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---Men In Service---

Cpl. Earl Ogle of the U. S. Marine Corps, stationed at Parris Island, S. C., has been visiting his wife and other relatives of Bolens Creek.

Cpl. Paul King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe King of Cane River, is now in England.

Pfc. Ben Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gardner, formerly of Burnsville, is now stationed in England.

Sgt. Bryan King has been stationed in England with a Bomb group for the past year. He has been in service two years and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie King of Cane River.

Cpl. Jonathan Ballew of Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla. is home on pass visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Ballew of Hamrick.

Pvt. Bill Bailey who entered service in December and has been stationed at Fort Bragg is now at Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Pfc. Lawrence Watts of the Signal Service Corps is home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Watts of Bee Log. He was in service in Alaska for 18 months and is now stationed in Canada.

John H. Angel, aviation machinist mate, first class, who has been stationed at Norfolk for several months is now with the Pacific fleet.

James Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ray of Burnsville, was home on short leave from Dalgren, Va. where he is stationed.

Stanley H. Ledford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geter Ledford of Swiss, is now at the Marine Base, Parris Island, S. C.

Pfc. Bob Souther of Camp Butner was home on a short leave.

Cpl. Ralph W. Byrd, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Byrd of Pensacola has landed safely overseas according to a letter received by his parents. He has been in service for 14 months and has made a good record.

Lee Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Evans of Burnsville is now in New Guinea, letters from him have stated.

Pfc. Clyde McCurry has returned to Camp Swift, Texas after visiting relatives at Bee Log on furlough.

Pvt. James (Bud) Arrowood who is stationed at Fort Gruber, Okla. is home on furlough. He also visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mitchell of Unicoi, Tenn.

Sgt. Earl Hughes of Camp Gordon, Ga. has been home on furlough.

Missing In Action

Word has been received here that Capt. Charles Bailey of the army air corps has been missing in action over Austria since April 23.

Capt. Bailey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bailey of Santa Barbara, Cal. formerly of Burnsville. He has been in service 4 years and was an instructor at several fields before going overseas 5 months ago.

Report For Induction

Fonzo Lee Miller, Junior Melton Silvers and George McIntosh reported May 23 at Fort Bragg for induction into the army.

William E. Hensley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hensley, Sr. of Swannanoa, has been promoted to the rank of aviation machinist mate, third class.

He received his base training in Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla. and is now stationed in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sgt. Kenneth Robertson Returns To N. C. Marine Base

(The following story was written by Sergeant Charles B. Kopp, of Greensboro, Ga., a Marine Corps Combat Correspondent.)

Camp Lejeune, N. C., May 20.—Marine Sgt. James K. Robertson, 24, of Burnsville, N. C., who with a Leatherneck comrade has brought the first Marine war dogs back from the combat zone, used to hunt "bear and 'coon" around the edge of the Great Smoky Mountains.

He had some dogs that "wouldn't wait," and he knew how to handle a hunting rod. Altogether, they made a fine team.

Robertson was just the kind of guy the Corps was looking for when it began training dogs to stalk the Japs. And he wasn't about to miss out on such an assignment.

When Robertson became a member of the war dog detachment, he had served for a year at the Marine air station at Cherry Point, N. C. He was ready for the kind of action Leathernecks expect—and like.

He got action in a novel way. A year ago he left here with the first dog platoon. The outfit hit Bougainville on "D" day in November. He won a spot promotion to sergeant for his work with the dogs on the Empress Augusta Bay beachhead there.

Bougainville, with its miasmatic swamps and incessant rains, provided a dog's life, Robertson reports. Not even the dogs liked it. But, he added, their obedience and general performance left nothing to be desired.

Robertson was chosen,

PROCLAMATION

In the interest of progress and the general welfare of our town and its citizens, I hereby issue the following proclamation:

Whereas, the Town of Burnsville, in co-operation with the Boy Scouts and Women's Club is planning to conduct a clean-up campaign in Burnsville June 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Whereas a campaign of this kind is productive of much good in the promotion of beautification, civic pride, health and fire prevention.

Now, therefore, I, Clarence E. Briggs, Mayor of the Town of Burnsville, do hereby set aside and proclaim the dates of June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, as Clean-Up days for Burnsville and respectfully call upon every citizen, business firm and organization to co-operate to the fullest extent in the observance of this campaign.

Signed this the 25th day of May, 1944.

Clarence E. Briggs, Mayor, of Town of Burnsville.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Charles R. Hubbard

are visiting friends here. Lieut. Hubbard who was formerly principal of Micaville high school, is now on duty with the Atlantic fleet.

Stewart Miller, seaman first class is now at Camp Ingram with the Atlantic fleet. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Q. Miller of Ramseytown.

For the War Wounded, Wear a Poppy.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JOE SILVERS

Funeral services for "Uncle" Joe Silvers of the Cane Branch section, Micaville, were conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Crabtree Baptist church. The Rev. Hobart Glass officiated. Burial was in the Micaville cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, and the following children: Mack, Oscar, Lynn, Elzie, Robe, Ed of Erwin, Tenn., Mrs. Liddie Chrisawn and Mrs. Dollie Kates of Marion. Twenty three grand children and twenty eight great grand children also survive.

WAR BONDS in Action



U. S. Task force men at Rendova have learned to "come and get it" under any and all conditions. They have learned about concentrated rations, dehydrated vegetables, and maybe they dream of steaks—but they fight on. They buy War Bonds, do you? Buy more and hold 'em! U. S. Treasury Department

Demonstration Farmers Meet

The annual meeting of the county demonstration farmers and their wives was held Tuesday evening at Burnsville school. One hundred and fifty members of the group and invited guests attended the supper and meeting.

Supper was served at the high school building, and following this the program was given in the auditorium. Grover C. Anglin, vice chairman, presided and Rev. F. R. Barber gave the invocation.

The welcome address was given by W. T. Tomberlin, chairman, and the response by Mrs. Geo. A. Brown. W. O. Briggs led the group

FARM NOTES

Farmers of Yancey county are showing more interest in obtaining larger yields per acre of row crops, especially through the use of nitrates. This has been caused by various educational methods such as demonstrational use of ammonium nitrate on test demonstration farms, publicity through magazines and newspapers, and various other sources of information. In 1943, 120 area and unit test demonstration farmers used 60,000 pounds of ammonium nitrate in all sections of the county. This year 160 farmers will use 100,000 pounds on row crops, mainly corn, to get increased yields. Many other farmers are buying nitrates through commercial sources. They are using what nitrate of soda can be found and are taking nitrates that run around 20 per cent nitrogen. Last year many farmers reported as much as 50 per cent increase in corn yields from 100 pounds per acre of 32 per cent ammonium nitrate.

We are planning to expand the demonstration program in Yancey county by adding new areas, but first we felt that the established areas should be rededicated to do a better job. Consequently, meetings were held in the three established areas this week. G. G. Farthing, assistant county agent at large, assisted the agents with these meetings by providing string music and giving an illustrated lecture on the part the demonstration program plays in relation to the Tennessee Valley authority. The entire family was invited to the meetings, because the success or failure of the program depends on the interest and cooperation of the farm people. The total attendance of the three area meetings was 107, or an average of 35 per meeting.

A meeting was held in Upper Jacks Creek township to establish another watershed if the people wanted it. There are about 60 farms in this area and much interest was shown

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Memorial Poppy Day Will Be Observed Here Saturday

MILLIONS HELPED BY POPPIES

The biggest poppy sale in the history of the American Legion Auxiliary is predicted by members of the local Unit.

As few people know what the arrangements are for making these Memorial Day flowers, Mrs. W. W. Hennessee, president, explained that the materials are furnished free to the veterans by the American Legion Auxiliary. Volunteer workers teach the disabled men to make the poppies.

"The veterans and their dependents are the ones who benefit from our poppy sale," she said, "not only from the money that results from selling poppies, but also from having something tangible to do instead of having to rest, read or talk."

"Every penny from poppies that will be sold here and in thousands of other towns, villages and cities in the country, is contributed to the welfare and rehabilitation work of The American Legion and Auxiliary."

Funeral Services For I. B. Bailey

Mr. I. B. Bailey, 80 years of age, one of the county's most prominent and widely known citizens, passed away at his home at Relief Monday night following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held at the home at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with Rev. A. M. Laughrun of Jonesboro, Tenn., Rev. Fred Harrel of Relief and Rev. Crowder of Unicoi officiating. Burial was in the Horton Hill cemetery.

Survivors include the widow; one son, Gus Bailey; eight daughters, Mrs. I. F. McCourry and Mrs. Edd Roberts of Burnsville, Mrs. Ed Hunter and Mrs. Clifford Hunter of Burnsville Rt. 1, Mrs. Julia Campbell of Relief, Mrs. J. C. McCadden of Forest City, Mrs. L. M. Rary of Cleveland, N. C., and Mrs. Jeter Peterson of Erwin; the following sisters, Mrs. A. J. Bennett of Burnsville, Mrs. Pless Paul McCourry, Alberta Jones of Johnson City, Mrs. Annie Byrd of Relief

and Mrs. Hannah Deyton of Oklahoma City. Forty two grand children and 22 great grand children also survive.

Active pallbearers for the services were, E. F. Hunter, Jr., George McCadden, Ferrill McCourry, Earl Garland, Oscar Byrd and Edd Roberts.

Honorary pall bearers were, Nathan Garland, Will and Marion Laughrun, Noah Hughes, Harrison Edwards, Bernie Bradshaw Lawson Peterson, Carter Higgins, Dr. W. L. Bennett Dr. W. B. Robertson, H. G. Bailey, Donald Banks, H. W. Smith, Dock Bradshaw, Bert Renfro, Ben Peterson, John G. Peterson.

Those in charge of the flowers were, Virginia McCadden, Mrs. Clayton Honeycutt, Nettie Bennett, Mrs. Clarence Briggs, Mrs. Park Peterson, Mary Bailey, Mrs. Roy Day, Mrs. Ferrill McCourry, Mrs. of Burnsville, Mrs. Pless Paul McCourry, Alberta Jones of Johnson City, Campbell, Mary Sue Hunter and Dorothy Hunter.

LAST RITES FOR MISS ELIZA JANE ANGEL

Miss Eliza Jane Angel, 54, died at her home at Swiss Friday following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at the home Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the Rev. W. H. Ballard officiating. Pallbearers were Jess, Charles, Clyde and Harve Buckner, Melvin Metcalf, and Laskey Shepard.

Surviving are three brothers, E. J. R. C. and Wiley

Angel, all of Swiss; two sisters, Mrs. Rena Wilson of Swiss and Mrs. Sallie Ledford of Marshall; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Holcombe funeral home of Mars Hill was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Moody are here from Charleston, S. C. for a week's visit.

Bill Fouts and John T. Moore of Chapel Hill will spend the week end here.

Wear a Poppy on Saturday.