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## 461 COUNTY MEN GIVEN MILITARY DISCHARGE

### Auction Sale For War Bonds Set For Tuesday

Nylon Hose and Other Items Will Be Sold At Art Gallery In War Bond Event.

Latest official figures show that \$225,000 behind on the quota in the Seventh War Drive. The quota is \$609,000. Only \$384,000 has been in date, according to recollections by officials and Roy Francis, chairman, of the drive.

An effort to overcome the deficit in the war bond drive will be made Tuesday night at the Wayneville Art Gallery, at which time merchandise will be sold. The sale will be the largest of its kind in the county. A number of articles were being sold, including nylon hose, sweaters, wearing apparel, and many surprise packages.

### Welfare Commissioner To Visit Haywood

Ellen R. Winston, State Commissioner of Public Welfare, will visit Haywood County on Monday, July 2, to inspect the county welfare department. She will be accompanied by Miss Virginia Bell, field representative of the Western Division of the State Department of Public Welfare. The visit is the first of a series of visits to the county welfare department by Mrs. Winston. She will be accompanied by Miss Virginia Bell, field representative of the Western Division of the State Department of Public Welfare. The visit is the first of a series of visits to the county welfare department by Mrs. Winston.

### Building Permits Necessary City Limits

Local officials are issuing a warning that before any work, alterations or building is done within the city limits, a permit is required. A penalty for non-compliance will be levied by the city. Permits are available from the city engineer's office.

### Wood Presbyterians Daily Vacation School At Church

The Wood Presbyterian Church is under the direction of Miss Louise Painter. The school is in progress at the church. The school will continue through the summer months.

### Scouts Hold Meeting At Balsam

The Girl Scout Troop with their leaders, E. C. Wagenfeld, and the Boy Scout Troop, held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Heinz. The meeting was enjoyed by all, and plans were served by Mrs. Wagenfeld.

### New Auto Stamps Must Be On Cars By First Of July

The Treasury Department issued a warning yesterday that all motorists failing to have a new auto tax stamp on the windshield on and after July first will be liable to a severe fine. The stamps are on sale at the post office and the price is five dollars for all type motor vehicles.

### Community Cannery To Open On 3rd

The Community Cannery, located on the grounds of the Wayneville Township high school, which was used by hundreds of housewives last season, will open on Tuesday, July 3, according to J. C. Brown, vocational teacher, who will be in charge.

The cannery until production demands are greater will be open only one day each week, from nine until six o'clock. Later in the season it will be open three days a week, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Canning will be done this year by appointment only, according to Mr. Brown, who stated that those wishing to use the services may contact either himself or Mrs. Rufus Siler, assistant supervisor. The local cannery has a large supply of tin cans from number two to number ten capacity and it is expected that there is sufficient amounts on hand to fill the local needs.

Mr. Brown and Mrs. Siler will be assisted this season by Mrs. Emmett Green who will serve as cannery manager. On Monday and Tuesday of this week courses for workers in this county, Transylvania and Henderson counties was conducted by Mr. Brown and others.

### Condition Of Tommy Norris Satisfactory

The condition of Tommy Norris, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Norris, who suffered a fracture of the neck while diving in Lake Junaluska last Friday afternoon, was reported last night to be satisfactory. Young Norris has been in a critical condition since he was rushed to the Haywood County Hospital on Friday and while slightly improved remains seriously ill.

Tommy, who recently completed the 10th grade in the local high school, had a job at the Unagusta Manufacturing Company for the summer. When he came in from work Friday around 6 o'clock he rushed to the lake with one of his companions for a swim. He was considered to be an expert swimmer and had spent much time at the lake.

Midshipman R. L. Lee, Jr., who has spent the past two weeks here with his parents will return to Annapolis on Tuesday.

### Deserter From Army Gives Up After Hiding 2 Years

Private Durward Messer, alleged to have been a deserter from the United States Army for the past two years, gave himself up to the law and has been taken to the office of the Provost Marshall in Asheville, after having been hiding out for the past two years, according to officers here. Members of the Military Police of Asheville, with various local and county officers attempted to arrest Messer last Wednesday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Messer, in the Little Cataloochee section of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, around 25 miles from Waynesville. In their effort to apprehend the deserter from the army, officers

### Given Bronze Star



CAPTAIN OLIVER WADE FRANKLIN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harding Franklin, of Waynesville, RFD No. 2, has recently been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement in the German campaign, according to information received from the European theater.

Captain Franklin left here with the National Guard in Sept. 1940 and was trained at the following posts before being sent overseas: Fort Jackson, Camp Blanding, Camp Forrest, Tenn., Camp Atterbury and was given special training twice at Fort Benning, Ga. At the time he entered the service he was employed by the Champion Paper and Fibre Company, Canton. He has been overseas since February, 1944 and is attached to the 119th Infantry, 30th Infantry Division. He has one brother in the service, Troy Franklin, First Class.

### Former Haywood Man Killed In Action In Pacific

Private Jack Chambers, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Chambers, of Kelson, formerly of Haywood county, was killed in action in the Pacific theatre, it has been learned from his parents. Mrs. Glenn Howell and Miss Louise Rogers, of Canton.

Pvt. Chambers volunteered for service two years ago, after resigning as personnel director of the Seattle, Wash., Employment Agency. He has previously been wounded. His brother, Lt. Walter P. Chambers, was killed in action in January of this year and a brother-in-law has also been lost in action.

He is survived by his parents, a sister, and a brother, Lt. Rogers Chambers, U. S. Navy.

### Seventeen Leave Here In June Quota For Fort Bragg

Seventeen men left here Tuesday morning, making up the June quota of the selective service system from the Waynesville area, for induction for active duty in the armed forces at Fort Bragg, Elmer David Hendrix was named leader of the group.

Six men in the group were transfers as follows: James Randolph Hall, Jr., from Franklin; Marvin Ralph Thompson, from Yorktown, Va.; Frank Jackson Hannah, from Franklin; Floyd Graybeal Mehaffey, from Salem, N. J.; Henry Hayes Setzer, from Salem, N. J.; and John Robert Ferguson, from Newport News, Va.

Others making up the call were: Spencer Walker, Jack Guy Rector, James Donaldson Kelley, R. L. Ledford, Bob Rogers, Jack Ray Ferguson, Roy Elden Arrington, Frank Holden and Noble Jonas Wyatt.

### 13 Guernsey Cattle Bought By Haywood Dairymen

#### Rationing Board To Close Here Every Wednesday

Announcement was made yesterday that the War Price and Rationing Board Office will be closed all day every Wednesday in order that the staff can make out numerous detailed reports for the district offices. The office will also be closed the first of every month for the same reason, it was explained.

### R. Flake Shaw Executive Secy. State FB To Speak

R. Flake Shaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, will address a mass meeting of the Haywood county farmers at the court house here on Tuesday evening, July 3, at 8:30 o'clock, according to an announcement by Glenn C. Palmer, president of the Haywood County Farm Bureau.

The speaker, a Guilford county farmer, is one of the state's most outstanding agricultural leaders. He maintains a diversified farm operations in the Piedmont section of North Carolina. His broad knowledge of agricultural problems has been obtained the hard way, from personal experience.

Mr. Shaw is a master farmer and from 1934 until 1940 served as State AA Committeeman. In 1940 he was drafted by the agricultural leadership of the state to head the North Carolina Farm Bureau. Under his leadership the organization has grown from 2,200 members to over 35,000 at the present time.

All the farmers in the county who are interested in maintaining a sound agricultural program in the post-war period are urged to attend this meeting.

### Lt. Hugh L. Davis Killed In Action On Okinawa

Second Lieutenant Hugh L. Davis, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil R. Davis, of the Iron Duff section of the county, has been reported killed in action on Okinawa on April 28, according to a message received by his parents this week.

Lt. Davis had been overseas for the past 18 months. He volunteered in the service in 1942 and was commissioned in the airborne infantry at Fort Benning, Ga. Prior to service at Okinawa he had also been in the Philippines.

Lt. Davis was a graduate of Georgetown University, and at the time he entered the service was a law student.

Surviving are his parents, two sisters, Mrs. John Penny, of New York City, and Mrs. Alden Walker, of Upper Monclair, N. J.

### Maj. J. H. Kennedy Received Citation In Pacific Area

Major John H. Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy, of Jonathan Creek, has recently been cited for his work in the Pacific theatre, according to information received by his parents.

The citation in part read as follows: "Major John H. Kennedy, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 October, 1944, to 20 November, 1944, in connection with military operations against the enemy. As construction officer of the Ordnance section of a major base, Major Kennedy was charged with the establishment and supervision of construction of combat and transport vehicles, anti-air-

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### Second Promotional Sale Was Successful From Every Angle. Sponsors Report.

Thirteen of the 24 Guernsey animals sold at the second annual promotional sale here Wednesday afternoon were bought by Haywood dairymen.

The sale was termed a success by all sponsors, which was held in the new dairy barn at the State Test Farm. Tom McCord was auctioneer.

The sale average was \$200 a head, with the top price for a cow being \$300 and the top bull brought \$310. Both of these were bought by G. C. Palmer, Jr., who bought four head in all. The total for the sale was \$4,805.

Grady Howell, of route two, won the 15-month Guernsey heifer from the Osborne farm which was a prize given by Pet Dairy Products Company to a producer.

Among the Haywood buyers were: J. E. Ferguson, 2, G. C. Palmer, Jr., 4, F. L. Leopold, Gussie Noland, C. N. Allen, Joe Reinster, Edith Noland, M. H. Caldwell and C. H. Fish.

Other animals went to dairymen in Jackson county, Franklin, Asheville, Morganton, Salisbury, Shelby, Mars Hill, South Carolina and two to New York.

A number of state dairy specialists were here for the sale, and R. B. Davenport, district manager of Pet Dairy Products Company, Howard Clapp, county agent, and Dean Colvard, assistant director in charge of the Test Farm, estimated an attendance of 400 people at the sale.

The Morning Star Home Demonstration Club served lunch at the sale.

### Sgt. Joe Palmer Hon. Discharged From Marines

Sergeant Joe H. Palmer, U. S. Marines, was honorably discharged from the service on June 19, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, Calif., and arrived home this week.

Sgt. Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Palmer, entered the service in September, 1942, and reported at Quantico, Va., for training. Before being assigned to overseas duty he was given further training at New River, and Camp Pendleton.

Sgt. Palmer served for one year in the Pacific theatre and was wounded in action on Tinian Island last July. He returned to the States last September and since that time has been a patient in the Naval Hospital, San Diego, Calif.

He is entitled to wear a Presidential unit citation, the Purple Heart, Bronze Star for gallantry in action, and the Pacific theatre ribbon.

At the time he entered the service he was assistant county farm agent of Madison County.

### Dr. French Haynes Promoted To Full Professor At Coker

Dr. French Haynes, of Coker College, has recently been promoted from associate to full professor of English, according to an announcement this week from Hartsville, S. C.

Dr. Haynes, a native of Clyde, where she still maintains her residence, received her B. A. degree from Meredith College, and holds an M. A. and Ph. D. degrees from Cornell University. For a number of summers she taught at the Asheville Normal College.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Christy, Jr., and two children, Claude and Nancy, of Chicago, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Matney, the parents of Mrs. Christy, who was the former Miss Louise Matney.

### Liberated



PVT ERNEST ROGERS, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Rogers, of Waynesville, who was liberated from a German prison camp on May 1, by a company from the Russian army.

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### Sgt. Jack Crawford Killed In Plane Crash, Tampa Bay

Sergeant Jack E. Crawford, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Crawford, of the Iron Duff section of the county, was killed in a plane crash in Tampa Bay, Fla., last Wednesday. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Antioch Baptist Church in the Iron Duff community. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

The local unit of the State Guard, commanded by Capt. Guy Messer, assisted by Rev. Forrest Ferguson, conducted military rites.

The body arrived here at 12:30 Sunday and was taken to the Crawford Funeral Home where it remained until the hour of the service. Sgt. Ollie Thaxton accompanied the body here from MacDill Field.

Sgt. Crawford entered the service on May 26, 1943, and was stationed at MacDill Field at the time of the crash of the Superfortress in which he was flying. He was serving as radio-gunner aboard the aircraft.

Surviving are the parents, three sisters, Mrs. Carl Ferguson, of Crabtree, Miss Mildred and Miss Barbara Anne Crawford, of Iron Duff, three brothers, Thad and Dee Crawford, and Billy Crawford, seaman, first class, now stationed in New York.

### Sgt. J. L. Ruff Wounded In Philippines

Sgt. Johnnie L. Ruff, who is serving in Manila, has been wounded, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess V. Ruff, of Hazlewood, from Brig. Gen. Hugh Hoffman, who is in command in the Philippines. The date was not given in the message.

Sgt. Ruff is in the First Cavalry Division and was one of the men in the Flying Squadron who helped liberate 3,700 Allied civilian internees that were held prisoners in Santo Thomas University.

Sgt. Ruff entered the service on October 3, 1941, and took his basic training at Fort Riley, Kan., and Fort Bliss, Tex., before being sent overseas in May, 1943. He served first in Australia and then New Guinea. He has recently been awarded the Purple Heart.

He has three brothers in the service: Pfc. Leslie Ruff, now in England; Perry Ruff, seaman first class on Okinawa, and Lonnie Ruff, seaman first class in South Pacific.

### Canning Sugar Certificates Being Issued By Board

The staff of the rationing board and volunteers have been burning the midnight oil to get canning sugar stamps into the mail.

Plans yesterday were to complete the task by this week-end, and get the majority of applications filled. More than 15,000 people applied for canning sugar from the local board.

A maximum of eight pounds per person is being issued. Members of the Lions Club will assist the staff in issuing the sugar certificates on Thursday night, and if any additional help is needed, plans are for the Rotary Club to help later.

### Badge of Honor



Do you know the meaning of this emblem?

It is the design of the little gold button worn on the lapel by an Honorably Discharged Veteran of World War II.

He is back from the war, starting life again as a civilian.

Honor the wearer. Help him if you can.

### Canton Has \$50,000 Blaze

Fire of an undetermined origin destroyed the Canton Ice and Laundry firms early Wednesday morning, causing damages estimated at \$50,000.

Fred Sheehan, formerly of Waynesville, operated the laundry and dry cleaning place and M. C. Sprinkle operated the ice plant. Mr. Sprinkle owned both businesses.

It was reported that a series of explosions rocked the boiler room of the laundry W. N. Stroup, chief of police, said that flames were breaking through the laundry roof at the time and reached the scene.

It was stated yesterday that one of the greatest losses possibly would be that suffered by families whose laundries for the week were being processed at the time.

### Lt. Robt. Pearson Killed In Plane Crash At Arcadia

Lt. Robert L. Pearson, 25, only son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pearson, of Balsam, was killed in an airplane crash near Arcadia, Fla., on Thursday, June 21. His death occurred when two Flying Fortress collided about seven miles from Arcadia.

Funeral services were held for Lt. Pearson Monday morning at Abner Creek Baptist church near Greer, S. C., and burial followed in the church cemetery. Rev. L. J. Keels, Rev. D. K. Hill and Rev. John Lewis officiated.

The body was brought to Greer at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon and remained at the Wood mortuary until the hour of the service.

Lt. Pearson was born near Greer, S. C., but moved to Balsam with his parents a few years ago. His father is the agent at the Southern Railway station at Balsam. Lt. Pearson is a graduate of the Silva high school and attended Clemson College. At the time he entered the service he was employed by a powder plant in South Carolina.

### Ceiling Prices Of Meats Ready For Housewives

Complete lists of the legal ceiling prices on all grades and cuts of meat, printed in a convenient size that will hold to fit the purse, have been received in a limited quantity at the War Price and Rationing Board, Rufus Siler, chairman, said yesterday.

Housewives and shoppers may obtain these lists by calling in person at the local War Price and Rationing Board or by sending a penny postcard, he explained.

"We are placing in the hands of consumers a simple and powerful weapon to help smash black market in meat," Mr. Siler said.

### Registration Of Papers Showing Daily Increases

Records Of Discharges Are Being Filed By Register Of Deeds Now At 203.

The picture of the war is changing in Haywood county as it is over the nation.

The discharges are thinning, and the men coming back are increasing in numbers.

In the two draft offices of the county, here and in Canton, there are records of 461 men already honorably discharged from the armed forces.

Of this number only 203 have been filed discharged with the office of the register of deeds. The filing of the records is not compulsory, but is a service offered the men free of charge for their own protection.

The discharge papers contain a complete record of the man, including his place of induction, when he entered, his combat participation, his awards, the length of service, and place of discharge. They are invaluable as historical for future generations.

In cases where the original discharge papers have been lost other papers may be made up showing the official discharge, but in a few years it would be impossible to have the authentic records in their entirety.

Often men wait years to file their discharges, according to Brynne Medford, register of deeds. One Haywood veteran of the Spanish-American War got around to filing his discharge more than forty years after he had laid aside his uniform of the then current blue for civilian garb. He took a long chance, pointed out Mr. Medford.

Recently a veteran of World War I, and his son, a veteran of World War II, came into the office together to file their discharges, according to Mrs. W. L. McCracken, clerk.

In the few instances where men have been discharged other than honorably during World War II, in practically every case they are trying to get back into the service to clear their records, it was learned.

The government, except in very rare cases offers this opportunity to those who have served in the armed forces.

Those who have registered their discharges, which give a full and very fine historical account of Haywood men in World War II, and their places of discharge are as follows:

George Robert Gaddy, A/S, at Bainbridge, Md.

Roger Lee Best, Seaman 2nd class, at Bainbridge, Md.

Glenn E. Green, Private, Army, (Continued on page 4)

### Building Being Modernized For Hazelwood Cafe

The former theatre building on Main Street in Hazelwood is being remodeled for a modern cafe, it was learned this week from C. N. Allen, one of the owners of the building.

Earl Scruggs has leased the building and is having modern fixtures made for the opening of an up-to-date cafe.

A modern glass front is being built to the building, and other improvements made throughout.

### Special Day Set For Selling Lambs At Asheville Yards

Friday, July 6, has been set aside as a special day for marketing lambs at the Asheville stockyards, according to information from the county farm agent's office.

There will be buyers at the stockyards who are especially interested in lambs that day, and Haywood county farmers who have lambs for sale are urged to take them to the markets at this time.

Haywood Casualty List	
As of Today:	
Killed in action	99
Wounded	215
Prisoners	6
Missing in action	25
Liberated	20
TOTAL	365