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## NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Army Air Base, Mountain Home, Idaho, Nov. 10—Major Julian H. Blue, son of Mrs. W. M. Blue, Raeford, has been assigned to the Mountain Home Army Air Base, as a squadron commander.

Major Blue received his commission Feb. 9, 1926, and held a reserve officer's commission until Sept. 16, 1940, when he entered active duty.

In civilian life Major Blue was a civil engineer in his home town. He attended North Carolina State College, graduating in 1922. Major Blue is married, and his wife, Mrs. Katherine F. Blue, and their three children are residing in Fairmont.

Lt. Herbert McLean spent several days at home while enroute from Camp Davis to Camp Stewart, Ga., last week.

Lt. and Mrs. James K. David and baby, Kaye, have moved from Kearney, Neb., to Sioux City, Iowa, where Lt. David is now attached to an airfield.

Cpl. Walker E. Webb, who spent two years in the Coast Artillery in the West Indies, is now with an anti-aircraft unit at Camp Stewart, Ga. He is spending several days here with his parents.

Cpl. Dan McKay and 1st Sgt. Ralph Plummer, stationed in Trinidad, are spending furloughs here with their families.

Lt. Catherine F. Peole, formerly stationed at Fort Bragg, has been transferred to the Northington General Hospital in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Cadet Jop Peole is home on a five-day leave from the Naval Air Training base at Memphis. He will report there Sunday and then be sent to Columbia, S. C., to begin his pre-flight training.

Aviation Cadets, Eldred H. Helton and Lawrence L. Helton have finished flight training at Chester Field, McBride, Mo., and Harris Field, Cape Girardeau, Mo., and have been transferred to Basic Training at M. A. A. F. (BFS) Class 44-C, Malden, Mo.

These brothers after being separated for two months are back together again.

Pvt. Earl Dunn, of the Army Air Forces, is at home on a 10-day furlough. He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Dunn, and will also spend several days with friends in Gastonia. He is stationed with the 302nd Depot Repair Sqdn, Tinker Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Capt. Paul Dickson left Tuesday for Fort Meade, Maryland. His wife went with him as far as Baltimore, and will stay there while he is at Ft. Meade.

Lt. Lester Seals arrived from a military post in Texas for a short visit before taking further training at Fort Monroe.

Captain Robert Gatlin left for Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta today to report to the retirement board.

## Masons Will Name New Officers At December Meet

New officers of the Masonic Lodge will be elected at the meeting to be held on December 14th, it was stated yesterday.

At the meeting Tuesday night a committee was appointed to secure contributions for the Thanksgiving offering to be presented to the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford. Ryan McBryde, Walter Baker and Frank Tapp composed the Orphanage Fund committee.

Horace P. Andrews was given the second degree.

## Reynolds "Does Not Choose To Run"

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, North Carolina's leading isolationist, has announced that he will not be a candidate for the Senate next year. In a statement on November 9th he said that his exacting duties in Washington this winter would not give him time to attend to them and wage a political campaign for re-election.

Reynolds stated that he would not retire from public life, and would "continue to champion those principles which I have always felt were to the best interests of my state and country."

Former-Governor Clyde Hoey, Marvin S. Ritch, and one Mr. Simmons of Burlington, have announced their candidacies for the office to be vacated by the Asheville man.

## British Soldier Writes His Thanks For Cigarettes

A program on features of National Education Week will be presented at the Kiwanis Club this evening by K. A. McDonald, V. R. White and Mrs. Ina Bethune, with Mr. McDonald in charge of the program.

Principal White will give a brief talk on local and state activities of the week; Mrs. Bethune will talk on the libraries, program and Mr. McDonald will discuss Book Week which is being jointly observed by the schools.

Following a short program members of the club will visit the Hoke County Library "at the direction of Sheriff D. H. Hodgin" and under the careful supervision of him and his deputies.

On last week's program the principal feature was a letter read by President Cecil Dew, which the club has received from a British soldier on the Italian front. The letter was one of appreciation of this Tommy and a group of his fellows who had received cartons of cigarettes sent by the club to army units in this and the North African area. They were bought with money contributed by Hoke citizens during the club's campaign last spring.

It reads: Members of the Kiwanis Club and Citizens of Raeford

On behalf of my fellow comrades I should like to express our sincerest thanks for your recent kind gift of Camel cigarettes. Out here in Italy with the Eighth Army cigarettes are more than welcome to the troops. There is an instant response to the Sergeant-Major's call for "One man from each gun detachment to draw cigarettes." A response much deeper and more eager than the mere obeying of an order. Much satisfaction is derived from receiving an issue of some of the better brands of cigarettes and Camels are a brand we rarely receive. Besides being in itself a good "smoke" it has the added charm of being a king of novelty and a welcome change from the Regular issue.

I am sure it is true when I say that the British Tommy, together with his comrade-in-arms, the American Doughboy, can endure many hardships with but a few comforts—and a good cigarette is one of these little, everyday luxuries which make life out here so much more bearable.

We sincerely applaud the thoughtfulness of those back in "Civvy Street" who still remember their comrades in uniform. In return we give our best in battle; and the reward for both soldier and civilian will be best reaped when, with joyful faces and stout hearts, we begin the great task of rebuilding a Free World.

We extend heartfelt good wishes and grateful thanks to our American Allies.

I sign myself on behalf of my comrades, J. Clark, Gunner J. Clark, 1153795 C. M. F. (Censor eliminated station) 8th Oct. '43.

## Troop Carrier Command Offices Open To W. A. C.

Pope Field, Fort Bragg, Nov. 10—Officers at this Troop Carrier Command base were opened today for the Army Air Forces WAC recruiting drive under now under way all over the country in an effort to enlist 46,000 women badly needed at present to fill behind-the-line jobs.

Faced with a critical shortage of women to aid the soldiers on the road to victory, the Army Air Forces have designed a campaign which would recruit women from all walks of civilian life to work side by side the soldiers in communications, such as telegraph operators; in Public Relations, such as reporters; in radio, such as Army Air Force radio mechanics; in Administration such as auditors, bookkeepers and cryptographers and in numerous other non-tactical duties.

For the first time since the inception of the WAC, women have the opportunity to sign for the Air Corps specifically. Offices all over the country are ready to take the names of potential candidates and distribute information desired.

WACs on this base are contributing their help by writing to friends they feel might be interested and already scores of these badly needed women are answering the call.

Col. Glenn C. Salisbury of this Troop Carrier Command base in commending the WACs here stated "Candidates for the Women's Army Corps are badly needed at all Air Corps Stations. The women assigned to this base have shown a high aptitude for a wide variety of appropriate assignments and have proven themselves definitely as assets to the Air Corps."

## AN ARMISTICE DAY THOUGHT FOR EVERY AMERICAN



## Cut-A-Cord For Each Service Man Drive Starts To Day

### Hoke County Committee Asks That Farmers Here Do Their Bit.

This is the slogan and goal of a new national drive announced this week by Walter M. Dear, chairman of the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee, as a climax to the Victory Pulpwood Campaign which this newspaper has been supporting.

The new drive begins today, Armistice Day, and runs until December 11 when the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee hopes to see the threatened 2,500,000-cord pulpwood shortage for 1943 averted.

This County has nearly 700 boys in the Army, Navy, Marines, or Coast Guard. That means our goal of extra cords of pulpwood to be cut between November 11 and December 11 is 700 cords.

A. S. Knowles, county agent, who is chairman of the Hoke County Victory Pulpwood Drive, states that the committee has asked that the farmers of the county join in this nation wide drive to supply the wood demanded by our war effort. 2,500,000 cords are needed by January first and much additional wood, cut during this winter by farmers, will be needed to keep up the supply of wood cut by regular pulpwood workers next year.

More than 1200 local pulpwood committees organized as part of the newspaper Victory Pulpwood Campaign are expected to enlist in the new drive which will cover pulpwood producing areas in 27 states of the Northeast, South Appalachian and Lake States.

The idea for the new drive was suggested by one of the newspapers participating in the Victory Pulpwood Campaign. It was the Jackson Herald, of Ripley, W. Va., of which Sattis Simmons is publisher. So enthusiastic was the response of the people of Ripley and Jackson County that the quota of 1700 cords; for as many local boys in the service was passed in a few weeks.

To date, Ripley has cut more than 2200 cords of pulpwood, or better than a cord and a quarter for every boy in the service and has sold on the stump and pledged to cut an additional 8,200 cords. Moreover, the town has developed a new industry as a result of the local drive. The West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co., to obtain the pulpwood more readily, has arranged for a receiving yard where cash is paid on delivery for all pulpwood cut in the campaign.

"The Victory Pulpwood Campaign has aroused the country to the realization that pulpwood is a necessary and vital raw material for war. Without its varied manufactured products our fighting men overseas will be severely handicapped in their drive against the Axis powers still in the war."

"No one in this country wants to let our boys in the service down, least of all his home community where he will return after the war. Cutting a cord of pulpwood may seem a little thing to do to show we're behind him, but it may bring him home sooner or even save his life or that of a comrade. It certainly will make his job easier by supplying him with equipment, food, and supplies on time and in good condition."

## Contributions To Red Cross Unit Be In Saturday

Any group or individual, who has promised articles for the Hospital or Day Rooms at Camp Mackall, is asked to turn these articles in to Josephine Hall's office by Saturday, Nov. 13.

Miss Hall is Chairman of the Hoke County Red Cross Camp and Hospital Committee. Such items as afghans, bedroom shoes, victrola records, pictures, victrolas, radios, card tables, maps, rugs, etc., are among the things promised.

The articles will be carried to Camp Mackall early Monday and for this reason it is important that the items be in by Saturday.

## Mrs. A. P. Dickson Dies Quietly At High Point Home

Funeral services conducted at High Point and Raeford Monday for prominent local woman.

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Frances DeVane Dickson, 65, for many years a leader in the educational, religious and social life of Hoke County, who died quietly at her home in High Point Saturday.

A brief service was held at High Point Monday morning conducted by the Rev. O. C. Williamson, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that city. The remains were then brought to Raeford and lay in state at the Raeford Presbyterian Church from noon until just prior to the services conducted here at 3 P. M. The Rev. Harry K. Holland, local pastor, assisted by Dr. Williamson, conducted the services. Burial was in the Raeford Cemetery.

Pall bearers included these of her sons who were able to attend the services: Rufus, Frank, Albert and William and a grandson, Capt. Paul Dickson, Jr., and a son-in-law, W. H. Elliott.

Mrs. Dickson was the wife of the late Dr. Albert P. Dickson, M. D. She was the daughter of Col. Thomas Wyatt and Frances Murphy DeVane of Cumberland who in later life moved to Red Springs. She was educated at the Chowan Female Institute at Murfreesboro. She was married to Dr. Dickson just prior to their coming to this section of what was then Robeson County where they made their home in the Edinburg section near Bethel Church.

Active in the religious, educational and social life of this section, she was instrumental, with others, in the founding of the Raeford Institute, a boarding school for both boys and girls, which was operated here until it was made a public school in 1911. She was active in the organization of the Raeford Presbyterian Church and, though she had bought a home and lived in High Point after the death of her husband in 1921, she has maintained her membership here since the foundation of the church. Mrs. Dickson was one of the very few remaining charter members of the church.

Surviving are ten of her thirteen children: Rufus, Frank and Miss Helen Dickson, of High Point; Dr. Thomas Dickson, professor at Syracuse (N. Y.) University; the Rev. A. P. Dickson.

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## Church-Related Schools Lead In Enrollment

Salisbury, Nov. 10.—Governor J. Melville Broughton, at a recent conference of the Council of Church-Related Colleges of North Carolina, cited the fact that there were, in 1941, 5,500 more students enrolled in Church-Related Colleges than in state institutions. Conferring with Governor Broughton, "We must be alert to avoid the tendency toward militarism. No greater calamity could befall our Church-Related colleges than that of militarism." Governor Broughton said that we must also guard against streamlining education. Four years in two years will not give the culture, refinement and breath of education needed. We must guard against the popular tendency that all education must be technical, he said.

## Final Registration For Ration Book IV November 16-19

With but 12,189 of the Fourth war ration books issued during the first registration two weeks ago, the War Price and Ration board of the county has announced that a special registration for these books will be held on November 16, 17, 18 and 19th.

It was stated that this will be the last opportunity to secure one of these books until some time early next year, and all persons who have not secured a Book Four are urged to make application on the above dates. The first two days, November 16th and 17th, are for whites to register, according to the board, and the 18th and 19th are the days the negroes are to register.

Registration will only be in the afternoons, from 1 P. M. until 4 P. M. If the county has maintained anything like its population in 1940, there are approximately 3,000 people who have no books, it was stated. There were 14,978 people recorded in the 1940 census, and to date only 12,189 people have secured books.

## Corn Prices

The maximum price for corn for Hoke county has been set as follows: white corn—\$1.52; yellow corn—\$1.34; Wholesale markup, 4c per bushel; retail markup, 8c, per bushel.

## Food For Freedom To Be Discussed Here Nov. 16th

"Although American farmers are setting a new food production record this year, there is still not enough food to satisfy all the demands," says Dean I. O. Schaub, director of Agricultural Extension work at State College, "and since America's food supply represents perhaps the greatest potential weapon in our fight against the Axis we must produce more."

In outlining the objectives to be accomplished in the 1944 "Food Fights For Freedom" program which will be launched in every county in the State between November 15-19, Director Schaub points out that it is up to our people to cooperate in every way possible in the production of more of the right kind of food; to conserve this food, and avoid waste.

"The demand for food has increased from both civilians and military authorities. Civilians are doing more work and have more money than they have had in the past. We are taking new territory from the enemy every day. This territory has been stripped of every vestige of food and the natives are starving. We must feed them," until they can again produce their own, Dean Schaub said.

Food—American food—can be the deadliest weapon of all. Plans for producing the right kind of food will be discussed at a meeting held in Raeford, November 16 at 1:30 P. M. when those in charge of the program in this section will draw up the county plans. Speakers will be Mrs. Verma Osteen, E. R. Collins and J. M. Osteen.

Since the course and length of the war may depend on how successfully we produce this food, how willingly and widely we share it, how carefully we save it, how wisely we use it, every person able to produce a single item of food should cooperate fully in this program, Director Schaub concluded.

## \$3500 Reached By War Fund; Drive To End Saturday

### Raeford Business Firms Respond With 100 Percent Contributing Amount Asked.

Contributions for the War Fund drive combined with a substantial part of the budget of the Hoke County Soldiers Center had reached a total of \$3,500 in cash received by the treasurer yesterday afternoon.

Chairman J. Lawrence McNeill reported that the county only had to raise about \$700 more to reach the goal of \$4,250 set for these two funds in a drive that was originally scheduled to end last Tuesday. Time was extended at the request of a number of the workers soliciting funds so that they would have a chance to see all the people in their assigned territories.

Mr. McNeill stated that the drive had been extended until Saturday of this week and that every indication pointed toward the successful conclusion of the drive with the quota reached, if not surpassed by a small margin.

Most every township organization has met with splendid response, it was said, and several have already passed their community quotas. Perhaps the outstanding success of any committee yet reporting was that assigned to the business section of Raeford. This committee reports that all houses were solicited by letter and a definite amount requested from each firm. Every firm contributed at least the amount asked and many contributed more, some doubling the amount requested, it was said.

Mr. McNeill explained that the amount given was that of cash actually received, and that several community committee chairmen had funds which had not yet been turned in to Treasurers Wilmer McDonald and Miss Jessie Bright Ferguson. "People generally have given these causes their most generous support and have been most cooperative in every way," he concluded.

Persons who have not yet been solicited may mail their contributions direct to the Treasurer of the Hoke County United War Fund, care the Bank of Raeford, or may give their contributions in at the bank or through their community chairman.

## Funeral Services For Mrs. R. W. Turner Held Yesterday

Funeral services for Mrs. R. W. Turner, 65, of Route 3, were held at Parker's Chapel Methodist Church yesterday afternoon at four o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Crawford. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Turner died Sunday night. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilbur, and had been a resident of Hoke county for the past thirty-five years.

She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. William Strickland and Mrs. Edward Jerrells, both of Hoke county, and a sister, Mrs. Dollie Downing, of Rocky Mount.

## Miss Shankle Will Direct Mail Sale Christmas Seals

The annual sale of Christmas Seals for Tubercular aid will be conducted by mail this year, it was announced yesterday by Miss Aris Shankle, chairman of the sale for Hoke County.

Batches of the seals will be mailed to individuals on the mailing list of the association and recipients will be requested to mail their money in payment to Miss Shankle promptly upon receipt of the seals. Other sales will be made by the school children of both the white and negro schools. The sale among the negroes will be conducted by one of the teachers assisted by the teachers and students of each of their schools. A separate record of their purchases will be made in the association's report so that special recognition can be given their effort in this important annual work.

Miss Shankle states that the letters will be mailed on November 22nd, and that it is hoped that all people receiving them will respond promptly so that the campaign can be closed as early as possible.

## Cotton Ginning Still Ahead Of Last Year

The November first report of J. R. Shaw, special agent of the Bureau of Census, shows that 11,724 bales of cotton were ginned to that date, as compared with 11,250 bales at that date in 1942.