

### NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

#### Pfc Eugene Watson Dies In France

Pfc. Eugene Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Watson of Laurel Hill, died in France as the result of wounds received in combat, according to word received here this week. Pfc. Watson was for many years a resident of Raeford and prior to induction here was an employee of the Edinburgh Cotton Mills. He was 21 years and eleven months and one day old at the time of his death which occurred on August 15th. Surviving are his parents two brothers and four sisters, two of whom are Mrs. John McDonald of Timberland and Mrs. N. A. Maxwell, Jr., of Red Springs.

#### Ralph Cox Member Unit Cited

Pfc. Ralph L. Cox was a member of a detachment of paratroopers of the 101st Airborne which was cited for meritorious achievement near Caentan, France when the little group of 57 soldiers under Sgt. Robert A. Shurter raised some merry havoc behind the German lines after landings from the sky near St. Mere Eglise. Just one incident during several days of desperate fighting illustrates how these skytroops won the early battles of the invasion of Normandy. Their group accidentally ran up on 150 German paratroopers, those not killed were captured. The unit has been given the Presidential Citation. Pfc. Cox received a bad bayonet wound in the left leg, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart. He also holds the Star emblem for the paratroopers wings, according to a release from headquarters of the 101st Division.

Bluejacket William Alexander, Jr., 18, of Raeford received recognition as eligible to qualify for the petty officer rate of signalman third class in recent graduation exercises at the Naval Training school at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

Lt. Charles C. Moore and his sister, Wac Sgt. Virginia Louise Moore met each other in Italy this past summer. Lt. Moore and Sgt. Moore both went overseas in January, 1944. They are from Wellsville, Ohio, and Lt. Moore is the husband of the former Miss Kate Parks, Shannon.

#### To Gunnery School

Lt. N. Graham McFadyen will leave Raeford today for Washington for the Naval Gunnery school where he will be stationed for three months. He is just recently returned from a second period of service in the Pacific area. Lt. McFadyen joined the navy in 1941 after graduating from Davidson college and was assigned to the Cruiser Phoenix which was at Pearl Harbor during the attack in December that year.

While on leave in 1943 he was married to Miss Ruth Tenney of Wayne, Pa. He returned to the South Pacific for a second tour of duty.

Word has been received that Clyde Upchurch, Jr., who is somewhere in France has recently been promoted to Captain. "Little Clyde" and "Little Paul" Dickson's paths have crossed again and they have recently been together. In fact, a Major from Paul's outfit pinned the bars on Clyde.

Lt. Hartman Yarborough is attending Artillery school at Fort Sill, Okla.

Flight Officer and Mrs. Sonny Blue left Friday for his new station at Will Rogers Field.

Capt. and Mrs. Frank Williams, who spent a recent leave in the mountains of North Carolina have returned to Fort Jackson where Capt. Williams is stationed.

#### Local OPA Group Fails To Get More Tires

Two appeals by Hoke county Ration board members to the State OPA for more tires for the September and October quotas have been refused, according to a statement issued Wednesday. More than 300 applications filed for tires have not been filled this month, it was stated, because all of the quota has been used up. It is expected that the October quota will be less than that of September. **No Bicycles-No Ration**

The OPA announced this week that since the supply of pre-war and wartime bicycles had now been sold, rationing of the item would no longer be carried out.

#### Raleigh Minister To Speak Here

The Rev. M. O. Sommers, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Raleigh, will address the members of the Raeford Presbyterian church at the annual church family night picnic which will be held on Friday evening of this week. Basket dinners are requested of all families. These will be spread on tables on the church grounds.

As a part of the religious advance program of the church this event has been celebrated each fall.

Mr. Sommers, a former pastor of the Clinton church, is an able and entertaining speaker and is one of the foremost young preachers of the North Carolina Synod. His address will begin at eight o'clock.

#### United War Fund Drive Starts On October 9th

Goal For Hoke County Set At \$5750 With \$1500 Included For County Soldiers Center.

The drive for contributions to the United War Fund of Hoke county will begin on October 9th, it was stated yesterday by Tommie Upchurch, chairman of the county committee.

The county is for \$5750 and Mr. Upchurch stated that of this sum \$1500 would be kept in the county for the operating fund for the County Soldiers Center, and that \$4250 had been pledged by the committee to the eighteen different recreational and relief agencies which benefit from and are supported by the contributions to the United War Fund.

W. J. Coates has been named chairman of the Raeford township committee to succeed C. L. Thomas who resigned because of the press of other matters at this season.

Instruction of solicitors and other workers in the drive will be given at two meetings to be held at the courthouse on next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Robert Gatlin will conduct the meetings.

The drive will begin on the 9th and plans are now being made to complete the entire campaign within 10 days, Mr. Upchurch stated. He especially urged that all township chairmen and their co-workers be present at the meetings set for next week according to the schedule sent out by Mr. Gatlin.

#### With The Army People

Friends of the Lt. Newberry's will regret to learn that Lt. Newberry has been ill and was a patient at post hospital at Bragg the past weekend. The Newberry's live with Mrs. Paul Dickson, Jr.

Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Peeler and their three children are now residing in Little Clyde's house. Capt. Peeler came to Fort Bragg from Tinker Field, Okla.

Capt. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson left Raeford last week for Camp Sutton at Monroe, N. C. While here they occupied the Warren apartment.

The Officer's Wives club will meet Thursday October 5 at the Kiwanis Hall. Mrs. Heath and Mrs. Burnington will be hostesses.

Mrs. W. P. Phillips is leaving this week for her home in Lafayette, Col. Phillips will remain at Fort Bragg.

The Officer's Wives club met last Thursday at the Lentz home. A most delicious luncheon was served on the large screened porch of the home. A number of new members were welcomed at the business session. Reports of the secretary and the Red Cross committee were given. It was decided all able to sew would meet today, Sept. 28th, at the home of Mrs. E. G. Lyle for the purpose of making convalescent slippers. Bridge and rummy were enjoyed.

#### Harvey Buys Drink Plant In Old Miss

J. E. Harvey, former owner of H. S. distributing company of Raeford, returned Sunday from New York where he completed the purchase of a bottling plant located at Biloxi, Miss., and arranged for the transfer of the Pepsi-Cola franchise for six counties there. He left Tuesday for Mississippi to assume charge of the plant.

Mrs. Harvey will remain here for sometime until Mr. Harvey has secured a home there.

#### Roosevelt Opens Drive For Fourth Term As President

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—President Roosevelt opened his fourth term campaign Saturday night with a hard hitting speech accusing the Republican opposition of attempting to claim credit for the New Deal. He charged that G. O. P. orators were guilty of "the most obvious common or garden variety of fraud."

Speaking before the AFL Teamsters union, the President said the "whole purpose of Republican oratory these days . . . is to persuade the American people that the Democratic party was responsible for the 1929 crash and depression, and that the Republican party was responsible for all social progress under the New Deal."

"There is one thing I am too old for," the President declared, "I cannot talk out of both sides of my mouth at the same time."

Mr. Roosevelt made a point-by-point reply to almost every criticism leveled against his administration by his Republican opponent, Governor Thomas E. Dewey, of New York.

WELCOMES SUPPORTERS  
He declared the government welcomes "all sincere supporters of the cause of effective world collaboration, adding that 'millions of Republicans are with us.'"

And they too will resent this campaign talk by those who first woke up to the facts of international life a few short months ago," when they began to study the polls of public opinion," the President said.

Mr. Roosevelt, speaking before the same union which heard him open his third-term campaign on September 11, 1940, greeted the Teamsters by saying:

"I am actually four years older—which seems to annoy some people. In fact, millions of us are more than 11 years older than when we started in to clear up the mess that was dumped in our laps in 1933."

From that he launched in to an attack upon the Republican campaign, although he did not mention Governor Dewey by name.

RAPS ARMY CHARGE  
He termed as "callous and brazen falsehood" an assertion that the Administration plans "to keep men in the Army when the war is over because there might be no jobs for them in civil life."

"Why," Mr. Roosevelt continued, "the very day that this fantastic charge was first made a formal plan for the method of speedy discharge of the Army had already been announced by the War Department—a plan based upon the wishes of the soldiers themselves."

Mr. Roosevelt said the Republican leaders have carried the attacks against his administration even down to "include my little dog Fala. Unlike the members of my family he resents this."

The President said as soon as Fala heard that "Republican fiction writers" had made public a story that the dog was left behind in the Aleutians during the President's Pacific tour and had to be rescued by a destroyer at a cost of \$20,000,000 "his Scotch soul was furious. He has not been the same dog since. . . I think I have a right to object to libelous statements about my dog."

Turning serious again, the President said the nation's military leaders are not helped by men who "without responsibility and without knowledge of the facts, lecture the chiefs of staff of the United States as to the best means of dividing our armed forces and our military resources between the Army and the Navy, and among the commanding generals of the different theaters of war."

#### Homecoming At Old Bethesda Sunday

The annual homecoming for historic Old Bethesda church, located one mile from Aberdeen will be held Sunday, October 1. Dr. Charlton H. Storey, pastor of Bethesda church, will deliver the homecoming sermon at 11 a. m. At the noon hour dinner will be spread on the grounds in picnic style.

This homecoming will mark the 15th anniversary of Old Bethesda church. Hundreds of people from Aberdeen and near attend these Bethesda homcomings each year.

#### Ingathering At Antioch

The Antioch church will have its annual ingathering on Thursday, Oct. 12th. A barbecue and chicken salad dinner will be served at twelve noon. There will also be a bazaar and auction sale of cotton and farm produce.

#### Mrs. A. F. Chason Of Lumber Bridge Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. A. F. Chason, 69, of Lumber Bridge, were conducted from the home yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. E. B. Booker, pastor of Ephesus of which she was a member. Interment was in the family cemetery besides her husband who died fifteen months ago.

Surviving are two sons, L. M. and Joe Chason of Lumber Bridge; three daughters, Mrs. Hal Gillan of Lexington, Mrs. Lawrence Glissom of Raeford and Miss Ruth Chason of Columbia, Miss.; seven grandchildren, a great grandchild; three brothers and four sisters.

#### WFA Will Buy 1944 Cotton At Parity Prices

The announcement Monday that the War Food Administration will purchase from farmers at parity prices all cotton of the 1944 crop for which a loan schedule has been announced and which may be placed in storage, drew a strong warning to cotton farmers from M. G. Mann, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, in Raleigh today.

Commenting upon the government proposal, Mann said, "this simply means that unless they are careful thousands of cotton farmers are going to be misled into accepting less than the true value of their cotton. Parity prices for middling fifteen-sixteenths has been set at 22.67c while parity for middling one and one-quarter is 33.17c or a difference of 1,050 points and \$52.50 per bale. This simply means that tens of thousands of bales of cotton will be sold at 22.67c and farmers will be told that they are receiving the government parity."

"Never before in the history of cotton marketing," warned Mann, "has it been more necessary for cotton farmers to market their cotton on a grade and staple basis. Farmers who blindly accept the 'government parity' for their cotton without true knowledge of the grades and staples of their cotton, are going to lose thousands upon thousands of dollars right at a time when they need every penny their cotton will bring."

The only solution to the problem, according to Mr. Mann, is for farmers to have their cotton graded and stapled before they attempt to sell, and determine whether or not their cotton is better than fifteen-sixteenths, and therefore entitled to a better price than the government parity of \$22.67 for that grade.

#### D. M. Starling Moves To Troy Monday

D. M. Starling, very popular grocer and manager of the Home Food Market, is leaving Raeford October 1st. He goes to Troy where he will be traveling salesman for Bonna Allen Wholesale Grocery company.

He expects to move his family to Troy as soon as he can get a house that he likes. The Starlings came to Raeford in 1935. He took over the management of Pender's local chain store. By his ability, consideration of his customers and knowledge of his business, he became very popular. Without the past year he transferred to the Home Food Market. His many customers hate to see him leave, but his desire to be out in the open and have less confining work prompt him to make the decision.

The Hoke County Health Department is located in the basement of the Agriculture Building. Dr. J. W. Wilcox of Moore county is the Health Officer. He is in the office here on Monday morning and Friday afternoon. Mrs. Ernest Campbell is the county nurse and Miss Retha Howell is clerk.



Mrs. Yvonne Baucom McMillan who recently returned to Raeford with her mother to live, while her husband, Sgt. Floyd McMillan is in foreign service, has accepted a position in the News-Journal office.

#### Dr. Archibald Alexander McFadyen, 67, Dies Suddenly Monday Morning; Was Native Of Raeford And Honor Graduate Of Davidson.

Funeral Services For Noted Medical Missionary To China Held In Raeford Presbyterian Church Monday Morning; Was Native Of Raeford And Honor Graduate Of Davidson.

#### John H. Watson Found Dead At Keepers House In Raeford Cemetery

John H. Watson, 68, was found dead Sunday night lying on the porch of the unoccupied keeper's house of the Raeford cemetery. It was reported to local police about eight o'clock. County coroner Dr. R. A. Matheson was called and he reported that Mr. Watson had apparently suffered a heart attack some time before and had been dead about 24 hours. It was known that he had been at the cemetery on Friday cleaning off the family lot, but had not been seen since that time. The coroner stated that there was no evidence of foul play.

A member of a widely connected family of the county, he was the last surviving member of his generation.

Funeral services were conducted at the graveside in the plot which he had carefully tended for many years. The Rev. H. K. Holland conducted the services. A native of the Antioch community, he lived in Raeford until the death of his sisters with whom he made his home. For the past six years he had made his home in Red Springs.

#### Oakdale Gin Now Has Air-Unloader In Operation

Second Such Installation In Hoke County In Recent Months; Farmers "Demanding Air Treatment."

"It isn't laziness that's causing farmers of our section to demand that their cotton be unloaded by our new air unloader, it's the fine conditioning the cotton gets by being handled by our type unloader that they're after," was the comment of Cecil Dew of the Johnson company, which operates the Oakdale gin.

The Continental unloader, scheduled for installation in early August, was put into operation last week at Oakdale and is the second such equipment to be installed in gins of the county for this season's work.

The Stacy suction fans pick up the cotton from the wagons and deliver it, fluffed out into the stalls where it may be picked up and blown into another stall for further conditioning or taken to the gins. It is operated in connection with special cleaning and drying equipment that takes the seed cotton through four drying operations, a special four-drum beating machine for further fluffing and cleaning and brightening, and into a modern huller which delivers it to the four 80-saw gins.

Devoe Austin is manager and Joe Gulleidge is assistant manager of the gin.

#### Hoke Health Dept Announces Clinics

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The first clinic was held last Friday during which time 8 patients were examined by Dr. Wilcox. A venereal disease clinic will be held every Friday afternoon from 2:00 to 4:30 p. m. It is the desire of the County Health department to have available to every person an examination and treatment for venereal diseases. Also to have available to every pregnant woman an examination by a doctor if she expects to be delivered by a midwife.

On Monday, Oct. 2nd, vaccinations for smallpox will be given in all the schools. Children under 7 years of age will be vaccinated for diphtheria. If they have been vaccinated for this in infancy only one dose will be given but if no vaccination for diphtheria has been given, two doses 1 month apart will be given. Whooping cough vaccinations also will be available to those who request it.

Halifax county has the distinction of making the first loan on farm-stored cotton for the 1944-45 season. Other counties will take advantage of the program as public storage is limited in some sections.

Medical Missionary To China Held Monday Morning; Was Native Of Davidson.

pay homage to the memory of Dr. Archibald Alexander McFadyen, an outstanding son of Hoke county and noted medical missionary to the Chinese mission field of the Southern Presbyterian church, relatives, friends and former co-workers gathered at the Raeford Presbyterian church Monday morning at eleven o'clock. Dr. McFadyen died of a heart attack Saturday morning at his home in Morganton.

Brief services were conducted at Morganton, and the funeral service here was conducted by the Rev. Harry K. Holland, pastor, and the Rev. Louis H. Lancaster, D. D., of Sumter, S. C., and the Hsuehchowfu, China mission. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery.

Pallbearers were: active—A. K. Stevens, A. K. Currie, N. A. McDonald, J. S. Poole, Tom McLaughlin, Ernest Campbell, H. A. Greene and Lawrence McNeill; honorary pallbearers were the elders of the church, and Dr. P. P. McCain of Sanatorium, John Hodges of Linden, Hector McGeachy of Fayetteville and Ryan McBryde.

There was a profusion of beautiful flowers, yet a thoughtful note towards Dr. McFadyen's career of services in the China mission was expressed by many friends of Morganton and Raeford who have written the family that instead of flowers for him they have made gifts to the church's fund for relief and rehabilitation work that war-torn country.

Dr. McFadyen returned to the United States in December after his 36 years of service as a medical missionary to China had been ended by the war. After a rest of some months, he became a member of the medical staff of the State hospital at Morganton. He worked there as usual on the day before his death.

Born in Raeford on April 17, 1887, he was the son of Neill McNeill McFadyen and Sarah Catherine McFadyen. He was graduated from Davidson college in 1889, where he attained high scholastic honors and made an outstanding record in athletics. After he had completed his work for the medical degree at the old Charlotte Medical college, he was ordained an elder of the Davidson church and was sent by that church as its representative in the mission field.

Throughout his 36 years in China he was director of the Men's Hospital of Hsuehchowfu, an important railway center between Shanghai and Peking, and it was here that he remained for three years following Japanese occupation of the area. During the attack on the city he continued his operations while bombs were falling close by. The hospital was not destroyed and when the town fell he convinced the Japanese that he would admit no one of military significance within the compound, though some 500 Chinese Christians were given refuge there. After the occupation he also became director of the Woman's hospital there until forced to leave by the invaders.

It was to the Men's hospital and to his friend that the late Neill S. Blue of Raeford gave \$10,000 with which Dr. McFadyen erected a building that was to double the capacity of the institution. At the entrance to the grounds a chapel was erected and all but the very sick were required to wait in the chapel before being admitted to the hospital. While waiting, native evangelists ministered to the patients before they were attended by the physicians and surgeons.

Professionally, one of his outstanding achievements was the first successful treatment of the strange and dreaded "kala azar," a disease peculiar to China in the course of which the afflicted's blood turns water and results in insanity. Dr. McFadyen was able to effect a cure that was highly successful if treated in time and was honored for it by the Rockefeller Foundation of China. This work was carried on in a special clinical building erected from funds given him by Mrs. John A. Tate of Charlotte.

In speaking of him just recently one of his former co-workers in the field stated that Dr. McFadyen was one of the very strongest Christian influences of the entire Southern Presbyterian mission, and that one of the greatest tributes she had known to be paid anyone was paid him while he was suffering from typhus fever some years ago. He was very ill for many days, and each evening and each morning hundreds of the Chinese would gather silently outside the home, and though the weather was fearfully cold, offer prayers

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