

Victor Kephart Wins Citation

Harmon Field, Guam — A meritorious unit citation badge has been awarded to Pfc. Victor B. Kephart, Charlotte and Murphy, N. C., according to Col. O. F. Carlson, commanding officer of the Guam Air Depot here. He recently received a bronze service star for participation in the Western Pacific campaign.

A signal technician, Kephart entered the service in February, 1942, and arrived at Guam with an aircraft signal company in November, 1944.

His wife, Mrs. Grace Sullivan Kephart, lives at 217 McDonald avenue, Charlotte, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Kephart, at Route 3, Murphy.

Better use of and farm mechanization can help reduce production costs on many crops, according to the experts.

- ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Schedule of Masses
- Murphy, every 5th Sunday (C. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Andrews, every 5th Sunday (C. W. T.) — 11:00 A. M.
 - Bryson City, every Sunday (E. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Canton, every 5th Sunday (E. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Cherokee, every 3rd Sunday (E. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Franklin, every 2nd and 4th Sunday (E. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Highlands, every Sunday (E. W. T.) — 11:00 A. M.
 - Sylva, every 1st Sunday (E. W. T.) — 8:00 A. M.
 - Waynesville, every Sunday (E. W. T.) — 11:00 A. M.
 - Welch Cove, every 1st Sunday (C. W. T.) — 11:00 A. M.

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New Vacation Booklet Is Due By December 1

RALEIGH — A new vacation booklet on North Carolina is scheduled for delivery by December 1, at the latest, the State Advertising Division announced today. Contract has been let for several weeks.

The new booklet will be 28 pages size 8 x 10, with four-color front and back covers. 100,000 copies costing \$10,000 will be used for the 1946 promotion campaign.

The old booklet is both out-of-date and out-of-print, the Division said.

Navy Asking For Voluntary Enlistments

Navy Recruiting Stations all over the country are initiating an all out drive for voluntary enlistments, particularly in the Regular Navy, among men in the age group of 17 to 30 inclusive, who are now eligible by Executive Order of President Truman. This order lifts the ban against voluntary enlistments in draft ages.

The Navy's recruiting drive is designed to speed demobilization of men with long war service, to reduce the Navy to fulfill its extensive responsibilities through the transition period and beyond.

B. B. Cornwell At Fort Bragg

Burton B. Cornwell, Jr., has arrived in the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Fort Bragg, for basic military training. He has been assigned to Battery A, 12th Battalion, 4 F. A. Tng. Regiment. After his initial training he will be transferred to a field organization.

New Hunting Licenses Out

RALEIGH — The new hunting licenses, delayed because of inability of the state printer to print them are being distributed today and should be in the hands of wardens, clerks of court and other agents by next Monday or Tuesday, says Game Commissioner John D. Findlay.

Orders for the blanks were placed early as usual, said Findlay, but paper and labor scarcity has held up delivery until now.

Walden Hatchett Is Advanced

In The Pacific — Walden A. Hatchett, USNR, has advanced to seaman, first class. His wife and their two children live at Route 2, Murphy, N. C. Before entering the Navy he was employed by the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co. for four months and he was with the TVA for four years.

Solomon H. Rich On USS Intrepid

Somewhere in the Pacific — Solomon H. Rich, fireman, second class, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Rich, Harshaw Farms, Murphy, N. C., took part in a dual celebration aboard his Pacific aircraft carrier, the USS INTREPID, on August 16. The officers and men of this famed warship celebrated the victory in the Pacific and the observance of the ship's second year in service.

The day of celebration began with thanksgiving services and closed with a spectacular fun show. The noon meal was turkey with all of the trimmings.

The INTREPID has a proud record as a fighting ship. Four times she suffered battle damage. Her history records 80 enemy ships sunk and 650 enemy aircraft destroyed by the carrier's planes and guns.

Little Brasstown

Cpl. Frank Stalcup is home after serving overseas several months. He has received a discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. Blain Thomas and son Jimmie of Akron, Ohio are visiting Mrs. Stalcup's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Stalcup.

Mrs. Andy Keasler and daughter, Daphne of Bellview visited Mrs. Keasler's daughter and family, Mrs. A. H. Stalcup, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wilson of Midway spent the week-end with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Wilson.

Jack Hughes is able to go to school again after several days' illness.

Clifford Stalcup, who is in the U. S. Navy, is suffering with a burned leg.

Guy Crisp of Hayesville has moved back to this community.

Vengeance Creek

Miss Lucille Adkins of Robbinsville is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Maude Rogers.

Pfc. Fred B. Lumsford is spending a 30-day furlough with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Lumsford.

Pfc. Clyde Lovingood is returning to camp after spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lovingood.

John Isenhower of Robbinsville spent a few nights recently with Criss Deby.

RANGER

Cpl. John H. Ledford is spending a 30-day furlough with his wife, the former Miss Carolyn Johnson and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ledford.

Pfc. J. L. Hughes is spending a 30-day furlough with his wife and baby.

Pvt. Hoyt Kilpatrick and family

of Copperhill spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kilpatrick.

Pvt. Tom Graham, who has served 18 months in Italy, is spending a 30-day furlough with his wife, the former Miss Morene Martin.

Sgt. Malbert Kilpatrick, Jr., who is stationed at Nashville, Tenn., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kilpatrick.

Better Gas Is Due Here Soon

Better grade gasoline in both the regular and premium grades is due on the market soon, it is announced by L. W. Driscoll, District Director.

"This improved gasoline will cost consumers no more than the lower quality did during the war," he declared. "This is another example of OPA's intention to hold the line against inflationary pressures."

Regular grades of gasoline are being so much improved, he explained, that OPA has lifted the minimum octane rating qualifying for the premium grade ceilings from 75 octane to 78 octane.

Civilians will now receive 136 million pounds of the 1945 canned salmon pack instead of the 55 million pounds previously allotted.

Rubber Footwear Is Ration Free

Rationing of industrial rubber footwear has ended, it was disclosed yesterday by OPA District Director, L. W. Driscoll in Charlotte.

In announcing the fifth commodity group to be freed from ration controls since Japan surrendered, Mr. Driscoll said that rubber shoes and rubber boots were available in "supply sufficient to meet demand."

"Every time CPA is able to make an announcement like this, we feel that we are lightening the war-caused burden of American business and consumers and taking another step back toward the free economy we have waited for so long," he declared.

Willie M. Cribb Awarded Badge

With The 38th (Cyclone) Division on Luzon — For exemplary performance of duty against the enemy during the 38th (Cyclone) Division's fight to crack the Japanese Shimbun Line, east of Manila, Pvt. Willie M. Cribb, husband of Mrs. Bertha L. Cribb, Box 76, Andrews, N. C., has been awarded the Combat Infantry Badge.

The 38th Division captured strategic Zig Zag Pass, east of Olon-

gapo; engaged in mopping-up operations in Zambales Province and captured vital Wawa Dam, east of Manila. The 38th killed more than 26,000 Japs during the Luzon campaign.

Cribb is a member of Company A, 152nd Infantry Regiment.

Pfc. Hughes Home From Europe

Pfc. John L. Hughes, who has just returned from the European theater of war, is visiting his wife, Mrs. John L. Hughes, and son of Ranger, also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hughes of Marble.

Pfc. John L. Hughes has been in the army for two years. He received his basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. While overseas he served with the 45th division. After a 30-day furlough he will report to Camp Bowie, Texas.

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