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CRASH KILLS ONE; TWO MAY DIE 5 OTHERS INJURED

Nephews of Ed Moore Hurt In Wreck Due To Too Much Speed

One is dead, two others are fighting for life with fractured skulls, and five more were injured Monday evening when their automobile was wrecked on a steep curve on Highway 64 about two miles east of Pine Log bridge, in Clay County.

Rex Moore, of Hayesville and Max Patterson, of Philadelphia both seriously injured in the crash, are nephews of Mr. E. C. Moore, widely known Murphy business man. Patterson had come to Hayesville to visit his grandfather, and brought Carl Stahl and Walter Kopec, two Philadelphia friends with him.

Monday afternoon the four youths and four girls went out for a drive. The girls are the Misses Mary Enloe, Opal McClure, Alice Huffman and Inez Parker, all of the Hayesville section. The fatal crash followed.

The skull of Carl Stahl was crushed in the wreck. Unconscious and bleeding from gashes in his face and body, he was rushed to Petrie hospital, but died on the way. Walter Kopec suffered a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain, and is now in Petrie hospital. His condition is reported to be grave.

Miss Mary Enloe also suffered a fracture of the skull and may not survive.

The Misses Opal McClure, Alice Huffman and Inez Parker received severe cuts, bruises and possible internal injuries.

Max Patterson received severe

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Only 85 Register On New Draft List; Warning Sounded

Only 85 persons in all Cherokee County registered for the draft on Tuesday, July 1st, when the law required that all those who have reached the age of 21 since the first draft sign up for possible service.

Members of the County Draft Board believe that this number is too small. If necessary the birth records will be investigated, and if any are found who should have registered, and failed to do so, they will be treated as "slackers," and prosecuted criminally.

Failure to register means an almost certain term in the penitentiary. The law specifies that the punishment shall be jail, or fine, or both.

Secretary of the Board Wayne Walker stated that the complete record must be sent to Washington not later than July 9.

"If any man who has passed his 21st birthday since the first draft but failed to register on July 1st, comes in with a sound excuse, the Board will overlook his tardiness," Walker said. "However, it will not be enough for such a young man to say he was 'too busy'. The Federal Government regards registering as the most important business there is."

Registrations are to be made in the Draft Board offices in the Mauney building, in Murphy.



LET FREEDOM RING!

The coming Fourth of July may well be most important since Independence Day came into being back in 1776. Our Fourth of July was born to celebrate the independence of a new nation. This year it finds not only our own freedom endangered, but the freedom of the whole world.

One year hence.—Please God—that danger may have passed. One year hence the would-be world conqueror and his gray-clad Nazi legions may have been conquered.

Whether they can or will be conquered without our own forces going into action, only the future can tell. All of us pray that such may be the case—few of us believe it can come to pass.

Meanwhile more than a million men are under arms, and 900,000 more are to be inducted into the service within the near future. Against our every desire, we stand on the brink of war. Not a war of offense, either, but a war of defense.

For many months the cry has been

raised against sending our boys overseas. Meanwhile, Isolationists have declared, over and over, that our geographical position is a lasting guarantee against our attack by the Nazis, Japan, or any other foreign power.

Today, on the eve of the Fourth of July, these glib promises of security are all too patently without meaning. The Department of Justice has just drawn in a drag-net which caught 29 German spies, some of whom have been watched, G-Man Hoover says, for more than a year. But, do you think this drag net got all of them? You know better.

German "tourists" in the United States are this very hour devising ways of destroying our airplane factories in the East and West.

Our small towns, where vast quantities of vital aircraft accessories and parts are now under manufacture, are also of special interest to these Nazi "tourists."

Unquestionably there is one such Nazi "tourist" in our town, or in a neighboring community.

Tommorrow, German bombs may crash on Main Street! That our Government believes this likely was made plain last week when anti-aircraft units were placed in position on airplane-factory roofs and grounds in California and elsewhere.

Also, last week, "The Aeroplane," spokesman for British aircraft manufacturers, revealed that German "tourists" in the United States were "exploring the possibilities of attacks on New York City, the Brewster, Grumman and Republic airplane factories on Long Island, the Glenn Martin Works at Baltimore and the Siorsky plants at Hartford, Conn., and other aircraft manufacturing centers." These plants now are under night-and-day guard—and the posting of these Army guards is no "practice maneuver."

This suggests very powerfully that, in the defense of our loved ones, our friends and our property, all of us whose eyes are open must unite immediately in this Flight for Freedom. We haven't a moment to lose.

J. W. Blackwell, Uncle Of Fred Johnson, Dies

Chief of Police, Fred Johnson, received word Wednesday that his uncle, J. W. Blackwell had died that morning at his home in Royston, Ga., and that funeral services had been set for 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Blackwell residence.

The deceased, 85 years old, was well known in Cherokee, where he formerly lived. For more than fifteen years he was in the merchandising business in Culberson.

Cash Prizes Offered In White Lily Contest

Housewives of Cherokee county and surrounding area now have an excellent opportunity to win cash prizes through a weekly contest being carried on currently by the makers of White Lily flour. The contest involves only the submitting of your favorite recipe with other minor requirements. Read full details of contest in advertisement appearing elsewhere in this paper.

Ham Scroggs Baby Girl Dies; Buried Saturday

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ham Scroggs of Brasstown, who died Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock, was buried Saturday. Funeral services were held at the Brasstown church and interment was in the church cemetery by Ivie Funeral Home.

She is survived by her parents, two sisters, Janice and Louise and Louise and two brothers, Sammy and Billy.

16 MORE CALLED TO DRAFT ARMY; LEAVING JULY 22

Contingent Will Go To Fort McPherson, Ga. Instead of Bragg

Sixteen more Cherokee County youths have been called to the colors, and will leave for camp Tuesday morning, July 22nd.

For the first time since the draft started, the Cherokee County contingent will be sent to Fort McPherson, Georgia. All previous contingents have been sent to Fort Bragg, N. C.

Here are the ones who will go, provided they pass the physical examination:

- Lois Edwin Ramsey,
- Joe Marvin Woodrew,
- William Wade Coffee,
- Kenneth Robert Colver,
- Archie Lee Hardin,
- Clyde Harvey Hampton,
- Arthur Ellis Panther,
- William McKinley Tanner,
- Robert Calvin Johnson,
- James Aaron Morris,
- Carl Haden Allen,
- James Wilford Allen,
- Clifford William McClure,
- Charley Albert Rogers,
- Arnold Edward Rowland,
- Clayton Winslow Stiles.

Ernest Loudermilk Shot Below Heart In "Gallery" Fight

Ernest Loudermilk, of the Factory town section of Murphy is in Petrie hospital near death from a bullet wound below the heart and T. C. Beavers employed at a rifle gallery in Murphy is in the County Jail charged with the shooting.

The affair happened at the rifle gallery Saturday afternoon, and Beavers claims he shot in self defense.

"Loudermilk had been drinking," Beavers said "and came into the gallery and started an argument. I asked him to leave the place and he got mad and climbed over the counter to attack me. I knocked him down."

"When Loudermilk got up, he drew a knife. I backed away and warned him to keep off, or he might get hurt. He kept coming, and I grabbed a rifle off the counter and shot him. I had to shoot to save my own life."

The .22 calibre bullet pierced Loudermilk's chest, and he fell. He was taken immediately to Petrie Hospital where it was stated, as the Scout goes to press, that the patient was "doing as well as could be expected."

County NYA Worker Makes Good at Raleigh

Hubert Donald Allen from Vest who was assigned to the NYA Resident center at State College in Raleigh on May 30th now has regular employment with the sub-station crew of the Carolina Power and Light Company.