

Cpl. Wm. Guest Mentioned In "Stars And Stripes"

Macon Man Helped Put "Long Tom" To Work On Italy

The issue of "The Stars And Stripes" published by U. S. Army men in Sicily on August 21 carries an article, "Long Toms' Begin Battle On Italy," which mentions a job done by Cpl. William Guest of Franklin.

A number of copies of this clever publication were brought home by Richard R. Johnson, 3rd Mate on one of the merchant ships which arrived in a Sicilian harbor in time to experience the last German bombing there. Part of the article above referred to, follows:

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS IN NORTHEASTERN SICILY—(Delayed)—The Battle of Italy began in 26 minutes before noon last Monday when the first American artillery shell landed in Villa San Giovanni, important railway and ferry terminus on the Italian coast.

While the Sicily show was still in the last scene of the last act, the Number One 155 mm. "Long Tom" of D Battery of a unit of field artillery, was pushed up ahead into an advanced position, its nose pointed over Messina into Italy.

You stood on your toes, your mouth hanging open, your fingers in your ears to relieve the concussion as the regimental colonel pulled the lanyard which released the hammer, hit the primer, shot the flame through the vent into the powder and high-pressured the shell about 15 miles onto the soft shoe of Italy.

99 More Rounds

"That's it," said gunner corporal Peter Volpe, Cambridge, Mass. But Volpe and everybody else were too busy for further comment. They had to shove in more shells, pull more lanyards. There were 99 more rounds, all marked special delivery, waiting to hit roads and bridges up and down the Italian coastline, before the day was over.

To get into this particular position, several thousand yards behind the advancing recon, the "Long Tom" had to be squeezed through a courtyard, under a tunnel. A special demolition detail, under S-Sgt. M. R. Solle, Cornell, Wis., hacked away at the two brick posts at the yard entrance and then smoothed off the job with a one pound stick of dynamite. That got the tractor and gun almost through the tunnel where they were blocked by a tall fir tree.

Tractor Driver, Cpl. William Guest, Franklin, N. C., crashed the tractor headon to the tree, bending it until it broke, then cleared out a passage for the big gun to roll in. After that it was just a matter of digging in the two steel spades, one under each back-corner of the gun (which absorbs 80 percent of the shock of the shooting) and lowering the center bogie to give it a triangular suspension...

About 15 minutes before the gun made history some of the boys trooped over and scribbled names and messages on the shell. Some of them were "To Hitler with Love," "Finnegan from the Bronx," "Betty and Brenemson."

The Stars And Stripes message printed on the shell was, "Greetings . . . how are the printing facilities in Rome?"

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina,
Macon County.

Under and by virtue of the powers conferred by a certain deed of trust executed by Everett Leatherman and wife, Birdell Leatherman, dated March 2, 1942, in favor of Mallie Collins, which said deed of trust is recorded in Book 37 Page 560 records of deeds of trust for Macon County, North Carolina, the undersigned, trustee, will, at 12:00 o'clock, noon, on the 13th day of December, 1943, expose to sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

Adjoining the lands of R. D. Sisk and others and bounded as follows: BEGINNING at a stake in Iotla Street in R. D. Sisk line, then running with Iotla Street 50 feet in a South direction to a stake; then a North East direction 100 feet to a stake on ditch; then with ditch and R. D. Sisk line to the beginning.

This sale is made on account of default in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured.

This the 10th day of November, 1943.

T. D. BRYSON, JR.,
Trustee.

N11-41c-D9

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as administratrix of W. J. Carpenter, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of November, 1944, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 6th day of November, 1943.

MELLIE CARPENTER,
Administratrix.

N11-6tp-D16

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina,
Macon County.

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale vested in the undersigned Trustee, by a Deed of Trust executed and delivered

by Zeb N. Anderson and wife, Beasie Anderson, to the said Trustee, dated 2 February, 1943, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Macon County, North Carolina, in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust No. 38, at page 73, the undersigned Trustee will, at 12:00 o'clock, Noon, on Saturday, December 4, 1943, at the Court-house door in Franklin, North Carolina, offer for sale, and sell, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate:

Certain property situated in Cartoogechaye Township, Macon County, North Carolina, and being an undivided one-half interest in the land described in a deed from J. M. Cloer and wife, L. A. Cloer, to Will Anderson, dated 14 August, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Macon County, North Carolina, in Deed Book P-3, page 95, containing about 36 acres, and being all and the same lands described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust. Default having been made in

the payment of indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and the holder thereof having made demand that same be foreclosed.

This the 2nd day of November, 1943.

J. H. STOCKTON,
Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina,
Macon County.

Under and by virtue of the powers conferred by a certain deed of trust executed by N. A. Johnson and wife, Mamie Johnson, dated March 1st, 1937 in favor of Mrs. Clara Dove, which said deed of trust is recorded in Book 34 Page 146, records of deeds of trust for Macon County, North Carolina, and default having occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned, trustee, will at 12:00 o'clock, noon, on the 6th day of December, 1943, expose to sale the following described property to the highest bidder for cash, to-wit: Being the same lands as described in a certain deed from J. Q. Pierson to N. A. Johnson, said deed being dated July 1,

1935 and registered in Book Y-4 Page 187 records of deeds for Macon County; to which said deed reference is hereby made for a more full and complete description of same.

This sale is made on account of default in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured.

This the 4th day of November, 1943.

GEO. B. PATTON,
Trustee.

N4-4-11-18-25

EXECUTORS' NOTICE

Having qualified as executors of Sallie Mozeley Penland, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of October, 1944, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 14th day of October, 1943.

RAY PENLAND,
RAS PENLAND,
RALPH PENLAND.

O21-6tp-N25

ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator E. Z. Downs, deceased late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of October, 1944, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This the 8th day of October, 1943.

CHARLIE DOWNS,
Administrator.

O14-6tp-N18

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Carelessness destroys millions upon millions of feet of timber, now a critical war material. It cripples watersheds that supply hydro-electric power to war industries. And the fighting of forest fires diverts precious labor from factories and farms.

Many persons who start these fires toss away matches and cigarettes that aren't dead out. Many others burn to clear plow land or logging slash or grass or debris and—the fires they started break away into searing, roaring flames that destroy timber, forage, wildlife, and beauty that may never be replaced.

Each of these persons forgot—for a moment. And each thoughtless act was as destructive as if it had been the act of a saboteur.

YOU can help prevent disastrous forest fires by observing the four simple rules illustrated here when you're in forest areas. And by seeing that others observe them.

ATTENTION, BRUSH BURNERS!

More than 6 million acres are burned, yearly, because of YOUR careless use of fire in clearing plow land and burning logging and other slash and debris. Do your part this year.


Remember:

1. Don't burn without a permit from a ranger or fire warden.
2. Don't burn during unusually hot, dry, or windy weather.
3. Scrape a trail or "plow around" areas to be burned.
4. Have help handy till the last spark is dead.

REMEMBER THESE RULES:

 Crush out your smoke

 Drown your campfire—then bury it

 Break your burned match

IF YOU BURN SLASH

First—get a permit
Last—kill every spark

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