

Local Boy Graduated From Medical School

Albert Glod, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Glod of Castle Hayne, received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Wake Forest college, Winston-Salem, on Monday when the first class to be graduated from the school received diplomas.

He will enter Duke Hospital January 1 for nine months internship, prior to entering the Medical Reserve of the Army as a first lieutenant.

Mr. Glod is a graduate of New Hanover High school, and Wake Forest college, with the class of '40.



BY WAY OF . . .

EXPLANATION

For some twenty-two years now the Friendly Cafeteria has served Wilmingtonians seven days a week, 365 days a year with two exceptions.

The exceptions are the Labor Day and Christmas Holidays.

It is only fair to our employees—employees who maintain a seven-day week service—to have a Christmas Holiday.

For that reason, the Friendly Cafeteria and Restaurant will close Friday evening and will not open until Monday morning.

The Friendly Cafeteria and Restaurant

1943 Was An Unusually Active Year In The State Auditor's Office

BY GEORGE ROSS POU

State Auditor for the Associated Press

RALEIGH, Dec. 24.—The year of 1943 has been an active one for the state auditor's department. Over 85,000 direct claims against the state were presented to the department of the state auditor for pre-audit. Likewise, over 85,000 state warrants in payment of these claims were signed and proper entries made in the state's general books, recording their issue and payment.

Aside from the direct claims, the office has been particularly busy with auditing the various reports of expenditures made by the many state institutions. This work has been unusually heavy.

In addition to the pre-auditing work, the bureau of institutional auditing has post-audited 27 state institutions and 33 state departments. These audits cover not only state funds but trust and loan funds of the various educational institutions. The bureau also made an examination of the financial records Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad company in which the state is the largest stockholder.

The law enforcement officers benefit and retirement fund, which is operated under the state auditor's office has also experienced a very active year. Collections totalling over \$267,000 from the hundreds of courts and magistrates in the state have been properly recorded and deposited. Records of many of the courts have been audited by the fund's field representative during the year.

The auditor's office, which is charged with the keeping of the state's financial records and auditing its financial transactions, can look back on 1943 as its peak year to date—all expenditures have been properly recorded and audited currently.

RUMINATING RATE

HUTCHINSON, Kas. (P)—What could a rat do with chewing gum? Pete Chumos, restaurateur, has been pondering that puzzle ever since he found that a rat was the thief who had been plundering his chewing gum cartons each night. The rodent had more than a half cartoon in his lair.

CRIME INCREASE ONLY 'NATURAL'

Head Of FBI Reviews His Department's Operations For 1943

BY THOMAS CREEKMORE, DIRECTOR STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

RALEIGH, Dec. 24.—This is the season when we should take account, or inventory, of our present status. To do this we have to look back over a given period. This custom is our best means of preparing for the future. We are living through a most disturbing time. Were it not for our historical record we would have the future with less faith.

We should all be interested in what part crime and law enforcement is playing in our respective communities during these times. It is fairly safe to assume that, except for our shifting population, conditions remain about the same throughout the state and nation. And inventory will disclose that there is hardly a home but what SOME member, or relative, is serving in the armed forces of our country. Others have left their homes to assist in building ships, guns, planes, and other implements of war. Crime is an epidemic which follows the crowd; it having increased in some localities and decreased in others.

Judging from the past and looking into the future, we can reasonably expect crime to increase generally as a post-war problem. For the past two years we have been assembling millions of our law-abiding citizens and giving them intensive training in how to kill our enemies. We call this justifiable homicide. Many of our fellow citizens who have been trained in the art of murder, along with those in war pants, will return to their native communities. The home town will not be the same and the readjustment is going to result in many hardships. We may as well look forward to season with a group of racketeers and streamlined criminals, preying upon a war-weary populace.

We who are charged with the duty of law enforcement are confronted with a real challenge. It is up to us not only to carry on but, at the same time, prepare for the future in order to cope with tomorrow's criminal problems.

Bearing these facts in mind, the personnel of this bureau is endeavoring to not only perform the duties normally required of it but is preparing for what we believe to be much more responsible tasks to be performed in the future. We will continue to have at the services of the law enforcement agencies of this state the highest type of specialists in the various phases of criminal investigation.

During the past year our records disclose that the types of crime investigated by this bureau have varied but little from past experience. Burglary comprises more than one-third of the total of our cases. Homicide and embezzlement are next in order, with assaults and robbery following close in their wake. A little more than one third of our total requests for assistance come from the sheriff's departments; while somewhat less than one-third emanate from the police departments, with the remaining approximate one-third coming from the various other law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

We find an increased demand on the part of law enforcement agencies for the use of our laboratory facilities for the analysis of the evidence of crime in the determination of presence, quantity, and character of poisons; the character of blood stains, microscopic, and other examinations of materials associated with the commission of crime. Also, the examination and analysis of projectiles for ballistic imprints and records which lead to the determination or identification of criminals; the examination and identification of finger prints and questioned documents.

It has been a pleasure to work with the law enforcement agencies and we look forward with greater enthusiasm toward extending our services throughout the state.

RECEIVES D. F. C.

BAYBORO, Dec. 24.—For completing 50 missions into enemy territory since July, Sgt. Grant L. Morris of Bayboro has received the Distinguished Flying Cross in New Guinea.

PANAMA PASSAGE

Average time of passage for a ship through the Panama canal is from seven to eight hours, with the record passage being four hours and ten minutes.

Eisenhower Lists Italian Drive Gains

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY IN ITALY, Dec. 23.—(Delayed)—Gen. Dwight Eisenhower declared today that the Italian campaign had been definitely worthwhile because it gave the Allies air bases from which to bomb central Europe and also had tied up German divisions and kept the enemy strength spread thin.

Prior to the Allied invasion, he said, seven German divisions were in Italy. Just 13 days after the conquest of Sicily, the Nazis had sent 19 divisions into Italy and in addition, had been forced to keep troops tied up in southern France and the Balkans because of the uncertainty of the next Allied move, the commander-in-chief added.

The American general asserted he was overwhelmed with admiration of Allied troops fighting under terrible weather conditions and across difficult terrain on both the Fifth and Eighth army fronts.



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A Cheerful Thought at Christmas.

One of the most comforting thoughts, and the most cheerful we know, is the knowledge that we have not only continued to merit the goodwill of our many friends in this locality, but we have also formed many new friendships.

It is to the people of this area that this Christmas message is addressed. We wish each of you all the fine things possible, for Christmas and a

Happy New Year!



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