



Pfc. Lonnie Teal Missing In Action Since March 15

Pfc. J. Lonnie Teal, Jr., 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Teal of Raeford, has been reported missing in action in Germany, according to a message received Monday by his mother from the War Department.

Pfc. Teal was serving with the 79th Infantry Division and has been action throughout the European campaign. His outfit was one of the first divisions to land on the Normandy coast and has been at the front almost constantly ever since. One of the swiftest moving divisions in the American armies, at times it has been assigned to the 1st, 3rd and 7th armies, and was with the 7th at the time Pfc. Teal was reported missing.

Pfc. Teal entered the service in August, 1943, and went to England a few months later, and has been overseas a little over a year.

Raeford Boy Sweats Out Nazi Barrage

WITH THE 102nd INFANTRY DIVISION IN GERMANY—There are two doughboys who are going to dig their foxholes in the wide open fields from now on.

During a recent drive Pfc. William L. Hinson of Raeford, N. C., and Pfc. Carl Gunn of 807 Edgehill Road, Richmond, Va., were pinned down by enemy artillery and sniper fire.

The doughs dug in, and soon after, two American tanks moved up beside their two-man foxhole. And then the enemy really opened up, 88's dropped all around the doughboys. Mortar fire encircled their hole. The two infantrymen sweated out the barrage.

When the barrage stopped, both of our tanks had been knocked out and the area around the hole completely covered with shell craters. The two doughboys didn't have a scratch between them.

Released From Hospital

THE 119th GENERAL HOSPITAL, England.—Private James K. McKenzie, 25, RFD, Raeford, N. C., has received at this United States Army general hospital from wounds received in Belgium on December 24, 1944. While at this hospital he received expert medical care followed by a period of convalescence. He has now been released for a return to duty. A member of a glider infantry unit, he entered the Army December 7, 1943.

Joseph R. Cothran, S-2-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cothran of Ashley Heights, has been chosen to be in the amphibious forces of the navy in the South Pacific.

Enter Service

The following men were sent to Fort Bragg for induction on March 2: Archie F. Bristow, Elmore W. Stanton, John W. King and Lester O. Edwards.

Pvt. William "Snook" Currie is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Currie. He has just finished infantry basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla. and will report back to Fort Meade, Md.

Pvt. Leonard Baker, stationed in Charleston, S. C., visited his mother, Mrs. Nonie Chapell, Easter.

C. P. Kinlaw, S-1-c, USNR, is in a hospital in Bramerton, Washington. He recently had a minor operation. After leaving the hospital, he expects to receive his discharge immediately.

Letters have been received from Staff Sgt. William Lentz, who is in Italy. Other Raeford boys in William's outfit there are Wilson Yarborough, James Stephens and Carlton Niven.

William R. Folks of the Quartermaster Corps, has recently been promoted to the rank of captain. Captain Folks is the son of Mrs. Dora C. Watson of Wagram. He was a member of the National Guard unit of Raeford and was inducted into service in September, 1940. He is now serving with the Warner Robins Air Technical Service Command at Robins Field, Ga.

Sgt. Ang McKenzie is home at present enroute to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md.

"Swimming Hole" On Rockfish Is Given To County

Juror Pay Raised To \$3 Per Day By Commissioners; Road Approved For State Maintenance.

One and three-tenths acres of land known as the swimming hole on Rockfish creek, adjacent to the old site of McRae's bridge, has been deeded to the county and the gift was formally accepted by the Board of Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday.

The property has long been a recreational spot during the summer months for the youth of Raeford and this section of the county. It was recently acquired by the Raeford Power and Manufacturing company from Starr McMillan, and the deed to the tract was presented by that firm to the county, with the understanding that the spot would continue to be used as a recreation spot. Here the Rockfish moves deep and cool across a nicely sandbed beach and provides an excellent swimming place throughout the summer season. The tract includes a pine grove which provides a fine shady area for picnicking groups.

The commission approved a resolution to raise the pay of jurors from \$2 to \$3 per day, plus mileage. Also it was approved that Inez Bunch, blind nee, receive \$12 per month as aid from the funds to aid the blind.

The board approved a resolution to provide state maintenance for the road which runs from Johnson's mill to the Wayside community house.

Hoke Tire Quota Is Cut Again

Only 55 passenger car tires are available for rationing to Hoke county motorists in April as compared with 115 available in March, according to Miss Marion Maxwell, clerk of the local OPA. This represents a cut of slightly over 50 per cent.

Eligible purchasers to whom certificates will be issued have been classified into preference groups, based on the importance and direct use of the car in the war effort, and applications will be considered in the order of preference established under a recent order of the OPA.

Group 1 includes persons whose occupations are of emergency or critical nature: physicians, public health nurses, police and employees of industries of critical importance.

Group 2 includes farmers, farm workers, plant managers, labor and government employee cars.

Group 3 includes principally of buyers for essential establishments.

Group 4 includes all other classifications of persons eligible for grade 1 tires.

One Penny Returns \$2.77 With Peanuts

Since it costs only about 10 cents an acre to treat peanut seed before planting to obtain better stands, no farmer can afford to overlook treating his seed with one of the several materials now available, says Howard Garriss, extension plant pathologist at State College.

While the returns from seed treatment will vary from field to field and farm to farm, this practice has proven itself to be an excellent insurance leading to larger yields.

One of the largest gains reported to Garriss last year came from the farm of J. J. Matthews in Gates county. The per-acre yield without the seed treatment was 14 bags, while the acre with treatment gave a yield of 17 2-3 bags. The ten cents invested in seed treatment gave a return of 330 pounds of peanuts, worth \$27.70.

Another good method for increasing peanut yields is the dusting of the crop with copper-sulphur or sulphur dust to control leafspot diseases. Not only does this practice give increased yields of nuts but it also increases the amount of hay and gives hay of better quality. Under average conditions the extra hay pays for the cost of the dusting and the extra nuts are clear profit.

Garriss suggests that growers immediately order their dusting equipment and not wait until it is needed this summer. Some growers had their crops dusted by airplane last year but it is not known whether this service will be available during the coming season.

Tires no longer suitable for the Army may be reconditioned and sold for "limited civilian use," according to OPA.

War Department Documentary Movie Coming

"Highballing to Victory," a picture made in Europe by Army photographers will be shown on April 11 and 12 at the Hoke High school and to the Kiwanis club at 8 p. m. on the evening of April 12. The showings will be open to the general public.

McBryde Named To 3-Year Term On Hospitals Board

State Senator Ryan McBryde will be sworn in next Monday, April 9, as a member of the new state hospitals board which was appointed this week by Governor R. Gregg Cherry. Senator McBryde was named as the member from the eighth congressional district and was appointed for a three-year term.

The new board is composed of one member each from the 12 congressional districts and three members at large. J. L. Dawkins, of Fayetteville, was appointed for a three-year term from the seventh district.

One of the first duties of the board will be to secure successors to the present superintendents of the state hospitals at Morganton and Raleigh who resigned after the appointment of the new board was authorized by the recent general assembly.

Re-Elect Mrs. Cole PTA Head; Hear Health Talks

The April meeting of the Hoke-Raeford P. T. A. was held Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock in the Raeford Graded school with Mrs. B. B. Cole presiding. The Rev. W. L. Maness conducted the devotional service. The report of the nominating committee was submitted and the following officers were elected for next year: president, Mrs. B. B. Cole; vice-president, Mrs. Belton Wright; secretary, Miss Blanche Fisher; and treasurer, Mrs. A. S. Knowles.

Mrs. Audrey B. Conk sketched the plans for a field day program which will be held May 7 at the Hoke County High school.

Mrs. Cole announced the plans for the United National Clothing Collection which is being sponsored by the P. T. A. and emphasized the dire need for clothing in the war-torn countries.

Mrs. Belton Wright, program chairman, introduced the speakers of the evening. Mrs. E. B. Campbell, of the Hoke County Health department, gave a summary of the work that has been done by the department in the schools of the county. She reported that 356 children had been examined, and 226 had been found in need of dental or medical care. Through the efforts of the department and others who are interested, many dental defects have been corrected and glasses have been provided for a few. Mrs. Campbell also presented tentative plans for a tonsil clinic and a pre-school clinic.

Dr. J. W. Wilcox spoke briefly on "Preventative Measures," emphasizing the necessity for the schools to combat the problem of absenteeism. Mrs. Morris Heath gave an interesting and stimulating account of what is being done by the health departments in New York and Washington State. Mrs. Heath pointed out that in these states the P. T. A. was the best friend of the public health nurse because of its cooperation with the health work. The program was concluded with an open discussion led by Miss Flora Ray of the State Health department.

Work On Church Is Progressing Rapidly

The work on the auditorium of the Presbyterian church is progressing nicely. The interior plan has been changed from what it was before the fire in the fall of 1943. Painting has been about completed. An organ will be installed before services will be held there, which will probably be early fall. The Southeastern Construction company is doing the work. Wenner and Fink of Philadelphia are the architects.

A new glass which successfully survives exposure to corrosive, deadly hydrofluoric acid that disintegrates ordinary glass, corrodes most metals and produces dangerous burns, has been developed by the American Optical company, Southbridge, Mass.

P-T A. And Kiwanis Sponsor Collection Of Old Clothing

Depot Established In Benner Building; Special Collection Drive April 9-13.

The vacant store in the Benner Building next to Smith's Radio service, has been secured as an old clothing depot by the collection committee of the Raeford Kiwanis club and the Hoke-Raeford Parent-Teachers association, for use during the month of April. It was stated yesterday by Mrs. E. B. Cole, PTA president.

Collection is being sponsored by these two groups with the cooperation of the schools and the several home demonstration clubs of the county. Miss Josephine Hall, home agent, states that clothing need that is in perfect repair, but that it should be clean and must be useful. Garments for infants, men, boys, women and girls, caps and knitted wear, bedding, shoes and usable remnants and piece goods are needed. Rags, and badly damaged or dirty worn out fabrics will be of no use, it was said. Under-clothing and all types of cotton garments and materials are especially needed. If they are washed they need not be ironed, it was said.

Materials and clothing may be delivered to the schools by the children and they will then be brought to Raeford for packing, or they may be taken to Home club meetings or brought direct to the depot in the Benner building.

While the drive will continue throughout the month of April, a special campaign will be conducted next week, April 9-13th.

Merchants are requested to furnish the depot with packing cases and paper cartons which may be used for the packing and shipping of the materials to the national center.

Baptist Classes Hear T. L. Sasser Each Evening

Sunday School Revival Of Robeson Association Being Carried Out By Sixty Workers.

The Rev. T. L. Sasser of Greensboro, is conducting special services at the Raeford Baptist church each evening this week as a part of the Sunday School Revival services being held in 45 of the 61 churches of the Robeson Baptist Association.

The services are being well attended. They will continue through Friday evening and are being held at 7:45 o'clock. Mr. Sasser is a most interesting speaker and has had special training as a mission worker by the Southern Association for the series of services now being held. He is one of 60 southern workers assisting in the campaign in the Robeson association.

During the past week a church census has been made by the local church, in cooperation with the other churches, and it is planned to place especial emphasis on the work of the church school during the coming months.

Whitley Loses Pen Knife In 1917; Got It Back 1945

Back in 1915, when H. W. B. Whitley was still a courtin' the missus, he was presented a small, gold-handled pen knife and chain by his lady. A couple of years later, in grape-picking time of 1917 the knife and chain were lost out near Timberland.

On Tuesday morning of this week, somewhat over 27 years later, the knife was returned to Mr. Whitley by "Dusty" McLeod.

The knife was found in 1920 on the highway near the Edinburgh cotton mills by Mrs. Loch Campbell. The engraved initials had been scuffed and were nearly illegible. Failing to find the owner, she later gave the knife to Dusty, who carried it a few weeks, and then placed it in a box with other items here, there and elsewhere.

Last week he remembered the knife and mentioned it to Mr. Whitley, who became more than casually interested as he described to faint inscription of "B. F. to H. W. B." a part of which could be read. Mr. Whitley told McLeod of a knife he had lost many years ago and described it to him. McLeod stated that apparently the knife was the one lost. Tuesday it was again a prized pocket-piece of Mrs. Whitley's husband.

Only Three Face Judge McDiarmid Court Tuesday

Only three cases were heard in county court Tuesday. David Chason, white, paid costs for improper equipment on a bus; Lacy Smith, negro, paid court costs and was ordered to redeem bad checks for \$125 given Chief W. T. McQuigg and A. V. Sanders; Hermon Mason, white, paid court costs and still fee in lieu of a 4 months term on the roads for violation of the liquor laws. Mason did not appear in court due to injuries received in a wreck shortly after he still was raided by officers of the sheriff's department.

Jury List Drawn For April Term Superior Court

Nine Members Of Grand Jury To Be Selected; Court Convenes April 23.

Nine members of the county grand jury are to be selected from a list of 45 jurors drawn Tuesday. Others are to serve for the April term of Superior court to convene on April 23rd.

Foreman J. B. Thomas, who has served for the past year, is retiring and a new foreman will be selected when the court convenes, it was stated by John Cameron, court clerk. The nine who will continue to serve on the grand jury are: C. J. Holland, J. B. McLeod, R. F. Clark, A. M. McBryde, G. D. Vanhook, J. T. Dean, W. F. Livingston, T. D. Potter and J. W. Smith.

Members of the venire drawn Tuesday are:

ANTIOCH—J. W. Morgan, A. D. McPhaul, G. C. Lytle, J. W. McNeill, J. W. Sanders, Jr., and L. M. Huggins.

RAEFORD—N. B. Blue, E. E. Smith, C. E. Upchurch, J. A. McKeithan, N. A. McDonald, A. V. Sanders, N. McL. McDiarmid, Rowland Andrews, J. S. Poole, Jim Baxley, J. M. Baker, David Baker, B. F. McDuffie. McLAUCHLIN—W. F. Townsend, M. G. Ray, W. R. Adcox, J. E. Wood, B. B. Bostic, H. L. Koonce, G. W. Ray, W. E. Townsend and J. M. Ray. BLUE SPRINGS—Homer Maxwell, C. M. Gaine, Claude Bender, John A. Wilkes, and H. W. Ellis.

ALLENDALE—L. A. McGugan. STONEWALL—J. D. McBryde, W. J. McBryde, E. G. Wickline, L. A. McInnis, John Stubbs and D. B. Traywick.

QUEWHIFFLE—L. A. Moss, E. A. Winecoff, J. T. Leslie. LITTLE RIVER—Dan Stewart and Henry Garner.

Men In Service

Eighteen additional names of men from Hoke County in the armed forces are reported this week by Mrs. Ina Bethune, War Records historian, of the county library. Those reported are:

WHITE
Capps, Gilbert Curtis
Love, Rudolph Angus
McInnis, Eugene
McPhaul, James Ernest, Jr.
McPhaul, John Archibald, III
McVicker, William Fred
Maness, Charles Edwin
Maness, Paul Franklin
Maness, William Holt

INDIAN
Locklear, Willie C.

NEGRO
Dillard, Moses
Hobson, John Franklin
Johnson, Gaston
McEachern, Leo McLauchlin
McLauchlin, Henry Charles
McPhatter, John Thomas
Wade, Edward.

Tar Heel Farm Journal Program

A group of entertainers on the Tar Heel Farm Journal program will appear at the Hoke High school on Thursday evening, April 12th, at 8 o'clock. Their program is heard daily at one P. M. over station WPTF. The group includes the Lone Star Quartet, The Tobacco Tags, Mary Alice, Delphinium, Uncle Milt and others. The appearance of the group in Raeford will be sponsored by the Blue Springs Home Demonstration club. The public is cordially invited.

Library Board To Meet Friday

There will be an important meeting of the Hoke county library board on Friday evening of this week. The meeting will be held in the library at 8:15 o'clock.

Name Carl Riley Chairman County School Board

District Committees Re-Appointed At Biennial Organizational Meeting; Discuss Upchurch Building.

Carl Riley was elected chairman of the Hoke County School Board Monday at the biennial organizational meeting held Tuesday to succeed A. W. Wood who has been chairman for the past several years. Mr. Wood refused to stand for re-election to the post.

Robert Gatlin, recently named to the board by the General Assembly to succeed W. M. Monroe, attended the meeting for his first session. Other members of the board are D. B. McFadyen and A. D. McPhaul.

Plans for the rebuilding of the plant for the Upchurch high school, only high school in the county for negroes, were discussed. No action was taken at the meeting as a number of new sites for the school have been proposed and additional information was asked before any site was approved.

Due to construction difficulties no definite action was taken on plans for the building which will have a pupil population of some 700 students. However, it is thought that classrooms will be constructed this year and that the plans will be so drawn that an auditorium can be added at a future date.

The board re-appointed all members of the district school committees. They are:

No. 1. RAEFORD—L. M. Lester, Walter Maxwell and M. C. Dew.

No. 2. ASHEMONT—F. L. Eubanks, W. L. Thornburg and Dewey Strother.

No. 3. ROCKFISH—D. K. Parker, C. L. Wood, and Pearce Gillis.

No. 4. MILDOUSON—Norman McInnis, Leonard McFadyen and Frank McGregor.

No. 5. ANTIOCH—Arch. McGugan, D. W. Gillis and Mrs. W. C. Hodgin.

Deputies To New York For Negro Wanted For Rape

Lonnie Ray Taken By Metropolitan Police On Request Of County Sheriff's Department.

Deputies J. C. Wright and H. A. Dees, accompanied by Dr. A. L. O'Brian, were in New York early this week seeking to return Lonnie Ray, negro, to this county for trial on charges of criminal assault.

Ray is said to have assaulted a young negress here some seven months ago. He left the county immediately after the crime was committed. Some weeks ago the sheriff's department learned that he was living in New York, and upon request of Sheriff D. H. Hodgin, the metropolitan police arrested him. He was to be given hearing in a police court there Monday and it was expected that the officers would return to Hoke county with him today.

Closed Season On Fishing

According to H. R. McLean, district game protector, the fishing season closes after April 5th and will remain closed until May 20th. The closed season covers both day and night fishing, and all anglers are requested to refrain from fishing during this period of time.

Dogs Chasing Deer

When the deer hunting season ended on January 1, it also made it illegal for dogs to chase deer, according to North Carolina Game Laws. Protector McLean states he has had several complaints of dogs chasing deer in some sections of the county. He warns that dogs will be apprehended and their owners prosecuted as this laws direct. He asked also this question: "Mr. Sportsman! How can you complain of a scarcity of deer during the hunting season, when you have allowed your dogs to chase and kill them during the closed season?"

"There is no excuse for this, and none will be accepted," according to Protector McLean.

"Super-race" efficiency in a Brussels library which the Nazis took over, resulted in the books being arranged according to size, to "give the place neatness and order."

After three years, a package of ploom-wrapped raisins was found in perfect condition for eating.