

County Bond Sales Pass \$67,000

54 County Men Are Classified By The Local Board

Majority Of Group Placed In 3-C; List Of Classifications Published

The local board announced classifications of men for military service this week, when 54 men were placed in various classes, with only 2 men in 1-A and 21 in 3-C.

In 1-A are: Grady L. Pruitt and Bland E. Nuckolls.

1-A (H): Carl H. Anthony and James C. Stump.

1-C (Ind): Joseph K. Blum, Jr., Mack E. Caudill, Roy W. Perry, Arnold R. Norman and Page C. Thompson.

1-C: Andrew B. Taylor.

2-A: Russell G. Moxley, Edward W. Butcher, Alton G. Landreth, Alton W. Thompson, Rudolph N. Evans and William A. Royall.

2-B: Joe W. Finney.

2-C: Homer W. Hoppers, Eu-

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Miss Ola Collins Joins U. S. Navy

Resignation Of County Nurse Will Become Effective Next Week

Miss Ola Collins, Alleghany county health nurse, has been accepted in the United States Navy Nurse Corps and will report for duty on March 8, it was announced this week.

Miss Collins, who resigns as county nurse as of February 15, has been with the Alleghany health department for the past three years.

Entering the Navy Nurse Corps with the rating of Ensign, Miss Collins will be stationed at some naval hospital where she will be assigned to immediate duty.

Prior to reporting for duty, she will visit her sister, Mrs. Brooks Anderson, in Elmore, N. Y., and her brother, Pvt. Earnest Collins, at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Dr. Robert King, district health officer, said yesterday that no successor had yet been secured to fill the vacancy left by Miss Collins. He pointed out that there was a great scarcity of public health nurses.

TO CLEAN CEMETERY

All those persons having friends or relatives buried in the Union church cemetery, are requested to help in cleaning off the graves and clearing the cemetery of broom straw in preparation for grassing, on Thursday and Friday, February 24 and 25.

It is also requested that those interested persons bring sharp mattocks and other tools.

Patton Salutes Polish Troops



Troops of the Polish armored regiment stand at attention as Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton Jr., of the American Seventh army salutes them during a review of the troops in Egypt.

To Make Plans For Red Cross Drive At Meeting Next Thurs.

Committees Named By Hooper; Field Director To Attend Meeting

A meeting of the Alleghany chapter of the American Red Cross will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 17, at 8 o'clock at the community building in Sparta, when special chairmen and community workers will meet with C. C. Lovewell, field director for the National Red Cross. He will aid in the organization of workers to carry out the drive in Alleghany county.

Citizens of this county will be asked to give \$3,400 of the \$200,000 national fund goal in this Red Cross Drive, which opens on March 1. The national goal last year was \$125,000,000 with Alleghany's quota \$1,900.

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Tax Expert Will Be Here Feb. 15

G. Barney Cashwell, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, along with several other tax authorities, will be at the court house in Sparta on February 15 and 16 from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in filing their 1943 income tax returns.

Persons who feel that they are unable to file their returns themselves, should bring with them all information needed in order that the return may be speedily filed, it was pointed out.

1943 tax returns must be filed not later than March 15, it was also pointed out.

Farm Machinery Repair Classes At Piney Creek

Farmers Urged To Take Advantage Of These And Get Machinery In Order

Farmers are urged to "Back the Attack" by repairing farm machinery, courses for which will be offered at Piney Creek School under the Food Production War Training program for North Carolina during the next six weeks. Ernest C. Minnich, agriculture teacher announced today.

These courses will be on the repair and maintenance of farm machinery and equipment that is in need of repairs. W. R. Barr will give the necessary instruction and assistance in putting farm equipment into first class condition for work during the crop season just ahead, it was announced. The courses offer a real opportunity for the farm people to develop some skill and knowledge in the care and repair

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Glasses Fitted At Clinic, Here

Miss Ola Collins announced this week that the glasses which were fitted at the December eye clinic had arrived and would be mailed to the owners as soon as possible.

Almost twenty pairs of glasses were fitted at the clinic.

Committee Will Meet Soon For Post-war Plans

More Employment And Greater Development Of The County Is Goal

The newly appointed committee for Economic Development in Alleghany county is expected to meet soon to work out a goal of greatly expanded peacetime production and employment after the war, in close cooperation with the industrial firms of the county, it was announced here this week.

The committee, headed by R. F. Crouse, as chairman, and composed of businessmen of the county, includes D. P. Lavietes, Edwin Duncan, Clennel Richardson, Dewey Sturdivant, C. C. Castevens, Amos Wagoner, Dr. N. D. Fox, Alton Thompson, C. R. Roe and J. A. Hardin.

The stimulation of industrial firms to plan for higher peacetime production than ever before, meaning more jobs for workers after the war and in turn, more purchasing power for the products of business and agriculture, is the object on which the local committee is expected to concentrate.

The D. and P. Pipe Works and the Sparta Manufacturing Company are the two main industrial plants on which the county will rely for its employment level after the war, with a definite possibility in the manganese mining

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Boy Scout Week Being Observed By Local Troop

Engaging In War Work. Dr. Fox In Charge Of Sparta Group

The Sparta Boy Scout Troop "78" and their leader, Dr. N. D. Fox, along with 1,600,000 other Boy Scouts and their adult leaders are observing Boy Scout Week, February 8 to 14, marking the 34th anniversary of the founding of Scouting in the United States.

The Sparta troop, twelve in number, has been organized and under the leadership of Dr. Fox for the past one and one-half years. Robert Allison is assistant leader.

Most of the members of this troop are fully equipped with uniforms and scout equipment.

Dr. Fox announced that the local troop received \$150.00 of the funds collected in the recent United War Fund Drive. This money was pooled in the "Old Hickory Council" of Scouts, of which Troop "78" is a member, in order to carry on scout activities throughout this area of North Carolina.

Hiking, camping, swimming and other sports and assisting in campaigns such as the gathering of scrap iron and waste paper are among the activities of the scouts.

The Sparta troop, Dr. Fox explained, will welcome new members at any time. A scout meeting is held one night in each week. He also pointed out that there is a possibility that the troop will split, making two troops in Sparta. A boy is required to be twelve years of age before he can become a scout.

Members of Troop "78" are: George Roe, Ted Ivey, Tommy Burgess, Herbert Caldwell, Chas. Dillard, Keith Richardson, Junior Rizoti, Rudy Roe, Bobby Black, George Bryan Collins, James Douglas and Dwayne Kilby.

Brother Of Mrs. Chas. R. Roe Dies

Mrs. Charles R. Roe was called to Kinston, Tuesday, by the death of her oldest brother, Jacob West. Funeral service was conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Kinston.

Surviving are the widow and two children, also the mother, Mrs. Lottie A. West and several brothers and sisters.

The deceased is the son of the late George West, of Kinston.

How Dimes Marched Into Washington



A group of clerks in the White House at Washington, D. C., welcomed the thousands of dimes which descended on the capital during the annual March of Dimes infantile paralysis drive. They are pictured at work during the drive with the dimes.

U. S. Wins New Base In Pacific; Russians Make Sweeping Gains

250 Acres Burn In Forest Fire Over Week End

State Highway Forces Help To Get Blaze Under Control On Monday

With a high wind prevailing, fire spread rapidly Saturday afternoon and night over approximately 250 acres of mountain land, northwest of Sparta, belonging to R. A. Doughton, C. A. Duncan, Rufe Joines and Will Joines.

Fighters could do little to control the blaze in the high wind Saturday night, with fields of broom straw and briars, burning rapidly over the whole area.

The fire was under control, however, Sunday morning, only to break out anew Monday after-

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AAA Announces Wheat Schedule

Arthur Gambill, secretary of the Alleghany AAA this week announced a regular schedule for the weighing of wheat for the farmers of the county.

Mr. Gambill will be in the AAA office on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the regular office hours from 9 to 5 o'clock. He explained that his services would be available only on these two days and not every day during the week as has been the custom heretofore.

Former County Boy Writes Of Conditions In England

Following is a letter written by Pfc. Paul M. Irwin to his parents, Deputy Marshal and Mrs. Walter M. Irwin, of Wilkesboro, and formerly of Sparta, where Deputy Marshal Irwin was sheriff of Alleghany county. Pfc. Irwin, a graduate of Sparta high school, is now serving overseas in the U. S. Army and is stationed somewhere in England.

"Dear Dad and Mother,

How is everything at home? I hope you have started getting my letters now—let me know how long it takes you to get them.

I took a long hike today, and went through a small village, or town. It is really nice; some of the nicest country I have ever seen. I saw a few cattle and some real grazing land; the grass is green now.

The town is smaller than Sparta, but all the houses seem to be old, most of them are brick and

15 More Japanese Aircraft Shot Down At Rabaul; Nearing Rome

Allies continued heavy fighting on all fronts this week with impressive gains.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, U. S. Navy, announced yesterday that organized resistance on the atoll "has ceased and its capture and occupation have been completed."

There still was no mention of ground action on the extreme western portion of the atoll, in the Ebadon island area. It was assumed this had been cleaned out by fourth division marines who originally landed in the Roi-Namur sector to the north.

Headquarters reported yesterday that 13 more planes have been shot down at Rabaul, New

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Local Soldier Is Held By Officers

Cpl. Garnet Maze, son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Maze, of Piney Creek, was taken into custody by local officers Saturday for overstaying his leave from the army, and is now being held in the Sparta jail awaiting authorities from Fort Benning, Ga.

Cpl. Maze, it was reported, received a week end pass on January 26 and had failed to report to camp at Fort Benning, where he was stationed.

After he was arrested Saturday, Cpl. Maze made an attempt to escape but was not successful.

\$9,368.00 Yet To Be Sold; Rally At Sparta On Fri.

Drive To Close Feb. 15; Want Quota Of \$77,000 Raised By This Time

Alleghany county pushed on toward the Fourth War Loan Drive quota of \$77,000 this week when sales reached \$67,131.25, late yesterday afternoon. This leaves \$9,868.75 yet to be sold before the quota is raised.

Everyone who has not bought all the bonds they can during this drive are asked to do so before the drive officially closes next Tuesday, February 15.

A special rally, sponsored by Gap Civil township and Sparta high school, will be held at the Sparta high school auditorium, Friday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, it was announced.

Amos Wagoner, Gap Civil township chairman and Prof. C. R. Roe will have charge of the program. Mayor Floyd Crouse will be the speaker of the evening with Chairman S. R. Nichols and Alton Thompson making short talks. W. F. Osborne, chairman of the local school committee, will conduct the sale of bonds.

String music will be furnished for entertainment and Mrs. Tom Noland will conduct the Sparta Glee Club in three patriotic numbers.

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C. R. Moxley, 47, Dies In Maryland

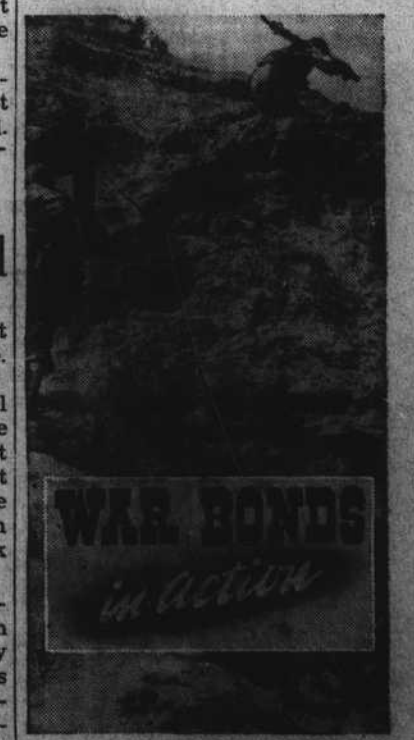
News has been received of the recent death of Cam R. Moxley, who died at his home near Creswell, Md., after an illness of 18 months. Death occurred on his birthday.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Bertha Moxley; a daughter, Jeanette, at home; his mother, Mrs. Mary Moxley, Black Horse, Md.; two sisters, Mrs. Mallie Reeves, Thomas Run, Md.; and Mrs. Verma Killen, Black Horse, Md.; and the following brothers: Messrs. Treely and Guy, Churchville, Md.; and Berry Moxley, Hoquiam, Wash.

Funeral services were held on Monday from his late home, with Rev. J. O. Spencer officiating, and interment was in Mt. Zion cemetery. Elder G. R. Killen assisted.

Pallbearers were: Messrs. Elmer Poole, Edgar Fortner, Roscoe Maners, Forrest Watson, Bert Coomes, and Dewey Edwards.

Born in Sparta, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ellis Moxley, he spent his early manhood in Alleghany county, moving to Maryland several years ago.



Over the top in Italy! One more ridge, one more mile on the road to Berlin.

As in victorious military campaigns, people on the home front must sacrifice to provide all the sheaves of war. One of these is the regular purchase of War Bonds.

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A sprig of green, on the Mediterranean front; today it's camouflage for an American machine gun nest. To win quicker our soldiers must have munitions and materiel, more and more. To provide them all of us must buy more and more War Bonds.

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