



**NEWS OF OUR
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IN UNIFORM**

Colonel Lewis Awarded Legion Of Merit

Colonel Robert B. Lewis, CAC, commanding officer of the Post of Fort Read, Trinidad, British West Indies, was awarded the Legion of Merit on October 10 by Lieutenant General Brett, Caribbean Defense commander, in ceremonies at San Juan Puer-to Rico.

The medal was awarded "for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 4 February 1942 to 20 September 1945."

Colonel Lewis was cashier of the Bank of Raeford prior to entering the army in September 1940 with the North Carolina Guard. He has been stationed in Trinidad since the early part of May, 1942.

Lt. John W. S. Pratt, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Pratt of Folly Beach, S. C., has recently been separated from the Army Air Corps and is spending his terminal leave with his parents at Folly Beach. His father is a former resident of Raeford.

Sgt. James McDiarmid was discharged from the Army at Fort Bragg last week and is with his family here. He was in the army over five years and served two tours of duty overseas, one in the West Indies and one in the ETO. He arrived in this country from Europe last week.

Pharmacists' Mate I-c Loch Cameron, who was recently discharged from the navy, was a Raeford visitor this week. He participated in several campaigns in the Pacific and was stationed at the naval hospital at Newport News when discharged.

Lt. (jg) A. W. Gillis and Mrs. Gillis are now at San Diego, California, where Lt. Gillis returned to the states in July after serving for two years on a destroyer in the Pacific areas and was married to Miss Lura Mar-celle Korth of Fredericksburg, Va.

T-Sgt. Charles M. Allison arrived at Fort Bragg last week after thirty three months in the South Pacific. He and his wife, the former Miss Haskin Plummer, will leave this week to visit his mother in Hot Springs, North Carolina.

Sgt. Raymond McBryde received a discharge from the army Friday at Laredo, Texas and arrived home Monday. He returned to the States in June after serving eleven months in Italy with the 15th Air Force.

Corporal Homer Quick, who has been in the army for over five years and who has seen service in the West Indies and the Philippines, was recently discharged and is at home.

Captain David Scott Currie has been separated from the army and is at home.

Douglas McBryde and David Gibson of Dundarrach, who have been in the European theatre of operations, have recently been discharged from the Army and are at home.

Cpl. Willie Jones, of Dundarrach, who has been in the Pacific theatre, was discharged from the army recently and is at home. He was in the 27th Infantry Division on Okinawa.

S 2-c Riley Jordan, V-54, stationed at Miami, Fla., is spending a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jordan near Timberland.

M-Sgt. Clyde Gillis has been discharged from the army after service in Trinidad and Europe and is now at home.

McAdoo Boseman of Rockfish, arrived in the States last week.

Sister Of H. W. B. Whitley Dies In Hospital At Monroe

Mrs. Dollie Whitely Helms, of the Beulah community seven miles south of Monroe, died at the Monroe hospital last Thursday after an illness of several months. She was 64 years of age and had been a patient at the hospital since last June.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at the Beulah Presbyterian church and interment followed in the cemetery there.

Mrs. Helms is survived by her husband, Kemp Helms, and three sons, all of the home; and four brothers, H. W. B. Whitley of Raeford, Grier of the home, Dr. L. L. of Athens, Ga., and Dr. Ayer of Matthews, N. C.

Quota Set For 8th War Loan Drive Starting Monday

Eighth "Victory" Drive To Begin 29th.

Neill A. McDonald, county chairman for the Eighth "Victory" War Loan Bond Drive which gets under way all over the county on next Monday, October 29, announced Hoke County's quota yesterday.

Overall quota for the county will be \$150,000 and the county's quota for "E" bonds will be \$110,000.

Women's chairmen for the county are Mrs. William L. Poole and Miss Josephine Hall. Mrs. Poole and Miss Hall will be in charge of the drives among the women in Raeford and the women of the county outside of Raeford, respectively.

They plan to get under way with a luncheon at Mrs. Poole's home in Raeford Saturday, October 27, at 12:15, to which the women who are chairmen of the bond committees in each community will be invited. Detailed plans for the drive to begin Monday will be discussed at this luncheon and the women's organization will be completed.

The National Victory Loan Drive beginning October 29 will have its goal \$1,000,000,000. Of this amount \$4,000,000,000 is to come from sales to individuals and \$7,000,000,000 from other nonbank investors. Of the individuals and \$7,000,000,000 from come from the sale of Series "E" bonds.

The drive for individuals will extend from October 29 through December 8. As used here, the term "individuals" includes personal trust accounts and partnerships, except for partnerships engaged in business as securities dealers and brokers.

Former Officers Are Urged To Join Reserve

Charlotte, Oct. 23.—Former officers of the U. S. Army who have been separated from service may apply for commissions in the organized reserves, according to Lt. Colonel Ralph E. Keyes, Commanding Officer of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station in Charlotte.

All male officers who were physically qualified for either general or limited military service at the time of their separation from service, and who were separated from active duty under honorable circumstances are eligible, Colonel Keyes said.

The Army's announcement of the opportunity for former officers follows:

Men accepting appointments in the Officers' Reserve will have a military status and a definite place in the post war Army of the U. S. They'll receive an initial five-year appointment in the Corps in the highest grade held at the time of relief from active duty. They will have a full opportunity, with their consent to acquire additional practical experience through temporary active service to receive promotions, by successive steps, to any ranks for which they can definitely qualify. They will have opportunities to accept tours of active duty with full pay and allowances.

In the event of future active duty or of another emergency, they'll insure their continuity of commissioned service for longevity pay, as well as for any authorized retirement benefits.

Reserve officers are able to maintain and enjoy the comradeship of their fellow officers of this war. They may exert an active influence on the future military policy of the United States through membership in the Reserve Officers Association of the United States. This voluntary association of Reserve Officers has been in existence since 1922, and was largely responsible for the availability of more than 100,000 Reserve Officers at the beginning of World War II.

Most important: They have the satisfaction of continuous service to their country-in peace as well as in war.

Any former officer who is interested in obtaining further information about the Organized Reserves may do so by contacting the U. S. Army Recruiting Station, located in the Post Office Building, Charlotte, N. C.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Morrison to Portsmouth, Va., Sunday where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Hubert Wooten. The Browns returned home Tuesday and Mrs. Wooten and son returned with them for a visit here.

CLOTHES FOR WAR RELIEF

The Presbyterian church is collecting clothes for the war relief. Bring all mens, womens, and childrens clothes, including shoes and bedding to the church basement on Tuesday, October 30th, between one and six o'clock. Be sure that all clothes are clean and in good condition.

Recorder's Court

Delms Jacobs, Indian, faced Judge Henry McDiarmid on a charge of assaulting Percy Chavis with a deadly weapon in recorder's court last Tuesday. Jacobs entered a plea of guilty and sentence of thirty days was suspended on payment of the court costs.

Julius McKoy, colored, paid costs for being drunk and disorderly.

James M. Currie, colored man of Moore county, was fined \$50 and the costs for driving under the influence of liquor and had a sentence of thirty days suspended on payment of the costs for driving without driver's license.

Belton and Hattie Roper, colored, each had a sentence of sixty days suspended on payment of fines of \$25 and the costs and on condition of good behavior for two years.

Duncan McPhatter, colored, had a thirty day sentence suspended on payment of the costs on a charge of larceny.

Roscoe McDonald, colored, paid the costs for driving with improper brakes.

Junius James, Indian, entered a plea of not guilty of operating a whisky still, but was found guilty and sentenced to six months was suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

Clanord W. Martin, white transient, paid the costs for speeding.

Randall Thompson, white, of Moore county, had a sentence of sixty days suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs for violating the game laws by killing a doe. His hunting license was also revoked for the season.

Masons Honor Past Masters At Meeting Tuesday Evening

Past Masters of Raeford's Masonic Lodge were guests of honor at a dinner given by the lodge in the Kiwanis hall on Tuesday evening. The dinner meeting followed a regular communication of the lodge in the lodge room, at which there was a record attendance.

Twelve past masters, Walter Baker, Eldridge Chisholm, Arch F. Clark, George W. Cox, Arch A. Graham, Edgar Hall, W. P. Hawfield, F. G. Leach, L. S. McMillan, Edward E. Smith, Dr. Marcus R. Smith, and Frank Tapp were present to receive honors. One of the past masters who has been sick for a number of weeks, T. B. Lester, was sent a message subscribed to by all those present, containing the good wishes of the group. Another past master, T. D. Potter, was prevented by illness in his family, from being present. T. A. Nisbet, of Wilmington, who served the lodge as master while living here some years ago, sent his regrets at not being able to attend. Each of the honored guests was singled out for a tribute by Toastmaster Cecil Dew, who came out with a funny story about each one. All the past masters responded appropriately with speeches of varying length.

Out of town guests included two district deputy Grand Masters, R. A. Young of Laurinburg, and R. A. Smith of Red Springs. Each talked briefly, and praised the local group for its high Masonic achievement. Masters of the Aberdeen, Laurinburg, and Mt. Olive lodges were present, as were a number of prominent Masons from Fayetteville and other nearby points. The North Carolina Grand Officers were invited, and Grand Master Hobbs and Grand Secretary Newcomb each sent their regrets, having previous engagements. Messages were read from those of the local lodge, who were prevented from attending. Many of the visiting Masons paid high tribute to the work being done by the local lodge, pointing out that the quality of its work is not surpassed in North Carolina. The visitors were introduced by Past Master Lacy Clark.

The meeting was opened by the master of the Raeford lodge, Neill A. McDonald, who turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Cecil Dew. Assisting Mr. Dew in the arrangements were Mr. McDonald, Israel Mann, Ryan McBryde, and L. E. Reeves. The dinner was under the direction of Miss Josephine Hall, home county agent, and Mrs. Lucy Smith, of the high school cafeteria. About ninety local Masons and guests were present.

Raeford Methodists Ingathering Next Thursday Nov. 1st

The Raeford Methodist church will hold its annual ingathering next Thursday, November 1st, at the Raeford Armory. A barbecue dinner will be served from 12:00 noon until one-thirty and supper of the same will be served from 12:00 until seven P. M. Plates v priced at one dollar each.

Following the noon meal, items will be sold at auction. The management has obtained the services of Gene Maynard, well known auctioneer from the Aberdeen market. Mr. Maynard will sell some tobacco, cotton, a pony saddle and bridle donated by the Carl Morris stable, cakes, and possibly other items. The auction sale will follow the evening meal.

Members of the Methodist church who are contributing to the ingathering have been asked to bring their donations of produce, cotton, cakes, etc., to the armory not later than ten o'clock Thursday morning.

School News

By K. A. MacDonald

New Teacher-Coach For High School

The Hoke County High School was fortunate in being able to secure this week the services of Jerry H. Roberts, Jr., of Fayetteville, as teacher of physical education and athletic coach. Mr. Roberts will begin his duties as coach at the end of the football season when he will start coaching the basketball and baseball teams as the seasons start.

Mr. Roberts is a graduate of the Fayetteville School and Presbyterian College, Clinton, S. C. He played varsity ball for both institutions and he has also played for Army teams and coached his outfit's team at Fort Benning, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have two small children and will move here at an early date.

Good Enrollment In Bible Class

Mrs. T. N. McLaughlin, Bible teacher, reports that there are forty-one pupils enrolled in the Bible course at the High School and 382 at the Raeford Graded School. She also reports that a Bible club is being organized in the high school for those students whose schedules would not permit the inclusion of the Bible course.

Quite a lot of Bible materials have come that were bought with the money furnished by the Raeford Kiwanis club.

Rockfish PTA Meets

The Rockfish PTA met last Monday, president, in the chair. A good number of parents were present. The president called on Principal Jones for a report on the lunch room. Mr. Jones made this report and several recommendations, all of which were unanimously adopted. Mrs. Clara Wood was reappointed manager of the lunch room and instructed to employ an assistant. The county superintendent was asked to see if arrangements could be made to secure milk. Devotional were conducted by Rev. Booker.

The Board of Education held a called meeting Wednesday night to transact business in reference to the new building at the Upchurch school.

W. P. Hawfield, former county superintendent of schools, was a visitor Tuesday. All of his old friends were delighted to see him. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hawfield.

Ashmont District Committee

Chairman of the Ashmont district committee is W. L. Thornburg, who is a farmer. Mr. Thornburg has been a member of the committee for quite a number of years. He gives a great deal of thought to the needs of the school and has been a most valuable member.

Next in line of service is F. L. Eubans, business manager of the Sanatorium. Mr. Eubans is close to the school and allows himself to be called on at any time for aid and is extremely useful to the school.

The freshman member of this committee is R. D. Strother, farmer, who was just recently appointed to the committee but has already shown a deep interest in the welfare of the school.

It is hoped that you will support your committee in their effort to have a good school for your children.

ORDNANCE COMPANY TO CELEBRATE FRIDAY NIGHT

The 451st Ordnance A. A. M. Company, stationed at Fort Bragg, has rented Bill's Place near here for the evening of Friday, October 26, for the purpose of holding their deactivation party. The place will be closed to the public after eight o'clock that evening and the soldiers will take over to celebrate the going out of existence of their organization.

SHERIFF STORY OF GUILFORD KILLED NEAR HERE SATURDAY

Auxiliary Lists Prizes Offered

Board of Directors Of Medical Organization Discusses Plans, Ablems.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY, held at the Raeford Armory, Oct. 21.—Meeting was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. P. McCain, members of the board of directors of the auxiliary of the North Carolina Medical Society. Reports of officers, discussed legislation, planning, juvenile delinquency, a physical fitness program and the sponsoring of essays in the schools on pertinent health questions. Forty-two members were present with Mrs. Erick Bell, head of the auxiliary, presiding.

The following nominating committee was elected to serve for the year 1945-46: Mrs. K. B. Pace of Greenville, chairman; Mrs. A. C. Bulla, Raleigh; Mrs. Wingate Johnson, Winston-Salem; Mrs. George Mitchell, Wilson and Mrs. John McLain, Dunn.

Prizes of \$5 were offered to the county first in paying dues, by Mrs. Erick Bell.

To the county making the largest gift to the Cooper bed at Eastern N. C. Sanatorium in Wilson by Mrs. K. B. Pace of Greenville.

To the county making the largest gift to the Student Loan Fund by Mrs. Frederick Taylor of High Point.

Dr. Rachel Davis of Kinston offers \$25 as an achievement prize to the district which shows greatest progress and achievement along all lines, organizations, educational projects, subscriptions to Hygeia and the Bulletin, etc. The district winning achievement prize will also win the Davis cup.

Potter Urges Grain Planting For Grazing

With Hoke county feed crops being damaged recently by weather conditions, T. D. Potter, chairman Hoke County AAA committee, urges farmers to seed additional acreages to wheat, oats, barley, and rye for grazing next spring.

"An increase in the seeding of small grains for pasture purposes will aid materially in supplementing feed and hay for the production of livestock and dairy products," he said.

Mr. Potter stressed the importance of adequate fertilization to insure better stands. He pointed out that establishing a satisfactory winter cover from seedings of these grains, made this fall, had been approved as one of the twenty-four practices under the 1946 Agricultural Conservation program.

"To qualify for the practice payment of \$1.50 per acre, the crops may be grazed or turned, but not harvested for grain or hay," he said.

Revival To Begin At Bethel November 4

Rev. Arthur M. Field of Lewisburg, West Virginia, will preach a series of evangelistic services at Bethel Presbyterian church from November 4 to November 11. The meeting will open with the Sunday night service and will continue every night, Monday through Friday, with morning and evening services on Sunday, November 11, closing the series.

Mr. Fields is associate pastor of the Old Stone church at Lewisburg. He is a graduate of Hampden-Sidney College and of Union Theological Seminary of Virginia, where he was president of the senior class of 1943. He was the Salem Fellow for 1944, pursuing his work in missions, comparative religion, and Bible, and he has been accepted as a candidate for the foreign mission field by the board of the Presbyterian church.

To Observe Community Day At Presbyterian Church

World Community Day will be observed on Friday, November 2, in a meeting at the Raeford Presbyterian church at three-thirty in the afternoon.

The subject of the program will be "The Prince of Enduring Peace" and the women's organizations of the Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches will participate. All women of Raeford and vicinity are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hawfield of Monroe, spent Tuesday night in Raeford as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sexton.

Is Hit In Head And Chest By Buckshot.

John C. Story of Greensboro, was shot and fatally wounded at about ten o'clock last Saturday morning while hunting deer about five miles north of here. He was forty-five years old and was sheriff of Guilford county.

An inquest was ordered following the shooting and a coroner's jury ordered Guy Taylor, thirty-five-year-old farmer of this county, who was hunting near Sheriff Story at the time, held under bond of \$1000 pending further investigation. At the conclusion of the investigation the jury decided that Story had died from accidental causes and that no one was responsible. Taylor, therefore, will not be indicted in connection with the shooting.

Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin said he received a call at around ten o'clock and that he went to the scene of the hunt with a doctor. Sheriff Story was unconscious when they arrived and died at eleven-twenty, according to Sheriff Hodgkin, from three buckshot wounds, two in his head and one in his chest. Another shot was found imbedded in his ankle.

Coroner William L. Poole ordered an immediate inquest at the scene of the killing. Taylor at that time told the jury that he and Story were approaching a swamp on opposite sides of a small branch. He admitted firing three times at a running deer and three shells of the same gauge as Taylor's were found about sixty-one yards from where Sheriff Story fell. Taylor insisted that he had not been within 200 yards of Story when he shot at a deer.

Sheriff Story's gun was raised to shoot at the time he was fatally hit. His gun was fired as he fell and the shots went into a small pine tree nearby.

Taylor told the jury that as he approached the spot where the sheriff fell he heard groans, discovered the wounded man and immediately called for help.

Sheriff Hodgkin said that he believed the shooting was accidental and that both Taylor and Story were shooting at a deer at the time. He said the woods were thick and that Taylor could not have seen Sheriff Story from the point where the three shots fell.

Sheriff Story was elected sheriff of Guilford county in 1943. He was a member of the Corinthian lodge of Mason and of the Oasis temple of the Shrine, of the Elks, and of the American Legion. He is survived by his wife, one son, one daughter, and several brothers and sisters.

Airport Meeting Held Last Monday Not Well Attended

Due to a variety of conflicting information and the fact that John McGougan was out of town last Wednesday, it was announced in last week's paper that the airport meeting at the courthouse would be on last Tuesday instead of last Monday afternoon. For this and other reasons unknown, the meeting at the courthouse on Tuesday afternoon was quite small.

The commissioners discussed ways and means of having an airport with those present and with a representative of the Civil Aeronautics Authority who was present. The conclusion reached was that it is probably advisable and will be beneficial for this town and county to have an airport. The CAA representative informed the gathering that bills were at present before congress authorizing the government to pay as much as any community pays toward building an airport for that community. He also gave some interesting information on the size of the tract of land needed and other physical characteristics necessary for the most economical construction of a good field.

A committee to further investigate the advisability and practicability of the scheme was appointed. This included Tom Cameron, J. H. Blue, Ben Currie, N. H. G. Balfour, Mrs. P. P. McCain, Mrs. W. L. Poole, and Neill A. McDonald.

INGATHERING AT ROCKFISH

Tabernacle Baptist church of Rockfish, will hold its annual ingathering Thursday, Nov. 1st. The sale of farm produce will begin at 2:30 P. M. Barbecue and chicken salad suppers will begin at 5:30 P. M.