

Death Of Roy Hamilton Is Told By His Officer

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hamilton, of Whittier, recently received a letter from Lt. Commander Renfro Turner, Jr., of the Atlantic Fleet, telling of the death of their son, Russell, who was reported missing in action some time ago.

The letter from Lt. Com. Turner, is as follows:

"The sad fact that your son, Aviation Machinist's Mate second class, Russell Hamilton, was lost at sea on January 2nd, is a sorrow we share.

"I regret that I am not at liberty to discuss the nature of the flight of his plane. Your son was the crew chief of the plane and it crashed into the sea due to enemy action. An exhaustive search was begun immediately and the exact position of the crash was definitely known. Another plane was on the scene within fifteen minutes after it happened. The search was continued by both air

and surface craft, until all hope had vanished.

"It should be comforting for you to know that your son's sacrifice together with that of his shipmates, was the factor that made possible the successful completion of this most important mission. It is our sincere opinion that the death of all hands on board was extremely sudden and that there was no suffering endured.

"Your son's personal effects are and a popular member of our squadron and always insisted on doing more than his duty. He will be sorely missed by all of us not only for his ability and loyalty but also for his ideal companionship.

"Your son's personal affects are being carefully inventoried and will be sent to you as soon as possible. Due to the transportation difficulties, it may be some time before these can reach you but everything is being done to hasten the shipment. Any other requests that your son made in his Confidential Statement are being complied with to the best of our ability.

"May I extend my sympathy to you in this misfortune. If I can be of any aid, please do not hesitate to call on me."

Qualla School Observes Founders Day At Meeting

Founder's Day was observed at the Qualla school on Friday, February 4. Guest speakers were: Mrs. E. L. McKee, of Sylva, Adam Moses, County Superintendent of Schools, and Mrs. R. U. Sutton, director of district No. one.

The Rev. Mr. Andrews and Rev. Mr. Hyatt and Mrs. Carl Hagle were in charge of the program. Mrs. Haynes Reagan gave a history of the Qualla P. T. A.

State College Hints

By Ruth Current, State Home Demonstration Agent - N. C. State College.

A cold egg just out of the refrigerator separates most easily because the white is firm and the yolk less likely to break, but the white whips best after the egg has warmed to "room temperature."

How long to whip is another secret the cook needs to know. Whites should be whipped stiff but not dry. If they are to hold their air bubbles while they are folded into a cake mixture and then cooked, they must not be stretched too thin by overheating. Whip until the white will hold up in a soft peak and looks glossy but not so long that it looks dry. A pinch of salt helps egg whites hold their stiffness. On the other hand even a small particle of fat in the white will prevent it from beating stiff.

Low or moderate heat is the rule for cooking egg white dishes.

A little kneading usually produces better biscuits than too much or none at all. In biscuit-mixing tests home economists used the standard recipe: 3 cups sifted flour; 4 teaspoons baking powder; 1 teaspoon salt; 4 tablespoons fat; 1 cup of milk. The ingredients were stirred together in the bowl until just moistened, then turned out on the board. The first batch of dough was not kneaded at all but quickly rolled out, cut and baked. The biscuits came out flat, crusty, only fairly light. The second batch was given long strenuous kneading. The biscuits were tough, flat and close-grained. In the third test the dough received only 18 strokes of kneading. The result was light, flaky, tender, tall biscuits.

Hooper Returns To Camp After 10-Day Furlough

Petty Officer Clyde A. Hooper, Shipfitter 2/c, has returned to Camp Peary, Va., after spending a ten-day leave with his wife and other relatives. He was accompanied back by his wife, the former Joyce Fisher, who will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Mike Teague, in Newport News, Va.

Petty Officer Hooper entered the Naval Construction Battalion in October, 1943, and has received his basic training at Camp Peary.

TIMELY Farm Questions and Answers

Question: Does it pay to fertilize pastures?

Answer: Tests made by the North Carolina Experiment Station show that applications of ground limestone and phosphate will cause pastures to provide a longer grazing period for the cows and will increase the content of vitamin A and calcium in the grazing crops. This is noticeable even in a dry year.

Question: Which lespedezas are best for growing in this State?

Answer: Of the ordinary kinds, the Agricultural Experiment Station at State College has found that Kobe and Korean give best returns and yields about the same per acre. Common and Tennessee 76 made much less growth.

Morris Chester, of Newport News, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. A. B. Queen and Mr. Queen.

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We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the many deeds of kindness, sympathy and the beautiful floral offerings during the sickness and death of our beloved daughter and sister, Bonnie Shuler.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Shuler and family.



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