

## 49 Sylva Seniors To Receive Diplomas Tonight

### Names Added Weekly To Jackson's Growing List Of Service Men Liberated From German Prison Camps

#### Roll Of Liberated Men Growing Daily

According to word received by relatives the roll of liberated men from Jackson county grows each week.

The wife and parents of Lt. Wm. G. Jackson have been notified that he has been released and back under military control. Lt. Jackson entered service in 1941 and had been overseas for six months as a pilot on a B-24 when he was shot down last summer on his 40th mission. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackson of East LaPorte.

Mrs. Marjorie Grindstaff Baldrige received a message Sunday stating that her husband, Pfc. Edward H. Baldrige, listed as a prisoner of war of the German Government since last January, had been released. Pfc. Baldrige called his wife Monday night saying he would be home this week some time. He had been missing in action since Sept. 16. Mrs. Baldrige and young son, Edward, Jr., reside in Sylva.

### HEALTH CLINIC AT CASHIERS CONTINUES TO MAKE PROGRESS

The Community Health Clinic at Cashiers which had an humble beginning is positive proof of what can be done with an idea if those who start it have the courage to see it through.

Some few months ago the women of Cashiers saw a real need where members of the community could be given preventative health measures. From this seed of an idea they started work and by contributions of money, materials and labor the building took form in the corner of the school lot. Today it stands, and while not wholly complete it is on a working basis. The wiring is done and it is sheet rocked on the inside. There lacks the plumbing and many finishing touches but the women of the Home Demonstration club are determined to complete it.

Money was raised in many ingenious ways. Materials and labor was contributed by husbands of the club members. At the first meeting \$5.00 was made up by club members, Labor, being an important question, they gave a "working" serving dinner to the men that gave their time. Following that a few of the men and very young girls put on a musical at the school house and turned over the receipts to the building fund. This amounted to \$60.35. In connection with the musical chances were sold on a quilt and popcorn sold making a total of -89.25.

More plans are being made for the raising of additional funds to complete this project.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEES NAMED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Jackson County Board of Education has named the following school committees to serve the various districts of the county: Cullowhee district: T. L. Wike, chairman, Victor Brown, Oscar Lovedahl, T. C. Ledbetter and Jesse Millsap.

Sylva district: Lawrence Reed, chairman, Jimmy Buckner, Charlie Fisher, Edgar Bishop and Kenyon Moody.

Glenville district: W. A. Taylor, chairman, Tom Madden, Warren Alexander, Fred Bryson and Charlie Bumgarner.

Canada district: Luther Owens, chairman, Willard Shook, John Watson.

Qualla district: Thad Patton, chairman, Jode Holcombe and William M. Cooper.

Webster district: James Cowan, chairman, John R. Shepherd, Leonard Norton, Harley Buchanan and Goldman Green.



According to a message received by his wife last Thursday, Sgt. Julius A. Ensley has been released from German Prisoner of War camp Stalag 4-B and is back under military control. Sgt. Ensley has been in service for three years and a prisoner since last summer. He was serving in France with an infantry unit.

### THREE HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

A car alleged to have been driven by Earl Stephens of East LaPorte left the highway and hit some buildings on the Cullowhee-Sylva highway Monday afternoon around 3 o'clock. Mr. Stephens lost control of the car when the accident occurred.

The three occupants of the car were admitted to the C. J. Harris hospital are: Mrs. Edna Parker who is suffering from a possible fracture of the skull, Mrs. Vera Fore, painful abrasions and bruises, and Mrs. Howard Stephens, severe cuts and bruises on the face. The latter two were dismissed after receiving treatment.

### Junior Class At Glenville To Present Play

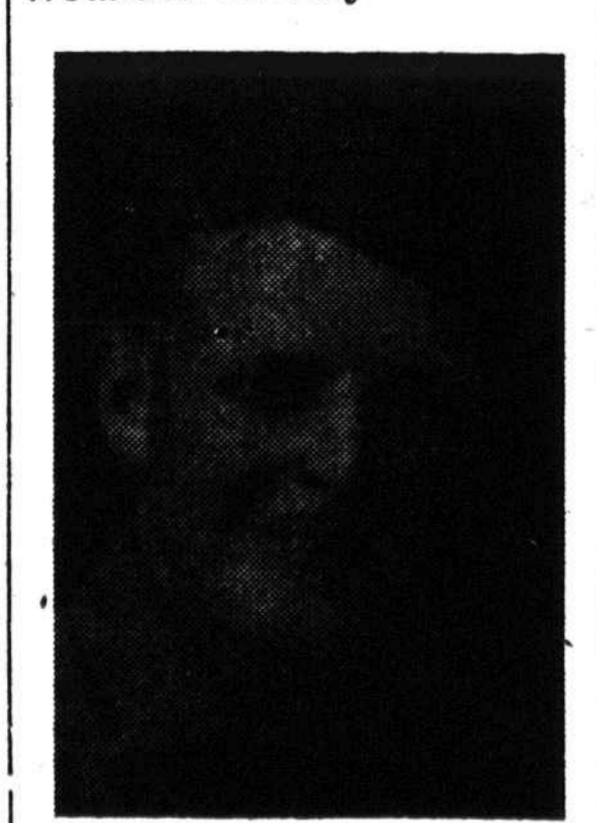
The Junior class of the Glenville high school will present a play, "Deacon Dubbs", at the high school Saturday, June 12, at 8:30.

The play is under the direction of Mrs. Ella Mae Morris and Mrs. Lucy Crawford.

### T-5 Ray W. Cunningham Receives 3rd Battle Star

T-5 Ray W. Cunningham of Sylva, who is with the 119th Inf., has just received the third battle star. T-5 Cunningham has participated in the campaigns of Normandy, Northern France and Germany. He holds the Purple Heart and the Combat Infantry badge.

### Pfc. U. E. Henry Wounded In Italy



Pfc. U. E. Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Henry, of Tuckaseegee in Italy April 29. He had been in the service five years and overseas since last August, having served in North Africa, Sicily, Anzio Beach and Italy.

### "A" GAS CARD USERS WILL GET INCREASE IN ALLOTMENT

The OPA office in Charlotte has announced that automobile drivers in Jackson county are the beneficiaries of an increase in gasoline rations, effective in June. The value of "A" coupons will be increased from four to six gallons on June 22, when the new A-16 coupons become valid. The limit for "B" card holders who can show an actual need for more gasoline will be raised to 650 miles per month on June 11.

"I share with Chester Bowles and the Petroleum Administration the pleasure of announcing this increase for civilian motorists", Director L. W. Driscoll said.

"The additional quantities to be made available to civilian use are not guaranteed for any certain period of time but must always remain dependent upon changes in the military demand. The military has always had, and must always have first call, he explained.

### JOHN H. EARLEY IN OKINAWA INVASION

ABOARD A U.S. BATTLESHIP OFF OKINAWA—John H. Earley, 18, seaman second class, son of Mrs. Julia Earley, of Wolf Mountain, N. C., has a grandstand seat from which to view the invasion of Okinawa.

The hard-hitting ship, while under threat of air attack, moved up to within 3,000 yards of the shore, cruising slowly back and forth and pulverized the beach targets at point-blank range. The crew could clearly see the explosions from the ship's shells as her guns smashed pillboxes, gun emplacements, warehouses and trench fortifications.

The ship's anti-aircraft gunners fought off deadly air assaults during the bombardment period, and on one occasion only skillful maneuvering of the vessel by her commanding officer saved her from a torpedo which had been dropped.

### Memorial Stamps To Be Issued

Four memorial stamps bearing the portrait of Franklin D. Roosevelt will be issued beginning June 27 in tribute to the President, Postmaster General Frank Walker has announced.

The stamp bearing Mr. Roosevelt's likeness will be issued in these denominations and colors: one cent, green; two cent, red; three cent, purple, and five cent, blue. They will be the size of the special delivery stamp.

Mr. Roosevelt's portrait will be placed at the left on each stamp with the dates "1882-1945" and the name "Roosevelt" underneath the portrait.

### MINISTERS ATTEND CHURCH SCHOOL AT MARS HILL

Rev. T. F. Deitz and Rev. B. S. Hensley of Beta, Rev. W. N. Cook of Webster, Rev. Edgar Willix and Rev. J. Edgar Bishop of Bishop, Miss Gretchen Johnson, Jackson County Missionary and Misses Jean and Pearl Houston of Tuckaseegee left Monday for Mars Hill to attend a school for pastors, their wives and church workers which is in there this week. This group goes as representative of the Tuckaseegee Baptist Association.

### A. J. DILLS IN HOSPITAL FOLLOWING ACCIDENT

Mr. A. J. Dills, well known real estate man of Sylva, is in the hospital following an accident which occurred Wednesday, May 22.

Mr. Dills was thrown from the back of the truck in which they were taking barrels to the courthouse to pack the clothing collected in the old clothing drive.

Mr. Dills is resting as comfortably as can be expected. He suffered severe bruises and shock, but no bones were broken.

### Honor Seniors



Miss Jean Monteith, right, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Monteith, Valedictorian, and Miss Elizabeth Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Clayton, salutatorian of the Sylva High School graduation class, will deliver addresses tonight at the graduation exercises.

### DR. HAROLD D. MYERS SPEAKER AT HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Dr. Harold D. Myers, Executive Director of Recreation of the University of North Carolina, was guest speaker at the joint meeting of the Home Demonstration clubs held Saturday afternoon, May 26, at the county Courthouse.

Dr. Myers spoke on the six point recreational program as set up by the state and advocated its use in Jackson County. He listed the six steps in this program as follows: 1st, County Commissioners set up a Recreational Board; 2nd, Advisory committee made up of representatives of civic and other organizations; 3rd, Employment of part or full time person to promote county-wide recreation; 4th, the appointment of a group to make a talent survey of the county; 5th, the utilization of natural resources and facilities, and 6th, to have a balanced recreational program.

Dr. Myers stressed the importance of this latter phase of the program, suggesting that it be spread out to incorporate, active games and sports, social recreation such as picnics and parties, music, dramatics, arts and crafts, nature and outings, linguistics activities, table games, dancing and the use of festivals.

He suggested that the Home Demonstration clubs with the help of other county organizations, turn the County Courthouse into a county museum, thereby making it a memorial for the veterans of World War II. Dr. Myers told the clubs that by utilizing the natural resources of Jackson county many beautiful display cabinets could be filled, making the courthouse a place of interest and beauty. He suggested that there be groups formed to collect types of soil, types of wood and wild flower life, insects and minerals or those things which were native of this county alone.

At the conclusion of his address, the clubs held a meeting to begin work on this type of program for their years work.

### May 30th Should Be Known As "Memorial Day" And Not "Decoration Day"

This was recommended by the Grand Army of the Republic in 1882, according to Encyclopaedia. "Confederate Memorial Day" is the designation given to May 30th by Virginia and the same name is used by Louisiana and Tennessee for June 3rd; Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Mississippi for April 26th; and North Carolina with South Carolina for May 10th.

### Seaman Howell Serving At Barger Point, T. H.

NAVAL AIR STATION, BARBER'S POINT, CAHU, T. H.—David H. Howell, seaman, first class, USNR, of Whittier, N. C., is now serving at this station in the public works department.

Howell's parents live in Whittier. He attended Sylva High school and, before joining the Navy in May, 1941, was farming in western North Carolina. Howell was stationed at Shoemaker, Calif., prior to his transfer here.

### FULLER IN GROUP COMMENDED BY LT. GEN. DOOLITTLE

ENGLAND, V-E DAY—Among the 185,000 men and women of the Eighth Air Force congratulated today by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, who assumed command of the Eighth in January, 1944, was Private 1st Class Sewell D. Fuller of Route 1, Sylva, N. C.

"I wish to extend my personal congratulations and my heartfelt appreciation to every one of you for the magnificent job you have done," Gen. Doolittle said in a message to the personnel.

"Each of you," he continued, "may be proud of your part in the defeat of Germany. I am proud of you. The world is proud of you."

### J. D. Reagan Commissioned Lt. (J. G.) In U. S. Maritime Service



J. D. Reagan of Qualla, having passed the examination by the Coast Guard Inspectors at Baltimore, Md., for the position of 2nd Assistant Engineer of Steamships, has been commissioned Lt. (j. g.) in the U. S. Maritime Service and is now working for the War Shipping Administration through the South Atlantic Steamship lines of Savannah, Ga.

### William Robert Toy Dies Of Wounds Received In Pacific

Word has been received of the death of William Robert Toy, S 1-C, who succumbed to wounds received in the Pacific May 18th.

S 1-C Toy entered service a year ago and has been overseas since Dec. 1944.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Ada Belt, one daughter, 4, Bonnie Jeannette, the parents Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Toy and the following brothers and sisters, Taylor Toy, Rice, Wash., Mrs. James Club of Waynesville and Mrs. O. H. Smith of Sylva.

### Upper District Singing Convention To Meet In June

On the second Sunday in June the upper district singing convention will meet with the Big Ridge Baptist church at Big Ridge.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Dr. Howard P. Diddens Of West Point, Ga. Is Commencement Speaker

Forty-nine seniors will be given their diplomas tonight when the senior class of the Sylva Central high school hold their graduating exercises in the school auditorium. Dr. Howard P. Diddens, pastor of the First Baptist church at West Point, Ga., will deliver the address. These graduating tonight are: Ola Beasley, Georgia Blanton, Gladys Bradley, Hazel Brooks, Frances Bryson, Barbara Bumgarner, Hattie Mae Cagle, Elizabeth Clayton, Gladys Cogdill, Estella Cooper, Lois Cooper, Maude Cunningham, June Enloe, Ruby Ensley, Thelma Green, Alice Mae Hall, Freida Haskett, Velma Hooper, Helen Howell, Alice Hoyle, Elizabeth Landis, Geneva Ledford, Marie Lessley, Bertha Martin, Pauline Mills, Jean Monteith, Lucille Moore, Dixie Morrison, Louise Paxton, Jean Poteet, Esther Potts, Ruby Queen, Emily Shields, Marjorie Schultz, Helen Sneed, Bonnie Tolley, Arbutus Ward, Nora Worley, Barbara Parris, John Gibson, Bobby Terrell, Edgar Hooper, Aster Plemmons, Louis Keener, R. L. Revis, Tommy Farmer, Jack Dillard, Gerald Buchanan and Harry Bumgarner.

Class officers are: John Gibson, President; Bobby Terrell, Vice-President; Elizabeth Landis, Secretary; and Maude Cunningham, Treasurer. Mrs. Chester Scott and Mrs. Bailey Whitt are sponsors for the class.

### WCTC COMMENCEMENT CONCERT OUTSTANDING FEATURE THIS YEAR

CULLOWHEE—The annual commencement concert for Western Carolina Teachers College included selections from "Carmen" played on the piano by Virginia Madison, Dorothy Romine, Mildred Ensley, and Mary Holmes Murphey and Porter's "Begin the Beguine" by Marion Madison and Virginia Madison.

Violin members were Seitz's Concerto in D Major by Ruth Hooper, Bach's Air from Suite in D Major and Vivaldi's Concerto in D Minor by the String ensemble.

Voice number to be given are Steinel's The Path Leading down to the River, Ethel Reed, Ruth Lysterly, and Virginia Madison; Silver's A Night in May Margaret Rhodes and Christine Aycock; Friml Riegger's Geanni Mia by Jean Young, Bobbie Claire Bennett, and Ella Frances Hooper; Bizet's Seguidilla, from Carmen, by Essie Mae Hall; and Siszl-Wilson's Nightfall by the college chorus.

Accompanists for the program are Mrs. Lloyd Engman, Mrs. William Reeves, Mrs. Gulley, and Miss Rosenberger. Piano students for this recital were from the class of Miss Clara De Vane; the violin students are from the class of Miss Rachel Rosenberger; and the voice students are from the class of Mrs. Charles Gulley.

### Central Jackson County Singing Convention

The Central Jackson County Singing Convention will meet with the Jarrett Memorial Baptist church, Dillsboro, the first Sunday in June.

### Guy Leatherwood Home After Two Years Services In Philippines

Guy Leatherwood, E. M. 2-c is spending thirty days here with his wife and other relatives in Dillsboro. He has just returned from two years duty in the Pacific area, part of the time being spent in New Caledonia. He will report to Endicott, Conn., for re-assignment.

### Commencement Exercises Held At Savannah School

The Savannah school held its closing exercises last Thursday and Friday. On Tuesday evening the smaller children presented the operetta, "Cinderella in Flowerland." On Friday afternoon graduating exercises for the seventh grade was held. Hugh E. Monteith was the speaker for the occasion. Twenty-two boys and girls received certificates. Howard Crawford is principal of the school.