

Employment Offices To Supply Essential War Workers First

Priority In Labor Established; Local Manager Says War Effort Served First

Directions for putting into operation the wartime plan of the United States Employment Service, as directed by the War Manpower Commission and Director John J. Corson, of the Service, have been received in the Murphy Employment Office, from Mrs. Gertrude K. Clinton, director for North Carolina, Manager C. I. Calhoun announces.

The wartime plan of service for all offices in the nation provides that four essential activities are to be performed by the local office staffs, including (1) serving essential war industries, (2) farm placement program, (3) occupational inventory, and (4) claims taking activities.

Essential activities, those which the local offices may now serve, Manager Calhoun explains, are defined as (1) establishments holding war contracts, (2) establishments holding subcontracts for war contractors, (3) establishments providing equipment and supplies for war contractors or their subcontractors, (4) all phases of agriculture, and (5) essential civilian activities, such as public utilities, transportation, hospitals, etc.

Under this plan, a priority is now established in labor, as well as in supplies and equipment, and local employment offices are directed to provide essential workers for employers on the basis of their priority, in cases in which such workers are needed by two employers. Manager Calhoun explains that the war effort must be served first and the more important of war industries must be supplied with workers, before less important industries can be served.

The U. S. Employment Service, in this State, as in all other states, is now on a full wartime basis and is strictly speaking, a war labor supply agency.

The farm placement program is given an important position, because the "food for freedom" campaign is definitely a wartime activity, Manager Calhoun states.

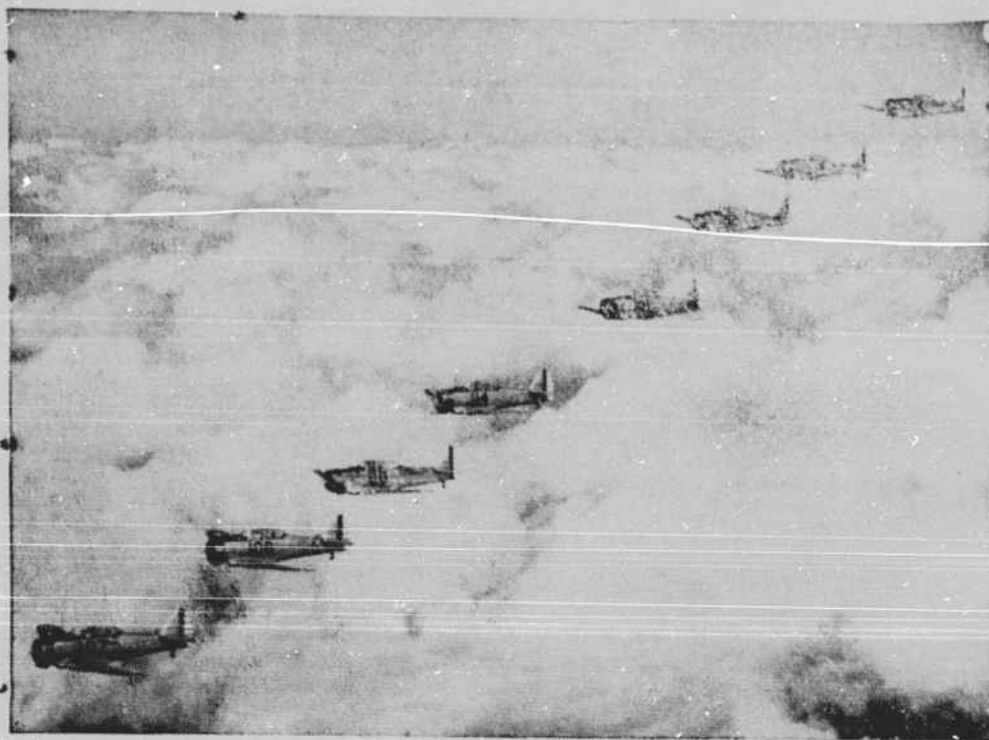
The occupational inventory, at present, has to do primarily with the Selective Service registrants. The Employment Service is directed to sort out all registration cards of those with essential and needed skills and suggest that they be placed in essential industries, rather than in the armed forces, Manager Calhoun explains.

Joseph H. Haigler Dies Following Long Illness

Joseph Harrison Haigler, age 78 years, died at his home, Murphy Rt. 2, Tuesday, July 28th, after an illness of seven months. He is survived by eight children, 4 girls; Mrs. Bertha Orander, Ramsey, Ind.; Mrs. Ruby Sylvester, of Murphy; Mrs. Julia Passmore, Benton, Tenn.; Mrs. Anna Lou Fretis, Hamilton, Ohio.

Four boys: Bass, of Murphy; Frank, of Ellijay; Don, Cherokee; Bob, Grandview. One brother, Henderson, of Hayesville; two sisters, Mrs. L. T. Cordell, of Asheville and Alice Parker, of Marble. Funeral services, with arrangements made by Townson, were held Thursday at 2 o'clock from the home and interment in family church yard. The Rev. G. W. Passmore officiated.

Aerial Precision Drill Above The Clouds



They're almost nesting in a field of cotton-topped clouds, these At-6's as they fly in echelon over Kelly Field, near San Antonio, Texas. And

the pilots are as much in the clouds as the planes, for today they get their wings as members of the largest class ever graduated by the

seven advanced Army flying schools of the Gulf Coast Army Air Forces Training Center. The planes are single-motored advanced trainers.

Bishop R. E. Gribbin Visits Congregations

Thomas Ersy Franks, of Andrews, received the Laying On of Hands in Confirmation at the Church of the Messiah Monday evening. The Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, of Asheville, officiated at the service, which marked his annual visitation of the parish.

Music for the service was provided by Mrs. Jerry Davidson, and Walter Carringer, who sang "Be Still, My Soul". Bishop Gribbin spent some time with the Episcopal congregations in Hiwassee Dam and Andrews before returning to Asheville Tuesday afternoon.

Laymen's Conference to Meet at Peachtree

There will be a men's meeting at the Peachtree Church, Sunday, August 9 at 2:30. It is very necessary for every pastor to be present and that some of the men from every Baptist church be present for this meeting. The women are also asked to be present, however, it is necessary for all pastors and some men from every church to be present. M. A. Huggins and others will be there to speak. The Executive Committee of the W. N. C. Association will meet for a few minutes after the general meeting is over.

John Grogan Falls From Cliff And Is Instantly Killed

John Grogan, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Grogan, of the Hangingdog section, sustained fatal injuries Saturday afternoon when he stepped from a high cliff near his home.

Mrs. Grogan, the youth's mother, also suffered painful bruises and scratches when she, too, fell from the lofty peak, and is in Murphy General Hospital for treatment.

The mother and son had lost their way in the woods and it was while trying to find their way back to the highway that they stepped off the bluff into an abandoned rock pit.

Funeral services for Mr. Grogan were held Sunday from White church, Hangingdog, with the Rev. John Mulkey officiating.

Townson Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

North Carolina Winged Warriors Finish Training

**W. J. Lovingood, Of
Marble, Among Army
Air Force Graduates**

RANDOLPH FIELD, Texas, Aug. 5.—At the seven advanced flying schools of the Gulf Coast Air Force Training Center, another "largest class in history" graduate today and pilots from North Carolina will receive the silver wings of the Army Air Force.

Graduation day marks the end of 27 weeks thorough, intensive flight training for this record class of the Gulf Coast Training Center, which includes the center one-third of the United States. As the insignia are pinned on the young flyers, miniature wings will be mailed to "honorary members" of the class—the mothers and girl friends of the graduates back home.

New Army Air Force Pilots from North Carolina include:

Lieut. Willard Jesse Lovingood, Marble (Ellington Field).

The graduate-flyers make up only one part of the lethal Air Force Combat Team. Throughout the year-round schedule navigators, bombardiers and gunners are also being graduated and receiving wings to mark their actual commencement of active flying duty. With the pilot, these men complete the working force of the warplane. The navigator plots the course of the ship, the bombardier plots the course of the bomb and the gunner protects the entire team from the fire of enemy craft.

Stray Dogs Will Be Taken Up Here

Mayor E. L. Shields has announced that all dogs found on the streets of Murphy between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. will be taken up if they are not accompanied by their owners, and that the owners of all stray dogs so taken up will be liable to a fine of \$10.00 and costs. This order becomes effective on Monday, August 10.

Criminal Court To Convene Here Monday

The August term of Superior court will convene here Monday morning, with Judge Don Phillips presiding. An unusually heavy docket is scheduled for hearing at this time, with several outstanding cases to come up for hearing. Criminal cases represent about 75 per cent of the docket, according to Court Clerk J. W. Donley.

Merchants and Clerks Enjoy Half Holiday

A survey of the local merchants participating in the half-holiday inaugurated here last Thursday reveal that the move was greatly appreciated by the different store managers and clerks. The streets of Murphy seemed deserted during the afternoon, and no complaints have been heard because of the closing of the stores.

ANDRWS YOUTH REPORTED TO BE MISSING

Vincent Gordon Cathey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew R. Cathey, of Andrews, is reported to be missing in action, according to a message received by his parents Tuesday.

Young Mr. Cathey is a member of the Merchant marine. Two months and ten days ago he was working in an Andrews A. and P. store.

Mr. Cathey graduated with honors from Andrews high school in the class of 1942 and was a star on the school's football squad.

He has one brother, Joseph Cathey of Andrews, and two sisters, Mrs. Emma Lee Sigmon, of Hickory, and Mrs. Nancy Owenby, of Peachtree.

The message to the parents came from the navy department in Washington and was as follows:

"The navy department deeply regrets to inform you that your son, Vincent Gordon Cathey, is missing following action in the performance of his duty and in the service of his country. The Coast Guard appreciates your great anxiety and will furnish you further information promptly when received."

Read The Want-Ads

LOCAL SALVAGE COMMITTEE WILL MAP CAMPAIGN

**Local Drive Is Part Of
Nationwide Drive To
Obtain Scrap Iron**

To meet the nation's war needs for scrap iron and steel and other salvage materials, a new intensive drive to be launched in the near future in Cherokee county to obtain several tons of scrap materials, will be discussed at a meeting of the local salvage committee at the office of the county agricultural agent it has been announced by A. Q. Ketner, county agent.

"As the war becomes more intensive on the various foreign fronts", Mr. Ketner said, "the need for scrap materials has steadily increased." He declared that while collections of various types of salvage have already been made here from time to time, the expanding requirements of the war program have made it necessary to obtain much larger amounts of materials.

The American steel industry this year hopes to produce a record-breaking 85,000,000 tons of steel—as much as all foreign countries put together can make. Our country alone this year is going to produce three tons of steel for every two tons the Axis can turn out.

To bring steel production up to the industry's full capacity of 90,000,000 tons in 1942. However, our steel industry needs an extra 6,000,000 tons of scrap steel for its furnaces. Every ton of scrap we can send them will swell our national production of tanks, ships, planes and guns.

Members of the local Committee, Mr. Ketner said, which has charge of the salvage campaign, are:

Mayor E. L. Shields, Chairman.
Joe Ray, vice-chairman.
K. C. Wright, secretary-treasurer.
Carl Whiteside, and A. Q. Ketner, Extension Service.

H. Bueck, Representing the schools.

Dr. L. T. Russell, Jr., representing the Lions Club.

John O'Dell, civilian defense.

Fred Johnson, police department.

E. O. Christopher.

Aline King.

In addition to scrap iron and steel the materials to be collected are brass and other non-ferrous metals, rubber, rope and fats.

Collection depots will be set up at which scrap iron and other salvage may be left.

Salvage will also be picked up by the following dealers of Murphy: Elbert Thorough and E. E. Stiles. These two dealers will call for your scrap if notified. Other scrap dealers include Sam Kaye and Mercer Fain. You may donate your scrap to this cause or if you wish, payment for the scrap will be made.

Mr. Ketner said many local civic organizations would be called upon to assist in the drive.

"An increasing number of boys from this city and county are already seeing active service," he said. "We on the home front must see to it that industry shall not lack the materials needed for adequately arming and equipping them," Mr. Ketner said.

S.S. Conference at Snow Hill Church Success

The West Liberty Associational Conference held at Snow Hill Baptist church last Sunday has been pronounced a success by those in attendance. A varied program of special music and topics was given, and a roll call of Sunday Schools taken, which was followed by the business session of the Association.