

### Cotton Maid To Appear At Farm, Home Week

Miss Elizabeth McGee, the 1950 Maid of Cotton, will appear in a cotton style review during Farm and Home Week at State College July 31 to August 3.

According to Miss Julia McIver, extension clothing specialist with the State College Extension Service, the style review will be held in the William Neal Reynolds Coliseum, Wednesday, August 2. The review is being sponsored jointly by the State College Extension Service and the National Cotton Council.

Miss McGee a native of Spartanburg, S. C., will head the list of a half dozen models appearing in the all-cotton dress review. The girls will model 32 cotton outfits some featuring even hats,

shoes and luggage from cotton. Miss McGee points out that the style review is scheduled so as not to conflict with any other event on the Farm and Home Week program. The review will be open to the public as well as to registered Farm and Home Week visitors.

Miss McGee was selected 1950 Maid of Cotton in Memphis, Tenn., last January 3. Two days after her selection she flew to New York where her all-cotton wardrobe was assembled. Since February she has been appearing at civic centers and leading department stores throughout the country. In March her travels took her to England and on to Paris where she visited world-famous dress designers.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGee of 561 E. East Main Street in Spartanburg. Her father is president and manager of a local department store and owns a cotton farm near Spartanburg.

## FORTUNE TELLER

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### VA Chief Cautions Home-Buying Vets

In the face of today's record housing boom and era of easy mortgage financing, Veterans Administrator Carl R. Gray, Jr. has issued a word of caution to the 13 million World War II veterans who still are eligible for VA-guaranteed home loans under the GI Bill.

A 4-page pamphlet, which includes a letter signed by Administrator Gray and addressed "TO THE HOME-BUYING VETERAN," has just come off the presses and is being distributed.

Intended as a guide for veterans who contemplate buying or building a home, the pamphlet points out some of the pitfalls and headaches which may be encountered and gives advice toward avoiding them.

First and foremost, it is emphasized that veterans should fully understand that a GI loan, like any other loan, must be repaid.

"The VA guaranty, which protects the lender against loss, encourages him to make the loan at a very low rate and with only a small or no down payment," Gray's letter states. "But if you fail to make the payments you agree to make, the VA must pay the loss to the lender, and the amount paid by VA must be repaid by you. Any compensation or pension to which you may be entitled could be withheld in whole or in part until such debt is satisfied."

The Veterans Administrator also warned the veteran against taking on an obligation too heavy for him to carry. In addition to the monthly payments of interest and principal, he pointed out that the veteran home-owner also must meet the cost of real estate taxes, insurance, repairs, heat, light, water and other utilities.

Advising strongly against rushing into what may prove to be an ill-advised purchase, Gray reminded veterans that they have until July 25, 1957, to use their right to a guaranteed loan.

Now that the post-war housing shortage is easing off, the Administrator urged veterans to

### By Way Of Mention

By Lois Beatty

Mr. Leo Beattie and daughter, Lois, were recent visitors in Charlotte.

Mrs. Annie Lockridge and daughter, Jewell, spent the weekend in Burlington and Natural Bridge, Va.

Mrs. Elbert Payne spent Monday in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Stroupe and daughter, Glenda, spent Sunday in Dallas.

Mrs. W. C. Lockridge had as her guests last week Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Phillips and son, Eddie, of Mooresville.

Miss Ann Costner spent the past week in Cherryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Oren White and daughter, Nadine, spent the past week in Gaittinsburg, Tenn.

Mrs. Annie Lockridge had as her recent guests Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Bookout and their grand daughter, Sara Lee McCarter, of Burlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Stroupe and daughter, Glenda, were recent visitors in Cherryville.

Miss Billie Mabry is spending this week at Camp Rotary.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Wright and children, Sandra and Linda, Miss Blanche Smith of Gastonia, and Mr. George Maiden of New York, spent Saturday in Lawndale with Mr. and Mrs. Dade Smith, Sr.

Mrs. Marie Queen has returned home after being on an extended visit to her brother in St. Louis, Mo.

shop carefully before they buy, to make sure they will be satisfied with the quality and condition of the home and its equipment.

While VA makes every effort to assure that the veterans pay only a reasonable price for the home, taking into account the condition into account, the agency can not guarantee that he will be satisfied with his purchase, Gray added.

Veterans unfamiliar with home construction should seek the advice of a reliable person who knows construction, and competent advice should be obtained in connection with the signing of sales contracts and other documents, the letter warns. Before making a deposit on a home, they should make sure the paper they sign calls for a refund in the event the GI loan deal falls through.

The pamphlet contains a detailed check list of points to be considered in buying a home, including neighborhood, lot, construction and financing.

Copies of the pamphlet (No. 4-5) may be obtained, singly or in quantity, at the nearest VA Regional office.

About 20 million acres of land are under irrigation in 17 Western states.

### VA Nurses May Now Get College Credits

Oteen. — Nurses becoming affiliated with the Veterans Administration Nursing Service and stationed at the VA hospital at Oteen, N. C., are now offered an unusual opportunity to locally obtain college credits to better prepare themselves for promotions.

John B. Wogan, manager of the VA 1,500-bed tuberculosis hospital at Oteen, announced today that courses like economics, sociology, physiology, history, English and allied courses are now available to nurses of the hospital at nearby Montreat college and Asheville - Biltmore college. In addition, the University of Indiana offers two locally instructed courses in advanced nursing education. One is "Ward Management in a Hospital," and the other is "Supervision in a Hospital."

The hospital encouraged nurses to attend seminars and workshops in their fields of specialty, Wogan added. Attendance at the college courses, seminars and workshops is made easy for the nurses as they are on a short 40-hour week.

In addition, the VA offers its nurses opportunities to attend colleges of their choice for advanced professional education.

The VA Nursing Service requires for advancement from junior grade nurse, \$3,400, to associate grade, \$4,000, a minimum of 15 college credits in the nursing field plus six years' service, three of which are with the VA. With

30 college credits, only four years' experience is needed for promotion, provided three have been with the VA.

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