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ROARING RIVER BOY GETS PULLMAN AWARD



Here is Sergeant Lawrence M. Staley, of Roaring River, North Carolina, receiving the Pullman plaque at Washington, D. C., expressing the company's appreciation for the service rendered by the Army's Military Police on railroad trains. David A. Crawford, president of the Pullman Company, presents the award while Maj. Gen. Archer L. Lerch, the Provost Marshal General of the Army, looks on. Sergeant Staley has performed duties as town patrolman, traffic control and train riding; at present is on the run between Columbia, S. C., and Miami, Fla. The Pullman citation commends the Military Police for tempering "military discipline with tact and a keen sense of justice."

Atlanta, Ga.—Sergeant Lawrence M. Staley of Roaring River, N. C. represented the Fourth Service Command MPs when the Pullman Company presented the Corps of Military Police with a plaque of appreciation in Washington, D. C. "In recognition of outstanding performance of duties aboard the nation's railroads."

The ceremony took place in the Union Station plaza and the award was made by David A. Crawford, president of the Pullman Company in the presence of Major General Archer L. Lerch, Provost Marshal General. Attending the ceremony (and each a recipient of a miniature plaque) were nine enlisted men—one from each of the nine service commands and the Military District of Washington . . . selected because he had traveled the most miles in his section.

It is the duty of Military Police on trains to maintain military discipline and to render assistance to the thousands of soldiers always traveling. MPs average 250,000 miles of train rides every day throughout the U. S.

The Pullman Company's plaque, given in recognition of the fine job done by the Corps of Military Police reads: "To the Officers and Men of the Military Police of the United States Army. "When the service record of the Military Police of the United States Army in World War II is written, one of the most important chapters will deal with their performance of duties aboard the nation's railroads. Their record on this assignment is exemplary. "Being charged with the responsibility of safeguarding the welfare of millions of troops in wartime travel, Military Police have maintained a 24-hour vigilance on Pullman cars of thousands of trains. "They have been confident and companion of the traveler, have given aid to the weary, succor to the ill and comfort to the sad of heart. In times of strife, they have tempered military discipline with tact and a keen sense of justice. The standard of service they have set has been a credit to the Army; it has won the respect of military and civilian travelers alike. "In recognition of this outstanding standard of service, the Pullman Company officials express their appreciation and gratitude to the officers and men of the Military Police who have participated and commend them for their contribution to national security."

Just prior to the awarding of the plaques, then ten MPs made a tour of the Provost Marshal General's office and were present— (Continued on page eight)

WILKES CAN REACH E BOND GOAL BY JUNE 30TH

\$218,000 Total Now and Quota Is Sum of \$320,000

Lt. Williams Tells Kiwanians About Battles In Europe

Local Youth Delivers Interesting Address At Kiwanis Club Meeting

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club held an interesting meeting Friday noon.

Program chairman J. R. Hix presented Lt. Pat Williams, Jr., who has just returned from the European theatre of war.

Pat made an interesting talk relating his experiences in the 86th division of the first Army and the Third Army. He was at the battle of Cologne and later in the eastern part of Europe where his unit was the first to cross the Danube River.

He was returned home for a furlough and preparation for warfare in the far Pacific.

Following the talk by Lt. Williams, Paul Cragan showed a Pacific War Picture, portraying the taking of Iwo Jima, and another giving the Japanese point of view about the war and their ability to win it. They were sound pictures and gave a good presentation of the difficulties we must overcome in that theatre.

W. D. Halfacre spoke of the 7th war bond sale and stated that we are considerably behind in the sale of E bonds and urged the members to buy each a \$5,000 bond.

Prior to the program J. B. Williams introduced a resolution asking that the club sponsor the operation of the swimming pool under the direction of Pat Hunt. The club unanimously passed the resolution.

Guests Friday were as follows: Rev. B. M. Lackey with Joe Barber; G. C. Smith, of Salisbury, with Edd Gardner; Lt. Ray Stroud with Wm. A. Stroud; Miss Tyler and Dr. Winston, of Raleigh, with T. E. Story.

Mrs. I. T. Riddle Claimed By Death

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, two p. m., at Bethel Branch Church of Christ for Mrs. Viola Jane Riddle, age 44, resident of Rock Creek township who died Sunday.

Mrs. Riddle was the wife of Iredell Talmadge Riddle, and is survived by her husband and 12 children: Clyde Riddle and Mrs. W. W. Johnson, of North Wilkesboro route two; Mrs. Edith Smoak, of Smoak, S. C.; Rex, Era, Evelyn, Clate, L. A., Paul, Doris, Linda and Gwyn Riddle, of North Wilkesboro route two.

PLANES RAID 5,000-MILE PACIFIC AREA

Guam.—Hundreds of American and British planes heaped upwards of 1,000 tons of bombs on enemy targets spread over a 5,000-mile front from Borneo to the Kuriles in a blazing week-end that carried the preinvasion aerial offensive against Japan through its 19th consecutive day, it was disclosed today.

Army, navy, marine and R. A. F. warplanes of at least six air forces under the commands of Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Adm. Chester W. Nimitz continued the battering of both Japan and its island outposts in the opening phases of a campaign designed to reduce the enemy's industries by fall.

The latest strikes, which took a toll of at least 44 Japanese ships and river craft, were announced as Tokyo reported that three fleets of B-29 Super Fortresses, blockading Japan's home waters, had spilled mines off the Kyushu and Honshu coasts and bombed secondary targets on those islands.

More than 900 electric systems financed by the REA have been ordered to start work at once on delayed power line construction projects totaling more than 100 million dollars.

Truck Gas Coupons To Be Mailed Out

Rationing officials in Wilkes county will mail the truck gasoline coupons for the second quarter, beginning July 1. The coupons will be mailed in time to reach the truck operators by July 1.

Truck gas coupons will be mailed out from the Wilkesboro board Wednesday. The office will be closed to the public and some volunteer help is urgently needed, especially a volunteer typist. If you can help, please call 546.

President of Lions



DR. J. S. DEANS Will Head Lions Club For Term

Officers Elected In Meeting Held Friday Evening; One New Member

Dr. Jule S. Deans, for several years one of the most active members of the North Carolina Lions Club, was elected president of the club for the coming year in the meeting held Friday evening.

Dr. Deans succeeds Vernon S. Deal, who has very successfully led the club as president during the past year.

Other officers elected Friday evening were as follows: W. Oliver Absher, first vice president; W. C. Marlow, second vice president; Paul L. Cashion, secretary-treasurer; Ray Manship, tall twister; Presley Myers, Lion tamer; Glenn R. Andrews, Gilbert T. Bare, Boyd Stout and Wm. D. Jester, directors.

At the close of the meeting President Deal thanked the club for the cooperation received during the past year, and presented the president's button to Dr. Deans, incoming president, who greeted the club with a brief address.

M. J. O'Sullivan, a member of the Boone club until he came to North Wilkesboro to become manager of Crest store, was accepted into membership in the local club.

Pearson Brothers Memorial Is Held

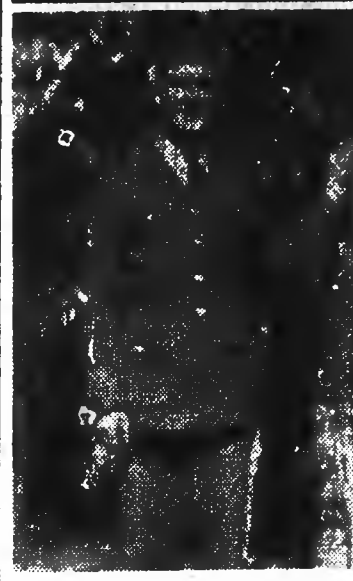
Memorial service for Pfc. Joe H. Pearson and Pfc. Alvin W. Pearson, brothers killed in action, was held Sunday afternoon at Friendship Methodist church near Millers Creek.

Pfc. Alvin W. Pearson was killed while serving with the marine corps on Iwo Jima March 2. Pfc. Joe H. Pearson was killed in Italy only five days before the end of the campaign there in April. They were sons of Mrs. Rosa Pearson Holcomb, and the late G. E. Pearson, of Millers Creek.

Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner, pastor, conducted the service and delivered an inspiring message. High Point post of Veterans of Foreign Wars, accompanied by members of the Wilkes post, assisted by carrying out memorial rites. A large crowd attended the service.

Sign up with your county agent for the State Five-Acre Cotton Contest by July 1.

Killed In Action



PVT. RALPH J. ELLEDGE Pvt. Elledge Killed In Action March 17; Reported Lost

Soldier From Hays Community Had Been Reported As Missing In Action

Pvt. Ralph J. Elledge, age 31, was killed in action in Germany on March 17.

He was first reported missing and only a few days ago the War Department reported in a message to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Elledge, of Hays, that he was killed in action on the above date.

Pvt. Elledge went into the army April 15, 1942, and had been overseas three years, serving in the engineers and in the infantry. Surviving Pvt. Elledge are his parents, two brothers and two sisters: Sgt. Walter H. Elledge, in the Philippines; Britt Elledge, Hays; Mrs. Bernice Hayes, Gary, Ind.; Mrs. James Alexander, Elwood, Ind.

July Deadline On Slaughter Permits

Farm slaughterers in Wilkes county were reminded today that July 1 is the last date for obtaining a permit if they wish to slaughter or have animals slaughtered for sale during 1945.

Officials defined a Class 3 slaughterer as a resident operator of a farm who sold less than 6,000 pounds of meat resulting from slaughter of his own livestock last year.

Farmers who did not slaughter meat for sale last year may obtain a permit to market up to 400 pounds during 1945, he explained, but no permit is required to dress meat for the farmer's own consumption.

JAP LOSSES ON OKINAWA TOTAL 110,000

Guam.—The Japanese suffered nearly 110,000 casualties on Okinawa.

Through Saturday, American troops had killed 101,853 Japanese and captured 7,902. Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said in today's communique. Of the prisoners, 5,213 were Japanese troops and 2,689 were labor troops. That was an increase of 3,289 Japanese dead counted since Friday's report and an additional one-day bag of 970 prisoners.

Japanese losses on Okinawa are by far the highest for any Central or Far Western Pacific island and probably exceed those for any Pacific island anywhere except Luzon. Total Japanese casualties for the Leyte campaign, including several thousand killed at sea in attempts to reinforce Leyte, were slightly in excess of 81,000.

Extensive mopping up and patrolling activities continued on Okinawa today. At scattered points, U. S. Tenth Army troops encountered rifle fire and grenades.

Purchase Of \$5,000 Bonds Urged As 7th War Loan Enters Final Week

With about \$102,000 to go, Wilkes county can reach its E bond quota this week and keep the county's record in War Loan campaigns perfect.

An urgent appeal goes out this week to all people of the county to rally in this final phase of the 7th War Loan and put the county over as they have in every previous campaign.

The total sales through Saturday were listed today by W. D. Halfacre, chairman, as being \$218,230. The E bond quota is \$320,000.

A look at the amount yet to be sold reveals that 30 bonds in \$5,000 denomination, costing \$3,750 each, would raise the quota. That many \$5,000 E bonds may not sold, but there are hundreds of people in Wilkes county who are financially able to buy some E bonds and thus make up the difference and show to the fighting men from Wilkes that the home front continues solidly behind them in the war against Japan.

Extra efforts are being put forth to reach the quota by Saturday, June 30, the official closing date of the campaign. The slogan for this one week of intensified effort is "Go Over The Top" again in Wilkes. Letters from men of Wilkes at the front frequently mention how good it is to read about Wilkes' fine record in buying bonds. Surely every citizen of this grand old county will want to help keep the record at the top in war financing.

This is the final week. BUY AN EXTRA BOND!

Report of Bond Sales By Stores, Districts Given

Following is the latest tabulated report on war bond sales by retail stores, rural districts and the two canvass leaders in North Wilkesboro. All committee members, personnel of all stores and block leaders are asked to put forth special efforts this week and help to reach the county's quota:

SALES BY STORES	
Hotel Wilkes	5,000.00
N. W. Drug Co.	225.00
Spainhour's	2,550.00
Tomlinson's	375.00
Allen Theater	725.00
Rhodes-Sturdivant	300.00
Rhodes-Day	100.00
Bell's	600.00
Bare's Fair Store	125.00
Red Cross Pharmacy	500.00
Hackney Dept. Store	200.00
Gaddy Motor Co.	575.00
Payne Clothing Co.	1,000.00
Jean's	250.00
J. C. Penney Co.	275.00
Wilkes Drug Co.	25.00
City Barber Shop	200.00
Crest Stores	25.00
N. W. Grocery	1,000.00
Boomer	2,875.00
Cycle	5,000.00
Ferguson	2,250.00
Brushy Mountain	1,400.00
Hendrix	650.00
Lincoln Heights	25.00
Maple Springs	2,525.00
Millers Creek	5,550.00
Moravian Falls and Pores Knob	12,225.00
Mt. Pleasant	5,200.00
Mtn. View	6,275.00
Mulberry and Fairplains	3,850.00
Roaring River	13,000.00
Ronda and Clingman	14,950.00
Summit and Parsonville	4,225.00
Traphill	3,850.00
Wilkesboro	13,100.00
N. Wilkesboro—Mrs. Gardner	26,512.50
Mrs. Finley	21,175.00

William E. Rash Funeral Sunday

Last rites were conducted Sunday at Pleasant Home church for William E. Rash, 84-year-old resident of the Reddies River route one community who died Friday. Rev. Will Luffman conducted the funeral service.

Surviving Mr. Rash are one daughter, Miss Beadie Rash, of Reddies River, and two sons, Odell and C. D. Rash, of Wilkesboro route one.

Fine Horses To Be In Show On July 4

O. E. S. Meeting Wilkes Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its regular meeting Thursday evening, June 28, at 7:30.

Bare Made Head United War Fund

Gilbert T. Bare, of North Wilkesboro, was elected chairman of United War Fund for Wilkes county at a meeting of the Wilkes County United War Fund committee on June 14, at Hotel Wilkes. Mr. Bare is a prominent merchant with stores at North Wilkesboro and Boone.

At the same meeting, C. J. Swofford was named a member of the state board of directors. Mr. Swofford served as chairman of the successful United War Fund drive during the past year.

Clyde R. Greene, of Boone, District chairman for the United War Fund, met with the committee. Plans were outlined and an organization set up to carry on the work in Wilkes county for the coming year.

A district meeting, headed by Mr. Greene, will be held at Hotel Wilkes at one o'clock Tuesday, June 26. Representatives from Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Watauga and Wilkes counties make up the District United War Fund committee.

RATION NEWS

PROCESSED FOODS: Blue Stamps N3, P2, Q3, R2, S2 expire June 30. T3, U3, V3, W3, X3 expire July 31. Y3, Z3, A1, B1, G1 expire August 31. D1, E1, F1, G1, H1 expire Sept. 30.

MEATS AND FATS: Red Stamps E3, F3, G3, H3, J3 expire June 30. K3, L3, M3, N3, P3 expire July 31. Q3, R3, S3, T3, U3 expire August 31. V3, W3, X3, Y3, Z3 expire Sept. 30.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp No. 34 good for 5 pounds, expires August 31.

STAMPS: Airplane Stamps No. 1, 2, 3 now good. GASOLINE: A-15 coupons valid through June 31.

Arrangements For Annual Event Are Well Under Way

Some of the best horses in four states will be shown in the annual Wilkes County Horse Show to be held on Wilkesboro athletic field, afternoon and night, July 4th.

The show is being instituted this year as an annual sports event for northwestern North Carolina and will be sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Lions Club, which will use all profits from the show in carrying out the club's many commendable civic activities.

Wm. T. Long, chairman of the entries committee, has received entries for some of the highest ranking show horses in North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia and more entries are expected momentarily.

At the Lions Club meeting held Friday evening various committees reported on progress being made on arrangements for the horse show. James M. Anderson reported good progress in obtaining advertisements for the horse show program, an extensive bulletin which will soon be off the press. Dwight Nichols reported on developments by the publicity committee.

W. D. Jester gave the report on entries for Chairman Long and also that good progress was being made on preparation of the horse show grounds. Dr. J. W. Willis reported that repair and construction work on stables is under way.

C. E. Jenkins, Jr., reported that cash prizes totaling over \$500 are offered and that a great part of the funds have been obtained by subscription and entry fees. Other committee chairmen reporting were: Clyde Pearson, refreshments; Zeb V. K. Dickson, tickets; and Carlyle Ingle, car parking.

Miss Nettie Andrews Is Claimed By Death

Miss Nettie Andrews, a well known and highly respected resident of this city, died Saturday after an illness of several days. Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending arrival of relatives from distant points.

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