

L. C. Hand New **Gates** County **Post Commander**

Gatesville. - New officers of the Gates county post of the American Legion were named Saturday night by the nominating committee, and the report was accepted as given. L. C. Hand is the new post commander succeeding Paul Hofler. John Artz is the new adjutant, D. E. Barnes, sergeant at arms, W. C. Story, chaplain, F. L. Nixon, first vice commander, and J. W. Spivey, second vice commander.

The Rev. Thomas A. Collins was guest speaker at the Memorial Day meeting. Sixteen Legionnaires and six members of the Legion Auxiliary were present. Flags were given to a number of the members to decorate the graves of veterans in the coun-

The membership committee to get, renewals of members before June 15 is Hubert Eason, L. C. Hand, Earl Barnes, W. O. Spivey, M. B. Hobbs, F. L. Nixon and Irving Felton. Nearly all members present at the meeting Saturday paid their renewals. Irving Felton and Thomas Lilley Sunday morning, were conduct-of Gates, first two men of World ed Monday afternoon at Dam-Irving Felton and Thomas Lilley War Two who have joined the were present Saturday post, night.

G. Britt of Hobbsville, World War One veteran, is seriously ill in the veteran's hospital at Kecoughtan.

with the fourth Thursday in June, meetings of the post will



OKINAWA'S V-E DAY This Marine observed V-E Day on Okinawa by having his clothing blown from his back by a Jap mortar shell. Shocked and hurt, but still on his feet, he is helped toward the rear by a companion on the line.

Age 70, Died **Sunday Morning** Sunbury. - Funeral services

for Mrs. J. A. Liles, age 70, who died at her home near here early ascus Christian Church. The Rev. J. M. Roberts officiated at the service. Burial was in the family cemetery.

She is survived by her husband; one son, Cpl. J. S. Liles, with the U. S. Army, in Germany; one daughter, Miss Margaret Liles, Sunbury; one brother, R. L. Speight, Suffolk, Va.; and one sister, Mrs. J. R. Brinkley, Portsmouth, Va.

were Joshua Perry, Ralph McDaniel, Garland McDaniel, Glover Hollowell, Johnny Foster, and Willie Kite. Honorary pallbearers were friends of the family.

The body was removed to the Rountree and Hofler Funeral Home, Gatesville, when it remained until Monday afternoon when the cortege left for the church.

ATTENDS ZONE MEETING

Reports of Gates counin the armed services of ited States took varied ring the week just paso have been liberated; ve been decorated; two

n discharged, and one is back home on furlough after nearly three years on the European continent.

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Sgt. Harry Liniger, waist gunner on a Flying Fortress shot down over enemy occupied Europe many months ago, has been liberated from a German formation reaching his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Liniger, through the Red Cross.

Pvt. Elbert Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams of near Tyner, is also back under military control after four months in prisoner of war camps following his capture in Luxembourg. He was first listed as mis-sing and then as prisoner. He is being returned to the United States and should reach home in the near future.

Decorations

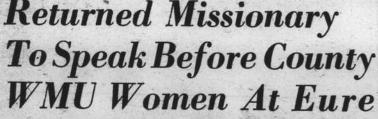
Among those decorated are Pfc. Amos J. Felton of Roduco, Sgt. Wendell Loftin Stallings of Hobbsville, and Cpl. John E. Eure of Roduce. Felton and Stallings have been awarded the Bronze Star in Germany, and Eure the Certificate of Merit, also in Germany.

Private Felton is with the 30th See LIBERATIONS, Page 3

Gilmer Delivers Address to Grads At Hobbsville

Hobbsville.-Graduation exercises will be held at Hobbsville high school tonight (Wednesday) at 8:30 when the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Edenton, will dethe commencement adliver dress.

The Rev. J. S. Taylor, pastor of Deep Creek Baptist Church, preached the baccalaureate sermon Sunday night. The graduation exercises began Friday night with a music recital under the direction of Mrs. Walter Hollowell. Senior class day exercises were also held Friday night.



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WHERE PACIFIC BATTLE RAGES-With street fighting

marking the last stages of the Chinese campaign to retake

Foochow, key China coast city, Jap troops were reported mov-

ing northward to points closer to their homeland. Foochow lies just 525 miles from Okinawa (1), where U. S. troops fought

hard for victory, and 750 airmiles from Manila (2), in the event

that Foochow (3) should become a possible China coast land-

ing point in the future, Okinawa would be expected to provide

air protection while troops moved from Manila. In the Hunan

province, Chinese troops were rolling the Japs back near

former American airbases (4) at Paoching. Meanwhile carrier

planes continue their terrific blasting of Kyushu (5) and other

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Eure. — The Gates County Woman's Missionary Union- will meet at Eure Baptist Church on June 7 at 10:30 a.m.

Jap centers.

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The theme is "Hitherto, Hense-'orth," and Dr. Charles W. Mc-Daniels of Richmond, Va., returned missionary from Soochow, China, will bring the missionary message of the day.

Others appearing on program will be Mrs. Ralph Fergerson, Mrs. Linwood Askew, Mrs. F. H. Rountree, Mrs. Eldon Eure, Mrs. Walter Ward, Mrs. T. C. Law-rence, Mrs. T. Sloane Guy, Mrs. Otha Riddick, Mrs. Hurley Aswell, Mrs. James Wright, Mrs. E. A. Kelly, Rev. Ralph Fergerson and a pageant directed by Mrs. W. Henry Overman.

Homecoming And **Memorial Day At Cool Springs** Cool Springs .- Sunday, June has

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Last Year's Leaf **Crop Had Value** Of \$113,090.00

Gatesville .- The total county tobacco allotment for 1944, on the 100 tobacco farms, was 354.5 acres. However only 66 farmers grew tobacco last year, harvesting 263.6 acres. The two main reasons why no tobacco was grown on 44 remaining farms according to John Artz, were, first, allotment was too small and curing facilities inconvenient; second, lack of labor. "It is expected that more farms will grow tobacco this year as a few new allotments were given out,"

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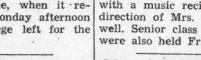
It was decided that beginning See L. C. HAND, Page 6

DedicationService Slated for Sunday

Gatesville. - The Gatesville Methodist Church will have a service of dedication at the regular church hour Sunday.

At this time an honor roll, given by the Gatesville W. S. C. S., It may be of general interest and a service flag, given as a

Mrs. J. A. Liles,



Active pallbearers

he said.

ool Springs.—Sunday, June 3, been designated as Home- ning and Memorial Day at	to know that the value of last year's harvested acreage (363.9) had a value of approximately \$113,090,.00 based on an average yield of 1,000 pounds per acre and the season's average price of 43 cents per pound. memorial by Mrs. H. B. Rhodes, will be dedicated. Parents and relatives of those in service from the church are especially invited to attend. Spe- cial music is being planned for this service.	tended the WSCS zone meeting	Shaw and Welfare Head Speakers At FarmBureauMeet
Rev. John E. Lanier, pastor. 'here will be a morning and	43 cents per pound. this service.	Roper last week.	rarmbureauwieet

an afternoon service with a picnic lunch between services. The public is invited and everyone is asked to bring a lunch.

The morning service will be-gin at 11:30. The Rev. B. A. Mitchell will deliver the morning address with Charles B. Blair rendering a solo for the service.

At the afternoon session. which will begin at 2:15, the Rev. Bennie Crawford will give the devotional and Dr. A. T. Russell is to give the memorial address.

AT HOME AFTER 16 MONTHS OVERSEAS

Hobbsville .- Pfc. Murray Spivey is spending a 30-day furlough at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Spivey, after serving 16 months overseas. He served. 11 months with the 4th Armored Division of the 3rd U.S. Army.

Captain Brown Gives Eye - Witness Report on Nazi Death Camp at Gardelegen After Mass Executions

written by Captain J. W. Brown, Jr., United States Army Medical from there, for General Simp-Corps, now in Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown of Gatesville, and in the letter below he gives an eyewitness account of the Nazi horror camp at Gardelegen, Ger- last and probably the most vimany. "Until today I took all the death camp stories with a serving of salt, but my own eyes ered.

could hardly deceive me." 9th Army Germany April 20, 1945

By the time this reaches you, you will no doubt have heard Beautiful German farmland dotmuch about a German town ted with woods stretches as far named Gardelegen. I'm sure as the eye can see and one

Gatesville .- The following was | there will be no punches pulled | could not imagine a more tranin the news reports emanating quil scene. But knowing in-advance what I was to see created son has expressed the wish that an atmosphere of beauty spiced all his men see the results of an with death. I cannot accurately atrocity committed there. The describe what I felt as I rode colonel and I made the pilgrimout that road.

age today one week after the And then there it was smack in the middle of all that expanse cious of a series of crimes was even then being prepared for planting. It centered around and completed. The fires still smoldin a large German barn about 80 feet by 40 feet. It was built of

One passes just beyond the town onto a dirt road down floor at ground level. In each two rows of young cherry trees side were two large double doors now in full and gorgeous bloom. capable of admitting a large See CAPT. BROWN, Page 3

Speakers At BureauMeet

Gatesville .--- R. Flake Shaw of Greensboro, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, and Dr. Ellen Black Winston, State commissioner of public welfare, will be the speakers when a county-wide meeting of the Gates County Farm Bureau convenes at the Gatesville school Friday night, June 8, at 7 o'clock.

John Artz and Miss Ethel Parker are in charge of the program. Miss Ona Patterson is in charge of the entertainment and dinner. A fish fry will be served. George Kittrell of Corapeake, brick with earth and cement is president of the county bureau; Tom J. Stallings of Hobbsville, is vice president, and S. P. Cross wagon-the entire thing more on of Gatesville, is secretary and treasurer.