

6,000 Paid Tribute To Sgt. Thompson

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personally—it must have been these little things that touched Max Thompson most. He was touched, as both his voice and his words revealed, when, at the conclusion of the program, he arose to make what some persons in the audience termed "the best speech of the afternoon." He spoke just three sentences, but everybody knew that he meant every word, and more too.

"I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for what you have done for me and the other boys. I appreciate it a lot. Thank you again."

The second half of the program was in the nature of a memorial service. Jeter Williams, commander of the Canton American Legion post, asked the crowd to stand with bowed heads for 30 seconds of silent prayer "in memory of departed comrades." He then turned the service over to Chaplain George F. Hood of the Asheville Redistribution station staff.

The Moore General Hospital band, which was seated on the stand, played Sibelius' "Finlandia." The Rev. Doyle Miller, pastor of the Canton Calvary Baptist church, led in prayer; the Rev. D. O. McInnis, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, read Hebrews 11:1-16, as the Scripture lesson; the band played "Rock of Ages," and Chaplain Hood made an address to "bring a word of comfort to those who have lost loved ones," in which he emphasized the thought that the soldiers overseas were men "who had faith in God and believed in prayer."

He closed by quoting from Lincoln's Gettysburg address and reading Washington's prayer for the nation.

Following the benediction, pronounced by Chaplain Hood, a bugler played "Taps," and then the "Star-Spangled Banner."

The day's program was sponsored by the Lions Club, with C. S. King, World War II veteran, as general chairman with the Legion post, Civitan club, and other organizations cooperating.

Passes Jap Back



EXPLAINING that he had nothing to do with starting the war against the U. S., Prince Fumimaro Konoye, former Premier and current Vice Premier of Japan, is shown in Tokyo as he told newsmen he was powerless to prevent the outbreak of war, Konoye was succeeded by Tojo as Premier. (International)

Mr. and Mrs. J. Armistead Jones left here Tuesday for their home in Miami, Fla., after a return visit of several days with their sisters, Miss Nettie and Miss S. A. Jones. They have recently returned to Waynesville from a visit to the parents of Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rice, of Delphos, Ohio, and with Mr. Jones' sisters, Mrs. T. Debus Cray, of Wilmore, Ky., and Mrs. Harry C. Eldridge, of Franklin, Ohio.

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Questions And Answers On Fire Prevention Rules

Nation's Fire Prevention Week is being observed here by a check of fire hazards by the town authorities. The week marking the anniversary of the great Chicago fire is not just a 7-day period for projecting quickly-forgotten programs, but rather as the initial week of a year-round activity which is promoted to make America a safe country, according to T. Alfred Fleming, chairman of the N. F. P. A.

All the citizens of this area and the county are asked to help observe the week by removing all fire hazards from their homes and places of business.

The records show that there were 400,000 fires in homes in this country during the past year and that the majority of them have been attributed to the following causes: Rubbish, defective chimneys, sparks on flammable roofs, defective heating equipment, careless smoking and use of matches, flammable liquids and electrical defects.

What to do to prevent dwelling fires:

Most dwelling fires are preventable. A room-by-room check should be featured during Fire Prevention Week and local householders are asked by the town fire department to observe the following points:

Check from cellar to attic, inside buildings, for rubbish and remove it promptly. Rubbish is a double fire hazard; it may ignite spontaneously, or it may serve as quick fuel for a stray spark. Send it to your salvage committee, or, if entirely worthless, burn it in a covered wire incinerator as far from buildings as possible.

Oily rags, like rubbish may ignite spontaneously. Burn them if practical; otherwise store them in closed metal containers. Paints should be kept covered.

Heating systems should be examined for cracks or other defects, soot, or clogging in chimneys and flues. Repairs should be made promptly. Make sure that no combustible material, including wood-work is exposed to heat.

Keep ashes in covered metal containers; shield fireplaces with screens.

Replace weather-worn flammable wood shingle roofs with fire-resistant roofing.

See that ample ash trays are available wherever smoking is permitted and that careful smoking habits are cultivated by all members of the family.

Put matches in metal containers, out of the reach of small children. Use a flashlight for temporary illumination.

Use great care with any flammable liquid brought into the home for any purpose. Do not use flammable cleaning fluids. A correctly built fire needs no kerosene.

Replace frayed electric cords, have defective electrical equipment replaced or repaired by a

Atomic Patch



THIS IS the shoulder patch that will be issued to Army atomic bomb personnel. The blue background represents the universe, the service star signifies the command, the question mark denotes the secrecy of the project, and the tail of the question mark ends in a lightning stroke which is shown splitting the atom. (International Soundphoto)

competent electrician. Check the fuse box to see that proper fuses are installed and see that lamp shades are a safe distance from electric light bulbs.

Recharge fire extinguishers and put them where they will be readily accessible if a fire should break out.

What to do to prevent industrial fires:

"Good Housekeeping" is a primary requisite for fire safety anywhere, so factory premises should be kept clean and free of rubbish. Outside the buildings graveled strips should be maintained to lessen danger from grass fires creeping toward the plant.

Periodic inspections should be made for fire safety everywhere about the plant.

Fire fighting equipment should be inspected and kept in good condition.

Employees should be drilled frequently in the art of small fire fighting.

Maintain close relationship with the local fire department.

Facts about farm fires:

It is estimated that 3,500 lives are lost each year in the farm fires and more than \$100,000,000 of farm property is destroyed annually by fire. Rural fire prevention and fire protection is now more important than ever when the tremendous increase in values and the anticipated post war building program and purchase of personal property is considered.

The annual loss from farm fires from defective chimneys and flues has been estimated at \$14,500,000.

Sparks on roofs caused an annual loss of \$8,000,000 in farm homes.

Improper use of gasoline and other such products caused an annual loss of \$7,500,000 on farms.

Every farm should have helpful equipment for fighting fires such

Charles Camp Is Back Home With 7 Bronze Stars

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ness, and attitude of the citizens. He liked England, but did not care for their weather enough to enjoy the good features of the country.

He saw very few people he knew in all his travels, and in the contacts with thousands upon thousands of men. He met Hattie Frazier, a nurse from here in Belgium, right after the German break-through.

The seven bronze stars are for participation in the campaigns of French Morocco, Tunisia, Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe.

He landed in Boston on September 14, and went direct to Fort Bragg. Within 48 hours after getting there, he had his honorable discharge papers and was on his way home to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Camp.

As to his future plans, he is "just going to live the life of ease" until November first, at which time he will assume his duties where he left off 42 months ago.

Deaver Boy, 14, Accidentally Shot While Hunting

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head and that the two Thompson boys were with him. The officer also reported that Mr. Williams stated he had shot in the general direction of the boys.

Surviving young Deaver, who was a pupil in the eighth grade at the Bethel high school, are his parents; three brothers, Clifton, at home, Sgt. Lawrence, serving overseas with the Marines, and Pfc. Russell Deaver, with the Marines at Parris Island; two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Sharp, and Mrs. Everett Poston and his grandfather, Sam Black, all of the Dix Creek section.

Mrs. M. S. Payne, formerly of Waynesville who is now residing in New York is visiting relatives here. Mrs. Payne who was with the local Western Union office was transferred to New York, where

as plentiful water supply, ladders, water pails, sand pails, fire extinguishers and hand hose, if the farm has a water pressure system. The seconds count when a fire starts and more good can be accomplished in the first three minutes than in the next three hours.

William Leon Morrow Honorably Discharged

Cpl. William Leon Morrow, U.S. Army, has been honorably discharged from the Army at Fort Bragg. He entered the service in September, 1940, leaving here with the local company of the National Guard unit.

He was first stationed at Fort Jackson, then Camp Blanding, Fla., and had further training at Camp Forrest, Tenn., and Camp Atterbury, Ind., before he was sent to the European theater.

He served in France, Germany, Holland, and Belgium and was wounded in action in Normandy on August 6, 1944. He is entitled to wear the European Theater, American Defense medal, Good Conduct, four battle stars, and Purple Heart.

At the time he entered the service he was employed by the Enka American Corporation.

BATTLESHIPS ALLOCATED POSITION OVER CARRIERS

Despite the leading role played by Navy Aviation in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters, secondary position has been accorded aircraft carriers. This information was learned when the Navy drew plans for its post-war fleet.

400 MILES PER HOUR FOR NEW CARRIER-BASED PLANE

The new F&F Bearcat, recently unveiled by the navy, has a sea level speed of more than 400 miles per hour. It has four wing-mounted 50 caliber guns and is equipped to carry bombs and rockets, and its extreme range will be 1,500 miles.

22ND RETURN VISIT BY GENEROUS STORK

Durham seems to be the home port of Doc Stork, for he has just paid his twenty-second call upon the Tully Jones family.

The new gift of the stork weighed ten pounds and his 39-year-old mother is very proud of the new acquisition to the Jones family. Nine of the children are living now.

FLOOD CONTROL ON BROAD SCALE FAVORED BY TRUMAN

On the eve of his visit of inspection through the river valley country of Tennessee, President Truman expressed his ideas on the newest establishment of a system of flood control, navigation aids

she is working in an office located in the Flat Iron building. During the evenings she is attending a night school of interior decorating.

and power production. "We must cooperate now more than at any time in the history of this country" was the keynote of the speech made by President Truman as he wound up his visit to Southern Missouri.

FOR FIRST TIME IN 8 YEARS, NORWAY HOLDS ELECTION

In Oslo, Norway, the people gathered to hold their first election in nine war-ridden years. Everything went off quietly and the first returns showed very little difference in the status of power since the last election in 1936.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Americans have a word for it

Bill Larkin's boy, who's back from overseas for good, was telling us about the funny customs and the different languages of European countries.

One thing he noticed is that in so many of those countries there is no word for "home," "House," yes... or "building." But no name that stands for what we mean when we say home.

"In spite of the fact," says Bill, "that it's the most important thing there is... a place where you can take your shoes

off and let down your hair... enjoy a glass of beer before the fire and relax with folks you love!"

From where I sit, that may be an important difference between this country and some others. The conception of home as a place of tolerance and sacred loyalties—where differences of habit and opinion give way before love and understanding! Yes, we Americans have a name for it!

Joe Marsh
Advt.

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