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### Area Men In Service

REQUA, CALIF. - Bennie L. Miller, son of Mrs. Eula V. Miller of Rt. 1, Warne, has been promoted to airman first class in the U. S. Air

Bennie L. Miller

Force.
Airman Miller is a radar repairman at Klamath Air Force Station, Calif. He is a member of the Air Defense Command which provides aerospace defense against hostile aircraft and missiles.

The airman is a graduate of Hayesville High School.

#### Shoal Creek News

By: Beulah Slaughter

Lynn Brendle , son of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Brendle was operated on Friday in Providence Hospital for a ruptured appendix. Best wishes Lynn.

An old time singing will be held Sunday March 13 at 2p.m. by the combined Shoal Creek and Baptist Churches. This will be at Swanson church off Shoal Creek Road, and directed by Rev. Briscoe Hankins. Everyone invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilcos, Ranger, were Sunday visitors of Mrs. L. J. Brown.

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Dorothy A. Mull

NEWPORT, R. 1. - Navy Wave Ensign Dorothy A. Mull, Nurse Corps, daughter of Mrs. Florence Mull of Petrie St., Murphy, has graduated from an officer's training course for Navy nurses at the Naval Schools Command in Newport,

The special course is designed to prepare both men and women commissioned as nurses in the Navy for the responsibilities of an officer with the medical profession.

The curriculum covers professional and academic subjects, stressing the moral ethics of the healing arts, and military leadership principles.

Miss Cherry Hamby is steadily improving at her home. -SC-

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Slaughter went to Cleveland, Tuesday to celebrate Mr. Slaughter's seventh-fifth birthday with his sisters, Mrs. O. C. Ragsdale of Clevaland, Tenn., and Mrs. J. M. Floyd of Rossville, Ga.

Mrs. Ruth Hamby of Atlanta, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Clay Loudermilk of Ducktown, Tenn., were Sunday visitors.



James R. Reed

GUANTANAMO BAY - Marine Corporal James R. Reed,
son of Mr. and Mrs Henry L.
Reed of Terrace Ave.,
Murphy, is a member of the
2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, an
infantry regiment of the 2nd
Marine Division currently
serving as the ground defense
force for the Naval Base,

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Currently in the second of a four-month deployment, the battalion will undergo extensive infantry training and weapons firing in addition to manning defensive positions along the perimeter fenceline.

The 2nd Battalion is home based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

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### Hunt Declares War On Litter

RALEIGH - State Highway Commission Chairman J. M. Hunt, Jr., has declared war on highway litter. Stricter enforced state and local antilitter laws are his chief weapons, and the Garden Clubs of North Carolina his stauncher allies.

Mr. Hunt decided to wage war after seeing what he called "virtual wastebaskets being made of the roadside" as he traveled around the State prior to the road bnd referendum last November.

On that tour of the State, Hunt told Highway Commission staff members traveling with him that he was becoming just as concerned about the amount of highway littering as about the condition of the roads themselves, and he said that once the bond issue vote and the preliminary work of implementation of the bond program was completed, he would launch an all out anti-litter drive.

Early in 1966, Chairman Hunt got together figures from spot checks around the State on the cost of cleaning up trash and litter tossed from passing cars onto the highways, and was amazed at what he found.

It costs more than \$60 per mile to clear litter from rural primary highways, and more than \$220 per mile on expressways. That means that it could cost North Carolina some \$4 million a year just to clean up litter (which has no business there in the first place) from the roads and streets on the State System. As it is now, highway work forces are only able to get about ten per cent of the litter, and this only at a few intervals each year.

Armed with this kind of information, Chairman Hunt immediately called on A. Pilston Godwin, Jr., Motor Vehicles Commissioner, for assistance.

Hunt asked Commissioner Godwin to direct the Highway Patrol to give more exphasis to enforcement of the state anti-litter law, and Godwin responded with immediate action. The directive went out from Raleigh to every Highway Patrol Division.

In the meantime, Chairman Hunt got additional support from the N. C. League of Municipalities, and its Executive Director, Mrs. Davetta Steed, wrote to member police chiefs asking that the towns and cities also crack down on litter bugs. He also held several conversations with Mrs. W. C. Landolian, Sr. of Cle-

mmons, N.C., President of the Morth Carolina Garden Clubs, Inc. and her two lieutenants; Mrs. Milton Abbott and Mrs. Martha B. Hooks of Raleigh.

The garden clubs promised an all out effort in the development of local community action programs which would involve as many civic, governmental and service organizations as possible in a cleanup campaign in every community in North Carolina. This portion of the overall clean up-drive is still in the plann-

ing stages, according Garden Club sources.

The strict enforcement of the anti-litter laws is already beginning to bear fruit. Motor Vehicles Commissioner Godwin reported to the news media in February that the first full month of anti-litter law emphasis brought 52 arrests during January and that there was evidence "that there is a growing resentment on the part of responsible citizens that some people use road-sides as 'wastebaskets' ". Godwin based this on the fact that more citizens seem willing to report littering to local officials and the Highway Patrol. He cited several incidents which were reported

On February 23, Chairman Hunt ordered \$50-thousand dollars worth of new anti-litter signs to be erected along North Carolina highways to constantly remind highway users not to toss litter thought-lessly from their cars.

These signs will be of the variety which say: "Unlawful to throw trash on highway. Fine of up to \$50.."

Another sign Chairman Hunt

is using is the THINK sign. This consists of the work "think" being written in relectorized material on the usually blank portion of the collapsible "Ice on Bridge" signs. When the weather is good and there is no ice on bridges around the state, signs which are used to warn motorists of the slick stuff are folded over to form a blank metal triangle, and it is on this sur-

face that the work think is written. Chairman Hunt has had the signs department of the Highway Commission put the THINK signs out on an experimental basis in Wake and Guilford Counties. He told

newsmen on Feb. 21 that,
"These THINK Signs will
make folks take a second look
at that speedometer and it will
also make them think twice
about tossing that trash out
the window." It is still too
early, however, to determine
what effect, if any, the THINK
signs have had on littering.

Chairman Hunt told a group in Raleigh recently that he doesn't expect "miracles to happen overnight. But I do believe we're headed in the right direction. The Highway Commission is doing all it can and we're getting splendid cooperation from the Highway Patrol and Department of Motor Vehicles. The newspapers are becoming interested and are doing features and editorials and the radio and television stations are doing features and editorials and television stations are doing features and public service announcements. I'm firmly convinced that with this kind of interest and acitvity on the part of folks all over the State, then it can't be too long before its very unpopular to litter the highways. It may take a few arrests to begin with, but later I believe that public attitudes will take over and we can keep our highways clean, and save a lot of time and tax dollars."

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## **AUCTION**

The first East Tennessee Dispersal Sale of farm and construction equipment will be held Saturday, March 12 at 10:00 a.m.

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If you have anything to confine to this promising outlet for new or used equipment of any kind, call Bob McFee at Madisonville Tractor Company, Madisonville, Tennessee, 442-2967 or J. H. (Fuzzy) Furrow, or Sam Furrow, Auctioneer, Sweetwater, Tennessee, 337-7811.





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