

NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Cdr. A. M. Patterson Is Executive Officer On Cruiser In Pacific

Veteran Naval Officer In Many Pacific Fleet's Major Opera- tions.

Aboard a Cruiser in the Pacific.—Cdr. Alex McLeod Patterson, 40, USN, of Raeford, N. C., has served in the Navy for 22 years and has seen action in virtually every major Pacific operation from Tarawa to Okinawa. Cdr. Patterson graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1923 and has served aboard the USS Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Wasmuth, Wright, and the Colorado. In 1940 he was transferred to the Navy Department to serve as officer-in-charge of the registered publications section. In 1943 he was ordered aboard this ship on which he now serves as executive officer.

Last August he received a letter of commendation for "meritorious service" in operations against the enemy between November, 1943, and July, 1944.

Cdr. Patterson's wife, the former Mary McBride, and their two children, Peggy and Sandy, live at 408 Winona Ave., Lumberton.

Bronze Star Medal Given Cpl. Taylor

Cpl. Howard J. Taylor of Rt. 2, Raeford, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. He is the husband of Estelle H. Taylor of Raeford. Incident for which award was made was as follows: During the period 4 July to 4 May, 1945, in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany, Cpl. Taylor was placed in direct charge of all unit sentinels. As a result of Cpl. Taylor's outstanding leadership, an efficient and well-organized guard was maintained. Cpl. Taylor's sterling performance of duty merits the highest praise and reflects great credit upon himself and the finest traditions of the military service.

Cpl. Taylor has been with the 322d Field Artillery Battalion, 83d Infantry Division, since October, 1942. He holds five bronze service stars for the "Normandy," "Northern France," "Ardennes," "Rhineland," and "Central Europe" campaigns.

Lt. Hendrix Completes Marine Infantry Combat Courses

Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif.—Marine 2nd Lt. James R. Hendrix, 22, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hendrix, Rt. 1, Raeford, has been graduated from Infantry school battalion, a super combat school which was activated at Camp Pendleton only a few months ago. 2nd Lt. Hendrix, born May 6, 1923, at Raeford, was graduated in 1942 from Hoke high school where he lettered in football, baseball and basketball. He attended the University of North Carolina and enlisted in the Corps December 4, 1943. He was trained at Parris Island, S. C., and Quantico, Va.

Medic Specialist

Memphis, July 18.—Pvt. Leonard A. Baker of Raeford has graduated from a three months Neuro-Psychiatric training course at Kennedy General hospital here. He will soon report for duty as a member of a ship's complement where he will apply the specialized training he has received assisting in the care of battle fatigue cases on returning hospital ships. He is now spending a furlough in Raeford with his mother, Mrs. Nonie Chapel.

Raeford Man Promoted

Camp Butner, July 18.—Col. Herbert M. Poole, post commander, Camp Butner, announced the promotion of two officers to the grade of captain on Wednesday. Captain William L. Harper is the engineer property officer at post engineers. Capt. Harper came on active duty at Butner in October, 1942. A Tarheel, the captain hails from Raeford and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina.

Dan C. Roach of Lumber Bridge, has recently been graduated from the army's school of personnel service at Lexington, Va., where his special training fitted him for giving advice and assistance to service men in the solution of their personal problems.

"Whitey" Behrman Is Winning 'Em For 13th Airborne In Europe

With the 13th Airborne Division in France.—Pfc Henry "Whitey" Behrman, former hurler for the Montreal club of the International baseball league, is now pitching for the 13th Airborne's ball team, which is compiling an enviable record in its first season of play in the ETO. Composed of former major and minor league players, the team has played or will play the best service clubs in France, Belgium and England.

Pvt. Behrman, who is a right-hander, is one of the leading hurlers for his team. He attended Grover Cleveland high school in New York city but played no scholastic baseball. He played semi-pro ball for a number of years, mostly with the Detroit Clowns, before entering organized ball in 1941 with the Valdosta, Ga., team, winning 19 games while losing 10. In 1942 he was with Durham in the Piedmont league where his record was 14 victories and 11 defeats. At the end of the season he was shipped to Montreal of the International league.

Pfc. Behrman, who is a member of the 326th Glider Infantry Regiment, was inducted October 5, 1942. His home address is 64-41 Admiral Ave., New York City, but his wife, the former Miss Peggy McFadyen, resides in Raeford. He is at present stationed at Sens, France, awaiting redeployment.

T-Sgt. Milton Campbell Helps Reclaim Armor

A IX Air Force Command Ordnance Unit, Germany—"Though the war in Europe has ended, ordnance companies in the European Theatre of Operations are working 24-hour a day schedule in keeping up with heavy maintenance demands.

Technical Sergeant James Milton Campbell, Jr., of Raeford, is automotive inspector with the 1823rd Ordnance Mobile Reclamation and Repair company inside Germany. To meet the current heavy demand for repair work required by large-scale transportation movements in Europe, crews from this company perform engine changes daily in three to four hours. Sgt. Campbell and his crews maintain and repair all types of army vehicles. This company boasts the army's finest mechanics and automotive engineers.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Campbell, Sgt. Campbell entered the army in July, 1942. Prior to that time he attended Hoke high school in Raeford, and later worked as a clerk for Campbell and company there. Overseas 22 months, he has seen service in the British Isles, France and Germany.

Sgt. H. F. McMillan Promoted

HEADQUARTERS PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT.—The promotion of Sgt. Harvey F. McMillan, 23, son of Mrs. Ruby McMillan, 112 East 2nd Ave., Red Springs, N. C., to the grade of staff sergeant, is announced by Sixth Air Force Fighter Command Headquarters.

Staff Sergeant McMillan, whose wife, Yvonne, lives at Raeford, entered the service in October, 1942, and has been on duty with the Sixth Air Force Fighter Command in Panama since April, 1943.

Back in States

T-Sgt. Alfred Guion Eubanks, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Eubanks of Saperton, has just returned to the States after serving ten months in the European theatre with the 104 (Timberwolf) Division. Sgt. Eubanks arrived on the U.S.A.T. John Ericsson, docking in New York on July 11. After spending a thirty-day leave with his parents, he will report to Fort Bragg, and from there to Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif., for further training before embarking for the Pacific.

Pvt. Thomas G. Harrell is spending a thirty day furlough with his family on Route 1, Raeford. He has recently been returned to the States, having served overseas since January, and has been at Hatley General hospital, Rome, Ga.

Given Medal

Pvt. Frank W. Mewherter, who is now serving with the 36th Division of the 7th Army in Germany, has been awarded the Good Conduct medal. Mrs. Mewherter is the former Miss Clara Potter.

Pfc. James L. Currie, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Currie of Raeford, spent the week-end at home. Pfc. Currie is now stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.

S-Sgt. Raymond A. McBryde, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McBryde of Red Springs, Rt. 1, has gone to

Funeral Services Held For Jean M. Campbell Friday

Funeral services for Jean McKinnon Campbell, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Campbell, were held at the home in Fayetteville on last Friday afternoon at 4 p. m. The Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street Methodist church officiated. Burial was in Cross Creek cemetery.

The child, born May 17 of this year, was taken ill Tuesday and died Thursday. She is survived by her parents, one sister, Martha Annette, and grandparents, L. J. Campbell of Raeford, and Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McKinnon of Laurinburg. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell made their home in Raeford for sometime until last fall when Mr. Campbell gave up his position with the News-Journal and moved to Fayetteville to accept a position with a printing concern there.

Dr. Mace To Return To Carthage, Mo.

LUMBERTON, July 8.—Dr. E. E. Mace, who has been supply pastor of the First Presbyterian church here since February, has resigned, and will return to his pastorate in Carthage, Mo. Lieut. Comdr. R. L. Alexander, pastor of the church, now stationed in Miami, Fla., after sea duty in the Pacific, is on leave of absence. Dr. Mace had served as an army chaplain for 18 months before coming to Lumberton to succeed the Rev. Ben F. Moore, who left last September to become pastor of the Oxford Presbyterian church.

Dr. Mace was stationed at Fort Bragg and made his home in Raeford for several months before receiving a medical discharge last January.

Miami, Fla., to report for reassignment, after spending a thirty-day furlough at home. Accompanying him to Miami was his wife, the former Miss Geraldine Parrish.

Lt.-Col. James Gordon Currie arrived last week from overseas. He will have a thirty-day leave before reporting to Camp Leonard Wood, Mo.

Capt. Paul Dickson is expected home any day now. A cablegram from him advises that the fatted calf be killed. He evidently has pre-OPA ideas.

Capt. Frank Williams, husband of the former Miss Patsy Blue, arrived in Raeford Monday night after serving in the European theatre of operations.

Sgt. Robert B. Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rase Ellis of Lumber Bridge, is home on an eight day furlough. He is stationed at Portland, Maine. His wife is the former Miss Marie Clark of Raeford.

Horne Hurt When Car Wrecks

Harrison Horne received a painful back injury Sunday evening when his car was wrecked near the Oakdale gin. County police officers reported that the rear axle of the car gave away, causing the car to skid and overturn.

Lumberton Houses Readying For First Weed Sales Aug. 1

Lumberton, July 18.—Lumberton's seven tobacco auction warehouses and the two redrying plants are being put in readiness for sales on the Lumberton tobacco market, which will open for the first auctions August 1. Tobacco growers have reported that they will have their sand-lugs cured and graded in time to begin selling with the opening.

"The Border Belt tobacco is proving out to be a good crop, better than average," according to Jasper C. Hutto, Supervisor of the Lumberton market, who has just issued his final semi-monthly crop condition report. "The last two weeks have witnessed an excellent season for late growth and development, adding poundage and quality. The crop is ripening normally in most sections, and not much of it is being lost."

Lumberton is the tenth ranking tobacco market in size in the entire flue-cured area, and Supervisor Hutto says prospects are good for another record season. Last year Lumberton sold 32,751,381 pounds of tobacco, for which the farmers received \$14,246,850.73.

Carolina Ads Win National Awards

RALEIGH, July 18.—The Carolina Power and Light company has been notified that its two most recent annual reports have received national awards for excellence. The Public Utilities Advertising association awarded the company honorable mention for its 1943 annual report, submitted in the 1944 contest in competition with all power companies in the nation serving 100,000 to 400,000 customers each.

The "highest merit" award was received from the Financial World in its review of 1944 annual reports from various types of industries throughout the nation. The same report received honorable mention in an annual contest conducted by Ashton B. Collins of New York, originator of Reddy Kilowatt.

John Pat Jackson Dies In Tennessee

John Pat Jackson, veteran of World War I, died at his home in Kingsport, Tennessee, Saturday afternoon after a long illness. Funeral services were held in Kingsport Monday afternoon.

Mr. Jackson was formerly in the automobile business in Rockingham and Maxton, and resided for a while in Raleigh before moving to Kingsport several years ago. He is survived by his wife, the former Ava Rackley, of Raeford, N. C.; a brother, Frank, and a sister, Bessie, and other relatives in Valdosta, Ga.

Mrs. Crenshaw Quits Price Clerk Job

Mrs. Mary Anne Crenshaw, price clerk for the OPA office here for the past three years has resigned, it was stated this week. No successor has as yet been employed.

Robinson To Preach To Presbyterians Sunday Morning

The Rev. B. P. Robinson, retired Methodist minister now living near Raeford, will fill the pulpit of the Raeford Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, it was announced yesterday by K. A. MacDonald, member of the church session.

Mr. MacDonald stated that this was to be the first time Mr. Robinson had preached to the Presbyterians since his return to Raeford to make his home, and that a large congregation was expected to be present to hear him.

POOLE'S MEDLEY

(By D. S. Poole)

No butter for cake, nor for any other purpose, and then you read of butter going stale and unfit for use in army warehouses. It's fretting.

The Japs say they are going to bomb American cities. They depend on balloons and a suicide bomber, who dies with his balloon. Poor Jap.

Beef is so scarce many do not get any; still eighty million beef cattle are awaiting slaughter, if the OPA slackens up a little.

Not many people think of extortion, but the Bible places extortioners with the lowest class of sinners. But for the OPA, extortion would run a race with inflation—prices would go up like a Jap balloon.

I never saw more than five deer in a drove, and they frightened me. The late Dr. Colin Bethune told me that he saw as many as 150 in a drove in Alabama. Dr. Bethune went to Alabama and practiced medicine when he was young, staying out there several years.

I saw doves, rather flocks of wild pigeons one fall, and they were here several months, eating acorns. Old folks told me that in the years about 1840 there were so many wild pigeons, superstitious persons were alarmed. They flew in droves to certain roosting places. One of these places was "West's Old Field," where the town of Troy now stands. They lodged in pine trees until the limbs broke, frequently. Men gathered there to shoot them on the roost.

The cities of North Carolina have grown very much since the turn of the century. In 1900 there were only two towns in North Carolina that had as many as 10,000 inhabitants. Wilmington had 20,000 population. It was the largest city in the state. Fayetteville had only 9,000 in 1940. It has 40,000 now.

You read of the underprivileged, and the forgotten man—we should say men. I have always sympathized with the boys, a majority of the boys in school who do not get to play on the team, any team, and they all want "to play so bad." Let's try to give everybody a chance at every-

Honor Roll

Rby Franklin Teddy

Lee County Man Pays 50 Bucks For Killing Doe

Grover Douglas Of Sanford Is First Illegal Deer Hunter Taken This Summer.

Grover Douglas, white of Sanford, was found guilty on three charges of violation of the game laws, in county court Tuesday. He was convicted of trespass, carrying a gun off his premises on Sunday and of killing a deer out of season. Total costs in the three actions and fines of \$10 and \$50 brought his expense for the Sunday outing to something like \$100. He was put on good behavior for 2 years.

In an intensive drive on road law violators, Patrolman Jason Barnes brought a number of defendants into court for operating cars with improper equipment. These included: William James Armstrong who paid \$25 and costs and Jack Leach, Frank Leach, Robert McGoogan, Jessie McCain, Luther McLean and Henry Hollingsworth. Frank Leach, McCain and McLean were found guilty of driving without state driver's licenses. All paid costs in each case.

William Livingston and Sarah Livingston each paid \$10 and cost for possession of home brew. Garcie McIntyre paid costs after pleading guilty to a forcible trespass charge. Lee Alice Cook paid costs for drunkenness. Jack Leach paid costs for drunkenness. Henry Hollingsworth and Gladys Bethea paid costs after pleading guilty to fornication and adultery.

John B. Purcell paid costs and the medical bill of Preston Thomas whom he admitted shooting in the legs with a shotgun.

James Stephens paid \$25 and costs for larceny of a shotgun and clothing from Brantley Allen, his former landlord. The gun and much of the clothing was recovered by Deputy J. C. Wright. Patrolman Barnes and Sheriff D. H. Hodgins.

LIBRARY NEWS

SCHEDULE: Monday through Saturday except Wednesday—10:30 A. M. until 6:00 P. M.; Closed from 12:00 until 1:00 for lunch. Wednesday—10:30 A. M. until 12:30 P. M.

A 1945 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia has been placed on the shelves at the library.

New books for boys and girls are being received nearly every week.

Among the new adult books received at the library are the following: "Up Front," Mauldin; Time for Each Other, Runbeck; Curse of the Bronze Lamp, Dickson; Arrow Pointer Nowhere, Daly and Tales of Edgar Allan Poe.

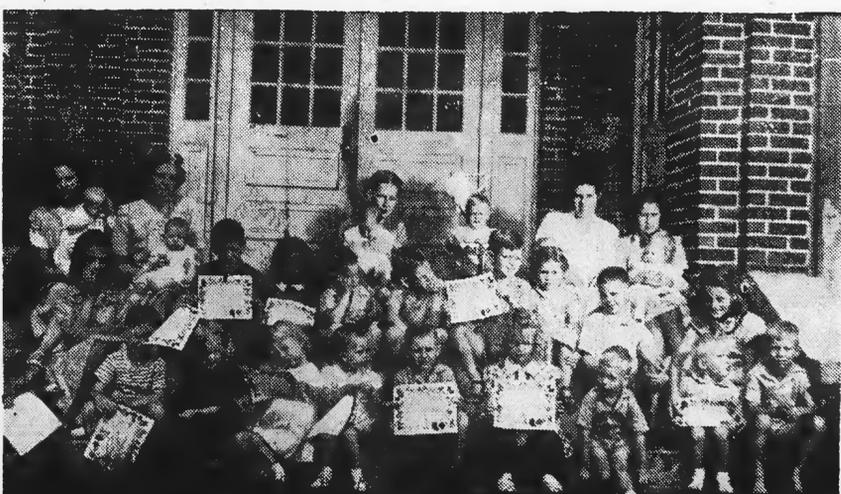
FASTER THAN THE SWIFTEST STEED RUMORS FLY WITH LIGHTNING SPEED!

Warrants are issued, men are arrested, bonds are given. Bill court is convened, the grand jury find true bills, other terms of court come, and go, and nearly one-fourth of the men are never tried for the crimes against them. Their cases got off the docket by the nolpro route.

Our government has created a great indebtedness in this defensive war, and we are glad of the success so far achieved, but what I want to say in this instance is there seems to me (I am not a lawyer) there are too many military officers retained on the pay-rolls. They are not being discharged as the other lower rank officers and men, nor are they doing anything. We are willing, all should be given full credit, even our gratitude for their able services, but now they are not doing anything, let their pay stop.

Too many employees are on the government payrolls, says Senator Byrd of Virginia, in fact about twice as many as are needed, and this should be stopped, and this expense divided by 2. Some reformers are needed.

Back in the latter 1890's there were two drug stores in a town we all know very well, and they sold liquor on doctors' prescriptions and were making money hand-over-fist. A judge, now dead, came to that town to hold a term of court, and indictments against the drug stores were the first cases to be tried. The judge said he meant "to break-up" this liquor selling here "in this town." The trials went on nearly all the week, and that was about all the court did, and to hear the judge talk, you would think that somebody was doomed. They were taxed with the cost.



MORE YOUNGSTERS BUY WAR BONDS—Shown above is a second group of Hoke county youngsters who have purchased or were given War Bonds during the 7th War Loan Drive. Children's bond sales were in charge of Mrs. H. A. Cameron who reports that a number of other youngsters unable to be present have also purchased bonds. Those shown

above, reading from left to right, are: Front row: Betsy Ross Gatlin, Chandler Roberts, Jr., Mary Roberts, Patricia Ann Duncan, Linda Andrews, Worth Graham, Jr., Harriett Cameron, Jimmy Gray, Tom Cameron, Jr., Billy Black. Middle row: Mary McLean, Leroy Freeman, Joyce Mann, Billy Dickson, George Dickson, Edward Lang-

ston, Virginia McFadyen, Neill McFadyen, Florence Cameron. Back row: Rosemary Cameron, held by Mrs. Hubert Cameron; Anne Murphy Byrne, held by Mrs. Archie Byrne; Donald Dickson, held by Mrs. Graham Dickson; Linda Scarborough; William McFadyen, held by Mrs. Neill McFadyen; and Brenda Sue Duncan, held by Miss Sue Duncan.