

### Key Black Commissioned 2nd Lieutenant

Key Black, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Black, who has been in the U. S. Army for the past five and one-half years has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant. The Kings Mountain outfit is on duty somewhere in Australia. The many friends of Lt. Black will be glad to hear of his promotion which was received Sept. 28th.

The young man who is 23 years old has not been home in a year and a half. Mr. and Mrs. Black have one other son of military age, Harry Black, who is on duty in the Army in Mason, Ga.

### Thanks Red Cross For Kit

The letter below was received by the local chapter of the Red Cross expressing appreciation for a kit which had been made by Kings Mountain volunteer workers. So that the public may know how much service men appreciate work on the home front the letter is published here.

L. B. C. Georgetown S. C. Oct. 22, 1943. Kings Mountain N. C. Chapter American Red Cross Dear Members:

I'm writing to express my sincere appreciation for the gift kit it was brought to us by Chaplain Louis Hebert, Lieut. U. S. Navy. I want you to know that all of us here appreciated these little things that you of the Red Cross are doing for us. We are stationed at an isolated outpost of the Mountain Beach Patrol, where things such as I have received from you are indeed luxuries. Thanking you very sincerely as mine I remain yours truly, Acie Bazley.

- RATION DEADLINES**
- CANNED GOODS:** X, Y & Z stamps valid through Nov. 20.
  - MEAT, BUTTER, OILS:** Brown Stamps C, D, and E, expire Oct. 31.
  - SUGAR:** Stamps 15 and 16 valid for 5 pounds each for home canning through Oct. 31. Last day for No. 14, good for 5 pounds, Oct. 31.
  - GASOLINE:** Last day for use of No. 5 A gasoline ration stamp—November 2.
  - SHOES:** Shoe stamp 18 valid indefinitely.
  - FUEL OIL:** Period 1 coupons in use fuel-oil ration valid through January 3, 1944.
  - TIRES:** Last day for third tire inspection for A drivers—Mar. 31, 1944.

### Army Gun Gunner Caught With Clothing

AN OUNCE OF BOMBING COMMAND STATION, England—There are getting so much over Germany these days that even clothing tags are flying through the air and getting gunners here to combat for minutes at a time. At least that is what happened during a recent bombing attack on Sgt. William B. Howell of Kings Mountain, N. C., 25 year old waist number on the Flying Fortress "Ram Roogie III".

It occurred during a delicate moment, too. As Sgt. Howell was firing at a particularly persistent Messerschmitt 109 immediately prior to the bombing run, a burst of fire hit the belly of the big bomber under the flight bag loaded with clothing, and tossed it into the air against the gunner, who was thrown backward against the ship's sides. So intent was Howell in attempting to down the fighter that he didn't stop firing.

Although the clothing saved Sgt. Howell from serious injury, it was torn to shreds, especially a recently acquired pair of olive drab trousers which looked as though they had been slashed with a knife. The "Ram Roogie" gunner isn't complaining, but he just hopes the supply sergeant will see eye to eye with him on the matter of replacing the useless clothes.

### SHOWING AT IMPERIAL

**Today—Thursday Only**  
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Also Selected Shorts.  
Coming Soon: "Johnny Come Lately"

### GAMBLE TO SPEAK

Mr. Tom Gamble of Gastonia will speak on Temperance at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Sunday, Oct. 24 at the regular Sunday School hour. Mr. Gamble is a member of the Armstrong Memorial Presbyterian Church, also a prominent member of the Business Men Evangelistic Club.

### Howling Commission Report

RALPH—The Howling Industry Foundation's North Carolina Chapter has issued its fourth annual report reviewing the accomplishments of its self-regulation program for the past 12 months. The report, compiled by State Director Henry H. State of Goldsboro, detailed the Committee's 221 industry meetings during the year. These included 120 meetings of retail dealers, 15 distributors meetings and 86 other industry meetings. The state director delivered 23 addresses before civic and veterans' organizations, and appeared before the governing boards of 20 counties, cities and towns. The report also includes excerpts from newspaper editorials and letters commending the Committee's self-regulation campaign.

### Personal

Miss Lillian Roper spent last week in High Point.  
Mrs. W. G. Whisman of Granite Falls is a guest of Mrs. A. A. Altman this week.  
Mrs. Jones Pharr of Charlotte has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Edith Goforth.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Jenkins and son were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Keeter.  
Miss Dorothy Harmon is visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. H. Ligon, in Clarksville, Va.  
Miss Ava Grayson of Lincolnton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Grayson.  
Pvt. Charles W. Ramsey who is stationed at Fort Bragg spent the week end with his wife and family.  
Mesdames Charles Ramsey and Harvey Ramsey spent last Wednesday in Gastonia.  
Mrs. Hugh Hohe and son, Charles Clinic, of Lincolnton are spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fulton.  
First Class Seaman Ben Hardin is home on furlough from several months combat service in the Mediterranean area.  
Mesdames J. H. Arthur, Ted Kiss and Mrs. Clyde Kerns and friend, Mrs. William Steamer were recent visitors in Charlotte.  
Mrs. Abie Martin and son, Robbie have returned from New York and Connecticut where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Hatcher Huges.  
"Tuddy" Williams, U. S. N who is stationed at Jacksonville, Fla., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Williams.  
Mr. C. L. Early has returned after visiting his son, "Curley," a member of the U. S. Army Air Force stationed in Dixon, Mo.  
Sgt. James Aubrey Clay leaves tomorrow for Selma Field, Monroe, La., after spending 15 days with Mrs. Clay.  
Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Goforth and son, Bobby, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hoot Cretshaw at their home in Belmont Tuesday night.  
Broader P. Herndon, U. S. Navy, who has been serving his country for the past year somewhere in the South Pacific, has been promoted to 1st Class Petty Officer.  
Mrs. Beatie V. Tolleson, mother of Mr. W. W. Tolleson, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown of near Elkin, were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tolleson Monday.  
Pvt. Frank A. Barber, Jr. has arrived in the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Fort Sargent, N. C., for basic military training and assigned to Battery D, 6th Art. Tation, 2nd P. A. Tug. Regiment.  
Mrs. John Phil Wilson and baby daughter, Nancy Jane, Mrs. E. W. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt, Phyllis and Bud Ware, spent the week end in Columbia, S. C., where they visit of Mrs. Wilson's husband, at Fort Jackson and Kerr relatives in the City.  
Mrs. J. C. Hanes of Charlotte was a guest of Mrs. James Hudson at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Fisher during the past week end. Mrs. Hudson returned home with Mrs. Hanes Sunday afternoon for a few days visit.  
Captains and Mrs. E. E. Sinton and baby son who have been visiting the former's parents, in Thomas, Va., arrived only in the week for a visit at the home of Mrs. Sinton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crouch. Captain Sinton has returned to Camp Weller, Texas, before going to Fort Leonard, Mo., where he was recently transferred. Mrs. Sinton and baby will join him later at the latter place.

### NEWS

By Mrs. Joseph G. Carter.  
Pvt. Frank Alexander Smith from Los Angeles, Calif., has returned to camp recently after spending a week with his wife, E. J. Lee Smith, and his mother, Mrs. May Smith of Company community.  
The Blue Church will have a North and South Carolina Rally on Sunday. These boys in South Carolina are rallying against those born in North Carolina. The North Carolina captains are Mrs. Ida Cherry, Mrs. S. T. Cooke, and Mr. Edward Hunter. The South Carolina captains are Mrs. Gertrude Brown and Mr. Raleigh Brown.  
The Annual Drive was held last Sunday at St. Paul Methodist church. The following amounts were raised by the following captains: Mrs. Jessie Rhodes \$15.01; Mrs. William Goodrich \$12.71; Mr. Hazel Brown \$22.76; Mr. Telf Clark \$24.71; and Mr. Paul E. Bryson \$45.71, and other collections \$4.00, making a total of \$144.00. The pastor is Rev. S. C. Sison.  
Mr. and Mrs. James Whiteside and Misses Elsie Patterson and Lillian Whiteside visited relatives and friends in Salisbury.  
The new teacher at Compact School is Miss Edie Kivens of Kappapolis, N. C. She is a graduate of Livingston College.  
Pfc. Lucio Wilson of Wyoming, Miss Ouida Mae Wilson of Elizabeth, N. J., and Miss Nina Wilson of Friendship College, Rock Hill, S. C., are home visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wilson

on Young Street.  
Miss Ida Hill of Spartanburg, S. C., was a week end guest of her sister, Mrs. Jessie Quinn.  
Mr. A. L. Costner, Mrs. Pauline Galtrey.  
Captain Elmer May and Captain Walter of Spartanburg, S. C., via Capt. Galtrey at Woodrow, S. C., via Capt. Galtrey and Mrs. D. A. Costner.



**SHED A YEAR FOR BILL**

Bill—she's me—leads a hard life. I'm nervous and dog-eared for every week, but I'm a soldier and ordinary seaman that sides with me. Which at times is too many for one but however, you're welcome and no matter how thick you come, I'll do my darndest to catch you in some where. That's the least I can do for you chaps who may soon know what real hardship is. But when you come back, then I'm expectin' to give you some real service.

**Bill—the best driver**  
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