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---Men In Service---

Killed In Action

Pfc. Warren C. Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kell Fox of Burnsville Rt. 1, was killed in action on Nov. 24 in Germany, according to a message received last week. His wife is the former Miss Zella Austin.

Wounded In Action

Pfc. Ossie Edwards was slightly wounded in Germany on Nov. 23, according to a message received from the war department. His wife is the former Miss Virlen Hensley of Bee Log. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Edwards of Bee Log.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. James Dulaney of Windom have been notified that their son, Pfc. Clyde W. Dulaney, was wounded in action somewhere in Germany. He has been in service since Nov. 19, 1942 and has been overseas since Sept., 1944.

Allied Force Headquarters, Italy—Pvt. Niram Whitson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Whitson, of Sioux, is serving with the unit controlling the Port of Leghorn. This outfit administers work that sends an average of nearly 10,000 tons of war supplies to the Fifth Army front daily.

Men of this unit operated the Port of Palermo, Sicily, before coming to Italy. They sent detachments to the ANZIO Beachhead to assist in the handling of supplies for the Fifth Army in the early weeks of the fight there and later managed the embarkation of the entire Seventh Army for the invasion of Southern France.

Last September 1, the outfit's first group took over the operation of the Port of Leghorn while German artillery shells were still falling in the city. In addition to regular port functions, they set up a large repair shop and a small re-rafting section to speed the unloading of Liberty Ships arriving with ammunition and other high priority supplies. The entire port was wrecked by retreating Germans and over 11,000 land mines were taken from the dock area in one day.

Pvt. Whitson has been overseas 19 months and has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. He also wears the Mediterranean Theater Ribbon with one Battle Participation Star.

Charles R. Hamrick, Sic is at home on leave from the Naval Air Station, Seattle, Wash. where he has been stationed for the past three months.

Pvt. Roy E. King of Fort Bragg is spending a 7 day leave at his home here.

Jack Anglin returned Monday to his naval base in Maryland after a leave at home.

Arrives Overseas

Capt. Lucille Chase of the army nurse corps has arrived overseas where she will be attached to an evacuation hospital in the European area.

Capt. Chase is the daughter of Mrs. Lillie R. Chase and has been in the army nurse corps for the past six years. She was stationed at station hospitals at Fort Benning, Ga. in California Texas and at Fort Sill, Okla.

Overseas

Pvt. Arnold E. Higgins is now in the Netherland East Indies, and writes to "tell all my friends Hello and to write."

Billie W. Hensley, Petty Officer 2c, has returned home for a few days visit after eight months in the European area. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Hensley of Swiss.

Chief Warrant Officer O.W. Hensley, another son of Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Hensley, is now on overseas duty and at present is in England.

Asheville—Lt. Carl B. Hyatt, Jr., son of Judge Hyatt, well-known here as former juvenile court jurist has reported to the army redistribution station following his recent return from 22 months' service in the North African and Italian campaigns.

After attending the Asheville city schools, Lt. Hyatt was graduated from the University of North Carolina. He entered the army two weeks after the bombing of Pearl Harbor in December, 1941.

Lt. Hyatt's brother, Coleman Hyatt, 18, seaman first class, has just finished boot training at the Great Lakes naval training station.

Lt. Hyatt, now attached to the information and education branch of the redistribution station here, returned to the States under the army rotation plan.

BM 1c Horace Higgins has been given a medical discharge from duty in the U.S. Navy, and has returned home from the Naval hospital at Eustis, Va. He has been in service since Oct. 3, 1940 and was on convoy duty with the Atlantic fleet for two and a half years and in the Mediterranean for one and a half years.

He has two brothers in service, Staff Sgt. Cecil Higgins now with the paratroopers in Holland, and Pfc. Ray Higgins at Moore General hospital after being wounded while on duty with the First army in Germany.

Charles Bradford who is stationed in Burbank, Cal. is here on 21 day furlough visiting relatives and friends in Burnsville and Green Mtn.

BOND RALLY POSTPONED ON ACCOUNT OF THE WEATHER

The bond rally scheduled for Tuesday night at the Yancey Theatre, with a group of officers and enlisted men from Moore General hospital as special guests, was not held because of weather conditions. Sales of bonds are reported as good though the bad weather has kept a number of prospective purchasers at home.

MISS BELLE WHITTINGTON FOUND DEAD AT HOME AT BALD CREEK

Miss Belle Whittington who lived alone at her home at Bald Creek, was found dead there Wednesday afternoon. When neighbors did not see any sign of activity or evidence of fire at the home Wednesday, they reported the matter and the door was forced open. A coroner's inquest was held, and it was found that she passed away of natural causes, probably sometime late Tuesday.

Miss Whittington was a member of prominent pioneer families, and had lived with her sister, Miss Emily Whittington, until the death of the latter several months ago. No close relatives survive and funeral services are incomplete. They are under the direction of Holcombe—Edwards funeral home.

Sgt. Kenneth Robertson was home on week end leave from New River.

NOTICE

The regular January meeting of the board of county commissioners will not be held on Monday, Jan. 1 as this is a legal holiday, but will be held on Wed., Jan. 3, 1945.

SELECTIVE SERVICE NEWS

New instructions have been received from State and National Headquarters for Selective Service, directing the reclassification for immediate military service of registrants 1 through 37 years of age who have been given a deferred classification because of employment in essential industry but who have left such employment without permission from the local board.

Further, any one in the same group who now has a deferred classification and if after review of the file it is determined that such employment does not come under new regulations now in effect such registrant will be immediately placed in a class available for immediate military service.

A number of men in the 30-37 year age group have been classified 11 or 11-C just because they were working at an occupation full time. To still retain a deferred classification as a registrant 30-37 may be either employed in a war effort or something essential to the war effort.

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Air Medal Presented

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Bennett accept for son, Lt. Sam B. Bennett

Air medals awarded to six members of the army air forces from this area were presented to their next of kin in special ceremonies Sunday afternoon at the Langren hotel.

Among these were Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Bennett who accepted the air medal for

their son, Lt. Sam Byrd Bennett who was killed in action last May 2 while participating in bomber combat over continental Europe.

Capt. Luther Roberts, public relations officer of the airways communications system, made the presentations at the monthly meeting of the Next of Kin club.

To the People of this Community

Five billion dollars of the 14 billion dollars our country needs to press the war against our enemies must come from individual investors. That sounds like a lot of money. Actually, success or failure of the Sixth War Loan is up to each individual American. Every war loan has been oversubscribed because Americans by the millions have shared its responsibility. Americans such as you have recognized the need of extra War Bond purchases over and above their normal payroll savings.

There is no such thing as a little fellow in a War Bond drive. Your War Bond purchases, multiplied by the War Bond purchases of your friends and neighbors, become fighting power which saves lives of Americans on the battlefronts and brings us nearer our common objective.

THE EDITOR.

BEE LOG NEWS

Regret Expressed For Death of Sgt. Edwards

It was a great shock to the people of Bee Log to learn of the death of Sgt. P. M. Edwards who was killed in Holland on Nov. 5th. He had been overseas for about 3 months and was a machine gunner with an infantry division.

Sgt. Edwards received his schooling at Bee Log and was an outstanding member of the basketball team for a number of years.

The people of Bee Log and Yancey county wish to extend their deepest sympathy to his wife, Mrs. Pearl Watts Edwards of Bee Log and to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Edwards of Erwin, Tenn. He like many others, has fallen, fighting for the security and freedom that we are now enjoying. And for those still fighting, let us help them all we can by buying another War Bond today.

At Tobacco Warehouse

Miss Mary Martha Banks has accepted a position with the AAA at the tobacco warehouses of the Asheville burley market.

Heavy Snow In This Section

Weather Remains Cold

The first severe snow storm of the winter blanketed the county in 8 to 10 inches of snow on Monday morning, and steady low temperatures have prevented much melting.

Snow flurries have continued each day this week, and the fall has been steady today (Thursday).

Schools Closed

The ice packed highways made any motor travel hazardous, although the

state highway snow plows kept the main highways fairly clear. The side roads however, could not be cleared so the school busses could not make their regular runs, and no school has been held since Monday. It will not be held Friday, but tentative plans are for school on Monday.

Temperatures have remained consistently below freezing with a low of 6 or 8 degrees. Predictions are for clearing Thursday night and Friday but no rapid warming up.

NOTICE

The Woman's Bible class of the Methodist church will meet Thursday afternoon, Dec. 21 at the home of Mrs. Troy Ray.

CENSUS INFORMATION TO BE WIDELY USED

The information on crops and livestock to be gathered by the 1945 Agricultural Census in January will be used in many ways by farmers and by varied groups from Federal agencies to manufacturers and advertising organizations.

Dean I. O. Schaub of State College, who heads an advisory council of all agricultural agencies cooperating with the Census Bureau, urges that farmers give just as complete information as possible. He points out that the information collected from growers is strictly confidential and will not be used for taxation or regulation.

When all of the information is classified and published, it will present an invaluable digest of agricultural facts. Cooperative farm associations can use it as a guide to intelligent credit and as a basis for marketing plans. Individual farmers will know better how to make acreage changes in crops and regulate the number of their livestock.

The agricultural census will provide basic information for dealers in agricultural products, railroads, insurance companies, manufacturers, advertising agencies, marketing organizations, experiment station and extension workers, and such agencies as the Farm Credit Administration and Soil Conservation.

In times of disaster, the agricultural census will provide much of the information needed for drought relief, seed loans, and other rural relief agencies.

"Agriculture will be able to make much greater progress in the future, if we have full information at hand on which to make our plans," Dean Schaub said. "We especially need all the facts in the case as we face changing conditions after the war."

Lesley Hensley who has completed boot training at the Bainbridge naval training station is home on leave visiting relatives.

F.S.A. NEWS

The FSA County Committee, R. C. Deyton, Dewey Silver and E. E. King, met in the office of the County FSA Supervisor, Erskine B. Bailey, with Dover R. Fouts, Commander of the Local American Legion Post and R. N. Silver, Post Adjutant, to discuss the policies related to Farm Ownership loans and operating loans to World War II Veterans.

World War II Veterans are eligible for farm purchase loans, the same as though they were farm tenants. This does not mean that all the ordinary requirements for getting the loan are set aside for veterans. Some of the eligibility requirements are: Will the veteran who applies for a farm ownership loan be likely to carry out successfully the undertakings required of him under the loan—Can he locate a desirable farm; and can the farm be bought at a price so it can be made to pay for its self over a period of years.

It is no kindness to a veteran to lend him money to purchase a farm if it is not probable that he will succeed in the operation of that farm. Therefore it is important that the County FSA Committee consider very carefully whether the veteran is likely to carry out successfully undertakings required of him.

Any veteran in this county who believes that FSA services provide the type of assistance he will require, should apply to the County FSA Office located over the Yancey Record Office in Burnsville.

DAY BOOK NOTES

Mrs. R. F. Peterson has been in Appalachian hospital in Johnson City the past week for treatment.

Cpl. Honor T. Hill of Camp Barkley, Texas is spending a 15 days leave with Mrs. Hill and son of Day Book, and relatives in Hendersonville.

Miss Marie Tipton who is employed in Asheville spent the past week end here visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Young of Marion were visiting relatives here last week end.

