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\$1.50 A Year in Jackson And Swain Counties—5c Copy

THIS IS THE FINAL WAR BOND DRIVE AND

The Herald is dedicated to progressive service to Jackson . . . A progressive, well

And Leaders In Next Issue

The final big War Bond loan

drive officially opens for the en-

29. This loan is known as the

"Victory Loan" drive. We have

had seven war loan drives during

spent to bring your uniformed

men and women home, billions of

\$175,000.00 cash money, with

Of Herald

balanced county.

Jackson's Victory Loan Quota Is \$175,000 Gash

JACKSON ONE OF EIGHT COUNTIES IN STATE SELECTED FOR SPECIAL FORESTRY STUDY

Jackson county is one of eight counties in the state choosen by Jackson County Lagging the School of Forestry of Duke In War Fund Campaign University for special study. The school is conducting similar schools The eight counties in North Caro- having been paid into the United mont, two in the central and two quota assigned being \$6200.00. in the coastal area.

county for two weeks and will \$50.00. visit all sections of the county.

The object of the study is primarily to find out the major problems the forest owners now face with the idea in mind to issue a bulletin on the finds of the specialists making the study which have turned in their reports. will be available to private forest owners for their use in taking care of their forest and lands. The U.S. and Canada, costing 20 milstudy will deal with fire protection, sales, erosion and land use.

to make the study as he is a graduate of Penn. State College School of Forestry of 1925 and has worked continually with state and federal forest projects since that time. He works under the direction and with the aid of K. F. Karstian, Dean of Forestry of Duke Univer-

study in Jackson county is not being made due to any poor forest condition here but because of the importance of the forest in the econmic life of the county.

Accompanying Mr. Heberling, and Dr. Karstian were Dick Wood, TVA forestry official and Lt. Clifford Beck, of the U.S. Marine Corps, and a graduate of Duke school of forestry.

LOCAL MEN NAMED ON COMMITTEE TO SERVE VETERANS

Burgin Pennel, chairman of the State Veterans commission, has announced committees who will serve returning veterans in Jackson County. This commission was set up by the National and State Legionnaires in order that the returning service man might be better served than under the old system of one service office.

Those appointed are: Publicity committee, J. F. Corbin chairman, Roscoe Poteet, J. A. Gray.

Business advice committee: Paul Ellis, chairman, A. D. Parker, Chester Scott.

Farm or Agricultural committee: M. L. Snipes, chairman, W. T.

Brown, D. C. Higdon. Loan Committee: W. J. Fisher, chairman, Dan M. Allison, W. L.

Family or welfare problem committee: Dan Tompkins, chairman, G. C. Henson, A. J. Dills.

Local aid committee: Dan K. Moore, chairman, H. E. Monteith, C. C. Buchanan.

Any service man, who has a problem, should contact one of the above named men for the service that they are qualified to give.

Information Sought About Howard Painter

a long distance call on Friday night saying that her nephew, Howard Painter, has suffered

work and the chief of police of nounced. that town was contacted in order that he might check all hospitals. are Eddie Lou Terrell for the 8th But no record was found of the grade; Linda Sutton for the 9th; boy in any hospital there. Every Alva Jean McClure for the 10th effort is being made to locate him and Barbara Jo Cook for the 11th and any one having information grade. Faculty sponsors for the please contact his aunt, Mrs. Full- 11th grade are Mrs. Chester Scott bright, at Cullowhee.

Jackson county is lagging in the in Virginia and the two Carolinas. War Fund Campaign, the total lina selected include two in the War Fund Treasurer to date be-Mountain section, two in the Pied- ing, \$1,321.30 and the original

Several of the townships have Dr. Ralph B. Heberling, Research not turned in their reports and Associate School of Forestry Duke Cashiers is the only one which has University, is making the survey gone over the amount assigned to and study. He will be in the them, topping their quota by about

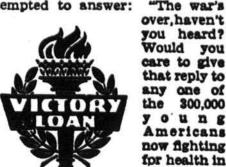
> The colored people of the county have raised \$10.00 of the quota assigned them.

The Herald will carry a detailed report of this drive in the next issue when more of the townships

Thirteen penicillin plants in the lion dollars, will produce only 9 pounds of pure penicillin a day, Dr. Heberling is well qualified enough to treat 250,000 serious cases a month.

To the People of this Community

Some day in the next few weeks a volunteer salesman will ask you to buy more bonds. You may be tempted to answer: "The war's



you heard? Would you care to give that reply to any one of the 300,000 young Americans now fighting for health in military

hospitals from coast to coast? Would you care to walk a patrol in Tokyo or Berlin with a GI and tell him "the war's over?"

Of course, the bloody fighting is over. Your job in helping to clean up the money cost is the easiest patrictic chore any country ever asked of its citizens; loan of more dollars to be repaid at good interest in 10 years. Compare that job with the chore you have handed to your own son or neighbor's son to spend countless days in strange lands to nail down the victory.

Think you can afford to say no to the Victory Loan salesman? Have a talk with your conscience this very moment. Be ready for your Victory Loan salesman in spirit as well as in pocketbook. THE EDITOR

W.O.W. SEEKS 200 MEMBERSHIP 1946, **MEET EACH MONDAY**

The Woodman of the World met again Monday night with a good attendance. The lodge now has 130 members in good standing with new ones coming in regularly. Our goal is a membership of 200 members by the last of 1946. Of our membership 25 served in World War No. 2, and to our deep regret we lost one, brother Thomas Pink Pressley, one son, Bowers Edward McClure. Brother Britton Moore, who has been in service three years, is back with us and is now field man for the counties from Transylvania to Cherokee. Any one interested should contact Mr. Moore and he will explain the Woodman of The World Insurance.

Don't forget that WOW No. 560 meets every Monday night at 7:30 of Prayer service in the Allison o'clock in the Lodge Hall in Mc-Guire building on Main street. at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Paul Kirk beyond the paying of the 25c dues Come if possible.

Dan K. Moore Terminates Army Career

Dan K. Moore, Sylva attorney who abandoned his law practice almost two years ago to serve in the armed forces of his country, has received his terminal discharge and is back at home with his

After several months training and duty in the States, thirteen months ago he was sent to the European theater. He served in the headquarters office of the Seine section in the general court.

Mr. Moore will open his offices and resume his law practice in the near future.

Brothers Meet On Luzon



Cpl. George Kennith Crawford States thorugh the Fort Oglethorpe and Pvt, Alvin Crawford recently met on Luzon. Cpl. Crawthe European theatre of operations ford entered service in Feb., 1944, also any business and professional he has served 45 months in the and received his basic training at men, who would like to become By following this procedure and army. He wears two battle stars Camp Calhoun, Cal. He was sent members of this organization, overseas in April, 1945. Pvt. please be present. Crawford entered service in June of potatoes which will make it a service he had been in business for 1945 and received his training at Camp Roberts, Cal. He served two months in Europe before being transferred to the South Pa-

District Forester Named For Sylva Division

It has been announced that a District Forester has been named for the Sylva Division. Lt Charles Pettit, formerly of Buncombe county, will arrive as soon as Dr. W. S. Rankin, of Charoltte, a he receives a discharge from the Director of the Duke Endowment | Marine Corps. The office, which Plan recently visited the C. J. opened last month, has been under Harris Hospital in Sylva. He the management of Mack Ashe, stated that he was extremely well District Ranger. This Divisional pleased with the progress and im- office will serve the eight western provements made at the hospital counties and is a branch of the

Jackson County

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR JAMES A. PRESSLEY

Funeral services were held for James A. Pressley, 77, Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Speedwell Baptist church, with the Rev. Jonathan Brown, pastor of the church officiating. Burial followed in the Members To Begin Speedwell cemetery.

"Uncle" Jim, as he was affectionately known by the community, was born June 24, 1868. He had been in ill health for several

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Pressley, one daughter, Bonnie Pressley Hopkins, and seven grand-

Annual Week Of Prayer Service To Be Held

The Women's Society of Christian will observe the annual Week building next Monday evening at bership extend your cooperation billions of extra dollars must be will have charge of the program. and attend the next meeting.

at their regular meeting Tuesday Kirk

and a group of members gave a Ensor

demonstration of the organization

and friends of the family.

go 40 years ago.

r. N. Massie

teadman Mitchell

Those taking part in the dem-

onstration represented the names

of those at the meeting in Chica-

Paul Harris, Lawyer-Dr. Hunt-

Sylvester Schiele, Coal Dealer-

Gus Loehr, Mining Engineer-

Hiram Shorey, Merchant tailer-

Due to unavoidable circumstances

the organization of the Merchants

Associatoin for Sylva will be post-

meeting will be held in the Blue

Room of the Carolina Hotel at

7:30. All merchants of the town

of Sylva and others in the county,

will attend and appear on the pro-

and all teachers and other mem-

bers of the PTA are urged to at-

afternoon's study.

ers may attend.

Attention Merchants!

The first members were:

CITIZENS ARE ASKED FOR 11 BILLONS TO PAY FOR THE JOB OUR BOYS SO GALLANTLY DID Chairman Ariail Will An-**Extensive Drive For PTA** nounce Township Quotas

At a recent meeting of the grade mothers of the Sylva PTA it was decided that an extensive membership drive would be begun and tire Nation next Monday, October

handled through the grade mothers and other parents. Within the next two weeks every parent of a the progress of fighting the war, child in the school will be con- now we have the 8th and final tacted by letter, phone or personal "Victory Loan" in which the Govcall and asked to join this organi-vernment is seeking \$11,000,000,000 zation. The first room arriving and of this amount \$4,000,000,000 at 100 percent members will be is the "E" bond sold to the ingiven a prize of \$2.00 and a one dividual. The Government is hundred per cent membership in- asking you in this last drive to buy cludes both father and mother. extra bonds because millions of When you are contacted for mem- dollars in war bills are unpaid,

ship, 'dedicated to service to oth-

national influence.

Jackson County Council

L. H. Baker Receives

Discharge From Navy

extra dollars will be needed for Rotary Program Drama- of war contracts and maintenance of occupation forces. of occupation forces. tizes First Club Meeting Jackson County's total quota in this final Victory Loan drive is

Members of the Sylva Rotary Raymond Sutton \$108,000.00 of this mount being club enjoyed an unusual program Harry Ruggles, Printer—Paul the "E" or individual bond. Mr. R. L. Ariail, Executive Vicenight when Dr. H. T. (Ty) Hunter Will Jensen, Real Estate-Bill president of Jackson County bank, will head the campaign as he has in the past drives. He has an-The demonstration included the meeting of the first Rotary Club electing of a President, Recording nounced that he will have his comin Chicago in 1905. Dr. Hunter Secretary, Corresponding Secremunity and township quotas ready wrote the script for the dramati- tary, and Treasurer, and the sezation, which he called "Rotary In lecting of a name of the club. The Its Baby Clothes". Following the name Rotary was chosen as the

for publication along with the names of the community committee chairmen and workers for the demonstration a 12 minute sound idea of the organization was to next issue of The Herald. picture of Paul Harris, founder of take in men from all callings and Rotary, and his office and home walks of life, including all religious **CPL. LAWS ESCAPES** in Chicago, showing Mrs. Harris groups and nationalties, this forming a wheel in a society of business ARMY FIRING SQUAD men for a club based on friend-

BY ACT OF TRUMAN The principals of Rotary have remained the same throughout the I'resident Accepts Recom-40 years of its existence. The or mendation of Judge Advoganization has grown from the one

cate For Life Sentence club of six members in 1905 to over, 3000 clubs with over 250,000

Upon recommendation of Genmembers scattered throughout the eral Myron C. Cramer, Judge Adentire world, thus giving it intervocate for the War Department in Washington, President Truman has commuted the death sentence imposed upon Cpl. Thurman E. Laws, of this county, to life im-L. H. Baker arrvied Sunday and prisonment, this official announceis with his mother, Mrs. L. H. poned from the night of Oct. 25 to Baker after receiving his dis- Thursday, October 18, by C. C. ment having been received on charge from the U. S. Navy. He Buchanan, attorney from Clyde E. joined the navy in January, 1942, Hoey by report issued from the and had served through the in- White House. vasions of North Africa, Italy and

This local soldier was court Southern France, besides taking martialed in Arizona on June 28 part in several convoy battles. At of this year for the alleged killing the time of his discharge he was of his wife and another soldier serving as P. O. 1-c on the USS only five days before, and was sentenced to be shot by a firing squad. The sentence was then reviewed by two higher courts, one in California and the other in Texas, with the last and final hearing having been conducted in Washington on August 9 before a special Board of Review, at which time various letters, petitions, records, and other evidence was presented. After giving the matter careful consideration, the above recommendation was made to the President and he in turn signed the final order, saving the life of

The case created unusual interest in this county, in that the first young Law's parents, or any one else in the county knew about it was upon readidng in the papers where this soldier was to be executed, the sentence having been imposed at a court martial hearing conducted only five days after the alleged murder took place. After stay of execution was granted and final hearing conducted; it The PTA of Dillsboro school held was found that Cpl. Laws' wife tempting to take full advantage of Plans were discussed for a Hal- this, and that upon this soldier facts, a double killing immediately Delicious refreshments were followed, which if same had been can are urged to attend the next have fallen under the "unwritte

Irish Pototoes Produce Big Yields In Fertile Jackson Soil Jackson County is an Irish po-

tato growing section despite the T. Sgt. Frank Freeze fact that that many growers claim that they can't be successfully produced here. This fact was proven by some particularly fine specimens brought into The Herald office by J. F. Corbin, agriculture teacher at the Sylva High school. Three Sequoia potatoes, the yield of one hill, totaled a weight of four

This brand of potatoes are comparatively new to this county and are admirably adapted to this soil and climate. They were originated at State College, Raleigh, and afford a larger yield than any other type. ,

Jackson is known as a potato growing county to those other counties south of the Blue Ridge and old people can well remember seeing the covered wagons come from Jackson county loaded with potatoes to trade for cotton goods.

Mr. Corbin states that there are a few essential steps to take in growing potatoes. Namely, 1 Storage of seed to prevent sprout-

2. Selection of real potato land. 3. Plant early. 4. Use lots of high yielding seed.

5. 1000 pounds of potato fer-6. Spraying to prevent disease

nd insects.

real money crop.

Receives Discharge

T. Sgt. Frank Freeze, son of Mrs. Frank Freeze and the late Frank Freeze, of Sylva received an honorable discharge from the army at Camp Polk, La., recently, and he and Mrs. Freeze spent the past two weeks with his mother. They left Sunday for Raleigh to visit other relatives.

Sgt. Freeze had 3 1-2 years service with the Field Artillery. After training at Camp Eustis, Va., he was stationed at Camp Davis, N. C., Camp Hulen, Tex., and Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

He was injured while on maneuvers at Camp Hulen and spent several months in a hospital at Antonio, Tex.

Sgt. Charles L. McMahan Discharged

Sgt. Charles L. McMahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McMahan, of Weaverville and husband of Mrs. Charles McMahan, of Sylva has received an honorable discharge from the Army of the United Separation center. A veteran of the use of the Sequoia seed, an for the Algeria and Tunisian camacre of land should yield 500 bu. paigns. Before entering military

Sylva High Sponsoring Halloween Carnival

On Wednesday evening of next week a Halloween carnival sponsored by the 11th grade of the Sylva High school will be held in the gymnasium of the high school. The proceeds from this affair will be used to build a memorial to Mrs. Bertha Fullbright received former students of Sylva - High who gave their lives in World War

Each grade has selected a girl serious injuries in a car wreck and to represent it in the contest for was not expected to live through a Halloween queen. Enthusiasm the night. Miss Agnes Brown took is running high as the boys and the message but was unable to girls are soliciting votes for their get the name of the hospital or respective candidates at a penny a vote. The final count will be Howard Painter left four made at 11 o'clock Wednesday weeks ago for Salem, N. J., to evening, and the result will be an-

> The girls entered in the contest and Mrs. Anne Bird Engman.

Duke Representative Visits Sylva Hospital

in the past year or so and approves | Asheville Division. the plans being made to increase and enlarge it at a later date. It is hoped in the future that the hospital will be equipped to serve Soldier Reinlists

ent facilities now permits.

Dr. Rankin is making a tour of and said while here, that he had seen no hospital of this size which was rendering more efficient serimprovements.

Of PTA To Hold School the Parent Teacher Association

at 1:15.

a much larger area than the pres- John R. Sutton of Dillsoboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Sutton. will leave Tuesday to re-enlist in the U. S. Army. Mr. Sutton, a disthe hospitals in this region which charged veteran spent 46 months are under this endowment plan with the Infantry in China-Burma-Indian theatre and holds the bronze star. He originally entered the service in 1940 and the unit he served with. The Mars Raiders vice or one that had made greater holds the presidential unit cita-

The Jackson county council of Claywell Hyde Liberated will sponsor a school of instruc- From Japanese Prison

tion in the McKee training school | Master Max Thomas Hyde cafeteria Friday, Oct. 16, with Miss Whittier received a message Sat-Lenora Smith, president of the urday from Vice Admiral Lous, Cullowhee PTA acting as hostess. chief of naval personnel, inform-The meeting will convene at 1 ing him that his father, Claywell o'clock and lunch will be served Thomas Hyde, pharmacist mate 2-c U. S. N. had been released from a Japanese prison camp, Mrs. J. S. Blair, past state president, now serving as state field after three years imprisonment. worker, and Mrs. Allen Luther, He entered service nearly four district director, will be in charge. years ago and was at one time reported killed, but later found to Mrs. E. H. Howell, state president,

Prof. A. C. Hoyle, principal of Dillsboro PTA the Cullowhee school and Dr. Carl Holds 2nd Meeting Killian, visual education chairman,

be a prisoner.

have worked out plans for the the second meeting of this year had proven herself untrue to him Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 16, at 2 and that another soldier was at-This is a county-wide meeting o'clock.

loween party to be given at the coming "face to face" with these tend. Mr. A. C. Moses, county school house.

superintendent of schools, has announced that the county school served by the teachers. All who tried in a state court, would easily will close at noon so that the teach-