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---Men In Service---

Van B. Bennett who has been stationed with the Army Medical Corps in New Guinea for several months was recently promoted to the rank of captain. He wrote recently that he was ill in the hospital there.

Major Gus Laughrun who has been with the army medical corps in England for several months, has landed in New York, according to a message received by members of his family.

Hugh M. King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edd King of Burnsville, was recently promoted to the rank of corporal. He has been in service over a year and is stationed at Blythe, Cal. where he is an instructor at the Gunnery Range.

Pfc. Roy McIntosh is spending a twelve day furlough and Cpl. Ralph McIntosh spent the past week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McIntosh of Bald Creek.

Pfc. McIntosh has been in service fifteen months and Cpl. McIntosh has been in service two years.

Technical Sgt. Woodrow Ayers has been awarded the Good Conduct medal, according to a letter received from his commanding officer, Capt. Nicholas A. Casciato.

"Such an award", the letter stated, is made on the basis of exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity, and reflects most favorably upon the recipient. It is a matter of personal pride to me that a soldier of such qualification is included within the elements of this command."

Sgt. Ayers is with a medical section overseas.

Cread S. Hylemon, 18 of the U. S. Navy, spent a few days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hylemon.

Pvt. Gus Shepherd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Shepherd of Swiss who has been stationed at Camp Davis is now in Florida.

Sgt. Quince Hill has recently been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hill of Swiss and is now stationed somewhere in England.

Kenneth E. Robinson, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robinson, Paint Gap, N. C. is receiving his initial naval training at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill.

His "boot" training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill, and general naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruit to determine whether he will be assigned to a Naval service School or to immediate active duty at sea.

KILLED IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. Jobe Thomas of Green Mtn. have received word that their son, Technician, 5th grade Guy D. Thomas, was killed in action in Italy on March 9.

Technician Thomas entered service in 1940 and had been overseas for several months. He has two brothers in service, Frank A. Thomas in the South Pacific area and Donald Thomas who is in the army air corps, stationed at Lake City, Fla.

Leave For Examination

Four men (colored) left last week for pre-induction examinations at Camp Croft, S. C. They were: Frank Young, Saul Edward Griffith, Ralph Roland, Charles Arnold Wilson.

Awards For Staff Sergeant Smith Young Presented To Parents

A posthumous award of the air medal and three oak leaf clusters was made recently at Morris Field, Charlotte for Staff Sergeant Smith J. Young whose death was reported in December. The presentation was made to his father, Will M. Young of Newdale, Yancey county by Col. Warner B. Gates.

The air medal was authorized on August 16, 1943, the first oak leaf cluster on August 26, 1943 and the two others on Sept. 18 and Oct. 3, 1943.

The citation for these awards read: "For exceptionally meritorious achievement, while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied Continental

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. RANNIE HOWELL

Mrs. Rannie Howell of Hunteale died March 31, after an extended illness. She was 72 years old and was a member of the Free Will Baptist church.

Funeral services were held at the Green Mountain Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock April 2. Services were conducted by Rev. Ernest Wilson assisted by Rev. Bob Miller and Rev. Sam Griffith and interment was in the Peterson Hill cemetery.

She is survived by one son, Rexter Howell of Hunteale; one grandchild, and five great grandchildren; one brother, Pierce Howell of Ramseytown, and two half brothers, Jesse and J. W. Howell of Green Mountain.

Flower girls were: Katie and Arline Bailey, Ruth and Mae Hughes, Mrs. Thelma Howell and Peggy Howell.

Active pall bearers were: Jack Laws, Avery Buchanan, Clarence Bailey, Chris Garland and Gus Tipton.

CORRECTION

It has been called to our attention that a very grave error was made last week in reporting collections for the Red Cross in Green Mtn., township. The report should have read \$196.60, and instead read \$19.60. We regret this mistake, and are glad to correct it.

ATTENTION MILK PRODUCERS

March and April Dairy Feed Payments are to be combined in one payment to be issued after April 30.

After you have received all of your March and April receipts, bring all 4 receipts to AAA Office for payment

John W. English, specialist 3c of the naval training center, Davisville, R. I., is at home on leave.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. GILLESPIE

Funeral services for Mrs. C. D. Gillespie, 47, who died at her home in the Prices Creek section, Wednesday afternoon, April 5 were conducted Friday at the home. Rev. W. L. Edwards, Rev. Allred, Rev. Ernest Wilson and Rev. M. V. Westall officiated.

Pallbearers were Hubert Blankenship, Wren Hennessee, Claude Honeycutt, Max Honeycutt, Byrd Gillespie, Grady Greenwood, Dewey Hurst and Webb Horton.

Surviving are the husband; two sisters, Mrs. Harriet Blankenship of Hillgert and Mrs. E. L. Horton of Democrat; and two brothers, Dan and Creed Hurst of Cane River.

Burial was in the family cemetery.

Holcombe and Edwards funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

TO THE REPUBLICANS OF YANCEY COUNTY

The Bi-annual Convention of the Republican party of Yancey County will meet in the Courthouse at Burnsville at dark, Friday, April 14, 1944.

This convention is for the consideration of all questions that may come before the convention, and especially for the organization of the party for the 1944 election, and for the purpose of naming candidates for the offices of Representative, Register of Deeds, Coroner, Surveyor, and County Commissioners, and such other things as the convention thinks proper. P. M. Banks, Chairman.

POSTAL RECEIPTS INCREASE AT BURNSVILLE OFFICE

Postal receipts and the number of insured and C. O. D. parcels mailed and received, and war bond transactions have shown a large increase during the past year.

From April 1, 1943 to March 31, 1944 all receipts show an increase over the similar time period of April 1, 1942 to March 31, 1943, as follows:

Money orders, 7,083 and 9,401.

Insured, C. O. D. and registered mail mailed: 2161 and 3709.

Parcels received, Insured C. O. D. and registered: 3411 and 5231.

Bond transactions: 814 and 2171

Postal receipts: \$9330.53 and \$11,130.87.

FINISHED PARTS OF PARKWAY TO OPEN SATURDAY

Public May Use Several Sections Of Blue Ridge Roads

Sam B. Weems, acting superintendent of the Blue Ridge parkway, has announced that completed sections of the parkway will be opened for public use Saturday.

Beginning at Shenandoah National park, the first continuous completed section extends to U. S. highway No. 60 at Buena Vista, Va., Mr. Weems said. The next section that will be opened to traffic is from the James river to the Peaks of Otter in Virginia. he stated. From the peaks of Otter to Adney gap, south of Roanoke, work on the parkway has not been finished, but from Adney gap to Deep gap in North Carolina, the parkway has been paved for about 130 miles. From Deep gap to Blowing Rock, traffic will use the state highways and then can continue on the parkway for a long distance to a point near Mt. Mitchell he pointed out.

Restrictions will continue about the same as in 1943, with the national speed limit of 35 miles an hour in effect, the acting superintendent said.

Lt. Warren Whitson Killed In Plane Crash Monday

Lt. Warren A. Whitson, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Whitson of Marion, was killed Monday night when his fighter plane crashed at Oakdale, Calif.

The Whitson family formerly lived at Sioux, and Lt. Whitson attended Bee Log high school. Surviving are the parents; three brothers, Walter of Marion, Herbie of Charleston, W. Va. and Pfc. Thomas E. Whitson of the army air force, stationed in England, and five sisters Mrs. Paul Morris, Mrs. Clarence Duncan, Mrs. Carl

McKinney, Miss Evelyn Whitson and Miss Ruby Whitson, all of Marion.

Whitson volunteered for service with the Marine Corps four years ago and received boot training at Parris Island, S. C. He later trained at Quantico, Va. and other stations in Virginia and Florida. He was stationed in New Orleans before going to Santa Barbara where he was stationed at the time of his death.

No details of the accident were learned and funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Schools Plan Commencement

Plans for Commencement exercises at the five county high schools have been announced by the principals.

At Clearmont high school, the Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday afternoon, April 16, at 3 o'clock. The Rev. F. R. Barber of Burnsville will deliver the sermon.

Graduating exercises will be held Saturday evening, April 22 at 8:00 o'clock. The literary address will be delivered by the Rev. A. H. Mutschler of Burnsville.

Honor students are: salutatorian, June Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Higgins of Burnsville Rt. 1, valedictorian, James Tilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tilley of Relief and John Elliott, son of Mrs. Esther Elliott of Burnsville Rt. 1.

At Bald Creek high school the Junior play, "Jane Eyre" will be presented Friday, April 21.

Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday, April 23 at 11 o'clock with Rev. J. G. Allred delivering the sermon. Dr. E. J. Coltrane of Brevard College will deliver the literary address at the graduating exercises on Tuesday, April 25.

Honor students are: Valedictorian, Jennie Hensley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hensley, and salutatorian, Grace Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Ray.

At Bee Log high school, the play will be presented on Wednesday, April 19. The Baccalaureate exercises will be held Sunday, April 23 with Rev. J. G. Allred delivering the sermon at 2:30 o'clock.

Graduating exercises will be held Tuesday, April 25. Della Louise McIntosh daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McIntosh of Bee Log Pfc. Kitchin is on our service calendar, from which we write six boys a week.

Miss Joy Johnson is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Will Fred Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Peterson of Ramseytown.

Micaville high school Juniors will present their play on Friday, April 14.

Senior class day exercises will be held Thursday, April 20.

Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday evening, April 23, with Rev. Ernest Wilson of Micaville delivering the sermon.

Graduating exercises will be held Tuesday evening, April 25 and Dr. Hoyt Blackwell of Mars Hill will be the speaker.

Honor students are: Valedictorian, Marie Geouge, daughter of Mrs. Martha Geouge of Celso, salutatorian, Genevieve Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Robinson of Celso.

At Burnsville high school the program of events will be as follows:

The play, "Anne of Green Gables", will be given Friday night, April 14, and on Thursday night, April 20, Mrs. G. D. Bailey will present her piano students in recital.

The Baccalaureate exercises will be held at the Baptist church on Sunday evening, April 23 with Rev. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill delivering the sermon.

Graduating exercises will be held on Tuesday evening, April 25 with the following honor students as speakers for the program: Lucretia Blankenship, Mary Jo Parrish, Frances Riddle, Doris Penland, Joyce King, Lillian Hensley.

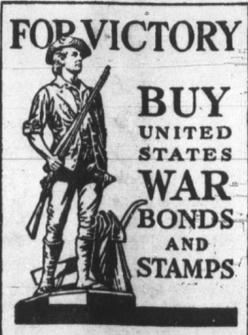
PLEASANT GROVE

Truett T. Johnson, seaman second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Johnson of Green Mtn., has completed his boot training at Great Lakes and is now stationed at the Naval Air Station, Livermore, Cal.

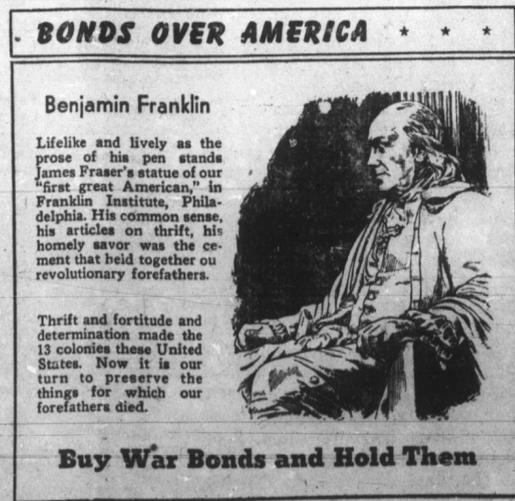
Pfc. and Virgil McKinney and the former's mother visited Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner Sunday.

Pvt. Rothy Byrd and Pfc. Kitchin were present for daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. U meeting Sunday. G. C. McIntosh of Bee Log Pfc. Kitchin is on our service calendar, from which we write six boys a week.

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