

IN UNIFORM Lt. Paul McCain, Jr. Declared Dead By War Department

Sanatorium Man Lost In Straits
Of Dover July 8, 1944.

Dr. and Mrs. P. P. McCain of Sanatorium have been notified by the War Department that their son, Lt. Paul P. McCain, Jr., a navigator on a B-17 in the 8th Air Force who was reported missing July 8, 1944, lost his life on that date. His plane was hit by flak as it dropped its bomb load over Humieres, France. One crew member being wounded and one engine knocked out, the plane left formation to take the shortest course back to England. While over the Strait of Dover fire broke out in both wings, the crew bailed out, and the ship soon went into the Strait. The pilot and one sergeant were rescued and two bodies were found the same day. The remaining five crew members have now been declared dead.

Lt. McCain graduated from the Southern Pines high school and Darlington school, Rome, Ga. He left Davidson college in his sophomore year to become an air cadet. He went overseas in April 1944, flying with his crew from Nebraska to England. In his 18 missions he was over Berlin three times and was in D-Day in Normandy five hours.

Lt. McCain is survived by his father and mother; three sisters, Mrs. N. H. McCollum, Jr., Leaksville, Miss Irene McCain of the University of North Carolina medical school, and Jane McCain of Sanatorium; and one brother, John McCain, HA 2-c, Bainbridge, Md.

Capt. C. E. Upchurch Awarded Bronze Star

Capt. Clyde E. Upchurch, Jr., who has served with an ordnance unit in Africa, Italy, France and Germany, was recently awarded the Bronze Star medal, according to a recent letter from Capt. Paul Dickson. Both Capt. Upchurch and Dickson were serving with the 7th Army at the cessation of hostilities.

Sgt. William M. Davis Home From Italy

Sgt. Bill M. Davis, son of Mrs. Christian Davis of Raeford, arrived home last Saturday to spend a 30-day furlough with his mother. Sergeant Davis was radioman on a B-25 and served 3 months overseas. He will report back to Fort Bragg for re-assignment.

Pfc. Ralph Chapman At Welch Hospital

Daytona Beach, Fla., July 25.—Pfc. Ralph Chapman of Raeford has recently arrived at Welch Convalescent hospital, the army's new reconditioning center in Daytona Beach, Fla. The carefully planned reconditioning program here will speed his convalescence and assist his return to the best of health. The son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Chapman, 110 N. Morris Ave., Atlantic City, N. J., entered the army March, 1944 at Fort Bragg and has since served seven months in the service overseas. His wife, Dora S. Chapman, and daughter, reside in Raeford. He was formerly employed by the Hoke Auto company. The Welch soldier has a brother in the Army Air corps, George Robert, the army infantry, and Major Y. F. Snead, brother-in-law, in the Army.

Pfc. Chapman arrived yesterday to spend a 30-day furlough with his family.

SKV 2-C D. C. Cox, Jr., now stationed at Harvey Point, N. C., is spending a 12-day leave with his parents here.

Sgt. Hallie Haire, recently returned from overseas, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haire.

D. C. Wilson, Phm. 1-c, who has served two years in England, arrived in Raeford last Friday to spend a 30-day leave with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Wilson.

Lt. Deane Matheson, ANC, who has been at home with his mother for the past ten days, has had a short extension of leave. Mrs. Matheson is not at all well and is confined to her bed.

Lt. Lester Seals and Lt. Dorrough spent a short time Saturday with Lt. Seal's mother, Mrs. L. B. Seals.

Memorial Service For Sgt. Chason At Lumber Bridge

Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Chason
Killed In Action In Belgium
December 21, 1944.

An impressive memorial service was held at Ephesus Baptist church Sunday, July 15, at 4 p. m., for S-Sgt. Dan E. Chason, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Chason of Lumber Bridge, R. 2, who was killed in action in Belgium on Dec. 21, 1944. A large number was present to pay tribute to this young man.

Rev. J. E. Booker, who was in charge of the service, spoke of him as a fine boy with high ideals. He pointed out that one of the most striking things a noble Christian young man could do was to give his life for his loved ones and friends as this young man had done. At the close of the service a gold star was presented to the church by Mr. Booker in honor of Sgt. Chason.

The choir, composed of a mixed group, sang during the service "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Asleep in Jesus," and "Abide with Me." A large United States flag draped the pulpit, and a beautiful arrangement of flowers given by friends and relatives of Sgt. Chason was used. Mrs. Stanley Crawley was in charge of the arrangement.

Sgt. Chason entered service in 1940 with Co. L. of Parkton, an infantry division. He went overseas in February, 1944, and took part in battles in France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. August 7 he was wounded in France. He was sent back to the front in November.

Surviving are his parents and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. John E. Conoly of Raeford, Mrs. Myrtle Sappenfield of Raeford, Mrs. W. F. Hayward of Candor, Mrs. Billy Crawley of Raeford, Christine Chason of Washington, D. C., Charlene and David of the home, and Harold of Lumber Bridge.

Dealer Takes Big Loss On Overcharge For Used Car

RALEIGH, July 25.—The Raleigh district OPA announced yesterday that "a particularly serious" case of an overcharge in the sale of a used car has been settled with the payment of \$1,155.00 in treble damages to the Treasurer of the United States by J. C. Beasley, used car operator of Colerain.

The case was settled after the price clerk of the Colerain War Price and Ration Board checked the transaction and referred the matter to the district enforcement attorney, Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh district OPA director said.

Investigation revealed that the purchaser paid Beasley \$1,065.00 or \$385 above the OPA ceiling for a 1940 model Chevrolet deluxe town sedan, whereas the certificate of transfer, signed by Beasley, showed \$660.00 as the sales price, Johnson added.

"The effect of this settlement," Johnson said, "is that the dealer now pays in damages \$90 more than he received from the purchaser, and also loses his car. This should serve notice to dealers and public alike that reported and proved violations are costly to those who try to get away with illegal sales."

The case was settled only ten days after the OPA advised the dealer of its findings, Johnson said. Check for the damages has been received in Raleigh and forwarded to the Treasurer, he added.

Lt. Seals has just completed a two months course at Fort Monroe, Va., and was enroute to Fort Arthur, Texas, to join his wife. He and Mrs. Seals will spend a few days in Raeford before returning to Fort Monroe.

T-Sgt. Robert Veasey is spending a furlough at home after serving with the Eighth Air Force in the European Theatre of Operations for the past two years. He wears the ETO ribbon with four stars and the Presidential citation with an oak leaf cluster.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. Wesley L. McKeithan are spending a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McKeithan of Raeford, R. 2. Lt. McKeithan attended Raeford high school and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He was commissioned 2nd Lt. April 31, 1945, in Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. Mrs. McKeithan is the former Miss Avis Shearon of Louisville.

Testimonials To Chaplains On Air Sunday, July 29

Testimonials by these soldiers wounded in combat service, on the subject "What My Chaplain Meant to Me", together with brief talks by Col. Ralph W. Rogers, chaplain of the Fourth Service Command, and Dr. L. D. Newton, will highlight a special independent network broadcast next Sunday morning, July 29th, featuring the 170th anniversary of the U. S. Army Chaplain. Col. Rogers' subject will be, "Meet Your Chaplain," while Dr. Newton will speak on the subject, "Our Best to Our Fighting Men." The music for the broadcast will be the Ft. McPherson Chorus and the Lawson General hospital band. The hour for the broadcast is 8:30 A. M. EWT 7:30 A. M. CWT).

This special broadcast is carried as a public service feature by cooperating stations and is sponsored by Methodists, Presbyterians, and Baptists.

This program can be heard in North Carolina over Radio Station WPTF, Raleigh.

Warehouses Ready To Sell Tobacco Next Wednesday

Markets of the Border Belt will open next Wednesday, August 1, to sell the 1945 tobacco crop, and the first to this sections major money producers will start moving.

The border belt markets in North Carolina are located at Lumberton, Fairmont, Tabor City, Whiteville, Chadbourn and Clarkton.

Lumberton, July 25.—Lumberton's highly popular flue-cured tobacco auction market is scheduled for opening at 9 o'clock next Wednesday, August 1, with the six daily sales system long in use on that market to be followed again this year. The season is expected to run to around November 1.

Sales Supervisor Jasper C. Hutto has announced that the excellent tobacco crop in the Lumberton territory indicates another record year in poundage and price for the market. He says prospects are that the selling this year will start with all warehouses well filled, in view of the fact the crop is earlier than usual.

The ten Lumberton warehouses will operate again this year under the same management that has been in charge for a number of years, with no change in operating personnel. The warehouses are Britt-Farmers, Carolina-Banner, Hedgpech Nos. 1 and 2, Liberty Nos. 1 and 2 and Smith-Carlyle.

OPA To Fight Bogus Shoe Stamps

RALEIGH, July 25.—Taking steps to curb the increasing number of counterfeit shoe coupons coming into the Raleigh district area, OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson said yesterday that the agency is launching an enforcement drive against dealers accepting "bogus" stamps.

"The use of these phonies can be successful only when merchants accept loose stamps," Johnson said.

In order to be legally acceptable, shoe stamps must be torn from the War Ration Book in the presence of the merchant or his employee, Johnson asserted.

He pointed out also that enforcement action would be taken against merchants found in violation, adding that this would entail suspension of their right to deal in rationed shoes.

Sgt. Roscoe Bounds, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bounds of Red Springs, arrived home Monday from Germany, where he has served with the 87th Division. He was in the ETO about 8 months. Sgt. Bounds first went overseas to Iceland where he was stationed for 18 months, and then after a year back in the States he went to France last November. He entered the Army in 1941.

Mrs. Eugene Matherly of Camp Sutton is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Morris and daughter have returned from Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they spent some time.

Billy Laval Will Head Red Springs Baseball School

Week Of Instruction And Play
Under Fine Coached Offered
High School Boys Free Of
Charge.

Boys who will play high school baseball, or who will be eligible to play American Legion Junior Baseball in 1946, will have the opportunity to receive a week's coaching under one of the South's outstanding baseball mentors at the free baseball school to be held in Red Springs the week of August 6-11.

F. C. Jones, commander of the Charlie Hall Post of the American Legion of Red Springs, announced that Billy Laval had been secured to head the coaching staff and conduct the school at Robbins Park, Red Springs.

Mr. Laval was coach of the South Carolina Legion All-Star teams in 1944 and 1945, and is head coach at Newberry College, S. C. He is also the baseball scout for the Philadelphia National League "Phillies" for several southern states. In his college days he was one of the South's outstanding baseball and football stars, and sparked Furman university teams to a number of brilliant victories in the early 1920's. He has been active in the professional sports and coaching fields ever since.

No Charge
For attendance at the school there will be no charge, though the boys will have to bear their own transportation and other expenses. For those staying in Red Springs one or more nights, arrangements have been made for sleeping accommodations at the Red Springs Service Club—

which is operated and supervised by the American Legion and citizens of Red Springs. Good meals at reasonable prices may be secured at a local restaurant.

The school will deal primarily with the fundamentals of the game, which will be taught in morning classes, through special movies secured from Major League clubs, and on the baseball field where the boys will be thoroughly grounded in playing each of the team's positions.

Two days during the week there will be games between boys attending the school and another of the outstanding Legion clubs of North Carolina.

Eligibility
Any boy who will be enrolled in high school in Robeson, Hoke, Bladen, Dillon or Marlboro counties the year of 1945-46, or any boy not attending high school but who will NOT be 18 years of age on or prior to December 31, 1946 and is eligible to play Junior American Legion baseball during the 1946 season may attend the school free of charge.

Arrangements for entering the school may be made with Fitz C. Jones, Commander, Charlie Hall Post, the American Legion, Red Springs, N. C., phone 246-1.

30 From Hoke To Attend 4-H Club Camp Next Week

Thirty Hoke county 4-H club boys and girls will leave Monday, July 30, to attend annual camp at Camp Millstone, Rt. 3, Rockingham. The group will meet at the grammar school in Raeford at one o'clock on the above date and will return on Saturday morning, August 4th.

The Hoke county group will be joined in camp by the Scotland and Richmond county campers. A week full of activity has been planned. Several extension specialists from Raleigh will conduct classes in the mornings and the afternoons, and evenings will be given over to swimming, picture shows, folk dances, a treasure hunt and various other forms of recreation.

The following boys and girls have registered for camp: Betty Jo Lovette, Lottie Williams, Gretchen Hine, Betty Sue McGugan, Mary Elizabeth Lytle, Dorene Duncan, Sarah Neal McKeithan, Martha Harris, Betty Lou Parks, Betty McFadyen, Elizabeth Parker, Ernestine Grooms, Anne Wood, Margery McDougald, Bobby Maxwell, Roy Brock, Alex Norton, Buddy Newton, Robert Wood, G. C. Lytle, John Balfour, Davis Parker, D. B. Parker, Donald Wood, Marion Wood, Marvin English, Hubert Hine, Jr., Wade McDougald and Landon Yarborough. The group will be accompanied by Josephine Hall, home agent, A. S. Knowles, county agent, Ruth Lytle, Ruth Gillis, Doris Norton, and Junior Keith, who will serve as counsellors.

Two Lose Licenses In County Court For Drunk Driving

John Ernest Shamburger, negro of Greensboro, and Burrus Harrington, negro of Raeford, each paid \$50 and costs and were deprived of their driver's licenses for a year on conviction Tuesday in county court for driving cars while drunk.

Edward Stratford, also of Greensboro, paid cost for interfering with police officers while they were performing their duties. W. E. Windham, white, paid costs for speeding. Willie Harris paid costs for drunkenness. Henry Robinson, Jr., Jessie Manning, Essie Mae Melvin, Delandies Lilly and Willie Gales, all negroes, paid costs for violation of road laws. Delandies Lilly and Luvinia Melvin, each, paid \$10 and costs and were put on good behavior for two years on conviction of fornication and adultery.

OPA To Distribute Ration Book Five Next December

New "A" Gasoline Book To Be
Given Out At Same Time.

RALEIGH, July 24.—War Ration Book Five, "smaller than a dollar bill" and containing just half as many stamps as the last book issued, will be distributed through the public schools in December, Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh OPA district director, announced today. "The new 'A' gasoline ration book will be issued at the same time, he said.

Distribution, Johnson said, will take place from December 3 through December 15. The new "A" gasoline books will go into use December 22, and war ration book five will be used soon after the first of the year for food rationing and for rationing of shoes.

The new book five will be a better book, Johnson said. It will be easier to carry and handle. It will be just as long as book four but only half as wide. The number and arrangement of stamps is more convenient. The new stamps will be the same size, but will not have both a letter and a number as the present stamps do and OPA hopes the new edition will be the last of the series of wartime ration books, Johnson said.

One hundred and fifty million copies of book five are now being printed at approximately half the cost of the preceding book, Johnson said. The gigantic task of distribution is one that the teachers and school officials are fully equal to, he said, recalling the efficient way in which they handled the distribution of war ration book four.

At the current rate of making stamps good, Johnson explained—five red stamps and five blue stamps at the beginning of each month—war ration book five can last, if needed, about fifteen months. Because of the enormous job required to print and distribute ration books for about 130 million people it was decided to be on the safe side and provide for this period and avoid the expense of having to get out still another book later.

Since book five will not go into effect before January 1st, it will be necessary to use other stamps in book four as substitutes for processed food and meat fats during the interim period. Interim period use of shoe and sugar stamps will not be necessary, Johnson said, since the stamps provide for these items in books three and four will carry the programs without resort to substitutions.

Ration book five will be the fourth war ration book to be distributed by school teachers and other volunteers, Johnson said. The first book was distributed May 4, 1942.

New "A" Book
The new "A" gasoline book, the third issued under rationing, will differ from the present book only in color. The book will contain five sets of coupons, six coupons to a set numbered A-18 through A-23. Each set of coupons will cover a different period. The first set, numbered A-18, becomes good December 22, Johnson said.

Hilton Seals, USNR, of Duke, left Friday for a visit to Columbia, S. C.

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 servicemen in the solution of their personal problems.

Mrs. A. J. Fuller and Mrs. Dwight Brown are guests at Little Switzerland Inn, Little Switzerland.

Hoke Health Dept. Reports On Ten Months Operation

School Clinics And Venereal Disease treatment Are Major Activities.

Clinics for school children held by the Hoke County Health department in the past 10 months of operation, have resulted in examination of over 1800 white and negro pupils, and in nearly 3700 vaccinations, according to the report submitted by Dr. J. W. Wilcox, county health officer, and Mrs. Ernest Campbell, county nurse.

The report deals also with operation and treatments given by the Venereal Disease clinics at Raeford and Sanatorium. 112 patients were sent to the Rapid Treatment Center at Durham. Of these, 27 were GC and syphilis patients; 79 had syphilis alone, and 6 had sulfa-resistant GC. Of these were five white women and one white man.

Treated in the county clinics were 58 for syphilis only; 24 with GC only and 27 with both diseases. Three were white girls. Two RTC patients have had relapses or reinfections and four have developed GC after treatment, it was found in monthly checkups.

Warrant Issued
It was found necessary to issue warrants in only one case where infection was found and patient refused treatment. Later the employer brought in the patient who was then sent to RTC, and no trial was held. The report states that very few patients are uncooperative to any great extent, and that prosecution is avoided if possible.

229 syphilis and GC patients were turned over to the department by the local draft board. Two have completed treatments and 39 are receiving treatment. Many have not been located. The VD clinic opened at the Sanatorium in May is supported by State VD funds and is operated at no expense to the county. 12 patients are being treated there.

Of 109 maternity clinic women, 29 have venereal disease. 15 have been sent to RTC, and 14 are under private doctors.

School Clinics
565 white children have been examined in school clinics with 538 having correctable defects, as follows: eyes—62; teeth—457; throats—177; some children having two or more defects. Preschool clinics have resulted in examination of 34 white children and 54 negro children who will enter school this fall.

1,149 negro children have attended school clinics, and 702 were found to have defects as follows: eyes—62; teeth—466; throats—368. Immunizations and vaccinations in the school clinics have been as follows: whooping cough—250; small pox—2240; diphtheria—744; diphtheria (one dose)—447.

Future Clinics
Plans are being made for a tonsil clinic to be conducted by Dr. H. H. Hodgkin of Red Springs, which will be held in Raeford this fall. Other clinics this fall will be for examination of eyes and teeth.

The report states that cooperation in conducting clinics has been given by Dr. C. D. Thomas, Dr. Marks, Dr. A. L. O'Brian and Dr. R. A. Matheson.

With The Army People

Capt. and Mrs. Wayne Jones, who returned to the replacements center at Bragg two weeks ago after having been at numerous army posts since leaving Raeford, left Sunday for their home in Detroit for a short leave. Capt. Jones then goes to an overseas depot in California.

Capt. and Mrs. Charles Wagonstahl of Cincinnati will occupy the upstairs apartment of Mrs. Paul Dickson's.

Capt. and Mrs. Jesse Kenny are now living in the Bill Wright apartment.

Capt. and Mrs. James Powell of Bennettsville, S. C., have an apartment in the J. A. Baucom home.

All apartments in Raeford are now occupied. Mrs. T. B. Lester, Jr., will take the names of the newcomers if phoned to her at 4181.

AAA OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday: 8:00 A. M.—12:00 Noon. 12:45 P. M.—4:46 P. M.
Saturdays: 8:00 A. M.—12:00 noon.