

Ivan Thompson Made Corporal

Headquarters, Atlantic Overseas Air Technical Service Command, Newark, N. J. — Pfc. Ivan Thompson, son of J. W. Thompson of Lost Hills, Calif., has been promoted to the rank of corporal at this installation. He is a heavy equipment operator.

Prior to entering the service in December 1942, Cpl. Thompson was connected with an engineering construction company.

His wife, Mrs. Venita Thompson, resides at 118 Sycamore St., Murphy, N. C.

Atlantic Overseas Air Technical Service Command ships fighter planes and other AAF supplies to overseas theatres. It is a unit of the Air Technical Service Command, largest single command in the AAF, which is responsible for the development, procurement,

Cearley Does Sailor's Job

With The Fifth Army, Italy — Corporal Lowery F. Cearley of Culberson, North Carolina, an army engineer, has been serving as a sailor lately on Lake Garda, Italy, where Fifth Army Headquarters is located.

He's in a provisional unit, composed of one platoon of the 185th Engineer Combat Battalion and four members of the 1029th Engineer Bridge Battalion, created to operate a boat transportation system on the lake.

Operating seized German storm boats powered by American outboard motors, the sailor-soldiers make seven mail runs a day, carry personnel between headquarters and an airfield, take enlisted men on pleasure cruises and transport personnel from section to section of the headquarters, which is situated along the west bank of the lake north of Salo through Gardone.

First Lieutenant Richard D. Borland of Erie, Pennsylvania

supply and maintenance of all AAF planes and equipment throughout the world.

commands the detachment. Cearley has an adjusted service rating score of 104 points. His home is on Route 2, Culberson.

Mrs. Owenby Is Taken By Death

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Lucretia Owenby, 65, who died at a Murphy hospital at 10 o'clock on the morning of July 4, were held Friday morning at 11 o'clock at Antioch church, with the Rev. S. King officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Irvie funeral home in charge. Nephews were pallbearers.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Flossie Platt of Warne, Mrs. Mamie Brown of Dalton, Ga., Miss Laura Owenby of Marietta, Ga., Mrs. Mae Brown and Mrs. Novella Rogers of Murphy, five sons, G. L. Owenby of Warne, D. A. and Joe Owenby of Blarville, Ga., J. B. Owenby of Dalton, Vaughn Owenby of Marietta, and Pfc. Doyle Owenby of the U. S. Army in the South Pacific.

Wm. B. Ledford Is On Excursion Boat, Lake Garda

With The Fifth Army, Italy — The steamboat, Edward M. Danielli, which formerly served the Germans to transport supplies and troops is now being used by the Fifth Army as an excursion boat on Lake Garda, Italy. Music, dancing, floor shows and refreshment comprise the entertainment.

Maintained by the 2633rd Service company, the organization responsible for all hotels and rest centers in the Fifth Army area, and commanded by First Lieutenant Paul E. Grieder, 941 Nottingham Road, Gross Point Park, Michigan, the excursion boat makes evening cruises six times weekly for prearranged parties, and one evening weekly for all comers, sponsored by the American Red Cross.

Matinee cruises also are made regularly for the Red Cross and for private organizational parties.

The steamboat leaves the pier at Fifth Army Headquarters on Lake Garda and once under way the master of ceremonies, Private H. Shockey, Jr., 6026 Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, California, takes over. He acquaints the soldiers on board with the card room, dancing on the upper deck and the small Italian band. On evening cruises he takes charge of the floor show, and on afternoon cruises he indicates points of interest along the lake shore.

In the meantime, Mess Sergeant Joseph Heasell, 1302 Virginia Street, Berkeley, California, and his two cooks, Private First Class John M. Fleming, 29 Lincoln Street, Uniontown, Pennsylvania, and Private First Class Lyle Henning, 516 Maxon Street, Waupun, Wisconsin, are busy below in the ship's galley making cheese sandwiches, luncheon meat sandwiches, and coffee to serve later in the trip.

Grieder and his assistant, Private First Class William B. Ledford, Hayesville, North Carolina, make their way about the boat to be sure that all is running smoothly. There is a qualified lifeguard on duty at all times.

The Edward M. Danielli carries about 200 persons on each cruise, though the Germans carried as many as 600 troops aboard to transport to other parts of the lake during the war. The ship is the only one of a fleet of nine not scuttled when the American forces reached Lake Garda.

Johnson Serves Aboard Grayson

Aboard the USS Grayson in the Pacific — James D. Johnson, fireman, first class, USN, grandson of Dr. J. H. Crawford, c/o Crawford Hotel, Robbinsville, N. C., serves aboard this destroyer which has fought the Japs from Guadalcanal to Iwo Jima, downing eight enemy planes, sinking a submarine and blasting two key radar stations and numerous coastal gun emplacements.

In her initial action, the GRAYSON was part of the historic carrier force that accompanied the Doolittle raiders for the first air strike on Tokyo in April, 1942.

Throughout 1942, she took part in the Guadalcanal-Tulagi campaign, hunting for Jap submarines that were harassing American shipping and threatening our communication lines.

Since then she has seen action at Vella Lavella, the Marshalls, Noemfoor, Palau, Mindanao, Samar and Negros.

While screening two crippled ships off Formosa as part of a task force, the GRAYSON picked up 200 survivors from the stricken vessels.

this period. Third, keep down weeds by two or three mowings of the pasture during the summer months. Weeds reduce the yield of grasses and compete with them for water during the dry periods.

Fourth, fertilize the pastures so as to stimulate the growth of legumes and grasses and increase the total amount of grazing. When legumes are included in the permanent pasture seeding mixtures, they help to produce more grass.

Permanent pastures and temporary grazing crops, where the animals themselves gather their own feed, are furnishing much cheaper feed than ordinary feed crops and should be included on even the smallest farm. Two series of temporary grazing crops are need: one seeded about September 1 for fall and winter grazing, and one for summer grazing, round out the program.

I. B. HUDSON IS ROTARY SPEAKER

ANDREWS — I. B. Hudson spoke on "Club Service" at the meeting of group one of the 190th

district of Rotary International in Hendersonville Monday of last week.



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With The Sixth Army on Luzon — Pfc. Ernest A. Stiles, son of Mrs. Eric J. Stiles of Robbinsville, North Carolina, has been promoted to Corporal. Stiles, a member of Company D, 152nd Infantry, saw action in the 38th (Cyclone) Division's drive against the Japanese Chimu Line, east of Manila.

Overseas for 18 months, he served previously in Hawaii, New Guinea and Leyte.

VISITS FRATERNITY OFFICE

E. L. Miller, Jr., district president of Phi Kappa Alpha fraternity for North Carolina, visited the national office in Atlanta last week. There are 83 chapters in the United States, and five active chapters in North Carolina. They are at Davidson college, Duke University, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Wake Forest college, and N. C. State college, Raleigh.

Upper Wolf Creek

A revival meeting started here Sunday night with the Rev. Mr. Higdon and the Rev. Mr. Goss preaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brook and children of Virginia are visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Ollie Verne.

Pfc. Elvin Ledford of Texas is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Ledford.

Hoyt Cook, who has a discharge from the Army, has moved here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Simonds and children visited their daughter, Billie Jane, at Young Harris, Ga., Sunday.

W. L. Cook, who is employed at Brunswick, Ga., is visiting his family.

VISITS MURPHY

Mrs. Leola M. Byerly, representing the Asheville office of the Social Security Board spent Wednesday in Murphy where this agency maintains an itinerant station for service to residents of Murphy and vicinity. The local office is in the court room at the Court House and notice of future dates will be sent persons who write the field office in Asheville about it.

There are two "times for action" where a person has been employed since December 31, 1936 in a job covered by the Social Security Act: At the time the worker reaches age 65, and when the worker dies.

Milk Payments Are Increased

Dairy farmers in Cherokee county will have benefit of increased payment rates for milk and butterfat production payments during the current quarter, beginning July 1, according to H. N. Wells, chairman, Cherokee County AAA Committee. These government payments to milk and butterfat producers are adjusted quarterly to reflect changes in production costs.

The new rates for this county for milk and butterfat production in July, August, and September will be 75 cents per hundred pounds for milk, and 13 cents per pound for butterfat, Wells said. Rates for the quarter just ended were 55 cents per hundred pounds for milk and 10 cents per pound for butterfat.

"Dairy farmers here are asking every effort to increase milk production," the chairman said. "Higher payments for production during the current three-months period will help offset the extra production cost."



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Four Pointers For Pasture Management

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Extension specialists at State College suggest four major points in working for better pasture management. First, the pasture should not be grazed too early in the spring, not until the grasses have made a growth of about 6 to 8 inches and firmly established themselves.

Second, overgrazing of the pastures, especially during long dry periods in summer, reduces the total amount of grazing. Such temporary grazing crops as soybeans, cowpeas, and Sudan grass can be used to bridge over the dry periods when grasses become tough and low in grazing value. Kudzu is another good crop for

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