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Officers installed for the ear were: Loranzo F. Robinson, junior vice-er; Robert L. Williams, aster; Wayne Smathers, itant; R. D. Coleman, Jr., e; Floyd Roberts, tem-plain; Dr. R. C. Rhea, and trustees are Woody J. L. Sprinkle, and Chas. ... is named in honor of bers of the original 30th npany of Canton who lost e during the war just end- an- Hoyt Edwards, son of Mrs. S. E. Edwards, of nne, Canton, who is re- have lost his life at sea on 1943, in the Latin-Ameri-

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RATHER AMAZED BY IT ALL is three-year-old Margaret More, daughter of Flight Lt. Alec More, of Toronto, Canada, as she looks up at the gigantic wheel and undercarriage of the Lancaster bomber "Star Light" at an aerodrome in England. Margaret inspected the craft just before it took off on a survey flight to South America. (International)

Membership Plan For C. of C. To Continue

By MISS S. A. JONES Secretary

Last year the Chamber of Commerce adopted the "Assessed Membership Plan." Though this proved only partially successful, we believe it will improve with use. The majority prefer this medium of subscriptions, to the person-to-person soliciting, which has, thru necessity in the various drives during the past few years, become a burden to the solicitor and the solicitee. The Assessed Membership Plan was adopted after very careful study of other organizations. We feel this is a progressive and business-like set-up and will tend towards the substantial growth and enterprise of the Chamber of Commerce. There is work that must be done in order that this organization may operate; there is work that it is designed to do; and there is work that has been and can be begun and should be developed which looks beyond the Chamber of Commerce. No organization, however, has ever functioned properly and successfully without the support, cooperation and interest of the citizens of its community.

The Chamber of Commerce is not a private institution. It belongs to you. It is a medium of carrying on projects for your benefit and your home town interests. It is not run by a group of citizens for their own interests alone. It's officials and its directors are elected by the public to carry out the progressive ideas and projects that improve and better the towns and county in which we live.

A resume of the activities of the Chamber of Commerce for the past year, was published on November 28th in The Mountaineer. Many of the projects and programs of good and permanent value are just beginning; others come into being constantly; all are for the betterment of our towns, of Haywood county and our Western section. There are projects that only the Chamber of Commerce is designed to do; others must be accomplished with the cooperation of the town; others in conjunction with the county. But since the Chamber of Commerce is an organization that is born with the people, lives or dies through their interest only, it can be successful and progressive only through the wholehearted support of the people.

The Chamber of Commerce is open to concrete suggestions, progressive ideas and programs and desires at all times to reciprocate your good will and support.

Chief Warrant Officer Robt. L. Ferguson Here On Visit

Robert L. Ferguson, chief warrant officer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson of Waynesville, who enlisted in the regular army in 1920, is here with his wife on a visit to his family. Before reporting to his post he will go to his home in Union, S. C., for a visit. Mr. Ferguson served with the 79th Division joining the group in 1942 at Camp Pickett, Va. He entered France on June 14, and served in Normandy, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. He was in Essen on D-V Day. He is entitled to wear the Silver Life Saving Medal, Bronze Star, Pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon, American Theater, European Theater ribbon with four battle stars, Victory medal, Good Conduct medal and a Presidential citation.

Charles J. Arrington Receives Leave

Charles J. Arrington, Pharmacist's Mate, First Class, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1, received a leave after his destroyer returned to the United States in December. He had been serving on the USS Van Valkenburg. This ship participated in operations at Iwo Jima and Okinawa and in the occupation of Japan at Nagasaki and Sasebo.

\$35,000,000 HONESTY - NEWARK, N. J.—About \$35,000,000, half of the overpayments made by the Army's Office of Dependency Benefits, has been recovered from soldiers' dependents, it was announced recently by the O. D. B. Many of the overpayments were caused by faulty or delayed information from military and civilian sources, the O. D. B. said, adding that the "inherent honesty of the public" was reflected in the large number of voluntary repayments.

COMPARING POINTS ON THE JUDGES



BLUE-RIBBONERS of the 29th annual American Spaniel Club show in a New York City hotel, Moygashe's Mainliner and Moygashe's Star Boarder might be conferring on awards to officials of the show as they're pictured looking at each other past Larry Totton, 9, who is "homefolks"—his mother having reared all three at Mahwah, N. J. (International)

DYING BOY PLEADS TO SEE BROTHER



SLOWLY DYING OF LEUKEMIA in his Brooklyn, N. Y., home, Louis Scotto, 14, pleads for the return of his brother, Pvt. Ralph Scotto, who is with the 2nd Marine Division in Japan. His appeal has been sent to the Red Cross, which is seeking to arrange an emergency furlough. A picture of his hero brother is constantly with the stricken lad. (International)

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