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## County's War Dead, Schools And Admirals Will Be Listed On Battleship Honor Roll

RALEIGH — All 100 of North Carolina's counties will be represented on three separate U. S. S. North Carolina honor rolls when sufficient funds materialize for the preparation of exhibits aboard the famous battleship.

Lenoir County will have 62 names on the principal honor roll, which will cover the service men from the county who died in World War II. Of this number from Lenoir County 41 died while serving in the Army and the Air Force and 21 died in combat serving with the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard.

The Army and Air Force list bears the names of 4,680 individual North Carolinians who were killed in action or died of wounds. The official Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard list carries 1,369 from the state dead in combat and 14 dead in prison camps. All 6,063 will be listed individually by county aboard ship when the Battleship Commission is able to carry out its plans.

Another of the county by county rosters contemplated for the Battleship Memorial is the list of schools that participated 100 per cent in the school drive to save the ship.

The third honor list planned for permanent display will be the Admirals of the North Carolina Navy. This group is made up of persons who have donated as much as \$100 or raised as much as \$500 to save the U. S. S. North Carolina, scheduled by the Navy to be scrapped on July 1, 1961. The Admirals receive commissions directly from the Governor of North Carolina, and they will be given lifetime free admission to the Battleship Memorial at Wilmington.

Each county has at least one Admiral named by Governor Sanford to head the drive for funds

in the county. Edward Lilly of Kinston is Admiral of the Fleet for Lenoir County.

Governor Terry Sanford and Battleship Commission Chairman Hugh Morton have commended Lilly for his leadership in the drive to raise Lenoir County's share of the state goal of \$250,000, and have urged civic and patriotic organizations and individuals in the county to lend him every possible assistance. All have stressed that contributions in any amount to the Battleship Fund will be gratefully received.

## Directed Verdicts of Not Guilty in Two Cases Before Court

Last week Judge Rudolph Mintz granted motions for directed verdicts of not guilty in two serious charges involving three young men before Lenoir County Superior Court.

Joe Dan Spraker, charged with manslaughter in the death of his fellow worker, Edward Allman, was freed after state witnesses had testified that Allman died on Wednesday from a skull fracture that caused bleeding in the brain area.

The two men, employees of the R. H. Bouligny Company of Charlotte were in a brief fist fight on April 29th, during which Allman fell to the pavement and was knocked unconscious for a few minutes.

Testimony indicated that he had refused repeatedly to accept medical care when it was suggested by Spraker and others.

In the other charge Navy Corpsmen Brothers Robert and Stanley Epperson Jr. were found not guilty of raping Gladys Hicks of Kinston. She admitted going into

## Methodist Pastors Assigned Last Week For the Coming Year

Among the Methodist pastors assigned at the annual convention last week in Durham were the following who will serve in Jones County;

John T. Smith at Maysville, La. A. Green at Pollocksville, Walton N. Bass at Trenton.

W. B. Cotton will serve at Richlands and H. L. Harrell will serve at Pink Hill.

## New Bernian Hurt in Jones County Wreck

A car-truck collision in front of the Emmett McDaniel place between Trenton and Kinston Thursday night hospitalized Roy Prentice Pugh of 2410 Georgia Avenue in New Bern.

Highway Patrolman J. A. Crumpler, who investigated, said that Lawrence Pollock of Trenton route 1 was in the act of passing the ice cream truck driven by Pugh, when it was turned to the left, striking the Pollock car along the right front fender and back to the front door.

The truck turned over and Pugh suffered a gash on the head and other possible internal injuries. Pugh's son, Prentice, was not hurt and Pollock escaped injury.

Pollock said he did not see a turn signal on the truck until he was almost up beside it. Both vehicles were headed toward Kinston.

an empty building with the brothers, after taking a drink with them in a nearby juke joint. In the preliminary hearing the brothers admitted going to the empty apartment with the girl but they contended that she got mad when they refused to pay her \$14.

## Army Offering Assignment Guarantee

The Army today, according to Sergeant Edward La Feure, local Army Recruiter, is offering to young men a choice of a guaranteed assignment to either of two overseas areas, encompassing select countries in Europe and the Far East and his personal preference of vocational training.

Under this program, the sergeant said, young men may choose to train in the Infantry, Armor, or Field Artillery and be assured of schooling or on-the-job training in these vital Army career fields.

The choice of overseas assignment offered to these young men is composed of two major geographical areas covering most of the Free World. The sergeant pointed out that a young man may elect to serve in the Far East where we have units in Japan, Korea, Guam and the Philippines, or he may choose Europe where personnel are stationed in Germany, France and Italy.

The operation and maintenance of the Army's complex weapons and equipment demand highly skilled technicians, capable of keeping them in a constant state of readiness. This unprecedented offer, Sergeant La Feure said, is being made since the Army needs the services of America's finest young men and is offering substantial career benefits to get them.

### CLOSED FOR VACATION

Office of the Journal in Kinston is closed this week while all employees take a needed vacation!

## 4-H Foundation Supper Set for Saturday Night

An all-out county-wide effort is being made by Jones County 4-H'ers this Saturday night to raise the balance of the County's quota for the state 4-H Club foundation.

A supper is being served at the Legion grounds in Trenton, but 4-H'ers and their adult leaders have sold tickets in every section of the county and will deliver the suppers for those who prefer to eat at home rather than to come to the fair grounds in Trenton.

Tickets for the supper are available from all 4-H'ers and their adult leaders or at the ag building in Trenton.

The 4-H foundation has a goal of \$1 million for the sponsorship of more and broader college scholarships and for expanding and improving the 4-H Club recreational facilities in every part of the state.

## James Spence Makes First Solo Flight



Ensign James T. Spence, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Spence, 111 of Route 1, Pink Hill, on June 2 made his first solo flight at the Saufley Field Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. As part of primary flight training, he is also receiving instruction in communications, navigation, engineering, athletics, aerology and Civil Air Regulations.

## No Fireman's Joke

Kinston Police Wednesday morning were inclined to think that some of Firemen Haywood Quinn's buddies were pulling a practical joke on him when he came in and reported his car had been stolen during the night from the parking lot back of the city jail. However, when the car was found abandoned in Burgaw after someone had broken into a nearby home, shaved and changed clothes it was concluded that Quinn's car had been stolen by two escaped convicts who got loose in Kinston Tuesday night.

## Life in Prison

Solicitor Walter Britt Thursday accepted the guilty plea of Cleo Roland Johnson, who admitted the brutal shotgun slaying of his wife on the night of February 9th in a Harveytown home, where she was hiding from him. She was holding their child in her right arm when he placed a borrowed shotgun against her left chest and pulled the trigger. He had been released from county jail only a short time before the cold-blooded killing. His wife had placed Johnson in jail under a peace bond after he had threatened to kill her. His plea carried an automatic life term in prison. Under North Carolina parole procedure he will be eligible for consideration for parole at the end of ten years.

### AT SCHOOL

Councilman Carl C. Wooten of Kinston attended the School for Mayors and Councilmen held at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill June 25-27.

## Judge Holds Adoption Valid of Carl Hicks' Four Grandchildren

Last Thursday in Lenoir County Superior Court Judge Rudolph Mintz held the adoption of four grandchildren by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hicks of Walstonburg to be valid on all points.

Edward L. Russell of Salt Lake City, Utah, who abducted the children last week and who is the natural father of the children, is attempting to set aside the adoption papers.

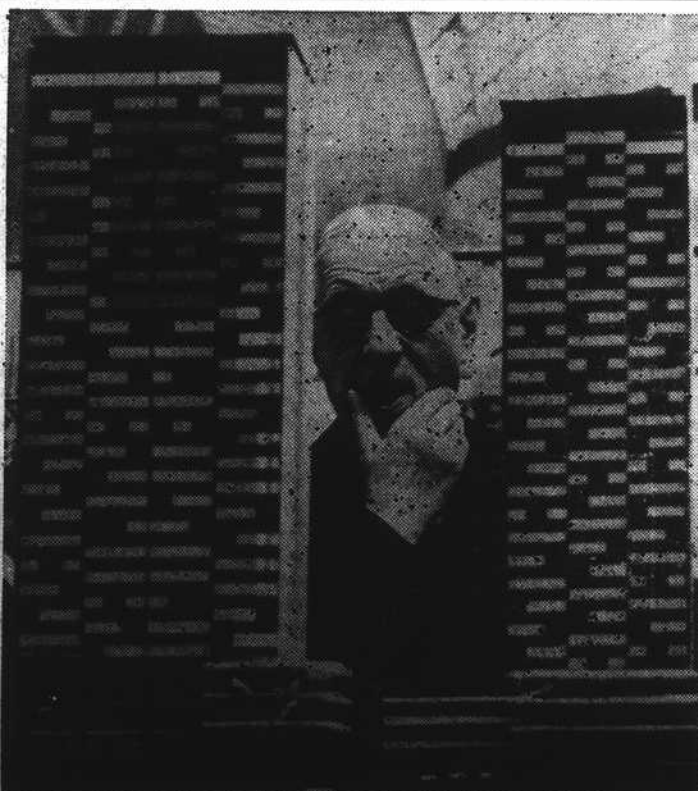
Russell, who was separated from his wife, daughter of the Hicks, at the time of her death, was present when the first order of adoption was signed before the Greene County Clerk of Court and did not at that time offer any objection to the adoption.

Charges of criminal abduction have been filed against him and in an effort to clear himself of that charge Russell is seeking to have the adoption set aside.

Notice of appeal to the state supreme court from Mintz' decision was given by Russell's counsel last week.



LIKE LIFTING THE CALF—Young Lori Laishley, of Bellbrook, Ohio, makes like the lad who picked up the calf each day until he could lift the cow. The calf in this case is a 7-week-old great Dane. Only 20 pounds now, it will grow to 180.



LOOKING FORWARD—President Charles de Gaulle studies a model of a towering apartment building which may be built in the French capital, Paris.