

Capt. Nations Praises Work Of The Red Cross

Editor's Note—The following article on the advantages of the Red Cross and the work it is doing among the men and women in service, was written by Capt. Oscar Nations, of Whittier, route two. Captain Nations is with the Medical Corps of the army, and knows whereof he speaks.

One of the most helpful organizations to the soldier of World War II is the American Red Cross, whose services deserve the highest praise of every individual.

The American soldier knows that when he needs assistance, particularly when unforeseen emergencies arise, the Red Cross will aid him. He also knows that among other services, the Red Cross sponsors entertainment and recreational programs, to mention only a few of the other activities of this great organization.

The Red Cross maintains an organization at all army hospitals to further the welfare of patients and personnel of all classes.

It is divided into two departments, which are under the direction of a field director. These consist of Medical Social Service, which concerns patients and Social Service for the enlisted men on duty in the hospitals. These include recreation facilities for both patients and men, which is under the direction of trained personnel.

Medical Social Service is of the greatest importance to the patient and of inestimable value to the physician in the treatment of the patient. Treatment in the hospital does not consist merely in hospitalizing the patient, but he must also be kept in a reasonable tranquil frame of mind.

The Social Service to the men of military forces assists in the adjustment of social and personal difficulties thus strengthening official, family and civilian contacts. It might also be said that it concerns any personal or family problem which disturbs the man and interferes with his function as a soldier.

To provide these facilities for the soldier, the American Red Cross requires funds. During wartimes, these duties are tremendous. The purpose of the Red Cross War Fund drive is to help finance and extend these services to the soldier.

Every soldier, at home or overseas has a Red Cross organization near him at all times and upon which he can depend for assistance. Your contribution during the War Fund Drive will aid this program.

Cullowhee Drops Double-Header To Webster

On Tuesday night, February 7, Webster boys and girls took a double header from Cullowhee.

Girls line-up:
Webster (23) Cullowhee (12)
F Parris Sutton (4)
F Crisp (8) Holderman (8)
F Smathers (15) Bryson
G Alexander (15) Hooper
G Reed Bryson
G Buchanan Houston
Subs: Webster, Turpin, Lewis.

Boys' line-up:
Webster (22) Cullowhee (19)
F Davis (6) Hooper
F Deitz (1) Norton (1)
C Cowan (4) Moss (8)
G Angel Norton (3)
G Bryson (4) Pressley (7)
Subs: Webster, Frizzell (7), Cullowhee, Simpson.

Two Jackson Men New Navy Recruits

New recruits of the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., are two Jackson county men.

They are now receiving instruction in seamanship, military drill, and naval procedure. Soon they will be given a series of aptitude tests for determining whether they will be assigned to one of the Navy's schools, or to immediate active duty at sea.

Upon completing their recruit training, these men will be home on a nine-day leave. They are: Cecil Alexander, Green's Creek, and Harry L. Bradley.

ON BREVARD HONOR ROLL
Miss Anne Cowan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cowan, of Sylva, made the honor roll for the first semester at Brevard college, according to an announcement from the registrar's office this week.
Miss Cowan is a member of the freshman class at Brevard.



CAPT. OSCAR T. NATIONS

Webster School Gives \$250 For Red Cross Drive

Webster school passed its Red Cross quota, \$250, Thursday, March 9. The school was the first unit to get its full quota in. The third grade room, with Mrs. Mary Cowan, teacher, collected \$27.72. The next highest amount collected was \$26.61 from Miss Lora Alice Long's fourth grade.

The school is still receiving contributions and expects to turn in a great deal more.

WAC Recruiter To Be Here 18th

A WAC booth will be opened on March 18th at the post office from 9 a. m. until 2:30 for the convenience and enlistment of the women of Sylva and community in the Women's Army Corps.

Plans for the booth were completed this week by Lt. Opal E. Brindle. "Women are urgently needed in the WAC, particularly at this time," she said, "in view of the plans being made for the invasion and the great need of men for jobs that only men can do."

The Army of the United States has 239 kinds of jobs for women. Qualified women enlisting in the Women's Army Corps at this time may choose the job and station of their initial assignment.

To be eligible to join, a woman must be between the ages of 20 and 49 inclusive. Must be a citizen of the United States, have no children under 14, good health, excellent character and two years of high school or its equivalent.

If you are ineligible because of age, health or family responsibilities take over a job at home and free some other woman who is eligible to join the Women's Army Corps.

Qualified women may now choose the station and job of their initial assignment, and they may choose the branch of the service they desire—the Army Service Forces, Army Ground Forces or the Army Air Forces.

Also Kills Time



LT. LLOYD MILLIGAN, Navy torpedo bomber pilot from Fredonia, Kans., who saw carrier plane service over Kwajalein and Tarawa, finds it relaxing to drop a stitch after dropping a few tons of bombs. Any male who considers sewing "sissy stuff" is invited to go along on one of his air missions. (International)

Soldier Cuts Off Three Fingers While On Furlough

Rasho Phillips of Cowarts, has been spending a ten-day furlough at home. He was supposed to catch a five o'clock bus on Sunday to go back to his station, and at three o'clock while chopping wood the axe slipped and he cut three fingers off one hand. He was taken to Moore General Hospital for treatment.

Henry G. Brady Is Promoted To Lieutenant-Colonel

Word has been received of the promotion of Henry G. Brady, Army Air Corps, from the rank of Major to Lt. Colonel. Col. Brady has been in the service for more than three years, the past year having been spent in China with the Air Force.

He is a pilot and for a while before going over seas was an instructor at Taft, Calif.

Col. Brady's home is in Columbia. He graduated from Clemson in 1940. His wife, the former Betty Bain, is the grand daughter of Mrs. J. W. Keener and has spent much time here.

Mrs. Brady and young daughter, Patty, are in Atlanta with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bain.

Lt. Hooper And Seaman Dills Meet In South Pacific

It is amazing to find out just "What a small world it is after all."

Somewhere out in the Pacific, Lt. (jg) John L. Hooper, Aviation Officer, was supplying a plane for another visit to those "Little Yellow Sons of Heaven." He noticed a young fellow aboard and started a conversation with him. As always they started talking about "home," and since Lt. Hooper is the type of person who could find "kin folks" in darkest Africa, he were there long enough. The conversation got around to Sylva.

The young aviator said that he has just received a letter from Nancy Jane Allison, of Sylva, of course this was unusual because Nancy is Lt. Hooper's sister-in-law.

Lt. Hooper later found he was talking to Andrew Dills, Jr., ARM 1/c, who had once lived in Sylva and had a lot of relatives here including R. E. Dills, his uncle, and Mr. and Mrs. Dorence Tallent and others. Seaman Dills wanted all of his friends and relatives to know that he is OK.

Lt. Hooper said that the boy was doing a wonderful job and that everyone in Jackson county could be very proud of him.

Webster P.T.A. Have Meeting

The Webster Parent-Teacher Association held its regular meeting Tuesday, March 7, at the school. Mrs. Fred McKee, president, presided.

R. P. Buchanan reported that \$44.46 was realized by the school from the musical programs recently sponsored by the Webster P.T.A. for the benefit of the school lunch room.

A committee, composed of Mr. Buchanan, Mrs. D. D. Davis and Miss Hannah Cowan, was appointed to nominate PTA officers for the year 1944-45.

At the close of the business session, three dollars was contributed by the PTA members to the Founders Day fund.

The program for the afternoon was divided into two parts. The first part, given in the form of a radio broadcast and directed by Mrs. Kate Rhinehart, was a one act play, "Harvest Home." The students appearing in the play were: D'an Allman, Vance Blanton, Evelyn Davis, Libby Cannon, Betty Davis, Patsy Ennsley, Mary Bob Clements, Judy Davis and Patricia McKee. For the second part of the program, Mr. Buchanan read the history of the Webster P.T.A., which had been written by Miss Hannah Cowan and Mrs. Kate Rhinehart.

RETURNS TO CALIFORNIA
Cpl. John W. Shelton is on his way to Fort Ord, Calif., after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shelton of Cullowhee. Cpl. Shelton finished his basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala.

Red Cross Campaign Going Fine

The Red Cross drive in Jackson is making satisfactory progress, according to A. J. Dills, who feels that with continued rate of contributions, the quota will be reached.

The campaign has been carried into every section of the county and the general response has been gratifying.

The county quota is \$6,800.

Mr. Dills said that seven school districts have passed their quota and that he feels confident that the Red Cross drive will be a success and that all quotas will be reached.

Many Students On Honor Roll At Webster School

The following students have made the honor roll in Webster school.

12A: January, Helen Buchanan, Lillian Cabe, Carolyn Lewis, LaVerne Crisp, Amy Beasley, Thelma Parker, Mary Etta Wilson, Cathleen Crisp, Dexter Deitz, Ruth Morgan, Mildred Potts.

February: Helen Buchanan, Lillian Cabe, Carolyn Lewis, LaVerne Crisp, Amy Beasley, Thelma Parker, Mary Etta Wilson, Cathleen Crisp.

12B: January, Mary Smathers, Gwendolyn Cagle, Loraine Bishop, Jack Angel, John Potts, Joe Green, Bessie Deitz, Genette Buchanan, Kate Alexander, Earl Frizzell, Margie Dillard.

February: Mary Smathers, Gwendolyn Cagle, Loraine Bishop, Bessie Deitz, Kate Alexander, and Pauline Clark.

11th: January, Louise Owens, Frances Potts, Barbara Parris, Betty Higdon, Geneva Hall, Arthur Dalton, Bill Sutton, Pauline Allen, Jannette Bradley, Ann Buchanan, Virginia Collins, Bethel Cowan, Phyllis Deitz, Jolene Elders.

February: Louise Owens, Frances Potts, Barbara Parris, Betty Higdon, Geneva Hall, Pauline Allen, Ann Buchanan, Bethel Cowan, Ruth Green.

9A: January, Aileen Barron, Brittie Deitz, Agnes Allison, Cleward Buchanan, Harry Buchanan, Ernest Frizzell, Evelyn Davis.

February: Aileen Barron, Brittie Deitz, Agnes Allison, Cleward Buchanan, Harry Buchanan, Ernest Frizzell, Evelyn Davis, Dorothy Mason.

9B: January, D'an Allman, Hamilton Bryson, Gene Cowan, T. C. Lewis, Barbara Allen, Margaret Buchanan, Reba Green, Emeline Cole, Edna Mae Seay.

February: Dean Allman, Hamilton Bryson, Gene Cowan, Margaret Buchanan, Reba Green, Emeline Cole.

8A: January, Elizabeth Ann Cannon, Betty Davis, Frances Potts, Nancy Owens, Clara Lou Sutton.

February: Elizabeth Ann Cannon, Betty Davis, Frances Potts, Nancy Owens, Clara Lou Sutton, Louise Crisp.

8B: January, Edith Dalton, Jim Evans.

February: John Bryson, Grover Bishop, Edith Dalton, Jim Evans.

7th: January, Pat McKee, Nellie Morgan, Mary E. Hall, Coleman Stillwell.

February: Pat McKee, Mary E. Hall, Coleman Stillwell.

6th: January, Helen Frady, Claudia Stanford, Wilma Buchanan, Clarice Higdon, Ralphine Nicholson, Jackie Morris.

February: Claudia Stanford, Wilma Buchanan, Clarice Higdon, Ralphine Nicholson, Jackie Morris.

5th: January, Jo Ann Davis, Sally Cowan, Lahoma Deitz, Bessie Allman, Patsy Ennsley, Judy Davis.

February: Jack Allison, Louise Barnes, Nancy Ennsley, Frances Morgan, Sue Vance, Betty Lou Shuler.

4th: January and February: Edward Henson, Barbara Blanton, Joan Blanton, Grace Buchanan, Betty Cowan, Nancy Davis, Lona McKee, Patsy Parris, Mary Sue Stillwell, Doris Vance, Doris Alexander.

HERE ON WEEK-END
Lt. E. K. Sutton, of the Woman's Army Corps, stationed at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sutton, at Willets.

DEITZ SERIOUSLY ILL
Friends of Rufus Deitz of Maple Springs, regret to hear of his serious illness for the past week. Mr. Deitz has been in bad health for some time. Before his illness he worked for Cogdill Motor Company.

Encyclopedia Is 14 Years Behind

It is rather embarrassing to know that after 30 years some people still think the Webster is the County Seat of Jackson county. In fact, it is stated in the Encyclopedia Britannica that Webster is the County Seat of Jackson county. Just to keep the records straight the county seat was moved to Sylva in 1914.

Helen Buchanan Is Valedictorian Of Webster School

Mary Smathers Attained Highest Records For Time In Webster School.

The grades for three and a half high school years of the entire senior class have been worked out on a percentage basis, and the seniors have been ranked accordingly. Out of the thirty-seven ranks, the first eleven were girls.

Mary Smathers ranked the highest, but as it is the policy of most schools to give the places of valedictorian and salutatorian to those who have spent all of their high school years in the same school, Mary was not eligible for the place of valedictorian. Helen Buchanan, who ranked second, earned the honor.

The difference between the grades of Loraine Bishop and Kate Alexander was so slight (a matter of hundredths per cent) that the class voted to give the title of salutatorian to both girls.

Loraine and Kate will draw to decide who will give the salutatorian's speech at the commencement exercises.

Mrs. Pressley Buried Monday

Mrs. Margaret Pressley, 19, wife of William Henry Pressley, of Canton, died at a Waynesville hospital Saturday morning. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Snyder, of Dillsboro.

Funeral services were held at the Jarrett Baptist church, Dillsboro, Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the Rev. C. H. Green of Canton, officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Schoolmates of the deceased acted as pallbearers.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is survived by five sisters, Miss Lucille Snyder, of Dillsboro; Miss Ruth Snyder, of Belmont; Misses Betty Ann and Jackie Sue Snyder, of Canton, and Mrs. Fred Cagle, of Greenville. S. C. Two brothers, Roy Snyder, of Spartanburg, S. C., and R. H. Snyder, of Dillsboro.

Mrs. Roy Norton Taken By Death

Mrs. Roy Norton, of Cullowhee, died at a Sylva hospital at 7:30 p. m. Sunday.

She is survived by her husband, Roy Norton, now serving with the navy in Washington, D. C., her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith, one brother, J. D. Smith, of the navy and one sister, Thelma Smith. Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Moody funeral home is in charge.

1943 Tags Should Be Removed Now

State Highway Patrolmen have issued a warning to all motorists to remove from vehicles all old 1943 license plates, including front ones. Under State law the one 1944 plate is to be displayed on the rear of vehicles. Motorists may think their old front plates are ornamental and do not matter, but patrolmen point out that the old numbers are confusing when displayed along with new ones and they are stopping all the front plate displays with whom they come in contact.

HERE FROM OKLAHOMA

Lt. (jg) E. L. McKee, Jr., and Mrs. McKee arrived last week from Norman, Okla., to spend a few days with Lt. McKee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McKee. From Sylva they will go to Rhode Island where Lt. McKee will be stationed.

ON FURLOUGH
Pvt. George L. Sutton of Camp Shelby, Miss., spent five days leave with his family in Dillsboro.

Pvt. Sutton was inducted into the army in December, 1943 and is stationed with an infantry unit at Camp Shelby.

Monteith To Address District Republicans

Wins '43 'Oscar'



JENNIFER JONES of Tulsa, Okla., won the 16th annual Motion Picture Academy award as the best movie actress of 1943. She received the much coveted "Oscar" for her work in the "Song of Bernadette." This is Jennifer's first appearance in films. (International)

Firemen Here Are Sponsoring Play Friday Evening

"Victory Vanities" is the title of the play to be given here Friday evening, and is being sponsored by the local firemen. All local talent is being used.

In connection with the play, a popularity contest is being staged to determine the most popular fireman. Pictures of the firemen have been placed in business places throughout town, and votes for the contest cost one cent each.

Much interest is being shown in the contest.

Two Jackson Men Meet Overseas

Thomas C. Cogdill S 2/c and Cpl. John C. Dillard, both of Sylva, met somewhere in the British Isles a short time ago. Seaman Cogdill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Cogdill. He is a gunner on a battleship.

Cpl. Dillard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Dillard. He entered service in January, 1943, and has been overseas since last November. He graduated from Sylva high school in 1940 and served as president of the senior class. Before going into service he was employed by Morrison Knudsen Co., Inc., and the Parton Still Co., of Asheville.

Men often say they seek justice when all they are after is revenge.

Patriotic Hen



PROUDLY displaying one of her bomb-shaped eggs is "Fertile Myrtle," who is named after the famed bombing plane of the Eighth Air Force. Ever since the war started "Myrtle" has deviated from the usual shaped egg to that of the missiles dropped by our armmen on enemy targets. (International)

Jackson County Republicans will play an important part in the district convention which will be held in Asheville today.

The meeting will start at one o'clock with R. Frank Jarrett, of Dillsboro, district chairman presiding.

The keynote speech of the convention will be delivered by Hugh E. Monteith, prominent Sylva attorney, and member of the State executive committee since 1934.

A lively contest is being predicted in the selection of delegates to the national convention in June, and also the naming of a nominee for Congress.

At least fifteen from Jackson are expected to attend the convention this afternoon. Those definitely decided to attend were listed yesterday as Mr. Jarrett, Mr. Monteith, E. P. Stillwell, county chairman of the Jackson County Convention, J. R. Long, W. C. Hennessee, M. B. Cannon, J. B. Ennsley and Gola Ferguson.

Mr. Monteith told The Herald that his address would be, "The Principles of the Republican Party."

The district is entitled to two delegates and two alternates to the Republican national convention in Chicago in June, and the names of at least half a dozen Republican leaders are expected to be proposed as candidate for the honor. Among those considered likely to be nominated are Clyde H. Jarrett of Cherokee county, Ike Powell of Haywood, Ralph Fisher of Transylvania, and Thomas Harkins, Herbert Lamb, and Mitchell F. Lominac of Buncombe.

Three or four—possibly half a dozen—are being discussed as the party's candidate for representative from this congressional district. Among them are Louis P. Hamlin of Brevard, former congressional candidate and former Republican leader in the lower house of the North Carolina general assembly; Halsey B. Leavitt of Asheville, former candidate for congress and former state senator; George Pritchard, of Asheville, who served in the lower house of congress in 1929-30, and in the latter year was his party's nominee for U. S. senator, and Judge W. C. Meekins of Asheville, formerly of Hendersonville, who has served the Republicans as state chairman.

In addition to the nomination of a candidate for congress and the selection of the delegates to the national convention, today's meeting of Republicans from the 10 counties in this district also will elect delegates to the state convention, to be held in Charlotte Thursday.

Indications yesterday were that the convention will be largely attended, party leaders said, and many of the delegates to the district meeting are expected to drive to Charlotte for Wednesday evening's dinner of Young Republicans of the southeast and the state convention on Thursday. The latter will be keynoted by Joe R. Hanley, lieutenant-governor of New York.

Savannah PTA Holds Meeting

The Savannah P.T.A. met Thursday, March ninth. Mrs. Bragg Allison, presided at the meeting.

Mrs. Evelyn Sutton gave a discussion, "Why Have a P.T.A.?" Miss Thelma Middleton discussed "Health and How the Lurch Room Aids the Children in Securing a Hot Lunch."

W. H. Crawford made plans for planting shrubs and trees on the school ground during the month of March. This is a project for the P.T.A. to beautify the school grounds.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Bragg Allison, re-elected as president. Mrs. Fay Deitz to follow Mrs. Hoyle Deitz as vice president. Mrs. Ralph Tatham was re-elected as secretary.

Refreshments were served in the lunch room by the social committee. Th sixth grade won for having the most parents present.

GOING TO NEW ENGLAND

Pfc. Joseph F. Wilson arrived Sunday to visit his mother, Mrs. T. O. Wilson. He entered the service in September, 1943, at Fort Jackson and took his basic training at Keesler Field, Miss., and has just graduated at Tyndall Field, Fla., where he received his wings as an aerial gunner.

At the conclusion of his furlough he will report to Westover Field, Mass.