

# GATES COUNTY INDEX

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**AIR HEROES AID IN FINAL DRIVE.**—Maj. Richard Bong and Capt. Don S. Gentile, shown as they landed in Los Angeles by air. The 24-year-old veterans of the Pacific and European wars are touring plants on campaign aimed toward cutting down absenteeism in the final drive for victory.

## Brittle To Deliver Graduation Sermon At Gatesville High

Gatesville. — Gatesville high school will begin its annual commencement exercises with the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night at 8:30 in the school auditorium. Rev. R. E. Brittle of Suffolk, Va., will deliver the address of the evening, and the Gatesville high school glee club will furnish musical selections.

On Wednesday evening the senior class will present its graduation exercises. As in former years, the commencement addresses will be delivered by the four honor students; this year Nelle Rose, Ellis, Claude Willey Hinton, Blanche Eure and Charles Herman Carter. In the absence of the senior class president, Kermit Jordan, who entered the armed services May 21, the welcoming address will be delivered by Vice President Bill Askew.

The music for this program will also be furnished by the glee club.

The graduating class is composed of nine boys and ten girls.

## Pacific Veteran Home after Four Years Overseas

Gatesville.—After nearly four years in the Pacific Theatre of War, Cpl. Vance Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Fleming of Gatesville, is back in the United States and expects to be home either today (Wednesday) or tomorrow.

The corporal wired his sister, Mrs. W. C. Story, on Monday from California to say that he was back in the United States. And on Saturday night he called her by telephone from Fort Bragg to say that he was another step nearer Gates county.

Fleming has been in service since July, 1941, and has been overseas since September, 1941. He was at Pearl Harbor on the fateful December 7. The corporal is not married, but friends who know that he has seen action on a number of islands in the South Pacific, are wondering if he has accumulated enough "points" to entitle him to discharge.

## Holloman Escapes From 'Nazi' Camp; To Be Home Soon

Gatesville.—William H. Holloman of Colerain, husband of the former Otelia Meeder of Gatesville, escaped from a German prisoner of war camp on April 25 and writes his wife that he "will be home soon."

Holloman's letter said that with a friend he reached the American lines on May 1 "with lots of good luck." He said he had never been so glad to see American doughboys in his life.

He advised his wife not to write, saying he would be home "soon."

First reported missing, Holloman later was reported as a prisoner of war.

Mrs. Holloman, his wife, works in the Gatesville AAA office.



**FIRST POINTER OUT.** Sgt. John Grant, Ormo, Wis., was the first soldier in the United States to return to civilian life under the army's new point system. In the army 4 1/2 years and overseas 37 months, he had 159 points, 74 more than the needed 85.

## County Failing In Bond Drive; Sales 'Way Down

Gatesville. — Gates county is failing in its duty to meet the Seventh War Loan quota. According to information made available by Robin Hood, chairman of the County War Finance Committee, only \$19,323 had been bought on May 17 against the county's quota of \$141,000.

Of this amount, \$14,175 was bought in "E" Bonds. The quota in "E" Bonds in the Mighty Seventh is \$128,000.

No special forms of rally or See COUNTY, Page 4

## Peanut Executive Native of County Dies in Suffolk

Sunbury.—Thomas A. Jordan, 68, prominent manufacturer of Suffolk and native of Gates county, died Sunday night of a sudden heart attack at his home on South Broad street. Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon, and burial was in Cedar Hill cemetery at Suffolk.

The son of the late James Victor and Margaret Cross Jordan of Gates county, Mr. Jordan went to Suffolk more than 30 years ago to engage in the peanut business. At his death he was owner and manager of the Old Reliable Peanut Company and was interested in the Virginia Peanut Company.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Dora Cross Jordan; two daughters, Mrs. Marian Jordan Cockey, of Evanston, Ill., and Mrs. Mary Cross Brocken.

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## Phelps Killed; Parker Wounded In Battle Zones

Sunbury.—Casualty lists indicated Monday that First Lieut. Raleigh E. Phelps of Sunbury, U. S. Army, was killed in the Pacific theatre of war.

Listed among Army wounded in European regions was T4. Lyman T. Parker of Eure.

**CLASS NIGHT PROGRAM**  
Gates. — The senior class of Gates high school will present its annual class night program Friday night at 8:30. The program is entitled "The Pin Cushion Doll." Admission is free, an announcement says.

## Legion to Hold Memorial Day Meeting, Decorate Veterans' Graves

Gatesville.—Gates county post of the American Legion will hold its annual Memorial service at the Legion Hut in Gatesville Saturday night. On Sunday, the following day, they will follow their regular practice of decorating the graves of all veterans in the county.

Members of the Legion Auxiliary will meet with the veterans Saturday night and after speaking by the Rev. Thomas A. Collins, pastor of Gatesville Methodist Church, refreshments will be served by ladies of the Auxiliary.

During the business session following the supper, the nominating committee headed by Hu-

## Series Of Annual Clinics Scheduled To Begin Tuesday



**BEHEAD ALLIED ACE.** The Nazis have no corner on atrocities, as shown in the above photo. A Jap officer is about to behead an Allied fighter with his Samurai sword. Photo courtesy of Life magazine.

## Bureau to Meet On June 8th

Gatesville.—The second quarterly meeting of the Gates county Farm Bureau will be held at Gatesville school Friday night, June 8, beginning at 7 o'clock, according to an announcement from S. P. Cross, secretary of the Gates county bureau.

The announcement follows a special meeting of the board of directors. At least two good speakers will appear on the program, and a fish supper and soft drinks will be provided, Mr. Cross said. All members are extended an invitation and invited to bring their wives and other persons that might be prospective members of the Bureau.

### SERVICES SUNDAY

Middle Swamp. — Regular services will be held Sunday afternoon at Middle Swamp Baptist Church. The Rev. T. Sloane Guy, Sr., pastor, will be in New Haven, Conn., attending graduating exercises at Yale University. The Rev. J. Sidney Cobb of Whaleyville, will preach.

Gatesville.—Dr. W. P. Jordan, district health officer, is announcing the schedule for the annual vaccination clinics against typhoid fever, diphtheria and smallpox in the advertising section of this paper. A schedule for each section is posted in local post offices and stores.

Typhoid fever vaccination should be given at one year of age and up. Initial administration of typhoid vaccine should be in three doses, given at intervals of one week. Revaccination each year with a single dose produces a satisfactory renewal of immunity to typhoid fever.

Diphtheria immunization, required by law, should be given to children between the ages of six months to 10 years. Two doses of toxoid are given at three months of age and repeated every five years.

The tuberculin test will be offered any one. This is a single test which shows whether the person has ever been infected with the tuberculosis germs. This test should especially be done on all contacts of cases and on all domestic servants. Those having a positive test can be fluoroscoped in the fall.

All who received the typhoid vaccination last year should be sure to get the single dose this year.

Readers are urged to clip the schedule and post it where it will remind them of the place and date to take their vaccinations.

## Henry LeRoy Heads District War Fund Drive

Raleigh.—State Chairman Victor S. Bryant of the United War Fund of North Carolina announced today that Governor R. Gregg Cherry, Honorary Chairman, had appointed most of the fifteen district chairmen who will direct the October campaign for funds for the twenty-two member agencies of the National War Fund.

The State Campaign Committee will meet in Raleigh on Wednesday and Thursday, May 23 and 24, to develop definite plans for the Fall campaign.

District 13, of which J. Henry LeRoy of Elizabeth City is chairman, includes Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties.

## Outland Home From Pacific Area

Sunbury.—F. J. Outland, USN, has returned to his ship in California after spending a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Outland, and sisters, Hope Outland and Mrs. Raymond Hampton.

He was engaged in an air raid over Lakayo and in the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.