

PLANS GET UNDERWAY FOR ENTERTAINMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

At the meeting called by Mayor Gibson at the Community House on Friday, Feb. 16, there was quite a large representation of various age groups.

The purpose of the meeting was to organize some type of wholesome entertainment for the young people of Sylva and Jackson County in response to the open letter written to the adults of the town some time back.

It was decided to start this program off on a small scale and expand as the need grew and as it could be furthered. The initial step resulted in Wednesday night being set aside at the Club House for the young people under adequate supervision and chaperonage, this time to be devoted to dancing, games and such amusement as the younger group and chaperones saw fit.

It was decided that within the month a committee, consisting of one member from each Civic Club in town, would work out a program for the ensuing year, whereby an arrangement for programs and chaperones would be assured. In the meantime a group of young women will act in this capacity.

The first meeting for the young people will be Wednesday, Feb. 21, and each Wednesday thereafter.

In order to carry out this project successfully it will be necessary for the closest cooperation of every citizen of Jackson County.

WEBSTER ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL

Honor Roll—Third, 6-Weeks

Fourth Grade — Dannie Cowan, Joe Hall, Bill Bishop, Tom Morris, Bonnie Barnes, Essie Barnes, Peggy Blanton, Ellen Blanton, Colleen Shuler, Nita Dietz, Lomis Shuler.

Fifth Grade — Edward Henson, Jean Blanton, Grace Buchanan, Betty Lou Cowan, Nancy Lou Davis, Lona McKee, Thelma Sutton, Doris Alexander, Mary Sue Stillwell.

Sixth Grade — Jack Allison, Lonnie Barnes, James Mason, Ethel Ashe, Nancy Ensley, Elsie Frizzell, Elizabeth Frizzell, Gladys Hall, Frances Morgan, Betty Lou Shuler.

Seventh Grade — Claudia Stanford, Alice Buchanan, Sallie Cowan, Jo Ann Davis, Lahoma Dietz, Jackie Morris, Wilma Buchanan.

Eight A — Patsy Ensley, Patricia McKee, Lois Shuler, Betty Henson, Mary Ella Hall, Judy Davis.

Eight B — Ruth Marion Hall, Nellie Morgan, Bonnie Green, Elaine Higdon, Earl Buchanan.

Nine A — O. V. Cagle, Edith Dalton, Grover Bishop, John Bryson, Betty Davis, Mary Bob Clements, Elizabeth Cannon, Catherine Buchanan.

Nine B — Frances A. Potts, Clara Lou Sutton, Nancy Owens.

Ten A — Barbara Allen, Aileen Barron, Margaret Buchanan, Evelyn Davis, Gladys Sutton, Dorothy Mason, Harry Buchanan, T. C. Lewis, Dean Ashman.

Ten B — Brittle Deitz, Agnes Allison Hamilton Bryson, Clemond Buchanan.

Grade 12 — Anne Buchanan, Betty Hagdon, Louise Owens, Frances Potts, Ruth Green, Geneva Hall.

Thomas A. McGuire With Air Service Command

AN AIR SERVICE COMMAND STATION IN ENGLAND: Cpl. Thomas A. McGuire the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McGuire of Norton, N. C., recently completed an orientation course designed to bridge the gap between training in the States and combat soldiering against the enemy in Germany.

At this Air Service Command Station Cpl. McGuire attended a series of lectures given by veterans of this command which include instructions on chemical warfare defense and pertinent tips on staying healthy in a combat zone.

His next station will be one from which America's fighting places cover our advance into Germany.

Before entering the Army Air force, he was a student at State College in Raleigh.

Kudzu is an excellent perennial legume for reclaiming gullied and other waste land, reports Enos Blair, Extension agronomist at State College. Kudzu can also be used for hay and soil improvement.



As wounded American boys come back from the battle fronts they find American Red Cross workers in all military and naval hospitals ready to help them. This year there will be more need than ever before for Red Cross service in domestic hospitals.

Sylva PTA Observes Founders Day

The Sylva PTA observed Founders Day last Tuesday afternoon at the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Mary R. Cowan was in charge of the program. She told briefly of the beginning of this strong organization and of the two women that founded it. She then presented W. V. Cope, principal of the Sylva Elementary school, who made an interesting talk on the work of the Association.

Mrs. Grover Wilkes presented three students from her music class. Those playing were Gail Martin, Pete Montague and Eddie Lou Terrell. A Founders Day collection was taken. Mrs. J. H. Gillis, president, was in charge of the business session and Mrs. J. H. Wilson had the devotional.

Wounded Soldier's Mail Often Forwarded Several Times As He Moves About

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 19.—"Why do soldiers overseas frequently experience difficulty in the receipt of their mail when they are hospitalized?" is a question frequently asked of Army Postal Service.

Lt. Col. Hartley B. Dean, Headquarters, Fourth Service Command Postal Officer answers this question by explaining, "Wounded and sick soldiers are moved to the rear through a series of hospitals in order that proper treatment and quarters may be provided. This means that any mail addressed to the outfit with which the soldier was serving before becoming a casualty, must have the address changed and be forwarded, perhaps several times, before it catches up with the addressee. Until such time as one address can be established so that it may be furnished to correspondents at home, there will be delay in delivery of the mail.

"Army Postal Service is constantly trying to provide the best possible mail service for our troops overseas, and there is a system now being placed in effect whereby the emergency addressee of a soldier seriously ill or wounded is immediately notified by a member of the hospital staff of this new address. This will abolish some of the delay experienced by battle casualties in obtaining mail.

"Another question which comes up often," continued Col. Dean, "is 'Why do parcels require so much more time than letters for delivery overseas?' The reason for this is that because of limited cargo space on planes, packages have to be shipped on surface vessels. These ships are enroute to their destinations from two weeks to as long as three months, depending upon the number of ocean miles they must travel."

Cooke Promoted To Master Sergeant

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY — Technical Sergeant Willis D. Cooke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb L. Cooke, who lives in Sylva, North Carolina, has been promoted to master sergeant. He is a superintendent of Sterilization with a quartermaster unit of the Fifth Army in Italy.

ARRIVES IN GERMANY



Pvt. Burton E. R. Bryson has arrived safely in Germany according to word received by his wife, the former Miss Mae Seay, of Webster.

Pvt. Bryson entered service in July, 1944, and received his basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala. He spent a few days in December with his wife before reporting to Fort Meade, Md., prior to being sent overseas.

FUTURE FARMERS WILL SPONSOR CAROLINA QUARTET

The Carolina Quartet will appear at the Sylva Elementary Auditorium Tuesday night, Feb. 27th, at 8:00.

The Sylva Chapter of the Future Farmers of America, John Corbin Agricultural teacher, is sponsoring the above program for the purpose of raising money to buy a band saw which will be used in work done by the chapter. Admission will be 20c to 35c. The public is invited to attend.

Regardless of the course of the war the demand for many farm products, at ceiling prices, may continue to exceed supplies in 1945, says the BAE.

FEDERATION STOCKHOLDERS TO HEAR REPORT FROM PRESIDENT JAMES G. K. MCCLURE AT ANNUAL MEETING MARCH FIRST

The Jackson County Farmers Federation will hold a stockholders meeting and election on Thursday, March 1st, at 11 A. M. in the Federation Warehouse in Sylva.

James G. K. McClure, president of the Federation, will make a report to all stockholders at this time on the business and progress of the Federation for the past year.

The committee members of the Sylva Warehouse will be elected to serve for the following year. Also the director of the entire Federation will be nominated for the general stockholders meeting to be held March 24. This nomination will be the equivalent of an election.

Refreshments will be served and all members and friends of the Federation are cordially invited to attend.

Red Cross Quota Announced For Jackson County

Dr. Grover Wilkes, Red Cross Chairman for Jackson County has announced that the quota for the county is \$6500.00; 53% of this to be sent to National headquarters and 47% to be retained for local use.

The Red Cross War Fund Drive will begin March first and will be county wide. Each township will be allotted a quota.

Cotton-Duck Carrying Gasoline To Fighters

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 19.—Cotton duck, made in the mills of Dixie, is pinch-hitting for steel in the manufacture of collapsible gasoline containers designed to speed the delivery of gasoline to the American fighting men at the front, it was disclosed here today by headquarters, Fourth Service Command.

The containers come in sizes from 740 to 2,700-gallon capacity. They have been standardized after a long series of tests. The 750 and 2,700-gallon containers may be used as storage by using troops or are transportable. They are fitted with rigid plywood frames.

It is pointed out that the regulation gasoline tankcars are not always available when gasoline has to get to the front troops in theaters of war. Four of the 2,700-gallon cotton duck tanks, mounted on a flatcar, will hold practically the same amount of gasoline as a tankcar.

The cotton duck is impregnated with synthetic rosin of the "rubbery" type.

WOUNDED IN FRANCE

Mrs. E. O. Buchanan of Greens Creek has received word that her son, S. Sgt. Coy Deitz, was slightly wounded in France Jan. 15. He has served in the U. S. Army for the past thirty seven months, having served four months overseas.

Sylva Boy Scouts Honored By Churches In Union Service

The Baptist and Methodist churches of Sylva held a special Scout service Sunday evening at the Methodist church with Rev. C. M. Warren, Baptist pastor, delivering the message.

Rev. R. G. Tuttle, Methodist pastor welcomed the Scouts and other visitors especially mentioning Rev. Rufus A. Morgan of Franklin, chairman of the Smoky Mountain district of scouting. He then presented H. Gibson, chairman of the local scout committee, who spoke on the work of the local troop. H. E. Monteith, member of the executive board of the Daniel Boone Council, told of scout work in the 14 western counties, making up this council.

The oath of allegiance and scout cath were led by members of the troop.

Rev. Morgan had the prayer and special music was furnished by a male quartet, with Mrs. Grover Wilkes, accompanist.

Pvt. Jack F. Garrett Wounded In European Theatre

Mrs. Rose Garrett of Sylva received a message last week from the War Dept. stating that her son, Pvt. Jack F. Garrett, had been wounded in action in the European Theatre. Pvt. Garrett has a sister, Pfc. Theta M. Garrett, who is a member of the Woman's Army Corps, stationed in New York.

Marjorie Buchanan Is Storekeeper In Navy

Marjorie E. Buchanan, of Sylva is now one of 1,300 storekeepers in the biggest "general store" in the South, the Supply Department of the Charleston (S. C.) Navy Yard. These storekeepers handle more than 60,000 different items for fighting a war at sea, varying from paper clips to five-inch guns.

At the Charleston Navy Yard supplies for ships and shore stations cover almost two million square feet of space. Huge warehouses provide 975,563 square feet of storage for weather perishable supplies. Enormous stockpiles in the open for supplies unaffected by rain cover 801,031 square feet of ground.

Disbursing employees who pay the bills for the Charleston Navy Yard and write out paychecks for many of the Sixth Naval District activities pay out \$12,000,000 a month.

Marjorie E. Buchanan has attained a rating of CAF-3 with the supply depot here.

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LOCAL PEOPLE TAKING MUCH INTEREST IN ORGANIZATION OF CIVIL AIR PATROL

Serving In Netherlands East Indies



Pfc. John Woodford Parker, son of Mrs. Grace Zachary Parker, of East LaPorte, entered service in March, 1943. He received his training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Camp Pickett, Va. He was sent overseas in Feb. of 1944 and was in New Guinea until the summer when he was transferred to his present station.

Pvt. Parker's wife, the former Miss Edna Fore and young son reside at East LaPorte.

Kilby Promoted

According to word received by Larry Mull, Louis R. Kilby, who is now in Germany with the 9th Army has become a Pfc. for heroic deeds in battles through France to Germany. Pfc. Kilby was formerly a taxi operator in Sylva and entered service in Nov., 1944. He received his basic training in Mississippi before going overseas. He is in the 115th Inf. Division of the 9th Army.

STATIONED IN HOLLAND



Pvt. Alvin A. Rigdon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rigdon, of East LaPorte, has been serving overseas for thirteen months and is now stationed in Holland. His wife, Mrs. Alvin Rigdon, is in Pisgah Forest, N. C.

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Lt. Holden Of Canton Unit Speaker At Second Meeting Feb. 15

Lt. Holden commanding officer of the Canton Unit spoke before a group of more than seventy applicants interested in the Civil Air Patrol, at a meeting held in the Sylva High school auditorium Feb. 15.

Lt. Holden outlined the organization and function of C A P and told of its history from 1940 to the present time. It is an auxiliary of the Army and members who are on active C. A. P. duty are under Army regulations with complete uniforms and identifying insignia.

Age limits for this service are: 15-18 for Cadets and 18-65 for adults. To become a member of the Civil Air Patrol it is not necessary to take flight training, however, flight training is available to any one who wishes it. This will be under the supervision of Johnny Watson, who is a licensed instructor and who operates the Sylva Airport.

Courses in meteorology, navigation, theory and history of flight will be offered. At the completion of this course those wishing to do so will be eligible to take the written examination for pilots license under the regional C A A inspector.

It is urgently requested that as many adults as possible will join this unit. It should be of vital importance to the parents of members of the Air Forces.

The following people were appointed at the last meeting, Supply Officer, T. N. Massie, Secretary, Ira Mae Holden, Publicity, C. E. Thompson. Applications were taken at this meeting and identification pictures were made.

The next meeting will be held March 1st at the same place unless there be further notification to the contrary.

WCTC To Present Mark Hoffman In Recital

W. C. T. C. will present Mark Hoffman in a piano recital Feb. 24 in the Hoey auditorium at 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hoffman Dean of Music at Greensboro College studied piano in Chicago with Rudolph Reuter as well as with Ernest Hutcheson of New York City. He received a Bachelor of Music degree cum laude from the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York and a Master of Arts from New York University, New York City. Mr. Hoffman also had a year's study and concertizing in Germany.

Mr. Hoffman played with the Rochester Philharmonic, Howard Hanson conducting, and with the New York Civic Orchestra in New York City.

Mr. Hoffman has had extensive recital experience, having given concerts in Town Hall, New York City, as well as for the National Musical Benefit League, the Roerich Museum, the Educational Alliance and at Wanamaker Auditorium, etc., in New York City. For fourteen months he was one of the sustaining staff members of radio station WINS, giving weekly piano recitals and has also played over WOR and WOV.

During the eight years he has been in North Carolina he has played 45 concerts at Duke University, Meredith College (Raleigh) University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill), Winston-Salem, Charlotte, Wilmington, Asheville with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, etc.

Mr. Hoffman's program for the evening will include:

Pastorale e Capriccio, Scarlatti-Tausig
Sonata Op. 53 (Waldstein), Beethoven

Allegro con brio
Adagio
Allegretto Moderato
Ballade in G Minor, Chopin
Etudes Op. 25, Chopin
No. 1 (Aeolian Harp)
No. 2 (Spinning Wheel)
No. 3 (The Cat)
No. (One-foot Jump)
No. 5 (Quarrell and Reconciliation)
No. 6 (T birds)
No. 9 (Butterfly)
Soiree de Granada, Debussy
The Maiden and the Nightingale, Granados
Perpetual Motion, Alkan-MacDowell

The admission prices will be 15c and 25c.