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FROM AUSTRALIA "Buddy," 9-months-old kangaroo brought from Australia in a plane by Staff Sergeant L. C. Couch, Jr., of the Army Ferrying Command, is pictured with Dr. L. C. Couch, father of Sergeant Couch, on the porch of his home here. L. C. Jr., pictured in lower photo, sent the animal to his brother Coney from California to keep for him until he comes home from the war.—(Top photo by Tribune).



KANGAROO SENT HOME BY YOUTH

Sergeant L. C. Couch, Jr., Brings Animal From Australia By Plane

IS AT HOME OF FATHER

"Buddy," a 9-month-old male kangaroo has come all the way from Australia to live with Coney Couch, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Couch, while his owner, Staff Sergeant L. C. Couch, Jr., 21, of the Army Ferrying Command, is away at the wars.

L. C., Jr., Dr. Couch's oldest son, brought two kangaroos by plane from Australia only recently. One he gave to his Captain and the other, "Buddy," he sent by express from California to his home here.

So interested was young Couch in the welfare of the animal, he phoned his parents from California that the kangaroo was en route and to be on the lookout for him. The day after he arrived, another telephone call came from Sergeant Couch to inquire if the animal had arrived safely.

Dr. Couch says the kangaroo is fairly tame, and that great numbers of people have visited his home to see him. He pointed out that while most people think all kangaroos have a pouch, this one happened to be a male, and the pouch was not standard equipment.

Asked what the kangaroo eats, he said lettuce, cabbage, celery, grass, clover and other vegetable foods.

Sergeant Couch has been in the army for the past two years. He was recently transferred from Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., to Hamilton Field, California.

BAPTIST ASS'N TO MEET OCT. 1

Group Comprises More Than 50 Missionary Baptist Churches

BANNERTOWN IS HOST

The fortieth annual session of the Surry Baptist Association, comprising more than fifty Missionary Baptist churches from all parts of the county, will be held with the Bannertown Baptist church on Thursday, October 1.

The meeting will be a one-day session, with services in the morning, afternoon and evening, instead of the usual two-day meeting, due to the tire and gasoline shortages.

The meeting was originally scheduled to be held with the Low Gap church but the place was changed due to the fact that the Low Gap church is being used for classrooms for the Low Gap school, the school building having been destroyed by fire.

Outstanding Baptist leaders of the county will appear on the program and an interesting and worthwhile session has been planned.

JAPS BATTLE U. S. MARINES IN EFFORT TO RETAKE ISLAND

VIOLATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE TAX IS CHECKED

Numerous Delinquent Motorists Found Here

TOLD TO BUY TAX STAMP

Others Are Warned They Face Trouble if Law Isn't Complied With

COST OF STAMP \$5.00

Deputy collectors of the United States department of revenue have been here within the past few days checking on delinquent motorists who have failed to buy and display the federal motor vehicle use tax stamp.

Numerous violators of the use tax law were found and required to buy the stamp, while a warning was issued that all other persons who have not done so had better do so immediately if they are using their cars. It was pointed out that in evading this law the violators are making themselves liable for trouble with the federal government.

Those who haven't bought the use tax stamp are urgently advised to send a money order for \$5.00 to the U. S. Department of Revenue at Greensboro.

It was said that persons whose cars have been in storage from July to September, but are now in use, will be required to pay only \$4.17 for their tax stamp. However, everyone who has used his or her car during July and August must pay \$5.00.

SEMINAR IS TO BE HELD HERE

For Women's Society of Christian Service of Methodist Church

An educational seminar for the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Elkin District Methodist church will be held at the Methodist church here Friday.

The session will convene at 9:30 and continue until 1 o'clock. Mrs. J. W. Payne and Mrs. J. Dale Spentz, conference officers, and Miss Cottingham, district worker, will be present for the meeting, in addition to district officers.

A skit on mission study work, under the direction of Mrs. H. C. Salmons, will be presented as a feature of the program.

Luncheon will be served by the women of the local society to the visiting group at one o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to members of the Elkin district to attend the meeting, and women of the Elkin group are urged to be present.

Revival To Begin At East Elkin Church

The annual revival meeting will begin at East Elkin Baptist church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour of worship and will continue for a week. Rev. J. L. Powers, pastor of the church, will be assisted in the meeting by visiting ministers.

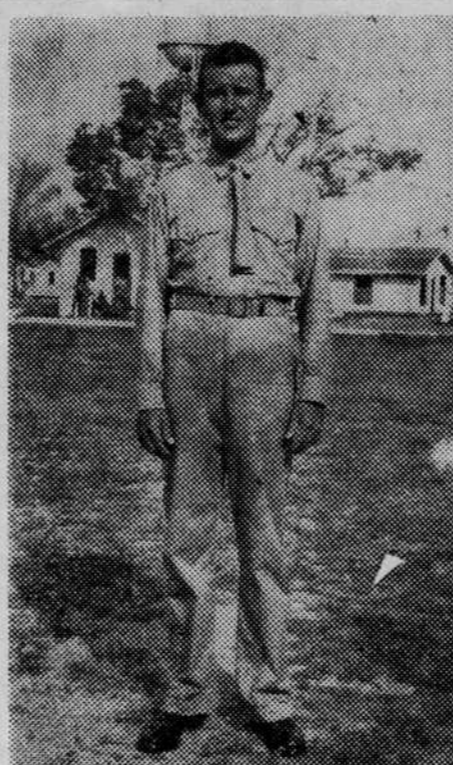
Services will be held during the week at 11 o'clock in the morning and 8 o'clock in the evening.

The church extends a cordial welcome to the public.

Policeman Corder To Take Vacation

Gilmer Corder, of the Elkin police force, has been given a leave of absence of several weeks from his duties due to ill health, it has been announced by Chief of Police Corbett Wall. Officer Corder, while not seriously ill, feels that a rest will prove beneficial.

Wounded



Private Cecil Lyons, U. S. Marine Corps, of this city, has been wounded in action, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery Lyons, have been notified by the Marine Corps Commandant at Washington. Extent of his injuries are unknown.

CECIL LYONS IS WOUNDED

Local Youth, in Marine Corps, Has Been Injured in Action

FAMILY HERE NOTIFIED

Marine Corps Private Cecil Lyons, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery Lyons, of this city, has been wounded in action, but the extent of his injuries or other details have not been learned.

A telegram from Lieut. General T. Holcomb, commandant, U. S. Marine Corps, Washington, D. C., was received by the family Sunday, notifying them of Private Lyons' injury. The message, in part, was as follows:

"Deeply regret to inform you that your son, Private Cecil R. H. Lyons, U. S. Marine Corps, has been wounded in action in the performance of his duty in the service of his country. The Commandant appreciates your great anxiety and will furnish further information promptly when received."

Private Lyons had been in the Marine Corps for over a year, and during that time had made a trip to Iceland on convoy duty. He was home several months ago on furlough. Just where the action took place in which he was wounded, is not known.

YADKIN WOMAN KILLED BY CAR

Mrs. Ella Warden Reece Is Struck By Hit-and-Run Driver

NEAR HOME MONDAY

Mrs. Ella Warden Reece, 62, well-known Boonville woman, was killed by a hit-and-run driver near her home Monday evening.

At the time of her death Mrs. Reece was going with her son, Clarence, to the home of a neighbor, Leonard Hicks. She had crossed from the left side of the road to the right, when the automobile, described by her son as being an old model, hit her. It was traveling south at a high rate of speed and in the gathering dusk it was impossible to determine its make or to get its license number.

Mrs. Reece was a lifelong resident of Yadkin county, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Van Warden and widow of Eugene Reece. She was born in

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RUSSIANS ARE PUSHED BACK ON STALINGRAD

Greatest Battle of History Is Raging

MAKE FEROCIOUS FIGHT

Soviet Counterattacks Straighten Out Dents Made By Nazis

CITY STILL RESISTING

Moscow, Sept. 16. — The Germans, throwing more reinforcements into one of the greatest battles of history, forced the Russians back today on a sector southwest of Stalingrad, and front line dispatches said they had dented the city's defenses at other points.

(The German official news agency claimed, in a dispatch "from the front," that the Germans had reached the Volga River in the center of Stalingrad and that violent street and house fighting raged).

The Germans were attacking with a ferocity perhaps never before equaled on the western — frontal — approach to Stalingrad and the Volga River line. They assaulted with an undiminished fury on the southwest approach, and slightly less ferociously on the northwest.

Dispatches said the Germans dented Soviet lines at various points and tried to develop the dents into considerable wedges, but Soviet counterattacks from the flanks finally dislodged them in most places and the lines were resealed.

THREE YADKIN MEN ARRESTED

Are Charged By F. B. I. Agents As Being Draft Dodgers

ARE BOUND TO COURT

Three Yadkin county men have been given hearings before U. S. Commissioner W. M. Mackie, in Yadkinville, and bound over to the November term of federal court for alleged "draft dodging" in what federal officers say is just the beginning of a drive to arrest all those violating the draft laws.

Those arrested were William Weldon Riley, Ernest Wilson An-

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Fierce Fighting Is Under Way; Troops Maintain Positions

Promoted



Col. Caleb Haynes, famed Surry county aviator who heads the United States Bomber Command in China, has been recommended by President Roosevelt for promotion to Brigadier General.

COL. HAYNES IS PROMOTED

Famous Surry Flier to Become a Brigadier-General in Air Force

EXPLOITS ARE MANY

Colonel Caleb V. Haynes, of Mount Airy, will soon be Brigadier General Haynes, it has been learned since Surry's renowned flying ace, now chief of the American Bomber Command in China, has been nominated for promotion to that rank by President Roosevelt. His promotion is expected to be confirmed by the Senate immediately.

Long recognized as one of the army air force's best men, Haynes has had a colorful military career, one of his latest exploits being the leading of the aerial evacuation of Burma. And while stationed in India he repeatedly risked his life to fly gasoline to the American Volunteer group fliers in Burma and bring out refugees and military personnel.

He was the last allied airman to leave Lashio. He flew into Shwebo in upper Burma right after a flight of Japanese bombers and took out General Joseph Stilwell's staff just before another flight was expected.

His exploits have been in the news before and since the war perhaps more than any other allied nation's pilot.

CLYDE D. ELLER DIES SUDDENLY

Popular Elkin Young Man Stricken Wednesday Evening of Last Week

FUNERAL HELD FRIDAY

A pall of sorrow was cast over the entire town Wednesday evening of last week by the sudden death of Clyde David Eller, 35, at his home on Bridge street. Mr. Eller had been in his usual health when he was stricken and his death was a shock to his family and friends.

He had been employed with Chatham Manufacturing Company

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BIG ISLAND IS CENTER OF PUSH BY YELLOW MEN

Shore Batteries Keep Jap Warships At Bay

OUTCOME IS IN DOUBT

American Airmen Countering Blows With Intensive Bombing Attacks

WARSHIP IS DAMAGED

Washington, Sept. 16.—Combat-toughened Marines are battling fiercely today to hold Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands against a determined drive by the Japanese on land, air and sea to retrieve their lost positions.

Outcome of the battle still is in doubt, but the Marines are maintaining their positions, have repulsed an enemy attempt to capture the important airfield on the island, and are taking a heavy toll of enemy aircraft.

The renewed battle on Guadalcanal, representing the third major phase of the battle of the Solomons, has been in progress since Saturday night. A navy communique last night described the new Japanese offensive as an "intensified" attempt to retake lost positions.

American airmen are countering the blows of Japan's flying force over and near Guadalcanal and smashing at enemy bases on

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U. S. CARRIER IS TORPEDOED

Sent to Bottom By Japs on June 7 After Battle of Midway

WAS DAMAGED JUNE 4TH

Washington, Sept. 16. — The five-year-old aircraft carrier Yorktown was sunk on June 7 as a result of damage suffered during and after the battle of Midway, the Navy announced today. Its fate in many respects was similar to that which befell the carrier Lexington in the battle of the Coral Sea.

The Yorktown was put out of action by enemy bombers and torpedo planes on the afternoon of June 4. Two days later, as it was being towed to safety and prospects that it might be saved had grown brighter, a Japanese submarine fired two torpedoes into the wounded ship.

Middle Belt Weed Average About \$40.00

Middle and New Bright Belt tobacco sales were continuing steady Wednesday with little change in quantity or quality of offerings or general average despite a slight drop in prices Tuesday for some grades of leaf in the Middle Belt.

The average on the nine Middle Belt markets was still at approximately \$40 and the belt entered the third day of sales with bidding strong.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. — Price Chief Leon Henderson, Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, and WLB Chairman William H. Davis, warning that the inflationary threat "jeopardizes our entire war program" today urged Congress to stabilize farm prices at parity and provide other "equitable" guarantees in legislation giving President Roosevelt drastic anti-inflation powers. They testified before the senate banking and currency committee on the Brown-Wagner bill empowering and directing the President to stabilize prices, wages and other cost-of-living factors at levels of August 15.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. — War Production Chief Donald M. Nelson today appointed William M. Jeffers, president of the Union Pacific railroad, as national rubber administrator in full charge of the government's rubber program. Nelson said that Jeffers would be vested with all of the authority of the chairman of WPB over the rubber program in all its phases and, in turn, would "issue directives to all governmental agencies concerned with rubber."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. — The government today ordered fuel oil rationing to start November 30 in 30 states and gave householders until September 30 to fill their tanks. The rationing will be imposed at the outset on the 17 eastern states where gasoline is now rationed and Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, North and South Dakota, Kentucky and Nebraska. Chairman Donald M. Nelson of the war production board said that the rationing area might be extended later if necessary.

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