

Clarence Hyatt Served With Hurricane Hunters

As the hard-hit coastal areas of Florida and Louisiana recover from one of the most intense hurricanes in recent years, the Army reveals that S/Sgt Clarence Hyatt of Waynesville participated as a radio operator with the 53rd Reconnaissance Squadron which was the hurricane hunting crew that daily patrols the hurricane breeding grounds in the South Atlantic.

The 53rd squadron makes up one of the patrols seeking information for long range weather forecasts, sending data by radio into the Joint Hurricane Center at Miami, made up of experts from the Army, Navy and U. S. Weather Bureau.

At its station on Kindley Field, Bermuda, the 53rd was notified late on September 11 of a tropical disturbance centered 700 miles southeast of the island. At 3 a. m. the next morning a specially equipped B-17 Flying Fortress took off and within a few hours entered the storm zone.

The disturbance had already developed into a hurricane of major proportions, so the crew after measuring the extent of the bad weather area, turned into the wind

to seek the "eye" or center about which the winds revolved. After encountering severe turbulence and rain, and wind velocities of over 150 miles per hour, the "eye" was found and its position reported to the Hurricane Center. Routine reconnaissance missions at the home base were interrupted as all resources, including B-29 Superfortresses for high-level work, were made ready for the task of tracking the hurricane.

This particular storm was labeled "hurricane George," and as each daily penetration was made its center was plotted and the path of travel definitely established. These highly trained crews made a total of eight low and three high penetrations of the "eye" within the next seven days, thus furnishing the entire Southern States with accurate storm data.

The high flights through the center were part of a new experiment in hurricane tracking and furnished facts heretofore unknown to weather experts. The main task, however, was in gathering data for prediction of the entire weather system's movement. Authorities in the wind-battered areas have agreed that lack of advance warning in this case would have resulted in a much higher death toll.

This type of operation is especially valuable in the critical summer months, is but a part of the 53rd's extensive year-round North Atlantic, Gulf and Caribbean reconnaissance activities. The squadron moved to Kindley Field, headquarters for Bermuda base command, in July in order to be centrally located to perform reconnaissance in an area that stretches from Newfoundland to Trinidad and from the Azores to Mexico.

Big Names Go Over

NEW YORK (AP) — The Sales Executives Club's luncheon program made a survey of members for guidance in choosing speakers and learned that "name" speakers with a message are preferred to inspirational or humorous talkers. Replies to questionnaires showed that more than 50 per cent favored the big-name speakers, while 30 per cent liked inspirational speakers and 20 per cent liked humorous speakers.

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HERO'S BROTHER JOINS UP



COMMANDING OFFICER of the New York recruiting district, Marine Major Sidney J. Altman (left) sweats into the Corps Donald Francis Basilone, 17-year-old brother of the famous hero, Sgt. John Basilone, Medal of Honor winner who lost his life in the line of duty. Looking on is his mother, Mrs. Salvatore Basilone, of Baritan, N. J. (International)

Lake Side News

By Mrs. Ed Glavich

Mrs. Hardy Liner was hostess of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Maple Grove church, at her home at Lake Junaluska last Friday afternoon. Seven members were present and Mrs. S. L. Queen, president, presided.

Rev. J. E. B. Houser, who was a special guest, gave the invocation. Mrs. Edward Glavich, superintendent of missionary education, presented the introduction and first part of the book, "Great Prayers of the Bible," by Charles M. Laymons, which is being used as a Bible study. The members planned to conclude the study at an all-day study meeting and covered dish dinner at an early date.

Mrs. Joe Liner was in charge of the program which dealt with the educational institutions of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Mrs. J. E. B. Houser told of the work done by some of the missionaries in these institutions on the foreign field, bringing before the society the great need for money and supplies to take care of those needing help.

Rev. Houser told of the opportunity given the ministers of the county by the management of the new radio station WHCC to conduct short worship programs each work-day morning.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Liner served sandwiches and coffee assisted by her granddaughter, Jean Lanier.

BIRTHS

The following births have been announced during the past week at the Haywood County Hospital:

Mr. and Mrs. Troy McCracken, of Clyde, a girl, Sept. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Ledford, of Waynesville, a girl, Sept. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Emit Davis, of Canton, a girl, Sept. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Shipman, of Canton, a girl, Sept. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank West, of Canton, a boy, Sept. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hannah, of Waynesville R. 2, a boy, Sept. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, of Lake Junaluska, a boy, Sept. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolley, of Waynesville R. 2, a boy, Sept. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. John Frazier, of Waynesville, R. 1, a girl, Sept. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gaddis, of Waynesville R. 1, a girl, Sept. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Roe Mann, of Canton, R. 1, a boy, Sept. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Woody, of Waynesville, R. 2, a boy, Sept. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay Fowler, of Waynesville, R. 1, a boy, Sept. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Eavenson, of Waynesville, twin boys, Sept. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wright, of Waynesville, R. 1, a girl, Sept. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shook, of Candler, R. 3, a boy, Sept. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Massey, of Waynesville, R. 2, a boy, Sept. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rogers, of Crabtree, a boy, Sept. 30.

Letters To Editor

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You all gave us when we were recently with you. My mother, aunt, and all the members of my party, not only were very much refreshed in health and strength, but we all had a good time and went away very much lifted up. Surely we never visited anywhere where the people were more friendly than we found them in Waynesville. And the climate and the scenery could not have been better. We look keenly forward to the hope that we can return next summer.

I want to compliment you on the excellent newspaper you are putting out. It is a first class paper in every way. And I can assure you, when my old friend Deacon Simpson of Tampa, a really distinguished expert, shares this opinion you may be sure it is well founded. You are splendidly furthering the interests of Waynesville and all that great part of North Carolina and the nation. That area is one with an exciting and inviting future. You are destined for splendid progress because you have every essential to assure rapid and permanent growth.

I was fascinated by the beauty and value of the Smoky Mountain Park area. Henceforth I shall feel a very keen interest in the completion and the fullest possible development of the Blue Ridge Parkway and the Smoky Mountain National Park and be anxious to at all times help in any possible way your own able North Carolina delegation. I will be glad to have you or your friends then call on me at any time, and I especially want you to pay me a visit when you come to Washington.

Warmest regards, and,
Always sincerely yours,
CLAUDE PEPPER

Capital Letters

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est all but forget the loss of Nick Sacrinty, who is in Chicago playing professional football on Saturday and furthering his medical course at Northwestern through the week. His salary runs into five figures. You won't hear any football games from Duke Stadium this fall unless the name "Atlantic" is attached to them. That's why virtually all the stations in North Carolina carried the Carolina-Georgia game last Saturday. The coaches and football ticketsters were giving State and 12 points against Duke. They gave you Villanova and 14 against Army.

This fall these bigtime gamblers will list each Thursday the 27 top games to be played the following Saturday. If you pick three correctly they give points to the team they think will lose and you can choose either. They will pay you \$5 for \$1. If you choose nine, they pay \$100 to \$1. A vicious racket. The old one-armed bandits were a cinch in comparison.

HOOVER TAFT. On the Sunday morning following his recent election as president of the Young Democrats of North Carolina Hoover Taft of Greenville slept until 10:30 in his room at the Str. Raleigh. At 11:30, after having a good breakfast, he drove up to the newsstand near the Wake County courthouse and purchased the Sunday papers from Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem—and then sat in his car there and proceeded to look for the story about his election while another auto waited to get into his parking spot. The Young Democrats could have found a man with a better name (Hoover Taft!) but no better man. He's okay. Incidentally, an-

Central P.T.A. Will Meet Tuesday Night

The Central Elementary school Parent-Teachers association will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock, it is announced by David Felmet, president. Several important matters are to be taken up and all members are urged to be present.

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other good Democrat had his same name. Hoover is a Junior!

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What the New National Guard means to you

A Message from the President of the United States

WE OWE our existence as a nation to the tradition of service of our citizens. It was an army of citizen soldiers which George Washington led to victory in the American Revolution. At the end of that war, the first Congress asked General Washington to give his views on what the military policy of the new nation should be. This was his answer:

"... every citizen who enjoys the protection of a free government, owes not only a proportion of his property but even of his personal services to the defense of it."

Today the new National Guard gives every man an opportunity to give that personal service to his country and at the same time to advance himself. In National Guard units all over the country thousands of veterans and other ambitious young men are finding the opportunity to study and learn the things that help them advance in their civilian jobs. They are finding the fellowship that is part and parcel of America. They are participating in a sports and recreation program that keeps them fit. And they are receiving the training that helps keep America strong.

Because of the National Guard's assistance to our national defense I have claimed September 16th as National Guard Day and have directed a nationwide recruiting campaign to be conducted to fill its ranks.

Harry Truman

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You'll find the few hours each week that you spend with your local National Guard unit pleasant and profitable. Pay is based on new Army pay scale. Veterans can obtain the same rank held upon discharge. And now young men 17 years old may join the National Guard. For complete information about the National Guard in your community, contact officers of that unit or write the Adjutant General of your state.

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