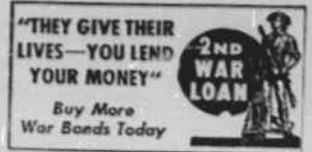




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Air-Raid Warning Tower Sponsored By Lions Club

An air-raid warning tower, five by eight feet, has been built at Wade Massey's and is being manned by volunteer observers. The building cost approximately \$250, but materials and labor were donated to the extent that only \$82.79 in cash was needed. Building of the station was sponsored by Murphy Lions club.

Wade Massey is chief observer, and others working with him at present are: Carl Whiteside, Buel Adams, W. M. Lay, Myron Jensen, Harry Bishop, John Axley, John Davidson, S. N. Bobo, Frank Forsythe and H. A. Mattox. Each man serves a two-hour period during an alert. Members of the auxiliary police act as guards on two-hour shifts, also.

Those contributing materials toward construction of the tower were: Cherokee Lumber Co., framing and sheathing; King Lumber Co., siding; H. T. Hackney Co., gallon of paint; Ragland Bros., gallon of paint; Duke Whitley, gallon of paint; Moore Supply Co., part of windows; Wade Massey, all nails; Jim Gibbs, roofing; Murphy Electrical Shop, electric wiring; and those making cash donations were: Peyton Ivie, Dale Lee, P. J. Henn, Noah Lovingood, Davidson and McIver, Dr. W. A. Hoover, H. A. Mattox, V. M. Johnson, Joe Ray, Robert Weaver, Citizens Bank and Trust Co., and Murphy Lions club.

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U. S. Soldier Has Better Life Expectancy Than Civilian Brothers

ATLANTA, Ga. — Today's soldier in the U. S. Army has better health and a higher life expectancy than his comrades in the same age group back home in civilian life, according to Colonel Sanford W. French, Chief of Medical Branch, Headquarters Fourth Service Command.

Preventive methods have made service men immune from several of the diseases which previously ran rampant through armies. For instance, he pointed out, tetanus toxoid shots are given so there is no longer any fear of lockjaw, while a typhus fever serum assures immunity from the plague which formerly destroyed thousands. Yellow fever shots have proved so effective that not a single case has been reported and typhoid fever cases are infinitesimal as compared to these in other wars, due to new sanitary methods.

Life saving drugs, developed since the last conflict, are carried in the soldier's knapsack and can be administered by himself or another soldier, Colonel French stated. Another factor which has had similar miraculous results is the much-publicized blood plasma. Improved methods of treating burns are not only saving lives but also a lot of suffering, he said, while a new mold-drug, "pencilon", has effected cures in cases of overwhelming blood poisoning.

THIRD SUNDAY SING AT HAMPTON

The third Sunday afternoon singing will be at the Hampton Memorial church next Sunday.

Murphy School Gets Merit Award For Schools-At-War Program

The Murphy School has received an award of Merit from the U. S. Treasury for outstanding work in the "schools-at-war campaign". The citation has a silver star for each Jeep bought during the Jeep campaign. The Murphy School has bought the equivalent of a Field Ambulance and three Jeeps since the campaign was launched.

A total of \$10,602.65 in stamps

Wilson W. Palmer Made Sergeant

Wilson W. Palmer, son of T. E. Palmer of Murphy, has been promoted from corporal to the grade of sergeant. He is now stationed in North Africa.

Sergeant Palmer enlisted in the army on March 1, 1942, and is a radio operator on a transportation plane. He is second in his squadron in combat hours.

He is a graduate of Murphy high school and before entering service, was employed at Coleman's radio shop.

Harry L. Moore At Fort Knox

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Among the thousands of selectees now entering the armed forces, Pvt. Harry C. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Moore, of Murphy, entered the Armored Force Replacement Training Center for his basic training in the newest and hardest hitting branch of the Army.

The men will be put on a 12-week training program which has been systematically laid out into two six-week periods. The first six-week period will be devoted to the organization of the Army and Armored Force; insignia of rank; military courtesy and discipline; care of clothing and equipment; and many other fundamentals which will enable them to become good soldiers. During this period the men will be classified according to their knowledge and ability, so that they can start their second six-week period in specialized training. These special courses include: Light tank, medium tank, scouting and patrolling, mortar, anti-tank, machine gun, assault gun, and reconnaissance.

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Sewell Martin Taking Course At Boca Raton

GULFPORT FIELD, Miss. — S/S Sewell Martin whose civilian address is Route 2, Murphy, has been selected for the Officer Maintenance Engineering Course at Boca Raton, Florida. Upon graduation, he will be eligible for further training at Yale University leading to a second lieutenant's commission.

Sergeant Martin has been an instructor in the airplane mechanics school unit of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, Gulfport Field.

HURT WITH DYNAMITE

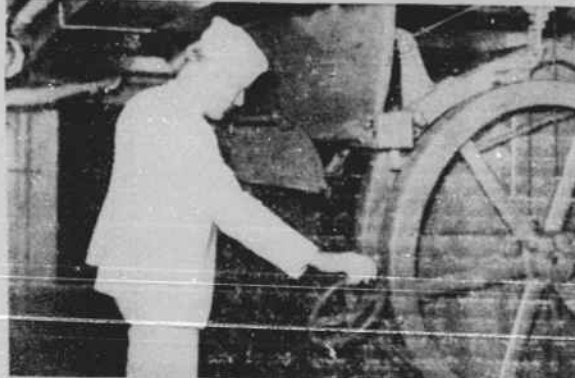
Hershell Hall, small son of Mrs. Bertha Hall of Hiwassee Dam, has left hand blown off by dynamite recently. He was treated at Murphy General hospital.

WORKING ON MILK RECEIVING STATION

R. A. Jamison, field representative of Southern Dairies, is here this week getting lined up for opening the milk receiving station here. He expects it to be opened within a week.

Mrs. J. R. Anderson of Coleville, fell while riding a bicycle Saturday, and sustained a double fracture of her left leg. She was treated at Murphy General hospital.

U. S. OPERATES FLOATING LAUNDRIES



OFFICIAL U. S. NAVY PHOTOGRAPHS—Life aboard the big ships of Uncle Sam's fighting fleet has been well planned to the last detail. Even the men's laundering problems are handled with the utmost efficiency through the use of modern equipment similar to that employed in your favorite laundry here at home, according to the American Institute of Laundering. Shown top: a scene in the laundry of the U. S. S. Pennsylvania; Bottom: a neat, smooth finish being given to navy togs aboard the U. S. S. Charger, a former merchantman now converted to an aircraft carrier.

Lions Send Cigarettes To Men In Armed Services

Murphy Lions club has appropriated \$50 for the purchase of cigarettes for the men in military service. In order to swell this fund and make it possible for people of the county to have a part in sending these cigarettes, the club is asking the boy scouts to collect contributions for the next month. The finance committee, headed by Dr. L. T. Russell, Jr., will work out a plan for this to be done.

Members of the club are invited to attend meetings of two neighbor clubs this week. Several will attend the Hayesville meeting tonight (Thursday), and a

number of men and their wives will attend ladies' night at Young Harris Friday night.

Joe Ray made a report on the proposed airport, stating that officials had been here to inspect sites, and that maps of all available sites will be sent to Washington for consideration.

Dr. L. T. Russell, Jr., and Wade Massey reported that the Murphy air-raid warning tower had been built.

A. Q. Ketner reported that a representative of Southern Dairies is here this week to complete work for opening the milk receiving station.

Town And Farm In Wartime

Insurance For Soldiers
All North Carolina soldiers can get financial protection through the National Service Life Insurance program. If they act before midnight of August 10, the War Department has announced. Maximum policy is \$10,000. The payments will be made to beneficiaries only in monthly installments.

Tobacco Can Be Sent To Prisoners

U. S. War prisoners and civilian internees held by Germany and Italy can receive cigarettes, cigars, tobacco, or chewing tobacco sent by relatives and friends under a program worked out by several government agencies and the American Red Cross. The plan will be extended to include persons held by Japan whenever facilities are available for routing the products to them. Under the program, the next-of-kin of each identified United States war prisoner and civilian internee will receive (without asking for it) two tobacco labels every 60 days. These are to be forwarded, with a money order, to a tobacco manufacturer, who will send the tobacco. No postage or federal excise tax need be paid. Each label is good for three cartons of cigarettes, or 12 packages (one carton of two-ounce packages of smoking tobacco, 100 cigars, or approximately 24 ounces of chewing tobacco. Smaller amounts of mixed packages cannot be ordered.

Coal Supply Is Low

Stocks of bituminous coal are not large enough to tide the nation over any prolonged suspension of mining. Solid Fuels Administrator Harold L. Ickes said recently, as he urged all state users to conserve coal. Regarding the nation's "insecure fuel position," Administrator Ickes said, "it is essential that every consumer conserve every pound of coal possible so that the maximum amount of coal will be available in the event the coal emergency continues."

Help Stop Thefts and Forgeries

To safeguard dependents and others who regularly receive government checks, the following

procedure for North Carolinians is urged by the U. S. Secret Service to help stop thieves and forgers—
(1) Some members of the family should always be at home when checks are due to be delivered.
(2) All mail boxes should be equipped with a lock, and the individual's name should be printed clearly on the outside of the box.
(3) Checks should be cashed in the same place each month, making identification easier.
(4) Checks should not be endorsed until you are in the presence of the person who is to cash it.

Service Bars For Civilians

For the first time, North Carolina civilians may earn an official service bar similar to the campaign bars of the armed services, according to a recent announcement of the civilian defense director. Six distinctive bars for service ranging from 500 to 5,000 hours will be given to civilian defense volunteers. All civilian defense volunteers may qualify for the awards—members of the Citizens Defense Corps, the Citizens Service Corps, Forest Fire Fighters Service, and Civilian Service.

Soldiers Get Lots of Mail

United States soldiers overseas receive more than 20,000,000 pieces of mail a week, or an average of 14 pieces per soldier. This is four times as much as the A.E.F. got at the peak of the world war. Twenty per cent of the mail sent overseas is V-Mail.

WFA To Purchase Seed

Pasture and legume seeds including blue lupine, white clover, wild winter peas, kobo lespedeza, (continued on page eight)

Two Critically Injured When Plane Crashes

Jerry W. Davidson Is Promoted To The Rank of Major

Capt. Jerry W. Davidson, Jr., has been promoted to the rank of Major, according to information received here this week. He is in command of a bombardment squadron at the Army Air Base, Biggs Field, El Paso, Texas.

Major Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry W. Davidson of Murphy, got his wings two years ago. He has made an outstanding record in the work for which he volunteered before the war started.



First Lieut. James W. Moore, of Andrews, was recently awarded the Purple Heart Medal for injuries sustained in a raid on his air base in North Africa.

Shields Guernsey Sells High Price

John L. Shields consigned his first animal to the Quail Roost Maxim Guernsey Sale on May 3.

Sales ranged from \$4,000 for the highest sold female to \$225 for the lowest and \$4,750 for the highest priced male to \$425 for the lowest. Even though Mr. Shields' cow was net in the highest bracket, he was well pleased with her sale of \$600.

The Guernsey herd owned by Mr. Shields has been developed primarily since 1935 and is rapidly developing into one of the good Guernsey herds in Western North Carolina. These improvements are due to careful breeding, good management and using sires from outstanding Guernsey families.

There were only two consigners from Western North Carolina.

INFANT DIES

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Hughes of Ranger, died on May 8, a few hours after birth.

HURT ON MOTORCYCLE

Sparkie Watkins of Athens, Tenn., was injured in a motorcycle wreck on the Atlanta highway recently. Both arms were hurt but no bones were broken.

Knox L. Haynsworth, 41, and Broadus Bailey, 47, of Greenville, S. C., were critically injured Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock when the plane in which they were flying with Haynsworth piloting, crashed in a field near Nottely dam. Both men had both of their legs broken and sustained head and body injuries. Haynsworth's chest was badly crushed. His condition was considered more critical than Bailey's. He is being treated at Petrie hospital and Bailey at Murphy General hospital.

Just as the Scout went to press it was learned that Mr. Haynsworth died at 1:05 this afternoon (Thursday). The body was taken to Greenville, S. C., for burial.

The two men were on a business trip from Greenville to Chattanooga, and had left the Greenville airport about 2:15 o'clock. It could not be learned what caused the crash.

Ivie's ambulance of Murphy brought Haynsworth to the hospital. Blairsville's ambulance brought Bailey.

Relatives and Greenville surgeons arrived here about midnight Wednesday. They included: Mrs. Haynsworth, Mrs. Bailey, C. P. Haynsworth, Harry J. Haynsworth, Jr., Mrs. George Ryan, sister of Haynsworth; Alester G. Furman, Jr., Dr. T. B. Reeves and Dr. Warren White, surgeons.

Haynsworth is a representative of Provident Life and Accident Insurance Company, and Bailey has charge of the Insurance department of the real estate firm of Lester G. Furman Co.

States Reason Doctor Left

Mrs. N. L. Williams stated this week that she wants the people of Cherokee county to know the details of Dr. Williams' leaving for the army last week. She stated that the Boston draft board with which he was registered advised Dr. Williams to apply for a commission, with the alternative of being inducted as a private.

After he had applied for a commission, it was decided that he was needed here, and he was granted an indefinite deferment, but his commission already had been approved.

Mrs. Williams and their baby expect to join Dr. Williams where he is stationed at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., in the near future.

Pre-School Clinic To Be Held Monday

A clinic for the examination of children who are to enter school next fall will be held at the Hiwassee school Monday, May 17th, beginning at 1 o'clock p.m.

This clinic will be held by Dr. M. P. Whichard, District Health Officer, assisted by Miss Elba Sneed, County Health Nurse.

Parents also are invited to bring any younger children from six months old and over for the diphtheria immunization.

Whooping Cough Epidemic Reported Graham, Murphy

A whooping cough epidemic is reported in Robbinsville and vicinity and at present there are three cases in Murphy.

The Cherokee County Health Department asks the cooperation of every individual in helping to prevent the spread of this disease.

Children who have not had whooping cough should not be taken into public places such as theatres, stores, churches.

Whooping cough is a disease which is quarantined by law, and it is expected that regulations applied be closely observed.

BREAKS ARM

Richard Foster, son of Mr. Roy L. Foster of Marble, fell from a tree while playing Wednesday and broke his left arm, just above the wrist. He was brought to Petrie hospital for treatment.

Rev. Ralph Taylor To Preach Conference Sermon, Waynesville

The Waynesville District Conference of the Methodist church will be held Tuesday, May 18, in the First Church, Waynesville.

Among those who will attend the conference from the First church here are: H. E. Bishop, Miss Winifred Townson, R. A. Akin, P. C. Hyatt, all of whom are ex-office members of the conference. In addition, the following delegates have been elected to represent the local church: Miss Josephine Heighway, Mrs. John Axley, J. W. Franklin, Frank Tay-

lor. The Alternate delegates are: Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mrs. Neal Davidson, Mrs. C. T. Bivens, Mrs. M. Bowles.

The Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of the Methodist church here, has been chosen by the District Superintendent to preach the conference sermon.

Bishop Clare Purchell of Charlotte, Bishop in charge of the Annual Conference of the Methodist church for North Carolina, is expected to attend the meeting at Waynesville.