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HANNAH KILLED IN FRANCE

Macon Infantry Soldier Dies In Overseas Fighting

Pvt. Walter W. Hannah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Hannah of Washington, D. C., formerly of Franklin route 1, has been killed in action according to word received by his parents. He was killed in France serving with an infantry unit.

Pvt. Hannah entered the services in November, 1943. He received his basic training at Fort George S. Meade, Md.

He attended Franklin high school and was employed in Baltimore, Md. prior to his entry into the services. He had been overseas for some months.

Survivors include: Three sisters, Lucille of Franklin, Maxine and Gladys of Washington; a grandmother, Mrs. N. H. McCullough of Greenville, S. C.

Legion Auxiliary In Monday Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary met with Mrs. A. R. Higdon at the home of Mrs. Herbert E. Church on Harrison avenue on Monday evening with six members present.

Mrs. John Wasilik, president, presided over the business session and the treasurer reported that \$15 had been sent to the American Legion in Indianapolis, Ind., for "Records for Our Fighting Men, Inc." This money will buy 48 records that will be placed in the recreation center of the service men.

The Auxiliary voted to contribute to the United War Fund campaign which is being collected now.

Committees appointed to work in the next war fund drive include Mrs. J. D. Alsup, Mrs. E. A. Schilling, Mrs. John Wasilik, Mrs. A. R. Higdon, Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones, Mrs. Lola P. Barrington and Mrs. Lon Dalton.

Members of the Auxiliary make cookies for the veterans at Oteen each month and Mrs. Wasilik will make them this month.

Mrs. Lon Dalton will be hostess at the November meeting.

Delicious gingerbread and cider was served at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Wasilik has been appointed district committee woman of the 20th district with Mrs. Herbert E. Church as alternate.

Home Demonstration Club Schedule

The Home Demonstration club announces the following dates and places of meeting, from Oct. 27 through November 3:

Cowee—October 27, 2:30, Cowee school.

Nantahala—Oct. 27, 8 p. m., Community house.

Shortoff—Oct. 30, 2 p. m., Mrs. Jess Keener.

Achievement Day—Oct. 31, 10:30 a. m., Agricultural building.

Olive Hill, Nov. 1, 2 p. m., Olive Hill school building.

Otto—Nov. 2, 2 p. m., Mrs. Hattie Norton.

Cullasaja—Nov. 3, 2 p. m., Mrs. Harry Thomas.

Fifth Sunday Singing At Courthouse Sunday

The Fifth Sunday Macon County Singing Convention will be held in the courthouse here on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1 o'clock, it has been announced by James M. Raby, president.

Mr. Raby stated that singers were expected from Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee, as well as from all sections of Macon county. He further stated that he wanted a large number of singers in the county to attend, so that they may definitely decide whether to continue on with these singings or discontinue for the duration.

The public is invited to attend.

Mrs. Minnie L. Shields, formerly of Franklin, who has been employed in a war plant in Baltimore, Md., is now employed at the United States naval air station at Banana River, Fla.

Welfare Conference Meets Tomorrow

The Western District Welfare conference will hold its annual meeting in Asheville, Friday, Oct. 27. Registration will begin at 10 a. m.

At 1 o'clock a luncheon will be served for the conference at the Langren hotel. At this meeting Dr. Ellen Black Winston, commissioner, will speak on "Next Steps in Public Welfare in North Carolina." All interested citizens are invited to attend. Mrs. Eloise G. Franks, superintendent, Macon county, C. S. Slagle, chairman, Macon County Welfare Board, and Mrs. Slagle, together with C. L. Pendergrass, member of the board, and Mrs. Pendergrass, and F. H. Potts, Highlands, member of the board, will attend the meeting.

N.C. State Dean Speaks To Alumni

Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of North Carolina State college, called for increased facilities at the college in Raleigh since it alone supplies the technical trained men to the state's industries, at a meeting of State College Alumni Association, at Keely's Tea Room.

N. C. State now turns out only 300 graduates while the state's industries and agriculture could absorb approximately seven hundred, he said. The college is the only college in the state that trains graduates for technical work.

Macon Teachers Attend N.C.E.A. Meeting

James J. Mann, principal of the Cowee school, and Guy L. Houk, superintendent of schools, and several teachers in the county, will attend the meeting of the North Carolina Educational Association to be held in Asheville today.

Franklin Merchants Ask Shoppers to Bring Bags

Paper bags are scarce—in fact so scarce that merchants in Franklin are urging shoppers whenever possible to bring their own shopping bags.

A critical shortage in all types of wrapping papers has caused this appeal to the public to use fewer bags, Franklin merchants announced this week. Customers of groceries are especially urged to comply with this request.

State Education Official To Visit Franklin

Paul Reid, executive head of the State Board of Education, will visit in Franklin this week end with Guy L. Houk, Macon superintendent of schools.

A Gas Ration Application Must Be Filed By Nov. 1

The Office of Price Administration has declared the current basic "A" gasoline ration to expire on November 6, 1944. Therefore, the No. 2 "A-12" coupons in the present A Book will have no value for gasoline rations.

Applications for the new basic "A" ration must be filed with the War Price and Rationing board on or before November 1, 1944. Application Form R-534, revised, may be secured at any filling station on and after October 15, 1944. Since this application is for a renewal of your Basic "A" ration, you must attach to the application the front and back cover of your present A ration book, bearing your signature and address.

All motorists will be expected to keep their present tire inspection records.

Mrs. Eloise Franks Attends Welfare Meet

Mrs. Eloise G. Franks, superintendent, Macon County Department of Public Welfare, has just returned from Raleigh, where she attended the Twenty-fifth Annual Public Welfare Institute, sponsored by the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare and the Division of Public Welfare and Social Work of the University of North Carolina. The theme of the institute was, "Looking Toward the Future in Public Welfare."

Macon War Fund Drive Incomplete, Archer Says

"I'm independent. Nobody's going to tell me how much I'm going to give to the United War Fund or anything else."

The above expression was reported recently by a county chairman, S. C. Russell, publicly chairman, said today. The name of the person who made the remark will not be disclosed. He is right since he resides in a free, democratic country. In Germany, or Japan, a remark of such nature would be treason, punishable by death.

Unfortunately, many people in Macon county seem to be slow in making a decision regarding how much they should contribute to the United War Fund drive which is now in its third week, he said. The latest returns show that approximately \$4,700 has been paid in or covered by acceptable pledges. This represents about 67% of the \$7,000 quota for the county. Heretofore our county has gone over the top in less than two weeks. "It looks now as if Macon county will take its place towards the bottom rather than the top of the list," said John M. Archer, Jr., county chairman. Mr. Archer has had devoted practically all of his time to the drive since October 5, and naturally feels discouraged by some of the reports made last Saturday. On that date he wrote most of his fellow workers in part:

"We have collected and in the bank today \$3,172.18

which is less than half the quota. For most part this represents collections in the Town of Franklin. If all the rural areas in the county get the same amount of money as they did last year this will bring our total to around \$5,500.00.

"From the records that have been turned in to date I know that several people have not given as much this year as they did in 1943. They have the idea that the war is about half over and the money will not be needed. Nothing could possibly be farther from the true facts."

Since Mr. Archer's letter was mailed Highlands has reported collections amounting to about \$1,300 and by Monday morning, the 23rd, the total collections reported from all sources had amount to \$4,712.18. In this drive," said Mr. Archer, "the residents of Macon county have been asked to contribute as much as last year. This has been done by many, particularly in Franklin and Highlands proper; yet there are many throughout the county who haven't contributed to date, while others have contributed less than last year. With few exceptions, all residents should be able to equal their 1943 donation, and if this is done it is barely possible that our quota will be reached."

Akron, Ohio Soldier Killed On Georgia Road

Pvt. William A. Nye, of Akron, Ohio, died October 17 in a Franklin hospital following an accident on the Georgia road, approximately four miles south of Franklin.

Pvt. Nye was on an emergency furlough and was apparently on his way to Akron, by motor-cycle when the accident occurred Monday morning, Oct. 16. He did not regain consciousness.

The body was shipped to the Moore General hospital at Swannanoa and thence to Akron for interment.

LIONS REPORT CLUB DOINGS

Franklin Club's Activities Recently Are Reviewed

A very successful meeting of the Franklin Lions Club was held Monday, Oct. 23, at the Dixie Grill. At this meeting, two new members, G. W. Faulkner and Frank Shope, both of Franklin, were taken in, which brought the total attendance to 22 members. The club had as its guest for the evening, C. J. Mooney of Franklin. It was agreed upon at this meeting that the Lions Club would contribute through their safety chairman, Vernon Fricks, adequate equipment for the safety patrol of the Franklin school.

For the past month, there has been published a semi-monthly bulletin entitled "Leo's Roar", which tends to keep each member informed of the activities of the club in general. In the future there will be sent to each member of the Franklin Lions now serving in the armed forces, a copy of the bulletin.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, at 5 p. m., there will be held a rummage sale on the square in Franklin, the proceeds of which will go for the benefit of civic activities. Any contributions will be gladly accepted at the Dixie Grill on Main St. This sale will be sponsored by the Lions Club with Lon Benny McGlamery as auctioneer.

Since July 1, this club has contributed \$108.85 toward the following causes: the N. C. Polio Fund, eye glasses for the needy children, and United War Fund. So, may we urge each person to contribute as many articles as possible.

Frank L. Murray, Sr., who is employed at the Fontana dam spent the week-end with his family.

O. P. A.

Local Board Asks Women And Men Shoppers to Check Prices

Have you seen the new ceiling price list in your grocery store? More than 70% of the foods on the average grocery list are given and you should make it a point to look this list over before buying.

The community price list is our prime weapon for keeping food prices down. Women who check this list and are careful to buy only at standard prices are the women who are doing their share of fighting on the home front.

There are now only a few processed foods under rationing, the most of them having been removed as O.P.A. found that supplies were adequate for our needs. Now, blue coupons are needed for canned fruits, canned fruit and vegetable juices, canned tomatoes, catsup and chili sauce. Blue tokens are no longer in use, but during the seven months time they were used they saved many man-hours for grocer, made it unnecessary to issue a new ration book and saved more than ten times their cost. Red tokens will be here for the duration of meat rationing, since it is impractical to make cuts of meat conform to units in multiples of ten.

Soon to come on the market are 1,768,969 new electric irons and prices will be only slightly higher than the 1942 prices. The irons will range in price from \$5.30 to \$11.70 but the bulk will be within a range of \$5.70 to \$8.75.

Because of the scarcity of fuel oil, ration certificates for oil heating stoves can only be issued to people who have no other means of heating. Since October 15, coal and wood heating stoves have been removed from rationing.

Women who "don't care" about checking price lists are the ones who cause above-ceiling prices and inflation. Be sure you do your part on the home front by paying only as much as shown on the ceiling price list.

EASTERN STAR TO HOLD FOOD SALE SATURDAY

There will be a food sale in the downstairs office of the Nantahala Power & Light Co., Saturday morning, October 28, from 10 to 12 o'clock. This sale will be conducted by Nequassa Chapter No. 43, Order of Eastern Star and proceeds will go to the United War Fund.

CIVIC GROUP MEETS TUESDAY

Community Council Plans Playground; Discusses Aid to Library

The Macon County Community Council, civic organization, met Tuesday evening in the Agricultural Building under the chairmanship of Rev. A. Rufus Morgan to discuss plans to carry out the program of community recreation that the group has undertaken.

R. S. Jones, Franklin attorney, was elected treasurer by acclamation.

The council approved a resolution to investigate the possibilities of incorporation and proceed with the legal action if the committee composed of J. Horner Stockton and R. S. Jones found it in order.

H. H. Gnuse was directed to look into the possibilities of buying playground equipment after a committee report that the county commissioners had given the council use of the Rogers lot (beside the Agricultural building) on Main street.

The council also discussed plans for aiding the school library.

H-D CLUBS TO HOLD MEETING

Out-of-County Speakers To Highlight "Achievement Day"

Mrs. Earl Harrison, president of the Macon County Council of Home Demonstration clubs, announces that the Annual Achievement Day will be held in the Agricultural Building Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 10 a. m.

The main features of this program will include an address by the Western District Home agent, Miss Anna C. Rowe of Asheville. Miss Rowe will speak on "The Accomplishments of club women in 1944 and plans for 1945."

Miss Marie Marvel, recreation director of the Conference of Southern Mountain Workers of Berea College, Berea, Ky., will lead the recreational program for the afternoon.

Lunch will be served by club members. A miscellaneous exhibit to consist of garden and canned products, flower arrangements, clothing, and crafts will be set up by club women.

Mrs. Frank Gibson, secretary of the county council, will give the report of club activities for the past year.

Mrs. J. R. Ray of Carson's Chapel Club, will discuss the topic "Rural Women can Help Fight Inflation" as a part of the Public Relations Panel.

Club members from the twenty clubs over the county are expected to participate in this annual event. An award will be given to the club having the best record for the past year; also awards will be given to club women having attended all meetings during the year.

MANY VISITORS AT FESTIVAL

Building Program is Outlined For Baptist Church

More than 150 Baptists attended the all-day session of the three-day Harvest Festival of Highlands Baptist church. On Sunday the services were attended by visitors from all the Highlands churches, and from the surrounding communities and towns. Among those from outside the state were R. R. King and a party of friends from Anderson, S. C. Rev. H. M. Alley of Burnsville, spoke at the Sunday morning service and Rev. J. G. Benfield of Franklin had charge of the Sunday afternoon dedication service. On Saturday and Sunday dinner was served at noon in the downstairs recreation room.

The candle-light musical program, "Count Your Blessings", given Saturday night by twenty-two, was sent with this call for examination.

ALLEY TO SPEAK AT BIG RALLY

County Democrats Will Meet At Courthouse Friday Night

Chairman E. W. Long has announced a county wide Democratic rally to be held at the courthouse in Franklin on Friday evening, November 3, at 8 p. m. Judge Felix M. Alley, of Waynesville, will speak on the vital issue of this campaign.

Judge Alley is recognized as an outstanding speaker of Western North Carolina, and his address will be the highlight of the meeting.

A large representation from all sections of the county is expected to hear him discuss the issues of this campaign in his eloquent and effective manner.

ONE MORE DAY TO REGISTER

Saturday Last Day Books Open In Twelve Precincts

Macon residents have one more day, Saturday, Oct. 28, to register with their precinct registrars for the general election in November, James J. Mann, county board chairman of elections, said this week.

Registrars can be found at the regular polling places. Registrars in each of the county's precincts are:

Franklin, George McGee; Millshoal, Jim R. Raby; Ellijay, C. B. Bryson; Sugarfork, Luther Holland; Highlands, Rap Potts; Flats, Ray Dryman; Smith's Bridge, Jess Norton; Cartoo-gechaye, Dan Sweetman; Nantahala, No. 1, Lee Baldwin; Nantahala, No. 2, J. R. Shields; Burnington, E. B. Byrd; Cowee, Bob Rickman.

Challenge Day will be held on November 4, the Saturday before election, Mr. Mann said.

Those eligible to register and vote in the general election on November 7th for president, vice-president, governor, lieutenant-governor, U. S. Senator, State Senator, representative to the General Assembly and surveyor are:

Men and women twenty-one years of age and over who have lived in the State of North Carolina for at least twelve months, in Macon County for six months, and their precinct for four months.

Selective Service

Macon County Men Leave For Induction

The following registrants were forwarded to Camp Croft, S. C. on October 18, for induction:

Lloyd Edmund Cruse, Robert Gillespie, Alvis Jackson Holt, Carroll Kenneth Jacobs, Bobbie Tom Ledbetter, Herbert Lewis Crawford, Louis Jasper Wilson, Robert Carl Donaldson, Billy Bryson Raby, William B. Lenoir, Ernest Royal Dills, Jr., Robert Thomas Carpenter.

The following registrants were sent to Camp Croft, S. C. on Oct. 23, for preinduction physical examination:

Hudie Cline Crawford, Buster Mashburn, George Rogers Hurst, Charles McCormick Morrison, Frank Carr Dryman, Clarence Wilbur Dowdle, William Roy Potts, William Berkley Speed, Henry Elmer Tippet, George Keener, Jr., Billy Dewese Meadows, Clarence Conrad McMah-an, Marshall Glenn Nichols, Lloyd Harmon Hodgins, Guy Monday Henson, Ralph Jackson Wood, James A. Guffie, Kenneth Roger Norton, Thomas Ira Miller, Bennie Thomas Brown-ing, John Mack Boston, Billy Dowell Norris, Guy Edward Clouse, John Boyd Long, Frank Jones, Verles McGaha, Clarence William Peak, Garfield Houston, Ralph Justice, Harley William Barnes, Golle Wilburn Passmore, Roy Lafayette Cabe.

Samuel Lawson Shook who was transferred from Hattiesburg, Miss., was sent with this call for examination.

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