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--Men In Service--

Mrs. Earl Ogle has received word that her husband, Cpl. Earl Ogle has been wounded on Okinawa Island. He is with the first Marine Div. and holds the Purple Heart. Mrs. Ogle is the former Ophia. McDowell.

Pfc. Gay Edwards is home on leave after returning from 37 months service in the Pacific area. He entered service in 1940. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Edwards of Bald Creek.

Pfc. Ned Evans has written friends that he was a prisoner of war in Germany for 24 hours, then escaped. Pfc. Evans landed in Normandy, and was in the battle of France and Belgium. At the time of the battle of the Belgium Bulge, he was captured. A number of the prisoners made their escape, however, after 24 hours behind enemy lines.

Capt. Harold Bailey who returned recently from service with the army air force in the European theatre, visited relatives and friends here last week.

Rothie Ogle of Prices Creek has been home on convalescent leave.

Jack Anglin, S 1c, is home from the naval base at Patuxent River, Md. on a 10 day leave.

Harold F. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Edwards, is now taking training at Bainbridge, Md. He entered service May 9.

Alvin Keith Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Edwards, is now taking training at Bainbridge, Md. He entered service on May 9.

Pvt. George R. Banks is now stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga. He is a graduate of Warren Wilson College. He has two brothers in service, Paul S. Banks serving in the 6th Marine division in the Pacific and Roger A. Banks in Germany. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Banks.

Sgt. Rush Beeler has returned to camp at Tampa, Fla. after a leave at home. He is with the weather division of the army.

Pvt. Isaac Ray is at home on a 10 day furlough visiting his family and other relatives.

Norman Byrd and Lee Jarrett, both on duty with the Pacific fleet, are home on leave. Seaman Byrd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Byrd and Seaman Jarrett is the son of Mrs. Deck Jarrett.

Glen Mack Renfro, S 2c, is home on a 10 day furlough from Camp Peary, Va. He and his wife are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom Renfro of Burnsville Rt. 1.

Pfc. Nealy Edwards is home on leave from Fort Benning, Ga., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Edwards.

Dies of Wounds

Pfc. William B. Huff, son of Professor and Mrs. J. W. Huff of Mars Hill, died from wounds received in action on Okinawa on April 30. He entered service in April 1943, and participated in campaigns on Guam, Leyte and Okinawa. He was awarded the Bronze Star for service in the Philippines last winter. A member of a field artillery unit, he landed with his division on the Kerama islands March 25 in support of the Okinawa invasion and had been on Okinawa since April 1.

Pfc. Huff was a graduate of Mars Hill college and attended N. C. State college. Surviving are the parents; a brother, Pfc. John W. Huff of the Marines; two sisters, Mary Alice Huff of the library staff of Appalachian State Teachers college and Polly Huff of Asheville. The Huff family lived in Burnsville for a number of years and is widely known throughout the county.

ATC Air Base, Casablanca—Cpl. Earl F. Deyton, is taking part in the air movement of a war half way around the world.

Corporal Deyton is stationed at Casablanca Air Base, the Hub of the North African Division through which flow the fighting forces of Europe enroute to the United States and the Pacific. This has been termed by General Marshall as the "greatest logistic move of the war".

His division, one of the largest in the Air Transport Command, utilizes more transport aircraft than all United States airlines combined before the war in this largest air movement in history. His base is commanded by Colonel Alexis B. McMullen.

NOTICE

The Day for Examination for Drivers License has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday of each week.

Returns From Overseas

Staff Sgt. Ward A. Smith son of W. T. Smith of Cane River, has been returned to the continental United States as one of a group of 1300 enlisted men, the first group in Pacific Ocean areas to be selected under the army's readjustment program.

Sgt. Smith entered service on Sept. 10, 1940 and had been overseas for 57 months. He was with the 25th Division, was stationed at Pearl Harbor at the time it was attacked, and has been stationed at Oahu, T. H. and at Kwajalein. He has been awarded the Good Conduct medal, American Defense ribbon with star and the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon. Under the readjustment point system, his score was 114 points. He is a graduate of Bald Creek high school in 1937.

Undergoes Operation

Pvt. Thomas Renfro, Jr., has undergone a serious operation in a hospital somewhere in France, according to word received by his wife. Pvt. Renfro has served 6 months in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom B. Renfro of Burnsville Rt. 1.

Gilmer Wilson Bagwell, Y. 3c, has spent a 15 day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bagwell of Pensacola. He is stationed at the naval air base in Hutchinson, Kansas. He graduated from Candler high school and finished boot training in Jacksonville, Fla. He left Tuesday to return to Hutchinson.

Mrs. James Gouge and children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Nichols.

LAST RITES FOR MRS. LAURA YOUNG

Mrs. Laura Young, 81, passed away at her home here Sunday morning following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Higgins Memorial Methodist church of which she was a member. The pastor, the Rev. F. R. Barber, officiated, assisted by the Rev. H. M. Alley.

Active pall bearers for the services, all grandsons-in-law, were Edwin Powell, Joe Young, Wesley Roberts, Bob Hall, Kenneth Hensley, Ebb Dellinger, Dawson Briggs, Ellis Moody.

Surviving are a son, Drate Young of Bald Creek, a daughter, Mrs. Lonnie Banks of Burnsville; 21 grand children; 9 great grand children; two half brothers, Joshua Byrd of Pensacola and Samuel Byrd of Jellico, Tenn.

Mrs. Young was born in Iredell county and was the former Miss Laura Upright. She was married to Joshua Young and moved to Yancey county where she has resided since. Mr. Young passed away a number of years ago.

METHODIST CHURCH

There will be a week of special services beginning June 17th. Reverend M. T. Hipps, pastor of the Methodist church in Spruce Pine, will speak each evening at eight o'clock. The people of the other churches have a special invitation to attend also. Mr. Hipps was connected with the educational work of our church for several years. He will preach at the evening service on June 17th.

Seaman James Ray is home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Ray. He suffered a broken ankle sometime ago and has been taking treatment for it since.

With Famous Group

6th Army Group, Germany.—Cpl. Lewis Butner, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Butner of Burnsville, is a member of Combat Command "A" about which the following release has been received:

"The city of Wurzburg, in southwestern Germany, lay in ruins after receiving terrible pastings from the air. The rubble-strewn streets and gutted buildings were deceivingly quiet. But hidden in doorways and behind walls, the enemy was waiting with machine guns trained on advancing American doughboys of an infantry division.

On the outskirts of the city, Combat Command "A" of the 12th Armored "Hellcat" Division stood poised, ready to act as trouble shooters in case the Krauts proved difficult to rout. A short time later, the quiet was shattered as the well-entrenched Germans poured round after round of fire into the American infantry.

Combat Command "A" moved in swiftly, its advanced tank elements led by 1st Lt. Thomas F. Johnson, 712 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn. The tanks moved from one infantry sector to another, blasting out the stubborn enemy in one of the last actions in crushing Germany.

The Seventh Army's 12th Armored Division, a component of General Jacob L. Dovers' 6th Army Group, had three battalions—one of tanks, one of infantry and one of field artillery—in its hard-hitting Combat Command "A". The fighting unit is supported by companies of medics, ordnance and combat engineers.

Cpl. Butner is listed as an engineer with this group.

Mrs. Edd Higgins and children of Hendersonville are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Jack Newsom Returns After Internment in Manila

Mrs. Jack H. Newsom returned to her home in Wichita, Kansas on May 7 after spending 3 years in a Japanese internee camp at Santo Tomas in Manila. She was liberated by U. S. army forces there on Feb. 3rd.

Mrs. Newsom wrote the following letter to the Record, and it is being published here because of the many inquiries which have been received concerning her:

Hello again. It's been a long time and it seems mighty good to be within talking and writing distance of my family and friends. My mother has saved your letter for me and it is grand of you and other friends in Burnsville to

have been so interested. Everyone has been marvelous to me since my return. Seems as if all of Wichita has wanted to shake hands and welcome me home and say how they've worried over me for three years. Even people I've never known. Guess I had many more friends with me in spirit than I knew anything about. And I'm sure that all their prayers helped.

We were liberated the night of Feb. 3rd., the most important night in the lives of any of us, and stayed on in Santo Tomas, being fed and pampered by our wonderful army until different groups were sent out for home. I was in the largest and just about the last (Continued on page 3)

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. HERSCHEL SCOTT

Mrs. Hershel Scott, 28, of Prices Creek, passed away in the Marion General hospital on Saturday, June 9. Funeral services were held June 10 at Prices Creek church and burial was in the cemetery there. The Intermediate Girls Sunday School class served as flower girls.

Surviving are the husband; the father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gortney of Prices Creek; three brothers and two sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Dellinger, Mr. and Mrs. Plato Young, Mrs. Bob Young and Mrs. Robert Horton all of Asheville attended funeral services here for Mrs. Laura Young.

Patty Evans and Doris Penland visited the H. E. Blaylocks in West Asheville and attended the graduation of Louise Blaylock from Hall-Fletcher high school.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR C. E. PRICE

Funeral services for C. Bunyon Price, 71, Marion merchant, who died at his home Sunday afternoon following an illness of one month, were held at Windom Methodist church in Yancey county Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. H. E. Bolick and the Rev. W. E. Ruffy officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Price was a native of Yancey county and moved to Marion from Burnsville four years ago. He had been a member of Windom Methodist church a number of years.

Surviving are two sons, Hugh and Will Price; one daughter, Mrs. Flora Fortner; three brothers, Cleophas, Talmadge and Turner Price, all of Windom; three sisters, Mrs. Addler Byrd of Burnsville, Mrs. Cora McCurry of Micaville, Mrs. Lona Honeycutt, and Mrs. Catherine Brinkley of Windom; nine grandchildren and one great-grandson.

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