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SPRUCE PINE, NEWLAND & BURNSVILLE, N. C.

5th Bond Drive Is Home Front D-Day

Fighting Dollars Will Help All Our Fighting Men

DRIVE OPENS JUNE 12

Goal Of 16 Billions Is Largest Yet Asked

D-Day on the home front is set for June 12 when the 5th War Loan drive will be opened by Secretary Morgenthau. For the first time a war loan drive will be officially opened from a city other than Washington, D. C., when he will broadcast from Texarkana, Ark-Tex.

The history-making program to raise 16 billion dollars in a month, will be started on June 12. Six billions of this must come from the pockets of individual Americans. The ears of the fighting world, including millions of Americans now in life-or-death combat with the enemy will be tuned to Texarkana to hear the 5th War Loan victory cry "Back the Attack—Buy More Than Before."

The D-Day for the invasion of Europe by the Allied forces has already passed, when the successful landings were made on the coast of France, June 6. Now the D-Day for the home front is scheduled for June 12 and our battle (Please Turn To Back Page)

Would Rather See Home Than Rome

Among the troops of the Fifth Army that marched into Rome Sunday was the division to which Pfc. J. W. "Lum" Gilbert belonged, before he was wounded in the siege of Cassino. When asked if he would have liked to see Rome, with his old unit, he said "I would much rather see home than Rome."

Pfc. Gilbert is now close to his home in Spruce Pine, having been transferred to Moore hospital at Swannanoa on Friday. Mrs. Gilbert spent the weekend visiting her husband.

Purple Heart Award Given Sgt. H. Hicks

C T. Hicks of Frank, Avery county, has received the Purple Heart which was awarded to his son, Sgt. Howard Hicks, for wounds received in Italy on March 25. (Please Turn To Back Page)

AT THE CAROLINA

Thurs. - Fri.: "Thousand's Cheer" with Kathryn Grayson, Gene Kelley, Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland and many others.

Sat.-Double Feature - Don Red Berry in "Black Hills Express" and "Women At War"

Mon. Tue. - "Broadway Rythm" with Rochester, Lena Horne.

Wed. "My Best Gal" with Jane Withers.

Two Yancey Boys Missing In Action

Two servicemen of the tri-county area are reported missing in action. They are T-Sgt. Olin Chrisawn, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Chrisawn of Hamrick, and Bennie Whitson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Whitson, formerly of Bee Log.

Sgt. Chrisawn has been reported missing in action over Italy since April 28. He is a member of the army air force. Before he enlisted in the service, he was employed by the State School commission, Raleigh.

Bennie Whitson, whose parents now live in Erwin, Tenn. was with the U. S. Navy at the time of his disappearance.

Big Lynn Opens For Tourists

The Big Lynn on Highway 26, close to the Blue Ridge Parkway between Spruce Pine and Little Switzerland, began its season with an opening Sunday, June 4. C. E. Riddle, owner and manager reports a good crowd present.

The Big Lynn which consists of dining room and private cottage is situated in the shadow of the famous lynn tree rendezvous for the mountains since the patriots met there on the way to the battle.

The dining room is in charge of the former chief superintendent of the Orange Court hotel of Orlando. Fla. Mr. Riddle has put out a variety of vegetables. He owns his own cows for a milk supply.

For the coming weekend Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dolan and family of Kingsport with a large party will be guests.

The Big Lynn Opens



The Big Lynn, owned and operated by C. E. Riddle located in the shadow of the famous Revolutionary rendezvous tree.

Switzerland Inn Nearly Booked For July And August

The Switzerland Inn at Little Switzerland, of the better known resort hotels in the mountains, opened for its 32nd consecutive season as usual on May 1. Mrs. Jones is assisted in the management this year by her daughter, Mrs. Quintard.

The Inn is nearly already booked for the months of July and August with reservations from people who have stayed at the Inn before with a sprinkling of new ones. As in other war years, the majority of the reservations are for the full length of people's vacations, as they come to one place and stay.

The famous food of the Switzerland Inn's dining room is up to its usual very high standard in spite of the difficulties of finding proper supplies.

Prayerful Response To Invasion News

In a spirit of subdued excitement and serious resolve the people of the three counties, as in all parts of the nation, met and accepted the news of the invasion of Europe on June 6. To those that did not have radios or did not listen to the in the morning, the word spread like wildfire so that by noon, even the most outlying districts knew that the big fight had started.

In Spruce Pine a union prayer service was called at 2:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the ministerial association, with Rev. W. T. Baucom presiding. Prayer was offered by all the ministers of town with a special prayer for victory by the Rev. H. Miller, who is conducting a revival at the First Baptist church.

All places of business in the town were closed during the meeting and the Central Baptist church, where the (Please Turn To Back Page)

Manpower Order Effective July 1st

I. B. Bailey, 80 Taken By Death

Funeral services for I. B. Bailey, 80 one of Yancey county's most prominent and widely known citizens, were held at the Horton Hill Union church Wednesday, May 24, at 3 o'clock with the Rev. A. M. Laughrun and Rev. Fred Harrill officiating. Burial followed in Fairview cemetery near Fairview. Mr. Bailey died after an illness of about two and a half years, and was a chartermember of the Brethren church which was organized 60 years ago. He had been a farmer and merchant for 35 years. He served two years as a member of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mary J. Laughrun Bailey; eight daughters, Mrs. (Please Turn To Back Page)

Spruce Pine Hotel Expects Good Year

Mrs. B. B. McGuire, manager of the Spruce Pine Hotel, recently purchased by Dr. McGuire, reports she is most optimistic about the future of the hotel, when interviewed Tuesday by a reporter of The Tri-County News. The hotel is now open for business after being closed for several months.

Beginning with Sunday, June 4, the dining room was opened and regular meal service inaugurated. Many of (Please Turn To Back Page)

WASHINGTON OBSERVATIONS

(By S. T. Henry)

American army and military leaders have followed a strategy, of isolating great numbers of enemy troops in driving the Japs out of the southwest Pacific. This has been increasingly effective as that far-flung battlefront has been pushed ahead at a steadily increasing rate. Superiority in sea, air and ground forces has made this strategy possible.

Seizure of dominating strong points, rather than of extensive territory, has been the outstanding feature of American strategy in that theater. Airfields constructed by the Japs have been the main objective of our forces.

The situation on Bougainville is a good illustration of the general American strategy, according to the Naval and Army officers and newspaper correspondents recently returned to this country from the southwest Pacific. While each advance has varied according to various local conditions, methods used on Bougainville island are generally similar to many other situations in which great advances were made at a very minimum in cost of American lives. (Please Turn To Back Page)

Essential Industries Get First Call On Men

EMPLOYED THRU USES

Available Male Labor Shared According To Needs

Starting July 1, the War Manpower Commission, will launch a program of manpower priorities so that essential war industries will have first call on available male workers. Mining will priority in this territory, with lumbering a close second. There will also be employment ceilings, which is to prevent large concerns from holding a reserve of workers, beyond what they actually need.

The information above is contained in a release by J. S. Dorton, N. C., director of the War Manpower Commission.

The release in part follows: "Inauguration of manpower priorities, employment ceilings and the priorities referral plan on a nation-wide scale effective July 1, means that all employers will have a chance at the limited number of available workers in accordance with their urgency and essentiality in the war effort, will not be allowed more workers than their actual needs and will employ all male workers through the U. S. Employment Service. "Establishments will be (Please Turn To Back Page)

Girls Can Enlist For WAVES On June 12

K. E. Handy Sp. 1-c, Navy Recruiter of the Asheville station will be in Spruce Pine on June 12 and June 26 to interview young women interested in applying for enlistment in the WAVES. Please contact the recruiter at the Service Men's Center.

A campaign for enlistment in the Women's Naval Reserve "worthy of the consideration of every eligible young woman", was launched during the week in North Carolina. Reason for the campaign (Please Turn To Back Page)

Nellie Wavcaster Completes Course

Nellie Lucille Waycaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Waycaster of Little Switzerland, has recently completed her basic training and indoctrination course at the Naval Training school of Hunter College, N. Y. The rating of seaman second class has been earned by Miss Waycaster.

Seaman Waycaster has received orders to report for duty at Naval Air Station headquarters, San Diego, California. Her brother, Pfc. Nick Waycaster is serving overseas.

Education was received at Harris High school in Spruce Pine, of which she was a graduate. Prior to enlisting in the service, Seaman Waycaster was an employce of (Please Turn To Back Page)