

### NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Sgt. Charles Lee Cothran, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Cothran, has returned to his base at Esler Field, La., after spending a 16-day leave with his parents near Red Springs.

Pvt. Roscoe Currie left Thursday night for Camp Brecken Ridge, Ky. after spending a furlough at home.

Lt. Paul McCain, navigator on a B-17, "Shady Lady" which is based in England recently visited his uncle Lt. Col. R. MacBrayer at headquarters of the ETOUSA. Lt. McCain was on his first leave after beginning bombing missions over occupied Europe.

Hart Mershon, member of a medical detachment at Fort Bragg for the past 15 months and frequent visitor to Raeford, has been transferred to another post. This former newspaperman from New Jersey has made many friends in Raeford and has been a frequent helper-out in reporting and other jobs on the News-Journal during the past year.

### Raeford Baptist Church

J. D. Whisnant, Minister  
Sunday School Sunday morning 9:45; Mr. A. S. Knowles, superintendent will join the other churches of Raeford at the High School for the Baccalaureate Sermon at 11:00. B. T. U. Sunday evening at 6:55. Preaching at 8:00 P. M. The pastor will report some happenings at the Southern Baptist Convention. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00 P. M.

Our protracted meeting begins with the evening service on the third Sunday in June. The Rev. W. C. Reed, superintendent of Kennedy Baptist Orphanage will be our guest speaker. Our community Vacation Bible School will begin Monday June 5th, and classes continue through Friday June 9th. The School will be held in the Presbyterian church each morning of the week from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock. The School will close with a union service, which will be held in the Baptist Church Sunday evening June 11th.

### Raeford Methodist Church

W. L. Maness, Pastor  
Sunday school will begin promptly at 10:00 o'clock A. M., Mr. Tom Cameron, general superintendent. The eleven o'clock service will be held at the Hoke County High School when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached. The Youth Fellowship will meet at the church at 7:00. The eight o'clock preaching service will be held as usual. Come and worship with us. Rev. H. G. Ruark, of Red Springs will preach in a union service at the Methodist church the first Sunday night in June. This is the beginning of a series of revival services in connection with the Community Vacation Bible School.

### Raeford Presbyterian Church

H. K. Holland, Minister  
Sunday 9:45 A. M. Sunday School, Mr. F. B. Sexton, Supt. 11:00 A. M. Baccalaureate Sermon at the High School. 6:00 P. M. Senior Vespers—Understanding the Other Generation. Leader, Elmira Whitley. 7:00 P. M. Pioneer Vespers—Understanding Our Parents and Ourselves. Leader, Bobby Murray. No evening service in the absence of the pastor. Tuesday 7:30 P. M. Junior Choir Rehearsal. Thursday 8:30 P. M. Adult Choir Rehearsal. Friday 9:30-11:00 A. M. Registration for Bible School. 8:00 P. M. Senior Party.

### Peoples Tabernacle

H. Gwyn Clayton, Minister  
10:00 Sunday School, Lester Baker, Supt. 11:00 Morning Worship, Sermon by the pastor. 7:00 Young People's meeting. 8:00 Evening Worship, Sermon by the pastor. Monday 8:00 P. M. Cottage prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Pearl Cole. Tuesday 8:00 P. M. Midweek prayer meeting. Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Missionary meeting. Friday 8:00 Bible Study for young people.

## Penicillin Now Available For Patients Here

### Medical Men Hear Research Worker At "Miracle Drug" Clinic At Fayetteville.

A quantity of penicillin, the new "miracle drug", has been allotted for treatment of patients in this area and is now on deposit at Highsmith Hospital. It was announced at a meeting of the physicians and dentists from 16 counties of North and South Carolina at Fayetteville Monday evening.

Dr. Charles H. Rammelkamp, now attached to a special commission at Fort Bragg, was the principle speaker at the meeting. He explained methods of use of the drug and related experiences in the uses and the effectiveness of penicillin treatments. He is one of the original research workers in the use of this drug in America and has done experimental work in Boston and Chicago laboratories and clinics.

Among those attending from this county were Drs. R. A. Matheson, R. L. Murray and M. R. Smith.

## County School News

### T. C. Jones Elected Rockfish Principal

T. C. Jones for the past year principal of the Mildouson school has been elected principal of the Rockfish school for next year, it was announced yesterday. He has accepted the post.

There will be a pre-school clinic at the Rockfish school on Friday, May 26, beginning at 9 a. m. All children entering school next year should be examined at this time, it was stated by County Superintendent K. A. McDonald. They may be sent to the clinic by the school bus on that day. Mr. McDonald said. Dr. R. L. Murray will conduct the Clinic.

### Cotton Essay Winners Are Announced

Harriet Jones was announced as winner of first place in the Cotton Essay Contest, which was conducted in the Hoke County schools recently, it was announced yesterday. Miss Jones' paper has been entered in the state contest and will also compete for national honors. Alan McGee, Jr., won the second place award, and A. D. Gore, Jr. Donnie Lytle and Betty Holland tied for third place honors. Bennie Lee McGougan received honorable mention. The contest was sponsored by the Cotton Trades Journal and the funds for prizes awarded to North Carolina competitors have been secured through Mr. T. B. Upchurch, Jr., of Raeford. Detailed announcement of the contributors to this \$1500 fund are expected to be made by Mr. Upchurch next week.

### Negro Schools Change Opening Hours

The negro schools for the last several weeks of the present term are now opening at 8:30 each morning. Continued on Page Four

## "Mud Slinging" Born Of Desperation Says Major Gregg Cherry

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., May 20—In his first public reference to the opposition in the current gubernatorial campaign, R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia, Democratic candidate for governor, said here last night that the type of campaign being waged by Ralph McDonald "is born of desperation and will become more desperate and hopeless."

Speaking at a mass meeting of Democrats in the Cumberland County Courthouse, Cherry said that "I am not unmindful of the attacks being made upon me, nor of the whispering campaign which has been going on over the state, nor of the suggestions contained in untruthful statements."

"This attack is not unexpected. This type of campaign was used unsuccessfully in 1936. It is born of desperation, and as the situation becomes more desperate and hopeless, the more insidious the attacks will become."

"The people of North Carolina, however, do not choose a governor on any such basis x x x. They are interested in a man's character and his proven ability to handle the matters of State," he said.

Turning to a discussion of returning war veterans, Cherry said that any program set up in North Carolina for handling veteran's problems would depend largely on what provisions are made by the Federal Government.

"It is impossible to chart in detail at this time a program which will meet every need of veterans because their needs will not be definitely known until the war ends and they are living with us again," he asserted.

Earlier in the afternoon he addressed a gathering of his supporters at Goswin, with delegations from nearby Sampson and Harnett joining with their neighbors of upper Cumberland. Mr. Cherry was presented here by J. M. Wilson, president of the Highland Lumber company and active in the Cherry campaign here.

## Honor Roll Fund Contributions

The following additional contributions to the servicemen's Honor Roll Fund for Hoke County were reported yesterday by Mrs. Paul Dezerne, treasurer of the committee.

- G. C. Lytle ..... \$10
  - Mr. and Mrs. Collis ..... \$ 5
  - Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McMinis ..... \$ 1
  - Mrs. Paul McCain ..... \$ 5
  - Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cameron ..... \$ 2
  - Mrs. J. A. Aust'n and Devoe ..... \$ 5
  - Austin ..... \$ 5
  - Raeford Womens Club ..... \$25
  - American Legion Auxiliary ..... \$25
  - Little River Home Demonstration Club ..... \$ 5
- Mrs. W. B. McLaughlin, chairman of the committee, states that an effort will be made to close the fund by June 12, and all persons wishing to make donations are asked to mail their checks or give money to Mrs. Dezerne, Miss Josephine Hall or to Mrs. McLaughlin before that date. It is planned to have a meeting of the Honor Roll Committee within the next two weeks when the Construction Committee is expected to have a report to present on the type of board to be built and the estimated cost.

Zip the lip on military information.

## Program Of Hoke High Finals To Start Sunday

### The Rev. J. D. Whisnant To Preach Baccalaureate Sermon At 11:00 A. M.; 7th Grade Program Tuesday

Opening with the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning by the Rev. J. D. Whisnant, pastor of the Raeford-Wagram Baptist churches, the final exercises of the Hoke County High School will be held during the first four days of next week.

The sermon to the graduating class will be held at 11:00 a. m. Sunday at the high school building with the school's glee club, under the direction of Miss Buena Baldwin, composing the choir.

On Tuesday morning at 10:30 the seventh grade commencement exercises will be held for each of the schools of the county at the Hoke High auditorium. The Rev. W. B. Gaston, pastor of the Bethel-Shiloh churches will be the speaker for this exercise. Each of the seventh grades of the several schools of the county will present a number on the program.

On Tuesday evening at 8:30 a class night play, "Isle of Our Dreams" will be presented by the class of 1944 in the auditorium, during which the usual class stastics, history and prophecy will be presented.

Graduation exercises will be on Wednesday evening and will be almost completely a student-produced program with no special speaker brought in. Several brief addresses will be given by members of the graduating class who have attained highest averages for their four years in high school. The exercises will be concluded with the awarding of prizes and diplomas. Music will be provided for the program by the high school band.

Betsy Ann Cole is president of the Senior Class and will be one of the speakers.

## Saturday, May 27 To Be "Poppy Day"

The annual sale of poppies made by disabled veterans will be held in Raeford on Saturday, May 27, it was stated today by Mrs. R. A. Matheson, Jr., president of the Legion Auxiliary of Ellis Williamson Post. Mrs. Paul Dezerne is chairman of the Poppy sales committee and members of her group will sell the Memorial Day flowers on the streets here throughout the day.

The poppy, symbol of those who died on Flanders field in World War I, has come to have a greater meaning now, and now is representative of American blood spilled on the far flung battlefields of this war today. Made by veterans of the two wars who are hospitalized by the Veterans Facility, funds realized from their sale go to give comfort to these disabled warriors and their families. So that the wearer of the little red, crepe paper flower does honor to a heroic dead and contributes a needed service to the veteran who left a part of himself on the field of battle.

### AT SHRINE CEREMONIAL

Paul Dezerne, L. E. Reeves, Jr., Crawford Thomas and Cecil Dew are attending the spring ceremonial of Sudan Temple of the Shrine which is being held in Wilson today.

## Nineteen Bragg Civilians Awarded By General Kennedy

Fort Bragg, N. C., May 20—Nineteen Fort Bragg civilians today received cash awards totaling \$3,000 this morning from Brigadier General John T. Kennedy, Commanding General of Fort Bragg, for their "Victory Ideas."

The individual awards, ranging from \$10 to \$250, represented five per cent of the estimated annual saving the ideas each suggested will save the government. The presentation today was the third since the program began at Fort Bragg.

In presenting the awards General Kennedy commended the group for their "added effort" and urged that they "keep up the good work." He told the group that their suggestions are "helping to speed us to a complete and final victory."

Receiving awards in a ceremony in front of Post Headquarters were: Mrs. Ann M. Alvery, Baltimore, Md.; Leon W. Anders, Manchester; Lester E. Baker, Raeford; Miss Virginia D. Barrett, Fayetteville; F. R. Burch, Fayetteville; Mrs. Christine C. Ledwell, Fayetteville; John L. McLaren, Lumberton; Herbert L. McArthur, Carthage; Miss Flora G. McKenzie, Raeford; Miss Isabel McQueen, Fayetteville; Miss Cordia Y. Matheson, Fayetteville; Raymond B. Maxwell, Raeford; Leroy Miller, Manchester; Miss Hallie B. Mitchell, Asheville; Roman C. Obukowicz, Fayetteville; Miss Eudora L. Rendell, Fort Bragg; and Percy C. Maddox, Fayetteville.

## Postpone Farm Bureau Meeting To June 7th

### R. Flake Shaw And Haywood Dale To Be Speakers At Dinner Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Hoke County Farm Bureau, originally scheduled for next Wednesday evening, has been postponed for one week and will be held on June 7th, it was announced this week by N. H. G. Balfour, president of the organization.

The meeting will be a dinner affair and will be at the armory in Raeford. Members and their wives are expected to be present when the annual business session will be held and new officers and directors will be elected.

R. Flake Shaw, of Raleigh, executive secretary of the state bureau, and Haywood Dale, widely known humorist of Greenville will be the speakers for the occasion.

## Tommie Upchurch Vice President State Alumni

T. B. Upchurch, Jr., was elected first vice president of the alumni association of State College at the annual meeting of that group last week.

## Coleman Fans 21

In an extra game Wednesday Hoke high lost to Red Springs 9 to 0 when Coleman, star pitcher of the Red Devils fanned 21 of Hoke's batsmen. Hoke played the Springs after Lumberton had defaulted a game scheduled there.

## Election Interest On Increase As Primary Nears

### Two County Races Are Little Discussed; Governor's Race Expected To Draw Big Vote

(Staff Comment)  
As primary day, Saturday May 27, approaches, what appeared at first to be a day of little interest throughout the State may see a large part of North Carolina's electorate parading to the polls to exercise their right in the choice of county and state office holders.

In Hoke county there are only two contested races. W. W. Roberts, incumbent, is being strongly contested for the office of Register of Deeds by W. S. Crawley of the Arabia community.

And for county commissioner there are six candidates for the five-man commission. N. H. G. Balfour, Hector McNeill and E. R. Pickler are seeking re-nomination to the board and new candidates this year for seats on the board are T. D. Potter, F. Knox Watson and F. A. Monroe. Campaigns for these offices have been quiet with none of the candidates making any great effort, according to observers.

Center of interest is the determined campaign for the gubernatorial nomination between Major R. Gregg Cherry and Dr. Ralph McDonald. This campaign started out quietly enough early in the spring with Major Cherry announcing on a platform that called for conservative progress in the various state departments, with due consideration for those things to which the North Carolina Democrats hold closest to their collective hearts; their schools, their colleges, their health program, their roads, with ample protection to the increasing war-born surplus funds. Mr. Cherry, a World War One veteran, has centered much of his promises for the future to the welfare of the returning veterans of this war.

Mr. McDonald, laying personal claims to most all of the progressive measures that have been accorded the state school system in the past half century and promising for greater things for the schools, the taxpayers and everybody, all paid for by a nebulous sort of financial system that would (at first) do away with the sales tax and also not place the tax back on real estate.

In recent weeks he has had to discard the no-sales tax platform in order to promise greater state expenditures for other of his New-Dealish reforms. Too, after losing many of his earliest supporters on abandoning anti-sales-tax plan, McDonald supporters resorted to attacks on his opposition which carried considerable weight until it was discovered that most of them were based on distorted information, the truth of which placed a new light and one more favorable to Mr. Cherry than had been created at first for Mr. McDonald.

Mr. Cherry has made his campaign entirely on the basis of his record of many years service in public office and in only one speech throughout his campaign has he referred to Mr. McDonald. Then he stated merely that these attacks had been "born of desperation." And so it appears to us. Mr. McDonald's most popular plank was that of the abolition of the Sales tax. When he found that he could not expect to operate the government of this state without it he ducked out on the biggest part of his supporters, and since has waged the typical battle of an "out" trying to get "in."

Though he has denied that the CIO has paid money to him for campaign expenses, it is not denied that the Political Action Committee of that Union is spending money, and a lot of it, in North Carolina during this campaign. There is not a person who would say that the CIO is interested in seeing Mr. Cherry—the conservative—elected to the governorship, when such a candidate, so susceptible to the CIO's left-wing activities as Mr. McDonald, is running for that office.

In the matter of policy, it is quite true that the Democrats of North Carolina are quite sufficiently fed-up with the practices of the bureaucratic administration in Washington and the majority of the people certainly want no imitation of the New Deal set up in North Carolina. And, while the State Democratic convention has placed its official endorsement on Mr. Roosevelt for a fourth term, it was with considerable tongue-swallowing that this action was taken. In fact, that action was also born of "desperation", for it is only with Roosevelt that the Democrats can hope to win the general election this fall, even if the Republicans let R. R. McCormick of Chicago pick out their candidate. For North Carolina's Washington delegation to have any influence in the Congress, the ad-

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PLANE PICKS UP GLIDER ON THE FLY.—Photo shows a C-47 plane zooming low over the field in making a "snatch pickup" of a glider, spectacular development in aerial warfare. This picture was made at Laurinburg-Maxton Army Air Base, Maxton, N. C., installation of the First Troop Carrier Command. The glider pickup is the Troop Carrier Command equivalent of the manner in which mail is snatched from hooks by fast moving mail trains. Using nylon tow ropes, the C-47, traveling at more than 100 miles an hour, lowers its pick-up hook, snatches the tow rope from supporting uprights, and continues on with the glider in tow. The glider becomes airborne in a remarkably short run.