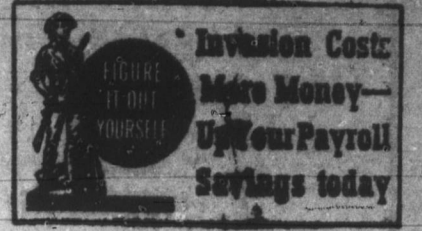




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--- Men In Service ---

San Diego, Calif., Aug. 28.—James B. Stamey, U. S. Marine of Burnsville, North Carolina, has graduated from the Field Telephone School at the Marine Corps Base here.

Pvt. Stamey is now ready for assignment to a combat unit as a telephone man, or to advanced training in communications.

C. D. Gibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Gibbs of Celo is now in Australia. He entered service in July, 1942 and has been overseas for the past three months.

Pfc. Lester Holcombe is now with the American forces "Somewhere in Sicily," according to a letter to relatives here.

Pfc. Edward E. Harris of the U. S. Marine Corps was honored with a birthday dinner at the home of his mother, Mrs. Grace Harris of Micaville, Wednesday, August 25. He had as a special guest Cpl. Thomas Shephard, also of the U. S. Marine Corps. Both Harris and Shephard are now stationed in Quantico, Va. They served for 27 months in the Virgin Islands and returned to the states June 1.

Pvt. Paul J. Holcombe is now at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Howard McGee, seaman first class, is stationed in South Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lloyd Phillips is now training at the Naval station, Bainbridge, Md.

Sgt. Carl E. Tipton is stationed at the army air base, Pocatello, Idaho.

Damon Fender has returned to camp after spending 8 days with his parents here. He is attached to the Hospital Corps in the U. S. Navy.

Sgt. Frank B. Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Briggs, is now stationed in Texas.

The promotion of Arthur A. Patton, Jr., of Celo, N. C., from the grade of Technical Sergeant to Master Sergeant was announced recently "somewhere in England" by Brigadier General Frederick L. Anderson, Commanding General of the Eight Air Force Bomber Command.

Cpl. Seth S. Peterson of Fort Dix, N. J. has been visiting his wife and parents at Day Book.

Yancey Record: Just a few lines to let you know I have been receiving the paper since my address was changed. I enjoy it very much, especially this summer because my ship has had foreign duty. The paper brought a lot of news which you do not get in letters.

Tell all my friends hello
Ralph Bailey S 1 c
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CAPTAIN RAY M. HILLIARD ON LEAVE

Captain Ray M. Hilliard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee M. Hilliard of Micaville, is at home on leave after twenty months in the Pacific area. He is a fighter plane pilot in the army air corps.

Captain Hilliard holds both the army air medal and the distinguished flying cross.

MEN LEAVE FOR CAMP

The following men left Wednesday, September 1 for Camp Croft, S. C. where they will take military examinations. Those who pass will be inducted into some branch of the military service.

Pershing Angel, J. B. King, Ralph Tipton, Eugene Patton (vol), Aleck Ed Jarrett, R. G. Fender;

Merritt Banks, Charles Tipton, Ralph Wm. Hughes, Bill Bailey, Talmadge Hensley (vol);

Guy Honeycutt, Jess Honeycutt, Warren Dewey Laws, Caslee Thomas, Ralph Eugene Parker;

Phillip Hughes, Deck Webb, Arthur Ledford, Roy Garrett Buckner, Perry Parker, Cecil McIntosh, Earl McNeill;

Jennings Beeler, Clarence Morrow, Ramon Robinson, Emery Lee Shepherd, Oval Tomberlin, Cedric Hunter, Brooks Holcombe.

A. C. Angel, Jr. is now stationed at the Naval training station, Bainbridge, Md.

Earl Deyton who has been stationed at Sioux City, Iowa is home on leave.

Keesler Field, Miss., Sept. 8—Pfc. Ottis C. Johnson, son of Mrs. Cordellia Silvers, Rt. 1, Burnsville, was graduated today from the B-24 Liberator bomber mechanics school here and is now ready for active line duty.

Pvt. Johnson, however, may be sent to a factory school for further specialized training or to one of the Army Air Forces Training Command's flexible gunnery schools to become an aerial gunner.

NAVY RECRUITER

A recruiter for the U. S. Navy will be at the court house in Burnsville from 12:00 noon until 5 p. m. on Monday, Sept. 6.

COUNTY QUOTA IN 3rd WAR LOAN DRIVE IS \$69,000

Yancey county's quota in the third War Loan Drive has been set at \$69,000, according to figures released this week.

The quota in the second Loan drive in April was \$40,000, and this amount was oversubscribed by approximately \$5,000.

NOTICE

Due to the fact that the First Monday, Sept. 6th is Labor Day, the County Commissioners will meet in regular session on Tuesday, Sept. 7th.

NOTICE

The Northwestern Bank will be closed on Monday, September 6, Labor Day.

RATION BOARD NEWS

Old type B & C Coupons and 100 gallon bulk coupons must be exchanged for new type by Sept. 1.

If any one has B or C coupons on hand these may be turned in for new coupons of equal value.

N. C. NAMED NAVAL SHIP TO BE LAUNCHED

Charleston, S. C., Sept. 1—A knife-bowed destroyer escort, to be named for a North Carolina Naval hero, Lt. William Perry Kephart, a Naval flier, whose parents live at Blowing Rock, N. C., will be launched Monday, Sept. 6, in the first Labor Day event of its kind in the history of the Charleston Navy Yard.

The USS Kephart is one of two new destroyer escorts to be launched the same day. The other is the USS Cofer, name for seaman first class John Joseph Cofer, of Louisville, Ga., who was killed in action aboard the USS Aaron Ward and posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal "for extremely gallant and intrepid conduct."

There will be no launching ceremonies.

HUNTING REGULATIONS

In discussing the approaching hunting season, Game Warden J. Craig English said this week that there has been wide spread misunderstanding concerning regulations this year. The state game laws are very nearly the same as last year except for minor changes in the seasons and variation in dates.

The schedule now is: Squirrel: Oct. 1-Dec. 15. Bear, coon, possum: Oct. 15-Jan. 1. Grouse, quail, rabbit: Thanksgiving Day-Feb. 1. Deer: Nov. 1-Nov. 30.

Licenses are now on sale at the principal stores in each community in the county.

Although state laws will permit hunting with the changes mentioned above, the greatest difficulty will be in obtaining ammunition.

THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE

Gov. J. Melville Broughton will officially launch North Carolina's third war loan drive for \$145,000,000 in war bonds and other government securities with an address over the state's radio networks Wednesday, September 8, from 7:30 p. m. to 7:45 p. m., according to an announcement yesterday from Clarence T. Lainsbach, Winston-Salem, chairman of the North Carolina war finance committee.

"VICTORY WINDOW"

Bruce Westall is planning for a display of pictures of the men in the fighting forces in the windows of the Young and Westall store. The display will be arranged by September 13 and will remain during the rest of the month.

Mr. Westall asks the cooperation of families and friends of service men in sending or bringing in pictures so that they may be on hand by Sept. 11. Regular photographs in frames or folders are preferred as these will show up better.

Return of the photographs, personally or by mail, is guaranteed by Mr. Westall.

Save All Fats

With millions of pounds of waste kitchen fats still needed to meet war demands, Paul C. Cabot, Director of WPB Salvage Div-

Fire Control Tower On Phillips Knob Is Completed

The Forest Fire control tower on Phillips Knob north of Burnsville was completed last week. The tower which is 65 feet high was given by the U. S. Forest service, and has been constructed and will be controlled by the state forest service. The site was donated by Lester Bailey and Clyde Bailey.

The new look out will afford an approximate coverage of six counties, Avery, Mitchell, Yancey, Madison, Buncombe and a small portion of Haywood. In addition, all the Tennessee line from Roan Mountain to Bald Mountain is within range, thus covering several thousand acres along the state line.

The added forest fire protection which the new tower will give may be of invaluable benefit to this section. It completes a triangle of lookouts within a radius of twenty miles, and will enable a cross

check which will give an accurate location of any fire which may break out, and will thus make possible much more effective prevention and control work.

The three other towers in this section are Mt. Mitchell, and two maintained by the U. S. forest service, Devil's Nest on the Tennessee line and Green Knob on the Scenic highway.

The tower will be manned on an average of five months per year, depending, of course, on the season and the severity of the fire threat. A cabin will be built within a short time.

The road which in dry weather is good to within one quarter mile of the top has already been constructed. Plans now are to widen it and cover with crushed stone all the way to the top.

The telephone line from the tower to connect with the telephone system here is expected to be completed in two weeks.

Increased Pulpwood Production Is Urgently Needed

The campaign throughout the 27 pulpwood producing states to increase the supply of this critically needed material is bringing very encouraging results, according to reports from national headquarters.

The present campaign was planned to bring to the attention of the nation the increasing demand for wood, the thousands of ways in which it is necessary to the war effort and the need for enlisting every person who can help to increase production.

Farmers who have only a few cords are urged to make an effort to cut this and get it to the mills. "A cord per man" is the slogan in one section where there are no big boundaries but where nearly every farm has some wood available.

Paper mills throughout the country are giving the drive full support because it is only by having an adequate supply of raw materials that these plants can fill the ever increasing orders.

In this section, the Champion Paper and Fibre company of Canton is urging full cooperation of all producers. Any of the following woods are now urgently needed, chestnut, cottonwood, maple, hemlock, buckeye, gum, pine, poplar, basswood, cucumber and willow.

War Material Pulpwood is a vital war material. The two largest percentages of uses are 25 percent for containers (for shipment of ammunition, food, blood plasma, etc.) and for wrapping paper. In addition it is used in manufacturing smokeless powder, hospital and sanitary waddings, sanitary toweling and tissues, printing paper, etc.

On May 15th Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, emphasized the seriousness of the rapidly decreasing production of pulpwood and struck the keynote to the solution of this problem when he said:

"If every one of the 3,800,000 farmers in the 27 pulpwood producing states were to devote three extra days in 1943 to cutting pulpwood we could overcome the threatened 2,500,000-cord shortage with extra wood to spare."

Labor Mobilization Board

Raleigh, N. C., September 1.—With the appointment yesterday of Dover R. Fouts, Burnsville, as chairman of the Labor Mobilization Board for Yancey County, Governor J. M. Broughton served definite notice on local loafers that they must find gainful employment within the next few days or be charged guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to punishment by a prison sentence, a fine, or both a fine and a prison sentence.

Governor Broughton named the following as members of the Board to assist the chairman in putting all idlers of this county to work: Fletcher Phillips, Spruce Pine; Clarence E. Briggs, Burnsville; L. G. Deyton, Burnsville; Miss Hope Buck, Burnsville; John W. Holcombe, Prices Creek; Noah Whitson, Ramseytown; George Robinson, Burnsville; Roy Bailey, Bald Creek; and J. H. Ray, Burnsville.

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Former Resident Passes Away

Passes Away Aug. 20 R. H. Blankenship passed away at 9 o'clock Friday morning, August 20, at the Mark Swan home in Mora, Minn. following a long illness. Mr. Blankenship suffered a stroke in May, 1942 from which he had never fully recovered. He was 78 years and 8 months of age.

Robert Henry Blankenship was born in Yancey county, North Carolina, December 22, 1864, where he spent his boyhood, coming to Pine county, Minn., in 1887. He was married to Anne Estelle Hay at Pine City in September, 1897, to which union three children were born: Roswell R. (Ross), Clifford James, and Howard, who survive their father. Mrs. Blankenship died August 17, 1905. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Lillie Proffitt of Burnsville, N. C., and nine grandchildren.

After completing his education Mr. Blankenship taught in Pine county schools for a number of years. He was elected county superintendent of schools of Pine county in 1894, serving in that capacity until 1910, and was again elected superintendent in 1912, retiring from office in 1918. He also published the Sandstone Tribune from 1912 until it was discontinued in 1915.

Following his retirement as a county official he far-

med several years near Hinkley, taught school there and at Sturgeon Lake where he also conducted a resort. He came to Kanabec county in 1929, where he taught several terms in Hillman and Knife Lake schools. He opened a fishing resort at Knife Lake in 1931, which he conducted until his health failed last year. Since then he had made his home with his son, Ross, at Mora.

Funeral services were conducted at the Dresser chapel in Mora Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, Rev. Stanley A. Wick officiating. Following the services here the remains were taken to Birchwood cemetery at Pine City and he was laid at rest beside his wife. Committal service at the grave was conducted by Rev. Wick.

Out of town relatives attending the funeral were Howard Blankenship of St. Paul; Mrs. E. L. Stephan of Hinkley, and Mrs. A. H. Stephan and son Junior of Harris. A son, Clifford J. Blankenship of Biloxi, Miss., who is in army service, was awaiting orders in the south and unable to attend the funeral. A grandson, Robert J. Blankenship of Mora, also in army service, had left for training camp in Oregon last week and could not attend.—(Kanabec County Times, Mora, Minnesota).

BONDS OVER AMERICA * * *

Entrance—Union Stockyards, Chicago

Since 1865 American stockraisers have been taking their animals to the Union Stockyards at Chicago, maintaining an institution that helped to make America great.



In Hitler's Europe the farmers are producing too, but their product goes to Nazi Germany to feed the soldiers who are shooting thousands of prisoners who object to this form of tyranny.

Keep Our Traditions Buy More War Bonds