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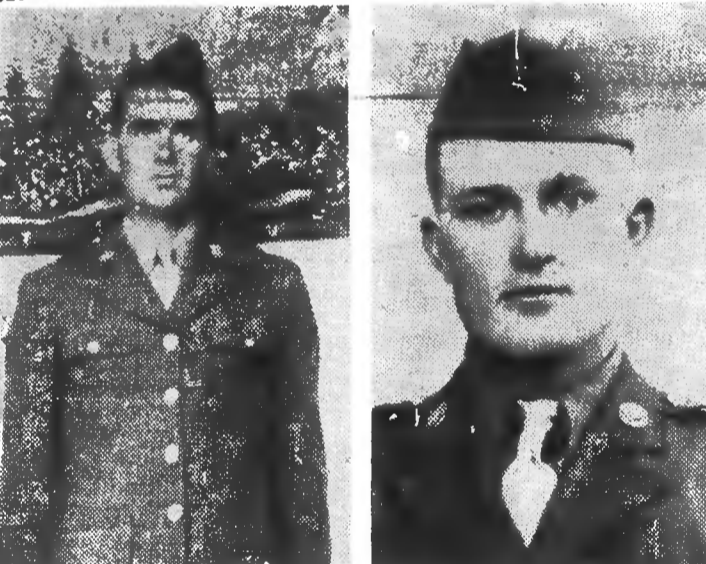
BROTHERS MEET IN SOUTH PACIFIC



Pfc. Morris Shumate, who has been in the army three years and at a distant point in the South Pacific for several months, was much surprised recently when he was visited by his brother, Grant Shumate, electrician's mate and third class in the navy. The Shumate brothers are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Viril W. Shumate, of North Wilkesboro route one. Pfc. Morris Shumate tells of their meeting overseas in the following letter to his parents, dated August 22:

Hello Pa:
How are you today? I am feeling fine. I really had the surprise of my life this morning and I bet you can't guess what it was. Well I am going to tell you in a jiffy what it was and I bet you will be surprised also. I was lying on my bed reading a magazine when someone yelled at me that someone wanted to see me. I went back to his ship at 4 o'clock but it was and went out to see who it was and was surprised when I saw Grant standing there. You can imagine about how I felt. I sure wasn't expecting to see him here. He came here about 10 o'clock this morning and stayed with me until 4:00 o'clock this afternoon. It sure was good to see him once more. When I first saw him I thought he had changed a lot, but after he was with me awhile I decided that he hadn't changed. Anyway I guess it was just my imagination and I think I looked kindly strange to him for awhile. We sure did do a lot of talking, telling each other all our troubles, but I think Grant did the most of the talking as you know he could always out-talk me. He went back to his ship at 4 o'clock but is coming back to see me again tomorrow. I don't know how long he will be around here. But you can bet we will see each other as much as possible. He stays here long enough I am going to spend the night with him if I can. He hasn't been sick since he left home, just the same old Grant. (See Brothers Meet—Page 8)

HALL BROTHERS SERVE IN ITALY



Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hall are now in service in Italy. Pvt. Glenn H. Hall, left, entered the army in January, 1944, and received training at Camp Wolters, Texas, and Fort George G. Meade, Md., before going to Italy. A recent letter received by his wife, the former Miss Thelma Wyatt, stated that he is o.k. and getting along fine. Sgt. Walter Hall, right, entered the army with the National Guard company at North Wilkesboro in September, 1940, and has been in service in the Mediterranean area since the African invasion. He is now in a hospital in Italy, where he is being treated for a throat infection. A recent letter to his mother stated that it seems good to sleep on a bed again and that he hoped to get out soon. The Hall brothers plan to meet each other in Italy soon.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING



Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Eller, who on Sunday, Sept. 3, were honored by their many friends on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Dr. and Mrs. Eller were at the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. H. Casey, in this city, for the observance, when many friends called. Dr. and Mrs. Eller, lifelong residents of the Purlear community, were married September 3, 1894, at the home of Mrs. Eller's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Lafayette Church. Dr. Eller is Wilkes county's health officer. Dr. and Mrs. Eller have two sons, C. B. Eller, superintendent of Wilkes schools, Wayne Eller, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco representative in Philadelphia, Pa., and one daughter, Mrs. A. H. Casey, of this city.

BATTLE NAZIS ON BORDER

REDS ADVANCE 18 MILES ON WIDE FRONT

Russian troops attacking on a 225-mile front yesterday penetrated 18 miles into Hungarian-annexed Transylvania in their accelerated drive to knock Hungary out of the war, and a Moscow dispatch said they were closing fast on Cluj, capital of the big plateau province and rail heart controlling Axis defenses.

(Bern radio in a roundabout report said Cluj had been captured, but this was not confirmed by Moscow.)

Although Moscow did not announce any gains on the western end of the curving front since Saturday's capture of Teius, only 37 miles south of Cluj, a dispatch said the Russians in that area were within 100 miles of Budapest.

The Soviet communique said Soviet columns attacking inside southeastern Transylvania and along the eastern side almost as far north as the old Polish frontiers had captured nearly 50 towns and villages during the day, and forced another Carpathian Mountain Pass into Transylvania.

Giant Apples Grow On Tree In Pasture C. E. Jenkins' Farm

C. E. Jenkins, prominent local hardware merchant, on Friday brought to The Journal-Patriot two of the largest apples ever shown here. The apples were green in color and had weights of one pound and 12 ounces and one pound and nine ounces. Mr. Jenkins stated that the apples came from a tree in the pasture on his farm in the Redies River community. The trees on his farm were sprayed thoroughly this year and have produced wonderful crops of fine apples. Seven bushels were taken from the tree with the big apples and the average was 40 apples to each bushel.

Pvt. Vaden G. Eller Wounded In France

Pvt. Vaden G. Eller was wounded in France August 23rd, according to a telegram received by his wife, the former Miss Dixie Hartley. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Eller of Ferguson. He is now in a hospital in England. Pvt. Eller entered service November 23, 1943, and received his training at Camp Wheeler, Ga. He has been overseas since May of this year.

Calf Shows Delayed

Dairy calf shows scheduled for this week at Statesville and Lexington have been postponed. The show at Statesville will be on September 27 and at Lexington on September 29. The Statesville show will be sponsored by Belk's stores and the show at Lexington by Coble Dairy Products company. Liberal cash prizes will be given and the 4-H club boys and girls from Wilkes are asked to enter their calves. Those who plan to enter are asked to contact County Agent Snipes.

Revival at Fishing Creek Announced

Revival services at Fishing Creek Baptist church will begin Sunday night, September 17, and services will be held each night throughout the week at eight o'clock. The pastor, Rev. C. J. Poole, will be assisted by Rev. Howard J. Ford, pastor of the Wilkesboro Baptist church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

"Wild Driver" Here Is Arrested Today

Turner Bell, latest recruit for the group of "wild drivers" which have been keeping North Wilkesboro people awake with the automobile escapades on the streets, was arrested about one a. m. today by A. H. Clark, state highway patrol sergeant here. Bell is alleged to have driven over a number of streets at a high rate of speed and in a most reckless manner. Similar "wild driving" occurred on the streets about one a. m. Sunday morning but officers were unable to apprehend the speeder.



PFC. WILLIE R. HARROLD

Pfc. Willie Harrold Dies Of Wounds In France On July 20

Pfc. Willie R. Harrold was wounded in action in France on July 12 and died on July 20, according to an official war department message received by his wife, Mrs. Rena Myres Harrold.

Pfc. Harrold was almost 22 years of age when he died. He had been in the service since October, 1942, and received training for the infantry at Camp Wheeler, Ga., Fort George G. Meade, Md., A. P. Hill, Va., Camp McCoy, Wis., and Iron River, Mich., sailing for overseas in May of 1944.

Pfc. Harrold had an excellent service record. He was awarded the good conduct medal for a year of good conduct and also received medals for expert rifle, automatic rifle, bayonet and hand grenade.

He is survived by his wife, the former Reba Myres, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Myres, of Hays; and a five-month-old daughter, Barbara Ann; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harrold, and the following brothers and sisters: Pvt. Buford C. Harrold, California; Lawrence, Walsie, Mary Grace, R. T. and Francis Harrold, all of Hays.

Club Council Will Meet October 9th In California

Mrs. Annie H. Greene, home demonstration agent, announced today that the county council of home demonstration clubs will meet at the North Wilkesboro town hall on October 9, 2:30 p. m., instead of October 3. A most interesting program, featuring a motion picture, will be carried out and all home demonstration club members and others interested are asked to make plans now to attend.

Quarterly Conference

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district of the Methodist church, will deliver a message and conduct the quarterly conference at the First Methodist church in this city Wednesday evening, 7:30 o'clock. Written reports will be given by officers of the church and church school.

Commended



Staff Sergeant William Benjamin Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Martin, of Ronda, was recently highly commended by his commanding officer for service at an air base overseas. The commendation as written by Capt. K. L. Garrett appears elsewhere in this newspaper. S.Sgt. Martin volunteered for service November 6, 1940, and went overseas in March of this year.

FIRST SHELLS FALL ON NAZI SOIL SUNDAY

U. S. First Army tanks and Infantry, in a spectacular 35 mile advance, crashed at two points Sunday and drove on into the capital of the tiny Grand Ducky, while "Long Tom" guns in Belgium opened up on the Aachen area of Germany in the first American artillery bombardment of the Reich.

Unconfirmed front dispatches said that the city of Luxembourg, ten miles from Germany's rich Saar basin, already had been liberated by the southern wing of Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First Army.

The northern wing, striking out in a 14 mile advance—captured the Belgian town of Lihourg, 8 1-2 miles from the German border and 11 1-2 miles southwest of Aachen. From the newly-captured town of Verviers, three miles southwest of Limbourg, American 155 millimeter guns opened a bombardment of the tiny German border town of Bilschen, below Aachen, just before noon Sunday.

City and County Schools to Open Monday, Sept. 18

Schools of the Wilkes county system and North Wilkesboro city schools will open Monday, September 18.

School opening was postponed due to the infantile paralysis epidemic, which has subsided, and school authorities have completed plans for opening on the 18th.

Buildings and equipment of all the schools have been placed in condition for school opening, and a large enrollment is expected.

The faculty of the city school system is complete. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools, stated the latter part of the week that a very few teacher vacancies remained to be filled but expected the teacher list to be complete this week.

School buses have been reconditioned in preparation for school opening.

To Head Kiwanis



PAUL OSBORNE

Wounded On Saipan



Pfc. Treely Granville Billings, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Billings, of Wilkesboro, was wounded on June 15 on Saipan and has been awarded the Purple Heart medal. Latest news is that he is recovering. Pfc. Billings entered service in the marine corps on April 22, 1941.

Junior Order Meet

Degree work will be carried out and refreshments will be served in the meeting of the North Wilkesboro council of the Junior Order to be held Tuesday night, 7:30 o'clock. A large attendance of members is desired.

Staff Sergeant



Staff Sergeant George C. Shew, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shew, of this city, was recently promoted to his present rank at McCook, Nebraska, where he is now stationed. S.Sgt. Shew has been in the army since April 14, 1942.

Visits Home



Aubrey L. Miller, seaman second class, of Camp Peary, Va., has been spending a few days leave with his wife, the former Miss Leslie Miller, and their daughter, Anna Margaret, on North Wilkesboro route one. Seaman Miller is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Miller, of North Wilkesboro route one.

Paul Osborne Will Head Kiwanis For The Coming Year

Officers For 1945 Elected In Meeting Friday; OPA Official Is Speaker

Paul Osborne, well known business man who is associated with his uncle, P. E. Brown, in the lumber manufacturing business, was elected president of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club Friday noon.

Officers of the club, elected for one year, will not take office until January 1. Election is held prior to the district convention, which will be held October 11 and 12 at Greenville, S. C.

The full slate of officers elected Friday are as follows: Paul Osborne, president; J. B. McCoy, vice president; T. E. Story, treasurer; A. F. Kilby, past president; Dr. G. T. Mitchell, W. D. Half-acre, Gwyn Gambill, J. B. Williams and J. B. Snipes, directors.

Mr. Osborne has been very active in civic life in the Wilkesboro and has taken an active part in many movements for the welfare and progress of the community.

J. B. Carter was program chairman for the meeting Friday and in his absence Paul Osborne conducted the program. He introduced Mr. Douglas C. Goff, price liaison officer of the O. P. A., who made a fine and informational talk on the subject of "Rationing and Price Control".

He contrasted our system in the United States with that in operation in England, France and in Russia. Our system was inaugurated in March, 1942, and costs \$170,000 per year to operate. He stated that the users of sugar alone had been saved three times that amount when compared with the prices paid in the first World War period. He called attention to the scramble for durable goods following the first world war and later bankruptcies of many of those who bought unwisely. The present OPA system does not plan to have that repeated.

He stated that rationing will soon be reduced on many articles but that price control will continue for a considerable time.

Guests Friday were: Thomas Eshelman with his father, P. W. Eshelman; Hubert Winkler with Pat M. Williams; J. R. Henderson with A. F. Kilby; Mrs. E. A. Shook, C. P. Walter and D. C. Goff were guests of J. B. Carter.

J. Oliver Brewer Funeral Sunday

Funeral service for J. Oliver Brewer, age 80, prominent Wilkes citizen who died Saturday afternoon at his home near Dockery, was held Sunday afternoon at Mt. Pisgah church.

Mr. Brewer was one of Wilkes county's best known citizens and for several decades had taken a most active part in public life. He was a former member of the Wilkes county board of commissioners and had been active in church work, being a deacon in Mt. Pisgah Baptist church for 25 years. He was also a member of the Traphill Masonic lodge.

For more than 30 years Mr. Brewer was in the mercantile business and he also operated a sawmill. Mr. Brewer owned and managed a splendid farm.

He was married to Miss Ellen Staley Smoot, who preceded him in death. He later married Miss Lunda Robinson, who survives. There were no children.

Of the immediate family two brothers and one sister survive: F. G. Brewer, of Moravian Falls, W. S. Brewer, of Rural Hall, and Mrs. Emma Crouch, of Hays.

The funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. E. Sparks, assisted by Rev. L. B. Murray and Rev. Grant Cothren.

Fifteen Taken In Poker Raid

Officers Nab Large Group In Barn In Millers Creek Community Sunday

Officers broke up a poker game in the Millers Creek community Sunday by arrest of 15 alleged participants.

Sheriff C. G. Poindexter, Deputies Blaine Sparks, and S. U. Reynolds, and State Highway Patrol Sergeant A. H. Clark made the raid.

They found two games in progress in a barn and the participants were cited to appear for trial before Magistrate R. T. Fardus in this city on Saturday, September 16.

CHURCHILL IN CANADA FOR JOINT MEET

Prime Minister Churchill arrived in Canada by ship yesterday and is coming to Quebec to meet President Roosevelt in a victory conference packed with gold-braid commanders assigned to crush final German resistance and speed the Allied onslaught against Japan.

Official confirmation of this much rumored meeting was made late yesterday afternoon in the historic Chateau Frontenac Hotel following Churchill's arrival at a Canadian East Coast port. The President, the Prime Minister and top Allied commanders met here a year ago.