

F. M. Rountree In Naval Air Unit At South France

Lieut. Frederick M. Rountree, U. S. N. R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rountree of Sunbury, flew with one of the Navy fighter plane squadrons which played havoc with Nazi defense during the Allied invasion of Southern France.

The squadron flew Grumman Hellcat fighters from the deck of the U. S. S. Kasaan Bay, a baby flat-top, according to a report received by the Fifth Naval District in Norfolk. The report said:

"The squadron demolished 338 Nazi vehicles, including tanks, in sweeps far behind the enemy lines. The Navy pilots damaged 219 other vehicles and destroyed or crippled 25 locomotives."

Armed with machine guns, rockets and bombs, the Kasaan Bay's Hellcats provided fighter cover for the fleet, gave close support to Army troops storming the beachheads and flew attack missions inland.

They shot down the only two German planes they saw in the air; inflicted at least 200 casualties on the enemy by bombing and strafing; damaged two barges; smashed ten bridges, and severed 27 railroad tracks.

Lieut. Rountree is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Manning of Suffolk, formerly of Sunbury.

F. B. Aycock Wins Legion of Merit; Former Principal

Lieut. Frank B. Aycock, former principal of the Gatesville school, has been awarded the Legion of Merit "for exceptionally meritorious conduct in achieving outstanding results from research in the field of automatic weapons gunnery."

Now stationed at Fort Biss, Texas, Lieut. Aycock served as principal at Gatesville from 1931 to 1935, later moving to Currituck county where he served as superintendent of schools. He entered the Army in January, 1942.

Church Calendar

METHODIST SERVICES GATESVILLE CIRCUIT

First Sunday mornings, Harrell's Church at 11 o'clock.

First Sunday nights, Gatesville Church at 8 o'clock.

Second Sunday mornings, at Zion Church at 11 o'clock.

Second Sunday night, Philadelphia Church, Sunbury at the 8 o'clock hour.

Third Sunday mornings at Gatesville at 11 o'clock.

Third Sunday afternoons, at Harrell's Church at 3:30.

Fourth Sunday mornings at Philadelphia at 11:00.

Fourth Sunday evenings, at Zion at 8:30.

First Sunday afternoons at the Prison Camp at 3 o'clock.

Rev. J. M. Jollif, pastor.

BUELAH BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNBURY

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

SUNBURY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services—Third Sunday evening at 8:30, Damascus.

Third Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at Oak Grove.

Fifth Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Damascus.

Fifth Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Oak Grove.

The Rev. Arnold Slater, Pastor.



ROWNING AUTOMATIC RIFLEMAN IN ACTION: Staff Sergeant Robert J. Leonard, 441 West 28th Street, New York City, demonstrates use of basic Infantry weapon which is one of 10 weapons to be explained and demonstrated in outdoor demonstration "Here's Your Infantry," presented by the Army Ground Forces and the War Finance Division of the Treasury Department as a feature of the Sixth War Loan Drive.

Sergeant Leonard is typical of the combat infantrymen from The Infantry School who have been trained for months to take part in this spectacular coast-to-coast display. Highlight of "Here's Your Infantry" is a 30-minute reduction of a Japanese pillbox from which rifles, machine guns and mortar will fire continually by means of automatic firing devices. (Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School.)

Eure

Larifa Umphlett and Hope Saunders of Portsmouth spent Friday with Mrs. Allie Crawford and Mrs. Minnie Jenkins.

Mrs. Mattie Hale of Ahoskie spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Felton of Roduco spent Thursday with Mrs. Felton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Felton.

Mrs. T. A. Eure of Gatesville spent Thursday with Mrs. Allie Crawford and Mrs. Minnie Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Talmage Vaughn and Mrs. Arthur Overton and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Greene and baby Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Crawford and son, Bobbie, Mrs. Minnie Henderson and Mrs. Bob Hale of Ahoskie were supper guests of Mrs. Allie Crawford and Mrs. Minnie Jenkins.

Walter Umphlett of Portsmouth is spending sometime with his sister, Mrs. Charlie Horton, and Mr. Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Dilday and baby of Ahoskie, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hill, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cherry of Portsmouth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Greene visited Mr. Greene's mother, Mrs. Novie Greene Sunday.

Wednesday Mrs. Troy Greene, Mrs. Tom Stallings and Mrs. Paul Taylor visited Mrs. Emma Mullen, a patient, at Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk.

Paul Jones, U.S.A., has returned to his post of duty after a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Ella Jones.

Mrs. W. T. Parker and son, Bill, of Portsmouth, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Greene.

SALE

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many cases create a community and national charity and social problem.

Governor J. Melville Broughton has urged all North Carolinians to join the campaign to preserve health standards on the home front by supporting the Christmas Seal Sale of the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association and its local affiliates over the State. The sale, which marks the 40th anniversary of the first Christmas Seal, opened Monday November 27, and continues until Christmas.

The Governor pointed out the danger of an increase in tuberculosis is particularly great in time of war and commended the State Association for its effective work in aiding in the control of the disease here.

Judge Stevens Is Legion Speaker At Armistice Dinner

Judge Henry A. Stevens, Jr., past national commander of the American Legion, was the featured speaker at the annual Armistice Day supper delayed until November 20 in order that Judge Stevens could be present. He was presiding at Gates County Superior Court last week.

Approximately 75 were present, ladies of the Auxiliary, Gold Star Mothers of both wars, wives of men in service, discharged service men and uniformed guests being in attendance.

SPAULDING

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mittee, "in the interest of the Sixth War Loan and for better inter-racial relations." His father, the State Banking Commissioner, is on the Inter-racial Relations Committee.

Dr. Spaulding's address is expected to revolve largely around the War Loan drives and the Negro's part in them.

DINNER GUESTS

Eure. — Dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Arthur Overton Sunday were Mrs. C. Lonnie Overton of Ahoskie and son, Curtis Overton, of U. S. Navy, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Overton and baby of Ahoskie.

Older Youths Plan Christmas Party

The Older Youth Club held its monthly meeting in the agricultural building, Gatesville, Wednesday night. Special guests were seniors from Chowan high school and Mrs. B. V. Brown, Gatesville.

During the business session the club asked Blanchard Rountree, treasurer, to buy \$2.00 worth of Christmas seals to aid in the fight against tuberculosis.

Blackwell Powell, chairman of the program committee, introduced Eddie Head, Sunbury, who gave a reading. Blanchard Rountree led the group in a number of contests. Plans were made to have the annual Older Youth Christmas party on Wednesday, December 13. Gatesville members will have charge of the program. This meeting is being called early in order that the boys who are going into the Army soon can attend.

AUCTION SALE AT SUNBURY, N. C.

Wednesday, December 20, at 10 A.M.

I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash my entire lot of HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE. Also all FARMING IMPLEMENTS including:

2 Carts and Wheels; 1 Cole Corn Planter; 1 Foster Cotton Planter; 1 Ayers Peanut Planter; 1 Wheel Disc Plow; 1 Rolling Disc Plow; 1 Riding Cultivator; 1 Stalk Cutter; 2 Guano Sowers; 2 2-in-1 Cultivators; 1 Pea Weeder; 2 Horses; 2 Mules.

Several Plows including Middle Buster, Cultivators, Hoes, Pitch Forks and a lot of other things too numerous to mention.

PLACE OF SALE: TWO MILES FROM SUNBURY ON THE KELLOGG'S FORK ROAD ON THE FARM KNOWN AS THE DIXIE TAYLOR PLACE.

A. C. STALLINGS

HE KNOWS WINTER'S COMING!...

A RED SQUIRREL STORES AWAY 1/2 BUSHEL OF NUTS FOR WINTER. INSTINCT PROTECTS HIM AGAINST COLD WEATHER!

YET EVERY WINTER, THOUSANDS OF MOTORISTS FAIL TO PROTECT THEIR CARS. MANY LOSE THE USE OF THEIR CARS, MANY RUN UP BIG REPAIR BILLS!

BE SURE TO CHANGE YOUR OIL. THICK "SUMMER" OIL INCREASES WINTER STARTING LOADS ON THE BATTERY AS MUCH AS 65%—BESIDES FAILING TO GIVE PROPER ENGINE LUBRICATION!

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