

## FUNERAL RITES FOR WILLIAM C. HYATT HELD THURSDAY

Funeral services for William C. Hyatt who died of a heart attack at his home in Haywood County last Monday afternoon were held Thursday afternoon at the Iota Baptist Church near Franklin, with Rev. W. Jackson Hunneycutt, Rev. Ellis Arrington and Rev. Ed Cochran, officiating.

Mr. Hyatt was a native of Haywood County, but spent fourteen years as a resident of Jackson before returning to Haywood where he was employed by the Unagusta Furniture Co.

He was a brother of Rev. John Hyatt of Whittier and Mrs. L. B. Cowan of Webster. Besides these he is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Lewis Enloe of Tarpon Springs, Florida, two grand children, two other brothers, Dewey and Rufus Hyatt of Waynesville and five other sisters, Mrs. L. Walker of Clyde, Mrs. George McClure of High Point, Mrs. James Siver, Charlotte, Mrs. Robert Rhinehart, Waynesville, and Miss Alma Hyatt, Waynesville.

## PVT. KEEVER WITH COMBAT ENGINEERS SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Keever have received a letter from their son Pvt. Harry J. Keever, stating that he is now with the combat engineers in France. Pvt. Keever entered the service in May 1943 and received his basic training at Fort George G. Meade, Md. He was sent overseas in September of the same year and was stationed in England up to the time of the invasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Keever have two other sons in the armed forces. Sgt. J. Jack Keever who has served in the army for the past nine years is now stationed in Northern Ireland. Sgt. Keever was one of the first boys of this locality to receive overseas duty. He was sent to Iceland in 1942 and served there until 1943. He was then sent to the British Isles where he is serving with an Infantry Unit.

Cpl. W. M. Marshall Keever is now with the 5th Army in Italy. He entered the army in 1941, receiving his basic training at Fort Bragg, N. C. and Camp Blanding, Fla. He was sent overseas in August 1942. Cpl. Keever participated in the invasion of North Africa, Sicily and the Italian Campaign where he is now serving with a F. A. Unit.

## SOSSAMON TO OPEN FURNITURE STORE HERE THIS MONTH

Mr. Leroy Sossamon, owner of Sossamon Furniture Company, Inc., in Statesville, and Swain Furniture Company in Bryson City, has announced the opening sometime during August of the Sossamon Furniture Store in Sylva. The new business will occupy the building on Main Street formerly occupied by the Colonial Mica Corporation. Workmen are engaged now in remodeling, painting and making other arrangements for the opening which will be announced soon.

Mr. Boyd Sossamon, brother of the owner and formerly with the Statesville store, will be in charge of the Sylva store.

## Sgt. George Enroute To Home In Cherokee

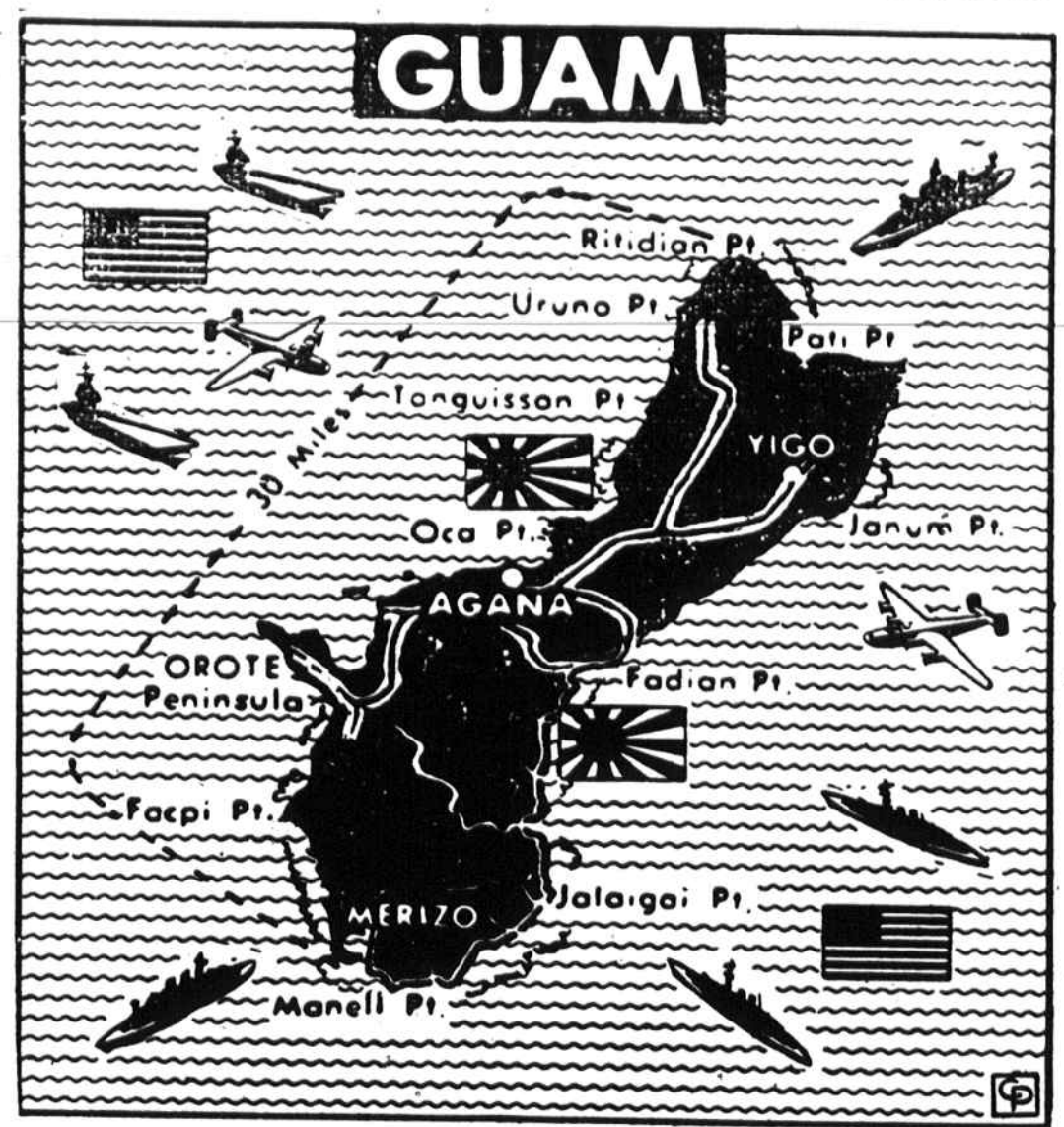
Sgt. Sherman George, a Cherokee Indian, known to his buddies as "Chief", has arrived in Atlanta after service on Guadalcanal, New Guinea, and the invasion of Cape Gloucester, New Britain. He is on his way to his home in Cherokee.

He wears the diamond-shaped blue shoulder patch with the letters "Gaudalcanal" in white and the figure "8" in red. There are five white stars of the Southern Cross, under which the battles in which he participated were fought. He has been overseas for more than two years.

## Earl Norton Returns To Station In New York

Earl Norton P. O. 3-c has returned to his station in New York after spending a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Norton. Mr. Norton has recently been promoted to his present rating.

## WHERE YANKS MAKE NEW LANDINGS



EXPANDING OUR FOOTHOLD in the inner defense islands protecting Japan, American assault troops—believed to number 45,000 men—have seized beachheads on Guam, first American island to fall to the Nipponese in the Pacific war. Hundreds of carrier-based planes and huge battleship guns, coupled with fire from cruisers and destroyers, paved the way for the invasion on an almost nonstop bombardment that battered installations on the island for seventeen days. American forces are reported to be still pouring ashore against "moderate ground opposition" by surviving members of the Jap garrison. (International)

## LT. WILLIAM JACKSON REPORTED PRISONER OF GERMAN ARMY

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson of East La Porte have been notified that their son, Lt. William Garnett Jackson who was previously reported missing is a prisoner of the Germans. He had been wounded sometime prior to being taken prisoner.

## Services At The Sylva Methodist Church For Sunday, August 6

The Rev. L. P. Jackson, of El Paso, Texas, a student at Duke Divinity School, will be guest minister at the 11 o'clock hour of worship. The Rev. C. M. Warren, pastor of the Sylva Baptist church, will be guest minister at the seven o'clock outdoor sunset service on the Community House lawn. Mr. Herbert Gibson will be in charge of the service. The minister, Rev. R. G. Tuttle, will be guest minister at Grace Methodist church, New York City, during the month of August.

## SEAMAN FIRST CLASS



Emory Olin Ensley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Ensley, has recently been visiting relatives and friends in Sylva.

He entered the service in December 1943 and took his basic training at Eainbridge, Md. From there he went to Little Creek, Va., where he has been assigned to an Amphibious Training Unit.

He has been promoted to S 1/c recently. His wife who has been at Little Creek accompanied him home. Before going into the service Ensley was employed with Mead Corporation.

## Churches Having Union Services At Com. House

The Sylva Methodist Church and the Presbyterian Church are having evening services every Sunday evening at 11:30 on the lawn of the Sylva Community House. Everyone is invited to join them in worship at this hour.

## Stationed In Oklahoma



Sgt. Lyman H. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Jones of Gay, was inducted at Fort Jackson, S. C., December 1943. He received his basic training at Camp Shelby, Miss., and later took Baker's School at Camp Forest, Tenn., and received his diploma as first cook. He is now stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

## Goins Returns To Post

Sgt. James D. Goins has returned to his post at Pueblo, Colo., after spending a 17 day furlough with his wife and daughter Brenda Pearl. Sgt. Goins has been serving with the army two years.

## Trains Begin Running Over New Line

### Passenger Train No. 18 Made First Run Sunday Morning; Freight Ran for Week Before

The Southern Railway's passenger Train No. 18 from Murphy to Asheville made its maiden run over the new section of the Murphy branch between Wesser and Bryson Sunday morning thus beginning the regular schedule on the new road bed. Freight trains had been running over this section of new road for a week or more.

The new line between Bryson and Wesser was built by the Tennessee Authority and is to take the place of the old line which will be flooded when Fontana Dam is completed. This shortens the distance from Bryson to Wesser about eight and a half miles. The old road to Wesser is 24 miles and the new is only 15.5 miles. The schedule for Train No. 18 going East will be stepped up half an hour from Wesser to Asheville, as this is the time saved over the new run. Train 17 going west will get to Bryson at the same time but arrive at Murphy half hour earlier.

TVA began work on this section of road November, 1942, and trains started operating July 30. The approximate cost was \$5,000,000.

## SYLVA PASTOR TO PREFACE IN NEW YORK DURING AUGUST

### R. G. Tuttle And Family To Be Away for Month, Visiting Ministers To Supply Here

Rev. R. G. Tuttle and family left Monday for New York City where he will fill the pulpit at Grace Methodist church during the month of August, where the pastor, Rev. John B. Everts, is away on his vacation. The Tuttle will be in the Everts home and will visit them in their Long Island home. Rev. Tuttle will officiate at a wedding for Dr. Ralph W. Sockman at Christ church on Park avenue on August 12.

Pulpit of the local church will be filled by visiting preachers at both the morning and evening services each Sunday.

## JUDGE ADVOCATE EXPLAINS LOSS OF CITIZENSHIP

ATLANTA, Ga., July 25.—"Does a soldier lose his citizenship if he is dismissed from the Army by court martial for desertion?" is a question repeatedly asked by the general public. To clarify the loss of citizenship question, Colonel John J. Jones, Judge Advocate's office, Headquarters, Fourth Service Command has issued the following statement:

"The statute relating to loss of citizenship as a result of conviction by court martial of desertion in time of war was amended January 20, 1944, by Public law 221, 78th Congress. Under the present law a person convicted by court-martial of desertion in time of war does not lose his citizenship rights unless he is actually dismissed or dishonorably discharged from the service as a result of such conviction.

"The amendment further provides that citizenship lost under the present act or previous acts by reason of desertion in time of war is immediately restored if the deserter is restored to active duty in time of war or if he re-enlists or is reinducted in time of war with permission of competent military or naval authority."

Col. Jones continued that the only other offense penalized by loss of citizenship is that of treason and rarely has that taken place in the United States.

## Sgt. Bishop Is Spending Week With Wife And Baby

Sgt. Thomas E. Bishop of Kirkland Field, Albuquerque, N. M., is spending a week with his wife, the former Miss Kate M. Ammons, and baby at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ammons, at Cullowhee.

Sgt. Bishop has served with the Army Air Corps for three years and has spent two and one-half years of this time at Kirkland Field.

## Cpl. Abe H. Brooks Has Landed In England

Word has been received from Cpl. Abe H. Brooks that he has landed somewhere in England.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Brooks of Whittier. He entered the service in May, 1943, took his basic training at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, then was sent to Tennessee, from there to Camp Rucker, Ala., back to Tennessee, then Camp Rucker again. Then was sent overseas.

He has three other brothers in the service of their country. Sgt. Carl Brooks in England and Lon H. Brooks 2-c in Florida and Pvt. Walter Brooks in Alabama.

## Pearl Harbor Survivor Now In Philadelphia

Chief Machinist Mate William Hoyle, son of G. W. Hoyle of Balsam is now stationed in Philadelphia, Pa. He entered service sixteen years ago and was one of the survivors of the Panay. He was stationed in Pearl Harbor when the Japs attacked that base.

## Funeral Rites For Drowned Victim Held Wed.

### Sgt. Bill P. Elders Reported Missing In India War Theater

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elders received a message July 22nd, stating that their son, Sgt. Bill P. Elders has been reported missing since June 19th. He was stationed in India as a member of the 490th Bomb Squadron and served as 3rd gunner on a bomber.

Mr. and Mrs. Elders have another son in service, Cpl. Dallas H. Elders, stationed at Camp Carson, Col., with an engineer battalion.

## Hitler Plotter



BERLIN RADIO has announced that Col. Gen. Ludwig Beck, named as one of the conspirators linked with the plot to kill Hitler, is "no longer among living persons." Beck was chief of the German general staff until 1938, when he retired at his own request. (International)

## FUNERAL RITES HELD FOR JESS FISHER

Jess Fisher, age 64, died at his home in Willets Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock following a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Isaac of the Army Air Corps somewhere in England, and Bill of Willets, five daughters, Mrs. John Parris and Mrs. David Parris of Addie, Mrs. M. C. Patterson of Waynesville, Mrs. Deles Cogdill of Nantahala, and Miss Ann Fisher of Willets, and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Willets, of which he was a lifetime member.

## Pvt. James P. Revis Visits Parents At Whittier

Pvt. James P. Revis left Saturday to return to Fort Custer, Mich., after spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Revis of Whittier. After serving one year in the army, Pvt. Revis was released to do essential work, but was recalled last June and is now serving with a M. P. unit at Fort Custer.

## SERVING OVERSEAS



Pvt. Lester L. Woodard, 31, of the U. S. Army Ordnance Co. L M, entered the service in September 1943. He was inducted at Camp Croft, S. C. where he stayed for about a month before being sent to Aberdeen, Md., where he took training for about five months, then sent to California and then overseas.

His wife, the former Miss Villa Ridley of Gay, N. C., resides with her mother.

Funeral rites for Walter "Cug" Clement, 17, who was drowned in the Ocoña Luffy river Sunday July 23rd was held at the Shoal Creek Baptist church Wednesday, July 26th.

At the time he met his death he was with his sister, Hazel Clement, two friends, Oleta Howell and Lester Owen of the Qualla Community, swimming in Ocoña Luffy river above Cherokee.

At the time of his death he was employed by Slayden Fakes Co., Bryson City, N. C.

Officiating were the Rev. John Hyatt, pastor of the Shoal Creek church where young Clement attended Sunday School and church regularly, the Rev. W. A. Andrews of the Shoal Creek Methodist church and Rev. J. J. Johnson of the Cherokee Mission Baptist Church.

Young Clement is survived by his mother, Mrs. Flora Clement, one sister, Hazel Clement, five brothers, of whom three are serving in the U. S. Army, Fred, who is overseas, Robert of Fort Benning, Ga., Clarence of Aberdeen, Md., Carl and Bruce of Whittier, N. C., and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Parker.

Active pallbearers were: Lester Owen, Gene Gibson, Kellie Cooper, Jimmie Clement, Claude Parker and Hubert Bumgarner.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. C. J. Candler, Howard Crawford, John Corbin, Crawford Shelton, Frank Ell, Janie Reagon Jiles, Ruth Bradley, Jimmie Cooper, Mary Bob Clement, Dorothy Clement, Alice Lambert, Nellie Sue Hipps, Pauline Cooper, and Nora Maggie Worley.

## SERVICE MEN TO GET GALLON OF GAS PER DAY

ATLANTA, GA. July 31.—No longer will the serviceman on leave or furlough be allotted a set five gallons of gasoline. He will be allowed more—or less—according to the length of time he is on leave, announced Lt. Col. Ralph A. Gould, ration officer of the Fourth Service Command.

Col. Gould said, "A member of the armed forces can get a gallon of gasoline for each day of his furlough or leave up to a maximum of 30 gallons for 30 days, according to a new policy ruling of the Office of Price Administration, which became effective July 25.

"It should be clearly understood that this gasoline is available only to those men on leave or furlough and will not be granted to soldiers on one, two, or three-day passes.

"We feel that this is a good move and fairer than the previous ruling, since it entitles men who are home from overseas for the first time to their pro-rata share of gasoline, while under the old regulation many of the men who have remained in the United States have been able to have advantage on the overseas soldiers."

## VESUVIUS ASHES SENT TO MUSEUM

Raleigh, July 31.—Two vials containing varicolored ashes from the recent eruption of Mt. Vesuvius will next week be placed on display in the State Museum, Harry Davis, director, announced.

Davis said the ashes were sent to the Museum by Lt. Madison M. Riley, of Raleigh, who is now with the Military Engineers. In civilian life, Lt. Riley was a forester.

## Denver T. Bryson Is Reported Recovering From Wounds Sustained In Combat In Italy

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bryson received word last Friday that their son, Denver T. Bryson, had been seriously wounded in Italy. His wife, the former Miss Pauline Pressley of Speedwell, but now of Durham, received a letter from him written by a Red Cross worker saying he had been wounded . . . pieces of shrapnel were imbedded in his arm and leg. He added a cheerful note that the injuries were not too bad and that he was receiving the best of care.

Mr. Bryson was a graduate of Western Carolina Teacher's College and was employed by the Meade Corporation before going into service.