

The Black Mountain News
Published Every Thursday in Black Mountain, N. C.

DAY PHONE 4101 — NIGHT PHONE 4503

GORDON H. GREENWOOD Editor
GEORGE W. DOUGHEETY Mech. Supt.
Co-owners

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Buncombe and Surrounding Counties:
One Year \$2.00 Six Months \$1.25
Outside Above Territory
One Year \$2.50 Six Months \$1.50

Entered as Second Class Matter Sept. 13, 1945, at the Post Office at Black Mountain, N. C., under the Act of March 3, 1879.

National Advertising Representative
NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING SERVICE, INC.
(an affiliate of the National Editorial Association)
N. A. S.
Serving America's Advertisers and the Home Town Newspapers
148 W. Randolph - Chicago 1, Ill. • OFFICES • Hibernia Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.
5731 Grand Central Terminal Bldg., New York, N. Y.

This Week's EDITORIAL

The poorest presidents this nation ever had, history discloses, were war heroes who came marching home, dazzled the folks with their medals and ribbons, and won the election while the bands were still playing the national anthem.

The best example, probably, was Grant, who knew when to "fight it out on a line if it took all summer," but who couldn't raise a hand to stop graft. And he didn't seem to improve with age or experience. The longer he stayed in office the easier mark he became for the unscrupulous politicians who surrounded him during his administration.

If Eisenhower, McArthur, and all the rest are smart, they'll study closely this lesson of American history and be guided by it. During the war they did their job well. But the training they received in no way qualifies them to be president. And a soldier has no more business in the White House than an ambitious man has in the armed forces.

Running a business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark. You know what you are doing but nobody else does.

Disclosure that poor attendance at past meetings had so discouraged the leaders that abandonment of the post was being seriously considered, brought quick results this week when one of the largest crowds in recent months turned up for the regular monthly meeting of the American Legion. They came in response to an appeal by Commander Speck Anderson and Adjutant Phil McElrath that the Legionnaires show interest or the leaders would resign and disband the post.

It was not only a large crowd but an enthusiastic one that answered the call. Committees were quickly filled from volunteers alone and all present displayed an interest in the proceedings.

As one Legionnaire said the day following the meeting: "This post alone might not mean much to the national organization, but this post, plus the others scattered around the country, surely mean something. As the largest organization for veterans, the Legion means a lot to all of us and we should support it."

The local post has a paid up membership of close to 100 and a potential of several hundred more. There are enough members in the Legion already to make one of the best posts in the state. We have everything except the support of the members and that the post must have if it is to survive. The leaders have done their part. They have given freely of their time and efforts to make the program successful. The Auxiliary has done its part and would do more if the Legion were more active. The commander has put the responsibility for the success or failure where it belongs—on the shoulders of each member. If this post fails, the responsibility rests with those of us who should have given our support but didn't.

As the guns of war become more distant, the common ordinary soldier—as most of us were—will need a voice to speak for us and to fight our battles. To do this, there is, and there will be, no better organization than the American Legion. Our Support of it now will be our assurance that it will be on hand when we need it most.

JOIN THE LEGION, pay up your dues and attend and take part in the meetings. Most of us can find one night a month to devote to so worthy a cause.

4-WAR FIGURES—At least 16,000,000 will come out of World War II, according to latest Veterans Administration estimates.

By comparison, World War I produced 4,627,000 veterans; the Civil War, 1,849,000 Union Army veterans, and the Spanish-American War, 381,000 veterans. This makes a combined total of 6,857,000 for the three wars, or considerably less than one-half of the minimum estimated for World War II alone.

JOIN THE P.T.A.

Look Who's Here!

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore of Black Mountain are parents of a brother and sisters in Durham, N. C. Mission hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cordell of Swannanoa are parents of a daughter born September 25 in Mission hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reese are parents of a daughter born September 23 in Mission hospital.



MEALS: General distribution of the American Defense Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal starts in August. The Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard



FOR DEFENSE will make the distribution. Veterans must apply only to that branch of the Armed Forces in which they served.

In general, distribution will be made to veterans and eligible next of kin from local distribution centers. All local Army distribution depots will be prepared to take care of applications by Aug. 15 and Army applicants should wait until that date before applying for the medals unless advised otherwise locally.

It is estimated that the four branches of service will distribute approximately 18,000,000 medals if all eligibles apply, divided as follows:
Army: World War II Victory Medal: 11,000,000; American Defense Medal: 1,800,000.
Navy: 4,000,000 and 300,000.
Marine Corps: 600,000 and 80,000.
Coast Guard: 350,000 and 25,000.
Only those who were discharged

honorably are eligible for the medals.

In general, the American Defense Medal is for those who served between Sept. 8, 1939, and Dec. 7, 1941, inclusive. The World War II Victory Medal is for active service between Dec. 7, 1941, and Dec. 31, 1946, inclusive.

SLED: The Army Ground Forces' one-ton cargo snow sled, which proved highly successful in trials in Alaska, now is sliding over the hot desert sands of Arizona. It is being tested by Task Force "Furnace" and if it survives the rugged demands of desert terrain, the Army will have a low-cost, light-weight, heavy-duty trailer equally efficient on snow or sand. The sled is towed behind standard or special prime movers. It is eight feet, eight inches long, and four feet four inches wide and it rides on two steel runners.

MERCI: In behalf of the French Republic, Lieut. Gen. Maurice Mathenet, military attache, thanked the 78th Armored Field Artillery Battalion at Camp Hood, Tex., for the way it fought in 1944. "A choice unit, which fought brilliantly in the region of St. Denis le Gast," said the citation accompanying the award of the Croix de Guerre with silver star to the battalion. "On July 30, 1944, it was attacked by an armored column which had succeeded in penetrating its formation. It reacted immediately with all its means and, after two hours of furious combat, the enemy was routed, leaving on the field 97 vehicles and 1,200 dead."

Our Classified Ad Department

For Rent

FOR RENT: 2 room apartment, furnished or unfurnished. Oakley apartments, Montreat Road. Call 5632. o-2-p

FOR RENT: Furnished cottage. 2 bedrooms and electric refrigerator. Phone Black Mtn. 4751. o-2-p

For Sale or Trade

FOR SALE: Two new four-room houses. Ready to move in. One five room house. All on Cragmont road near Royal League. See superintendent at Royal League or Rome Bostian, Newton, N. C.

FOR SALE: Wood and coal range or will exchange for oil cook stove. Also will sell 30 gal. hot water tank. Box 125 Black Mountain. o-2-p

FOR SALE: Warm-Air stove, door, 79 x 31, and Universal electric heater. All in good shape. Call 5302. o-2-p

FOR SALE: 2 coal circulators. Reconditioned. Reed Hill. Phone Black Mountain Grocery Co. 4181. o-2-p

FOR SALE: 1936 Ford Tudor. Good motor, rubber, upholstery. Can be seen at Twin Oaks. Ridgecrest, after 5 p. m. o-2-p

FOR SALE: Large healthy Boxwoods. Mrs. D. M. Causey, Shadybrook, Montreat Road. Phone 3692. o-2-9-c

FOR SALE: Boy's bicycle, good frame, bad tires. \$15. Call Rondthaler, 2271. o-2-c

FOR SALE: Sweaters, skirts, dresses, blankets, slippers, and gloves. The Harold Dysart Co. Old Fort. s-25-c

FOR SALE: We have the newest R.C.A. radios and radio-phonographs. The Harold Dysart Co. Old Fort. s-25-c

FOR SALE: White enamel coal and wood range. Crane stoker. C. S. Betts, Phone 2681 t-f-c

FOR SALE: Kindling. Oak and hickory wood, any length. W. B. Scott on Lakey St. t-f-c

FOR SALE: Come to see us for your Universal electric ranges, water heaters, blankets, percolators, irons, heating pads, vacuum cleaners and pressure sauce pans. The Harold Dysart Co. Old Fort. s-25-c

FOR SALE: Coal circulator heater, good condition. See Mrs. M. W. Dargan, Midland Avenue. t-f-c

Miscellaneous

SPENCER SUPPORTS Individual designs for dress and medical conditioning. Call 93 Candler around 8:00 P. M. or after, or write Mrs. C. H. Lunsford, Route 1, Candler, N. C. t-f-c

—Mrs. Margaret S. Leland has returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Virginia and Washington, D. C. Mrs. R. Duke Hay of Winston-Salem accompanied Mrs. Leland on this trip.

—Charles McCraw spent the weekend at Spartanburg visiting his family.

★ Say You Saw it in the NEWS

—Miss Mabel Cope of Crumpler, West Virginia, has returned to her home after spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Cook and son Andy.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hand spent two weeks with Mr. Hand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hand.

—Mrs. Jeter Riddle and Mrs. Pinkney Riddle went to Morganton Tuesday.

Now Available

- DELUXE ELECTRIC RANGES
- DELUXE WASHING MACHINES
- GOOD SELECTION OF RADIOS TO CHOOSE FROM
- GOOD SUPPLY OF INLAID LINOLEUM
- LIMITED NUMBER OF 9 x 12 FELT BASE RUGS

BILTMORE FURNITURE CO.

29 Biltmore Ave. — Asheville N. C.
Phone 3651

FURNACES—

COAL & OIL FURNACES We Specialize In

Home Heating Warm Air Heating Co. 58 Broadway Asheville, N. C. Phone 1357

HOME INSULATION

AS YOUR FRANCHISED CONTRACTOR FOR Johns Manville Home Insulation We give a scientific application of a quality insulating material according to the rigid specifications of the Johns Manville company. To get an estimate of the cost of insulating your home call or write. CITIZENS TRANSFER & COAL CO. Home Insulation Division Asheville, N. C. Phone 25

"LADIES, why wax your floors every week?" Use Plasti-Kote once a year. Garland Home & Auto Store. t-f-c

Wanted

WANTED TO BUY: For Cash, oil heater, one or two burners. Must be in good condition. Box 3 Ridgecrest. o-2-p

WANTED: Children to keep by the hour. Mrs. Betty Wrenn. Phone 5151. o-9-p

WANTED: Good home for mother cat and two kittens. Mama likes mice. Call 4101 o-2-p

FOR RADIO and Electric appliance repairs, go to McMurra Chevrolet Company. TF

With The Sign

Mrs. June Glenn, Sr., who has been ill for the past three weeks with arthritis is improving and is able to be up and about in the house.

Isaac Martin has returned to his home after being a patient for three weeks at Moore hospital. He is much improved.

Mrs. Candwell Denny of Ridgecrest was ill last week with lumbago.

R. E. Mumpower has been confined to his home for the past week with sciatica.

Melba Riddle has been sick with a sore throat for the past week.

Mrs. L. J. Ring and Billy Ann have been ill with a cold.

NOTED VISITOR HERE

Miss Mary Calvert of Asheville was in Black Mountain Sunday to see her aunt, Mrs. J. S. Wahab who is visiting here. Miss Calvert who has spent many summers here is the daughter of U. S. Consul, John Strong Calvert.

ROXY THEATRE

Swannanoa, N. C.
Evening Shows Start at 7:00 o'clock
MATINEE: SATURDAY ONLY At 1:00 P. M.

TONIGHT & FRIDAY DRAMA

"THE PRIVATE AFFAIRS OF BELAMI"

With George Saunders, Angela Lansbury, & Ann Dvorak

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 WESTERN

"TRAIL TO SAN ANTONIO" WILD HORSES"

With Gene Autry, Peggy Stewart, & Sterling Holliday

MONDAY & TUESDAY OCTOBER 6 & 7 MUSICAL

"CALENDAR GIRL OF 1947"

With Jane Fransee, Gail Patrick, & Kenny Baker

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

"THE LAW OF THE LASH"

With "Lash" Larue, Al "Fuzzy" Knight, & Mary Scott

News on Monday Serial on Wed. & Sat. Comedies with all Shows

Your Ad in this newspaper will be read by hundreds of prospective customers. If you want to buy or sell, use the advertising columns of the NEWS.