

NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

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to the Norfolk Naval Air station, after spending ten days at home.

Pvt. Bobby McNeill is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hector McNeill.

Negro Engineer Unit In Africa 6 Months Before Invasion

WITH THE AAF ENGINEER COMMAND IN CORSICA.—Technician 4th Grade Willie Patterson of Ft. L. Raeford, recently completed 30 months overseas with a veteran aviation engineer battalion in the Mediterranean theatre of operations. In June, 1942, its members first set foot in Africa, six months before the invasion of that continent by Allied forces. Landing in East Equatorial Africa with only one barrack's bag of equipment, their heavy machinery had been delayed several times by lack of their airfield through the jungle, using primitive implements borrowed from the natives. It was three months later that they were once again fully equipped. They traveled North — the first aviation engineers to enter the des-

ert. One day, their commander of-ficer, Lt. Colonel James O. Johnson of Huntsville, Ala., announced they would build an airfield for heavy bombers in 30 days. Feverish work started and within 24 days the rock-studded terrain had been transformed into a compact earth airfield. Suddenly higher headquarters decided an asphalt surface would have to be added. There were six days left. Barely had they started again when orders came to drop shovels and pick up rifles—enemy paratroops had landed in the area. For 48 precious hours these negroes guarded the important base, until the last enemy had been captured. Then, back to work. On the 30th day the first of many Liberators bombers landed on the field. Not many days later the same planes made the first low-level attack on the Ploesti Oil refineries.

Next came Sicily and a brief stay was followed by the last stop—Corsica. On this island the veterans built the scores of fighter bases which supported the Allied invasion of Southern France. Celebrating their 30th month overseas, these engineers showed the same zest which won them commendations from Generals commanding the air forces they have helped lay for mightier blows against the enemy.

THE AMERICAN WAY

LET'S NOT KID OURSELVES

By GEORGE PECK



Disregarding the sad lesson learned after World War I, it looks as though this nation is going to repeat the serious blunder at the conclusion of World War II. Washington is full of plans for lending money to many of our Allies and also to some of our present and previous enemies.

These plans call for loans of billions of dollars to each country—the whole world is being led to expect that Uncle Sam will play Santa Claus to everybody to the tune of many of billions of dollars. This vast sum if added to our present national debt will add up to an appalling total.

While making these so-called loans will benefit our farmers, laborers, manufacturers and others, because they will finance a large export trade, the fact of the matter is that these loans can never be paid back except in the form of goods.

If, and when the payments of these loans become due, the bor-

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6:30 P. M.—Baptist Training Union.
7:30 P. M. Worship service, sermon by pastor.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:30.
On Wednesday evening, Jan. 18th, the Junior department of the Sunday school has charge of the prayer meeting.
The church extends a very cordial welcome to visitors and servicemen.

rowers should undertake to pay with wheat, meat, manufactured products, etc., at prices set on a basis of low wages of impoverished Europe, or cooie wages of the Orient, our farmers, laborers and manufacturers will have to compete with these low prices.

You can well imagine the howl that will go up from all of our citizens demanding higher tariffs to prevent the complete disruption of our economy by this influx of cheap products from abroad. The imports (the only method by which these nations can repay their loans) will be cut off, the loans will not be repaid, as was exactly the case after World War I, and we will be left holding the bag again, with our national debt increased by approximately the amount of these foreign loans.

Such advances of money to foreign nations may be necessary, but why not be realistic about it this time by calling them "GIFTS"—for that is what they really will be. The Congress should fully realize this, and knowing it, will be inclined to scrutinize more carefully every proposed advance to any foreign nation. Further, the Congress should make it quite clear to the recipients that these advances are outright gifts, coming from a generous nation to its Allies, or its former enemies, as the case may be.

The American public, too, must understand that any sums advanced to foreign nations will be outright gifts—money over the dam, never to flow back to us again. The public, recognizing this fact, will insist that Congress do its duty in restricting these advances to the barest possible minimum.

If this article sounds a bit hard-boiled, please know that I intend it to be just that way. Memory of the horrible epithet "Uncle Shylock" which was flung at us when we tried to collect the loans made after the

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JOIN THE MARCH OF DIMES

last war, still lingers painfully. While I know full well that this country cannot, in fact, have no desire to stand aloof after this war is over, oblivious to the crying needs of our Allies, and even our former enemies, the point I am trying to make is: If we do play Santa Claus, let's do it wide open, knowing that what we put into the stockings of foreign nations will be put there for keeps." This time let's not kid ourselves.

President C. S. Bunn of the N. C. Swine Breeders association announces that his organization will hold its annual meeting the first week in February in Raleigh during the Farm Bureau Convention.

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Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Charlie Pride, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at his residence on Route 1, Timberland, N. C., on or before the 13th day of December, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 13th day of December, 1944. Earl Pride, Administrator estate of Charlie Pride. 28-33

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE
Having qualified as the administratrix of the estate of Lester E. McMinis, deceased, late of Hoke county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to exhibit them, duly verified according to law, to the undersigned at Red Springs, Rt. 3, on or before December 8, 1944, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 8th day of December, 1944. Mrs. Minnie E. McMinis, Administratrix Estate of Lester E. McMinis. 28-33.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of J. F. Oldham, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them, duly verified according to law, to the undersigned at my home near Raeford on or before December 14, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 14th day of December, 1944. J. W. Saunders, Jr., Administrator Estate of J. F. Oldham. 29-34 P

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as the administrator c. t. a. of the estate of Julia E. Williford, deceased, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to exhibit them, duly verified according to law, to the undersigned at Lumberton, on or before December 9, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 8th day of December, 1944. The National Bank of Lumberton, Administrator c. t. a. Estate of Julia E. Williford, Lumberton, N. C. 28-33c

NOTICE OF LAND SALE
Pursuant to an Order of Court dated Dec. 18, 1944 in a Sp. Pro. entitled "Miss Annie Thomas Et Als. vs. Mrs. Dorothy Autry" of record in Hoke County Superior Court Clerk's office, appointing as Commissioner the undersigned to sell the one-fourth undivided interest of the said Respondent in the below described land, to create assets to pay unsatisfied debts of Sim Thomas, deceased, I will offer at public auction for cash at 12 o'clock noon, on January 17, 1945, at the courthouse door in Raeford, N. C., a one-fourth undivided interest in the following land: In McLauchlin Township, Hoke County, N. C., and beginning at the N.E. corner of the Alex Lindsay land, adjoining a 40-acre tract of Chas. S. Thomas estate land, and runs N 69.15 E along said 40 acres tract 13.20 chs. to a stake; thence same course continued 4.70 chs. to a stake in the center of the run of Little Rockfish creek, which is the Hoke-Cumberland County line; thence up said run or channel N 71.30 W 1.50 chs, N 8.30 W 7.35 chs; N 40 1.85 chs; N 21 W 7 chs; N 10 W 1.19 chs; N 77 W 2.54 chs; S 76.45 W 1.92 chs; N 70 W 1.95 chs; and N 10 W 1.59 chs to a stake; thence S 69.15 W 26.10 chs to a stake; thence S 13.10 E 22.84 chs, to a stake, corner of said Lindsay land; thence N 69.15 E 16.35 chs, to the beginning, containing 66 acres, more or less, and being the 2nd tract described in Book of Deeds No. 25 at page 118 of Hoke County public registry. Posted 12.18.44
ARTHUR D. GORE, Commissioner.
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