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## **Byrd Brothers In The Service**





Above, on the left, is Capt. Wilson Byrd, 27, and, right, Corp. Clarence W. Byrd, 22, sons of Mrs. Pearl Byrd, 1939 Daniel street, Roanoke Rapids. Capt. Byrd, husband of the former Miss Priscilla Palmer of New York, entered the service in September, 1942. He is now stationed in Alaska.

Clarence entered the Marine Corps about three years ago, was overseas for 14 months and was wounded in action in the battle of Bougainville. He is now in Washington, D. C.

## Red' Taylor aid Missing

rears old, is reported by the Navy Department as missing in action "somewhere" in the Philippines war theatre. Young Taylor, a storekeeper, third cless, entered the Navy September 6, 1942. He had been overseas for several months and visited his grandmother, Mrs. W. A. Taylor, who resides at 201 Madison street, Roanoke Rapids, last June. Immediately after his visit he was sent verseas again.

r dated December 20, 1944. This is the last word heard from him.

William was the son of W. H. Taylor, who lives near Aurelian Springs. Before going into the service he was employed by Bill Hay- ther Harris, 59, who shot himselt slip and Eveready Cleaners.

## William Shelton Made Captain

Virginia Hart Shelton, formerly of Roanoke Rapids, received a letter recently announcing that her son, William R. Shelton, Jr., had been promoted to Captain in the Army Air Corps and also had been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious achievement. He now has five oak leaf clusters and has flown in 43 combat missions. Capt. Shelton entered the service as a in the regular army he was awarded several medals for marksmanship and other accomplishments. His basic training was received at mission as Lieutenant he transferred to the Air Corps, and after receiving his training was sent overseas in the early summer of

### **Must Have 'It'**

Anyone applying to the War Price and Rationing Board for gasoline for any purpose MUST present the mileage rationing record issued for the car that will be used. This applies to furlough, special, or supplemental applications.

# who lives with her grandmother, received a letter from her broth-

Funeral services for James Lulast Sunday with a revolver, and died before reaching the Roanoke Rapids Hospital, were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 from the Seaboard Methodist Church. The rites were conducted by Rev. John Robinson, with interment in the Seaboard cemetery.

Mr. Harris was born in Northampton County and had large farming interests in the Seaboard community. No reason could be assigned for his act.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs Vera Bozeman Harris; two daughters, Mrs. Whitt Griffin of Murfreesboro and Vera Scott Harris of the home; three sons, James L. private in the army in 1941. While Harris, Jr., with the Navy overseas, Randolph, with the Navy overseas, and Reid Harris, in the Army, stationed in Chicago; two brothers, H. Russell Harris and W. ort Belvoir in the Engineering Lemuel Harris of Seaboard; five orps, soon after receiving a com-sisters, Mrs. Willie Reece of High sisters, Mrs. Willie Reece of High Point, Mrs. Beatrice Harris of Seaboard, Mrs. R. M. Dairs of Tarboro, Mrs. J. T. Peebles of Jackson, and Mrs. R. E. Broun of Roanoke Rapids.

# LIEUT. NORTHINGTON IS KILLED IN ACT

## 1945 March Of Dimes To Open Monday, January 15

The 1945 Fund-Raising Appeal of The National Foundation for War Prisoner Infantile Paralysis in celebration of the President's Birthday will be opened officially throughout the nation on Monday, January 15.

The appeal will continue through January 31 and is the twelfth annual campaign in the war against infantile paralysis, said D. E. Bennett, Halifax County chairman, in announcing plans for participation.

"Last year," Mr. Bennett said, 'America sustained the second worst epidemic of infantile paralysis ever to hit the nation in the history of the disease. More than 18,000 people were stricken and many of 1944's victims will require medical care and treatment for a long period of time.

"We do not know what is in store for this county or any other county of the nation in 1945. But it is up to all of us who value the health and welfare of America's children to prepare now for any eventuality," Mr. Bennett add-

Other chairmen in addition to Mr. Bennett, are: Mrs. George Wood, county chairman, women's division; F. S. Kemp, chairman county schools; S. H. Crumpler, chairman publicity; T. B. Glover, Roanoke Rapids chairman; C. S. Alexander, Scotland Neck chair-(Continued on page 12-Sect. A)



Word has been received by Mrs. W. B. Waters, 916 Rapids Street, that her son, Pvt. Joseph F. Waters, who was previously reported missing on October 4, is now a German prisoner. She received the message Thursday, January 4, from the War Department through the Red Cross.

Nathan T. Young, 73 years of age, father of Sam Young of Roanoke Rapids, and Mrs. J. E. Mc-Lamb of Erwin, died Tuesday, January 2, at his home near Goldsboro. Death was due to complications. The body was taken to the old home-place church Thursday afternoon where it lay in state for several hours.

Funeral services were conducted from the church by Rev. Byrd of Erwin and interment was in the church cemetery.

## **Myrick Wins Purple Heart**

Perry Lee Myrick, son of Mrs. Della W. Myrick, of Littleton, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action on October 14, 1944. He is now in a Hospital in Italy.

## **Legion Meeting** On Next Sunday

The Robert E. May Post of the American Legion will meet next ing room work. He is the son of Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Magee of this the Legion rooms at the Armory, it was announced today.

dolph Northington, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Northington, of Roanoke Rapids, was killed in action over England, on December 24, according to a War Department message received by the family last Thursday afternoon.

Lieut. Northington, a former manager of one of the local A & P stores in this city, volunteered for service in the Army Air Corps in June, 1942, and received his basic training at Keesler Field, Miss. After completing an 18 weeks' courre in high altitude precision bombing at the AAF Border Bombardier School, he was awarded his silver bombardier wings in August, of last year. During his training at Biggs Field, El Paso, Tex., he had the best C. E. record of any bombardier on the field. He left for overseas duty the latter part of November, 1944.

Lieut. Northington was the husband of the former Miss Ruth Green Hardison of Weldon. She and their only child, Robert Rudolph, Jr., reside in that city.

Other relatives who survive are his parents, two sisters, Mrs. O. D. Poe of Roanoke Rapids, and Miss Virginia Northington of Williamsburg, Va.; two brothers, Lionel F. Northington, who is serving overseas, and Thomas B. Northington of this city.

## Pfc. Robt. Rogers **Now In England**

Pfc. Robert Allison Rogers has notified his family of his arrival with the army in England. Pvt. Rogers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allison Rogers of Halifax He was with Halifax Farmers Supply before he entered service in December, 1942. His wife was the former Lula Belle McAllister of Roanoke Rapids. She is living here with her parents. Pvt Rogers' brother, George Browning Rogers, was killed in a plane crash in October, 1943.

### Hayes Is Made 1st Leutenant

Friends of George L. Hayes who is now stationed in the States after serving in the Netherlands West Indies for 22 months, will be interested to know that he was promoted to Lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserves, January 1. Lt. Hayes entered the Navy in the fall of 1942, having volumteered soon after graduating from the University of North Carolina. He is the son of Mrs. Fannie Hayes of Roanoke Rapids.

## **James Magee Now Overseas**

James Ira Magee, pharmacist first class, has arrived overseas. He entered service in November of 1942 and trained at Great Lakes, Ill., and Saint Albans, N. Y., where he received a course in surgical technique and operatcity. James' father is come with the Seaboard Railroad here

## Here's Bad News For Japs - Nazis

Here's bad news for Gercents from Halifax County:

The county's quota in the Sixth War Loan campaign just closed was \$1,281,000.

The "E" bond quota was \$451,000. The amount of "E" bonds

purchased was \$518,787.50. "E" bond quota oversubscribed, \$67,787.50. County dollar quota oversub-

scribed, \$1,322,731.50. Total bond sales in the county \$2,603,731.50.

How's that? Fine, thank you. And F. H. Gregory, county chairman, and H. E. Lee, Roanoke Rapids chairman, along with all the other campaign chairmen and workers extend grateful thanks to Halifax County people and the school "kids" for a wonderful job.

## Sgt. Warren Is Now In France

Sgt. Harry Lee Warren, of Littleton, has arrived in France with the Army. Sgt. Warren is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Warren of Norfolk, Va., formerly of Littleton. He trained in Georgia, Oklahoma, Washington, Nebraska, and Texas. His wife is the former Miss Mary Cooke of Littleton.