

training at Norfolk which he took special training at Auburn, Ala., Memphis, Tenn., Purcell, Okla., Deland, Fla., and at a South Carolina base. He had been stationed at Floyd Bennett field since October.

He was a student of Franklin high school and for about a year followed the plumbing trade at Pontiac, Mich. He was a member of the Franklin Methodist church.

He was home on leave last February and was expected to receive a furlough in January.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by four brothers, Howard, Joe, Richard and Jerry Patton, all of the home; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Cunningham of Franklin.

Arrangements for funeral services have not been made.

James R. Bryson Dies Of Injury Received In Army

James R. Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bryson of Franklin, was born April 8, 1918.

He enlisted in the Army on October 28, 1941 and was discharged November 28, 1942. He received an injury, while in service, which resulted in his death. He died at Oteen, December 17, 1943, after being a patient there for twenty-five days.

Surviving are the widow, parents, six brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were held December 22 at the Negro Baptist church.

MISS HELEN PATTON HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Miss Helen Patton is spending her Christmas holidays at her home on Harrison avenue. Miss Patton is head of the art department at Monticello Junior college, located in a suburb of Alton, Ill., near St. Louis. She speaks enthusiastically of her work there, which includes classes in basic design, arts and crafts and art history. Her department also has teachers of sculpture and painting. Monticello is a girls' school of 350 students and is one of the oldest schools west of the Alleghenies.

Marvin C. Roper, who is assigned to the U.S.N. Training Station at Norfolk, Va., spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Arlesa Roper at their home on Route 3, Franklin.

gin at... tickets are asked... promptly at 10:00 o'clock.

Those who have not yet secured their tickets may obtain them from Mr. O'Mohundro at the Western Auto Supply Store up to 9:00 a.m., Saturday morning. The proceeds of this contest will be devoted to the Lions Club's extensive work in supplying treatment and glasses for underprivileged children with defective vision. Everyone who buys a ticket will be contributing to this cause.

Future Farmers Work For Wounded Veterans

The Franklin Future Farmers of the agricultural classes of the Franklin High school are making needed equipment for the veterans confined to the Moore General hospital at Swannanoa.

Under the direction of E. J. Whitmire, they are producing lap boards, writing boards and walking sticks. In addition to lumber they are using sand paper, shelac, glue and putty.

Mr. Whitmire says that the Junior Red Cross has sponsored the project. He hopes that it will be possible to produce other items as requests from the hospital are received.

A Petition For The New Year

O God, Who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace, let the design of Thy great love lighten up the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to Thy world—peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts—in the Name of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

R. D. Rogers To Open Shop Here

R. D. Rogers, who operated a cabinet shop in Highlands, has bought the Palmer property on Palmer street, now occupied by Lex Angel's blacksmith shop, and will open a shop here in the near future.

Mr. Rogers plans to make extensive improvements and will be open for business sometime in January. He will do general carpentry and shop work.

Sgt. Kenneth Cruse, who has been years in service, spent a two-weeks furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cruse, on Cartoogechaye.

ber of... pressing not only... tion for the gifts received... also for the policy of Zickgraf Hardwood Company and its officers toward its employees. Of especial interest were talks by Frank Bailey and Earl Henson, both of whom had been with the Company since it first began operating in Franklin. It was also pointed out that although most of those present were too old for military service, that the work in which they were engaged is an essential war industry, and that they were using axes instead of guns and trucks, instead of tanks, in their efforts to win the war. Each left the meeting firmly resolved to shorten the war by re-doubling his efforts in the production of lumber for the duration.

Zickgraf Hardwood Company was organized by Mr. W. C. Zickgraf, and began operating in Franklin in the year 1933 when the depression was at its worst. It has steadily grown since its organization, having reached its peak in 1943. Zickgraf Hardwood Company is now engaged exclusively in the manufacture of lumber for war orders. It is one of the most important and valuable industries in this section.

Men In Service

Pvt. Charles Otto Arvey, who attended ws is stationed at Camp Stewart, Ga., has spent a nine-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade C. Arvey.

S/11 Sgt. Crawford Shepard and Sgt. Carlyle Shepard, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Shepard of Franklin, Route 3, were at home for the holidays. The brothers had not seen each other since 1940. Crawford is now stationed in California and Carlyle in Oklahoma City Okla.

Sgt. W. W. Sloan of Camp Croft, Spartanburg, S. C., is spending a few days of his furlough here.

S 2/C J. C. Hicks, returned to the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill., after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hicks of Highlands.

Baptist board, instrumental in bringing... ists to the area he served.

Rev. Welch's notable accomplishment has been his aid to those who were physically ill and unable to meet an emergency. Over 500 patients have been recipients of his assistance in carrying them to a hospital and arranging for their care. Most of these were taken to the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem. His literal interpretation of the command to "bring in the halt and the maimed, the blind and the lame" has been a unique and beautiful development of ministerial service.

His ministrations will be missed in Macon county.

Phm. 2/C J. Norman West, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. D. West, enlisted in the Naval Reserve immediately after Pearl Harbor. He is now stationed at Camp Pendleton, Cal. His brother, Cpl. Ralph West, a mechanic in the Army Air Corps at Fort Sumter, S. C., is visiting his wife and parents through the holidays.

Sgt. James R. Norris of Dillard, Route 1, who is with the Army Air Corps at Langley Field, Va., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Norris.

Pvt. Bill Long of Franklin, Route 2, who has been stationed in Florida, took part in a parade for enlisted men and women at the WAC Training Center, Daytona Beach, Fla.

At the review parade in which there were six battalions of troops and a platoon of jeeps, Pvt. Long received the Mechanics Medal, which is awarded for efficiency in mechanical work.

Pfc. Logan Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Bradley of Otto, has returned to Camp Pickett, Va., after spending Christmas at home.

Pfc. Clarence Crawford spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Crawford, at their home on Route 3, Franklin. He returned to Fort Benning, Ga.

Canning Class At Ag. Building, Jan. 3

The home canners, who did such valiant work on the food front in '43 are preparing for the campaign of '44.

Miss Myra M. Clinard, expert in home canning, will give a demonstration on canning meats in the Agricultural building at Franklin on Monday, January 3, at 1:30 p. m. Everyone interested in home canning is cordially invited to attend.

Come, bring your neighbors with you and be ready to bring up any questions and problems you have in home canning.

Mrs. W. G. Wilkie of Franklin, recently heard from her son, Amm. 2/C W. W. Wilkie, who is serving in the Pacific area. He says that he is "getting along fine."

Ray Holland of Cullasaja has completed his recruit training and returned home for a brief visit before assuming his duties as fireman second class.

S/Sgt. Ledger B. Shope, who is stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico is spending two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Shope of Prentiss.

S 2/C Perry Bell Shuler, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shuler of Cowee community, has been home on a brief furlough. He is return to Bainbridge, Md.

Lieut. John L. Palmer, who has completed his training for service as a bombardier, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Palmer and is now in camp at Shreveport, La.

Lieut. (jg) Thomas T. Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Gray of Washington, D. C., is the grandson of the late Thomas R. Gray of Macon county.

Lieut. Gray graduated from N. C. State College in 1942 and immediately enlisted in the Navy. He is now stationed in the Pacific area. He was born in this county and has been a frequent visitor to Highlands.

the Chamber of... A. B. O'Mohundro of the Lions Club.

The service edition of The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian of January 6, will give full details of the day's program. The paper goes to many of our men and women in the service all over the world to carry greetings from citizens, organizations and business firms. A cut of the roll of honor board will be carried, as well as all cuts of those in service which have been published in previous issues and many others which are being published for the first time. All names on the board will also be published, with timely articles of news that will also be a permanent record of this county's contribution to the World War II up to the present time.

Some stores will be closed for New Years Day and others will remain open.

William Sidney Thompson Passes Sunday Morning

William Sidney Thompson, 71, farmer, died at his home, Franklin, Route 4, Sunday at 5:30 a. m., following an illness of two months.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:00 p. m., at Ridge Crest Baptist church, with the Rev. Lee Crawford officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Frank Bailey, Gordon Smith, J. T. Sanders, Noah Gibson, Bynum Sanders, and John Tippet.

Born on April 25, 1873, in Macon county, Mr. Thompson was the son of the late Jasper and Amanda Thompson. He was married in 1896, to Sallie Angel, also of Macon county. He was a member of the Oak Ridge Baptist church.

Surviving are the widow; four sons, Jesse, Lon and James of Franklin, Route 4, and Thomas, U. S. army; two sisters, Mrs. Sallie O'Dell and Mrs. Belle Buchanan; and 10 grandchildren.

Potts funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

