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## HIDEN RAMSEY TO SPEAK AT C. OF C. DINNER

Body Will Meet April 10  
For Election of Officers  
And Formulate Plans

D. Hiden Ramsey, president of the Chamber of Commerce, of Asheville, will be the guest speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce meeting to be held at Panorama Courts on Tuesday evening, April 10, it has been announced by E. J. Whitmire, vice-president of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce.

A feature of the meeting will be the election of officers to serve through the coming year and formulating plans for the year's work.

The present officers include E. A. Shilling, president; E. J. Whitmire, vice-president and Lee Guffey, secretary.

Tickets for the dinner are now on sale and it is to be hoped that a large number of the local citizens will be in attendance and hear this very prominent speaker.

## Revival Services

Will Begin At Franklin  
Baptist Church April 1

On Sunday, April 1, a series of revival services will begin at the Franklin Baptist church, it has been announced by the pastor, the Rev. J. F. Marchman.

The Rev. A. T. Greene, of Columbia, S. C., and the Rev. G. L. Royster, of Coolemees, will be the visiting ministers. They are both outstanding leaders in their work. Mr. Greene is the



REV. A. T. GREENE  
Of Columbia, S. C.

Royal Ambassador leader in South Carolina and pastor of a part-time church, while Mr. Royster is pastor of the Coolemees Baptist church and song leader.

The hour of the services will be held on each morning at 11 o'clock. Each afternoon, begin-



REV. G. L. ROYSTER  
Of Coolemees, N. C.

ning Monday immediately after school, there will be a meeting for the young people and at 8 o'clock the regular preaching service.

Beginning on Monday evening, March 26 through Friday, March 30, there will be cottage prayer service in the various homes in Franklin.

Buy more War Bonds now

## Lions Club

Entertain Football Team  
At Dinner

At its first regular meeting of the month, held at the Hotel Montague the evening of March 12, the Lions Club entertained at dinner Coach William G. Crawford, members of the Franklin Football Team, managers and cheer leaders.

Team members present included Captain Larry Cabe, Co-Captain Max Greene, Howard Myers, Howard Horsley, John Flanagan, Bill Cochran, Edgar Angel, Tommy Angel, Bruce Rickman, Jack Tilley, Bob Phillips, Bob Cochran, Neal Mooney, Lyman Gregory, Harold Bradley, George McCloud, Bill Brown, Francis Leopard, Mac Duncan, Charles Baldwin, Floyd Jacobs, Bill Reece, and Harley Stewart. Managers present were Kelly Moses and Bill Henry. Cheer leaders present were Lois Howard, Carolyn Long, Dorothy Rogers, and Frances Baughn.

Following dinner, Coach Crawford awarded letters to the following team members: Captain Cabe, Co - Captain Greene, Myers, Horsley, Edgar Angel, Tommy Angel, Rickman, Phillips, Bob Cochran, Mooney, Bradley, McCloud, Brown, Jacobs, Reece, and Stewart. It was pointed out that Paul Holbrook and Charles Russell, now in the armed forces, are entitled to letters, as well as Thad Byrd, who could not attend the dinner.

Coach Crawford also presented panthers, these being insignia awarded to men who saw service during the season below the time limit required to qualify for letters. Panthers were presented to Flanagan, Bill Cochran, Tilley, Gregory, Duncan, and Manager Moses.

In the March 10 issue of its semi-monthly bulletin, LEO'S ROAR, the Franklin Lions Club featured this 1944 Franklin High School Football Team. All team and squad members were identified by name, position, weight, and letter bearer. The history of the season was also covered. The bulletin summarized the season as follows: "This was a young team, green in spots and too often out-weighted, but never out-fought. To us Lions, and to the town as a whole, scores mean little. What counts was the fact that Franklin, playing a top-heavy schedule against heavy odds, played each game to a finish." LEO'S ROAR is now on the mailing list of all local Lions in the armed forces throughout the world.

## Charlie Galloway Joins Police Force

Charlie Galloway of Walhalla, S. C. has joined the Franklin police force and is now working the night shift.

Before coming to Franklin, Mr. Galloway was game warden in Oconee county, S. C., and was also a farmer. His family will join Mr. Galloway here, when living quarters are located.

## Franklin Future Farmers Win Over Nine Teams

The Franklin Future Farmers of America boys won first place in a ritual and parliamentary procedure contest held at Waynesville recently.

There were nine teams from five counties in the contest. The boys on the Franklin team included Lee Roy Roper, George Crawford, Howard Guest, Hayes Gregory, Roy Rickman and E. J. Whitmire.

## Pfc. Elmer Stanfield In Miami Hospital

Mrs. Elmer Stanfield, of the Cullasaja community, has received a telegram from her husband stating that he had arrived safely in Miami, Fla., following 18 months spent in overseas service.

Pfc. Stanfield, who has been serving with the 699th Engineers Unit for the past four months, took his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., Fort McClellan, Ala., and Camp Claiborne, La. He is now in the 181st General hospital.

Pfc. Stanfield has two brothers in the service. They are Pvt. John Stanfield, with the Infantry in Germany, and Robert Stanfield, M.M. 3/C in the Navy. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Harlie Stanfield, of Cullasaja.

## Men In Service

PFC. FRED W. EARLY



Pfc. Fred W. Early, a former employee of the Zichgraf Lumber company, of Franklin, who entered the armed forces on February 16, 1944, is now serving in France. He took his basic training at Camp Barkley, Texas. He went overseas in October.

Pfc. Early is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Early of Franklin, and was married to Miss Louise Stewman, of Cullasaja.

## FRANKLIN SERGEANT DECORATED IN ITALY

Staff Sergeant Ralph Cassada, 24, of Franklin, recently was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in action on the Fifth Army front in Northern Italy.

He serves as a mortar section sergeant in Company I, 362nd Infantry Regiment of the 91st "Powder River" Division.

After leading his men into a barn in order to escape German machinegun fire, Cassada, from his observation point in the loft, observed the enemy advancing up a draw. Seeing that it was impractical to set up his machineguns, he opened fire on the Nazis with his rifle.

So accurate and exacting was his fire despite the retaliation, Cassada forced the Germans to withdraw. He and his section then continued on their mission.

Cassada's "courage and good judgment were a great inspiration to his comrades," the citation read.

Cassada, also holder of the Combat Infantryman Badge, entered the service October 8, 1942. His mother, Mrs. Della May Cassada, lives on Route 4, Franklin.

## WAVE JESSIE RAMSEY RECENTLY PROMOTED

Jessie A. Ramsey of the WAVES was recently promoted to Storekeeper Disbursing, First Class, and is now on duty at the United States Naval Repair Base.

WAVE Ramsey enlisted in the Navy on July 15, 1943, at Los Angeles, Calif., and received her recruit training at Hunter College, N. Y. She later attended Indiana University for disbursing training.

Prior to entering the service, Storekeeper Ramsey was a seventh grade teacher at the Asheboro City Schools, Asheboro, N. C. She is a graduate of the Western Carolina Teachers College, receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in 1940.

Miss Ramsey is the daughter of Mrs. Robert Ramsey of Franklin, and has a sister, Virginia Ramsey, SP(C)1/c, who is in the WAVES and is stationed at the Naval Training & Distribution Center at Shoemaker, Calif.

## T/SGT. GRANT WINS FIVE DECORATIONS

Five decorations, for "exceptionally meritorious achievement" during nearly 30 bomber missions over Germany, have been won by Technical Sergeant Roy C. Grant, engineer and top turret gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, whose home is at Nantahala. The Eighth Air Force gunner recently received his fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.

Sgt. Grant, whose wife, Mrs. Lucille Grant, lives at Fairview, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie M. Grant, at Nantahala, recently flew with the 100th Bombardment Group—a unit of the Eighth Air Force's Third Air Divisions—in the successful bombings of communication lines at Chemnitz and Cottbus.

SGT. DAVID T. ROGERS



Sgt. David T. Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Rogers, of Franklin Route 2, entered the services in January 1942 and received his training at Fort Bragg. He was sent to overseas service in August 1943 and has been with the 303rd hospital unit in England since his arrival.

"I am now at the Theyer General hospital, Nashville, Tenn. While in the hospital in England, your son, Sgt. David Rogers, helped to nurse me back to health. I know how most parents are, and want to know about their sons. Well, don't worry because he is in a nice hospital and enjoys his work. When I left he was in fine health and was very happy."

I owe all to your son for helping me and if all the other boys were like him, we would have a fine army. I have never had the pleasure of meeting you, but hope some day I can. Do hope the war is over soon and we can all return to our homes. Please don't worry about Rogers and may God bless you. Lieut. West.

## Scavengers

Diseases More Prevalent  
Where Rats Are Pientiful

Because of the close association of rats with man and domestic animals and because rats are scavengers, living on both filth and edible foods, frequently alternately sewers and grocery stores, privies and pantries, running from places where disease organisms abound to places where otherwise sanitary conditions prevail, carrying the disease organisms on their feet and in their fur and stomachs, it is no wonder that rats play an extremely important role in the spread and dissemination of disease. Nor do they serve only as mechanical carriers of bacteria and other parasites. A number of their own diseases are transmissible to man and domestic animals, and in turn rats are subject to certain human and livestock diseases, which they acquire and then transmit to other animals, thus contributing to the spread and perpetuation of the diseases.

Some of the diseases transmitted by rats to people are Bubonic Plague, Typhus Fever, Spirochetel Jaundice, Rickettsial Fever, Food Poisoning, Tularemia, Rabies, and Trichinosis.

Rats no doubt play a more important part than is generally recognized in spreading various parasites that affect man, including intestinal protozoa and the tapeworm. Veterinarians are finding that diseases and fatalities among domestic animals and livestock are more prevalent where rats are plentiful, and close attention is given the rat in connection with many livestock diseases, including white scour in calves, mastitis, ringworm, contagious abortion, tuberculosis, abortion in mares, joint ill in foals, and others. No owner of

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The bombing attacks were in direct cooperation with the Russian armies.

Although both targets, said Sgt. Grant, were covered with clouds, smoke could be seen rising from the cities. Customarily vicious on such deep penetrations by the Eighth Air Force into the Reich, the German flak was only moderate, and no fighters of the Luftwaffe rose to resist, the North Carolina airman said.

## Advisory Committee To Aid Retailers Filing Price Charts

Holy Week Services At  
St. Agnes' Church

Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week, (March 25th) there will be service at St. Agnes' Church at 8 p. m. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday there will be brief services of devotion at 5:15 p. m. On Good Friday the services will be at 10 a. m.

The Three Hour Good Friday service, 12 to 3 o'clock, will be in the Church of the Incarnation this year.

The Easter service at St. Agnes' Church will be at 6:45 Easter morning as usual, and the 11 o'clock service at the Church of the Incarnation, Highlands.

All are cordially invited to these services, commemorating the week of Christ's suffering and His glorious resurrection.

## Classifications

Announced By Local  
Service Board

The following classifications were announced by the Local Board March 9, 1945:

II-A—Went Horn Williams, Carl Juan McCall, James Sanders, Henry Monroe Ledford.

By Appeal Board:

I-A—Carl Bernard Curtiss.

The following classifications are announced by the Local Selective Service Board March 17, 1945:

I-A—Carl Jackson Holland, James Clarence Crisp, Charles Clifford McCall, Wiley Bascomb Scott, William Shirley Keener.

II-A—Ray Cochran, Mack Franks, William Milo Cabe, Austin Jenkins.

II-B—William Henry Frady.

IV-F—Thomas Carl Higdon, James Albert Russell, Grady Ranford Stockton, George Oliver Glance, Thomas Henry Wilkie, Dillard Almond Sanders, Lenard Clark Brown, Calvin Richard Roper, Charles Thomas Moore, Henderson Commodore Roland, Ralph Leonard Tippet, B. T. Sanders.

Classified by Board of Appeal:

II-A—Claude Heath Bolton.

II-B—Fred Bell, John Pierpont Strother.

## Trout Season

In Macon County Opens  
April 15

J. Fred Bryson, county game warden, has announced that the trout fishing season in Macon county will open on Sunday, April 15.

The bag limit for the fisherman this year will be 12 per day and the size limit will be seven inches, Mr. Bryson stated.

The Nantahala Lake will open for all fishing on April 15, and the trout season will close on August 31. The bass, bream, and crappie fishing extends until November 30. No fishing will be allowed in the Nantahala Lake after December 1, until April 14, both dates inclusive.

Fishing license are now on sale at the Macon County Supply company and the Angel Drug Store, Franklin; Highlands Hardware company, Harry Holt's and Bobby McConnell, at Highlands; J. D. Burnette, Scaly; L. M. Henson, Otto; J. R. Southards, Cartoogechaye, Mrs. Frank Phillips, Rainbow Springs; Bruce Duvall, Kyle; W. W. Copher, Flats, and C. Tom Bryson, Cullasaja.

## Daily Vacation Bible School Begins March 23

A Daily Vacation Bible school conference will start at the Franklin Baptist church on Friday evening, March 23, it has been announced by the pastor, the Rev. J. F. Marchman.

Mrs. C. K. Beck from the Sunday school board, of Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. Myra Motley, of the Sunday school department of Raleigh, are to be the speakers and will conduct the conference.

The school will open at 4 o'clock each afternoon for a two hour period and at 7 o'clock until 9 o'clock each evening. All Sunday school superintendents, teachers and others interested are urged to attend these classes.

Merchants and Consumers  
May Benefit From  
New Regulation

"The job of calculating ceiling prices for apparel, dry goods and house furnishings will be greatly simplified by the pricing charts made in accord with the new retail price regulation mailing (or delivered) to all local retailers today," Dr. W. E. Furr, Chairman of the War Price and Rationing Board, said. Each retailer must prepare a pricing chart showing the costs and selling prices of the goods he offered for sale on March 19, 1945 (base date). A Merchant's Committee has been appointed to help the Price Panel provide accurate information about how to make these charts to all retailers.

The members of the Committee are: William Katenbrink, chairman; Mrs. Frances M. Higdon, Mrs. J. B. Pendergrass, Mrs. Jack Sanders, Thad Patton, and Lester Henderson.

Mr. Katenbrink, chairman of the committee, said, "We welcome this simplification of our pricing procedure. We are pleased to cooperate with our Price Panel to make sure that every merchant quickly gets the information he needs to make his pricing chart."

"Copies of the regulation which explain how to prepare these charts have been sent to all local retailers of clothing and house furnishings."

"Additional copies are available at board headquarters, Local War Price and Rationing Board, Asher Building, Franklin, for all merchants who desire them," Mr. Katenbrink said.

"Every clothing and house furnishings retailer is required to prepare three copies of the pricing chart. Two copies must be filed with the OPA District Office, Price Chart Section, 210 Law Building, Charlotte, on or before April 20," Mr. Katenbrink explained. "One copy of the pricing chart must be kept in each store."

"We here at the War Price and Rationing Board want to give retailers as much help as we possibly can. The Price Panel and the Merchants' Committee members will be available at the Local War Price and Rationing Board Office on April 4, 11, and 18, between the hours of 1:30 p. m. and 5:30 p. m., to answer retailers' questions about how pricing charts are to be made. In order that we may be able to assist you to the greatest extent possible, we are arranging to have a representative of the Charlotte District Office explain the new regulation to the merchants in this vicinity on March 28, 1945, at 8 p. m., at the Agricultural Building, Franklin."

"After his chart is made each retailer will know exactly what the ceiling price is for each of his cost lines. The definite pricing procedures provided by these charts will assure customers that the lower priced garments growing out of the Government's new clothing program are priced fairly at retail," Mr. Katenbrink said.

"As a result of the Government's program, we believe that more of the clothing appearing in stores this summer will be in the low and medium-price ranges," Mr. Katenbrink continued. "Both retailers and consumers will benefit from the program because larger portions of the supplies retailers obtain will be made up of the kinds of garments customers want more and the prices will be lower."

## Fourth Sunday Singing At Wells Grove

The next Fourth Sunday singing will be held at Wells Grove Baptist church Sunday, March 25, at 2 o'clock. All singers are urged to attend.

B. C. Dendy, Pres.

## Gasoline Coupons For Commercial Operators

All operators of commercial vehicles, trucks, etc., may call at the War Price and Rationing Board for their gasoline coupons for the 2nd quarter, 1945, on March 29th, 30th and 31st from 8:15 to 12:00 noon, announced by Dr. W. E. Furr, chairman.