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FOUR MACON CASUALTIES

One Killed, One Missing, Two Wounded In Action

SGT. LEWIS B. BUIE

Sgt. Lewis B. Buié, husband of Mrs. Pauline Buié, was killed August 8 in the Azores. Sgt. Buié is a native of Broadway, N. C., and is a graduate of the Boone Trail high school. After his graduation he was with the Forest Service in Asheville, and was transferred to Franklin five years ago where he was employed at the Cowee experiment station.

Sgt. Buié married Miss Pauline Welch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Welch of Franklin, July 20, 1941. Sgt. Buié entered the service March 24 1943. He received his training at the following places: basic at St. Petersburg, Fla.; radio training at Scott Field, Ill.; gunnery school at Tyngall Field, Fla.; and advanced flying at Westover Field, Mass.

Sgt. Buié was a radio operator gunner on a B-24 Liberator and went overseas about Aug. 1, 1944.

LT. HAROLD T. BRIDGMAN

Lt. Harold T. Bridgman, Jr., son of Rev. and Mrs. Harold T. Bridgman, Sr., of Columbia, S. C., formerly of Highlands, has been reported missing in action over Hungary, July 27. Lt. Bridgman is formerly of Highlands.

He graduated from Black Mountain high school in 1941. He attended Hampton-Sydney college, in Virginia and later N. C. State in Raleigh where he majored in architectural engineering and was a sophomore there when he enlisted in the air corps. He received his basic training in Miami and received his wings at the San Marcos Navigation school, Texas.

Lt. Bridgman is the second son of Rev. and Mrs. Bridgman. He has five brothers, two of whom are in the service and one sister. He was born in China where his parents were missionaries until 1940.

Lt. Bridgman has been in Italy since early in July as a navigator of a B-24. It is supposed that he was among the missing when U. S. bombers attacked the Manfred Steel and Armament works near Budapest, Hungary.

PFC. VICTOR H. SMITH

Mr. and Mrs. Harley A. Smith have been notified by the War Department that their son, Pfc. Victor H. Smith was seriously wounded on July 27th in the European theatre of operations. Pfc. Smith entered the service last September and has been overseas three months with a glider division.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have another son, Wiley H. Smith with an infantry division in France, who was wounded on the hand sometime ago.

PFC. DANIEL GARRETT

Pfc. Daniel Garrett, son of Elsie B. Clark of route 3, Franklin, has been wounded in the European theatre of war according to a message received by his mother.

CHAS. N. (JOE) DOWDLE

Mrs. Charles N. (Joe) Dowdle has received word that her husband, recently reported wounded in action is now in a naval hospital. He is suffering from injuries to his back and ankle.

MR. LEON BILLINGTON

IN A LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mr. Leon Billington, employe of the Franklin Press composing room who has been ill for some weeks, was removed from his hotel room today and entered Angel hospital for treatment.

Relatives of Mr. Billington, Mrs. Gertrude Cole, a sister of Gloversville, N. Y., and Mrs. Elizabeth Jolley, an aunt, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting with Mr. Billington and will probably remain in Franklin for about two weeks.

Clean-up Underway



Franklin Holds Clean-up Campaign This Week

Housewives, Cafe Owners And Merchants, Will Cooperate

Citizens of Franklin this week were asked to cooperate with city officials and employees in carrying out a resolution of the August 14 to 19 "Clean-up Week" board of aldermen to make "Week."

Because of the infantile epidemic throughout the state, this year's clean-up campaign was even more necessary as health authorities believe that flies are one of the greatest carriers of the polio virus.

As part of the campaign the Franklin merchants and housewives were cautioned not to place trash, rubble, and garbage in streets or sidewalks by a city ordinance.

The proclamation of the town council proposing "Clean-Up Week" reminded residents of Franklin that the campaign depended upon each citizen cooperating.

Since Franklin depends in large part on tourist business, it is important that the town be kept neat and orderly. This in addition to the fact, of course, that public-spirited citizens wish their town clean and orderly, residents were reminded by prominent citizens.

J. H. Stockton Heads Macon Baptists

At the 41st annual session of the Macon County Baptist association, which met at the Gold Mine Baptist church Thursday and Friday, August 10th and 11th, J. H. Stockton, attorney of Franklin, was elected Moderator for the coming year, and Rev. J. I. Vinson was elected Vice-Moderator.

Other officers elected were Sanford J. Smith, clerk and treasurer and Mrs. M. J. C. Higdon, historian.

Rev. J. I. Vinson was named to preach the associational sermon next year and Rev. Gordon E. Scruggs to preach the missionary sermon. There are 38 churches in the Macon Association and every church reported at this session.

The association will hold its next annual session with the Holly Springs Baptist church.

American Legion Poppies Sold In Highlands

The American Legion Auxiliary annual poppy sale was conducted at Highlands on August 15th under the direction of Miss Ruth V. Carter and Mrs. W. C. Newton as chairmen, with most gratifying results.

The poppies were sold on the streets with the following women assisting: Misses Margaret Yarbrough, Peggy Appley, Lillian Gong, Mary Bascom Cook, Marna Cobb, Catherine Saussey, Sarah Hall, Paula Price. The sale of poppies conducted at Franklin each year on Memorial Day but it has been the custom to have it later in the season at Highlands.

Proceeds from the sale of these poppies goes towards helping families and children of the veterans of World War I.

Highlands Methodists To Hold Conference

Rev. W. L. Hutchins will be in Highlands to hold a quarterly conference of the Highlands Methodist church at 8 o'clock Sunday night. All officials are urged to attend.

U. D. C. TO MEET WITH MRS. LESTER CONLEY

The United Daughters of Confederacy of Macon County Chapter will meet on Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Lester S. Conley with Mrs. W. M. Parrish associate hostess. All members are urged to attend.

Cook eggs at moderate temperatures because all protein feeds get tough and leathery when cooked at too high a heat.

August Superior Court To Begin On Monday

HARLEY R. CABE



Killed this morning in an automobile accident.

HARLEY CABE KILLED TODAY

Car In Head-on Collision With Truck On the Georgia Road

Harley R. Cabe, former clerk of superior court, was killed instantly at about 4:30 o'clock this morning when the automobile he was driving had a head-on collision with a truck, about seven miles south on the Georgia road.

Cabe, who was serving as yeoman second-class in the Navy, was home on leave this week. He was evidently returning home when the accident occurred.

The car which Yeoman Cabe drove was almost demolished. The truck was a Georgia Motor Express freight truck and was driven by Paul Reeves of Asheville. As soon as possible after the accident, Reeves caught a ride into Franklin and asked the sheriff to hold an inquest.

The coroner's jury reported the accident "unavoidable". Observers on the scene said it was apparent that the car driven by Cabe had rounded the curve on the wrong side of the highway.

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Nine Civil And Six New Criminal Cases On The Docket

The August term of Macon County Superior Court will begin on Monday, August 21, with Judge Zeb V. Nettles of Asheville, presiding.

The civil docket includes nine cases, five of which are divorce cases.

The criminal docket includes six new cases and some continued from the last term of court.

The criminal cases will begin on Monday and the civil cases will be tried beginning on Wednesday.

Christmas Packages To Servicemen Overseas Can Be Mailed After Aug. 15

"Do your Christmas shopping early," has long been a cry made to the public, but this year the plea is, "Mail your Christmas packages to overseas soldiers early."

Lt.-Col. Hartley B. Dean, 4th service command postal officer, points out that soldiers' yuletide packages will be accepted for mailing as early as August 15 and no later than October 15. "People are advised to mail their Christmas packages as soon as possible and not wait for the deadline. With millions of men overseas and with more millions of gifts which will be sent to them—getting all parcels to their proper destination in time for Christmas is going to be a tremendous task. The sooner the post office receives these packages the better the chances are for the soldiers to enjoy Christmas on December 25th."

WAR NEWS SUMMARY

New Invasion of Southern France Goes Well

The war news continued to be favorable to the United Nations this week as our troops continued advancing in most sectors.

In Southern France, the reports from the new beachheads established between the French naval base at Toulon and Cannes on the Riviera were excellent. Troops under the command of Maj.-Gen., who led the conquest of Guadalcanal in the Pacific, have swept through the Nazi outer defenses and have established a seventy-two mile beachhead. In less than forty-eight hours they had liberated more than 500 miles of enemy territory.

In northern France the American forces under the command of Gen. Patton, according to the Nazi radio, were less than thirty-five miles from the French capital—Paris—today.

In the last forty-eight hours in this sector, 10,000 men had been captured more than 50,000 others were surrounded in the pocket made by converging British and Canadian columns to the north and American forces to the south.

The news from the Eastern front was not so good this morning. The Russians were still hammering away at the defenses of the Nazi troops cut off from Germany by the Russian push-through to the Baltic at Riga.

However, on the Polish front, the Russians had been repulsed by a strong Nazi counter-attack which had forced them to give up one of the small towns east of Moscow.

In the Orient, American air forces stationed in China continued to hammer Japanese supply lines in China's southern, Hunan Province. The Chinese forces were launching a powerful attack to retake Hengyang, important rail junction northwest of Canton.

In Burma, the bitter fighting continued with the Allies pushing further along the railway southwest of Myitkyina.

NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

PFC. AND MRS. BILL GIBSON



Pfc. Gibson stationed in Arizona

Pfc. Bill Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gibson of Cullasaja, is now stationed at Yuma, Arizona.

Mrs. Gibson was the former Miss Electa Belle Keffen, of Arizona.

Cpl. J. W. May is home on furlough visiting his mother, Nora H. May, of Flats.

Neabert Long recently spent a ten-day furlough with Mr. and Mrs. George Ledford of Prentiss. He is stationed at Camp Peary, Va.

PVT. WYMER J. GIBSON



Recently Arrived Overseas

Pvt. Wymer J. Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Gibson of Cullasaja has landed safely overseas according to a message received here.

He entered the service in November 1943 at Fort Jackson, S. C. and received his basic training there. Prior to entering service he was manager of the Champion Shoe Shop in Franklin.

Pvt. Clyde Southards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Southards, of Franklin, route 2, is home on furlough from Piancée, New Orleans.

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