

### GOVERNOR CHERRY WARNS OF FUEL SHORTAGE IN STATE

#### Necessary To Save Fuel In Order To Keep Schools Open

Governor R. Gregg Cherry today issued a warning to the citizens of the State of the fuel shortage and asked for a reduction in fuel consumption in order that homes, places of business, and the schools might have sufficient fuel with which to keep comfortable.

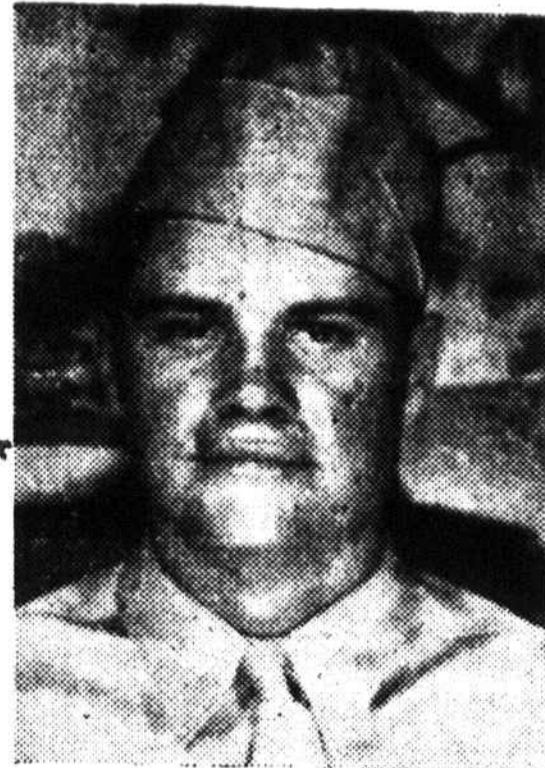
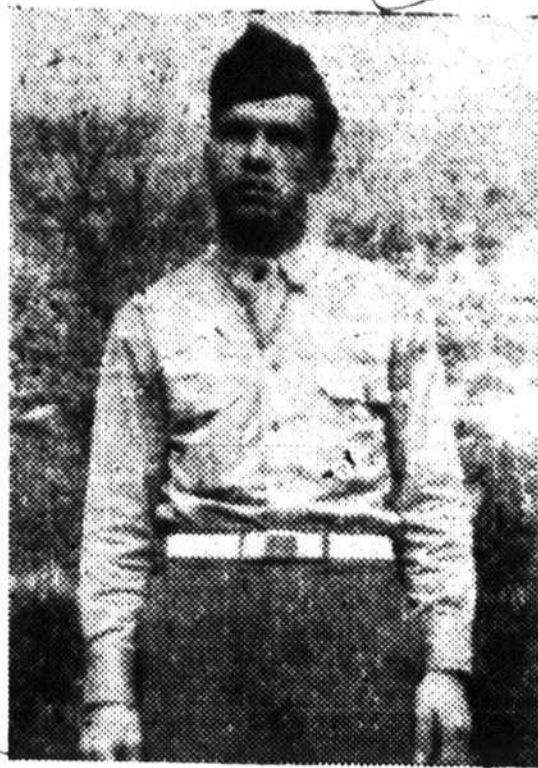
The Governor pointed out that the fuel shortage had become so acute that it might become necessary for some schools to close because of lack of coal. State officials who are charged with the responsibility of procuring coal for the public schools, the Governor stated, have made and are making every effort to secure coal, but the task is becoming increasingly difficult with no promise of relief for the immediate future.

The Governor urged that the temperature of homes, places of business, and schools be maintained at sixty-eight degrees and that every economy be effected.

The public schools should limit all activities which require heat to the regular class-room activities. Extracurricular activities—such as basketball games, plays, after-school meetings, and all other meetings which require fuel—should be postponed until the fuel situation improves. If such a program of fuel conservation, together with moderate firing in moderate weather, be strictly adhered to by all school authorities, the present supply of coal might be sufficient to enable a continuation of regular class-room activities without serious interruption.

If such a program of fuel conservation is not followed, the Governor stated that many schools throughout the State will be faced with the necessity of closing temporarily. While every effort is being made to supply necessary demands for additional fuel, government directives issued daily to the mine operators prevent these

### Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Fox Have Three Sons In Service



Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Fox of Norton now have three sons in the armed forces. Cpl. Charles G. Fox, Pvt. J. E. Fox, and Pfc. James Fox. Cpl. Fox enlisted for service in July, 1941. He was sent overseas in Jan., 1942,

and has served in Australia, Guadalcanal, New Caledonia and numerous other places in the South Pacific.

Pvt. J. B. Fox enlisted in March, 1944, and is now stationed in Los Angeles. He served fifteen months

in the Hawaiian Islands prior to his second enlistment.

Pfc. Fox entered service in March, 1943. He was in the Invasion of France. He has served in Belgium and is now somewhere in Germany.

operators from making deliveries beyond the ninety per cent quota established by the Solid Fuels Administration, and it has become next to impossible to accept and deliver additional orders.

Governor Cherry stated that the citizens of North Carolina had shown an excellent spirit of cooperation in this war and that he felt sure the citizens would lend every aid in facing this fuel emergency.

### WILLETS NEWS

Mr. W. O. Robinson, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

Mr. R. G. Snyder, who has been in the hospital for treatment, is at home and doing nicely.

Miss Allie Wilkes died Thursday, Jan. 18, on her 70th birthday, after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted at the home and burial was in the Old Field cemetery at Beta.

Mrs. Lona Green and Mrs. Maybell

Ennsley visited at Willets last week.

Mr. Annis Robinson, who is employed in Baltimore, Md., was called home due to the illness of his father, W. O. Robinson.

Mrs. E. E. Brown and Mrs. Clyde Rector of Sylva visited Mrs. S. J. Phillips last week.

Mr. Bill Bumgarner of the U. S. Navy is at home on leave with his wife and children.

### SPEEDWELL NEWS

Mrs. Charles McConnell Mr. John Webb, who is in the Angel Hospital, is improving very nicely following an operation.

Pvt. Carmie E. Smith, husband of the former Miss Pearl Pressley, has returned to camp after spending a short furlough here with his wife and daughter. Pvt. Smith is stationed at Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Dorcas Middleton has received a letter from her son, Pvt. Bannister Middleton, stating that he is improv-

ing nicely, following a slight wound received in action. Pvt. Middleton is some where in France.

Sam Parker has returned home after having made a short business trip to New Jersey.

Mr. Lyndon Holden and family left this week for Gastonia where they will be employed.

The Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Effie Pressley on Friday. Several members were present.

Mr. and Mrs. George Haskett and family left recently for Gastonia where Mr. Haskett works.

Mrs. Effie Pressley returned home this week after a visit to Eastman, Ga., to see her sister-in-law, who is very ill.

Mr. Lester Adams has gone to Portsmouth, Va., where he will be employed.

Miss Ruth Pressley recently left for Gainesville, Ga., where she is training with the Western Union.

Mr. Will Bryson, father of Edward Bryson, is very ill at the home of his

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### Memorial Services To Be Held For Corporal Henseley At Scott Creek

A memorial service will be held Sunday, January 28, at 2:30 P. M. for Corporal B. S. Henseley, Jr., at the Scott's Creek Baptist Church. Corporal Henseley was accidentally drowned in San Pedro Bay, Leyte Philippines, November 27 and buried in the United States cemetery at Tacloban Leyte Island. His father, the Rev. B. S. Henseley, has been informed.

Corporal Henseley is a graduate of the Barnardville High School, Barnardville, the class of 1941. He attended Western North Carolina Teachers College.

In July, 1943, he volunteered for service and was assigned to aviation engineers, and reported August 16 and was assigned to Westover Field, Mass., while he took his basic training. Later transferred to a field near Richmond, where he finished his training in Feb., 1944. Going with the 1897 Aviation Engineers into the New Guineas operations, later East Indies. There to the Invasion with General McArthur on Leyte Isle Philippines.

He has been a faithful member of the Baptist Church for 11 years.

Corporal Henseley is survived by his father, the Rev. B. S. Henseley Sr. His step-mother, Mrs. Mattie Mae Henseley, one brother, Max C. Henseley, Seaman Second class in San Francisco. Four sisters, Mrs. Albert Gordon of Asheville, Mrs. Burton Stanford and Miss Martha Henseley of Charlotte, Madeline Elizabeth Henseley of Sylva.

His company commander informed his father that he was a credit to the county and service he served so well. Loved and esteemed by all who knew him.

### T-5 Bob M. Mathis Serving in France

Mrs. Naomi G. Mathis of Dillsboro has received word that her husband, T-5 Bob M. Mathis of the 94th Division is serving in France. He has been in the armed forces for two years, having been in Camp Phillips, Kan., maneuvers in Tennessee, and Camp McClain, Miss. He was sent overseas five months ago. T-5 Mathis also has three other brothers in service. Cpl. Glen D. Mathis, serving in Belgium, Sgt. Dan Mathis, also

serving in Belgium and S-C 2-c Odell Mathis who is in the Pacific Area. They are the sons of Mrs. Chassie V. Mathis of Rockingham.

### A MEMORIAN TO RICHARD McFALLS

By Mrs. Paul Kitchens

Richard Freeman McFalls was born May 23, 1918, in Sevierville, Tenn. At the age of seven years his mother moved to North Carolina and settled in Jackson county near my home. Richard grew up as a pal and schoolmate of my boys. When they left the home nest and started out to work for themselves they left together. A day seldom passed he was not in my home. As he grew into manhood he would often come at night and with my own children gather around the fireside to listen to stories I would read or to play some innocent game. When this dreadful war touched our homeland he was one of the first boys to go. He entered service Sept. 2, 1942. He was first stationed at Plymouth, Mass. Eleven months ago he was sent overseas. He fought with the 5th army in Italy where he received special mention for his bravery in helping fight off a major German assault. Later he was moved to France. Here he was sent to the hospital with crippled feet, brought on from exposure on the battlefield. On Dec. 19, he was discharged from the hospital and sent back to the front line. On Dec. 25 he met his death in France. I can truly say a good neighbor and a kind friend is gone. He was always ready to do any act of kindness or help a friend. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Dave Watson, and two brothers, Cleo and Lawrence McFall, of Whittier. As these sad tidings reach our ears, we as women who must wait at home have a powerful weapon that we can use, this is prayer. Let us all earnestly pray for the boys who are still in service. Let us pray with faith that soon we will hear the cry of victory and welcome our boys home knowing that we need not live in suspense of their returning to the battlefield. Pray God that hatred may be crushed in the heart of the nation and let love and peace reign supreme in our land.

### Singing Convention To Be Held

The Upper Jackson County Singing convention will meet Jan. 28th at Glenville Baptist Church at 2 P. M. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

# Draft Changes Won't Affect PULPWOOD CUTTERS

Under Selective Service regulations, pulpwood workers are classed as essential. If you are deferred for pulpwood work, your deferment is still good so long as you stick to your war job of cutting pulpwood. If you change to a non-essential job, you can be immediately re-classified as 1-A.

Remember, pulpwood is a vital war material. The present pulpwood shortage may deprive our fighting men of the supplies they need. Over two-thirds of America's pulpwood now goes directly into the war effort.



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