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Missing Over Germany

Soldier From Gay Had **Previously Been Reported** As Missing In Action.

Pfc. William Guffey

Is Killed In Action

Pfc. William A. Guffey, recently reported missing in the Asiatic For This County Pfc. William A. Guffey, recently area, is now reported as having been killed in action on January 18th.

Allie B. Guffey, of Gay. He was board in session in Raleigh Saturinducted at Fort Bragg on March day. 14, 1942. From there he was sent to Camp Claiborne, La., then he entered Paratroop training in Sep.

tember of 1942, and received his wings at Fort Benning Ga. Making his last jump he was

injured and underwent an operatransferred to Camp Sutton and in the near future. placed in the Medical Corps. From Camp Sutton he was sent overseas.

The following wire was received recently:

"The Secretary of War asks that I assure you of his deep sympathy in the loss of your son, Pfc. William R. Guffey, who was previously reported missing in action. Report now received states that he was killed in action on January 18, in the Asiatic Area. Letter follows

The Adjutant General." The following poem was written by Mrs. Frank Guffey, sister-inlaw of the deceased. He was called **Radford** by his family:

OUR BROTHER

why, That our dear brother had to die. reasons.

It was the Lord's will, he thought it best. Now dear Radford lies at rest.

Grover S. Bishop, W. E. Grindstaff and H. R. Queen are members of the Jackson County Board of Pfc. Guffey is the son of Mrs. Elections, as named by the state

> Since the registration books will open next month, the new election board, which is responsible for the conduct of elections in the county, is expected to appoint the regis-

County Board Of

Elections Named

trars and judges - one registrar and two judges, one of the latter tion. Due to this injury he was a Republican, for each precinct-

county board chairmen to meet with members of the State board to discuss the handling of absentee ballots of servicemen. One of these

six regional meetings will be held in Asheville on April 3. The board also offered two Sylva Elementary

amendments to the regulations gov-erning the handling of ballots used Gives \$300 To by service personnel. The amendments to the absentee

regulations provide that a separate register be set up for absentee vot. ers (servicemen only) and also pro-

kept of those members of the pay and the children from the dif- in the Red Cross room and folded armed forces whose names have ferent grades gave the balance. surgical dressings. A few items Motor Company for many years. Radford is gone and we wonder been submitted for registration but Quota was \$150.00, raised \$300.34. of importance were attended, with who are not qualified for various Teacher

Grade Another amendment provides that county elections board chairmen mail ballots to service person-

nel within the continental United Third-Miss Holden The war for Radford has forever States as soon as possible after an Third-Mrs. Crawford



Word has been received in Sylva that Lt. Howard Plemmons, better known to his many friends here as "Rock", is missing in action over Germany. He is the son of R. H. Plemmons, former highway The State Board of elections also engineer in this district, and the late Frances McClure Plemmons, fixed dates and meeting places for and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Plemmons, of Hot Springs. He formerly lived in Sylva.

He graduated from Sylva high school in 1938, and was a student at Western Carolina Teachers College when he enlisted. He was pilot on a B-17, stationed somewhere in England.

Red Cross[•] Work

Sylva elementary school doubl-Instead of having the regular ed their quota for the Red Cross monthly meeting, the members of where he was employed by the vides that a second record book be Drive. Each teacher gave one day's the Twentieth Century Club mat Amount the president, Mrs. Dan Allison. First-Mrs. Tompkins\$ 20.82 presiding. A shower of greeting First-Miss Parker 15.53 cards to be sent to Moore General Second-Mrs. Middleton 20.39 Hospital were given by the club. 18.63 with each member bringing a few

Brother Of Local People Missing After Air Mission

Mrs. E. Er Brown and Mrs. J. H. Wilson received word last Wednesday that their brother, James O. Bridges, of Brevard, had been missing in action over Germany since February 24th. He was a navigator on a Liberator.

Last Rites Held For R. R. Deitz Last Thursday

Funeral services for Rufus R. Deitz were held Thursday afternoon at two o'clock at the Scott's Creek Baptist church with the Rev. B. S. Hensley and the Rev. W. N. Cook, officiating. Interment followed in Keener cemetery in Sylva.

The active pallbearers were: Ray Cogdill, Ray Orr, E. F. Goldston, Joe Davis, Loy Bryson, F. M. Wiliams and Howard Ball.

The honorary pallbearers were: Dr. C. Z. Candler, Dr. D. D. Hooper, Lawrence Reed, Everett Harris, Dr. Wayne McGuire, S. M. Higdon, Sam Cogdill, J. T. Dean, Cole Bumgarner, T. K. Gutherie, Algie Wilson, D. G. Bryson, E. M. Lloyd, Bedford Ensley, Allen Ginn, A. J. Dills.

The neces acted as flower girls. Mr. Deitz recently returned to Sylva from Pascagoula, Miss.,

Ingolls Shipbuilding Co., before go-Mr. Deitz was a member of the Scott's Creek Baptist church. Surviving are the widow: one son, Cpl. Wayne Deitz, U. S. Army; one daughter, Mrs. Ed Erwin,

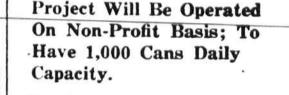
27.59 cards for the boys in the hospital. Sylva; and one grandchild, Jane Erwin; the parents, Rev. and Mrs. Scout Leaders

The Sylva Herald, winner of First Place of N. C. Press Association 1948 General Bzcellence Award.

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Cannery Will Open For Spring Canning In Cullowhee Section

Writing Home



Nearing completion on the campus of Western Carolina Teachers college is a work shop to be used by people of this area as a center for repairing farm tools and machinery. The building, according to an announcement by C. G. Phillips, teacher of agriculture at the training school, is a part of the Out-of-School Youth and Adult program, sponsored by the vocational agriculture department of the federal govenment. Funds for the erection of the building are being supplied by Jackson county: the equipment and tools will be donated by the government. The shop, a wooden structure sixteen feed by twenty four, located south of the training school building, has been built mainly by the boys of the high school agriculture class under the direction of J. M. Price, builder; C. A. Hoyle, principal, and Mr. Phillips

Already enrolled in a class of twelve who will repair their farm tools and machinery under the direction of L. A. Ammon, director of the farm and dairy at Western J. PALMER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carolina Teachers college.

Mr. Phillips announced also that writing a letter home from the plans are under way through the Marine Corps base, Parris Island. ASYA program of the vocational S. C., where he is taking recruit agriculture department of the government to establish a community cannery for use of the people in this area. The community canning will be an enlargement of the West_ ern Carolina Teachers college can-

nery, for which the government

will provide a large fifteen horse



Club Helps With

Twentieth Century

ceased He is resting now in eternal peace. But let us not shed bitter tears. passing years.

We cannot go to his grave and Weep.

For he across the ocean sleeps. He gave his life bravely for his

country true. He died for the red, white and blue.

May we feel proud of this brother dear.

Who gave his life without any fear. To his dear memory may we always be true.

And remember he died fighting for bill becomes a law." the red, white and blue.

Mrs. Dan Moore **New President**

Of P.T.A. Here The Sylva Parent Teacher's Association held its annual study course on Tuesday morning. The subject for study was Juvenile Delinquency: Causes and Remedies, March 25, at 10:30 a: m: and was directed by Mrs. Harry Ferguson. Those appearing on the program were Mrs. E. L. McKee, A. C. Moses, Lewis Hair, Miss Bertha Cunningham, and Frank

Crawford. In the afternoon there was a motion picture and a puppet show. This was followed by the business session. The following officers were elected for next year:

President-Mrs. Dan K. Moore. Vice - President - Mrs. Phillip Stovall.

Secretary-Mrs. Julius Gillis. Treasurer - Mrs. Jimmy Buckner.

After the business session, Hugh Monteith addressed the association having as his subject "Juvenile Delinquency in the Community."

Army Paper Sent Here From Overseas By Local Man Now Serving In Italy

Sgt. Ervin C. Buchanan who is serving somewhere in Italy sent his father, J. E. Buchanan, a copy of "The Stars and Stripes" the newspaper printed daily for the boys on the front.

Mr. Buchanan thought that parents of the boys on all war fronts would be interested to know that they have their own paper, giving navy.

them the latest war news from the In the group, two were volundifferent fronts and also news from teers, one each in both branches of home. It is a four page paper the service. Robert Glenn Cuncomplete in every detail. "Li'l ningham volunteered for the army, Abner" shares a place with the while John C. Cecil Crawford was

application is in hand. The mailing of ballots to addresses beyond the United States "shall not await May we remember him thru the the receipt of ballots for local officers."

A resolution passed by the board provides that "presidential approval or disapproval of the present congressional service vote bill would not make necessary any changes in the North Carolina board's rules and regulations," and that "absentee registration and

voting (on the part of North Caro. lina service personnel) of the personnel of the United States army shall remain in effect and shall be carried out whether or not the said

Missionary To Speak Saturday At Dillsboro

The first quarterly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Baptists Will, the Tuckaseegee Association will the Tuckaseegee Association will be held with Jarrett Memorial Hear Missionary church, Dillsboro, on Saturday,

Miss Alda Grayson, returned missionary from China, who is the Baptist church both Thursday spending some time in the Tucka- and Friday evenings of this week. seegce Association, will be the The public is invited to attend. principal speaker. All interested

women are invited. Mrs. D. M. Hall Attending

Church Meet In Hickory

Mrs. D. M. Hall, district corres-He was inducted at Fort Bragg ponding secretary of the Woman's in April, 1942, and later trained Society of Christian Service of the at Shepherd Field, Texas, Santa Waynesville District, left Monday Monica, Cal., Salt Lake City, Utah. for Hickory to attend the state Walla Walla, Wash., and Madras, meeting which will be held there Ore., before going to his present Tuesday and Wednesday of this station at Avon Park. He is with week.

24 Jackson Men Go In

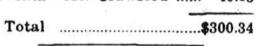
Twenty-four Jackson county men entered service this month, according to a report from the local Se-

lective Service Board. Ten of these entered the army and 14 were assigned to duty in the

The complete list of those enter-

ing service this month, are as fol-

Fourth-Miss Madison 40.00 Fourth-Miss Geisler 24 38 Fifth-Miss Cunningham 26.95 Sixth-Mrs. Freeze .. 33.05 Seventh-Mr. Crawford 40.15



Cullowhee Club Has Meeting

Red Cross Drive

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. H. E. Battle of Cullowhee, was hostess to the Cullowhee-Speedwell Home Demonstration Club. Mrs. Edward Bryson, president, was in charge The subject for the meeting was Meatless Dishes. A guest of the meeting was Mrs. D. C. Webb, "of

Berg, Ky. Mrs. Webb is the former Miss Clara Buntain, a former resident of Cullowhee, who is now enrolled at Western Carolina Teach ers college for special courses.

Miss Alda Grayson returned missionary from China, will speak at

HERE FROM FLORIDA

Cpl. Hyman Sutton has been here from Avon Park, Fla., spend ing a ten day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Pallie Sutton, and other relatives.

the Army Air Corps.

Service This Month

Harvey Ray Donaldson. Robert Nelson Jones, Jr. Robert Harold Wilkey.

Ellie Dock Nations. Robert Glenn Cunningham (volinteer). Navy

Joseph Robert Davis. Emmett Lloyd Shook Willard Paul Kitchin.

31.85 Mrs. Ariail Has **Bridge Club With** Her On Friday

The Friday afternoon bridge club met last week with Mrs. R. L Ariail. Spring flowers were beautifully arranged throughout the house, a color scheme of green was used with the Shamrock motif emphasized in the decorations and r: freshments

Two tables were made up for play, Mrs. J. R. Ryan scored high and Mrs. Ben Queen made low score.

The hostess served delicious re freshments.

Those playing were: Mrs. Dan Allison, Mrs. D. M. Hall, Mrs. E. L. McKee, Mrs. D. K. Moore, Mrs. T. N. Massie, Mrs. Phillip Stovall Mrs. J. R. Ryan and Mrs. Ben Queen.

Pvt. Franks Is Now In South Pacific

Jackson Baptist Pastor Pvt. James C. Franks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Franks, of Glen-Called Good Samaritan ville, is serving with the army in the South Pacific.

He entered service in January, 1942, and received his basic training at Camp Croft, S. C.

A brother, Pvt. Fred Franks, entered service in December, 1943. and is stationed at Fort Jackson.

HERE ON 6-DAY LEAVE

Asbury Carden MM 2/c, of the Merchant Marin's has spent a sixday leave with his parents, Mr and Mrs. S. A. Carden.

Mrs. Asbury Carden, of Newport News, Va., joined her husband in Sylva.

Will Bend a Rod

F. Deitz of Sylva; four sisters, Mrs. A. M. Totherow and Mrs. C. Meet In Sylva R. Fowler both of Asheville, Mrs.

Gordon Reed and Mrs. Ollie Banks both of Sylva; four brothers, Frank Weaverville, Sgt. Thad Deitz, U. S. Army, and Charles Deitz, U. S. Navy, stationed in the South Paific

The following out of town people ittended the funeral service: Cpl. Wayne R. Deitz of Tallahassee, Fla., Sgt. Thad Deitz, Fort Morgan. Totherow, Asheville, Mr. and Mrs.

Deitz and children of Asheville, was given to troop nine of Sylva Miss Lillian Banks, Washington, and troop 11 of Franklin as the D. C., Mrs. Tom McCullum and result of a draw. The ribbon is laughter of Atlanta. Mr. and Mrs. given to the troop having the H. M. Wiggins, Mrs. D. A. Wig- greatest attendance at each meetgins, Mrs. Vance Wiggins and Mrs. ing. including Scouts, leaders and Whitesides from Bryson City, Mr. friends.

and Mrs. Walter Gossett of Bry- held April 16 at the Franklin son City. Methodist church at 7 p. m.

Scouts and leaders from Frank- power steam boiler and considera-Sunday night at the A. M. E. Zion Methodist church in Sylva. troop 11 were invested at tenderfoot Scouts in the candlelight cere-

MARINE PRIVATE DOTSON

Roy Palmer, of Clyde, is shown

training .- Marine Corps Photo.

mony conducted by F. V. Smith, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fowler, Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts assistant Scout executive of the of America.

ist. There is another woman who

had been ill for 18 years and

after the Rev. Mr. Welch brought

her down here she soon went home

and "put in a crop." "I didn't

months in the hospital.

Lon Dentz, of Weaverville, Frank The attendance contest ribbon

ind Mrs. E. F. Goldston, Franklin, The next Court of Honor will be

lin and Sylva attended the Smoky ble modern equipment. The total Deitz of Asheville, A. M. Deitz of Mountain Negro Court of Honor canning capacity will be from 750-1900 cans daily. The use of the canning equipment will be a free Charles Bryson of Sylva troop service to users, who will bring nine and Leroy Moore, of Franklin their own food and prepare it at the cannery. The only expense is a nominal charge for tin cans, which will be purchased from the government in wholesale lots and resold to individual canners for a

very small amount.

Mr. Phillips stated that the cannery will be operated on a nonprofit basis and that instructional supervision will be included as, a free service to the community as a part of the OSYA program. Mrs. C. F. Dodson of Cullowhee, will teach five classes in the school district, which will include three phases of instruction: family food bud-

get, production and canning.

The cannery will be in operation by the time spring vegetables and fruits are ready and will continue o operate throughout the fall for those who wish to can meat and fall produce.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Norton **On Wednesday**

Funeral services for Mrs. Roy Lem Norton, Jr., 21, who died at the Harris Community Hospital Sunday, March 12, were held at the Cullowhee Baptist church on Widnesday, March 15th, at 3:30 o'clock, the Rev. Fred Forrester, the Rev. Ernest Jamison and the Rev. Mr. McCall, officiated.

recognize her next time I met her Pallbearers were: Oscar Norton, on the street. She had always John E. Hooper, Clinton Hooper, looked so puny before," he said. J. D. Allen and R. D. Smith, all And there was a man too, who uncles of the deceased, and W. T. hadn't walked in four years, but Wise. Flower bearers were memis walking now, thanks to that bers of the intermediate girls class preacher and a stay of several of th Cullowhee Baptist church.

Mrs. Norton and her husband The stories are numerous and both graduated from the state school for the deaf at Morganton. Mrs. Norton is survived by her husband, who is attached to a radio unit of the Navy at Washington, D. C., her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith, one sister, Mrs. Louis Shawley, of Sylva; a brother, Julin saying that his knowledge and jus D. Smith, of the Navy; her

tist, Catholics, Methodists, Presby- the medical students. In their own Submarine Man erans - sinners and Christians to help in the research which will Home From Duty erians, Episcopalians, and Luth- words, they are "proud" to be ab' alike," he said. in turn help other folks. In The Pacific And the folks in the hills have The Rev. Mr. Welch headed his SUCH A TROUT as sportsmen dream all come to know him and to de- mud-stained automobile back to the of luring is this one held aloft by pend on him for his service when hills-carrying back with him folks Jack C. Allison Mo. M.M. 1/c, William Burk, Deputy Fish and they are ill. They approach him that he had brought on previous who has been in the Pacific area Game Commissioner of Pennsylon the street, write him letters, trips. He is proud of this work since Pearl Harbor in Submarines vania, just before it is dropped inphone him and wire him. They he is doing-prouder even of that of the U. S. Navy, is home on a to Wissahickon Creek, along with spend the night at his house, too, than he is of his preaching. For, thirty day leave visiting his par-when a trip is to be made to save you see, it "demonstrates" the ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Claude 3,999 others, in preparation for the fishing season. (International) time next morning so that they gospel. Allison. the Taxatter of the

Winston-Salem-(Special) - Ir can get an early start to Winstonhe stories of Christ, healing and Salem. His passengers include eaching always go hand in hand. men, women and children, and he And in the mountains of Westhas made many emergency tripsern North Carolina lives a Baptist

minister who follows that precept and has won for himself the title f "Samaritan." For a Samaritan s one who works earnestly and ^creely to relieve the distress and

suffering of his fellowmen. Rev. C. C. Welch, of Glenville, was in town today. And he brought with him on the 300-mile trip patients to enter Baptist Hospital. The trip was not unusual. He has done the same dozens of times before. It is his way of making reigion practical and demonstrating what he preaches to his congregaion on Sundays.

He is a self-made ambulance briver and to him many folks in varied. But they all have one he hills owe, not only their abil- theme-gratitude to the preacher ty to enjoy life in health again who brought the patients to the out life itself. For three years hospital and appreciation of what e has been using his own car at the institution did for them after his own expense to bring the ill they got there. Welch himself ofand the suffering here for treat- fered a good word for the hospital ment and diagnosis.

"I figure that all told. I have experience of it had given him a grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. hauled 576 folks to the hospital real appreciation of fellowship and Smith of Sylva, and her grandin that length of time and seen to good hospitalization. mother, Mrs. John Holcombe, of having them admitted. The great- The folks do not have the feel-Buncombe county. est majority of them were charity ing, either, that some others do cases. And I have brought Bap- about being experimented on by

including the one with the woman who would have died before night if she hadn't reached the special-

most important news.

Claude C. Williams Is **Given Medical Discharge**

Claude C. Williams has returned to his home here from Camp Blanding, Fla., where he has been stationed for several months. He has a medical discharge from the army. ows: Army Robert Delos Hooper. Thad McKinney Russell. Talmadge Wood. Earl Baxter McCord. Carl Alfred Ridley.

a volunteer for the navy.

Joseph David West. David Swain Pressley. Walter Jack Biddix. Clarence Burder Cagle. William Thomas Fisher. Joseph Russell Lambert. John Cecil Crawford (volunteer) Elsje Clinton Sutton, Jr. William Thomas Bird. Charles Lee McLaughlin. James Oscar Queen.