



NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

CHARLES B. COMBS, SM third class, S. C. G., has spent a 14-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Combs, of Vilas. Charles is stationed at the present, at Fort Tilden, N. Y.

PVT. JESSIE C. JOHNSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson, of Sugar Grove, who trained at Fort McClellan, Ala., is now in Italy. He has been in the army for nine months.

Completes Year of Foreign Service 15th AAF in Italy—Sgt. Barnard L. Norris, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy J. Norris, Route 2, Boone, N. C., recently completed his first year of foreign service in Italy. Sgt. Norris is an airplane mechanic in a veteran B-24 heavy bombardment group of the 15th air force in Italy and has been in the army since Jan. 15, 1943, when he was inducted at Camp Croft, S. C.

WILLIAM LESTER DEAL, Q.M. first class, who has been in the Pacific theatre of operations for the past three years, is on a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Deal, of Sherwood. During his stay in the Pacific he participated in 13 major naval engagements.

ERNEST LEWIS, seaman first class, U. S. Navy, left Monday on his return to New York, after spending a few days at the home of his sister, Mrs. Rob Rivers, and Mr. Rivers.

SGT. JACK L. PROFFITT is back in action on the Italian front, after having recovered from wounds received recently. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Proffitt, of Vilas, have received the Purple Heart, which has been awarded to their son.

T-SGT. DELL RICHARDSON left Wednesday for Miami, Fla., after spending 21 days visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Richardson, of Boone.

CPL. ROY COFFEY, of Boone, has arrived in New York, after having been seriously wounded in the fighting in Germany.

Recovering From Operation Friends will be glad to learn that J. Alonzo Moretz, M.A.M., third class, United States Navy, is recovering from an operation in an overseas hospital.

LT. JACK T. LAWRENCE, son of George M. and the late Lena Culver Lawrence, was recently commissioned in the field. He has been in service since April, 1942, and has served continuously in the European area since June of that year. He is now in France. Lt. Lawrence is a former Appalachian student, and a brother of Mrs. E. T. Glenn, of Boone.

S. Sgt. Claude F. Greene Sends Souvenirs

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Greene, of Deep Gap, have just received a package from their son, S. Sgt. Claude F. Greene, containing German souvenirs, a scarf, fork, knife and spoon; two pocket knives, a compass, a calendar, two German belts and other small German souvenirs. Sgt. Greene writes that he has another package of souvenirs to send home as soon as he gets time to wrap them.

GOLDEN GUERNSEY
Grade A Raw Milk
New River Dairy
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American Carrier Planes Blast Jap Fleet

15 to 17 Warships Damaged, and 475 Planes Destroyed by Raiders

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Guam, March 21—American aircraft flying from the mightiest carrier fleet ever assembled, attacked the Jap fleet in the empire's island seas Monday in one of the boldest exploits of the war, and damaged 15 to 17 enemy warships, including one or two battleships, and destroyed at least 475 planes.

The enemy fleet thus was hit in its home waters for the first time, but no actual engagement between surface units was announced. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced the daring attack today in a communique which said preliminary surveys of damage showed that two or three aircraft carriers, four light cruisers, two cruisers, four destroyers and various other war vessels also were included in the bag.

Six freighters were sunk and a number of ground installations were destroyed.

Heaton News

Mrs. Lee (Dick) Davis gave a birthday party for her daughter, Francine, Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. O. McGuire of Heaton, in honor of her tenth birthday. A good time was had by all present and the honoree received several pretty gifts. Refreshments were served.

First Sgt. Charles H. Barlowe, who has been serving with General Patton's army in Germany, has been spending a furlough in Heaton with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Barlowe, and his wife, Mrs. Virginia Barlowe. His sister, Mrs. Ray Wilson, lives at Zionville.

Paul Heaton, seaman first class, son of Mrs. Lou Heaton, spent a few days with his mother last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, of Zionville, visited relatives here recently.

Mrs. Lee Davis was shopping in Boone recently.

Hildreth Pritchard, H. 2c, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pritchard, here. He is stationed at Bainbridge, Md., and will return there for further training.

Pfc. Carl Laws has returned to the hospital in Nashville, Tenn., where he will receive treatment for wounds received in battle. He has been awarded the Purple Heart.

Glenwood Greer, seaman first class, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Greer, of Heaton. His wife is also with him.

Paper Drive Now In Progress Here

Citizens of Boone and surrounding areas are asked to save all the scrap paper, including corrugated cardboard, newspapers and magazines and tie them in bundles. The Boy Scouts will collect this paper from time to time and on Saturday, April 21, if the paper is set out on the front porches or on the sidewalks, the scouts will pick it up and bring it to the school.

This paper is urgently needed and Governor Cherry and all other state and national leaders are asking that every scrap of paper be saved.

Food supplies in prospect for civilian consumption in 1945 are somewhat smaller than the 1944 quantities, say government reports.

Civilians will be left with about one-sixth less chicken than last year because the army has stepped up its requirements.

Wounded



Staff Sgt. Boyd R. Blanton was wounded in Germany Feb. 9, according to word received by his wife, the former Ruth Combs, of Vilas. Staff Sgt. Blanton was inducted in May, 1943, and has been overseas since December.

Nazi Resistance West Of Rhine Is Crushed

Paris, March 21—The U. S. Seventh and Third armies formed a junction in the Saarland yesterday in a great co-ordinated assault that virtually wiped out the last German resistance west of the Rhine and captured the historic cities of Saarbrücken, Zweibrücken and Worms.

Contact between the two armies was made at a point about 12 miles west of Kaiserslautern by elements of the Seventh army's Sixth armored division and the Third army's 26th infantry division.

The third army, which drove through Kaiserslautern, reached the ancient Rhine-bank city of Mainz.

Saarbrücken, a city of 135,000 population and the capital and economic center of the industrial Saar, fell to Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh army as did Zweibrücken, 17 miles to east.

WOULD RESCUE N. C. MOUNTAIN

Congressman Irvin Urges Private Subscription to Save Grandfather Mountain

Washington, March 20—The case of Grandfather mountain, about to be subjected to commercial exploitation, was called to the attention of the house of representatives and the people of North Carolina today by Congressman Joe W. Ervin, 10th North Carolina district.

Mr. Ervin said that this mountain, the highest and most rugged peak in the Blue Ridge range, said to be geologically the most ancient of any mountain on the American continent, should be preserved for future generations.

"There are no federal funds available at this time with which to purchase this property," he said, "and in view of the size of the public debt after the war, we cannot rely upon any expectation that federal funds will be available for this purpose after the war."

The congressman expressed hope that the people of North Carolina, by private subscription, would "see fit" without delay, to acquire this property and preserve it in its natural beauty. He suggested that private subscription for such purposes could be deducted, in large measure, for income tax purposes.

"It occurs to me," said he, "that it would be appropriate for the people of the state to acquire and save it as a memorial to the patriots who will have sacrificed their lives in this war."

Mr. Ervin has written North Carolina government officials concerning this matter and has discussed it with Arlan P. Kelsey, of East Boxford, Mass., who formerly lived in the shadow of Grandfather mountain and whose article appearing in an issue of "Planning and Civic Comment" on the venerable landmark Mr. Ervin today placed in the Congressional Record.

Burley tobacco is usually aged from 18 months to approximately 30 months before being used in the manufacture of cigarettes.

Lions To Sponsor Dance on April 3rd

A dance, sponsored by the Boone Lions club, will be held in the Appalachian high school auditorium on the night of April 3. Tickets may be purchased at the Boone Drug store, Carolina Pharmacy or the College Book store after Thursday. Proceeds from the dance will be used to meet obligations incurred by the high school football team, and also for meeting expenses incurred in the program for the blind in Watauga county.

Lion Cratis Williams explained in detail the nature of the annual Lions club show which will be held about the middle of April. Parts were given out to the Lions at the meeting Tuesday evening. Plans for the first rehearsal have been set for Tuesday, March 27. The Lionesses will have a part in this year's annual show.

Lion A. R. Smith had as one of his guests, Mr. M. H. Bruner, of Clemson, S. C., who showed and explained articles which are now manufactured from cellulose. Cellulose comes from cotton, trees, cornstalks, etc. Hammers, beads, glasses for reading, false teeth, etc., can be

made from this material, which America once threw away. Visitors at the meeting Tuesday night were J. H. O'Daniel, of Charlotte; Mr. Larsen, manager of the Appalachian theatre in Boone, and M. H. Bruner, of Clemson, S. C.

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HUNT'S Easter Fashion Finds



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Paramount Presents
BING BETTY SONNY
CROSBY HUTTON TUFTS
"Here come The Waves"
Also
SHORT SUBJECTS

THURSDAY
ROSALIND RUSSELL
and JACK CARSON
"Roughly Speaking"
WARNERS Laugh-Snatch
with
ROBERT HUTTON • JEAN SULLIVAN • ALAN HALE
DONALD WOODS • ANDREA KING
Screen Play by Louis Brodsky
From the Book "Roughly Speaking"
Music Composed and Adapted by Max Baer
Directed by MICHAEL CURTIZ
(Pre-release)

FRIDAY
9c—Bargain Day—20c
Pat Parrish
Jackie Moran
in
"Let's Go Steady"
Also
LAUREL AND HARDY in
"MUSIC BOX"

SATURDAY
11:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m.
Allan Lane
and
Janet Martin
in
"CALL OF THE SOUTH SEAS"
Also
COMEDY AND SERIAL

SATURDAY
7:00 to 10:30 p. m.
ROD CAMERON
Riders of the Santa Fe
FUZZY KNIGHT Eddie • Jennifer Holt
RAY WILSON and His Bar • 5 Ladies
Also
"BLACK ARROW" No. 9
and COMEDY

MONDAY
The Hilarious Scream-heart
of Screen and Radio
JOAN DAVIS
in
"SHE GETS HER MAN"
with
Leon Errol
Also
SHORT SUBJECTS

TUESDAY
Those Boys Are Here Again!
Abbott and Costello
in
"HERE COME THE CO-EDS"
Plus
SHORT SUBJECTS

WEDNESDAY
Philip Dorn
Mary Astor
in
"Blonde Fever"
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SHORT SUBJECTS

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