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THIS IS GEGE.—Fashion's favorite bathing suit this summer is modeled by GeGe Pearson, radio personality.

Eason Awaiting Shipment From Port of Antwerp

Antwerp, Belgium.—First Sgt. Rufus T. Eason of Sunbury, N. C., is now at "Tophat" staging area here awaiting shipment to the United States under the Army redeployment program.

Husband of Mrs. Helen Eason of Corapeake, Sgt. Eason wears the Purple Heart, good conduct ribbon, Arrowhead, pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon, and the ETO ribbon with eight stars. Entering the engineers on July 9, 1941, he participated in a number of campaigns in 34 months overseas; the African, Italian, Southern France and Central European campaigns.

Employed by the Virginia Electric and Power Company before entering the armed forces, Sgt. Eason, Sunbury High school graduate, has 123 points under the redeployment program.

Navy Agent To Be In Norfolk Soon

Norfolk.—A representative of the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, Washington, D. C., will be at the Navy Recruiting Station in Norfolk on July 28 to interview and give qualifying tests to applicants for the Navy's 6 program.

Successful seventeen year old applicants will be enlisted immediately after complete processing and will be assigned to inactive duty until November 1, 1945 when they will be called to active duty and ordered to a Navy V-12 College Unit.

Quotas are limited. Applicants should not delay. Interested men are asked to appear at the Navy Recruiting Station promptly at 9:00 a. m. Saturday July 28.

Openings at Gates Not in Gatesville

Gates.—Contrary to a report carried by error in the last issue of the Index, there are no vacancies in the faculty of the Gatesville school, it has been pointed out.

The two vacancies referred to, are in the Gates school faculty where there are openings for principal and grade teacher.

C. B. Blair is principal of the Gatesville school. R. E. Beasley was principal at Gates last year.

Hobbs Named Soil Supervisor For County of Gates

Gatesville.—A total of 103 votes were cast at six voting places during the week of July 16-21 relative to the election of a soil conservation supervisor (leader) for Gates county. Junius A. Hobbs, of Hobbsville, was elected by one vote, having received 39 in all.

The second highest man, W. L. (Linwood) Askew, of Eure, received 38, and George P. Kittrell, of Corapeake, was given 27 votes. The votes received at each of the six balloting places by each of the three candidates are:

	Kittrell	Askew	Hobbs
Corapeake	23		
Sunbury		2	
Gates	1		
Gatesville	4	3	4
Hobbsville			33
Eure		34	
Totals	27	38	39

W. H. Lawrence, Farmer, Passes At Age 57

Gatesville.—Funeral services were held at Gatesville Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon for W. Henry Lawrence, 57, prominent farmer and life-long resident of Gates county. The Rev. T. Sloane Guy, Sr., pastor of Gatesville Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in the family cemetery near Gatesville.

Mr. Lawrence, who died Monday night in the same house in which he was born 57 years ago, was a member and deacon of the Gatesville Baptist Church. Fellow deacons served as pallbearers.

Mr. Lawrence is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mabel Lawrence; See LAWRENCE, Page 2

Gates County Nearly Doubles Quota In Seventh War Loan

Gatesville.—Gates county almost doubled its quota in the mighty Seventh War Loan, but failed by 38 percent to reach its quota of purchases in the E Bond class, according to a final report from Robin Hood, chairman of the county war finance committee.

Overall sales of \$269,064.50 were recorded against the county's quota of \$141,000, lacking less than \$15,000 of doubling the quota, but sales of E. Bonds amounted to only \$80,098 against the E Bond quota of \$128,000.

Few other counties in the immediate area reached the E Bond

Four More County Men Home For Brief Stays With Families



RECEIVES BRONZE STAR.—Pfc. Noah G. Harrell of Eure, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Harrell, is shown receiving the Bronze Star from Brig. Gen. Andrew C. Tyson, 100th Infantry Division, in Germany.—(Signal Corps Photo.)

Noah Harrell Wins Bronze Star For Communications While Under Fire In Europe

Headquarters, 100th Infantry Division.—Noah G. Harrell, private-first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Harrell of Eure, N. C., has been cited and awarded the Bronze Star Medal "for meritorious achievement in action" in France and Germany.

The citation said: "Private Harrell discharged the numerous tasks assigned to him in a courageous and exemplary manner... Serving as a wireman in the attack on St. Remy, he established a communication line across open terrain while subjected to intense hostile artillery and mortar fire which inflicted three casualties in the immediate area.

"Three times each night from 19 January to 31 January, he led a patrol under mortar fire to establish contact with an adjacent battalion, and for four days he manned an outpost with another enlisted man while subjected to rifle, machine gun and mortar fire from enemy entrenchments three hundred yards distant."

Private Harrell is shown in a photograph on this page receiving the Bronze Star from the assistant commanding general of the 100th Division at Kirchem, Germany.

Miss McNeill To Fill Vacancy At Hobbsville School

Hobbsville.—Miss Margaret McNeill, formerly of Jonesboro, will teach home economics and science in the Hobbsville High school this year, it has been announced by W. Henry Overman, superintendent of Gates county schools.

Miss McNeill comes to Hobbsville with one year of teaching experience. She is a graduate of Pfeiffer Junior College and High Point College.

Lloyd Stallings Wins Silver Star

Gatesville.—Sgt. Lloyd A. Stallings, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stallings of Belvidere, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action. Sgt. Stallings, 357th Infantry Regiment, lived for six years with his sister, Mrs. F. G. Wiggins of Hobbsville, before entering the service a year ago.

The citation reads: "The courage and disregard for personal safety displayed by Sgt. Stallings reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

Wounded on February 6 in Germany, Sgt. Stallings wears the Purple Heart. He went overseas in January, this year.

Did You Know That?

Gatesville.—Gates county has a total of 1,650 passenger cars, trucks, and trailers registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles. There are 17 other counties in North Carolina that have a less number.

Gatesville.—Four more Gates county boys are back at home for stays of varying length; three have returned from overseas—two with purple hearts—and the fourth came from the State of Washington to visit in the county.

They are: Lieut. Mills T. Lowe of Gates, Wallace R. Eure of Roduco, Pfc. Willard Hoffer of Sunbury, all from overseas, and William Franklin of Corapeake, U. S. Coast Guard, from Moclips, Wash.

Lieut. Lowe, paratrooper of the 11th Airborne Division who served six months in the Philippines, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lowe of Gates. He was wounded on Luzon April 8 and was evacuated to the States for rest and further treatment.

After a short visit with his parents, he will return to Northington General Hospital at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Wallace Eure, U. S. Army, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Eure of Roduco, returned to the county Tuesday on a 30-day furlough after ten months overseas.

Private Hoffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoffer of Sunbury, is home for 30 days after seven months overseas. He was wounded at the Siegfried Line on February 27 and holds the Purple Heart.

William Franklin arrived in Corapeake Friday to spend two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Franklin. He was joined there by his wife, the former Margaret Horton of Whaleyville, Va. A radio man, Franklin is headquartered in the state of Washington.

Corapeake Meat Dealer Suspended

Raleigh.—Six more eastern North Carolina individuals—including Lurcy C. Brinkley of Corapeake—have been suspended from dealing in meat for alleged violations of OPA regulations, Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh OPA district director, announced Monday.

The Brinkley case resulted in a 30-day suspension, active, during which time he cannot legally buy or sell or negotiate the purchase or sale of meat, Johnson said.

Johnson said the violations included failure to make required reports, buying and/or selling meat without exchange of ration points, failure to post point value charts and failure to list point values on displayed meat.

All the suspensions were effected under consent. Hearings were waived.

Five Veterans At Ruritan Meeting

Gatesville.—Five service men and ex-service men were guests of the Gatesville Ruritan club at the regular monthly meeting Monday night. Speaking briefly of their experiences in the nation's service were William R. Cowper, Jr., Vance Flemming, Eugene Harrell, Harrell Lee Bundy and Harry Liniger.

The August meeting of the club will be "Girls' Night," Secretary S. P. Cross told the Index. He said that each member would be expected to bring a girl as guest.