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NOT HOW LITTLE, BUT HOW MUCH, SHOULD BE OUR SLOGAN

Red Cross Drive Begins March 1 And Every One Urged To Give

To the community it means service to over 1,500 discharged service men and their dependants, also to the hundreds of veterans of World War I.

To a soldier, en route from the European theater to his home in California recently, it meant he was able to change his course in time to see his mother who became critically ill while visiting in New York. A Red Cross emergency message reached him in Miami. A Red Cross emergency loan made the trip by plane possible.

To a veteran, a stretcher case afflicted with spinal arthritis, it meant someone to meet him and arrange for ambulance service at transfer points on a long cross-country trip to California where he hoped to regain his health. It meant someone to meet him at his destination and help him get settled in his new home.

To a marine, discharged after 10 years' service, Red Cross Home Service meant locating his 7-year-old son whose mother was killed during the Japanese invasion of the Philippines. Through Red Cross' around-the-world network of emergency communication facilities, his son was located in Australia, safe and sound and being cared for by his grandmother.

To a WAVE on furlough, whose father suffered a stroke on the day she was to return to duty, Home Service meant speedy verification of the need for a furlough extension.

The Home Service job continues. In addition to emergency services, it helps with pension claims and personal and family problems, gives financial aid, and supplies information on the many government benefits available to veterans—one of the vitally important community services to the men and women who served with the armed forces, to their dependents, and to the dependents of deceased veterans.

Beginning March 1st every one in the community will be given an opportunity to show their appreciation of what the boys in service did for us. There will be a house to house canvass, but contributions can be left at the Red Cross office in the City Hall.

Our goal is \$9,000.00 and by every one doing his share, we can reach it within a few days. "Not how little, but how much" should be our slogan.

E. H. Styles Passes After Long Illness

Father of The Rev. Walter H. Styles, Pastor of The Presbyterian Church Here.

E. H. Styles, 66, died at Mission Hospital Monday morning after a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted in the Paint Gap Presbyterian Church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. W. Ernest Wilson.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Julia Mae Styles; five sons and six daughters: Bert, Mack, Jay H., Kate, Dorothy, all of Paint Gap; Mrs. Neil Culbertson, Grovia of Asheville; Mrs. Paul Wilson of Swannanoa; Mrs. D. A. Bowers of Decatur, Ga.; Lee of Fairview, and the Rev. Walter H. Styles of Black Mountain.

Use Your Noodle

"Use your noodle, lady, use your noodle," said Smitty—the other day to a lady trying to drive on both sides of the street at once.

"Oh, my goodness! will you show me where it is? I've pulled and pushed everything in this car."

John H. Robertson Going In Business

Former Business Manager of The Montreat Association Announces New Building Service

In this week's issue of the Black Mountain News, John H. Robertson who formerly had the title of Business Manager of the Montreat Association announces through an advertisement that he is setting up a building service organization to operate in the Black Mountain area. Mr. Robertson states that it is plan to so-organize this building service that he will be able to do anything that is honorable that a property owner might want done, from minor maintenance repairs to the complete remodeling of a building or the construction of a new one. The installation of new equipment in buildings will be given special attention, and Mr. Robertson has already arranged to handle the sales and a service of the well and favorably known Anchor Kolsstoker, which has been handled in this area by the Blue Gem Coal Company of Asheville for many years.

Mr. Robertson also states that he is in progress of making arrangements to handle insurance and real estate sales and rentals and hopes to be able to announce the addition of these items to his building service in the next two weeks. Agency for other well known and high grade types of equipment will be added to the stoker agency as fast as they can be worked out.

Mr. Robertson is a graduate civil engineer with about fifteen years of experience in various branches of that field, including teaching all courses in highway engineering in the University of Texas, and serving in responsible positions in the planning and construction of some rather large projects in Texas and Louisiana. He has also served as an educational missionary to Africa for the Presbyterian church. He is a former Rotarian but joined the Lions Club here, and is a Master Mason.

Arrangements have already been made and some materials secured for the complete remodeling of the former Pugh cottage on Kentucky Road in Montreat which was purchased last summer by Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Bradford of Kannapolis. Mr. Bradford is superintendent of one of the mills there. The improvements include the addition of one room and a porch, the enlargement of the living room, and the addition of a modern bath room. Additional kitchen equipment will also be added. The entire house will have asbestos siding, and the roof will be painted.

Participate cooperatively in the Fund Drive by having your contribution ready for the worker who will call at your home next Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Please bring 1946 magazines to Red Cross office in City Hall building to be sent to patients at Moore General Hospital.

Wesleyan Service Guild To Entertain Monday

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Church of Black Mountain will entertain the Woman's Society of Christian Service at 8 o'clock Monday evening, March 4, with a motion picture on Africa in the Fellowship Room of the church on State Street. The president of the Guild, Mrs. Worth Burgess, extends in the name of the Guild, a cordial invitation to all members of the W. S. C. S.

This picture will introduce the mission study course on Africa, a study based on the book "The Cross Over Africa," by Newell Booth. The course will be taught during March to the combined memberships of the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Guild under the co-chairmanship of Miss Anne Plyler and Mrs. Grady Hardin. Mrs. E. M. Hurch will be the instructor. She, who with her husband, has been a missionary in Africa in the past, now lives in The Last Resort Colony.

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WINTER IN FLORIDA OR NEW HAMPSHIRE . . . Regardless of the weather, the younger generation finds plenty of amusement and body-building activities. At North Conway, N. H., the Eastern Slope Ski school, give more than 24,000 ski lessons annually to youngsters who contribute \$2 annually and write a school composition on skiing. At a cabana club pool in Miami, Mary Jane Coucci, New York, goes overboard, while Kent Merkle, Washington, and Mary Jane's sister Shirley watch in their "doughnuts."

Red Cross Makes Valentine Favors

700 Were Made By Junior Red Cross Members At Black Mountain and Swannanoa Schools.

Valentine Favors numbering 700 were made by Junior Red Cross members at Black Mountain and Swannanoa schools. These were placed on the dinner trays of patients at Moore General Hospital.

The Red Cross Chapter Production Department shipped this week 126 bed side bags, 143 utility bags, and 200 hot water bottle covers. These will be used for the comfort of patients in Military hospitals.

Junior Red Cross members, Jimmie Glenn and Lawrence Allen, of Black Mountain Elementary school assisted in the Red Cross office Saturday by folding labeling and delivering posters and other materials for the Fund Drive.

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Letter of Appreciation

To The Editor of The Black Mountain News, Dear Sir:

Recently I lost my wallet in Black Mountain and inserted an ad in your newspaper concerning the same. I want to congratulate you on the efficiency and speed with which the ad accomplished its purpose. I think that Black Mountain is fortunate in having such a newspaper in its midst.

I also wish to thank you for your personal interest and cooperation in returning the wallet to me.

Black Mountain is to be congratulated in having citizens of such sterling honesty as the finders of the wallet.

Very truly yours, MRS. JOHN J. GANNON.

Mrs. Anderson To Speak Friday at UDC Meeting

Mrs. J. Wall Anderson will be the speaker at a meeting of the Fanny Patton chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Zeb Nettles, Overlook Road off the Hendersonville road.

Mrs. J. C. Walker will be program chairman, Mrs. H. B. Kyles, president, will preside, and Mrs. T. A. Luther, Mrs. B. H. Cole and Mrs. G. C. Crisp will be associate hostesses for the meeting.



Bill Hill Says:

I visited the Lions Club tuther nite and—Herb Sanders wuz doin' the talkin', and he finally said: "If I've talked too long, its cause there's no clock in this here place," and Grady Hardin says: "They's a calandar right back uv you Herb."

Carl Sawyer, 57, Taken By Death

Brother of Gregg and Zebb Sawyer of Black Mountain, Died Saturday of Heart Attack.

Carl Sawyer, 57, Weaverville contractor and builder, died of a heart attack at an Asheville hospital Saturday at noon. He had been ill for three weeks.

A native of Beech, Mr. Sawyer had resided all of his life in Beech, Weaverville and Asheville. He had been a deacon in the Weaverville Presbyterian church a number of years and was serving as chairman of the board at the time of his death. He was a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and was active in civic affairs.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Mallie Edwards; six children, Miss Blanche Sawyer, missionary to Belgian Congo; Lt. (j.g.) Chan Sawyer, with the navy at Tokyo, Mrs. Gilbert Mays; Miss Martha Lee Sawyer and Julian Bane Sawyer, all of Weaverville, and Miss Lois Sawyer of Charlottesville, Va.; five brothers, Horace and Oliver of Beech, Chan of Weaverville, and Gregg and Zebb Sawyer of Black Mountain; one aunt, Mrs. Amanda Chambers and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Weaverville Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the Rev. H. B. Dendy and the Rev. Morgan A. Kizer officiating. Burial followed in the family plot in Weaverville cemetery.

Don't Take First Drink

"Allied Youth" gives us this paragraph: "Judge E. Y. Webb, United States district judge for the Western District of North Carolina, who has been on the bench for 25 years this fall, has never charged a grand jury without indicting the liquor traffic. His advice to the youth of the country is: 'Never take the first drink and you'll never get drunk. Liquor makes a fiend out of a good man. About 75 per cent of the criminal cases tried in my court involve liquor. Liquor is our country's Enemy No. One—the devil's best friend and God's worst enemy.'"

With the restrictions off gasoline nad tires there has come an orgy of fast driving and a terrible increase in accidents and deaths on the highways. One of the best programs a Grange can carry on this year is a "safety" program, carried along and put in practice.

BLACK MTN. WATER SUPPLY IS NOW EQUAL TO ANY IN W.N.C.

Payments To Vets Show Big Increase

Farmers Urged To File Claims On Different Days To Save Waiting In Line.

A. L. Fletcher, Unemployment Compensation Commission Chairman, reported Monday that claims from veterans for readjustment allowances have been increasing very rapidly since the first of the year. The larger number of veterans filing claims for readjustment payments includes both those in self-employment, chiefly farmers in this state, who receive monthly payments of \$100 less net income from their operations, and veterans seeking industrial jobs who receive \$20 a week while without work.

Veterans in self-employment of whom nine out of ten are farmers have filed 7,767 claims so far this month, whereas in January 2,479 veterans applied for payments on their December operations, and 717 who had applied in December for payments covering previous months received \$113,163. The number receiving self-employed allowances for the month before was 233.

In making this report, Fletcher points out that since most of hte self-employed claims are from farmers, the majority of them are being received at the various itinerant points in the counties served by the U. S. Employment Service, usually one day a week or month. Such service is being expanded to take care of the farmer veterans, Fletcher says. It requires about three-quarters of an hour for an interviewer to get the necessary information from each veteran for his claim. Since these claims do not have to be filed on the first day of the month but may be filed through the 20th of each month for the previous month's operations, and even later where the itinerant point is not regularly served before the 20th, if the farmer veterans will plan to enter their claims toward the end rather than toward the beginning of this period, they will save themselves time from waiting in line or having to call back again.

While this increased claim load was expected after the majority of our veterans returned home to civilian life, Fletcher said, the work entailed in taking claims and getting the checks out to the veterans is taxing our personnel to the utmost. Considerable overtime work is required, even with the additional people we have taken on, most of them veterans themselves, to help the situation. Claims are taken in local employment service offices throughout the state. These are then mailed to Raleigh where the determinations as to payments are made and the checks written and mailed to the veterans at their homes. Here at headquarters, both personnel and machines are working after hours to get out more than 4,500 checks a day, so that veterans may get theirs without delay.

Ridgecrest L. T. L.

The Sojourner Fourth Loyal Temperance Legion (Negro) met on Washington's birthday at their laeder's home, Boonecrest. Six junior members and three intermediates were present.

Dorothy Greenlee, president, told the story of the hymn, "I Would Be True" before it was sung. Fannie Greenlee gave a short sketch of George Washington's life. With anagrams the juniors spelt out interesting words and phrases—Drink Milk—and the shorter names of books in the Bible. "A good time with a purpose" is the slogan of our youth's Temperance Council. Refreshments were enjoyed, a milk drink, grape and orange juice, with accompaniments.

Geo. W. Wrenn Receives Letter From E. C. Hubbard Sanitary Engineer

February 22, 1946

Mr. George W. Wrenn, Supt. of Water Works, Black Mountain, N. C. Dear Mr. Wrenn:

It was indeed a pleasure for Mr. Doggett and me to have the opportunity of visiting the Black Mountain water supply and meeting with you and the Town Board on February 7th.

The water supply improvements consisting of a new automatic chlorinator, corrosion control treatment equipment which have been made through the efforts of you and the Board represent excellent progress toward providing a safe public water supply for the Town of Black Mountain. Speaking for the State Board of Health, we are pleased with this progress and frankly feel that you now have a water supply equal in quality to any of its type in western North Carolina.

We are also pleased to know that the Town Officials have authorized the application of Calgon as a corrosion control agent. Frankly, it is our opinion that the control of corrosion in your distributing system will greatly enhance the quality of water being delivered to the final consumers. This is especially true in sections of the system where dead ends exist or in sections where the flow of water in the pipes is relatively low. It is hoped, therefore, that you will find Calgon effective during this trial period and that it will be adopted as a permanent and continuous treatment process.

It has been a pleasure to work with the Town of Black Mountain in their efforts to improve their water supply and we hope that you will feel free to call upon us at any time you desire further assistance.

With kind personal regards, I am Very truly yours, E. C. HUBBARD, Principal Sanitary Engineer, Division of Sanitary Engineering.

Begin Rehearsals For Easter Cantata

Permanent Organization Is Set Up For Special Music For Community Singing

The Community Chorus, composed of all churches in Black Mountain and Swannanoa, are now making preparations for an Easter Cantata. The chorus met last Sunday afternoon and formed its permanent organization, electing officers and met again Wednesday night for rehearsal at the Baptist Church and also held a short business session. Mr. W. A. McDougle, president, read some rules and by-laws before the group which were adopted.

Regular practice will be held each Wednesday night at 7:45 o'clock with Lt. Robert Guy directing the chorus. Lt. Guy urges all those who can sing to come and join the chorus immediately and sing in the Easter cantata.

The rehearsals will be held regularly each Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock at the Baptist Church.

Ten Dollars Reward

Ten Dollars Reward for the best letter of constructive criticism or comment on our advertisement on page eight of this paper.

Mail your letter in, write plainly and sign your name. Mail to the Allred Mercantile Company, Black Mountain, N. C.

Winners will be announced on March 28th. Mail yours in, it may win.

Red Cross Drive Begins March 5th GOAL \$9,000