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## South Sea Island Paradise Is Awfully Close To Hell

"A South Sea Island paradise is awfully close to hell," runs a poem from the South Pacific G. I.'s, Miss Lucy Crockett, Red Cross recreation worker just returned from that area, told Smyth County workers Wednesday night February 23, as they banqueted to drive for \$10,800 during March for the Red Cross War Fund.

"Men are used to seeing Red Cross at the front. We never have enough supplies, never enough personnel to take care of them. Men come to Red Cross centers for blue nail polish, for hot showers, for books, letter paper, dancing, to talk to some one from home. They like best of all to see older women working. They want everything from haircuts to tatooing or perhaps a cigarette holder improvised from a pipe for a man whose hand is so badly burned he can't hold a smoke," Miss Crockett

said. She praised also the unglamorous volunteer work of women in the United States who have made Red Cross sweaters, dressings, etc.

John Lynch Sanders presided at the meeting as toastmaster.

Ray Buchanan, chairman of the drive assigned quotas and chairmen for different communities follows: Marion, \$6,000, Fred Poe, colored, L. B. Dabney, Groseclose, Mrs. D. J. Counts, \$120, Atkins, Mrs. Veran Riddle \$200, Mt. Carmel, Dr. W. M. Martin, \$225, State Park Area, Mrs. Everett Box, \$100, Chilhowie, Meek Duncan, \$1,300, Walker's Creek, Miss Virginia Meek, \$200, Adwolle, Mrs. Grace Houston, \$250, Thomas's Bridge, Mrs. King Dye, \$125, Riverside, Miss Minnie Rouse, Mrs. Jessie Blankenbecker, \$325, Seven-Mile Ford, Mrs. Merle Pullard,

\$200 Cedar Springs, Mrs. M. E. Myers, \$300, Sugar Grove, I. C. Choate, \$475, Konnarock, Miss Katrina Umberger, \$100, Nebo, Mrs. W. H. Groseclose \$200, Chatham Hill, Wiley Debord, \$325, Rich Valley, M. M. Lewis, \$425, Attoway, Mrs. Clay Sayers, \$100.

Money should be turned in Mondays and Thursdays to Miss Ruby Eblen at the county superintendent's office and Mr. Buchanan hopes the drive will finish up well before the end of the month.

He introduced Red Cross Field Representative Mel Jeffries who explained the materials of the drive to workers. He suggested that they point out that people are not giving to the Red Cross, but through the Red Cross to the men in the service. The national goal is 200 million dollars, he said.

## Smyth Scene Of Plane Crash With 5 Survivors, 17 Dead

### C A B Investigates Cause of Plane Crash

TO THE PEOPLE OF MARION, VA.:

American Airlines deeply appreciates the warmth and sincerity with which the people of Marion, Va., have accepted and assisted its representatives during a tragic time.

To the state, county and local officials and all the men and women who so wholeheartedly offered their time and their services in this unfortunate emergency, we are grateful.

The doctors, nurses and other missionaries of mercy have been most helpful to our representatives and to those whose experience has been a difficult one.

We of American Airlines look forward to future, but happier, visits with you.

A. N. KEMP,

President American Airlines.

### Wounded



First Lieutenant Robert Peppas was seriously wounded in Germany on December 1. He was two weeks in a field hospital, then was sent by plane to England. Last Sunday he telephoned his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Repass, from a hospital in Massachusetts and said he was making good progress. He lived with the Repasses for five years and is widely remembered in Marion. He enlisted while taking a pre-medics course at Emory University. His wife is the former Miss Dorothy Wilkin of Colquitt, Ga., now a senior at Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga. He is the son of Roy R. Repass and the late Winona Anderson Repass.

### Killed



Sgt. Ben W. Church of Quarry was reported killed in action in Luxembourg on February 17. He is survived by his wife and baby. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Church, Quarry, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kaumough of Ontario, Canada, Lt. John Den O Ouden of the Royal Canadian Air Force, Ontario, Canada, Mrs. V. S. Riddle and Mrs. A. G. Riddle were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hoofnagle and Miss Ann Hoofnagle.

Twelve hours of horror and high courage, of generosity and of the ultimate in human suffering are deeply recorded in Smyth county's records through the stories of the five survivors of the American Airlines passenger plane which crashed on Glade Mountain about 2:30 Friday morning, February 23, killing 17.

Civilian searchers guided by planes reached the demolished plane about two o'clock Friday afternoon and found living Mrs. Sarah Padgett, stewardess, Nashville, Tennessee, Marine Lieutenant Erwin Schwartz, Syracuse, N. Y., Ensign Leonard Ricci, Meriden, Conn., and Ensign Fred L. Middaugh, Los Angeles.

Mrs. Ulen Mrs. Francis Ulen warmly praised by Ricci and Schwartz for her gallant attempt to find rescuers had left the others about 10:30 that morning and was found by Wiley Vaught at 3:30 about half way on the two-mile stretch between his farm and the plane. She had spent the night Schwartz said, pinned in the wreckage because any movement of hers added to the pain of a dying man. In the morning her movements no longer bothered him, and she got out. No one realized her ankle was injured, and she started bravely away down the most difficult of the mountain slopes for help. She worried a little about her torn clothing and disarranged hair, Schwartz and Ricci said, but when the News reporter commented that she was a real woman they answered in chorus reprimandingly, "She was a great lady." Her own shoes were gone so she took from a dead man some very large ones which she was too stiff to bend over and tie. She kept stopping out of them as she painfully picked her way over rocks and through heavy brush. Vaught said he tied them for her finally and had to lift her fact over rocks and logs in the two and a half hours it took them to travel the mile to his house.

The Crash Schwartz, who was one of the few passengers awake at the time of the crash, said he saw the stewardess run forward, was aware that they were losing altitude, tightened his belt and then felt himself "bounced from tree to tree. I never lost consciousness, I wasn't scared. I was just mad. I was reporting to the west coast for sea duty and I wanted to go." Schwartz called his friend Ricci after the crash and found him alive but unable to move. Ricci had changed seats shortly before with a lieutenant-colonel who was fatally injured. Schwartz crawled back in the plane, got half a dozen coats from a coat closet and tore the rug from the floor. He and Ricci finally persuaded Mrs. Padgett to use some of these coverings although she insisted that as stewardess she must take care of them. Partially delirious through the night, she had presence of mind to warn the others not to light matches with high octane gas scattered around. Later at Lee Memorial hospital Dr. George A. Wright says she insisted that he take care of the others first.

Schwartz believes he heard the voices of nine or ten people in the dark, cold, sleety hours following the crash and thinks that others could have been saved if rescue had been immediate. Throughout the night of waiting Middaugh's delirious request was: "I want a quart of milk, I want a quart of milk." Schwartz said he believes he could have stuck it out a second night, but Ricci had his doubts.

Mrs. Padgett, who is the

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## LIFE IN SMYTH COUNTY

Ensign Leonard Ricci, a seriously injured survivor of last Friday's American Airlines plane crash in Smyth, had presence of mind enough left after 12 hours exposure to snow, sleet and rain, to tell Ralph Lincoln of Marion how to set up this portable radio set and message out the first plea from the scene of the accident for doctors, ambulances and stretcher bearers.

Melvin Edwards of the U. S. Forest Service working about 3:20 at a Rural Retreat garage to receive radio messages and phone them out said, "A pitiful voice (Lincoln's) came over the air asking for help — then silence — then — some one started cussing — uncensored over free radio air as Red Moore of Marion picked up an emergency flare near the plane wreckage saturated with high octane gas. The flare went off and Moore dashed like the proverbial bat out of hell down the hill with it and the small silk parachute attached for its use in emergency landings. He had picked up the parachute to use to cover some of the bodies.

Forest Ranger Paul Sundheimer at his office in Marion says he received a radio message from Tri-City Airport at 12:45 p. m. on Friday saying that a search plane had sighted the wreckage four miles southwest of Rural Retreat.

Knowing that this placed the crash in the difficult Glade Mountain section where it would be like hunting for a needle in a haystack, Sundheimer waited until 1:15 to talk to the pilot of the plane, who placed the wreckage due south from the high point known as Little Mountain in the Glade Mountain chain. The pilot said it could also be located by the path it cut through the tree tops. This path later proved to be about 350 feet long.

Sundheimer's search party started out with three portable radio sets and drove to the head of Nick's Creek where they separated and took foot trails.

The first person to reach the survivors was Ray Wyatt, 15, of Cedar Springs who was running back down the mountain for help when he met a Marion party. Photographers Mrs. David Greear and Allen Murray were among the first to arrive on the scene. See Lincoln's story.

State Trooper E. C. Archer and other police decided to try to move Mrs. Sally Padgett first. Dr. S. W. Hudile got there when she had been carried about half way down the trail. Dr. A. B. Graybeal came soon and helped check the survivors and also acted as coroner. All the bodies had been brought out by eight o'clock that night. A fire was built on a nearby ridge and the local Virginia State guard stood watch over a pile of valuables collected.

## Lincoln Tells Of First Searchers To Reach Plane

A calm voice (either Ricci's or Schwartz's) came from around the shattered American Airlines plane as Ralph Lincoln bent over critically injured Ensign Fred Middaugh about 2:45 p. m. last Friday. "When you get through with that there's some more over here," the voice said.

In the group of four others with Lincoln all of whom had fanned out to search within calling distance of each other, Ray Wyatt and E. W. Hall

came on the plane, first followed in a few minutes by Lincoln, Clay Church and Mrs. David Greear.

Ralph Lincoln first came upon a dead man 30 or 40 feet from the plane, then saw Middaugh lying with no support for his head but with one dead man under him and one across his body.

The rescuers then found Ricci and Schwartz with Mrs. Padgett between them trying to shelter her from the cold. She had slid down from a log, however, and her feet were in the snow, Lincoln said.

"They all had real guts," was his comment. "Each insisted that the other be help-

ed first, and there was not a word of complaint or a request for speedier assistance, just appreciation of what was being done for them. Mrs. Padgett did worry over her last pair of Nylon hose a little and she asked us to be certain to get her book, "Forever Amber" for her. She wanted to finish it."

Other searchers arrived within 20 minutes and radio contact was set up within 45 minutes. Red Moore's flare (see story under Life in Smyth) helped to bring more in. Lincoln's group was greatly aided by two search planes they saw dive towards the scene of the crash.



Marion rescuers approach the wrecked American Airlines passenger plane. In the lower foreground are survivors Ensign Ricci and Lt. Schwartz who refused to take credit for

their own considerable efforts to help Mrs. Padgett and others of the injured and gave all of their praise to Mrs. Ulen and Mrs. Padgett.



This view of the plane wreckage gives an idea of what a twisted up ball it became. The pilot who first sighted it thought it completely disintegrated and search parties

were all convinced that all they would find would be a burned up ruin. Instead five lived to tell their terrific stories.

## COMING EVENTS In Smyth County

(Listing free, unless event is operated for private profit. In such case listing charge is 3c per word. Listing closes Thursday 9 a. m.)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Atkins Girls Basket ball team vs Town House team at Chilhowie high school at 8 p. m.

Marion Woman's club will meet at 3:30 p. m. at the Lincoln Hotel. Mr. Kearfoot will give an illustrated lecture of "Famous Homes and Gardens of Virginia."

### THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Circle No. 6 of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. Willard Kaempf, at the home of Mrs. Will Robinson on Hospital Hill at 7:30 p. m.

### MONDAY, MARCH 5

Book and Study Club will meet at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. L. P. Collins hostess. Program in charge of Mrs. G. C. Walker Jr., and Mrs. Leon Beville.

## Nursery School Will Open March 19

R. M. Buchanan, superintendent of Smyth schools announced today that the nursery school would open on March 19 in the Methodist church basement.

Mr. Buchanan also stated that the personnel had been employed and that most of the equipment had arrived. Members of the personnel will do observation work at the Radford Nursery the week of the 5 through the 9.

Miss Frances Cromwell, representative of the Federal Works Agency of Richmond is here this week assisting with preparation for the school. She

## Circuit Court Sets March 7 For Misdemeanors

Trial docket for Circuit Court in Smyth was prepared this week and includes the following criminal cases (all misdemeanors) set for hearing on March 7:

Town of Marion vs Donley Clarence Snyder, charged with driving drunk, appeared from mayor's court, commonwealth vs Clarence J. Ward, charged with non-support, appealed from t. j. court, and three charges of larceny against James Hamm.

will return to Marion March 13 for the opening of the school.

I do not agree with a word you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it—VOLTAIRE

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## TRY TO BE CLEAR

Virginia's worst legal mess has now arrived at the point where voters are going to have to mark a ballot on March 6 either in favor of a constitutional convention without sovereign powers, a very dangerous legal precedent to establish, or against it, a vote which will prevent some of Virginia's service men from exercising franchise in next fall's elections. What a choice!

About all that appears clear to us is that voters ought to try to be clear about what they are doing.

The Supreme Court of Virginia has just given its full opinion supporting as legal and binding the ballot to be used on March 6. This ballot is reproduced also on this page.

Chief Justice Preston W. Campbell, however, went against the majority opinion. Since he is the father of three sons in the service, one killed May 23, 1944, we wish to quote part of his opinion.

"It is because of my conscientious conviction that the act in question is subversive to my every concept of democratic principles," he wrote of the referendum act, "that I feel constrained to dissent. Though it be admitted that the act has its genesis in the beneficent purpose of furnishing the serviceman a medium for the exercise of the right of suffrage without the payment of a poll tax, its revelation is to deny him the right of democratic action in selecting his public servants to serve in a Constitutional Convention unimpeded by legislative restriction.

"The fundamental question involved in the case at bar is: 'Which shall prevail, expediency or legality? If expediency is to prevail then our boys who have died in order that liberty and democracy (as established by their forefathers) should continue, have died in vain.

"It is stated and restated in the majority opinion that the electors and not the Legislature impose the restraint provided for in the act. This argument is out 'a sticking in the back.'

"The electors either are to vote 'no' or for a convention in which their representatives have no voice save that prescribed by the Legislature.

"If the mandatory language 'to revise the Constitution and amend the same' is not a prohibition to merely revise and amend only a part of the Constitution, then the English language has lost its potency.

"It cannot be denied," the chief justice concluded, "that the General Assembly is the creature of the Constitution. That being true then it is a paradox to say that the creature, by legislative fiat, can become greater than its creator."

Judge Campbell thus ably sums up the feeling of those who see the convention as such a bad attempt to do a good thing that it should not be tolerated.

Last week the News presented the able arguments of the American Legionnaire in favor of the convention.

Just one more point to be clear on. Men and women from Virginia with the armed forces can vote without this legislation if they have made the personal registration required by law and have paid their poll taxes. Some young ones were no doubt snatched off to fight before they got around to registering for voting. Some older men, too, possibly never cared enough about voting before to take care of their registration and poll tax.

Everyone agrees that no one has a greater right to vote than the men who are fighting for their country. How many of them want to vote? No one knows. It's anybody's guess. Right now the marines on Iwo are too busy to care — the men in Italy are still slugging through mountains — the men crashing through the Siegfried Line haven't time to exert their sovereign rights. Our hearts are with them. Our minds will have to decide how to vote on March 6.

— M. C. A.



Randolph L. Powell, sea 1-c U. S. C. G. who is stationed in Norfolk, was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Powell and family.



Charles Winton Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Daniel, Jr., was promoted to Seaman First Class on February 1, 1945. He is stationed at a Naval Base Hospital on Timian Island in The Marianas. He has been in the Navy thirteen and one half months and has been overseas since last June.

Petty Officer 2-c E. Stanley Byrd, who has been seriously ill at Lee Memorial hospital, is improving.

## COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA Constitutional Convention Ballot Informatory Statement

The Act of the General Assembly submitting to the people the question below provides that the elector is voting for or against a convention to which will be delegated by the people only the limited powers of revising and amending the Constitution to the extent that is necessary to accomplish the following purposes, and no other purposes:

1. To eliminate registration and payment of poll taxes by members of the armed forces while in active service in time of war as a prerequisite to the right of said members to vote in any and all elections while in such service, but not to eliminate same with respect to any other persons.

2. To cancel and annul all poll taxes heretofore assessed or assessable against members of the armed forces for the years 1942, 1943, and 1944, and every year during all or a part of which said members were in active service in time of war, and also for the three years next preceding any such member's discharge, provided such discharge is not dishonorable, though not then in service, and to exempt said members from future assessments of poll taxes for all years, during a part of which they are hereafter engaged in such active service in time of war.

The Act also provides that the legal effect of a majority vote for a convention will be that the people will delegate to it only the foregoing powers, except that the convention will be empowered to ordain and proclaim said revisions and amendments adopted by it within the scope of said powers without submitting same to the electors for approval, but the convention will not have the power to either consider, adopt or propose any other amendments or revisions.

In the light of the foregoing information the question to be voted on is as follows:

SHALL THERE BE A CONVENTION TO REVISE THE CONSTITUTION AND AMEND THE SAME:

- FOR THE CONVENTION  
 AGAINST THE CONVENTION

## Letters To The Editor

Against The Convention  
Editor, Smyth County News:  
Dear Mrs. Anderson,

On next Tuesday, March sixth, the electors of Virginia are allowed to vote FOR or AGAINST the question: "Shall there be a convention to revise the Constitution and amend the same." What does this mean? You will find on your ballot an explanatory statement to the effect that this convention is allowed to change the constitution only with reference to members of the armed forces and that only. The Supreme Court of Virginia has ruled that the ballot is legal. Maybe yes and maybe no. To me the question presented is RIGHT or WRONG. Under our present constitution a veteran of the war between the States—whether Union or Confederate—and his wife can vote without payment of the obnoxious poll tax. Why not exempt veterans of the Spanish-American war? Why discriminate against veterans of world war I?

This question appeals to me in a personal way. I entered the U. S. Military Academy in 1910. Today I walk the streets of Marion in civilian clothing but I am a member of the armed forces. Why should I be allowed to vote without payment of poll tax when my brother is required to pay \$1.00 in order to get his name on the list.

Recently, my brother and I were overseas about the same length of time—we both participated in the battle of Paris.

In 1944 our General Assembly passed an act allowing members of the armed forces the privilege of voting without payment of poll tax. They concocted some sort of a scheme by which the Governor could pay the poll tax. It should have been obvious to the most simple minded that the Governor could not register a man who was in Ind. The Supreme Court promptly threw the fact in the waste basket.

Now this same General Assembly attempts to throw another SOP (Any food dipped in milk, gravy or the like) 2. A conciliatory bribe) to the soldiers.

Now I am voting AGAINST a restricted convention. Not because I am against members of the armed forces voting. I do not consider it fair, just or correct that I should be allowed to vote without pay-

ment of capitation tax when I see a man with one leg gone who was discharged yesterday who is required to pay back taxes for three years in order to vote in the Democratic primary in August. (It might be well to remember that in November 1944 62.5 per cent of our electorate voted for Roosevelt and 37.5 per cent voted for Dewey.)

As for the General Assembly, the majority of which consider as a bunch of WANDERERS, QUAGGAS and BULL FROGS, I desire to express my extreme contempt. In order that you will not have to consult your dictionary I will quote from Webster: "Wanderer, A purple-faced, yellow whiskered, long-tailed monkey." "Quagga—A South African wild ass." "Bull Frog—They hatch out as tadpoles." And I believe, that they grow up as animals who croak without saying anything sensible.

And, may I repeat, as a member of the armed forces, who is and has been for the past thirty five years, we do not care to have a political SOP thrown at us. We are Americans, FIRST, LAST and ALL the TIME and we want to be on a basis of equality with the rest of you.

I sincerely hope that the electors of Smyth County see fit to join with me in voting AGAINST a restricted Constitutional Convention and thus express our disgust to the Wanderers, Quaggas and Bull Frogs who now represent us in Richmond.

Most Sincerely yours,  
Glen H. Anderson,  
Major, U. S. Army.

Dear Mrs. Anderson:

The poem enclosed was clipped from "The Marion Democrat" during the 1st World War. I thought perhaps you'd like to publish it as human nature doesn't change much with the years.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs. J. S. Roberts, Cor.

I wonder who wrote it?  
The Woman Slacker  
SHE is very patriotic  
(At least she says she is.)  
But she does not join the Red Cross,  
To defend her country's cause.

She is always very busy,  
She has so much to do,  
With toiling for her family  
She never can get through.

She tats, embroideries and crochets

Until her eyes are dim;  
With tatted sheets and pillows  
Her guest room is a dream.

She cannot knit a sweater,  
She does not care to learn,  
For there are many others  
Who have so much more time.

She walks, and talks and gossips,  
"Peace" is her choicest theme  
But for the dear brave Sammie,  
She does not sew a seam.

She goes to moving pictures,  
She plays at forty-two,  
But when the Red Cross meets to sew  
She has something else to do.

She entertains so charming,  
And she can play and sing;  
But for the wounded soldiers  
She has not made a sling.

She thinks the boys in uniform  
Look very, very fine;  
But she cannot make pajamas,  
It is not in her line.

She loves her country dearly,  
At least she tells us so;  
But she never gave a dollar  
To make the Red Cross go.

She loves the starry banner,  
And hopes it long may wave  
But not one effort has she made  
Her country's blood to save.

She boasts of brave ancestors,  
And if she were a man,  
She would get right into service,  
And work for Uncle Sam.

She eats wheat bread on Mondays,  
And meat, on Tuesdays too,  
With "brainless Hooverism"  
She has not a thing to do.

She buys all kinds of dainties,  
In spite of price advance;  
But she never has the money  
To buy a savings stamp.

And when the war is over,  
And the boys in khaki come,  
Waving victory's banner,  
Over their loved native home.

When every tribe and nation,  
From tyranny is free;  
When she is asked "Who did it?"

Where will the SLACKER  
be?  
Member H. C. Chapter,  
Marion, Va.

## LETTER TO ED

My Soldier Sons  
Two stars are in my window  
now,  
Two rooms look cold and bare  
The furniture is still standing,  
But two sons are just not there.

I miss their happy faces,  
And their footsteps on the  
stair,  
When we gather around the  
table,  
There is each sons vacant chair.

## Hope Heldreth

Funeral services for Hope Heldreth, who died at Rural Retreat last Monday morning following an illness of long duration, were held Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Heldreth, who was forty six years of age, is survived by his wife, who was Miss India Kent of Saltville, and one son, Charles, and an aunt, Miss Kate Heldreth and an uncle Brook Heldreth with whom he had made his home since early childhood.

Rev. A. J. Shumate conducted the funeral services at the home and he was assisted by Mr. E. C. Gammon. Interment was in Mountain View cemetery.

## Chilhowie

BY FLORA P. COPEHNAVER  
PHONE NO. 7

Chilhowie, Feb 29 — Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Greever are visiting relatives in Richmond, Va.

Mr. Walter Neil Blankenbecker is at his home here. He was recently discharged from the U. S. N. on account of physical disability.

Claiborne Beattie and Hugh McKee Jones have been transferred from a U. S. ... Training School in Memphis, Tenn., to Norman, Okla. They recently spent several days at their homes in Chilhowie.

Mrs. John D. W. Deeds and daughter of Pulaski spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson.

Miss Frances Rector, a teacher at V. I. College, spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Rector.

Robert Dolinger, U. S. N. spent the weekend at his home here.

Dr. Dean Cole, of Richmond, Va., Mr. Fred Cole of Pulaski, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cole of Christiansburg, Va., were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Greever.

Mr. Robert Beattie spent the weekend at the home of his parents Mayor and Mrs. A. C. Beattie.

Rev. C. W. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Echols are spending some time in Fla.

Clarence W. Taylor Jr., who is attending a training school in Bainbridge, Md., spent the

weekend at his home here.

Miss Mabel Smith is spending the week with her sister Mrs. Ralph Carr and Mr. Carr in Johnson City, Tenn.

Miss Carlotta Sakers and Lt. Ralph Gunter spent the weekend in Chilhowie with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sanders.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the St. James Lutheran church observed "The Week of Prayer" with services each day during the week. The program was centered around the general theme, "Our Father's Will." The services were held Monday at the home of Mrs. E. B. Bonham with Mrs. Sam Mountain the leader. The society met Wednesday with Mrs. S. L. Bonham. Miss Gladys Troxell had charge of the program. Thursday Mrs. J. B. Bonham at her home presented the topic "Our Father's Will." The service was held Friday at the home of Mrs. Roy Duncan in Glade Spring. Mrs. Duncan had charge of the program.

Services will be held at the St. James Lutheran church each Thursday night until Easter conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. L. Linebarger. Miss Lucile Christian is in Richmond, Va., attending a Secretarial school. Mrs. Douglas Heffinger left Saturday to join her husband, T-Sgt. Douglas Heffinger in Ontario, California. Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Compton are weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Farmer.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Mountain View Church met Wednesday afternoon at the home

of Miss Annie Bishop. The program topic was "The American Indian." Mrs. Roby Widner was the leader. She was assisted by Mrs. Garland St. John, Mrs. Broady Duncan, Mrs. Nora Love, Mrs. Ballard Brewer and Miss Annie Bishop.

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**SCHEDULE**

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7:42	7:51
8:50	9:03
9:01	9:08
11:50	12:00

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## Col. Buchanan Commands Regiment Wipes Out Japs

With the 25th Infantry (Tropical Lighting) Division on Luzon Island in the Philippines — A Japanese column was wiped out by the 21st Infantry Regiment commanded by Colonel David H. Buchanan, Marion, as it broke through one of our road blocks and smashed into another several miles away. It was proceeding from San Leon to Umangan on Luzon Island 100 miles north of Manila.

Infantry weapons of all types destroyed eight tanks, one hundred and five millimeter guns, fifteen prime movers and ammunition carts and twenty trucks and killed fifty four Japs including a Japanese Major turned in his sword the commanding officer of the enemy artillery battalion.

The Infantrymen of the 25th Infantry (Tropical Lighting) Division moved into position late in the afternoon of January 29-30 forming two road blocks along the road west and northwest of Pomona when at mid-night the Japanese column was reported by a pilot flying a paper cup plane looking for an enemy artillery position that had been firing on our position. Flying low overhead he saw the column silhouetted in the moonlight as it was proceeding in the direction of Umangan. He said, "When I saw the column I called for fire and the first round landed 1500 yards in front of the column in the artillery position that I had been looking for. Intense anti-aircraft fire was thrown at me from the position and I had to get out of there. The next two rounds landed on the column with a direct hit on a tank causing it to burst into flames. Lieutenant Spencer E. Wallace, another air liaison officer said, "The anti-aircraft fire was so hot that I could feel my seat burning up." Said Captain Paul A. Engebretson, the artillery air officer for the (Tropical Lighting) Division, "Our artillery fire caused the column to disperse. It was too dark at one thirty in the morning to really tell the damage that was caused."

The column broke through the first lighter infantry road block which immediately reformed, and it hit the second stronger infantry block causing much confusion to them as infantry weapons of all types began firing. The enemy tanks running over their own soldiers trying to escape the death trap.

Major John Briseco, said that enemy dead were all over the place some burned completely others having half of their bodies blown away some try-

ing to escape their vehicles and caught by superior infantry fire power and sprawled over the vehicle with heads and legs missing, guns pointing in all direction, tanks, trucks, prime movers and ammunition carts destroyed. Much enemy equipment was captured. Our losses were light. There was no escape for the vehicles after they were trapped between the two road blocks. Some of the enemy did escape to the nearby rugged hills.

Colonel Buchanan's mother is Mrs. B. F. Buchanan of Marion.



Pfc. Margaret Sexton home on furlough is stationed at Fort McClellan, Ala. Her job is taking care of wounded soldiers. Her husband Sgt. Claude Sexton is somewhere in the Pacific. She hopes to be over there with him soon. "Say g'ris come on join up. Don't be a slacker. We need your help", says Pfc. Sexton.



Mary Ellen Osborne, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Osborne, who celebrated her second birthday February 23rd. Her dad is with the army air force stationed at Pyote, Texas.

## State Highway Department Appeals For Help

Past experience has taught that major damage to highways may be expected during and following a winter such as is now being experienced. In addition to the hazardous conditions created for travel because of snow and sleet, material damage is being done to the foundations and surfaces of all the highways. The results of such a winter will be more apparent when the freezing temperatures are no longer reached and the ground has a chance to thaw out. At such a time there will be break-ups on many roads, particularly the light surfaced type, such as, soil gravel, sand clay, etc.

It is unfortunate that because of the war emergency the Highways Department finds it is seriously handicapped by the lack of manpower to meet this situation. Every effort will be made by the Department to maintain all of the more important roads, but if the roads of less importance are to receive prompt attention it will be absolutely necessary to call on every available man for help. Therefore, the field officials of the Department, the District and Resident Engineers, are being distributed to disseminate this information to the fullest extent to the rural citizens of the State, and by contact, wherever possible, to enlist their aid in meeting this problem. These men will be instructed to pay the prevailing highway rates for labor, equipment and materials and to authorize action by the rural citizens whenever the necessity for prompt action comes to their attention. While the foregoing refers to the necessity of help to repair damage, the same need for help will exist in all cases where severe snow storms or other emergencies arise.

It is realized that those roads which need and should receive the greatest attention are those roads which carry essential traffic, consisting of school bus routes, mail routes, and roads over which the citizens travel to essential war industry. It is felt that rural citizens, by cooperation with the local highway official, can assist materially in much more adequate maintenance of such roads than can be done with the depleted forces of the Highway Department alone. All rural citizens, therefore, are requested and urged to give careful consideration to the calls which will be made on them for this type of assistance and to cooperate as fully as possible with the local highway official.

The Resident Engineer for this area is W.M. Gose, Smyth and Washington Counties Abingdon, Virginia.

## Overseas Veteran Recruiting for Civilian Army

Captain George Wm. Warren, recently returned of two years service with the 8th Air Force England, will be here in the city of Marion with two War Department representatives, Miss Eleanor Boyd and Mrs. Ruth Wilson. They will be located at the local United States Employment Office on Park Street, and will be there during the entire week of February 26th through March 3rd.

"The purpose of our visit," says Captain Warren, "is to recruit greatly needed clerks, Typists and stenographers for Washington, D. C., this need is at the present time most urgent. The war is of course progressing at a very high pitch and in the right direction, but it is also not the time for over confidence, or any let down. If you are now employed in vital war work, stay on the job, but if it is the case that you are not in war work, now is the time to join the Civilian Army and join the March to Washington, by going so, you too will be able to proudly say, after this war is over, (I too served)."

"In order to join the Army," you must be between the ages of 17-12 and 58, be in good health and not employed in vital war industry. It has so often been mentioned says Captain Warren, "That it is impossible to live in Washington," but such is not the case, in fact before you leave your own home, you are assured comfortable and desirable living quarters in Washington, of course the Government pays your transportation to Washington, and you will receive a welcome reception on your arrival.

"We really do need your help and we need it now, your work is piling up in Washington and in order to do the job of the war to succeed these reports, requests and supply orders must be kept rolling."

"Our citizens of Marion have already contributed greatly to the war, you have given your husband's, sons, brothers and war, now you too can fight for them. Won't you enlist now in this Civilian Army and help bring them home as soon as possible. Stop in at once to the Local USES Office for full information, and Captain Warren is anxious to have you know that the salary is adequate and most attractive, and there is chance of promotion on your own merit. Washington is not any more expensive to live in than any other large War Time City, and in your Nation's Capitol there is plenty to do, lots to see and many ways to enjoy your spare time."

All appointments are made in accordance with the War Man Power Commission and the Civil Service Commission. Don't delay! Act now.



Cpl. Estill Reedy is now serving somewhere in the Pacific. He has been in Hawaii and says Pearl Harbor is a beautiful place. He has been in the army about sixteen months.

## ATKINS GIRLS BEAT HOSPITAL TEAM

Atkins Independent girls won a fast basketball game from the State Hospital girls last Wednesday night with a score of 37-16. Blevins was high scorer for Atkins with 25 points, Wilson for Hospital with 13 points.

Last week the Atkins girls ran the undefeated Town House Hosiery Mill girls a close race, losing the game by four points in the last two minutes of the fourth quarter.



Pfc. Daniel W. Holston has just returned from 36 months in the South Pacific and is visiting his aunt, Mrs. E. J. Comer of Marion.



The Silver Star has been awarded to Technician Fifth Grade Richard A. Schwartz, (Gen Pvt. 1st Class) McEal Department, Medical Detachment, 172nd Engineer Combat Battalion, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action. On Oct. 5, 1944, Technician Schwartz was a medical aid man with a combat engineer company which was maintaining a bridge across the Wurm River in Germany. During the mortar barrage which pinned the men to the ground, an officer was seriously wounded by shrapnel on the far side of the bridge. Despite the intensity of the mortar barrage and with complete disregard for his own safety, Technician Schwartz moved to the aid of the wounded officer. As he advanced, he was forced to dive to the ground several times to avoid being hit by mortar fragments. Upon reaching the wounded officer, Tech-

## Lindamood Tells Lions of Plans For Veterans

Mr. Joseph L. Lindamood, contact representative for the local branch of the Veterans' Administration, of Wytheville, was guest speaker at the Lions club meeting Monday night. Mr. Lindamood told the club of the work of the administration in connection with veterans and in a comparison of veterans of this war with the first war pointed out that there will be some 4200 veterans of World War II returning to this district and to civilian life.

Getting on with autobiographies of members, Julius Britton, Garland Bruce and Joe Bass were called upon to tell the story of their lives at this meeting.

Lion G. A. M. Kamuyer of C. P. Lewis, Ontario, Canada, was present as the guest of Veron Riddle and was called upon to make a talk.

Lions Paul Sun, Helmer and Joseph Stephenson gave the club eye witness accounts of the rescue of survivors from the American Airlines plane crash on Glade Mountain Friday morning.

Club group captains called the roll and King Wolfe passed around cigarettes to his Marine group. All the other Lions are now trying to find out who King's friends are.

President John Crockett presided.

## Social Security To Have Representative In Marion

It was announced today by Ben Miller, manager of the Bristol Social Security Field Office, that monthly itinerant service has been reestablished in Marion for the convenience of Marion County residents.

Persons wishing to file claims for old-age and survivors insurance, or applications for account numbers may contact a representative of his office at the Marion U. S. Employment Service Office on the fourth Thursday of each month at 2 o'clock P. M. (E. W. T.). This service has been definitely established through June 1945, and will probably continue thereafter.

Mr. Miller stressed the fact that all assistance possible will be given absolutely without charge, and urged the public to avail itself of the services offered.

## THREE MORE SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS

Three registered yearling ewes belonging to S. P. Bennington were killed Saturday night by dogs, according to Game Warden W. W. Newman.

In commenting on the loss of Mr. Bennington's dogs, Mr. Newman said that the recent pleas issued through the paper and through notices have been very successful in that more dogs have been tagged and more people are keeping their dogs up than before. However, he pointed out that some people are still allowing their dogs to run loose and they are still killing sheep. The dogs killing Mr. Bennington's sheep have not been caught. Mr. Newman stated that this is the third or fourth time dogs have

been in Mr. Bennington's sheep within the past few months.

## ROTARY HONORS BIRTHDAY OF WASHINGTON

At its meeting Friday night, the Marion Rotary Club celebrated the 213th anniversary of the birth of George Washington. "The Father of his Country," the man who was declared by "Light Horse Harry" Lee to be "First in War, First in Peace and First in the hearts of his Countrymen," was eulogized by Dr. E. H. Copenhaver of Marion in scholarly and eloquent address. Captain J. H. Hill of Marion was elected a member of the club.



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**PFC. CULLOP BACK ON DUTY**

Pfc. Joseph E. Cullop, who was reported missing July 16, is now back on duty. His mother, Mrs. George Cullop, received a telegram from the War Department Wednesday morning stating that her son was able to go back for military duty.

Mrs. Cullop received her first letter from her son the first of the year since he had been reported missing.

Private First Class William G. Horne of Company C 333 Infantry has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant. His mother Messie A. Horne lives at Cedar Springs, Virginia. Before the war he worked for C. S. Horne, his father, at Cedar Springs, Virginia.

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Atville L. Hearn, S. 2d, spent a nice day leave at home recently. He took his boot training at the Great Lakes Training Station, and is now at Shoemaker, Calif., awaiting assignment.

Technician Schwartz rendered first aid, shielded the injured man with his own body until the barrage stopped and the officer could be evacuated. The gallantry and courage of Technician Schwartz reflect much credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

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## Fulton McKee Promoted To Brigadier General

### Saltville Kiwanis Hears President Horn

The Kiwanis Club of Saltville was delightfully entertained by Misses Frances Summers and Dely Silliman of Marion College at their regular meeting on Thursday, February 22 at Hotel Saltville. Bill Parslow, as program chairman, introduced Dr. Henry E. Horn, President of Marion College, who in turn presented Miss Summers as pianist and Miss Silliman as vocalist. These two young ladies in their inimitable style gave two songs to their very receptive audience.

Dr. Horn brought to the club a message which started its members thinking of tomorrow in a realistic manner in regard to vested interests and labor seeking a common means of eliminating their grievances. The fundamental principles of our democratic way of living are the ideas conceived by our forefathers who based their everyday living on religion. By means of a parable, he pointed out that people of today could not continue in their effortless riding on a cushion of air without finally coming to an abrupt end. We will finally find ourselves standing on firm ground with a full realization that a flower once plucked from its stem will finally wilt, that the apple taken from its tree will in time rot, and that religion without proper nourishment will inevitably leave the people desolate and seeking for that which they have lost.

The attendance prize donated by Marsh Lewis was drawn by Ed Webb.

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## Saltville Band In Sunday Concert At Abingdon

Post 12 of the American Legion will present a Band Concert, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the Town Hall at Abingdon. The bands to be represented are the Abingdon band, now sponsored by the Legion, six members of the Tennessee High School Band of Bristol, Tennessee, and the Saltville Band.

Participating on the same program and assisting the band will be the Saltville High School Chorus. There will be a total of seventy players, and the entire program will be conducted by the pianist-composer, Dr. G. C. Stein. On the program will be two marches recently written by Dr. Stein, and accepted for publication. The title of one "E-X-L" has been changed to "W-E-X-L," and dedicated to the Abingdon Post of the American Legion.

The Legion expects all of the Legionnaires to be present, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public.



Pfc. Daniel T. Puckett, of Saltville volunteered for service in October, 1940. He is now serving overseas with the 9th armored division. His wife, Mrs. Louisa Puckett lives on Rt. 1, Saltville.

## Saltville

Saltville, Feb. 27 — Miss Barbara Mount of Richmond has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wiley, Sr.

Mr. M. L. Jeffries Alexandria, Virginia, Red Cross representative, was a visitor here Monday.

Pvt. and Mrs. Thomas F. Colley are the parents of a daughter, born February 25, Mathieson hospital.

Servicemen home: Pfc. Ray Gilbert, camp Livingston, La., A. D. Heath, Navy, Little Creek, Virginia, Robert C. Hudson, Dreg Field, Fla., Russell Price, Navy recently returned from overseas, Maynard Ratcliffe and Fred Cregger, Navy.

Miss Barbara Lee Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Brown, made the honor roll State Teachers College, Farmville for her achievement in scholastic work. Miss Brown was pledged into the Phi Zeta Sigma Sorority and was appointed as an executive member of the Dramatics Club.

Mr. and Mrs. father Mr. Henry Taylor.

Mrs. Nora Hubble was called to Roanoke Monday because of the serious illness of her daughter, Roberta.

### PVT. A. B. CARTER MISSING IN ACTION

Private Anhtur Blake Carter of Saltville and Baltimore has been reported missing in action in Belgium since January 20th his mother Mrs. T. M. Carter has been informed by the war Department. He entered the Army in July, 1944 and has been overseas since the 1st of January 1945. He received his training at Camp Blanding, Florida.

Private Carter spent his last furlough in December in Marion at the home of his brother, L. M. Carter on Cemetery Street.

### North Holston

BY HELEN CALLIHAN

North Holston, Feb. 27 — Mrs. C. E. Patrick has returned to her home here, after a two weeks visit with her daughter in Roanoke.

Miss Dorothy Stevenson was the weekend guest of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Patrick.

Kathleen Taylor of the U. S. Waves is spending her leave



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# SMYTH COUNTY NEWS

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# Where is VIRGINIA'S PULPWOOD?

Pulpwood is the No. 1 bottleneck of war production. Virginia is one of the chief pulpwood-producing areas . . . and Virginia is not producing as it should. The situation here is so bad that some mills have had to shut down for lack of Pulpwood.

## What Are You Going To Do About It? Pulpwood Always Will Be In Demand

If you have any suitable woodland of your own; if you can cut and haul pulpwood from someone else's land; if you can take even a part-time job in the woods, you have an opportunity to help shorten the war and at the same time put yourself in a fine peacetime business.

The greatest source of increased pulpwood production so far has been the farm woodlot, and it is to the farmer we must look now for help in meeting the present emergency.

The present huge demand for pulpwood is due to the war; but it isn't going to stop when the war stops. Many new uses have been developed for pulpwood for which there is a waiting civilian market.

Pulp and paper — already the nation's 6th largest industry — has a great post-war future. Pulpwood is the basic raw material for many of the new products that are coming. It will be a good business for you to be in after the war as well as today.

**NEEDED IN VIRGINIA — 200,000 CORDS BY MARCH 31st**

**Puckett**

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pulse? German tanks with Bazooka's.

One combat team of the 9th fought a battle just east of Bastongo that made the successful defense of that position possible. Tanks, artillery and infantrymen of this combat team stood and slugged it out against all the assault power the war machine could offer. Meanwhile American airborne forces and other armored units were gathering behind the 9th's combat team to defend the city itself.

After blasting the enemy spearhead and checking the headlong German onrush westward the 9th's combat team fell slowly back into Bastongo itself and continued to help defend the city. There were heroes of all ranks and position in this combat team. A second 9th armored combat team, after a speedy march from the north, struck the Germans below St. Vith soon after they began their offensive, they smashed the Nazis back only to find its flanks

were exposed. It then began to find it necessary to fight a holding and delaying action.

The effect of this determined stand below St. Vith split the wedge the Germans had driven into Belgium and stopped the force of their efforts to wheel northward and capture vital Belgium cities.

Still a third combat command, operating on the southern flank had a major part in confining the German steamroller to the northern areas of Luxembourg. This combat team defending the area around Echternach. The armored infantry battalion in this line-up frequently found itself fighting behind German lines. It was a confused melée throughout.

In the battles of St. Vith Bastongno and Echternach the 9th Armored Division wiped out large numbers of hardened German troops. It captured hundreds of prisoners and destroyed many German Tanks.

When the German offensive began, the 9th armored Division was the most powerful fighting unit present to oppose the initial onslaught. Men

of the 9th first faced the enemy in October in the hills of Luxembourg. General Leonard sent units of the division into the line at that time so they could become battle conditioned, even though they were technically in reserve. The Germans definitely were not facing green troops.

Twice during the offensive the Germans reported by radio that the 9th armored division, "Destroyed." The Germans don't mention it anymore. They think they are seeing ghosts.

The 9th armored division of which Pfc. Puckett is a member are now at a rest camp in France.

**Edwin A. Atwell**

Edwin A. Atwell, 69, died Tuesday night at his home at Nebo in Rich Valley.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mary Gullion Atwell, and several children.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 2:30 p. m. at Zion Methodist church in Nebo, with burial nearby.

**McCready Items**

McCready, Feb. 27—Mrs. D. B. Callahan and son of Supervisor, W. Va., spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matson Frye.

Cecil Prater, Dock Frye and Albert Gilbert have returned to the U. S. Navy after a visit with their wives and parents.

Pvt. Erwin Frye has reported back to Fort Meade, Md., after a few days visit with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Frye.

Mrs. Ruth Frye, Mrs. Bill Cahill and son spent last week in Bristol with Mrs. Bob Hagy.

Those attending the funeral of Ronny Lammie, Sunday at Erwin, Tenn., were Mrs. Robert Surber and daughter Darling Mrs. Nannie Henegar, Mr. and Mrs. Gray Maloyed and Rachel Lammie.

Marvin Frye of U. S. Navy is spending a ten day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Worley Frye.

Mr. and Mrs. Muncie Romans and son Joe of Radford spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Nipper

**Allison Gap**

BY EULA LEE HAYNES

Allison Gap, Feb. 28 — Mrs. Charles King visited her uncle Trigg Branham, in Lynch, Ky., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arville Miller announce the arrival of a son, Arville Wayne, at the Mathieson Hospital on Saturday, February 17, 1945. The father, of the United States Navy as a third class machinist mate, and is now taking special training in Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Charles Haynes, and daughter, Donna Sue, visited her brother, R. M. 3-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ratcliffe, who is spending a four-week furlough at home. He has served aboard the steamship "Chancellorsville" in the Asiatic theatre of operations for the last year. He has also served in the European theatre making a number of trips to North Africa. His brother, 1st Class Seaman Maynard Ratcliffe, has returned to San Francisco, California, for reassignment after spending a furlough at home. He has also served about a year in the southwest Pacific, on the steamship "Ochooo".

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Everheart have received a message from the War Department that their son, James, of the U. S. Army, had been wounded in action somewhere on the western front. This is the second time he has been wounded since the invasion of France.

**Quarry News**

BY IDA M. JONES

Quarry, Feb. 27 — Misses Fairy Davis and Eleanor Shreeves spent the weekend with Miss Rosa Cornett of Atkins.

Mrs. Lula Keesee and children of Chilhowie spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam K. Sessor.

Mrs. John R. Keesee is very sick at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. McNeal announce the birth of a daughter born Friday, February 24, at the M. A. W. hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Shreeves and Ruth visited Saturday their daughter Mrs. Lawrence Thompson of Meadowview.

Mr. N. G. Hammond was hurt Friday when his horses ran away with him. His legs were hurt very badly.



**PVT. A. B. CARTER REPORTED MISSING**

Pvt. Arthur Blake Carter of Saltville and Baltimore has been reported missing in action in Belgium since January 20 his mother, Mrs. T. M. Carter has been informed by the War Department.

He entered the army in July 1944, and has been overseas since the first of the year 1945. He received his training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Pvt. Carter spent his last furlough in December in Marion at the home of his brother, T. M. Carter on Cemetery, St.

**He's All in One Piece.**  
Hello Friends:  
Just thought I'd let you know that I'm still doing all right and all in one piece so far.  
I'm in the "Fighting Ninteth" Division — deep in the snow and cold — with General Patton's Third Army.  
My regards to everyone I knew there in Marion and remember — we can do our best here when we know you are doing your best at home.  
Carlos Dean Coffey



In the background with this Nazi flag captured by American soldiers in Germany is Pfc. Arthur E. Doane of Marion. His family may have this picture by calling for it at the Print Shop.

**Pfc. Ralph Pugh Home From Italian Front**

Pfc. Ralph Pugh, 24, husband of Peggy Pugh, Main St., Marion, wounded May 26 in fighting in Italy is now at home on ten day leave with his left arm still bandaged up. Shell fragments got him in fighting six miles away from Rome. He had been sent to North Africa nine months before and then to Italy where he had been fighting his way up the toe of the boot. He will return to the Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

**KEEP ON Backing the Attack WITH WAR BONDS**

**VIRGINIA'S PULPWOOD NEEDED FOR WAR**

Virginia normally produces 1,000,000 cords of pulpwood a year.

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**APPLICATION FOR 1945—MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE—1945**

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Application is hereby made for registration of vehicle described below for year 1945 and it is averred that the information given herein is true and correct and that the said motor vehicle is equipped according to law. I am not prohibited by provisions of chapter 384, acts of 1944, from purchasing license plates.

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**THE 1945 APPLICATION FOR A VA. MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE**

It looks the same as the one you signed last year Mr. Motorist, but it isn't. Read the underscored words in the upper left hand corner. You know what they mean? Just this - that you haven't violated or do not come under the provisions of the New Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Law - Make sure you are right on this before signing the card. Register your vehicle early. Registration begins March 15.



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# NEWS of SOCIETY and CLUBS

CALL IN NEWS ITEMS, ACCOUNTS OF PARTIES, CLUB MEETINGS, ETC. TO MATTIE R. UMBERGER 6551

## Dorothy Wassum Celebrates Birthday

Miss Dorothy Wassum entertained fifteen of her young friends at a party at her home last Saturday evening celebrating her tenth birthday.

Games were played and prizes were won by Barbara Ann Hurt, Fay Scott and Jean Badger.

After Dorothy opened her gifts refreshments were served by Mrs. Robert Wassum. Mrs. T. F. Wassum and Miss Jolie Prater.

**Mrs. Wooden Entertains Club**  
Mrs. E. E. Wooden Jr., entertained her bridge club at her home last Thursday evening.

Mrs. John Dallen won high score in bridge and Mrs. Vivian Dugger won bingo.

Following the bridge games Mrs. Wooden served a dessert course.



**Miss Hope Henegar**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Henegar Sugar Grove has received her commission as second lieutenant in the army nurse corps and reports to Fort George G. Meade, Maryland for basic training March 1st.

She is a graduate of the University of Virginia Hospital School of Nursing and a member of the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps. Since September she has been employed at Lee Memorial Hospital.

**Jack Walker**, V-12, Duke University, Durham, N. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Walker Jr. Jack will leave March 5 for midshipman school at Fort Schuyler, N. Y.

## Best Known Home Remedy For Relieving Misereries of CHILD'S COLDS

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## Miss W. W. Wassum Married To Paul Albright Saturday

In a ceremony performed Saturday night, February 24 at 7 p. m., in the First Methodist church in Marion, Miss Beulah Gay Wassum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wassum, became the bride of Paul Dexter Albright of Detroit, Michigan, son of Mrs. Sadie Lauderbourg of Grand Rapids, Michigan. The church was attractively decorated with spring flowers.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. H. Carter, officiating in the absence of the Rev. Paul Worley. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore navy blue crepe with matching accessories and a corsage of tallisman roses.

The groom had as his best man, Cpl. C. Harless Wassum, U. S. Army, of Richmond, brother of the bride.

The bride's mother wore powder blue with a corsage of tallisman roses.

Mrs. Albright has been employed in Akron, Ohio for the past three years. Mr. Albright holds a position with the F. L. Jacobs Company, of Dearborn, Michigan.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Anderson attended the Hecht's Bakery annual banquet February 21 at the Shelby Hotel in Bristol.

Mrs. Mary Waddell visited her daughter, Jessie B. Waddell, MAM 3-c, of the Naval Training station at Norfolk this past weekend.

Mrs. N. V. Trent, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Maud Cornett, 103 Broad St., left recently to visit her son, Boyce Robbins, of Alabama. Mrs. Trent, who is 78, has made her home in Boreman, Montana for the past 35 years. She expects to return to Marion to spend the summer with Mrs. Cornett.

Mrs. Walter Jackson of Winston-Salem, N. C., spent the past weekend with her sister, Miss Hope Henegar.

Mrs. Alfred Osborne received a letter from her husband, Pfc. Alfred H. Osborne, stating that he is with General Patton's 3rd Army in Luxembourg.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Umberger and Mrs. King of Crockett were guests Sunday of Mrs. Gordon W. Umberger.

W. W. Hawkins, Jr., S 2-c, and Mrs. Hawkins and baby of Washington, D. C., visited his mother, Mrs. W. W. Hawkins, Sr., last week.

Flight Officer William Sparks arrived here last Thursday from Chandler, Arizona to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sparks. He left Wednesday for Columbia, S. C.

Mr. R. M. Richardson, who has been a patient at Lee Memorial hospital, returned home Tuesday morning and is getting along nicely.

Miss Polly Heffinger, who recently underwent an appendectomy at Lee Memorial hospital, has returned home and is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Goodman received word that their two sons, A. H. Goodman Jr., Petty Officer 1-c and Harold Goodman S 1-c, have met in Hawaii. Petty Officer Goodman is serving on an aircraft carrier and Seaman Goodman has been stationed in Hawaii for the past three months.

C. Davis Wassum returned Wednesday after spending a few days in Baltimore on a buying trip for United Stores, Inc.

George Weimer of Portsmouth was a business visitor here this past weekend.

Byron Anderson Jr., V-12, Naval Training Unit of University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Anderson Sr.

T-Sgt. G. H. Ferguson and wife and little daughter of Quantico, Va., spent a few days last week with Sgt. Ferguson of Sugar Grove. Miss Thelma Ferguson of Bristol, Tenn., also visited homefolks last week.

G. C. "Boots" Walker, V-12 Naval Training Unit of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., arrived Friday to spend the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Walker Jr. He was accompanied home by Frank Williams of Roanoke Rapids, N. C., and Dick Chatham of Winston-Salem, N. C., also of the V-12 Unit.

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## Baptist Church

**Thursday:** The Margie Shumate Circle will meet at the church at 6:30 p. m. for a "pot luck" supper, to be followed by a mission study class.

**Friday:** The Sherril Memorial Class will meet at 7:30 p. m. at the church.

**Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Baptist Training Union, 6:15 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.

**Monday:** The deacons will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m.

**Wednesday:** Circles will meet at 2:30 p. m., the places to be announced.

Senior Choir practice immediately after prayer meeting.

## Lutheran Church

**Thursday:** 7:30 Altar Guild meeting at home of Mrs. R. A. Anderson.

**Sunday:** 9:45 Sunday School. 11:00 Morning Worship. 6:30 Luther League. 7:30 Lenten Service.

**Monday:** 6:30 Brotherhood Dinner.

**Tuesday:** 7:45 Church Council Meeting.

**Wednesday:** 3:30 Catechetical Classes. 7:30 Lenten Service. 8:30 Choir Rehearsal.

## Presbyterian Church

**Sunday:** 9:45 a. m., Sunday School. 11:00 a. m., Morning Worship. Every Member Canvass. 6:45 p. m., Meeting of Young People.

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship.

**Chapel Meetings:** 1:30 p. m., Spruce Creek. 3:15 p. m., Walker's Creek. 7:30 p. m., Matson Chapel.

**Wednesday 3:30 Circle Meetings:**

No. 1, Mrs. D. D. Query, chairman, with Mrs. Harry Buchanan.

No. 2, Mrs. O. C. Sprinkle, chairman, at the church.

No. 3, Mrs. G. H. Norwood, chairman, with Mrs. Virginia Brosius.

**Wednesday:** 7:30 p. m., Mid-week Prayer Meeting and Bible study.

## Methodist Church

**Sunday:** 9:45 a. m., Sunday School. 11:00 a. m., Morning Worship.

5:00 p. m., Vesper Service. Dr. Joseph Hopper, guest speaker.

6:00 p. m., League Meetings. 7:30 p. m., Prayer Service at the home of Charles Shupe, with Miss Emma Perkins, leader.

**Tuesday:** 7:30 p. m., Prayer Service at Harry Groseclose's with Miss Emma Perkins, leader.

**Wednesday:** 3:00 p. m., Circle Meetings: No. 1 with Mrs. D. D. Stalzy. No. 2, with Mrs. R. G. Gool-sby.

No. 3, with Mrs. John Lipscomb. No. 4, with Mrs. Q. A. Calhoun. No. 5, with Mrs. Curtis Ham.

7:30 p. m., Prayer meeting.

## NINE ON BOARD OF CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY

At the annual meeting of the Children's Home Society of Virginia held in Richmond on February 21 E. L. Pugh, Sugar Grove; Mrs. John Lynch Sanders, and Mrs. James Hut-ton Greever of Chilhowie were elected as members of the Board of Sponsors of the Society. Additional members who were re-elected are: Miss Frances Eller, Chilhowie; Nathan Brisco, Rev. Edgar Ferrell of Marion; H. L. Craft, E. A. Hulls and Walter Stuart of Saltville.

A total of 546 children were cared for by the Society in 1944 at a cost of \$118,785.75. The Society adopted a budget totaling \$127,600.00 for 1945.

## Cedar Springs

BY MRS. M. E. MYERS

Cedar Springs, Feb. 29—Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ashlin celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary February 25th with a dinner at their home. The children present were: Mrs. Adam Ieontuk, Landgraf, W. Va.; Mrs. Ollie Gilliam, Bluefield, W. Va.; L. E. Ashlin Hays, N. C.; Floyd Ashlin, Princeton, W. Va.; Dewey Ashlin, Yards, Va.; and Walter at home. They have two sons in the service, Pvt. Gilbert, Camp Howze, Texas and T-Sgt Ted, Thornton, Ill. Others present were: Elmer Snyder, Bluefield, W. Va.; Mrs. Dewey Ashlin and daughters, Nellie and Marie; Mrs. Barnet Hall, and Mrs. Mae Hackler and son, Ronnie.

**Funeral services for Seaman 1st Class Charles Edward Wyatt** who died February 20 at St. Louis Mo., were conducted on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the Church of God by Rev. E. P. Burrows. Interment was in the Middle Fork cemetery. Pall bearers were Ralph Berry, Billy Hagy, Ben Hankla, Calvin Neikirk, Odis Peak and Clarence Peak Jr. Flower bearers were Lola Blevins, Joyce Burrows, Dorothy Odum, Della Porter, Carrie Jackson, Kate Riffey, Mabel Neikirk, Belle Hawthorne, Lena Peak, Bertha Peak, Fanda Hagy and June Berry.

Seaman Wyatt is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wyatt, one sister Anna Lee Wyatt and one brother Herman Wyatt.

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Seaman Wyatt is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wyatt, one sister Anna Lee Wyatt and one brother Herman Wyatt.

## Mrs. Mary E. Olinger

Mrs. Mary E. Olinger, 89, died Monday at the home of a daughter Mrs. J. T. Burkett, at Atkins.

Surviving are two sons and six daughters.

Funeral services were conducted at Ridgedale Methodist church, Rich Valley at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday. Burial was in the church cemetery.



**Lewis J. Ward**, M 1-c, Class Petty Officer, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ward, Marion, Rt. 3. He is home on a 15 day leave after which he will report to Norfolk for 10 weeks training before going overseas. He has been in the Navy five years.



**Cpl. Everett S. Adams** has served in the army for 18 months. He has been in the Southwest Pacific for 13 months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Adams of Colara, Md., and the husband of Celia Ward Adams, Marion, Rt. 3. He has two brothers, Sgt. Thomas C. and Pvt. Ellsworth D. on the front lines in Germany. Recently Cpl. Adams wrote home:

"It is so hot here it seems as if the sun will burn a hole right through the top of our tent. If we weren't kept busy it would be very easy to go 'batty' in a place like this. I have seen lizards 3 1-2 feet long. We have 60 trucks that we keep rolling. When we start a job we have to keep on it till it is finished regardless of how long it takes. Keep those letters coming for they are all we have to mark the time by."

Randy, the seven months old son of Cpl. and Mrs. Adams. Cpl. Adams is very anxious for a visit with the little son whom he has never seen.

## Troutdale

BY MRS. F. J. PASLEY

Troutdale, Feb. 27 — Mrs. Kenneth Shaw and small daughter Barbara of Washington, D. C., are visiting Mrs. Bettie Halsey.

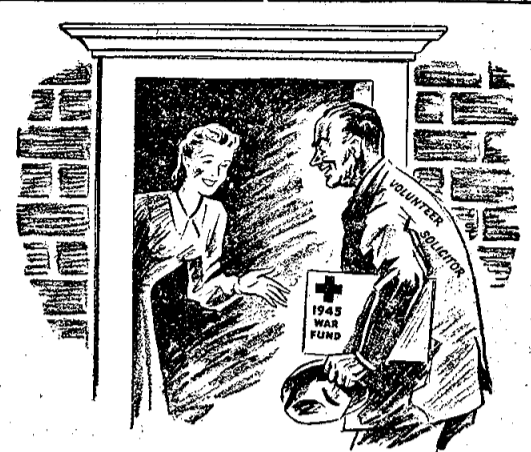
Mrs. F. J. Pasley, Mrs. G. M. Snyder and Mrs. G. F. Frazier and daughter of Marion visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paul Bryant, Sunday.

Mr. R. F. Phipps is right sick.

Mr. J. W. Baker and family have moved to the A. M. Greear house.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Greer announce the birth of a daughter at Lee Memorial hospital, February 12.

G. H. Carnett Jr., of the U. S. Army, Fort Story, spent last weekend with his family here.



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## Help Wanted

HOSPITAL ATTENDANTS male and female at Southwestern State Hospital. Room, board, laundry furnished. Contact Superintendent of Nurses or Supervisor. J. K. Blalock, Supt. 7-1-43 46

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## Lost & Found

LOST—Two black, white and tan, blanket back, female foxhounds. One has the letters H (at) 1007 (7) ear, the other has the letters K (7) B (at) 1007 in ear. Liberal reward for information concerning either hound. Dr. Harry M. Hayter, Abingdon, Va. 2t 3-1-45 8

FOUND — Money found in store. Owner may have same by paying for ad. Brisco's Store. 1t 3-1-45 2t

## Card Of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS — We wish to express our deep appreciation to our friends for the many acts of kindness shown us in the loss of our dear husband and father, Mr. J. G. Atkins and family.

CARD OF THANKS — We wish to thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our father and husband Mr. F. H. Byrd. The family.

## In Memory

IN MEMORIAM — In memory of our darling baby son, Belton Eugene Kell, who was called away one year ago March 30, 1944 at the age of five months and two days.

There was an angel band in Heaven,  
That was not quite complete,  
So God called our darling baby  
To fill the vacant seat.  
God knew he was too pure for  
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FOR SALE — One heavy team with harness. One new wagon. W. L. Sturgill, Chilhowie, Va., Rt. 1. 2t 3-1-45 60\*

FOR SALE — 97 acre farm with one 6 room house, one 4 room house, one large barn other outbuildings. Good spring water. Plenty of fruit. 2,000 cash. Located on Bear Creek. Floyd Waddell, Marion, Va., Route 1. 6t 2-8-45 72\*

FOR SALE — Roll Top desk. Phone 4861. 2t 3-1-45 14\*

FOR SALE — For first grade rutabaga and cabbage seed find same at Lamb Gas & Oil Company, Staley Addition. By E. H. Philippi. 2t 3-1-45 42\*

FOR SALE — Bathnet in good condition. Call 5262. 1t 3-1-45 25\*

FOR SALE — Pigs and Shoats. Howard G. Hutton, Attorney. 1t 3-1-45 25\*

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## Notice

NOTICE — Complete Beauty Course \$110.00 Graduate in three months, no high school education necessary, marriage or single girls. We secure you a well paying position Mayfair College of Beauty Culture, Lynchburg, Va. 5t 3-1-45 62



Fred B. Bales, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bales of Groseclose, has been assigned to a new aircraft carrier as a machinist's mate. His ship was recently launched on the west coast.

## Mrs. Andy C. Cole

Mrs. Andy C. Cole died on Wednesday at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. E. Baker in Morristown, Tenn. Funeral services will be conducted Friday morning at eleven o'clock at the Lebanon, Methodist church, Chilhowie, Virginia. Mrs. Cole is survived by seven children. Children living in Chilhowie are Mr. M. B. Cole and Mr. P. L. Cole.

## For Hire

FOR HIRE — For household moving or any local hauling See W. W. Simms or call 2745. 4t 2-15-45 30\*

## Legal Notice

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**— I have qualified as Administrator of the Dr. W. H. McCarty Estate. All parties indebted to the Estate should make settlement at once; any claim against the Estate should be filed with the Administrator. J. B. McCarty, Administrator of the Dr. W. H. McCarty Estate. 2t 3-1-45 100

## Notice

## NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE

Sealed bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor, Roanoke, Virginia, up to and including March 31, 1945, at 2:00 p. m., E. W. T. for all the merchantable timber marked for cutting on an area embracing 185 acres on the Bear Ridge Chance, Smyth County, Virginia, in what is designated as the Holston Working Circle, Jefferson National Forest, estimated to be: 36.21 M bd. ft. of chestnut oak, 66.11 M bd. ft. of red oak, 1.48 M bd. ft. white oak, 142.43 M bd. ft. chestnut, 4.10 M bd. ft. pitch pine, 13.45 M bd. ft. sugar maple, and 25.48 M bd. ft. of other species, more or less. The above volumes are to be accepted as final. The lowest acceptable price for this timber is \$1,032.65. In addition to the above price a cooperative deposit totaling \$202.50 for start improvement on the sale area will be required. Therefore, the lowest bid (stumpage plus cooperative deposit) that will be considered for the timber marked and measured for cutting within this boundary will be \$1,264.95. In addition to the timber listed above there is upon the advertised sale area 23 long tons of chestnut oak tanbark, the removal of any or all of which will be optional with the purchaser at \$2.00 per long ton. Agreement as part of the bid to take all or definite amounts of this optional material at the minimum price of \$2.00 per long ton, or a higher price, will be considered in determining the highest bid as a basis for award of sale. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check in the amount of \$300.00 to be applied as first payment on the purchase price, refunded or retained in whole or in part as liquidated damages according to conditions of sale. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Award will be made on the basis of the greatest net return to the Government. Before bids are submitted bidders should examine the sale area on which all timber to be cut has been marked, and should obtain full information concerning the timber conditions of sale, and the submission of bids from the Forest Ranger, Marion, Virginia, or Forest Supervisor, Roanoke, Virginia.

On March 16, 1945, the Forest Ranger will be prepared to accompany any and all interested parties over the chance to show the timber and give full information on the conditions of sale. Interested parties should meet at the Ranger's office, Marion, Virginia, before 10:00 a. m. 2t 3-1-15-45

## Rural Retreat

BY MRS. J. E. COOKE

Rural Retreat, Feb. 27 — The MacDowell Music Club met last Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Harold Gammon with Mrs. W. E. Carroll, Miss Frances Richmond, Mrs. Millard Newland and Mrs. Fred Div's as joint hostesses. Miss Mary Brown Cassell, leader for the evening had chosen for her subject, Grand Opera and used Tannhauser, by Richard Wagner as her theme. Miss Alina Baumgardner accompanied her on the piano in her selections and illustrations.

Following the program, refreshments, carrying out the George Washington idea, were served by the hostesses.

The club, with Mrs. W. E. Carroll, as director, will present an Easter Cantata on Easter Sunday at the evening service.

The body of Mrs. John W. Effert, a former resident of this place, was brought from her home in Roanoke Thursday morning and interred in Mountain View cemetery. A short burial service was conducted by Rev. Walter Spence; the funeral service having been held at the Oakley funeral home in Roanoke on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Effert is survived by her husband, one daughter and a son, all of Roanoke. She was a sister of Mrs. Trigg Scott of Marion.

Rev. J. E. Davis is reported as much better following an illness of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kyle and daughter Linda of Abingdon visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. G. R. Umberger has returned from a visit to her son, Capt. Stafford Umberger in Washington, D. C. She also visited relatives in Sparks, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Coldicott of Cedar Bluff were guests of the former's sisters, Mesdames Janie Spencer, Minnie Smith and R. H. Kinder, Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Shumate, Miss Frances Kyle, Mrs. J. E. Cooke and Mrs. Ward Kyle were visitors in Bristol, Thursday.

Hugh Buck of Bristol spent the weekend here with his sister, Mrs. C. W. Davis and family.

Misses Ethel Roberts of Radford, and Mamie Roberts of Pulaski spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Roberts on the Lee highway.

Corp. Billy Baumgardner has returned to Roanoke after spending a week's furlough here with his father, G. S. Baumgardner and family.

G. M. Vaught continues ill at his home here.

Miss Marie Phillippi of Christiansburg spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Phillippi.

Mrs. R. L. Cornelson and daughter Miss Helen Cornelson of Bristol were visitors here Sunday.

Mrs. Hope Heldreth and son Charles, who were called here last week on account of the sudden death of Mr. Heldreth have returned to Saltville, where Mrs. Heldreth is teaching this year.

Miss Virginia Phillippi, cadet nurse of Jefferson hospital, Roanoke, spent last weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Phillippi.

Mrs. N. O. Williams and children of Wythville spent several days with Mrs. William's mother, Mrs. Greek Neff and family.

## Rich Valley

BY MRS. J. S. ROBERTS

Broadford, Feb. 27 — Mrs. E. L. Roberts has received word that her brother-in-law Major Carl Koellner has recently been transferred from Camp Fannin, Texas, to Montgomery, Ala. Mrs. Koellner, little daughter Carolyn and her mother, Mrs. Hattie Maiden went to Alabama last week.

Misses Shirley Hilt and Evelyn Gass spent the weekend with Mrs. Walter Hilt in Richland's where Mrs. Hilt is teaching.

Mrs. Wilks Thrasher returned home from Chattanooga last Monday. She was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Fisher Ames, who returned home Saturday.

C. T. Barnes returned home from Richmond last Thursday where he had been under medical treatment for several days. Foster Whiteley is a patient in Lee Memorial hospital, Marion.

Mrs. J. M. Pratt and Mrs. Archie Buchanan were in Abingdon last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Harris have arrived in England.



Pfc. James "Peadie" Wyatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wyatt of Rich Valley. He entered service January 27, 1944. He is now serving with the fifth Army in Italy. He was recently awarded the good conduct medal. Before entering service he was a student of the Rich Valley High school and an outstanding football player.

## O. P. A. Discusses Price Control In Smyth

A step-by-step explanation of how the price panel of the local War Price and Rationing Board shall handle price and posting violations was given by representatives from the Roanoke OPA District office at a meeting held in the War Price and Rationing Board, Va. 2:30 P.M. Thursday, Feb. 22-45.

The meeting was a part of a district-wide move to establish a uniform procedure for price panels in the disposition and settlement of retail violations and to bring about closer cooperation between price panels and the District Office Enforcement Division.

A major responsibility for controlling prices at the retail level rests upon the price panel, Paul E. Caldwell, Field operations officer stated in opening the meeting, adding that where the panel does not fully perform its duties, price violations are more prevalent.

Observing that it is now commonly accepted that the country would be in a chaotic condition without price control and that the price line must be held at all costs, Mr. Caldwell said it is necessary that the price panel understand its future responsibilities. He cautioned against the "tendency to relax in our vigilance" as victory approaches in the European theatre of war.

A general discussion of Price Panel Operating Instruction No. 1, issued by the District Director, followed Mr. Caldwell's remarks. This directive sets forth the steps to be taken by the price panel in handling violations. It also outlines the part the District Office will take in enforcement drives, surveys and investigations.

Following are the chief provisions of the new procedure:

For the first non-willful price violation: a price panel hearing, signing of a non-compliance agreement, and a written warning notice. If the violations cover a period of time, refunds where the names of purchasers are known, or \$25 for each overcharge or for as many overcharges as the panel thinks proper; or where the overcharge amounts to more than \$5, payment to the U. S. Treasurer. If single overcharge of less than \$5, if the purchaser is known, refund should be made. If not, panel may demand payment of \$25 or dispose of the case by compliance agreement and warning letter.

For the second non-willful price violation: a price panel conference and demand for refunds to overcharged persons. If unknown, settlement by payment to U. S. Treasurer of \$25 for each violation, or exact amount of overcharge, which

ever is greater. The seller shall again be required to sign a compliance agreement.

First offense posting violations may be disposed of by verbal agreement or summons before panel for instructions on posting requirements, warning letter and signing of compliance agreement. For second violation, a conference with panel, a warning letter and signing of compliance agreement. For further offenses the panel will recommend District Office action.

Willful or flagrant price or posting violations must be referred to the District Office.

Those attending the meeting from Roanoke, besides Mr. Caldwell were Mr. Raymond Boyd, Mrs. Annette Rouse. Taken part in the meeting were the following from the local board: Mr. Leon D. Beville, Mr. Walter E. Johnston, Mr. Harold Greenwood Mr. Fred Graybeal Mr. H. L. Craft, Mrs. Margaret Madison, Mrs. Peggy Miles.

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## Mrs. James G. Comer

Mrs. James G. Comer, 74, died here Saturday evening while sitting in her automobile on the street in Marion. She appeared in usual good health, according to her family, when she left home and was found dead by her family when they returned to the car. The former Mary Ann Cornman, she is survived by her husband, two sons, W. G. Comer, Marion; W. T. Comer, Bristol; four daughters, Mrs. R. L. Goodpasture, Mrs. John T. Snider, Mrs. Byron Groseclose, all of Marion and Mrs. L. M. Hall of Buckhannon, W. Va.; two sisters, Mrs. W. P. Pafford and Mrs. E. P. Robinson of Marion; and one brother, S. K. Cornman of Roanoke.

Funeral services were held in Centenary Methodist church Monday at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. D. A. Warner, the Rev. W. N. Parker and the Rev. S. W. Eblen conducting the services. Burial was in Wassum cemetery.

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Leo Gorcey, Huntz Hall, Billy Benedict

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Saturday, March 3

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Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette in

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Sunday - Monday

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Tuesday - Wednesday, March 6-7

Two Feature Pictures!

Number 1

Anne Baxter, John Hodiak, Charles Winninger in

**"Sunday Dinner For A Soldier"**

Number 2

Photographed by the U. S. Navy! Narrated by Lt. Robert Taylor.

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**CAB Investigates**

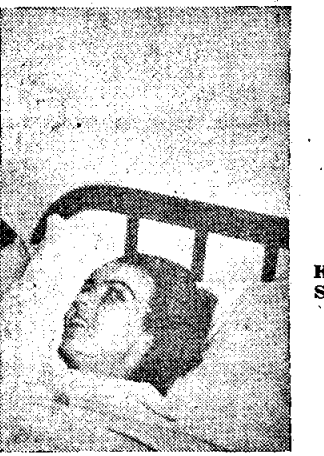
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one had seen or heard the missing plane in this section. Examination of the radio set parts by Robert Lee Bibb, American Air Lines superintendent of communications operations, that two of the receiver sets were tuned in apparently at Tri-City and one frequency was on the last point of contact at Pulaski. In regard to the failure of the other plane to contact the missing one, Mr. Bibb said "I do not believe he had radio trouble, but that the accident had already occurred at this time."

Other witnesses testifying at the morning session of the hearing were: Fred Powell, senior air safety investigator of the Civil Air Bureau, E. W. Hall, Ray Wyatt, State Trooper E. B. Archer, W. H. Dutton, Wiley Vaught, all of Smyth county; Charles Evans, contact operator for American Air Lines, of Nashville; and Miss Helen Wolf, radio operator at Tri-City.

To testify during the afternoon are H. R. Knight, town engineer of Marion and three CAB men K. C. Sonner on engines and propellers, Fred Powell on the examination of the structure of the wreckage and George French, meteorologist.

**Pfc. H. C. Surber** is now in France. He has been in the army about three years. He is a first cousin of Pvt. Denton Cruey now in an English hospital.



**Mrs. Sally Padgett**, American Airlines hostess, injured last Friday in the plane crash. Her husband is a marine on foreign duty.

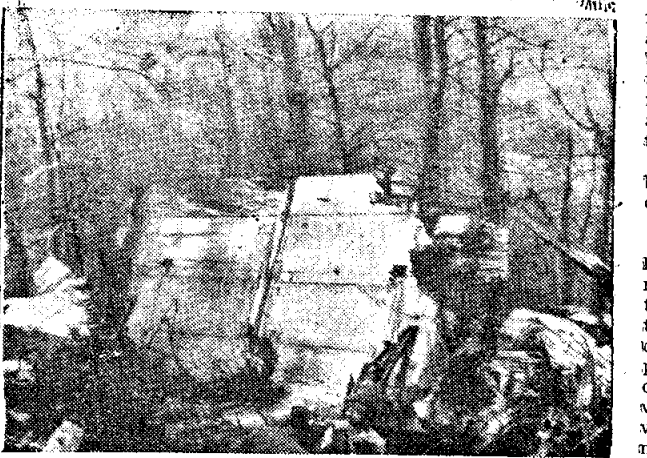
**K. H. CATRON IS SERGEANT**

With the 100th Infantry Division of the Seventh Army in France — Staff Sergeant Kelly H. Catron, son of Mrs. Leona A. Catron, of Saltville, Virginia was recently promoted from sergeant to his present grade. He is with a company of the 398th Infantry Regiment.

Miss Sue Sheffey Parrish of Fairfax Hall is visiting her grandfather, Dr. E. M. Copenhaver.



One of the many newspaper men to descend on Marion Friday night, February 23, to cover the plane crash was B. I. Saunders of Washington with this wirephoto equipment. By means of this portable set, pictures of the accident were transmitted to Washington from 10 till about two o'clock Saturday morning.



Wingside view of the wrecked American Airline passenger plane. Three of the survivors got a little protection from the wing during a night of snow and sleet.

**ENSIGN AND LIEUTENANT PRAISE SMYTH COUNTY**

"We never saw people be so nice to anyone," said Ensign Leonard Ricci and Lt. Erwin Schwartz, survivors of the plane crash last Friday, commenting on the treatment they have received at Lee Memorial hospital and from the rescue party. "I was worried about the older men who took off their coats to give us and who helped carry us down the mountain," Lt. Schwartz added. "Nothing you can say is too much to describe how well we have been treated," was Ricci's statement as they both requested the Smyth County News to thank everyone for them.

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**Plane Crash**

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wife of John B. Padgett, of Nashville, Tenn., suffered a fractured skull in addition to a fractured left clavicle, doctors said. Her feet were also frozen.

Mrs. Ulen, who is the wife of Captain Francis Ulen, of the Planning Division, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Medical Corps, United States Navy, Washington, suffered a fractured right clavicle, an injured pelvis and a severe ankle injury according to attending physicians. The ligaments of the ankle were torn apart and the ankle bone was fractured.

Schwartz suffered a fracture of the left scapula, injuries to the same shoulder joint and his collarbone was torn away. Middaugh suffered a fractured left thigh, a splintered right scapula (shoulder blade) and sustained considerable brain concussion. Doctors said that a final examination had revealed no spinal injury nor any indications of a skull fracture.

Ricci has a dislocated right hip and a chipped fracture of one hip.

**Wiley Vaught's Story**

Wiley Vaught believes he heard the plane crash in the night near his farm, but at the time he thought the roar of the wind and storm simply distorted the noise of the plane. It wasn't until 12 o'clock noon that he and his wife listened to a broadcast which told of the plane still missing in their neighborhood. He had some wood to deliver, but afterwards "It just seemed as if I had to go. The Lord guided me." A mile from his home he passed Mrs. Ulen, then heard her and came back. "Can you help me?" she asked quietly. She had had no food or water and said Mr. and Mrs. Vaught seemed like angels to her when she reached their home. Mrs. Vaught

dressed her injuries as best she could, she telephoned her husband, Captain Francis Ulen, (D. C.) U. S. N., at Washington, D. C., and the Vaughns took her to Lee Memorial hospital.

The navy casualties included Commander John Frederic Robinson, New York City, who until detached from Washington several weeks ago for sea duty in the Pacific, had been acting director of the chaplains division of the navy.

Other navy men killed were Lieutenant Charles Beal Swift, Taurton, Mass.; Lieutenant

Morgan Linder Hobarta, Hollywood, Calif.; Lieutenant (jg) Roger de Coverley Moore, Coronado, Calif.; Lieutenant (jg) Harry Fahmy Young, San Diego, Calif.; Ensign Harry Wagner, New York City; Ensign John Weston Pabst, San Diego, Calif.; Ensign Thomas McClure Owen, New Haven, Conn.; Chief Pharmacists Mate Edwin Hughes Read, Augusta, Texas, and Coxswain Joseph James Wahs, New York City.

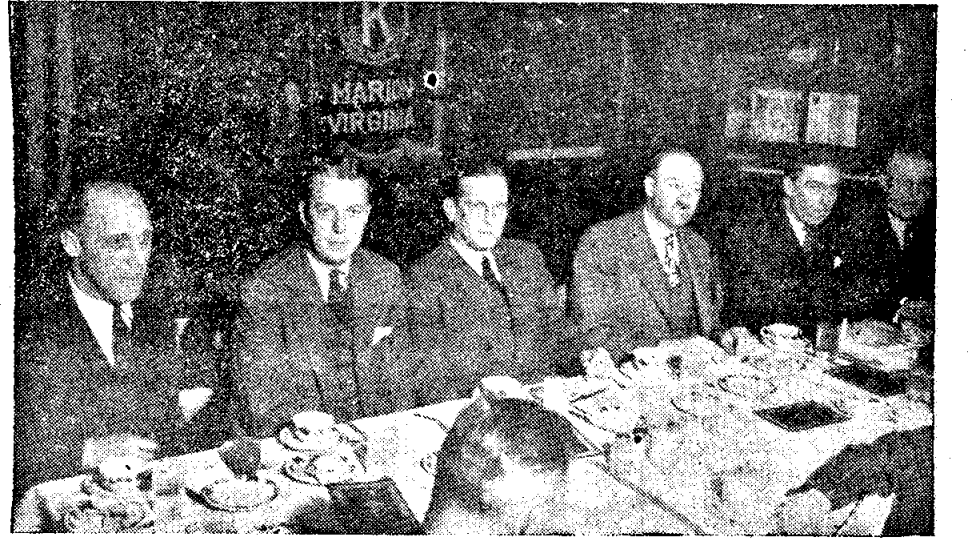
Marine Corps personnel killed were Second Lieutenant Sam Leonard Davis, Norfolk,

and Lieutenant Luter C. Smith Jr., Houston, Texas.

Davis had been married about three weeks, Schwartz said, and was very upset because his wife couldn't get plane passage with him.

One army man lost his life. He was Lieutenant-Colonel Alfred C. Frampton, Sapulpa, Okla.

Two other passengers, Major Caros Audifred, Mexico City, and Clyde J. Penney, Philadelphia, and two crewmen, Captain James E. Stroud and First Officer R. M. Brigman, both Nashville, also were killed.



**American Airlines top men** gave Marion Kiwanians more air consciousness at their meeting Tuesday night as the local club heard of the future of the airways and its present service.

From left to right in the picture are Ralph Lincoln, airlines officials W. H. Miller, M. D. Miller and Otto E. Kirchner, Kiwanis president Leon D. Beville and Frank Peery.

O. E. Kirchner, chief engineer of American Airlines, told of passenger plans of the future with movies, radios, air conditioning, food prepared on the plane, and greater frequency of schedule. He explained that the helicopter, pretty well established in the last year, is harder to operate takes longer to learn and will probably be used mainly for some time for mail pick up and short hauls. A modified C 54 with accommodations for 44 day passenger and 24 sleepers will set the pace for plane travel of the future. Jet propulsion plans have advantages but air lines are conservative, he said, and their use is a long way off.

W. H. Miller assistant vice-president in charge of operations, said that American Airlines was flying a million and a half miles monthly for the army. They made 1100 crossings over the Hump (India-China) in four months using 200 of their personnel. They now make 15 transoceanic crossings daily, and have modified 300 C-46's for cargo use for the army.

M. D. Miller, regional vice-president in charge of the Southern region, said that their ships being flown for passengers had reached a low of 42, but was now up to 67 with 13 being converted to commercial use. Conversion takes about four weeks and uses 15,000 man hours.

Other guests of Kiwanis were William K. Andrews, chief investigator for the Civil Aeronautics Board, Washington, Armond Gove, representative of Trans-continental Western Airlines, Robert Lynch, chief of the legal department, American Air Lines, Charles Flanagan, insurance department, A. A. L., I. C. McInnes, chief investigation officer A. A. L., T. J. Deegan, director of public information, A. A. L., J. Robert Smith, Chilhowie and Ken Young, chief photographer, A. A. L., who took this picture.

**Crock Gwyn Loses Cedar Springs Car Finds Wreck In 45 Minutes**

Some one helped himself to a Ford coach owned by R. Crockett Gwyn, Thursday night February 22 at 10:30 while the car was parked in front of R. M. Richardson's residence.

State trooper E. B. Archer and Gwyn found the wreck of the car 45 minutes later just beyond Ike Huff's new dairy barn on the Lee Highway near Glade Springs.

Skid marks in the road indicate that the driver of the car was going at high speed and hit a ditch, then a culvert smashing up the front fenders, hood and right door pretty thoroughly, Gwyn said.

He thinks also there might have been two in the car since someone went through the small compartment in front and got a pack of cigarettes. He's like to know if any driver picked up one or two hitchhikers about 11:15 last Thursday in the neighborhood of the wreck.

**Cedar Springs News Correspondent Praises Rescuers**

By Mrs. M. E. Myers.

The airliner crash here last Friday now of course is history but I should like to add a word of praise to the photographers and doctors and all the grand men who helped carry the dead and wounded up a perpendicular hill, then up a steep hill and then down to the road. If I had not made the trip myself with the aid of a sturdy cane I would never have fully appreciated the work of these valiant carrying burdens. Cameras, kodaks, and first aid equipment carried by people climbing the rugged mountain meant a huge sacrifice in strength. Ray Wyatt made the perilous trip there and back to call aid. I know this to be the truth as I was the first one to call the doctors. E. W. Hall who went with Ray watched the injured, until Ray and Dr. Sam Huddle arrived.