

Pvt. Carpenter Is Entertained

Mrs. W. C. Edwards, of Glade Valley, entertained at dinner at her home recently in honor of her brother, Pfc. Howard Carpenter, who is now spending a 30 day furlough with his father, J. T. Carpenter, of Independence, Va., after serving overseas for the past year. He entered the army in March 1943.

Those present at dinner included J. T. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Johnson and children, Lawrence, Hersel, Dorothy Jean and Kemp; Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Andrews and children, Betty Jo, Barbara Jean, Shirley and Margaret; Mrs. Hersel Edwards and daughter, Christine; Mrs. Wade Miles and son, Gary Van; Mrs. Lucille McCann, Mrs. Nell Gentry,

SERVICES ANNOUNCED

Elder Hugh M. Blevins, of Chishow, Va., will preach at Piney Creek Primitive Baptist church the first Saturday and Sunday in October, it was announced this week. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Blevins and sons, Carledean and Billy; Lois, Louise and John Richard Gentry; Wilma and Jackie Fender, Arleen and Bruce Jolly, Faye Richardson, Guy, Herbert and Frances Edwards, Mrs. Etta Franklin, Guy Dickinson, Paul Carpenter and Mrs. Ernest Settle.

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Conservation Farming News

By T. R. GREENE

Three years ago A. A. Brooks of Cherrylane seeded some badly eroded land to serecia. The first year Mr. Brooks was disgusted because the growth was so small. The second year Mr. Brooks found he had something. At present he is cutting serecia hay from land that had not produced anything for many years.

The Soil Conservation Service recommends a good seed bed on well drained land; three hundred pounds of phosphate and twenty-five pounds of serecia per acre, seeded without clover.

Mack Edwards of Whitehead seeded some alfalfa with other legumes a few years ago and did not have the success he expected. Last spring he planned a different method. First he had the soil analyzed to determine the amount of fertilizer, lime and boron needed, then Mr. Edwards turned a good growth of crimson clover and prepared a good seed bed, limed and fertilized according to needs. This time he has a good stand of alfalfa that anyone would be proud of.

Z. L. Rutherford purchased a badly eroded farm in the Mt. Zion community some years ago and started using lime, phosphate and legumes. These practices have improved his farm beyond expectation. The New River soil conservation district hopes to see Mr. Rutherford strip cropping as another great improvement to his farm, thereby conserving as he builds.

Earl Jarvis, one of Sparta's young farmers, is on the road to successful farming. He has had his entire farm sampled to see the needs of each field. Mr. Jarvis does not want to spend hard earned money for materials that are not necessary on his soil but does want it to have the materials needed for maximum production. He has seen that it does not pay to plow all of the hillside at one time. Mr. Jarvis says, "when I plow a field it will be in strips."

The Soil Conservation Service recommends strip cropping as one of the best methods of farming for the conservation of soil and water, which is the source of all our food. Call on us to assist you with your soil and water problems.

PLANS UNDERWAY TO SPONSOR SCHOOL BAND

(Continued from Page One) pastor of the Baptist church here, was welcomed into the club as a new member. One visitor, Mrs. Lorne Higgins, was present.

A delicious salad course and coffee were served to twenty members and guests, Mrs. T. J. Carson, Mrs. Ellen Parks, Miss Clyde

Musgrove Brothers In Service



Pfc. Howard F. Musgrove, left, of the Marine Corps, is now stationed at Guam with the 6th Marine division. He took part in the battle of Okinawa. Overseas for the past two years he has been in service since October, 1943. Pvt. Cameron Musgrove, right, is stationed at Camp Rucker, Alabama. He has been in service since October, 1944, and recently spent a furlough at his home. The soldiers are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Musgrove, of Stratford.

Cpl. Basil Landreth returned to his post Monday after spending two weeks' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Landreth, Stratford.

Sgt. William H. Busic, of Sparta, has been honorably discharged from the service, after having served 22 months in the Air Corps in England. Sgt. Busic had never seen his daughter, Karen, who is now 17 months old.

Pvt. Charles R. Pugh is now stationed on a small island between Honolulu and Pearl Harbor. The island is a transit center for American troops.

Pfc. Wallace Halsey, son of Mrs. Mae Halsey, of Piney Creek, is now serving with the U. S. Army of Occupation in Germany.

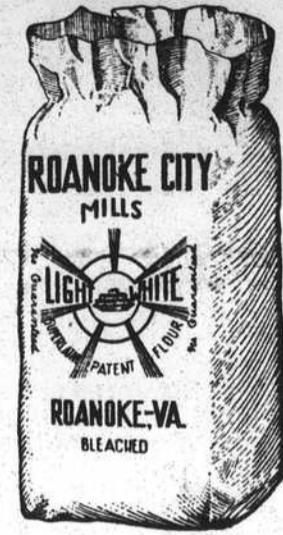
Sgt. Cleo H. Reeves, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Reeves, of Sparta, has arrived from overseas with the 5-Star "Santa Fe" Division, which in ten months battled across the Elbe river to within 42 miles of Berlin. Hitting Omaha Beach July 7, 1944, the 35th forced the Germans from St. Lo, broke the counter-offensive at Mortain, swept across France, cracked into Germany's Saur Valley on December 12 and then whipped into Belgium and Luxembourg to within Von Rundstedt's Ardennes bulge.

The division dashed 300 miles north through Holland to cross the Roer and Rhine rivers, crush the Siegfried Line defenses, and scoop up more than 30,000 prisoners of war by V-E Day, to mark the end of over 1,600 combat miles in the European theatre of operations. Sgt. Reeves wears four campaign stars, the combat infantryman's badge, good conduct medal and motor transport medal.

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