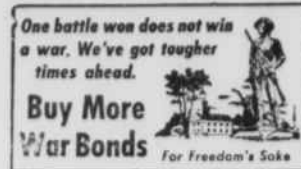




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Red Cross Needs \$600 To Finish Its War Fund Campaign

With a total of \$3765 raised in the present war fund drive of the Cherokee county chapter of the American Red Cross, a balance of slightly less than \$600 is needed to put the chapter over the top in its quota of \$4300.

The Rev. A. B. Cash, war fund chairman, has designated Friday, March 31, as a clean-up day in the drive, when everyone who has not yet made a contribution is asked to do so.

Murphy Lions club voted Tuesday night to cooperate in the final clean-up, by each member's spending two hours either Thursday or Friday night to solicit from those having failed to contribute.

If anyone is overlooked in the canvass he is asked to give his contribution to the chapter treasurer, Frank Forsyth; the war fund chairman, Rev. A. B. Cash; or leave it at the Cherokee Scout office.



NOW IN ENGLAND—Pvt. Dennis Garrett, who is in the Engineering division, entered the service in December, 1942, and took his basic training at Plattsburg, N. Y., and Fort Dix, N. J. He went to North Africa in November, 1943, and landed in England in January, 1944. Dennis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Garrett of Murphy.

Leonard Smith Is Winner In District Contest

ANDREWS — Leonard Smith of Fontana Dam high school won the cash prize of \$25 in the American Legion district contest held in Tuesday school auditorium here Tuesday afternoon. Other speakers were Kenneth Farmer of the Murphy high school, Miss Heloise Darden of the Cherokee Indian school and Miss Mildred Stratton of the Andrews high school, who won second place.

The speaking took place before the Andrews high school student body.

Judges of the speaking were: Miss Dora Ruth Parks, Nantahala Regional librarian, Miss Addie Mae Cooke, editor of the Cherokee Scout, and the Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., pastor of the Hiwassee circuit.

Leonard Smith, winner of the contest here, will appear again in the Western North Carolina contest to be held in Asheville, which in turn will be an elimination contest for the State contest to be held later in Raleigh.

The contest was sponsored by the district American Legion, of which John O'Dell of Murphy is commander. Mr. O'Dell, I. B. Hudson and Sam Gillum of Cherokee Indian school were the World War I veterans present. H. Bueck, superintendent of Murphy city schools, was present and assisted in arrangements for the contest.

Jurors For April Term Of Cherokee County Superior Court Are Drawn

The following jurors have been drawn for service during Superior court for trial of criminal and civil cases, which will convene at the courthouse here on Monday, April 3, with Judge Felix Alley presiding and Solicitor John Queen prosecuting:

First week — F. A. Mosteller, Andrews; A. N. Kephart, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 3; John R. Brendle, Postell; S. H. Robertson, Patrick; Charlie A. Boring, Patrick; H. V. Eryson, Marble; W. A. Hembree, Murphy; A. E. Nichols, Culberson; Bill Barker, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 1; Hobert Hughes, Murphy; B. C. Mann, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; F. H. Abernathy, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 1; J. W. Hampton, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; J. W. Montgomery, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 3; Pearlie Lunsford, Marble, R. F. D. No. 1; Glenn Stalcup, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; J. S. Akin, Ranger; Sam Williams, Andrews; Frank Clark, Andrews; Howard O'Dell, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 3; A. B. Stalcup, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; W. H. Hamilton, Andrews; W. G. McKelvey, Andrews; L. B. Nichols, Andrews; C. M. Sneed, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; W. M. Fain, Andrews; B. P. Grant, Andrews; G. W. Pullum, Andrews; W. W. Hall, Murphy, R. F. D. No. 2; Lee Beavers, Letitia; Sam



ARRIVES IN ENGLAND — Pfc. Tom E. McClure has landed in England, according to a cablegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McClure, of Murphy, Route 2. Before going overseas he was stationed at Camp Barbely, Texas. He will now serve in an evacuation hospital in England.

EVENING PRAYER — There will be a service of Evening Prayer and sermon by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan at the Episcopal Church of the Messiah, Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Chas Stribling Motz Is Presented Award For Bravery

Lt. Charles Stribling Motz of Atlanta has recently received the Air Medal from Admiral W. F. Halsey for "meritorious achievement" during a raid over Jap-held Rabaul on November 5, his wife, Mrs. Nancy Calhoun Motz, has been notified.

Lieutenant Motz is a nephew of Jack Stribling of Andrews. His mother, Mrs. Aubrey Motz, Sr., of Atlanta, Ga., is a sister of Mr. Stribling. Mr. Stribling has several other nephews overseas. He writes frequently to them and many other boys from Andrews who are in the service.

The citation accompanying the award to Lieutenant Motz said that he led a fighter plane division into terrifically heavy anti-aircraft fire as he protected attacking torpedo planes. His daring leadership was credited by Admiral Halsey for a large measure of the success of the raid, both for the attack on the target and for protecting the group.

With utter disregard for his own personal safety, the naval officer was under only getting the group under his protection of the target and away safely, the citation said.

To accomplish this aim, he led the attack on enemy fighter planes, shooting down one and damaging a second. He bagged the Jap plane despite the fact his own craft was badly damaged by anti-aircraft fire. His conduct was characterized by Admiral Halsey as being in highest keeping with Navy traditions.

A graduate of the University of Georgia, Lieutenant Motz received his wings at Pensacola, Fla., in 1941. Following 18 months as an instructor at Miami, he was sent overseas, where he has been stationed in the Pacific theatre of operations for the past year.

Forsyth Named Hoey's Manager

Frank Forsyth, cashier of the Murphy Citizens Bank and Trust Company and a leader in all civic activities, has been appointed as Cherokee county campaign manager for Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, in his campaign for U. S. Senator.

Army Nurse's Escape "Amazing Story"



PITTSBURGH, PA. — Lt. Gertrude Dawson, Army Nurse Corps, of Vandergrift, Pa., is home after an amazing escape through Nazi-occupied territory. She was a passenger on a plane which crashed in Albania after missing the landing field at Bari, Italy. The story of the party's escape has been told by a British parachutist who led them to safety. Lt. Dawson would not confirm any of the details of the escape. She says only "isn't that an amazing story?"

HOLY COMMUNION — The Holy Communion will be observed at First Methodist church during Holy Week on Thursday, April 6, at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

SERMON SUBJECTS — The Rev. Ralph Taylor will preach Sunday at First Methodist church on the subjects, "How Deep May I Drink?" at 11 o'clock, and "The Compassionate Christ" at 7:30 o'clock.

UNDERGOES OPERATION — Word has been received here that Clifton Mills underwent a brain operation at an Atlanta hospital Tuesday and is in a critical condition. The operation required six hours it was reported.

HAS OPERATION — Mrs. Carl Townson and daughter, Mrs. Calvin Stiles left Tuesday for New Orleans to be with Mr. Townson who underwent a serious operation there Wednesday.

It was learned here Wednesday night that the operation was successful and that Mr. Townson was resting comfortably.

Superior Court Is To Convene Here Monday; Gordy-Gibson Murder Case Is Set For Trial

Lt. Felts Dies In Plane Crash

Second Lieutenant Gilbert Russell Felts, who was formerly an electrician here with the T. V. A., was killed March 15 when his plane crashed atop of Bull Mountain in Virginia. He entered the service in December, 1941, and was commissioned a second lieutenant with a pilot's rating November, 1943. Gilbert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus C. Felts of Elkin. While in Murphy he lived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Howell.

Cherry Appoints Grant Manager

Gregg Cherry, candidate for governor, has appointed B. P. Grant of Andrews as his manager in Cherokee county. Mr. Grant is well known in Cherokee and surrounding counties and takes an active part in the work of the Democratic party.

Tom Dickey Is Now In Marines

Tom Dickey, son of Mrs. Lella Dickey, who recently was receiving training in the Naval Aviation Training program in Philadelphia was given a discharge from that branch for medical reasons, by direction of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, D. C., states a letter from Lt. Cdr. Paul Graham, USNR, officer in charge, to Tom's mother. He has re-enlisted in the Marines and is now in Philadelphia.

GOES TO HOSPITAL — E. J. Darnell, who has been ill here for several weeks, was taken Monday to a hospital in Knoxville for an operation. He was accompanied by Mrs. Darnell.

Senator W. I. Halstead Speaks At Murphy Lions Club Meeting

Senator W. I. Halstead of South Mills, Camden county, who is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor, was guest speaker at the meeting of Murphy Lions club Tuesday evening, in the dining room of First Methodist church. His subject was: "Power of Organization", and he cited the outstanding work that has been done in North Carolina and individual communities by clubs such as the Lions. He declared that concerted effort of club members has accomplished big things in the state.

Senator Halstead, who has served four terms in the state senate and four terms in the House, spent Tuesday night and Wednesday morning in Murphy. He was introduced at the Lions meeting by Addie Mae Cooke, whose guest he was.

K. C. Wright, chairman of the boys and girls' committee, requested the club to elect a new troop committee, and appropriate the sum of \$48 for re-registration of the troop. Those elected on the committee were: Doyle Burch, treasurer; P. G. Ivie, Frank Ellis, W. A. Sherrill, Dr. W. A. Hoover, K. C. Wright, and Frank Forsyth. The Rev. A. B. Cash was re-elected scoutmaster, and Harry Webster, assistant scoutmaster. The club voted to appropriate the registration fee.

E. L. Shields and Loren Davis were appointed as team leaders for the next three months' attendance contest. In the contest just ended, P. G. Ivie's group won over Robert Weaver's. The Rev. A. B. Cash introduced



CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR — W. I. Halstead of South Mills, Camden county, who made an address at Murphy Lions club Tuesday evening. He is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

the visiting scouts, Fred Brendle, Bobbie Crawford, Doyle Burch, Jr., and Amos Cash, Jr. He announced that the troop now has four patrols and 30 members, its largest membership in its history. The club voted to cooperate with the town in a city-wide clean



ASKS FOR RE-ELECTION — J. W. Franklin, mayor of Murphy, who is asking for re-election to that position in the May 2 election. His candidacy is announced this week.

Floyd Arrives In New Guinea

Mr. and Mrs. John Floyd of Hiwassee Dam has received word that their son, Cpl. George W. Floyd, has arrived safely in New Guinea. This is the first time they have heard from him since January. Cpl. Floyd entered service January, 1943, and has received the good conduct medal and the sharpshooter metals.

McDonald Names His Managers

W. S. Dickey, prominent business man, and J. D. Mallonee, a leading attorney here, have been appointed co-managers for Cherokee county for Dr. Ralph McDonald's campaign for governor, according to announcement Thursday by State Manager E. A. Broadhurst.

Cpl. Harry Moore In Radio School

Fort Knox, Ky. — Specially selected for experience and aptitude, a new group of soldier-students from armored units throughout the country was enrolled today in the Radio Electricians' course in the Armored School Communication Department.

Among the new students is Cpl. Harry L. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Moore of Murphy, N. C. There are more than 1,000 radios installed in the vehicles of a single armored division. A large force of expert maintenance and repair men is required to keep this vital communication system functioning.

The students will be given a thorough grounding in radio fundamentals with specialized training in repair of the types of receivers and transmitters utilized by armored units. They will return to their units after graduation to assume new important duties.

Dockery Wounded For Third Time

Cpl. Willard J. Dockery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dockery of Murphy, Route 3, has been wounded in action overseas. He entered service in January, 1942, and has been overseas since August, 1942. This is the third time he has been wounded.

SUNDAY SERVICES

The Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., minister of the Hiwassee circuit of Methodist churches will preach Sunday Morning at 11 o'clock at Bellview and at 3 p. m. at Culberson. His sermon subject will be "The Day of Palms".

Cherokee county superior court will convene next Monday at the courthouse here, for the trial of both criminal and civil cases. Judge Felix Alley of Waynesville will preside, and Solicitor John Queen, prosecute.

The principal case set for trial is that against C. F. Gordy and Mrs. Sallie Bradford Gibson of Atlanta for the murder of Homer Stiles of Suit on August 9, 1943. Gordy is under \$10,000 bond and Mrs. Gibson, \$2,000.

Other cases set for trial are: Glenn Martin and Mrs. Glenn Martin, assault. Evelyn Bell, prostitution. Doris Coker, ludeness and disorderly conduct. Fate Owenby, transporting whiskey.

Spencer E. Lusk, driving drunk. J. C. Evans, cruelty to dogs. Clarence Carroll, violation prohibition laws. Emery Anderson, operating a still.

Frank Voyles, assault with a deadly weapon disturbing religious congregation, and assault and robbery. Clinton Duckworth, assault, and disturbing religious congregation.

Lewis Mulkey, driving drunk. Ernest Young, assault; possession of whiskey.

Eli Dockery, assault. Vernon Dockery, driving drunk. Charlie Akin, driving drunk, and reckless driving. Grady Gibson, driving drunk. Howard Carroll, abandonment; larceny.

Sherman Roberson, non-support. S. A. Voyles, carrying concealed weapon. Carl Hughes, stilling.

Clifford Hall, driving drunk. Marion Luther Davis, driving drunk. Porter Williams, non-support. Johnnie Hyatt, adultery and bigamy.

Horace Edward Ingram. Ralph Hyatt, reckless driving. Wayne Tigue, stealing. S. A. Stiles, burning woods. Sam McJunkin, driving drunk. Warren Emory Jefferson, driving drunk.

William Pless Orr, driving drunk. Charlie Robins, driving drunk. Elmer Moore, driving drunk. Wayne Trull, driving drunk. Oscar Wilson, driving drunk. Luther White, driving drunk. Ceylon E. Frederick, carry concealed weapon.

Vick Phillips, violation prohibition laws, transporting and for sale. Ralph McKimery, abandonment. Johnnie Hyatt, assault on S. A. Voyles.

C. C. Mull, stilling. Lloyd Ramsey, marriage contract. Allen Ramsey, secret assault. Ed Caldwell, reckless driving. Elmer R. Stiles, Vernon Dockery, transporting and possessing whiskey.

S. A. Voyles, drunk and disorderly. Porter Meroney, public drunkenness. Sylvia Gaddis, assault. W. W. Barnes, abandonment. Harrison Smith, assault. Charles Byers, marriage contract.

Carl Hughes, public drunkenness. Among the cases continued from previous terms of court are: Herman Logan, driving drunk and reckless driving. Frank Ramsey, assault with a deadly weapon.

Roy Denton, kidnapping, robbery and assault. Adlia S. Warren, driving drunk. Homer Baker, bigamy. Wayne Pace, driving drunk. Leamon Sutton, violation prohibition laws.

Alx Gibby, Roy Nichols, affray. J. W. Donley, driving drunk. Gar Haney, carrying concealed weapon.

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