

Cannery Training Groups To Meet This Week

The schedule for this week of the course to be given in canning under the supervision of the Community Cannery include the following:

Today, Hazelwood school at 2:30 with Mrs. Jack Way as instructor; East Waynesville tonight at 8 o'clock, with Mrs. Rufus Siler as instructor.

Friday, at Saunook at 8 o'clock in the evening with Miss Emma Eaverson as instructor; Allen's Creek, Friday at 7:30 in the evening with Mrs. Kay Allen instructor.

Other courses will be organized in the near future as the demands from the communities are made, it was announced yesterday by J. C. Brown, manager of the cannery.

It will be required this year that all persons who use the community cannery have to attend at least one of the meetings held for this purpose.

Sgt. Johnnie Ruff Serving In Manila

One of the men in the famous First Cavalry Division's "Flying Squadron" that crashed through Jap defense around the capital city of the Philippines and captured Santo Tomas University, thus liberating more than 3,700 Allied civilian internees, was Sgt. Johnnie Ruff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse V. Ruff, of Waynesville. The information of the part he played was sent The Mountaineer from headquarters in Manila.

After the liberation of Santo Tomas the squadron moved on to help the remaining part of the First Cavalry Division, which is commanded by Major General Verne D. Mudge, of Florida, clean up the southern part of the city.

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Arrives In France



SGT. EARL SUTTON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sutton, of Crabtree, has arrived safely in France, according to a message received by his wife.

Sgt. Sutton entered the service in 1942. He is a graduate of the Crabtree high school. At the time he entered the service he was employed by the American Enka Corporation.

Long's Chapel To Hold Mission Study Course

A church-wide mission study is being planned at the Junaluska Methodist church to begin Sunday morning at 10:00 at the regular Sunday school hour. The three teachers of the adult division will review the first three chapters of the book "Christ After Christ."

T. J. Fischer will take the introductory chapter followed by O. L. Yates and Mrs. Elizabeth Reeves. Sunday night at 8:00 the second session will be held with Taff Maltree, Lincoln Ensey and Miles McLean each taking a chapter. The final session will be held Monday evening at 7:00. This meeting will be a supper sponsored by the W. S. C. S. and Wesleyan Church. Chapters will be presented by Mrs. Guy Patterson, W. E. Carter and Mrs. Myrtle Gillett assisted by Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. O. L. Yates and Mrs. W. E. Carter.

SNAP SHOTS

By Frances Gilbert Frazier Staff Writer

Hello there, everybody. My goodness, but it does feel grand to be back with all of you good folks again. Maybe you think we haven't missed being in your mail box every week—but we sure have.

You see, we're pretty large to fit in the abbreviated issue we've been forced to put out since our conflagration; and old age has prevented our taking that long trek to Hendersonville.

But now everything is at home again, and here we are. It seems wonderful to know that normalcy has again descended upon our rooftops and that every step from now on is forward.

By the way, speaking of old age, what is age anyway? It's the beginning of time or the accumulation of years, one piled upon the other. There's the age of infancy, the age of adolescence, the age of maturity, and then the dreaded "old age." Why should old age always be referred to in the awed whisper of fear and trepidation?

Again, what is age? How can one be deemed aged who can thrill at the glory of a beautiful sunset? Or how can one be adjudged young who carries the marked lines of disillusionment?

And who can be called senile when the chirp of a bird at sunrise, or the gyrations of a kitten at play or the laugh of a baby can bring the warm flush of friendliness and the upward beat of the heart?

Old age has many compensations. The eyes that have seen the leaves of the calendar whirl away into years instead of months, can discriminate between the artificialities and realities of humanity in this fast moving world in which we live. The false faces worn, unfortunately, by so many become transparent to eyes that have seen beneath those masks, and the discordant wrinkles are plainly visible beneath the disguises—disguises that fool no one but the wearer of them.

Age can view impartially and dispassionately both sides of a question, for age knows neither jealousy nor envy. Age lives in a world of its own, untrammelled by the fear of competition and can, without danger of contradiction, express an unbiased viewpoint.

In years gone by, old age was (if feminine) capped and gowned in the proverbial habiliments of senility, put on the warm, comfortable side of the hearth, knitting needles and wool were put into uncomplaining hands, and then told in no uncertain terms to "stay put." But not in this day and time. No siree. The feminine old age can step right along with the best of 'em—and put in a few fancy steps of her own, thank you—she can stick in her two bits of interesting chatter, and tell the young 'uns a thing or two. The old ager nowadays keeps up with modern reading and has kept his mind active. The more serious aspects of everyday existence are deeply rooted and are not eas-

At Gulfport



WILLIAM H. GRIFFIN, Seaman Second Class, U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Griffin, of Hazelwood, is now stationed at Gulfport, Miss. He volunteered in the Navy in October, 1944, and took his boot training at Bainbridge, Md. He graduated from the Waynesville Township high school in the class of 1944 and at the time he entered the service was employed by the A. C. Lawrence Leather Company.

Daughters Of New Residents Serving Overseas

Sgt Dorothy E. Smith daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Smith, of Robbinsville, has completed her twelfth month serving with the U. S. Army overseas. She is a clerk-typist with the 15th Air Force in Italy.

Her sister, Lt. Alene S. Varuka, Army Nursing Corps, is serving in Belgium.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have recently purchased a home in Hazelwood and expect to move to this community in the near future.

James McClure Given A Promotion By Navy

The Navy Department announces that James McClure, now serving at a Pacific naval air station, has been advanced from the rating of seaman second class to that of seaman first class.

This advancement has come to Seaman McClure in recognition of outstanding faithfulness and skill in the performance of duty and completion of the course of study prescribed for this new rating.

McClure is the husband of Mrs. Louise McClure, who lives at Balsam.

hugles or the frantic waving of flags. Don't let silver locks fool you, for you'll find there's plenty of life and laughter in the old uns yet.

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