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Cole L. Gosnell First From Polk Under The Draft Volunteer Call

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Dear Mr. Vining:

Cole L. Gosnell, who holds order number 1170 with our local draft headquarters, was the first white man to volunteer for immediate induction before this Board. The local Board classified him in Class 1-A. Dr. Palmer has examined Mr. Gosnell and advises that he has passed his examination. He will report for duty December 10, 1940, at Fort Bragg, N. C., for final examination.

Mr. Gosnell has formerly been in the Army Air Corps from 1936 to 1938 and holds an honorable discharge. We are sure that he will conduct himself in such a way as to reflect honor on this County.

Cordially yours,

Julian B. Hester,
Chairman Polk County Local
Board No. 1.

British War Relief

The gala dinner at the Auberge last evening was a great success, the guests numbering sixty-seven. Mrs. W. Sassoon was the winner of the evening coat donated by a friend. The workrooms will be closed on Thursday, November 21, and Thursday, November 28. Mrs. Helen Harwood has taken charge of the knitting section and will be at the workrooms every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from ten o'clock until twelve o'clock, to give instructions in knitting.

Wool may be obtained and knitted articles returned to the workrooms at any time.

Child Dies In Fire At Landrum, Tuesday

A nine-year-old boy was burned to death and seven other members of his family were burned badly enough to require hospital treatment about 9 o'clock last night. The flames left their three-room farmhouse near the Joseph Walker school, four miles east of Landrum, in a smouldering mass of ruins.

The fatally-burned child was Marion Abernathy, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Abernathy, who live on the Campobello-New Prospect highway near the Joseph Walker school.

The child's parents and six brothers were brought to the General hospital here, where at least one of them was believed in a "dying" condition early this morning.

The injured: Marion Abernathy, 45; his wife, Mrs. Mollie Roddy Abernathy, 49; five sons, Oscar Abernathy, 25; Robert Abernathy, 21; Jessie Abernathy, 13; Roy Abernathy, 11; and Baylis Abernathy, 4.

All of the injured suffered burns of varying degrees—Jessie the most serious. In addition, Robert suffered a badly-lacerated arm from broken window glass.

Three members of the family escaped serious injury in the fire which leveled their frame dwelling home and which investigating officers reported apparently was started by an explosion of gasoline or kerosene in the kitchen of the house.

Escaping serious injury were: Miss Gladys Abernathy, 17; Miss

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