

# FRONT-LINE NURSE

WILLIAM STARRET

(Continued from last week)

—references only to numerals and letters indicating map positions. "I understand," Jerry said, "I won't radio unless if needed on the return trip and then only after clearing enemy territory."

"Right," said the major. "But that will be soon. As you see, your course is over water for a great deal of the time. When you leave here you'll fly to the advance field in Italy, take on gasoline and oil. Then you'll head out over the Mediterranean until you strike the southern coast of France. That's where you're most likely to run into enemy planes, of course. However, we've been doing no bombing in that region at all, so the Germans may not be on the alert for our planes there. All the planes which have dropped supplies and men to the guerrillas have come from England heretofore, so they are looking for any further planes from that direction. In that, you have your best chance of getting through."

After finishing their session with Major Duncan, Laura, Jerry and Doctor Overton went to their quarters to snatch a few hours of sleep.

It was dark and still when they all assembled at the airfield for a takeoff at 4 A.M. All were silent, even Major Duncan and the mechanics who had readied their plane.

Doctor Overton sat in the copilot's seat and Laura took up her customary place on a box directly behind the cockpit. The engines roared to life, warmed up, and the plane taxied to the end of the runway.

Then they were in the black night air, headed north.

On the way to the Italian advance field, they all discussed the problem of the clear weather which the bright stars predicted

for their journey. "We can't miss being spotted," Jerry said, "if the skies are as clear as this all the way. High altitude will help, but I'd like some clouds."

"Maybe there will be clouds ahead," Laura suggested.

"Always the optimist," Jerry grinned.

But Laura was right. Shortly after leaving the field in Italy they ran into a thick cloud bank when they left the land and flew over the water.

They felt safe and secure in its clammy embrace for several hours but then Jerry began to feel that they had enjoyed too much of a good thing.

"How soon do you have to let down?" Laura asked.

"Ough to begin it now, take it easy," Jerry said. "I want to lose altitude gradually, looking for a hole in these clouds. Well—here goes—down to the bargain basement!"

Laura could feel no real change in the position of the big plane, but she knew they were descending. No one spoke for a long time as the thick clouds maintained the blindfold upon them.

"No opening yet," Jerry said, and Laura could detect the tone of concern in his voice, though he tried to hide it. "I might as well tell you folks this is no picnic. I've been able to check my course against nothing—absolutely nothing—since leaving the coast of southern Italy. If I'm exactly on the course, we should now be descending between two ridges of high hills into the valley with the pasture. If the clouds are low enough to cover the tops of those hills and I'm just a bit off course—we'll never know the difference. But there's nothing else to do but go down and see."

Nobody answered. There was nothing to say. Laura felt no pan-

ic within herself. Many times in planes she had known that her late was being weighed in a delicate balance. There was nothing she could do about it.

She leaned forward a little. Were the clouds a mere shade lighter and thinner straight ahead—just below? Or was it her imagination?

Jerry's whoop of joy gave her the answer—that and the almost blinding sight of land, trees, hills that confronted her. They were out of the clouds—and they were not far off against the rocky side of a mountain. Doctor Overton took a deep breath and smiled ever so slightly.

"Laura pointed Jerry on the back of the seat," she cried.

"You did it, Jerry!" she cried. "We're right in the valley! Mountain ridges on both sides! And the clouds over the tops, too! How did you ever learn to navigate like that?"

Jerry was grinning like a school kid who had won first prize in a spelling contest.

"I'm just as amazed as you are," he said. "It's a valley, Laura, but maybe it's not the right valley."

"I think we can be grateful to you, nevertheless," Dr. Overton said, "for making a valley instead of a peak to come down into."

Jerry was busy scanning the land, looking for the pasture which should be their landing field. He looked at the hills on either side, searching for some distinctive landmark that would tell him they were in the correct valley.

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### MRS. J. P. AUSTELL'S FUNERAL SERVICE HELD

SHELBY, June 19.—Funeral rites were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home here for Mrs. J. P. Austell, 65, who was found dead in bed at her home here Monday morning. She had not been ill prior to the attack which caused her death. Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of Central Methodist church, conducted the rites with the assistance of Dr. Zeno Wail of Shelby, and Rev. L. P. Barnett of Cherryville.

Mrs. Austell was a member of one of the county's oldest families, was a native of the county and had lived here all her life. She was formerly Miss Cora Ann Magness, daughter of the late Robert and Mary Whisnant Magness of this place. She was a member of the local chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. Roscoe Lutz, Mrs. John Porter, Mrs. Lee Nolan, Mrs. Ervin Singleton, and Charles Austell, all of Shelby, and J. P. Austell, Jr., of Cherryville, and one brother, George P. Magness.

### OBITUARY JULIUS QUEEN

Julius Queen was born March 21, 1862 and departed this life June 19th, 1945 at the age of 83 years, 2 months and 28 days. He was united in holy wedlock at the age of 25 years to Eliza Ramsey and to this union were born six children, four sons and two daughters. He was preceeded in death by one infant daughter and is survived by the four sons: H. D. Queen of Gastonia, Rev. W. P. Queen of York, S. C., M. S. Queen of Salisbury and J. E. Queen of Kings Mountain, and one daughter: Mrs. J. W. Fourshee of Cherryville. Also surviving are 21 grand-children and 23 great-grand children, with a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Queen was one of the oldest citizens of Burk county and was well known there and loved by many. He was a member of the Pleasant Grove Baptist church for the past twenty years.

"Why should we weep for those who sleep? Our God doth comfort give.

Above the night in rims of light Our dead in Christ still live. Our God is God not of the dead. Who ceast to see and know. He is the God of Saints who live. Where joys forever flow.

"Our dead are blessed from toil they rest. Beyond all pain and care: No tears, no sigh, no wailing cry. Can touch their spirits there. In safe retreat, in joy replete. They dwell in peace at home. They always wait at heaven's gate. The hour that we shall come.

Our Lord hath said: I'll bring your dead.

When I come down the skies. Then, from the gleam, of dismal tomb. Their bodies shall arise. Up in the air, some place up there. We'll all be gathered home. With Christ to dwell, where all is well.

Where death can never come.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our many thanks and appreciation for the many deeds of kindness and words of sympathy during the illness and death of Cora Deck. May the Lord bless you all.

C. J. RAMSEUR and WIFE

**BUY BONDS**

### MORE ABOUT W. Blaine Beam

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Mr. Beam has been a very active member of the American Legion ever since it was organized and has always looked forward to the advancement of the Legion, the town and the community.

It will be remembered that Mr. Beam has managed and planned many big days for Cherryville and in 1936 he put over one of the most successful celebrations that have ever been held here.

### MORE ABOUT Cherryville Fans

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tation of which we think was a very fine gesture, but why pick on the Cherryville fans to help pay for it when Shelby by made several thousand dollars last year on the play-offs to the Cherryville boosters contributed a good portion.

We are not humiliated because you are buying a bus. We sincerely hope you get it for the boys. We need one for our boys, also, but we do think it would have been far better sportmanship had you only charged the Shelby fans the extra cost and let out of town boosters in at regular prices. We do not think even the boys who are playing the game would approve of such a method as charging even the out-of-town school girls the extra money to buy a bus.

This we have to say to our good chelby fans and baseball lovers, "Come on to Cherryville and see a good ball game. We will charge regular admission and buy our own bus."

TO BE SURE NO ONE HERE thought of the well-publicized coming in that night, and jubilation over success of "bus night" is lessened by this unfortunate development which needs somehow to be overcome in the interest of fairplay and good feeling between our community and Cherryville whose athletic relations have been on such a plane as to foster good will among these neighbors. It must be kept so.

WE'RE GOING TO OFFER the suggestion here and now, for whatever it's worth, that the next time our Junior Legion team plays Cherryville here that it be entitled "Cherryville night" with a price concession for Cherryville visitors that will catch up any misgiving we may have made of our friends toward buying the much-needed bus.

And, too, the Cherryville boys would appear to have won a ride on that bus, wouldn't they?

CROUSE GLIDERMEN IN INVASION ACROSS RHINE WITH TH 17TH AIRBORNE DIVISION IN GERMANY— Cpl.

John W. Beam, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Beam, of Crouse, was with the 194th Glider Infantry Regiment of Major General William M. Miley's 17th Airborne Division, which is now a unit of Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow's 15th U. S. Army, when the airborne division made its invasion across the Rhine to secure the Wesel Bridgehead.

The 194th established the bridgehead and thus enabled the troops and supplies to roll across the Rhine and commence the victorious drive toward the east. It was during these landings that the 17th Airborne set a precedent for airborne tactics by landing on fields not previously secured from the enemy by parachutists.

Corporal Beam was also with another airborne unit which made the invasion of Southern France. For that action he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge. Later with the 194th Glider Infantry he was in the bitter winter's battle of the Bulge, which halted the German breakthrough in the Ardennes Forest and drove the enemy back of the Siegfried Line breaking its offensive power.

The Crouse gliderman, having seen service in Panama, North Africa, Italy, and Sicily, attended North Brook High School and graduated from Lincolnton High School and was working on his parents' farm before entering the service.

### Cherryville Sub-Chapter Formed

Gastonia, N. C.—The executive committee of the Gaston county chapter of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, at the annual dinner meeting of the group at the Armington Hotel Monday evening, authorized the formation of a sub-chapter at Cherryville. It was announced today by H. Rex Edison, chairman of the Gaston county committee.

Mr. Edison said that the Cherryville group will in the near future elect a slate of officers to carry on the work in that section. It will be the first sub-chapter to be organized under the Gaston county committee.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the many acts of kindness and words of sympathy at the death of our dear father, John T. Sellers. May each one be rewarded.

THE CHILDREN

### Funeral Service Held for John T. Sellers

Funeral Services were conducted from St. Mark's Lutheran Church Thursday afternoon, June 21st, at 3:30 o'clock for John T. Sellers of Crouse, Route 1. Services were in charge of Rev. D.L. Stubbs, Jr., pastor of Antioch Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. L. S. Miller, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church and Rev. Paul H. Moore, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Cherryville.

The active pallbearers were: Cecil Allran, Pete McGinnis, Kern Baker, Cecil Baker, Coy Baker and Roy Houser.

The honorary pallbearers were: Stowe Baker, Roy Baker, Henry Allran, Van Hailman, C. H. Amies, Charlie Neuf, Ed Kester, Cleveland Crouse, John Wyant, L. L. McGinnis and Albert Hallman.

Flower girls were nieces and friends of the family.

John T. Sellers was born June 12, 1877, and was 68 years of age. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sellers.

He was married to Sophie Alice Koonsill, who preceded him to the grave nineteen years ago. To this union were born three children, all living. They are Mrs. Raymond Browne, Crouse, Mrs. J. D. Jenkins, Cherryville, and J. R. Sellers of Tennessee. Also surviving are thirteen grandchildren, three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Carpenter, Mrs. E. M. Helton, Mrs. J. W. Hearty and one brother, C. A. Sellers.

Mr. Sellers will be greatly missed in his community as he was a good neighbor and friend to all who knew him.

### CHURCH NOTICES

**CHURCH NOTICE**

Regular church services will be held Sunday night at the Mount Zion Baptist church at 8:30. The evening message will be delivered by the pastor J. W. Costner. Immediately after preaching the ordinance of Baptism will be administered to a mother and her two sons. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

J. W. COSTNER, Pastor

**First Baptist Church,**  
JUNE 24  
10 A.M. Sunday School  
Sunday is special Intermediate Day in our Sunday School.  
11 A.M. Worship Service  
Message by Pastor.  
7 P.M. Baptist Training Union  
Topic — For Intermediates — Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.  
Come and go with us on an imaginary trip to Ridgecrest Sunday 7 P.M.  
Special Union for Adults, Young People, Intermediates, Juniors and Story Hour every Sunday evening.  
8 P.M. Worship service.  
Message by Pastor  
Monday, June 25th at 4 P.M. general meeting of all cradle roll visitors at the home of Mrs. R.C. Sharpe.  
Welcome to all of our services.  
E. S. ELLIOTT, Pastor.

### What My Church Owes the Community

The Sunday morning subject at Second Baptist church next Sunday morning is to be "What My Church Owes The Community," according to announcement by the pastor, Rev. W. Luther Hawkins. Sunday services begin with the Sunday School at 9:45 Sunday morning with morning worship at 11. Training Unions meet at 7 o'clock and the evening worship period is at 8. An invitation is extended to all who are not engaged in services elsewhere.

Mid-week prayer services next Wednesday evening at 7:30 with Mrs. Bessie Huss conducting.

Special cottage prayer services for the armed forces will be held this evening (Thursday) at the home of Mr. Ruffin Lail at Rhyne-Houser mills with Mr. Hobson P. Hendricks conducting.

The public is invited to all these services.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy since learning that our Bob has been taken from us.

MRS. LILLIAN FRANKLIN AND FAMILY.

**DR. RAMSEUR TAKES POST LEFT BY BAIN**

Dr. Jack Ramseur, former practitioner in Gastonia and Cherryville, has accepted a position succeeding Dr. Eugene A. Bain as assistant to County Physician R. E. Rhyne in the Gaston county health department office. It was announced today.

Dr. Ramseur is in charge of the syphilology division of the department's work in preventative medicine and also handles other duties in the department's work. It was announced.

Dr. Bain resigned several weeks ago to accept a position with the syphilology clinic of the Greensboro and Guilford county health departments.

Dr. Ramseur was formerly associated in Gastonia with the late Dr. J. Sidney Hood in eye-ear-nose-and-throat practice and later was engaged in general practice at Cherryville. He is a native of Cleveland county.

## AT THE MOVIES

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### NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL-ESTATE

The Town of Cherryville will accept bids on the following real estate until July 3, 1945.

Two vacant lots on E. Main Street known as the W. H. McGinnis property adjoining E. C. Sullivan and John Steve Stroup.

One vacant lot on West Church Street adjoining the Ed Carpenter Estate and H. W. Dixon Home place known as the H. W. Dixon property.

One vacant lot on E. First Street adjoining A. Gallo-way and the Mary Black property known as the M. C. beam property.

One vacant lot on the west side of Wildan Street adjoining J. A. Crowder, B. M. Carpenter and SAL Railway known as the W. J. T. Styers property, being two acres more or less.

One vacant lot on East side of Wildan Street adjoining the W. J. T. Styers home place and L. A. Mosteller known as the W. J. T. Styers property.

All bids to be submitted to City Clerk on or by July 3, 1945.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

TOWN OF CHERRYVILLE

## Notice!

SINCE I HAVE BEEN FORCED TO STOP MAKING SANDALS I CAN GIVE YOU QUICKER AND BETTER SHOE WORK. ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

# Coley's Shoe Shop

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## NOTICE

# DOG OWNERS

All dogs running at large after June 30th will be killed—

Put your dog under leash.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT.