

Building fund is a continual endeavor until a sufficient amount of money is raised for erection of a splendid Y. M. C. A. building here after the war. Lead a hand to see it through!

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Two Killed In Truck Collision

Davis J. Hix And Allen Nichols Are Accident Victims

Local Men Killed When Trucks Crash Saturday Near Summerfield



OUR BOYS WITH THE COLORS

PFC. RALPH OSBORNE ARRIVES IN FRANCE
 Pfc. Ralph Osborne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Osborne, of North Wilkesboro, formerly of Ashe county, has notified his parents of his arrival somewhere in France, where he is stationed in an engineering company. He has been in service for two years. His wife is making her home in Galax, Va.

LT. A. L. BRZOSTOWSKI NOW FERRYING TROOPS
 Lt. A. L. Brzostowski, husband of the former Miss Jeanne Moore, is now stationed in Puerto Rico. He is engaged in ferrying troops from New Guinea to Puerto Rico.

C. CLINTON ELLER HOME FROM ENGLAND
 C. Clinton Eller, specialist second class, has arrived from England, where he served several months in naval postal service, and is spending several days leave with his family near this city. Before entering the navy he was rural letter carrier on North Wilkesboro Route 3.

WM. M. PRUITT NOW AT SAN PEDRO, CALIF.
 William M. Pruitt, Jr., fireman first class, who was recently moved from Coronado Island to Camp Elliott in California, has been transferred again to Harbor Craft Base, San Pedro, Calif. He is getting along fine and says to tell everyone "Hello."

NEWS OF PRUITT BROTHERS IN SERVICE
 Cpl. Arnold G. Pruitt has returned to the convalescent hospital at Camp Butler after visiting his wife, the former Miss Kathleen Walsh, of Boomer. Cpl. Pruitt returned from service in the Pacific in May. T. Sgt. William J. Pruitt is on his way home from Germany. He has spent 22 months overseas. His wife is the former Miss Faye Lovette, of North Wilkesboro. The Pruitt brothers are sons of Mrs. A. C. Pruitt.

PFC. ROBERT J. LAWS HOME FROM OVERSEAS
 Pfc. Robert J. Laws, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Laws, of Wilkesboro Route 1, has returned to the States after seven months in the European theatre. He fought in the Second division through the area of Germany and into Czechoslovakia. He is to report back to Camp Swift, Texas, Aug. 23. He is enjoying his furlough at home with an old friend, Pfc. Roo J. Wood, who has been overseas 11 months.

CAPT. RALPH BOWMAN AT ROBINS FIELD, GA.
 Robins Field, Ga.—Capt. Ralph I. Bowman, air corps, of North Wilkesboro, was assigned to Robins Field, headquarters of the Warner Robins air technical service command July 24, where he is in charge of air corps reclamation.

Captain Bowman came to Robins Field from Williams Field, Arizona, following a year overseas with the 5th air force. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and has 8 oak leaf clusters.
 Before entering the service he was employed by Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Burbank, Calif.
 Robins Field is part of the globe-girdling air technical service command, largest single command in the army air forces, responsible for the design, engineering, manufacture, supply and maintenance of all AAF planes and equipment throughout the world.

Quincy McNeill Now With Motor Service Sales Company Here
 Quincy McNeill, who has been connected with the automobile business here for a number of years, and who is well known in this section of the state, has purchased an interest in the Motor Service Sales Co. in this city. Mr. McNeill has joined the personnel of the company and will devote his full time to the business.

PROCESSED FOODS: Blue Stamps T2, U2, V2, W2, X2 expire July 31; Y2, Z2, A1, B1, C1 expire August 31; D1, E1, F1, G1, H1 expire September 30; J1, K1, L1, M1, N1 expire October 31.
MEATS & FATS: Red Stamps K2, L2, M2, P2 expire July 31; Q2, R2, S2, T2, U2 expire August 31; V2, W2, X2, Y2, Z2 expire September 30; A1, B1, C1, D1, E1 expire October 31.
SUGAR: Sugar Stamp No. 36 good for 5 lbs. expires August 31.
HEROES: Airplane Stamp No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 now good.
GASOLINE: A-16 coupons valid thru September 31.

Awarded Medals

S. SGT. JONES MARLEY
St. Sgt. Marley Gets Silver Star And Bronze Star

Ferguson Soldier Is Also Awarded Purple Heart; Has Excellent Record

S. Sgt. Jones Marley, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Marley, of Ferguson, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement with the Ninth Infantry division in Germany.

He entered service in January, 1943, received training at Camp Croft, S. C., went overseas in June, 1943. He served in North Africa, Sicily, England, France, Belgium and Germany. He was wounded in the right temple in France in July, 1944.

Among other awards of S. Sgt. Marley are the Silver Star, Combat Infantry badge and a Presidential citation which reads as follows: "His gallantry in action and disregard for his personal safety June 16, 1944, during the operations on the Obeisburg peninsula, reflect highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

A brother, Pfc. Vester Marley, is with the army in Italy.

Members Local Kiwanis Club At District Meet

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club was well represented at the Kiwanis division 3 meeting held Friday at High Point.

8,000 PLANES TO HIT JAPS HEAVY BLOWS

Washington.—The all-out air attack on Japan will be waged by at least 8,000 army planes.

The bomb load of B-29's taking off from the close-in base of Okinawa "very soon" will be triple the load carried by Super Fortresses now operating from the Marianas.

These facts came to light yesterday in a series of Army Hour broadcast addresses by high air force commanders.

The gigantic force of army planes—ranging from huge bombers down through fighters—does not include the thousands of planes launched from the navy's carriers, currently having repeated attacks at the enemy homeland.

JAP SHIPS AND PLANES DESTROYED

Much Decorated Wilkes Soldier Says His Overlooked Buddy Was Best Soldier In Uncle Sam's Army

T. Sgt. Church Restless After Brilliant Career; May Enlist Again

Technical Sergeant McKinley Church, who went from the hills of Headless River community of Wilkes county to Europe and there personally accounted for a large batch of Hitler's Nazis, stoutly claims that his buddy was the "best damn soldier in the army," notwithstanding the fact that his buddy received only one medal for meritorious service.

When the record books are compiled, they should show that T. Sgt. Church, small in stature but magnanimous in achievements against the enemy, should be a record holder.

If his decorations don't merit a top place in the records, he still has another distinction—he was "busted" 17 times during his army career, but at the time of his discharge held the rank of technical sergeant, and any enlisted man will tell you "that ain't hay."

His decorations include the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster, American Defense Service medal with one bronze service star, MAMET campaign medal with three bronze stars, Good Conduct medal, American Theatre medal and distinguished unit citation badge.

But T. Sgt. Church is perhaps more disturbed about the neglect of his buddy, Sgt. Mitchell Uline, of Detroit, Mich., who got only the Bronze Star, than he is proud of his own large collection of deserved decorations.

It was Sgt. Uline with T. Sgt. Church when the two got into with a motor vehicle on a road. Four—only four—of the Germans got away. S. Sgt. Church said, and no prisoners were taken. T. Sgt. Church had a tommy gun and Sgt. Uline a Browning automatic rifle.

T. Sgt. Church was not trying to be heroic when he won the Bronze Star. He got mad. Yanks, of which he was one, were attacking a Nazi block house, when one of T. Sgt. Church's buddies was hit. T. Sgt. Church charged across exposed terrain to the block house and pitched in some hand grenades. He expected that only a small squad of Nazis were holding the house. When 27 Nazis marched out with their hands in the air, T. Sgt. Church was scared. He hadn't expected over three or four. He called for help to take care of them. He doesn't know yet how many he killed before they marched out.

The Silver Star came from a very tough experience when T. Sgt. Church's platoon was cut off behind enemy lines. With most of his men casualties, he held out until help finally arrived. He himself received an abdominal wound, for which he was awarded the cluster to the Purple Heart medal he had received previously for a shrapnel wound on his face.

"That's the medal no soldier wants to get," T. Sgt. Church said in looking over his decorations. He volunteered for army service in 1940, spent a long time on Hawaii and was returned to the States in 1943. He went overseas in 1944 and served one year—but what a year! He had been a soldier that was a problem child to commanding officers. In combat he was a godsend. He went to Europe as a buck private. He was discharged with 133 demobilization points.

Now T. Sgt. Church is restless. He talks of returning to the army. What for?—\$158 per month, plus longevity pay and any other allowances which may accrue, and for new experiences.

Only explanation T. Sgt. Church makes for his record of being "busted" 17 times is that he just "didn't give a damn."

Earthquake Is Felt By Early Risers Here
 The earthquake Thursday morning which shook the eastern parts of North and South Carolina and Georgia was felt here by early risers. Several have reported feeling a mild tremor and slight vibration of buildings. The majority, however, were unaware of the quake.

Reports Jap Peace Feelers

Denison, Texas—Speaker Sam Rayburn returned to Texas Saturday and in an interview said peace overtures have been made by Japan but he saw no likelihood of modification in the Allies' original demand for unconditional surrender.

He said he did not know details of the peace feelers, explaining they were military matters with which he was not familiar. He felt that unconditional surrender was the only way to deal with the Japs.

John Paul Lucas Speaker Kiwanis Meeting Friday

"Home Coming" Is Subject Interesting Address by Duke Power Executive

North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club on Friday held an interesting meeting, which was featured by an address by John Paul Lucas, public relations director of Duke Power Company, of Charlotte.

Prior to the program, Secretary T. M. Story read the report brought forward from the board of directors meeting held Thursday night, and complimented Chairman Paul E. Church for his fine work in helping to get the stock pens erected here.

The president appointed E. G. Kintley as vice-chairman of the Education committee.

P. W. Kshelman called attention to the low grade of fruits and melons that come to local market and asked that the Agriculture committee make some investigation of the matter.

Program Chairman C. Arthur Venable introduced John Paul Lucas, of Charlotte, who made the following remarks:

He mentioned the millions of people who are coming back to their destroyed homes in Europe with little or nothing with which to begin anew their civil life again. He pointed out the long stream of Russians who are marching victoriously home with high hopes and ambitious plans; but he sees above all of these, our own millions of sons who are coming back to the land they love, to a land not belonging to some monarch, but to one of which they can be a part. It is the land they went out to defend and now they come back to enjoy. It is an experience that challenges those of us who have remained on the home front to fit it for a proper home-coming. There must be opportunity for those coming home to enter at once into an endeavor of production, for they and we shall be happy only as we produce those things that people want in reality rather than in fiction. No marking up of the record will be sufficient. Here enterprise offers the best opportunity.

Guests Friday were as follows: C. M. Stone with Robert B. Gibbs; J. B. McLaughlin with L. M. Nelson; John Hayes with Joe Barber; Sgt. R. C. Jennings with J. B. Carter; Major Richard Johnston with A. F. Kilby. Kiwanians E. W. Smith and Howard Powell, of Lenoir, were visitors at the meeting.

T. Barnes Campbell Dies At Taylorsville

T. Barnes Campbell, 45, died suddenly at his home at Taylorsville Saturday morning of a heart attack. He was a son of the late Ed C. and Mrs. Florence Campbell, of Taylorsville. He was in the wholesale lumber business.

Funeral service was held Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home, with Rev. G. R. Stafford in charge. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Helen Marlow, daughter of Mrs. J. R. Marlow, of North Wilkesboro, and one son, two brothers and a sister.

NIP FLEET IS REDUCED TO GHOST SIZE

Guzen.—The American and British fleets shelled the Japanese city of Hamamatsu and sent their carrier planes in a new heavy assault on the Tokyo area today as Admiral Nimitz announced that Saturday's great Inland Sea raid knocked out at least 196 enemy surface vessels and 383 aircraft.

The once-mighty Japanese battle fleet was now a ghost navy, its heavy remnants wrecked for the duration of the war by the Saturday blow at Kure Naval Base which accounted for at least seven large warships.

Swinging away from that blast, charred area as if certain his job against the enemy fleet was complete, Admiral Halsey took his Third Fleet and its British Allies up to Hamamatsu in the darkness today and poured more than 1,900 tons of explosive shells into that industrial center 120 miles southwest of Tokyo.

LIBERATORS SMASH OTHER SHIPS OF JAPS

Manila.—Liberator of the army's Far East Air Forces scored four one-ton bomb hits on the Japanese battleship Haruna—previously reported damaged by navy planes—and ripped it apart amidships Saturday, General MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

Admiral Nimitz Sunday declared that on the same day part of his 1,500 plane-carrier air fleet hit the Haruna in a smash at the Kuro Bay area and left it burning.

(It was not clear from this dispatch which of the Saturday attacks came first).

An aircraft carrier also was damaged in the Liberator raid on Kure, while fighter pilots reported they probably destroyed an escort carrier and a light cruiser in a strike at the base of Sasebo, on the west coast of the southern home island of Kyushu.

Appointments For Vaccinations 1st

Dr. A. J. Eller, county health officer, will fill the following appointments Wednesday, August 1, for giving typhoid, diphtheria, whooping cough and smallpox vaccinations: Roaring River, 10 a. m.; Konda, 11 a. m.; Coy Durham's home, 1 p. m.; Benham school, 2 p. m.

Senate Ratifies Charter Formed At San Francisco

Washington, July 28.—The senate thundered 89 to 2 approval today of the United Nations charter, setting in motion the machinery for a world organization armed with force to keep future peace.

In a history-making roll call before jam-packed galleries, 89 senators voted loudly and clearly for American participation in a 50-nation league founded primarily on the principles of united action by the United States, Great Britain, Russia, France and China.

Only two, Senators Langer, Republican, of North Dakota, and McNair, Republican, of Minnesota, said "No" to a ratification action reversing the policy of the senate established 25 years ago when it rejected Woodrow Wilson's League of Nations.

Senator Hiram Johnson, Republican, of California, aged and ailing member who opposed the league then and voted against this charter in committee. He is ill in Naval hospital.

Four others, Senator Bailey, Democrat, of North Carolina; Glass, Democrat, of Virginia; Wood, Republican, of Kansas; and Thomas, Republican, of Idaho, were absent when the vote was taken after six days of discussion. Johnson was paired against the ratification resolution with Thomas and Reed, who favored it.

Norfolk Navy Yard Is Seeking Workers

A lad recruit from the Norfolk navy yard will be at the employment service office here on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week interviewing persons interested in employment at the navy yard. Many types of workers are badly needed.

SGT. JAY BREWER COMING HOME SOON

Master Sergeant Jay N. Brewer, who has been in service in the Pacific area for 33 months, is expected home within the next 60 days. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brewer, of North Wilkesboro route two.

Bricklayers, Railroad Workers Are Needed

Bricklayers are needed by Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation at Oak Ridge, Tenn. Wage rate is \$1.62 1-2 per hour with time and a half for over 40 hours. A representative of this company will be in the USES office from August 2 through 4 to recruit workers.

Workers for the western railroads are badly needed. The extra work load of transporting our troops across the continent for re-deployment to the Pacific-Asiatic war theatre has necessitated the need for additional workers. Mrs. Kathryn A. Lott, manager of the local USES office, has stated that no other military operation is so critical as the present carrying of the railroads. She urges anyone interested in these jobs to call at the USES office without delay.

Club to Meet

Mulberry-Fairplains home demonstration club will meet at the home of Mrs. Grady Miller Wednesday, 11 a. m., for a picnic dinner. Members are asked to bring their families and visitors.