

### Cpl. Bill Medford Wounded In Action Inside Germany

Corporal Billy B. Medford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Medford, was wounded in action in Germany in January, according to information received by his parents.

Cpl. Medford volunteered in the service on March 11, 1943, and was inducted at Fort Jackson and from there sent to Nashville, Tenn., on maneuvers and later to Camp Atterbury, Ind. He was sent overseas in October, 1944, and was first stationed in England.

From England he was sent to Belgium and attached to the First Army. He was with the 106th Infantry Division on December 11, in the Ardennes and later two regiments and supporting artillery and armored division of the Golden Lion Division were wiped out. Secretary Stimson announced on January 13 that the 106th suffered 2,663 casualties in the Ardennes. They were reorganized and went on with the First Army into Germany.

When Cpl. Medford was wounded he was sent back to Belgium and was hospitalized there until February 26th when he rejoined his company and was with the troops going into Berlin.

Cpl. Medford is entitled to wear the Combat Infantryman's badge, Good Conduct medal, one major battle star, and the European theater ribbon. He graduated from the Crabtree-Horn Duff high school in the class of 1940 and from Boyard College in 1942. At one time he was employed by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock

### Are They Dead or Alive?



Here are General Rommel (left) and Adolf Hitler as they were pictured in the busy days when Der Fuehrer dreamed of world conquest. The question the world would like to know now is whether they are dead or alive and if alive, where?

### Sgt. Woodard, Wounded, Is Home On Furlough

Sergeant Eugene Woodard, U. S. Infantry, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Woodard, of Panther Creek in Spencer, is on 30-day furlough at home with his family. He has recently returned from 14 months overseas duty, and upon completion of his furlough will report to Camp Rether.

Sgt. Woodard was wounded in October in Germany and was commended for a hospital overseas for something.

He entered the service in November, 1942, and was inducted at Camp Croft. From there he was sent to Camp White, Ore., and from there to an embarkation post and overseas. He took part in the Italian campaign and is entitled to seven United States Army combat badges, two battle stars, Purple Heart, American Theatre and European theatre ribbons, and Good Conduct medal.

At the time he entered the service he was engaged in farming and logging.

Company and he is employed as a clerk in a bank store here prior to entering the service.

### Pfc. Clyde L. Sexton Uses Name of Wife On His Rifles

Pfc. Clyde L. Sexton, of Waynesville, is serving with the 96th Division on Okinawa. Pfc. Sexton writes his wife that he has three rifles and that he feels that her name Helen will bring him luck and boost his morale, so he has put her name on two of them.

He has written her of some narrow escapes he has had recently, but that he is certain her name on his rifles has brought him out of danger.

### Hoyt Cook, S 1/c, Reports To New York

Hoyt Cook, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cook, of Waynesville, left yesterday for New York where he will report for his next assignment.

Seaman Cook entered the service as a volunteer in the U. S. Navy on November 7, 1942, and took his boot training at Bambridge, Md. Upon completion of boot training he was assigned to sea duty.

At the time he entered the service he was engaged in farming in this county.

### Wilson McClure Is Wounded

Corporal Wilson McClure, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady McClure, of Canton, was wounded in action in Italy on October 13, 1944, according to information given The Mountaineer during the week in answer to the request for information concerning any casualties that had not heretofore been reported to the newspapers in the county.

Cpl. McClure volunteered in the army four years ago and was inducted at Fort Bragg. He had been overseas overseas for several months.

At the time he volunteered he was engaged in farming in this county.

Cpl. McClure has been returned to the States and is now a patient in a hospital in Rome, Ga.

### DEATHS

#### Joe Ewart

Last services conducted at the home on Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock for Joe Ewart, 49, who died at his home on Saturday, May 5, after a brief illness. The Rev. Jarvis Lindsey officiated. Burial was in Truman Chapel cemetery.

Survivors are four sisters, Mrs. Lucy Brown of Canton, Mrs. Dave Brown of Harford, Tenn., Mrs. Ina Smith and Mr. Rachel Ewart, of Waynesville, three brothers, Bob Ewart, of Plattsburgh, George, of Canton and Jim, of Waynesville.

The Crawford Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

#### Timmy Green

Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon at the Louise Chapel, Methodist Church, for Timmy Green, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Green, of Clyde, who died at the home of his parents on Wednesday afternoon, May 2. Burial was in Pleasant Hill cemetery, Clyde.

In addition to his parents he is survived by one sister, Patricia, one brother, Terry, and a number of uncles and aunts.

Crawford Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

### Leadership School Is Well Attended

The Leadership Training School which opened on Monday night at the Presbyterian church is being well attended by an enthusiastic group of club officers, officers and other interested church members.

The classes are being taught by Mrs. Edward A. Zellerbach, of Knoxville, Tenn., and are sponsored by the Business Women's Circle of the Woman's Assembly. The last classes will be held on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock.

### St. John's To Hold Annual Banquet 16th

The annual St. John's senior class banquet will be held on the night of May 16 at The Lodge.

The Sophomores are giving the dinner for the Seniors, and the following girls are in charge of the details: Nancy Kirkpatrick, Alice McMillan, Dorothy Martel, and Margaret Ryan. The banquet will be formal.

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### Panzer Divisions March Into Poland To Start Real War

Early in the morning of September 1, 1939, Nazi panzer divisions crossed the border into Poland and "officially" started World War II. Hitler had already negotiated the controversial neutrality pact with Russia and had that protection against interference with his plans in the east. In the west, the French were entrenched behind the "impregnable" Maginot line and thought they were safe no matter what happened.

Poland, weak and isolated, with a large army that was composed mostly of cavalry regiments and foot soldiers, was no match for the lightning-like thrusts of the mechanized divisions that Hitler sent into battle. The Poles, cut off from any possible aid from Great Britain and France, were doomed. Less than a month of fighting was all that the Germans needed to capture the country.

The "blitzkrieg" had won the first of its many battles.

By October, the Germans could now turn their attention to France, crouched behind its walls of fortifications and oblivious to the threat of conquest from around the throats of the Maginot line.

**Occupation of Norway.**

But before he could deal with France, Hitler had to attend to the possible threats from the north, where Great Britain might have been able to land troops in Norway or Sweden and sweep down on an unprotected flank. Therefore, the Germans occupied Denmark and then Norway, beating down the feeble resistance that those peace-loving countries were able to marshal. It was all so ridiculously easy.

By May, 1940, the battle plans of the Germans were set and the "blitzkrieg" moved again—this time striking the Netherlands and Belgium in quick succession, moving on to France, and just missing the British army of occupation at Dunkirk. Hitler's divisions attacked from all directions, his tanks and panzers blasting everything in their path after the Luftwaffe had prepared the way by blasting the enemy's airdromes and defenses.

Heavy and medium bombers raged behind the front lines, where dive bombers "pin-pointed" the targets into destruction. Tanks roared through the holes cut in the enemy lines and then fanned out behind the front lines, cutting communications, and blasting strong points that were only meant to stop infantry and which couldn't stand up against cannon-bearing mechanical monsters.

**First Phase Ends.**

Then the infantry followed the tanks, but it was motorized infantry that covered 50 to 60 miles a day and consolidated the tank's gains before the disorganized foot troops facing them could be rallied. Fresh waves of infantry followed and annihilated all resistance and set up a Nazi government in the conquered territory. In less time than it took to conquer Poland, the Germans had swept everything in northern Europe before them. The first phase of the war was over.

### Panzer Divisions March Into Poland To Start Real War

The jubilant Nazi government thought that with the fall of France, Great Britain would sue for peace and the short, cheap war that had been so carefully planned would be over.

But Winston Churchill had become prime minister of Britain.

Germany had gained the support of Italy through the famous "stab in the back" when the Italians declared war on France just in time to get in on the kill. With that aid in the south, and the fact that a British army had just escaped annihilation, Hitler could not be blamed for thinking England would ask for peace.

But Hitler did not reckon on Churchill. Here was a leader who won his people not with glib promises and fair speech, but with the promise of nothing but "blood, sweat and tears" and told them bluntly to get ready to defend their homeland "in the streets, and on the beaches" and in the heart of their big cities against the invasion that was sure to come from the continent.

Night after night, in monotonous regularity, the big German bombers took off from dozens of fields in France and Germany and thundered across to England, blasting ports and naval bases, industrial centers and London in the vain attempt to bring "that nation of shopkeepers" to its knees.

It was the supreme effort. But it was thwarted by the gallant efforts of the Royal Air force in a battle against the most terrific odds any armed force could possibly face.

The RAF was short of planes, of ammunition, of pilots, of bombs—in short, it was short of everything except the indomitable courage of baby-faced youngsters and middle-aged oldsters who took to the air night after night to shoot down an incredible number of German planes and convince Hitler that the cost of an aerial invasion was too high and that he would never win the war from the air.

### RAF Stalls Nazis; Britain 'Holds On' After France Falls

Carrots with no tops stay crisp longer than those that have the leaves left on. Reason is that the moisture of the carrot goes into the leaves and is there evaporated.

### Promoted



S/Sgt. W. F. (Bill) Swift, Jr., son of Captain and Mrs. W. F. Swift of Waynesville, who is now serving in Germany has been promoted from private first class to his present post, according to information received by his parents this week.

Sgt. Swift is attached to the 10th armored division of the Third Army. He entered the service on July 10, 1944, and was inducted at Fort George Meade, and from there was sent to Camp Wolters, Tex., and back to Meade, and then overseas.

At the time he entered the service he was employed by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, where he had held a position for the past seven years. Sgt. Swift was educated in the local high school and Presbyterian College.

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