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EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

## Three Are Rewarded For Outstanding Production Goals

For their outstanding contributions toward winning the war on the home front, as shown by their fulfillment of farm production goals, a number of farm families in this area will be presented Government Merit Award Certificates. It is announced today by Ernest P. Arnold, County FSA Supervisor.

These awards will be mailed to the winners as the farm plans are checked for the some 180 active FSA clients. "These families not only have reached their goals but some have passed them by wide margins," said the announcement by the FSA Supervisor. "The winners have done fine work on the home front."

These awards are largely based on the number and amount of war food crops put on the market. The following farmers have been mailed merit awards this week: Mrs. Jessie Russell, Andrews; A. H. Hatchett, Rt. 2, Murphy; and J. Franklin Smith, Route 1, Murphy.

Mrs. Russell gave four sons to the armed services, one of whom lost his life in the collision of the St. Augustine with a freighter, sixty miles at sea during a blackout, and she has two sons doing essential war work.

Mrs. Russell and an eighteen year old son, who was deferred as an essential farm worker, have been carrying on, in addition to the usual activities of the farm, special war production activities. Last year, at the call of the government, they planted three acres of Irish Potatoes for the market. She also put milk from eight cows on the market through Southern Dairies to be distributed in the Atlanta defense area. This year she has increased her dairy herd to eleven and is now constructing a Grade-A milk cooling plant.

Even though Mrs. Russell is sixty one years old, she has been going to the milk barn about 4:00 A. M. in the morning with a lantern in her hand, in order that her farm might become a fighting unit on the home front. It is this kind of home front fighting which puts the will to win in the boys in Italy, the Islands in the Pacific and eventually the continent of Europe.

As a tenant farmer, Mrs. Russell was a FSA borrower. Later her son, Willie Russell, secured money from the FSA to purchase

## 60 Registrants Are Reclassified By Local Board

The Cherokee county draft board has this week announced the reclassification of 60 registrants. Those included on the list and their classification follow:

Placed in 1-A: Ray Barton, James R. Matterson, Pearl Swaim, Charles E. Coleman, James E. Bristol, Aaron Salman, Robert S. Nail, Jr., Charles W. Hipps, Howard A. Kilpatrick, Tommy R. Hall.

In 1-A (H): are Barlin Wilson and Homer W. Almond.

Placed in 2-A: Dewey R. Lunsford, Allen Dockery, Ralph W. Hall, Arthur F. Davidson, Wesley H. Allison, Columbus W. Griggs, Clifford G. Rose, Oscar B. Sneed, Roy D. Helton, Julius M. Killian, Marvin J. Postell, Clyde B. Cornwell, Thomas M. Panther.

Placed in 2-B: Clyde Reid, Thomas B. Wright, Lloyd N. Williams, William B. Johnson, Kenyon E. Hyde, William H. Hickey.

Placed in 4-F: Roy A. McHan, Wade E. Wilson, Floyd Z. Flowers, Thomas J. McDonald, James A. Morrow, James W. Moore, Fred G. Hert, Otis M. Farmer, Allen L. Bailey, Alvin E. Creasman, James Phillips, Don S. Graves, Garland G. West, Ralph B. Dockery, Rupert McLean, William Wiley, John E. Walker, Mavis Radford, Lonnie King, Charles W. White, Harold Crisp, Willard R. Maughan, Wade E. Stuart, Verlon Ware, Luke Dockery, James B. Gibson, Arvil Woods, Clyde H. Johnson.

1-C: Robert E. Ashe.

## Mrs. J. H. Wilson Is Chairman Of Surgical Dressings

The surgical dressings room of the Cherokee county chapter of the American Red Cross, which has been closed for some time owing to lack of material, will reopen Monday according to announcement by Mrs. J. H. Wilson, surgical dressings chairman. The room will be open every day in the week except Saturday and Sunday, at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. A quota of 4 x 4 sponges has been received, and Mrs. Wilson asks that as many women as possible try to give at least two hours a week to the work.

Supervisors will be practically the same as before, the rooms closed, with a few new ones added.



RALPH W. McDONALD

"All-out support of the war and peace efforts" and "an emphatic leadership in a sound program of progress in all fields" were the keynotes of Dr. Ralph McDonald's formal announcement in Winston-Salem Wednesday as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of North Carolina. McDonald recently resigned from the State University to make his second race for the Governor's office which he barely lost in a memorable contest with former Governor Clyde R. Hoey in 1936.



## Honor Service Men At Club Meeting

Plans have been made to honor service men of each community at the March meetings of home demonstration clubs according to announcement by Mrs. Alline R. King, home agent. Following is the schedule:

March 1, Culberson, with Mrs. Bertha Sylvia at 1 o'clock; March 2, Peachtree with Mrs. Paul Sudderth at 1 o'clock; March 3, Top-ton, with Mrs. Irene Laughter at 1 o'clock; March 6, Macedonia, with Mrs. Dessie Cooke, at 1 o'clock; March 7, at Franklin for Training meeting.

March 8, Wehuty and Liberty, with Mrs. Grace Postell, at 1 o'clock; March 9, Slow Creek, with Mrs. Ransie Queen, at 1 o'clock; March 10, Sunny Point, with Mrs. S. W. Hamlin, at 1 o'clock; March 13, Bellview, with Mrs. Charlie Mull, at 1 o'clock; March 15, Unaka, with Mrs. C. A. Jones, at 1 o'clock; March 16, Tomotha, with Mrs. Carl Keener, at 2 o'clock; March 17, Ogretta, with Mrs. J. H. Whitner, at 1:30 o'clock.

March 20, Bates Creek, with Mrs. Fred Killian, at 1 o'clock; March 21, Grandview, with Mrs. Ralph Adams, at 1 o'clock; March 22, Valleytown, with Mrs. Dave Swan, at 2 o'clock; March 23, Ranger, with Mrs. Paschal Hughes, at 1 o'clock; March 24, Wolf Creek, with Mrs. Willie Clark, at 1 o'clock; March 27, Marble, with Mrs. Harry Phelps, at 2 o'clock; March 28, Martin's Creek, with Mrs. Len Stalcup, at 1 o'clock.

## W.M.S. To Hold All-Day Meeting

The W. M. S. of First Baptist church will hold an all-day meeting in the ladies' parlor of the church Tuesday, beginning at 10 o'clock. Lunch will be served at noon, and a special Annie Armstrong offering will be taken.

Mrs. J. C. Ammons, president, will be in charge, with circle leaders assisting.

## Pictures For Service Window Wanted By Scout

Forty pictures of men and women from the county who are in military service have been put into the service window display at the SCOUT office. Relatives of those in service are requested to send in pictures for this collection.

Because of the indefinite length of time the SCOUT expects to keep the display, return of the pictures is not guaranteed.

## Edgar A. Wood Is In Nashville Army Air Center

Nashville Army Air Center (AAFFCC) — Edgar A. Wood, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Wood, Andrews, N. C., has entered the center here.

At the center, a part of the Army Forces Training Command, Aviation Student Wood will take physical and psychological examinations to determine for which branch of service, from bandaging, taxicab or piloting, he is best fitted. Physical training, academic study, and military drill are also part of cadet training at the center. This is the first step in a training program that will eventually graduate Aviation Student Wood as a commissioned officer, with wings in the Army Air Forces.

He is a graduate of Andrews High School.

MASONS TO MEET — The Masonic Lodge will meet Monday night at 7:30 at the Local Hall. All members are urged to attend.

## Basketball Tournament Of WNC League Starts Tuesday

The Western Carolina League basketball tournament will get underway Tuesday afternoon at Robbinsville and Tuesday night at Murphy. Officials decided to divide the games between the two places in order to cut down on traveling. Thus the finals in the boys division will be played at Murphy on Friday night at 8:30 and the girls' finals will take place at Robbinsville on Saturday night at 8:30.

In the boys' division Fontana, Murphy, Hayesville, and Robbinsville were seeded in that order. The seeded girls' teams were Rob-

binsville, Murphy, Hayesville, and Nantahala.

Robbinsville girls and Hiwassee Dam girls will open tournament play on the Robbinsville floor Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock. Fontana and Bryson City boys will clash in the second half of the doubleheader. The scene shifts Tuesday night to Murphy where Hayesville and Bryson City girls tangle in the opener, followed by Nantahala and Murphy boys.

Play will open in Murphy on Wednesday at 2 o'clock as Hayesville and Hiwassee Dam boys engage each other. Wednesday

## Frank Plemmons Sustains Serious Injury At Bragg

Sgt. Frank E. Plemmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Plemmons, Murphy, Route 1, had both arms blown off and suffered a serious head injury at Fort Bragg last Thursday, while setting a land mine, according to information received here. One arm was removed just above the wrist, the other above the elbow, it was reported.

## Jack Barnett To Take Navy V-12 Officers Training

Word has been received here by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Barnett, that their son, Jack W. Barnett, yeoman first class, who has been stationed at the Naval Air Base, Houma, La., since April 1943, has been transferred to Southeastern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette, La., to attend Navy V-12 officers training program of that college. He will be permitted to specialize in one of many courses the navy offers in this program including: aviation, supply, engineering, deck, and chaplain. He expects to attend this program from two to three years and to attend several different colleges unless duty is changed for military reasons.

## School Offers Driver Education

ANDREWS — With the beginning of the spring semester the Andrews high school offered a new course in its curriculum, driver education. L. P. Lovingood, the school's director of physical education, and former first aid and safety man for the TVA was selected as teacher for the new course. In addition to his other duties, Mr. Lovingood also drives a school bus.

## Mad Dog Bites Chickens, Calf

A dog belonging to Theodore Chapman of Suit went mad last week and bit chickens, a calf and possibly a horse. The dog was killed and had been buried too long for an examination, before reported for the health department. An investigation was made by Dr. M. P. Whitehead, health officer.

## Attend Laymen's Banquet, Cullowhee

Members of the Methodist church of this vicinity attending the Waynesville District Laymen's banquet at Western Carolina Teachers' college, Cullowhee, Tuesday night were: The Rev. Ralph Taylor, the Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., the Rev. Alfred Smith, Dr. J. R. Bell, D. V. Carringer, W. D. King, Miss Mary Cornwell, Frank Taylor, P. T. Mauser, and Sam Davidson. The banquet was held at 6 o'clock in the dining room of the college with approximately 300 in attendance.

## \$1100 Is Pledged Red Cross War Fund



SPENDS LEAVE HERE — J. Wayne Plemmons, who is stationed with the U. S. Navy at Bainbridge, Md., recently spent a nine day leave here with his wife. Wayne entered the Navy December, 1943, and took his training at Bainbridge.

## Julius H. Bailey Gets Promotion At Great Lakes

Great Lakes, Ill. — This week's graduation ceremonies of the Hospital Corps School here at the U. S. Naval Hospital saw Blue-jacket Julius H. Bailey, 18, son of Mrs. J. R. Bailey, Route 2, Murphy, N. C., promoted to the rate of Hospital Apprentice second class.

Graduation terminates a six-week course of preliminary training at the Hospital Corps School. The course of study included the study of anatomy and physiology, hygiene and sanitation, materia-medica and weights and measures, first aid and bandaging, nursing, transportation of casualties, and dietetics.

The newly graduated man will continue to train at another Naval hospital before being sent to duty at sea or at another shore station.

## Bobby Rector Wounded In Italy

Through the American Red Cross and later from Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hodges have received word that their son, Private Bobby E. Rector, was seriously wounded in action in Italy on January 22.

Bobby was a student at N. C. State in Raleigh, when he joined the enlisted Reserve Corps in 1941. He had two years in R. O. T. C. He was called to active duty in April, 1943, at Fort Bragg and had his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga. He was transferred to Fort Meade in Sept. 1943, and stationed in North Africa until Nov., when he was assigned to active duty in Italy.

Although his parents have heard from him frequently by mail from home had not reached him at the time he was hospitalized.

## Wounded

PEACHTREE — Word has been received that Larkin Allen, friend of this community, has been slightly wounded in action overseas and is in a hospital in North Africa.

## SERMON SUBJECTS

The Rev. Ralph Taylor, minister of First Methodist Church, will preach Sunday at 11 o'clock on the subject: "Facing The Music" and at 7:30 on "The Forgiving Christ."

## HIWASSEE CIRCUIT METHODIST CHURCH

W. T. Medlin, Jr., Minister Sunday, March 6 Bellview — Church School at 10 a. m.

Worship with the sermon at 11 a. m. The subject "On Meeting Life Successfully."

The special gifts committee of the Red Cross war fund have reported gifts and pledges in the amount of \$1100 from firms and individuals who have been solicited in the first two days of the war fund drive. This amount represents one-fourth of the Chapter quota of \$4300 that is to be raised during the month. The canvass of the business district will be concluded within the next four days and the residential areas will be solicited next week according to announcement made by the war fund chairman Rev. A. B. Cash. Mrs. H. E. Dickey, Chairman of the Residential Area, has called a meeting of the workers for Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at First Baptist Church.

On Thursday morning the following firms and individuals had made pledges of twenty-five dollars or more in the special gifts drive: H. E. Dickey, Ed King, Dr. B. W. Whitfield, Peyton G. Ivie, Dr. J. R. Bell, Dr. W. A. Hoover, Citizens Bank & Trust Co., H. T. Hackney Co., J. D. Burch, Cherokee Scout, Cherokee Lumber Corporation, Murphy Box and Flooring Manufacturing Co.

## Two Women Hurt In Car Crash

Mrs. John Holland of Mineral Bluff, Ga., who was injured when the car in which she was riding collided with another car at Hiwassee, Ga., Saturday night about 8:30 o'clock, is reported to be resting fairly comfortably at Petrie hospital. She suffered a broken nose and lacerations about the face and head. Her sister, Miss Gertrude Rose, who was in the car with her, also received cuts about the face and neck from broken glass. Others in the car including her husband and children, and the driver, W. F. Lloyd, were not hurt.

D. L. Cordel, of Robertstown, Ga., was the driver of the other car. Miss Lucene Taylor, a passenger in his car, was reported to have been injured.

## Employees Of Box Factory Pause For Moment of Prayer

Cooperating in the observance of the World Day of Prayer last Friday, employees of Murphy Box and Flooring Manufacturing Co., and Cherokee Lumber Corporation paused for a few minutes of prayer. The service was arranged by S. Aronson and Martin Hawk and was led by Hugh Hood, fireman.

The following prayer was read: Father of all mankind, throughout this day, and every day, help me to remember that a very real portion of Thy Kingdom has been placed in my keeping. Therefore teach me to love Thee; with all my mind — that I may think Thy thoughts after Thee, from dawn to dusk, making beautiful and meaningful each decision of my daily living; help me to remove all obstacles to my small-mindedness. O Lord!

With all my heart — that I may love those whom Thou lovest, feeling for even the most unlovable and difficult of Thy children Thine ever-lasting mercy;

With all my soul — that I may seek fresh ways in which we can all be one in Jesus Christ our Lord, praying for Thy divine power to surge through my commonplace routine from morning till night;

With all my strength — that I may work the works of Him who sent me while it is day, seeking to channel through every act Thy devotion to the needs of both my neighbor and myself. Remind me from moment to moment that this is not optional, but the last command of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Quicken me and use me till today, for Thy name's sake. Amen.

## Scouts To Be Guests Tuesday At Hiwassee Dam

Boy Scouts in the Nantahala district will be guests of the Neighborhood patrol at Hiwassee Dam on Tuesday, March 7, at the March meeting.

An automobile tour of the Hiwassee Dam area is planned for all visitors. At 7 o'clock Sandwiches, coffee, and cold drinks will be served.

The court of honor will start at 7:30 p. m.

The executive committee of the district will meet at 8:45.

R. M. Harbin is the Scoutmaster at Hiwassee Dam. Others who are Scouters or helping in Scouting include F. P. Brown, R. L. Grandy, William Baker, W. A. Shelton, and Frank I. Watson.

Scouts of the Patrol are: Robert C. Brown, Walter N. Dockery, John A. Glending, Bobbie M. Harbin, Jr., Gordon Koons, Eugene Curtiss, Bill S. Sanders, Larry Perry, Mitchell Joyner and James R. Brock.

## Dr. Willis Parker Speaks Friday

Dr. Willis A. Parker of Asheville will deliver a lecture, sponsored by the Woman's club and library officials, Friday night at the library, it has been announced by Mrs. Harry Miller, president of the club.