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Sparta Man Fatally Shoots Wife, Commits Suicide

Alleghany Men Left On Monday To Enter Service

Were Inducted At Camp Croft; List Is Published Here Today

A group of 21 Alleghany men left Monday for induction into the army at Camp Croft, S. C. Those leaving were Robert Allen Berry, Vaughn Beauford Hendrix, Thomas Elmer Woodie, Elgin Leonard Pruitt, Lynn Tompkins, John Mack Combs, Joseph Kelly Blum, Jr., Leo Spurgeon Roberts, John Robert Edwards, Charles Edward Pugh, James Howard Brown, James Isom Glasco, Wayne Roberts, Arzie Deamer Jones, Isaac Rufus Edwards, Dwayne Thomas Miller, Paul William Adams, Dwight Luther Smith and Merdith Earl Richardson. Arzie Cecil Richardson and Donald Dale Shores left for induction into the air corps.

Two Alleghany men, who were registered at different boards will also be inducted this month. They are John Barnett Reeves, Catawba county and William Alexander Gibson, Hartford co., Maryland.

Workers Return To Steel Plants

Over 125,000 Workers Back On The Job; Claim Wage Victory

Pittsburgh — Most of the more than 170,000 steel workers idle since midnight Dec. 24, returned to their jobs Tuesday, with some of their leaders claiming victory in the first round in the battle of the CIO United Steelworkers union for a wage boost of 17 cents an hour above the ceiling fixed by the "little steel" formula.

Reports from the nine states where scores of mills were closed showed more than 125,000 had returned by nightfall with others expected back when operating conditions permitted.

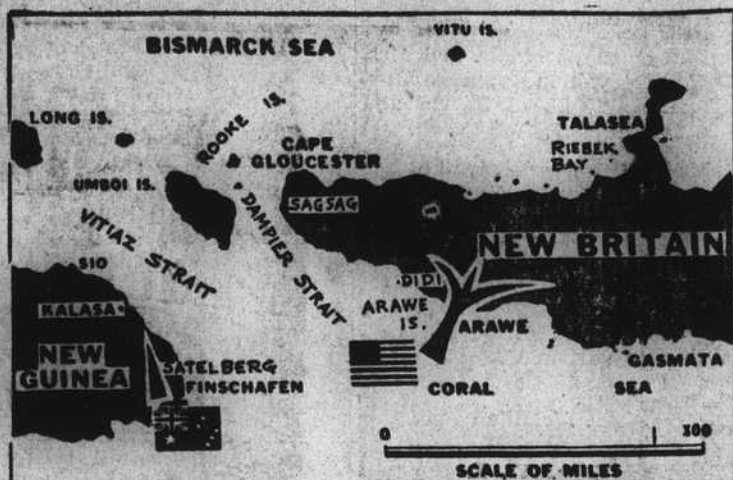
Dancy Overdue For Army Duty

Pvt. Claude Dancy, of Laurel Springs, who has been absent without leave from the Army since December 6, was picked up at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dancy by Sheriff Jess Moxley and Deputy Glenn Richardson, Monday night.

NEW SERIAL STORY STARTS IN THE NEWS

Beginning today in this paper is an interesting new serial story, "There Is Today", by Sara Lawrence. Start with the first chapter, because it is a story that will hold your interest from the very beginning.

Where Yanks Won Jap Area



The southern end of New Britain, which was invaded by the American Sixth army. Shortly after the landing, American troops were reported to be beating their way from Arawe toward the Jap air base at Rabaul, which lies at the north-eastern tip of the island.

Marines Advance In New Britain; Soviets Still Making Gains

Nazis Throw New Divisions On Italian Front; Invasion Is Near

While the invasion of Europe appears to be drawing near daily, activities on all other fronts continued with renewed vigor.

On other fronts of the widely scattered battle of the Pacific, the navy announced, bombers again raided the Japanese-held Marshall Islands while submarines penetrated deep into enemy waters to sink 12 more ships, badly needed for Japan's extended supply lines.

GOOD ATTENDANCE IN COUNTY SCHOOLS

In spite of much illness and bad weather the Sparta public schools resumed work yesterday with fine attendance, after being closed for the Christmas holidays.

Recently Home On Furloughs



Pfc. Leonard T. Mabe, left, who is stationed at Boca Raton Field, Florida, recently spent a 15-day furlough with relatives and friends in Alleghany. Pfc. Mabe, who is a first class machine gunner, has been assigned to police duty since his recovery from a recent operation.

Duties Of USDA War Board Are Explained Here

False Rumors Being Circulated; Working With Selective Service Board

There seems to be some misunderstanding as to the duties of the County U. S. D. A. War Board relative to agricultural workers being deferred to the farm, officials pointed out this week.

Large Still Is Destroyed Mon.

Found In Mt. Zion Community; No Arrest Made At This Time

Deputy Marshal Walter M. Irwin and Deputy Sheriff Glenn Richardson destroyed one of the largest stills of recent months in the Mt. Zion community, Monday afternoon.

1943 Takes Final Fling In Weather

Most People Weatherbound On Christmas Day By Sleet And Ice

Alleghany, along with other sections, which have experienced unusually mild weather this season, felt a real touch of winter on Christmas day, when ice-covered roads kept most people at home.

EXPECT A QUIET NEW YEAR'S DAY

New Year's Day is expected to be quietly observed here, as well as throughout the country, Saturday, with little holiday celebration or fanfare.

How Corsicans Helped Oust Nazis



High on a rocky crab these Corsican patriots show how they routed the Nazis from their country. Their problem now is one of reconstruction as they begin rebuilding what the enemy has wrecked.

Big News Stories Of 1943 In This County Are Reviewed Today

German Defeat In '44 Predicted By Gen. Eisenhower

Major Doolittle And Gen. Devers Given Important New Posts

In his first prediction during 13 months of active warfare, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower this week forecast complete defeat for Germany next year.

Selection Of Ten Include Weather, War, Progress And Violent Deaths

By Staff Writer

Outstanding news stories of the world, nation and state are chosen by news agencies and newspapers and this week The Alleghany News staff chose the ten top stories of Alleghany county during the past year, believed to be of the most interest to the largest number of people.

There Are To Be Few Changes In Red Points For January

Washington — Current point values for butter and virtually all meats will remain unchanged during January, the Office of Price Administration announced yesterday in slightly revising its meats-cheese-fats food chart.

Parents Of Wife Also Injured In Shooting Affray

Shooting Took Place At Home Of Pughs In Piney Creek Section, Friday

Walter Maxwell, 54, fatally shot his wife, the former Ethel Pugh, painfully injured her mother and father, and then killed himself, in a Christmas Eve tragedy at the Piney Creek home of the in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Will Pugh.

Mr. Pugh is still critically ill in the Wilkes hospital but Mrs. Pugh was released on Monday, suffering only flesh wounds.

News Sponsoring 1st Baby Contest

Merchants Are Cooperating By Offering A Number Of Prizes

The first baby born in Alleghany county in 1944 is going to get a welcome from several business firms in Sparta in the form of valuable gifts.

The Alleghany News again this year sponsors the annual "Baby Derby" with prizes for the first newborn of the new year. The page five of this issue is an advertisement giving complete details of the "First Baby Contest", and all eligible parents are urged to enter.

Rationing Guide

- MEATS: Brown stamps L, M, N, P and Q valid through Jan. 1; brown stamp R valid through Jan. 29. Book 4 spare stamp No. 1 good for 5 points for pork through Jan. 1.
- PROCESSED FOODS: Book 4 green stamps D, E and F valid through Jan. 29; stamps G, H and J valid Jan. 1 through Jan. 29.
- SUGAR: Stamp No. 29 in Book 4 good for five pounds of sugar through Jan. 15. The stamp is marked "sugar."
- GASOLINE: Stamps No. "A-3" in new "A" book good through Feb. 6. B and C coupons valid for two gallons.
- SHOES: No. 18 coupon now good for indefinite period. No. 1 "Airplane" stamp in War Ration Book No. 3 now valid.
- FUEL OIL: Period 1 coupons are valid through Jan. 3, 1944; period 2 coupons valid through Jan. 30; period 3 coupons valid through Feb. 21. All new good for 10 gallons per unit. (All definite value coupons, sometimes known as change-making coupons, are good any time.)