### Must Plan Carefully For Future Peace Says W. C. Speaker

Edwin Duckles, of the Womans College faculty, told a large group of women here Tuesday afternoon, that the future peace must be carefully planned if we are to prevent another world war after a short rest period at the conclusion of this present conflict.

Speaking before an opening meeting of the Literature and Educational departments of the Raeford Womans Club and a group of invited guests, Mr. Duckles, a member of the American Friends Committee and secretary of the State International Relations Committee, gave a most interesting address on "Peace and Post War Planning."

He stressed the fact that heretofore peacetimes had only been "a period of exhaustion between battles." He asserted that the peace of the future must be something bigger, more sincere, and that it should be based on the attitudes of the people and nations toward the problems, not only of the winners but also of their former enemies. Isolationism must go, the speaker said, and people must put aside their own selfish interests to work toward the betterment of all nations.

He suggested an international group with police powers which would investigate differences between nations, and a world court which would settle the argument before a crisis resulting in war could arise. In the business session Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, presiding, greeted the club members and guests. Reports of the Council Institute and the District Meeting were given by Mrs. A. D. Gore. Mrs. Gore stated that the Raeford club had received a perfect rating for the past year and she presented the certificate given for that rating. She also reported that \$70 was made for the Hoke Soldiers Center at the recent Card Tournament. The club members had sold \$64,820 worth of bonds in the recent Loan Drive, she concluded.

Mrs. V. R. White, president of the Educational Club, introduced the speaker of the afternoon. The meeting was held in Kiwanis Hall. Colorful fall dahlias and roses in cloisonne vases were attractively arranged to make a beautiful setting for the speakers table.

### 150 Volunteers To Solicit For United War Fund

Committees for the raising of the \$4,250 for the United National War Fund and the Hoke County Soldiers Center were named yesterday by Chairman J. L. McNeill and Mrs. W. L. Poole.

The committees are divided into several groups, with the women working under the direction of Mrs. Poole, and the men under Mr. McNeill and the Negroes of the county under Stephen Williams.

The Community Quotas are:

Sanatorium	\$ 200.00
Wayside	200.00
Antioch	275.00
Rockfish	200.00
Dundarrach	200.00
Ashley Heights	150.00
Montrose	125.00
Pine Forest	125.00
Arabin	200.00
Blue Springs	150.00
Allendale	100.00
Little River	150.00
Edinburg Mill	100.00
Raydeen	100.00
Hoke High School	100.00
Grammar Grades	50.00
Colored People Throughout The County	400.00
Raeford	1,400.00
	\$4,250.00

Committee members for the various communities, and for the Raeford zones are:

**TOWN OF RAEFORD, ZONE CHAIRMEN**—Mrs. G. B. Rowland, Mrs. Marcus Smith, Mrs. W. B. McLauchlin, Mrs. H. L. Gable, Jr., Mrs. R. B. Lewis, and Mrs. Herbert McKeithan.

**GARDEN CLUB**—Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Chairman, Mrs. A. D. Gore, and Mrs. G. B. Rowland.

**LITERATURE CLUB**—Mrs. Marcus Smith, Chairman, Mrs. V. R. White, and Mrs. J. C. McLean.

**EDUCATIONAL CLUB**—Mrs. H. L. Gable, Jr., Chairman, Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, Jr., Mrs. D. H. Hodgkin, and Mrs. Marion Gullis.

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**—Mrs. R. B. Lewis, Chairman, Mrs. R. A. Matheson, Jr.

**MUSIC CLUB**—Mrs. W. B. McLauchlin, Chairman, Mrs. A. K. Currie, Mrs. W. M. Thomas, Mrs. Lewis Upchurch, and Miss Jessie B. Ferguson.

**DAUGHTERS OF EASTERN STAR**—Mrs. Herbert McKeithan, Chairman, Mrs. W. P. Baker, and Mrs. Joe Gullledge.

**WOMEN**

**ALLENDALE**—Miss Bonnie McLauchlin, Mrs. H. F. Currie, and Miss Maggie McNeill.

**ANTIOCH**—Mrs. Belle Currie, Miss Willie Mae Liles, and Mrs. Sadie Watson.

**ARABIA**—Mrs. Stanley Crawley, Mrs. Weldon Maxwell, and Mrs. John Allen Jones.

**ASHMONT**—Mrs. D. H. Johnson, Mrs. M. C. Almond, Mrs. Fred Riley, and Mrs. A. T. Bobbitt.

**LITTLE RIVER**—Miss Lula Cameron, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Miss Irene Seagrove, and Mrs. W. L. Jones.

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### First Vagrancy Defendant Gets Road Sentence

In the first case against loafers in this county in many months, and since the Work or Fight order of Governor Broughton was issued, Sandy Moore, negro, pleaded guilty to vagrancy Tuesday in county court and was sentenced to serve 30 days on the roads.

Paying costs on conviction the following cases were also heard: Doc Kelly, negro, drunkenness; Lacy Oxendine and Charlie Oxendine, indians, drunkenness; Charlie Oxendine also paid \$10 and costs for damaging jail property; Leroy Leach, negro, drunkenness; James McLauchlin and J. P. McLauchlin, having non-tax paid liquor; John Griffin, negro, speeding.

Earl Ross was fined \$25 and costs for assault; Randle Jessup of Aberdeen was cleared of a worthless check charge; James Holman, negro was fined \$10 and costs for violation of the road law; Bud Handon and his wife each paid \$25 and costs for having non-tax paid liquor; and Herman Harrell, white, was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon on his brother Glenn. He was sentenced to one year on the roads, with sentence suspended on payment of costs, the doctor and hospital bills of his brother, and ordered to report to Clerk of Court each month for 2 years.

### Fire Damages Presbyterian Church Roof

Damage by fire, as yet unestimated, resulted in considerable loss to the Presbyterian Church here Saturday night when flames were found in the roof of the \$100,000 structure.

The fire was discovered by the Rev. Harry K. Holland, pastor of the church, about 7:30 P. M. Immediately the local fire department responded, and a call was placed for assistance from the departments of Red Springs and Fayetteville. By the time fire fighting equipment arrived from those towns the fire was under control but their men aided greatly in the necessary salvage operations.

Chief Harry Green, of the Raeford Volunteer fire department, stated that the principal fire damage was to the roof of the beautiful building about the great coppered dome. The building was so constructed that it was necessary to fight the fire from four sides of the dome and some damage was done to the gables of the church in order to reach the interior. Water damage to furnishings was considerable but it was said that little damage was done to the church school building which adjoins the church proper. Origin of the fire has not been determined.

Valuable assistance in salvaging furnishings was rendered by a large number of soldiers here from Fort Bragg and Camp Mackall. Several of these men were firecrackers in civilian life, with departments in large cities, and were especially helpful. Letters to the camps and to the out-of-town firemen, expressing the appreciation of the folks of Raeford have been sent by the local fire department.

The building was partially covered by insurance. No announcement has been made concerning worship services while repairs are being carried out but it is expected that the church school work will continue in the building.

### Caesar Peterson Killed When Car Hits Sandbed

Caesar Peterson, 39, negro tenant on the A. K. Stevens farm, was almost instantly killed when the car which he was driving turned turtle after striking a sandbed on the Turnpike road, just off of 15-A, Monday night.

Investigated by Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin and a highway patrolman, officers report that apparently Peterson lost control of the car when it struck the deep sand and the car turned over. Other occupants of the car, a man, woman and boy, were shaken up but neither was hurt. Peterson was considered a careful driver and a man of good character. No evidence of liquor nor of foul play was found by investigating officers.

Highway Patrolman J. Barnes reports that this was the fourth highway fatality in the county this year. All the others had happened just on the county line, one near Aberdeen and the other, in which two people died, near Vass.

### Hoke County Would Be In New Federal Court District

Washington, Oct. 26 — A bill creating a new federal judicial district in North Carolina has been introduced by Senator J. W. Bailey. The senator said he did not expect the bill to be enacted soon and advised candidates for the new judgeship not to press their campaigns now.

Bailey said the bill would go to the judiciary committee and he would not press for its passage until the committee was ready to act on several other similar measures.

The new district, the state's fourth, would include the counties of Mecklenburg, Anson, Cabarrus, Cumberland, Davidson, Gaston, Hoke, Moore, Richmond, Montgomery, Robeson, Rowan, Scotland, Stanly and Union.

Bailey said he had no intention of disturbing the existing judges or their aides by the introduction of the bill. He said the present judges are doing an exceedingly good job.

### Ingathering At Lumber Bridge

The ingathering at Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church will be held next Thursday, Nov. 4th. Services will be held at 11 A. M., and a barbecue dinner and the auctions will follow.

Let's end it quick with over-subscription of War Bonds Now!