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--- Men In Service ---

Lt. W. E. Anglin is spending a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Anglin. He is stationed in Charleston.

James D. Edwards of Camp Crowder is here on leave. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Edwards.

Pvt. James G. Laws, son of Mrs. Rena Laws is at home on a ten day furlough. He is stationed at Fort Devens, Mass.

R. W. Ramsey, naval aviation ordnance man, returned to Norfolk this week after leave spent here.

Frank Butner, Coxswain's mate U. S. Navy, is home on leave. He is with the Pacific fleet.

Ernest Banner of the U. S. Navy is at home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Banner.

Four Sons and Son-in-law In Service

Mr. and Mrs. Will Young have had four sons and a son-in-law in service until recently when one son, Burl, was given a medical discharge. He was a paratrooper and was injured in training. He is now employed in Baltimore.

The other service men are: Smith who is tail gunner on a bomber in England. Bob is a paratrooper and has been in Africa for several months, and was in the Sicilian campaign.

A fourth son, Harry, recently joined the navy and is now at the naval air station in St. Louis, Mo. A son-in-law, Lawrence Young, is also in the navy and is now at sea.

All of the boys are graduates of Micaville high school.

Kenneth W. Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Carter of Bald Creek has been promoted from Private to Corporal. Cpl. Carter spent the first three months in service at Vancouver, Wash. From there he was transferred to desert maneuvers in California. He has been in service now for 8 months.

Before entering the army Cpl. Carter was connected with the Full-Fashioned hosiery mill at Morganton, N. C.

Arnold E. Higgins is now at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Cpl. Bayard T. Howell who has been stationed at Camp Custer, Mich. is now at Camp Grant, Ill.

Harold Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pender Bennett is at home from Camp Campbell, Ky. He has been given a medical discharge from military service.

R. G. Fender left last Monday for the Navy. He was accompanied to Asheville by his wife, his mother, Barbara Angel, Anna Katherine Peterson, and Earnest Robertson.

NAVY RECRUITER

K. E. Handy Spl. c (R) will be in Burnsville at the Courthouse on Tuesday, Sept. 21 from 9:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. for the purpose of accepting applications from 17 year olds for the Navy. He will also have information on the Seabees and application forms for the WAVES.

REGISTERED DURING AUGUST

The following boys who became 18 during the month of August registered with the local Selective Service board:

Ray Bruce Robertson, Vixen; Charles Wesley Edwards, Cane River; Claude M. Murphy, Micaville; Wm. Oliver Riddle, Star route Burnsville; Charles R. Hamrick, Burnsville; Kenneth Letterman, Day Book; James C. Robinson, Green Mtn.; Charles A. Branche, Micaville; J. D. Silvers, Bald Creek; Warren Blevins, Burnsville; Bruce Shepherd, Swiss; James Lee Silver, Newdale; Bruce James Taylor, Rt. 1 Burnsville.

Durham, N. C.—Among the 1,600 enlisted students who are training at Duke University in the Navy College Training Program, V-12, is Herrick Roland Peterson of Yancey county.

The Duke Navy program lists nearly 1,000 navy trainees, 600 from the marine corps, and a number from the coastguard.

The Yancey county student is a member of the Navy group.

RIVERSIDE BOYS IN SERVICE

The following boys from Riverside community are in service: Cornice Gibbs, Grady Gibbs, Oscar Gibbs, Jr., Otis Gibbs, John McKinney, Eulys Silver, Otis Roland, Lee Evans, Edd Ayers, Clyde Ayers, Vyron Riddle, Hubert Riddle, Clarence Ball.

Berea, Ky., Sept. 3.—George Blake, Burnsville, N. C., son of Mrs. Julia A. Blake, is among the 300 men assigned to the V-12 Navy College Training Unit at Berea College, Berea Kentucky.

Blake is a graduate of the Mars Hill high school and was formerly a student at Berea College. He is classed as a senior.

S. 2c. Damon Fender of the U. S. Navy spent the week end with his parents and friends.

Josef Wilson of the U. S. Navy spent a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wilson.

Ralph Bailey of the U. S. Navy is here on leave.

Mail packages to men overseas Sept. 15—Oct. 15.

NOTICE

Yancey County Local Board for Selective Service is making a complete inventory of all registrants on September 16th through September 30th. Owing to the large amount of work to be done, the office will be open to the public during the mornings from nine to eleven o'clock only. No one will be admitted to the office after eleven o'clock during the above stated time.

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BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. G. Carlton Cox, pastor of the Merrimon Ave. Baptist church of Asheville, will bring the message at the Sunday morning service.

NOTICE

All registrants 18-38 not essentially employed, should register with the U. S. Employment service not later than September 17.

WINS AWARD

Charleston, S. C., Sept. 6.—Jake Ramsey, formerly of Burnsville, N. C., a leading pipefitter in the Charleston Navy Yard, has been awarded a cash prize of \$18.75—coincidentally the price of a \$25 War Bond—for a beneficial suggestion to speed production on warships for the Fleet.

Ramsey suggested the installation of safety shields on certain machines in the Pipecover Shop.

HOME AGENT NEWS

An organization meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Silas Hensley to which ladies of the Prices Creek section were invited. Miss Russell, home agent, discussed plans with them for a demonstration club in their community.

The Cane River Club held the regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Lela Sams.

The subject of discussion for all clubs this month is "How Safe Is Your Home?"

Mrs. Bill Edge will be hostess to members of the Newdale club this afternoon, and the Higgins club will meet at the home of Mrs. Dewey Higgins on Friday afternoon.

NOTICE

To all persons using trucks for the purpose of transporting school children to and from Ball Games need not apply to the Farm Transportation Committee of Yancey county for any Supplemental Gasoline, for it will not be approved. The gas that they already have should be used for essential hauling and not for pleasure.

Luke L. Laughrun, chairman Yancey county Farm Transportation Committee.

Edwin Duncan, executive vice president of the Northwestern Bank is in Burnsville today.

N. C. E. A. LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD HERE

A leadership conference, sponsored by the North Carolina Education Association, will be held at the Burnsville school on Wednesday, September 22 at 3 o'clock.

School superintendents, principals, and teachers of Madison, Buncombe, Yancey, Mitchell, and Avery counties will attend.

The N.C.E.A. is arranging the program which will consist mainly of a discussion of problems relating to the schools.

FORM PARTNERSHIP

Col. James O. Safford of Burnsville and Edwin O. Fitch of Asheville have formed a partnership to carry on the activities of the Safford Company.

For several years the company has been manufacturing a number of types of cleanser products, and recently perfected the formula for an insecticide called "Saff" which has met with marked success during the past season in this and several surrounding counties. It will be placed on sale for the general public next year.

The company uses locally mined and processed feldspar in manufacture of the various products, thus utilizing raw materials of the county. In addition, all materials that are available in the county or state are used, and the labor is entirely from this section.

The recently formed partnership will make it possible to take care of the increasing demand for the products of the company.

FAMILY REUNION OF MR. AND MRS. ZEB KING'S FAMILY

A family reunion was recently held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb King of Burnsville. Those present included all their married children, their wives, husbands, and all the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb King.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford King of Buffalo, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King and two sons, Dennis and Charles, of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene King, their son and daughter, Eugene, Jr. and Norma Lonelle of Lake Toxaway, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Peterson and two children, Clifford and Barbara Ann, of Burnsville.

Three children were unable to attend, a daughter, Celia King who is employed at Spray, N. C. and two sons, Bruce and Roy King who are in overseas service.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Anglin of Elizabethton spent the week end with relatives here.

Virinia Atkins who has been employed in Detroit is visiting her mother at Pensacola.



Captain Hilliard

WAR LOAN

Sales of War Bonds in the county to Thursday morning totaled approximately \$25,000, chairman R. N. Scott reported this morning.

The county quota is \$69,000 and all potential buyers are urged to make their purchases as rapidly as possible. The drive lasts through the month of September.

TOWN PROPERTY WILL BE ADVERTISED

All town property on which 1942 taxes have not been paid will be advertised for four weeks, beginning Thursday, September 23. The property will be sold on Monday, October 18.

Town officials urge all delinquent tax payers to pay these at once and save additional cost.

MERCHANT MARINE

A post-war merchant marine program, planned to serve our national defense at all times and return benefits to our economic security, has just been announced by the American Merchant Marine Institute of New York City.

Citing the need for a merchant marine fleet which will continue to be a vital arm of the Navy and Army and also "an effective instrument by which the United States will promote the stabilization of international conditions through a more extensive participation in world trade," the Institute offered a ten-point program of recommendations to post-war planning groups which are developing the shipping policy of the United States.

The program takes into consideration that this country will have a preponderance of the world's tonnage when hostilities cease; that it will have a well-trained list of sea-going personnel for manning of the vessels and also a large number of privately-owned companies which already have proved themselves competent to operate all the increasing tonnage being turned out by our shipyards.

It also sets forth the economic value of our merchant marine in terms of indirect employment lent farms and factories throughout the nation

Captain Ray M. Hilliard Has Made Great Record

Back Home After Much Action

(The following is taken from the Asheville Citizen, Sept. 14).

Wearing the bars of a captain and with 146 combat missions as a pursuit pilot from bases in Australia and New Guinea at the age of 23, Capt. Ray M. Hilliard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee M. Hilliard of Micaville, Yancey county's No. 1 airman of world war No. 2, has come back home for a well earned rest.

In the first group of American pursuit pilots to land in Australia after war was declared by the United States, Hilliard was one of the little band of fliers who turned back the Japanese airplanes there as they attempted to attack the Australian continent in the early days of the war.

To New Guinea

He later moved on to New Guinea and has seen a lot of action over the Southwest Pacific islands, particularly in the Buna area.

He wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, mostly for his dive bombing and ground strafing in the Buna area; the air medal with oak leaf cluster; and the citation ribbon for two citations given his group by congress and the president for outstanding action in combat.

The slightly built (he tips the scales at 135 pounds) airman is reluctant to talk about what he has seen and done during the 20 months he spent in the middle of the fight against the Japanese.

Tight Places

Yes, he has been in some

pretty tight places, he admits, his plane has been shot up some, he will confess if you press him close enough, "but it has never been shot up too much. "I've always managed to get back," he adds with his slow smile.

There is one thing he is not hesitant about telling you though, and that is that it is going to take longer to whip the Japs than the average person thinks. They have good equipment, a well trained army and they fight to the last.

"I have a lot of respect for those fellows," he says.

Jap pilots are plenty willing to mix it up with Americans when their paths cross in the air, the young veteran has found, but they are usually willing to break off the engagement and go home if they are unable to finish off their foe after brief encounter.

No Clay Pigeons

"You certainly don't feel like you are going out to shoot clay pigeons when you go out to meet a Jap fighter," he declared.

The principal duties of his squadron was to turn back Japanese bombers and their pursuit escorts attempting to bomb cities and military installations in the Australian area. He remained there for six months before moving to New Guinea where he was based up until August 24 when he started his trip home. In New Guinea, he devoted most of his time to strafing and dive bombing with his light plane.

He sees the position of the united nations as much improved in the Southwest Pacific area now. We have

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Funeral Services Are Held For Edgar W. Ray

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 12, for Edgar William Ray, 34, who died at his home in Newport News, Va. September 9. Services were held at the Pensacola Baptist church and burial was in the cemetery there.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Vera Carter, and small son Edgar William Ray, Jr.; his mother, Mrs. B. B. Ray; two brothers, Hobart Ray, Burnsville, and Wayne Ray of Pensacola; five sisters, Mrs. T. J. Wilson, Mrs. Ewart Wilson, Mrs. Crate Blankenship, Mrs. J. T. Anglin, Burnsville, and Mrs. J. B. Riddle, Morganton.

Active pallbearers were nephews including Harold, Bruce and Vernon Anglin, Ted Wilson, James Ray, Alvin and Ray Blankenship, Joseph Bennett Riddle, Ned and Tom Lee Wilson, Albert Jamerson and Brooks Boone.

Honorary pallbearers were John B. Banks, Ralph Laughrun, Dr. W. L. Robertson, Troy Ray, Charles Proffitt, Aldin Tomberlin,

Lawrence Littlejohn, Dr. J. B. Riddle, Ewart Wilson, T. J. Wilson, L. R. Carter, E. G. Carter, Crate Blankenship, J. F. Anders and Ralph Shepherd.

Flower girls included Nona Rumion, Anastasia Tomberlin, Mozelle and Madge Carter, Thelma and Elizabeth Anglin, Mrs. Brooks Boone, Mrs. Bruce Anglin, Mrs. Bruce Tomberlin, Mrs. Vernon Anglin, Mrs. Tom Lee Wilson, Ornela Jamerson, Nellen Robertson, Mrs. Joseph Bennett Riddle, Mrs. D. J. Jamerson and Mrs. Frances Zelaska.

Mr. Ray was a native of Pensacola and was formerly connected with the Full-Fashioned hosiery mill in Morganton before taking a position in the ship yard in Newport News, Va. Services were conducted by Rev. Ben Lee Ray and Rev. Zemri Jamerson, assisted by Mr. B. M. Tomberlin.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Holcombe and Edwards funeral home of Burnsville.